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Election Day is Tuesday, June 6

Great weather, great day

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

If Winters residents remember one perfect day in all of 2006, this year's Youth Day might be the one. After weeks of rain, spring returned just in time for the annual celebration of youth and the young at heart.

The 70th Annual Youth Day officially began with opening ceremonies, held on Friday, April 28. Youth Day Grand Marshal John Lopez was formally honored, and noted for his years of contributions to the Winters Little League program. Honorary Grand Marshal Peg Dozier was unfortunately unable to attend either the opening ceremonies or Youth Day events, as she had fallen earlier in the week and broken her leg. Winters third grade teacher Vickie Catalan was presented with the Educator of the Year award, and showered with praise from student Vasey Coman, now a senior at Winters High School.

The Sweetheart and Sweetthunk candidates were presented, and this year's honors went to Jackie Stocking and Jacob Thorne. Thorne was unable to attend opening ceremonies due to a conflict with baseball. Other Winters students who had their moments in the spotlight were those who participated in the annual talent show. In the end, Katie Hill wowed the judges with her rendition of Aretha Franklin's "Chain of Fools." Ivan Villa, Michael Rodriguez, Cel Galabasa and PJ Fernandez placed second with a break dancing act, and songstress Ashley Jordan placed third, singing "Beautiful Disaster."

Youth Day officials were also introduced at opening ceremonies. They included mayor Tyler Cross, council members Ozzy Arce, Sarah Warren and Savannah Waldron, city

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Photo by Charles Wallace

Emelia Orosco, 4, was swept up — literally — with the Youth Day Main Parade. Emelia was dancing to the music of Banda Perla Azul so enthusiastically as they passed, and the trumpet player invited her to join them. (More photos on page A-5.)



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

The Winters High School marching band wore their new uniforms, recently purchased by the Music Boosters, in the Youth Day Main Parade. From left are Catherine Hasbrook and Jimmy Guerrero.



Photo by Debra LoGuercio

Katie England, one of the Moms on Mopeds, waves to the crowd at the Youth Day Main Parade

Planners hold public hearings on three projects

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff Writer

The Tuesday, April 25 planning commission meeting was a short one, for a change.

The first action item was consideration of a lot split request for the property at 600 to 606 Railroad Avenue that includes the Lester Farms Bakery building. Winters Community Development Director Dan Sokolow said the proposal had been discussed for two years. The owner, Richard Tortosa, was seeking to split the property so that the bakery building would have its own land parcel and the office building would

be on the second parcel. Tortosa spoke about the request and said that the split was necessary to resolve parking egress issues for the two buildings. He said the split would allow him to sell the two properties separately.

"This is my first time addressing a planning commission," said Tortosa.

"This is my first time chairing one," replied commission chair Don Jordan.

Dr. Mazza would like to buy the portion that includes his office, according to Tortosa. The property is listed as two tax parcels, but the county legal description shows one parcel. Commissioner

Jack Graf moved that the lot split request be granted. Commissioner Cecilia Curry seconded, and the motion carried.

The second item was a site plan public hearing for a proposed home at 125 Carrion Court. The applicant, Douglas Morgan, is planning to construct a one story 2256 square foot home. Carrion Court is a private street with no sidewalks or gutters, according to Sokolow, and a one time flood control fee is required. Commissioner Albert Vallecillo asked about access to the site. Sokolow said that access is from Walnut St.

"The property owners have a home owners main-

tenance agreement, similar to that for the Whitworth-Barbour property at Liwai Village Court, Sokolow said. "The idea is to avoid Hatfield and McCoys type disputes over the shared access," Sokolow added.

Curry asked about the flooding problem. Sokolow said that flooding on that street is controlled by the use of swales, which are excavated depressions that parallel the margins of the street. Commissioner Pierre Neu moved approval and the motion was passed.

The third public hearing was for consideration of a

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WEATHER

Weather readings are taken at 9 a.m. each day, covering the previous 24 hour period.

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
April 26		70	53
April 27		86	53
April 28		92	54
April 29		90	55
April 30		83	58
May 1		93	56
May 2		93	58

Rain for week: 0

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OBITUARIES

Gail C. Page (Carey)

Gail C. Page (Cary) passed away on May 1 following a brief illness. Gail, a Winters resident, is survived by her beloved husband of 25 years Dan Carey, also a Winters resident, her devoted children Dennis and Diana, parents Harry H. Page of West Sacramento and Marion Page of Yreka, and sister Nancy Henley (Rich) of Red Bluff.

Gail was a microbiologist for Anheuser-Busch for 24 years. She will be remembered for her love of roses and all animals, especially her dogs. Donations in Gail's memory can be made to the Napa Humane Society, P.O. Box 695, Napa, Ca., 94559.

A visitation will be held Friday, May 5 from 6 to 8 at McCune Garden Chapel, 212 Main Street in Vacaville. A Funeral Service will follow on Saturday, May 6, at 2 p.m. also at McCune Garden Chapel.

Andrea Jean Childress

Andrea Jean Childress passed away gently at the age of fifty-four in the presence of her immediate family and her friend Melanie after struggling for two-years against cancer. Born in Boston, Massachusetts on January 21, 1952, Andrea lived in nearby Norwood until 1968 when her family moved to Bel Air, Maryland. There she graduated from Bel Air High School in 1970. In 1972, she and her future husband David moved to Berkeley to attend Merritt College. In 1975 they both moved to Rohnert Park, California where Andrea graduated from Santa Rosa Junior College with an AS degree in Radiological Technology. She subsequently worked as an X-Ray Technician at the Palm Drive Hospital in Sebastopol and at the Sutter Davis Hospital in Davis and as an Ultrasound Technician at Sutter Memorial in Sacramento for the past seven years. Andrea loved her family, her work, gardening and walking on the beach.

Andrea is survived by her mother and father, Bill and Madeline Austin, sisters Madeline Pruett and Martha O'Fallon and brother Mark, her loving children Michael and Amelia, and by her husband David.

A Rosary will be held on Monday, May 8, at 7 p.m. in the St. James Parish Church, Davis, followed by a funeral mass at 11 p.m. Those wishing to send flowers may send them to: Wiscombe's - Davis Funeral Chapel, 116 D St., Davis, CA 95616 and those wishing to make donations can send them to the: Children's Bereavement Art Group (CBAG), c/o Peggy Gulshen, Sutter Cancer Center, 2800 L St., Ste 400, Sacramento, CA 95816. Those who wish to sign a guest book on line may do so by visiting www.davisfuneral.com.



Winters weekly police report

April 15

~ On the first block of Main Street, a sculpture was stolen from the rear of a business. Loss: \$12,000.

April 22

~ On the 800 block of Jackson Street, property was stolen from a vehicle. Loss: \$100.

April 24

~ A vehicle that was stolen from the city of Dixon was recovered from a parking lot on the 100 block of East Grant Avenue.

~ At Anderson Avenue and Apricot Avenue, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

April 25

~ On the 200 block of Wild Rose Lane, a residence was entered. No property was stolen, but some property was damaged. Damage: \$20.

~ On the 800 block of

West Grant Avenue, a scooter was stolen. Loss: \$45.

~ On the 200 block of Red Bud Lane, parties were involved in a dispute reference child custody.

~ Geret John Losoya, 19, of Winters was booked and released on a District Attorney letter charging him with contempt of court by contacting persons protected by a court order.

April 27

~ Nathan Apodaca, 20, of Winters was arrested on an outstanding Yolo County Sheriff bench warrant charging him with failing to appear for jail time on previous charge of driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license. Apodaca was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ A 15-year-old Winters

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YESTERYEAR



Gay Warren, right, served as Youth Day Fire Chief in 1952. Fire Chief Pat McGarr, at right, is showing how to operate the siren on his command Jeep.

File photo

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YEARS AGO

May 13, 1971

A frog entered by Mrs. Agapito Aguirre won the Winters frog jumping contest at the City Park Saturday, and is eligible to enter Calaveras County Fair Frog Jumping Contest. Eighty-eight frogs were entered in the contest.

Postal rates will go up Sunday when the new U.S. Postal Service takes over the functions of the Post Office Department. First class postage will go up from six cents to eight cents for mailing a letter.

A group of Winters women are circulating petitions calling for the establishment of home delivery of mail in Winters.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors, meeting in Woodland Monday, approved a change of zone from agricultural general to highway commercial on five acres north of the Interstate 505 overpass east of Winters. The zoning change was requested by P.G. and Doris R. Manas and John and Anna M. Muller.

Mr. and Mrs. Salvador Vaca, of Winters, are the parents of a daughter, born May 10, 1971 in the Davis Community Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Herrera, of Winters, are the parents of a daughter, born May 10, 1971 in the Davis Community Hospital.

The float entered in the Youth Day parade by the Winters Boy Scout Troop 90, which won the sweepstakes award, also placed first in the junior civic division of the Dixon Fair Parade.

Miss Niki Greenwood entertained Friday evening, May 7, at a linen shower given in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Greenwood, honoring Miss Carolyn Tortosa, who will wed Robert A. Bellis on May 22.

The Winters High School Warriors defeated Esparto High School Spartans in a baseball game in Esparto Friday by a score of 8 to 0. Ken Galloway was the winning hurler, giving up one hit while striking out 13.

50
YEARS AGO

May 24, 1956

Apricot shipping season started yesterday Clem Hartley, packing for Mendelsohn-Zeller, shipped 250 lugs of seedlings by truck to Los Angeles and 75 lugs to the New York auction, in a pool car loaded at Lodi.

Don Freeland, of Redondo Beach, son of Ted Freeland, of Winters, this week qualified for the annual Memorial Day race at Indianapolis, to be one of 29 drivers entered in the race.

The Winters Elementary School Board of Trustees has set up a new salary schedule, with a range of from \$3,800 annually for teachers with provisional credentials up to a maximum of \$6,500 for teachers with a life diploma, or a bachelor of arts degree plus 78 units.

A group of 27 nimrods went salmon fishing Sunday in a cruise sponsored by the Winters District Chamber of Commerce. The group left Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco in three boats, and returned with 22 fish.

Charles Olson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Olson, has been named valedictorian of the Winters Joint Union High School, class of 1956. George G. Wren, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dee M. Wren, has been named salutatorian.

Art Chaboya, Winters High School coach, has been selected to give the commencement address at the annual graduation exercises of the Winters Elementary School, to be held next Thursday evening in the High School gym.

Memorial services will be conducted in the Winters Cemetery on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, sponsored jointly by the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary. Rev. Fr. Andrew Coffey will be the speaker for the occasion.

Berryessa rises .41 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa rose by .41 of a foot during the past week, with a increase in temporary storage of 7,968 acre feet of water, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District. The lake is more than 18 inches above the spillway.

Faulkner reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 441.97 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,640,469 acre feet of water. The spillway at the Monticello Dam is 439.96 feet above sea level.

The SID is diverting 180 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 1,298 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 181 acre feet of water per day during the week.

100
YEARS AGO

May 25, 1906

At the opera house tonight, see the moving pictures of the ruins of San Francisco, showing the once elegant buildings, the wrecked homes, the relief camps, the refugees in the breadline, etc., etc. 16,000 pictures in all will be shown on the moving picture machine.

Special memorial services will be held in the Masonic Cemetery Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Rev. Ragan will deliver an address on "The Cost of Liberty."

The town trustees met in special session Tuesday night to consider bids for street sprinkling. There was but one bid. C.M. Cole offered to sprinkle the streets three hours per day for \$34 per month, and was given the work.

Harry Fredericks, who is attending the Brewer School in San Mateo County, has returned to his home near Madison for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McNeal and Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Settle went to San Francisco Tuesday to see the city. Though it is over a month since the disaster, they say the trip is worth taking just to see what a complete wreck the city is.

Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Baker visited friends and relatives in Berkeley Saturday and Sunday. They also took in San Francisco, viewing the wreck.

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Portrait of some artists



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
The Art of Winters High School, an exhibit featuring pieces of Youth Art Month winners and selected advanced students, will be shown May 6-28 at the Winters Center for the Arts, 31 Main Street. Some featured artists include, back row (left to right) Kelsey Beall, Jackie Stocking, Caitlin Jensen and (front row) Rocio Lopez.

Michelangelo plays the Palms

The classis struggle between flesh and the spirit is portrayed through “Michelangelo,” a special concert performance at the Palms on Saturday, May 13 beginning at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased by phone at Pacific Ace Hardware, 35 Main Street, Winters, Armadillo Music, 205 F Street, Davis, or in Woodland at the Next Chapter Book Store, 622 Main Street. For additional information, call David Leibergot at 606-5936.

Art Walk will now feature live music

The next Winters Art Walk takes place on Saturday, May 6 in downtown Winters. Official Art Walk hours are noon to 6 p.m., but some participants are open earlier, as noted below. The complete listing and map is available and printable on line at www.PorFinPottery.com. For the first time, live music will grace the sidewalks from noon to 1 p.m. in front of Steady Eddy's during the Art Walk. Richard Hemenway (guitar), Guy Kyser (banjo), Kari King (mandolin), Jason Weinstein (guitar), Al Vallecillo (fiddle) and Dwight Howard (upright bass) will comprise the group of musicians. Steady Eddy's Coffee House, 5 E. Main St. will exhibit mixed medium art and quilted art from the private collection of Diane Graves-Lis, ceramics and prints by Sharon Bloom and pottery by Rebecca Bresnick-Holmes. Steady Eddy's is open from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. The Palms, 13 Main St., 1st Floor hallway is exhibiting Winters Tales: Oral History Project by photographer Jamie Chomas. The Palms is open from 4 to 8 p.m. The Arte Junction, 308 Railroad Avenue, exhibits can be seen at www.theartejunction.com. Art walk hours are 4 p.m to 8 p.m. Briggs & Co., 820 Rail-

road Avenue, will exhibit ceramic sculpture by Robert Finn and “Cruzan-do la Frontera” photography by Woody Fridae with artist reception and live music May 6 from 7-10 p.m. “Cruzando la Frontera” is a collection of stark images taken recently near in and around the border town of Nogales, Mexico. Briggs & Co. is open noon to 10 p.m. Berryessa Gap Vineyards, 15 Main Street, will exhibit “Fresh Forms,” paintings by Lynne Cunningham with a chance to meet the artist May 6, 3 to 6 p.m. Art Walk hours are from noon to 6 p.m. Lester Farms Bakery, 606 Railroad Avenue, will exhibit “Shadow/Light” photography by Larry Powell, a Woodland resident. Winters Center for the Arts, 31 Main Street, is exhibiting the Annual Winters High School Art Show featuring a reception on May 6 from 6-8 p.m. There is no charge to participate in the Art Walk. For more information call or e-mail Rebecca Bresnick Holmes at 795-0692 or Rebecca@porfinpottery.com. Visit www.PorFinPottery.com to download an Art Walk Map and Participant Listing and www.WintersCA.org for information about Winters.

‘Cruzando la frontera’ with photos

Photo by Woody Fridae
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Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO
BECAUSE I SAY SO

IVE JUST RETURNED from Dell Hell. It all started one ordinary afternoon, during an ordinary task, when suddenly my fancy-schmantzy Norton Systemworks software declared my Dell computer “unstable.” It needed to reboot. Once it did, it told me it was unable to reboot. Even though it just had. So, it needed to reboot. After about 45 go-rounds of this, Norton identified the instability as either a software bug (is that worse than a virus?) or a hardware problem.

Note that razor-sharp precision: “a” bug or “a” problem. In either the hardware or the software. That’s about as helpful as the doctor telling you there’s a problem with your liver. Or your heart. Or your uvula.

“Yikes, Doc, I have unspecified soft tissue damage?”

“Either that or all your bones are broken. Dunno.”

I dumped Norton and moved on to Dell. (Sounds like I’m dating a string of dweebs, doesn’t it?) I phoned Dell’s tech support, and after navigating the “press one, press two” labyrinth, a chipper recorded voice informed me, over and over for 45 minutes until I was nearly homicidal, that I could solve all my problems online at Dell’s website, which is immensely helpful when one’s computer is dead in the water.

Finally, someone with a thick Indian accent answered, and said his name was Shawn or Kevin, I can’t remember.

Shawn or Kevin. Right. You’re somewhere in Bangalore, and your name is Shawn or Kevin. Please. Apparently you’ve been advised that Americans, the poor simple, xenophobic slobs, simply cannot master an unfamiliar, ethnic name. Yet, lacking any computer programming skills whatsoever, they’ll be able to reformat a hard drive over the telephone at 2 a.m. with someone whose English fluency consists of reading from a script.

After directing me to hit this key and that, and to reboot about 50 times, Shawn or Kevin established that my hardware was fine. Next, we’ll – CLICK. Disconnected. I started over at “please press one.”

I eventually connected with Chinese Shawn or Kevin, who redetermined that my hardware was fine. Yay. All my bones aren’t broken. I’d therefore have to be transferred to a software technician. However, I was first intercepted by Filipino Sue or Kathy, who extorted \$99 before allowing me to speak with Venezuelan Shawn or Kevin, who promptly disconnected me again.

Starting over yet again, Indian Shawn or Kevin II had me diddle with this and that before delivering the unhappy news: my computer must be reformatted. Oh, dastardly deja-vu. That’s exactly what another Indian Shawn or Kevin told me last year when I had to reformat the hard drive.

I detect a pattern. Dell’s technicians can’t actually repair anything. They lead you through all sorts of gyrations and reboots, creating the appearance of expertise, but all they actually know how to do is reformat the hard drive.

Indian Shawn or Kevin II told me how to reinstall Windows XP, which takes 30 minutes. He promised to call back after that time to finish the process. Like a bad first date, I never heard from him again. However, he alerted me that just in case he couldn’t call back, a Dell technician would call me the next evening. Of course, none did. Back to “please press one.” Again.

The next two days were a blur of Canadians who really are named Shawn or Kevin. One theorized that my computer crashed again because last year’s reformatting was a repair-install, not an install-install. Which means exactly squat to me. Except that Original Indian Shawn or Kevin didn’t know what he was doing. Excellent.

My third Canadian brought me to the final step – updating Windows. Unfortunately, as the last living soul still using dial-up, this takes roughly 12 hours. He’d call back. I told him Dell’s track record for calling back was horrifically unimpressive. He promised, promised, promised that someone would call back the next day between 2-5 p.m. That was perfect, because I warned him I wouldn’t be home until 2 p.m., which he duly noted.

The next day, a Dell technician called back at exactly 12:30, astutely observed that he’d missed me, and gave me his personal extension so I could return his call and get right through. Sadly, that extension was no longer in service. Maybe Dell’s technicians should master the telephone and clock before moving up to software.

After all this, I’m a downright reformatting expert. Should my computer crash again, I won’t need to call Dell. I know what the solution is. It’s called a shotgun.



LETTERS

We had a (WFOl) ball

Dear Editor,

Did we ever have a ball! Thanks to everyone who made our WFOl Ball on Youth Day a great success. We raised just under \$1,000 towards new computers and internet access for the library. It sure was an unexpected and added thrill to win the Sweepstakes Award in the Man Parade with a \$200 prize for our drill team entry!

Thanks to those brave WFOlLers who put their better judgment aside for the day and dressed up in gowns and tuxes for the parade. At the beginning of the year when I said I was going to be sure that every activity/fund-raiser we did was going to be fun, I’m not sure anyone knew what they were getting into. A big thank you to Keith Carey and all the members of the “By the Book Brass Band” who made their parade debut. Thanks to Theresa Sackett for leading our entry in her convertible with Assembly woman Lois Wolk, a longtime library supporter.

A gigantic thank you to the King of the WFOl Ball, Dave Fleming of The

Palms. I’m not sure but he might be regretting the day last December in front of the bank when he said “WFOl? Hmmm....We should have a Wiffle Ball!” Never a good idea to plant a wacky seed like that in my head! Dave supported us in every possible way, from letting us practice at The Palms, to donating show tickets for our raffle, and giving WFOl part of the proceeds of the Mumbo Gumbo show.

Also thanks to Dan Martinez of Berryessa Gap Vineyard for donating four bottles of wine for the raffle and to Mumbo Gumbo for donating a CD. And last but not least, thank you, Debra Lo Guercio, for giving us such wonderful publicity!

I always have fun on Youth Day and I’m sure all of you do too. But, for me, this was absolutely the best Youth Day yet. Thanks to all of you who cheered us on in the parade and came to the WFOl Ball.

SALLY BROWN
WFOl President

P.S. To the Mom’s on Mope-ds, we’ll be seeing you next year!

Thanks to everyone who helped

Dear Editor,

My name is Traci Calvert and I am the varsity softball coach at Winters High School. As our season is coming to a close I would like to acknowledge a few people who have worked tirelessly to make our season happen. With the unusual amount of rain this spring it’s amazing we were able to play at all.

If it weren’t for parents and community members who volunteered their time, equipment and money our season would have been cut short. A huge thank you to the Hyer Family — your generous contribution will benefit softball players for years to come. Thanks to our “field crew,” Dave Hyer, Manny Garcia, Matt Brick-

ey, Rob Nickelsen, Katy Long, Cary Johnston, Don Calvert and “concession queen” Peggy Kelley — most of whom don’t even have daughters who play high school softball!

A special recognition to George Griffin for seeing to it our new fields were finished and playable. I would also like to thank Eric and Laura Lucero for their support and their excellent coverage of softball in the Winters Express. We are working very hard to build a competitive softball program at Winters High School. With support from the community, commitment from players and parents, I believe we will reach our goal.

TRACI CALVERT

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CHARLES R. WALLACE

A QUICK OPINION

BEST YOUTH DAY EVER? Is it just me, or was this one of the best Youth Days ever. Great parade, great crowd and great weather. I saw a few new faces at the Rotary Pancake Breakfast and a few old people who claimed they were in high school with me. There used to be crowd estimates for the Youth Day Parade, but I was always suspect of 8,000 people lining Main Street. I’m not sure how many people lined the parade route, but this was the biggest crowd I’ve seen in years.

My mother has been hosting a Youth Day picnic in her backyard for as long as I can remember, and this year I invited her new neighbors to drop by. They seemed glad to have someplace to go, and it gave them a chance to meet a few more people. We were talking about Youth Days past and how as soon as the parade was over everyone headed for some ones back yard. I always wondered what happened to the people who stopped by to watch the parade, but didn’t know anyone in Winters. Merchants would close for Youth Day, and it must have been a strange feeling to be standing on a deserted Main Street wondering what happened to all of the people.

Over the years the Youth Day Committee has put on entertainment at the High School and now at the park. Whatever they are doing it is a great success. The horseshoe tournament is still a big hit as are the kiddy rides, games and music. All in all, a great day. Hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

If you’d like to volunteer to help out with next year’s Youth Day, e-mail Tom Stone, the new Youth Day General Chairman, tmcmasters-stone@charter.net. I’m sure he’ll find a job for you.

LAWN SIGNS. You know there is an election coming up, there are more lawn signs than dandelions. When I got home on Sunday morning I found a note on the dining room table. It was a typical note telling me my permanent tenant was out and when she expected to be home. There was an aside telling me Sherri had run into Cecilia Aguiar-Curry and the subject of lawn signs came up. Cecilia wasn’t sure I would want a lawn sign, me being the impartial observer that I am. Sherri told Cecilia she would put it on her side of the lawn. Don’t you love it.

You’ll find candidates responses to the Express and a candidates statement in this week’s paper. It should give you a feel for what the candidates stand for. There is going to be a candidates night on Wednesday, May 24 at the Community Center. If you’d like to see the candidates up close and personal, that will be your chance.

Have a great week.

A few messages to a few people

Dear Editor:

A nice woman with wisdom, kindness and appreciation in her voice asked me at Youth Day, “Why haven’t you written lately? With all that is going on in town and the world, why are you not writing? I’ve really enjoyed what you’ve written before, keep on writing.” I didn’t have an answer then, but after reflecting on why, it came down to having enough time/energy to write from the heart while just living life/raising a family/etc. And so with that, today I write, for there are things that need to be said.

Charley: how can you say that a selective telephone poll of 140-150 people speaks for our city of 5,000-plus people regarding whether or not we’d be willing to pay more community taxes for the public services we’d want? That type of community growth option should have been brought up to the people by our local government, but alas they were too timid to ask us, or felt they knew better than us.

Also, your short-sighted thinking of only looking forward for 50 years in regards to city growth is appalling. What about thinking forward for the next seven generations like some Native Americans do? Surely that frame of mind would insure a sustainable city rather than being subject to rabid consumerism.

City Council: I really think you need to get with it and respect the community’s efforts more when it comes to participation in the growth process, which is not easily geared for public participation. You and city staff need to build a sustainable city based on community consensus, not just on the advice of

high-priced consultants who you’re afraid to challenge to think differently because you might look bad for foolishly spending our money in the first place. And Mr. Stone, I appreciate your explanation of council activities, but we can do without the “we know what’s best for you” attitude that comes across in the translation.

School District: Well, closing down the best kindergarten around and overloading teachers to the point of quitting so you can cancel important bilingual programs to save money stinks. So does your superintendent’s mistreatment of residents at public meetings. Maybe better management is needed than what we have. I’m concerned about the new pool too. I sure hope they take better care of it than the old one.

And to Granite Bay Holdings: How about using that money offered to repair the pool this year for an additional daily swim team bus ride or two to/from Winters to Vacaville so parents don’t have to drive so much this summer? It’s time to think out of the box and do something different.

Last but not least, I’d like to say Youth Day was great. Thanks to all who worked their butts off to make it happen, participated in the events/parade, and those who cleaned up. Good job. I’m so glad to live in a town that dedicates a lot of time and effort to set aside a Saturday to honor our youth every year. I just hope we as adults can live up to the hopes and dreams that Youth Day inspires in our youth by instilling community consensus, cooperative coexistence, and shared visions of our future here in Winters.

JON TICE

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Letters should not exceed 500 words. Do not use all capital letters.

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or reject any letter.

Letters must be legibly signed by the writer. However, we may withhold writers’ names from publication if there is a legitimate reason, such as fear of reprisal.

We will accept letters of thanks naming individuals and local Winters businesses. Non-local individuals and businesses listed in letters of thanks will be edited out.

This year's Youth Day was one to remember



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Jackie Stocking was crowned this year's Youth Day Sweetheart at the opening ceremonies, held at the Community Center on Friday, April 28.



Photo by Charles Wallace
The Class of 2007 won first place for their float in the Youth Day Main Parade.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Winters High School art teacher Amanda Johnson paints **Danielle Compton's** cheek in the high school art booth at City Park.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Students from Halau Hula a Lei Hali'a performed at City Park. From left are **Helena Hyer-Gray, Christina Garcia, Julia Escamilla** and **Kristen Bermudez**.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Austin Samora rode with her brother **Michael** in the Kiddie Parade.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
The Winters Friends of the Library won the Sweepstakes Award in the Main Parade with their drill team and marching band. From left are **Bonnie McManus, Mary Kay Korn** and **Sally Brown**.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Chris Archuleta perfects his bubble-blowing at City Park.

Community

Senior Citizens Club news

BY MARGE SEBASTIAN
Special to the Express

The April meeting/pot-luck of the Senior Citizens Club was held on Wednesday, April 10 at the Community Center. Unfortunately we had a small turn out due to the poor weather and no access to the center parking lot.

The club thanks Sandy Webster for cooking the ham and also Marie Heilman for cooking and donating a ham. Everyone who came brought delicious dishes to share and the club thanks everyone.

President Dorothy Becker and Lillie Branscum donated the drawing gifts and Becker also donated the bingo prizes which were in cute Easter bags.

The club's May meeting will be on Wednesday, May 10 and will have as the speaker, Mike Martin who is running for a city council seat.

Youth Day dignitaries



Photos by Debra Lo Guercio

This year's Youth Day Grand Marshal John Lopez (above) rode in the Youth Day Main Parade.

At left, Winters Mayor Dan Martinez (right) welcomes the audience at opening ceremonies on Friday, April 28, and officially turns the proceedings over to this year's Youth Day Mayor, Tyler Cross. Cross and the other Youth Day officials each had a chance to see what city staff and council members do as part of their duties.

Participants sought for poetic postcard project

THINK POSTCARD! is a project of art and poetry initiated by Julia Connor, the Sacramento Poet-Laureate and funded by the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission. It is designed to encourage greater literary awareness by the general public.

The way it works is this: During a free, public workshop, an artist will create a work of art on a postcard. Then a poet, maybe the same person, or maybe someone else, will create a poem inspired by the art work. Or it can be done the other way around – poetry first, art second. The finished postcard will be sent to the Arts Commission and selected pieces will be part of a curated exhibition later this summer.

Winters is one of the communities chosen to participate in this program. The workshop will

be held on Saturday, May 13 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Winters Public Library. It will be hosted by Maggie Burns, local poet, Isleton artist, Carolyn Schneider and Francisca Arellano, teacher and translator.

Basic supplies will be provided but participants are encouraged to bring small mementos, photos, found stuff, lists, receipts, yard, special pens, etc. that can be used or affixed to the post card and sent through the US mail. No signup is necessary.

This workshop is for all ages, all levels of expertise. Families are encouraged to come and work together.

Call (916) 566-3986 for more information, or check out the website www.sacculture.com for updated workshop times and locations.

Searching for members of Class of 1956 for reunion

The Winters High School Class of 1956 is planning their 50th reunion, which will be held on Saturday, Sept. 30 in Winters.

The following is a list of the names of former students the planning committee has been unable to locate: Dale Forbis, Sylvia Harkins, Jerry Jackmon,

Lawrence Joerger, Roger Johnson, Kay Owings, Lance Pleasants, Eleanor Trujillo, and George Wren.

If anyone has information on any of the above people, please contact Brenda Molina, (707) 448-9316; Betty Biasi, 795-1223; or Margarite Kittyle, (707)-678-2483.

Winters City Council candidates answer questions

(Editor's note: In order to present each Winters City Council candidate in the most fair and objective way possible, each was asked to answer the following questions and submit a candidate's statement. The candidates are Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Harold Anderson, Andy Bouwens, Glenn DeVries, Marcia Gibbs, Mitch Korcyl and Mike Martin. Election Day is Tuesday, June 6.)

1) What is the main reason you decided to run for city council?

Aguiar-Curry: In October 2003, I led a group of elected officials from Sacramento on a tour of the Southern Nevada Water Authority project. I was fortunate to meet Council Member Bonnie Pannell and Supervisor Illa Collin, who shared their stories of community involvement and what it takes to be a caretaker of their constituents. Their passion, persuasion and mentoring convinced me to interview for the Winters Planning Commission, on which I presently serve, to further my community involvement. I appreciate the challenging issues that have faced the commission and respect the difficult decisions that our current city council faces.

Anderson: The main reason I decided to seek reelection is that I wish to continue to make the city where I've grown up a better place, a better community, now and for future generations.

Bouwens: One of the reasons I am running for city council is involvement in my community. Also, to interact with fellow Winters' citizens and work together to make and keep our town a great place to live. The future of our town is in our hands. I want to be involved with a community rich in history, fruitful lands and with a great community spirit in the direction it is to take.

DeVries: As a business owner in Winters, I am aware that the city's business growth has not matched the growth in housing. In my business dealings with city staff and the city council, I have learned that the city's General Plan calls for a jobs-housing balance. I am raising my children here, and want them to have job opportunities should they choose to stay. I have attended council and planning commission meetings. I decided that I could make a contribution here, to make sure the growth is balanced. That is why I am running for city council.

Gibbs: I think Winters is one of the best places to live and I am committed to helping Winters grow in a careful, responsible way. I believe our community is unique with its strong agricultural history, cultural diversity, beautiful surroundings and easy accessibility to cities, mountains and lakes. I have been a Winters resident for 10 years and would like to play a role in helping to preserve Winters' history, while making it a better place to live and work. I have the energy and skills to help guide the city toward a bright future.

Korcyl: I am running for council because I care about the future of Winters. The city is changing at an extremely rapid pace. Many people I talk with feel they have lost touch with the city. I want to ensure this sense of community, "the small town feel" we love about Winters is not lost. Over the next four years the city

of Winters will go through its highest growth rate ever. The potential for this hyper growth rate to continue, or not, depends on the decisions of the city council. I want to make the right choices for the city.

Martin: Participating in city council would allow me to give something positive back to a community that has been very good to me. My family has lived in Winters for four generations. My personal experiences and history in the area will color my role on the city council and my interactions with the administrators who work for our city.

2) How do you feel about the current direction of growth (economic and residential) in Winters?

Aguiar-Curry: The city's 1992 General Plan predicted that Winters' population would be 12,500 by 2010; it's currently 7,000. Such minimal population growth has stifled the city's ability to maintain — and improve — services that are required to sustain current and new residents. Winters cannot be viable without growth, but growth can occur in a manner that is beneficial to the entire community. The city must develop a strategic economic development plan that promotes jobs for Winters residents and is supported by members of our city.

Anderson: The city has not experienced any market rate residential construction in nearly four years. The recent subdivision approvals in the Northwest area are positive, and will be built in phases that won't be completed for six or seven years at the earliest. The gains from these projects for the community are many and unprecedented. Economic development in the downtown core area is good. Many new businesses have opened. The city has turned the corner with the downtown. As the city implements the new Downtown Master Plan, we will no longer worry about the downtown decay that other cities have experienced.

Bouwens: Growth is inevitable. Done in the right intervals and planned correctly, growth could be a very positive thing for Winters. Quick growth is not the answer. Sporadic planning could be devastating. Everything should be considered from security to protection to utility needs of current and future citizens. Developers need to and will offer a positive economic contribution to our city in ways of traffic improvement, educational needs and community development in forms of parks, etc.; if brought to their attention, these need to be fulfilled in order to build in our small, unique town.

DeVries: As I've indicated above, business growth has not matched residential growth in Winters. I believe the current city council made the correct move in pursuing a "sustainability study" to determine what rate of growth will keep city services in place, particularly police, fire, and clean water services. I would follow a growth pattern that keeps those services up. I believe in controlled residential growth, at a level that sustains my quality of life. I believe in continuing to promote business growth, as city staff is doing, to match the requirements of the city's General Plan.

Gibbs: With the recent approval of over 700 homes in Winters, it is time to fo-

cus our energy on business development and clean industry. I support the Downtown Master Plan, which has already brought about positive growth and recognition to our town. I believe that we must create more opportunities for industrial development in Winters. This may require planning changes that will allow us to develop land for industrial uses in areas outside the flood plain. It is also time to implement a revised plan for residential growth and designate agricultural boundaries to protect and preserve our future.

Korcyl: The current direction of residential growth is on the brink of exploding completely out of control. Many already feel residential growth has exploded out of control and I would not totally disagree. Too much of a "good thing" can be dangerous. Most communities accept growth and development with open arms. The city of Winters has approached this recent growth by demanding aggressive compensation for the right to build. Council and city staff are now discussing topics of growth control, housing standards and environmental impacts. Now is the time for that dialogue, not after we regrettably have "sold the farm".

Martin: I feel strongly that Winters should keep its small town charm by resisting the temptation of uncontrolled residential growth, focusing instead on improving services to our citizens and exploring economic avenues for growth in local job opportunities.

3) What are your ideas for attracting new business and jobs to Winters?

Aguiar-Curry: Good businesses will be willing to come to Winters provided the city has the necessary amenities. In order to attract sound businesses, the city must upgrade its infrastructure, keep our schools in top notch condition, meet public safety needs, and have housing available for the growing workforce. After these steps are taken, the city will be in a better position to market itself to business. As we endure growth, Winters should always be the driver, not the passenger, to developers.

Anderson: The city already has businesses looking to come here. The flooding problem is critical. Infrastructure can be provided if the city can grow at a reasonable pace and direction along 128 and 505. The area needs to be large enough to justify the investment in flood control and this will be studied. I would prefer to build many more businesses to cure the jobs-housing imbalance. Finally I will continue to stress smart growth and quality of life issues in all aspects of decision making. With a great quality of life businesses will want to come here just as individuals do.

Bouwens: My idea for attracting new business and jobs to Winters is that with positive growth comes business, with businesses come jobs. Winters already has a lot to offer incoming businesses and industrial growth. The current plan to keep industrial planning in one area of town is a smart plan. The current downtown area improvements are giving a great and unique location to start a small business. I do feel Winters needs to become competitive with nearby areas, yet still keep our unique small

town feel in mind at all times. This is a must for positive business growth. **DeVries:** City staff is now focusing on the I-505 cloverleaf and the land without flood problems south of Grant Avenue. In the short term, for immediate promotion of industrial development, I believe that to be the right approach. I support the downtown Master Plan in terms of commercial development. The downtown should be a destination, bringing in jobs and money from those visiting The Palms, Berryessa Gap, the Buckhorn, Putah Creek Café, and the budding artists colony. I speak the language of businessmen, and can help put a positive face on that part of city government.

Gibbs: We must make our industrial and business areas economically feasible to attract new business and industry by creating options that will draw clean, quality businesses to our town. Most of Winters' industrial land lies within a floodplain and by selecting suitable land outside this zone, we could eliminate this roadblock. We must actively seek the types of business that we want as aggressively as the developers pursued Winters for residential growth. It is vital to support our existing businesses and continue to seek ways to encourage local shopping and to attract the purchasing power of our visitors.

Korcyl: This is one of the hardest issues currently facing Winters. The city faces many challenges associated with attracting new business to town. They include providing the basic public services required to run any business. Work must be continued on the Downtown Master Plan as well as additional planning of industrial and commercial development zones. The current City Master Plan has short comings that must be addressed by a complete review and revamp. The correct locations for the correct economic development must be determined. A progressive gateway master plan for Highway 128 must also be considered.

Martin: I would market Winters online and in the Sacramento and Bay Area press. An affordable motel near I-505 and Highway 128 would attract overnight visitors in larger numbers. As nice as our new sign welcoming folks to Winters is, no one on I-505 can see it! Lake Berryessa and Lake Solano boaters and campers need businesses that provide boat sales and repair. Further restoration efforts along Putah Creek and the railroad bridge would encourage visitors to linger. Tourism means money.

4) What is the biggest problem facing Winters right now?

Aguiar-Curry: The immediate problem facing Winters is an outdated and aging water and sewer system. The city has lines that have not been repaired or replaced in over 100 years. Due to financial constraints, we put "band-aids" on a serious issue, rather than making the necessary upgrades. As a member of the city council, I want residents to have safe, clean and reliable drinking water, and support current projects and master plan updates to achieve this.

Anderson: The city's local flooding area north and east of Highway 128 is the biggest problem or challenge facing the city.

Flooding problems have plagued economic development along 128 and I-505. A study of expanding and/or relocating the business/industrial areas in order to spread the costs of flood control over a larger area and thus lower the costs for individual businesses is underway. I support this approach as long as the city includes agricultural buffers around these areas to prevent leapfrog or runaway development. This would provide the jobs that we need to balance out the housing that is projected to be built.

Bouwens: The biggest problems facing Winters right now are traffic, educational needs and growth, and how community services will be impacted. Traffic is a huge concern here in Winters. As the population grows, our one main entrance and exit into town will become more and more congested. Traffic resolutions will be one of my top priorities when considering growth in our town. Educational needs are also something that will be in jeopardy in the near future, along with police and fire support staff, as we grow.

DeVries: The biggest problem we have is continuing to provide basic services while we get the business and economic growth we need to be healthy. I am sympathetic with our police officers, who, because of lack of funding, are often involved in criminal situations where they are the only officer present. We currently have no swimming pool. Raising young people (and I have raised four) is the most important task we as a community face. Keeping basic services going, after four years of no growth, to me is the problem over the short term.

Gibbs: The failing infrastructure (roads, water lines, sewer, public facilities) and lack of funds to support local services are two of the biggest problems facing Winters today. New residential developments will offer some initial help, but we must build a stronger industrial and commercial tax base to benefit the city in the long term. Additionally, I believe that we must require new development to be economically self-sustaining. We must plan carefully to avoid the spiral of needing more residential growth to feed infrastructure needs that were created by earlier growth.

Korcyl: Economic development is one of the hardest issues facing Winters. The biggest problem facing Winters is how to maintain the small town feel we all love while maintaining a comprehensive development plan that everyone can live with. Winters is changing more rapidly than ever. Change is hard to accept, especially if one believes that change is not necessary or just for the benefit of "the few." It is important that everyone understand what change is happening, why the change is happening, and what they can do to influence the change.

Martin: Winters doesn't have the economic base to sustain our current or future needs for services the city must provide. We are moving too slowly on sustaining our infrastructure: streets, sidewalks and the water and sewer system badly need repair or replacement.

5) If you could make only one change in Winters while on the city council,

what would it be?

Aguiar-Curry: I hope that all changes I support on the city council serve to benefit the residents of Winters. The one issue I would champion is to improve the economic image of Winters by attracting reputable industrial and commercial businesses to the city. It will take great effort by different members of our community to make such a change, and will require researching successful small communities, attending workshops and conferences, involving local service groups, and conducting public outreach with neighbors. Not only will Winters be open for business, Winters means business!

Anderson: I would see to it that playfields are completed at the planned youth sports facility at the landfill and that the city acquire enough park area to accommodate adult softball facilities, a multi-use "basketball barn" and a second community pool.

Bouwens: If I could make one change in Winters while on the city council, it would be to allow positive changes in our town while keeping the unique, diversified, community feel we have already. I know that's a short comment, yet a tough job to fulfill. I will work to have your concerns and opinion heard, and together we will work through this tough job and have a thriving community to live in.

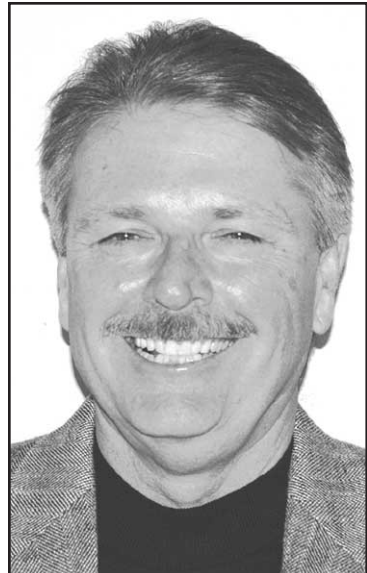
DeVries: Continuing residential development to fund basic services is not as beneficial as commercial development. I will focus on making land available for immediate commercial and industrial development. Winters was recently approached by an industry that makes chocolate, that wanted to be online in 18 months. The city could not make that commitment. I will work with staff to make sure that we are ready, with land available and zoned, and with our sewer and water infrastructure ready. I know the company, which pays its employees well and provides benefits. We don't want to lose another good employer.

Gibbs: To ensure that Winters will grow in a sound, responsible way and maintain its agricultural base and small town amenities. I would like to see us implement a growth policy and agricultural boundaries to protect our community. I would like to be a player on a team of caring and concerned councilpersons that help make sensible, smart decisions that benefit all of our businesses, citizens and environment.

Korcyl: The one change I would make is to open up the political decision making process. The citizen should trust the city staff, city council and planning commissioners and be assured there are no hidden agendas and no "back door" meetings that direct the fate of Winters. I would ensure that all the city staff continue to be upright and honest. I would strive to ensure the people living in Winters fully understand what the future vision for the city is. The city is changing rapidly and how the change occurs should be open to all.

Martin: I want to shift the focus of the council from seeking revenue for maintenance and repair of the city from residential expansion to business and light industrial expansion.

Winters City Council candidates introduce themselves to community



MIKE MARTIN

The following statement should acquaint readers with my background, experience and qualifications for a seat on the Winters city council. My personal history is a local one: a fourth generation member of the group of Spanish families who came to the area in the early 1900s, I grew up and worked on the family farm in Winters, attended Olive School and graduated from Winters High School in 1966. I earned my bachelor of science degree in business administration from Sacramento State University in 1971, the first in my family to earn a four-year college degree.

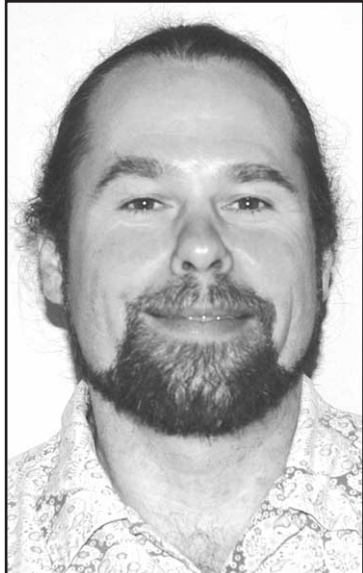
After college, I worked 31 years for Solano County, retiring there as a supervising park ranger. This career allowed me to develop my skills as a business administrator and law enforcement officer at Lake Solano County Park. I discovered that I enjoyed working with the public. Additionally, I managed to find time to return to work on the family farm and continue to do so today. Further, I retired as a volunteer fire captain with the Vacaville Fire Protection District. Finally, I have enjoyed raising my son here with the help of my wife. All of these experiences have fostered a commitment to service and respect for land and people of Winters.

Many career and volunteer interests have prepared me well for a position on our council. I have experience with personnel matters, budget preparation, administering grant and bond funds, project design, supervision and inspection. These skills should serve the city well. I have a good work ethic and realize the importance of a strong, responsive and friendly local law enforcement and fire department. Police and fire personnel require good equipment and training. Our seniors need an ambulance stationed in Winters.

To thrive, we need growth in business and light industry, especially along I-505. Tourism is an integral part of fostering business growth. A motel, 24-hour restaurant, light industry would attract traffic and create tax dollars. A boat dealership would serve those traveling to Lake Berryessa as well as locals. Development of our own waterfront along Putah Creek could encourage people who like to walk, canoe, fish and picnic. We could integrate these types of projects to encourage travelers to stop, stay, eat and shop while promoting our connection to agriculture and a rural life-style.

Conversely, while I would promote business growth, I would slow residential growth — let's maintain and improve our city with the residents that we will have! Past councils have already approved almost 700 new homes. With the new residents we will face new challenges-traffic, parking, fire, police, sewer, schools and water usage will be greatly impacted. As your councilman, I promise to address infra-

structure problems before we allow any more residential growth and cultivate business development.



MITCH KORCYL

I want to be on the city council to help influence and shape the future direction of the city. The city faces many challenges that can only be resolved through hard work, creative thinking and a passion for doing the right thing. The challenges include residential and commercial growth, providing basic public services (water, police and fire protection), street maintenance, growing traffic congestion, fiscal sustainability and a struggling school district.

These and many additional challenges await the new city council members. I feel I am up to the task to bring the voice of the community to the council. My commitment to the schools, the environment, a sustainable development policy and the passion for doing the right thing for the right reasons will make me the right choice for city council.



MARCIA GIBBS

I have spent the last 10 years living in Winters and they have been wonderful years. The spirit and beauty of this community are unmatched by any I've ever lived in and this has sparked my desire to be part of the local government. Having attended dozens and dozens of local meetings including city council, planning commission, concerned citizens and developer meetings, I have shared thoughts and ideas with many residents, both new and old and all care deeply about this community. Winters is a destination and I would like to be part of the city government that helps preserve that sense here in Winters even as we grow.

My past is rooted in agriculture, as a small family farmer in the Sacramento Valley and currently working with farmers across the state to grow their crops with fewer chemicals and find steady markets (local when possible) for their goods. I have an undergraduate degree in agriculture, secondary teaching credential, and masters degree in business administration. My education helps me to have a good working knowledge of not just agriculture, but business as well as economics.

Now that we have approved a significant number of new homes it is time to focus on supporting new

and existing businesses, while we simultaneously make efficient use of public funds for infrastructure, schools and other public services. We need to create permanent jobs for current and future residents. We need to keep our local economy strong and work to preserve what is best about where we live. Clean air and water and beautiful viewscapes, historic places, all are part of what needs to be protected and preserved here in Winters.

I would like us to carefully prepare a variety of options to make industrial development economically feasible in Winters. We must seek viable alternatives to placing a continuous row of eight traffic lights on Grant Avenue. We can make our community more walkable and bikeable, say no to new big box stores or fast food restaurants, provide safe flood, fire and police protection and preserve our agricultural land for local food production through the implementation of agricultural barriers.

I will provide the council with a balanced voice that is not afraid to question ideas and decisions to be sure they are in our citizens best interests — all our citizens. I propose to talk with residents on a regular basis, to know what is going on in our schools, local shops and restaurants. I will make myself available to hear your concerns and promote fairness in our community. Decisions concerning our town should be open, transparent and built around a community voice.

Please share with me a vision of Winters that is productive, beautiful, prosperous, and built on plans that mean something and that support our shared ideas. Give me your vote on June 6 and I will be attentive to your suggestions and seek to preserve all that is best about Winters, shaping our future with your input.



GLENN DeVRIES

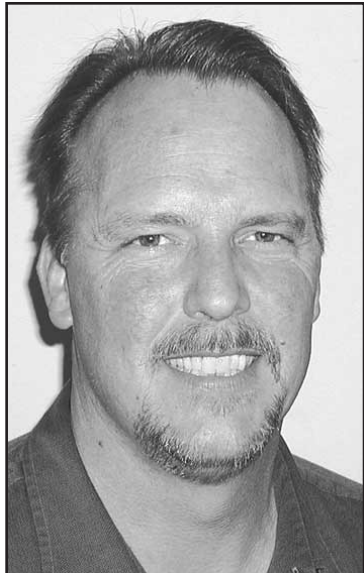
I was raised in and went to school in the Dixon School District. I moved to Winters 18 years ago, and have raised four children here. I am a local business owner, specializing in metal construction. I have 10 employees.

I want to serve as your council member to make sure that if Winters grows, it does so in a responsible manner with a jobs-housing balance. Jobs bring long-term financial benefits to a city, and commercial and industrial growth should be tied to any housing growth.

I will work hard for you to make sure that happens. I know the financial problems this city faces. I myself donated my time and my crew to put up the skate park. I have raised funds for breast cancer awareness, and believe in public service.

My property abuts the middle school, and every Saturday during soccer season I dutifully return soccer balls. I have three children in high school, involved in swim team, band and sports. I intend to see that their opportunities in school continue.

Because my office is here in Winters, I will be available to meet with the public regularly, and listen. I ask for your vote for city council.



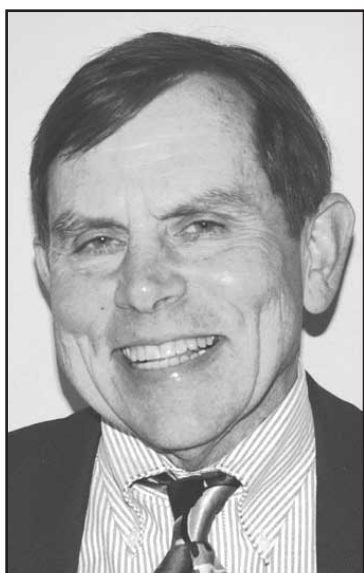
ANTONIUS “ANDY” BOUWENS

Hello. People who know me call me Andy. For those of you I have not met yet, here are some facts about me. I have lived and owned my home in Winters for the past five years. I started 21 years ago as a driver for a small laboratory and currently hold the position of laboratory manager for that same small company.

My wife of 19 years, Laura, and I are proud parents of five children. Being an active parent gives me the opportunity to be involved in various youth and community organizations.

As you can see from my profile, my life has been directed by loyalty, motivation and community involvement. Therefore, my commitment to represent the community at the city level will be loyal and motivated by citizen concerns and direction.

While in office, feel free to approach me with your ideas. I will listen and together as a community, we can all live in a spirited and thriving town.



HAROLD ANDERSON

I have served as your councilman for 12 years, including two terms as mayor. I am a graduate of Winters schools. I attended McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento. My wife, Gaylene, and I have raised two children here. I am a Vietnam veteran having served in the Army.

I will focus on intelligent, sustainable growth that pays its own way and on improving our economy. I would balance future residential growth with development of employment centers that can provide middle income jobs for our residents. If people can live where they work then we can break the bedroom community syndrome confronting us. It is vitally important that the city continue to include affordable housing opportunities and choices for all segments of our population.

Development should not only be balanced but phased over time to avoid the disruptive pace of run-away growth.

The downtown should continue to be the focus for development from the core area outward as we implement the new Downtown Master Plan.

Police and fire services and declining school enrollments are a concern

and deserve special attention as do energy conservation, water conservation and recycling.

I have been a Little League volunteer for nearly 20 years, and will continue to spearhead the development of playing fields on the old city landfill. I am committed to keeping the city's joint use policy with the school district as to athletic fields and the swimming pool. I also am a long time member of the Winters Rotary Club.

I currently serve on the following boards of directors: Chair of the Yolo County Transportation District, Vice Chair of the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG), and the Lower Putah Creek Coordinating Committee. These regional relationships will benefit the city during the next four years.

Of course the city must always operate within its means with a balanced budget.

I have the experience to lead your city in a positive direction. I would appreciate your vote.



CECILIA AGUIAR-CURRY

Winters has been my home since 1957 when my father, Joe Aguiar, accepted a position as Winters High School agriculture instructor. My mother shared stories of her first impression of Winters with us as we grew up and the word “hot” was generally one that was repeated incessantly, but was prefaced by “It is the best place to raise a family.” I attended local schools and graduated from CSU-San Jose with a bachelors degree in business administration. I returned to Winters to raise my daughters, Megan and Beth, hoping that they too would appreciate all Winters has to offer.

In my current position as Public Outreach Director

for the Freeport Regional Water Authority in Sacramento, I work closely with engineers, environmental organizations, regulatory agencies, elected officials, neighborhood associations and concerned community members. This experience is invaluable, and I'm reminded daily that residents really do have a voice to effect change in their communities. As a planning commissioner, I try to balance the interests of the community with the needs of the city and work together with city staff, consultants and other commissioners to ensure that we have the best information available when discussing issues.

Growth in Winters will bring change. How we currently do business in the city will no doubt need to be enhanced, and raises a lot of questions. Do we have enough staff to process, review and inspect new and existing projects? With the formation of new parks, will we need a formal recreation department to develop year round recreation programs for all age groups? How can the community and police department work together to reduce juvenile crime? How will the consolidation of the Fire Department and Fire District be resolved to both entities' satisfaction? Should we renegotiate with the school district on who maintains and supervises the tennis courts, pool, baseball and soccer fields? Can we obtain revenue for the city by sponsoring recreational tournaments? What about creating a grant-writing position in the city so we can pursue opportunities and obtain money for special projects? Growth will force the city to look at issues such as these differently, but I believe that is a good thing.

I was encouraged by many people in this community to run for city council and know that, if elected, my role as a council member will be no easy task. This position takes time, effort, and an open mind. Difficult decisions will need to be made. I pledge to represent the entire community, not only those who live within the city limit but all of our rural neighbors who have a vested interest in our future. My ultimate goal is to maintain the charm and small-town feel that makes Winters such a special place to live.

I would appreciate your vote on June 6 for Cecilia Aguiar-Curry!

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Get to know your
Winters City Council candidates

GREAT

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clerk Nicole Rheuby, public works director Todd Klundt, city treasurer Samantha Waldron, city judge Tiffany Martin, city attorney Alicia Davis, general manager Richard Atherton, police chief Fabiola Hernandez, fire chief CJ Russell and Chamber of Commerce president Judy Arce. This year's Youth Day general chairman was Lauren Sebastian.

The main event got underway the following day, with the Winters Rotary Club pancake breakfast. Rotarians made enough pancakes, sausages and fruit to feed nearly 750 people, who hopefully managed to waddle down Main Street in time for the Kiddie Parade and Main Parade. This year's parade, coordinated by Mike Sebastian, featured more than 100 entries, and included Youth Day sweethearts and officials from years past.

City Park was buzzing with activity, and filled from corner to corner with food and craft booths, games and bounce houses for youngsters and non-stop entertainment. Reaping in the applause this year was singer Katie Goudie and her band, and dancers from Studio C and Halau Hula a Lei Hali'a. The annual horseshoe contest was won by Efen Del Toro and Richard Gonzales.

Parade winners

The trophy winners for the Youth Day parade entries were announced in the park. This year's overall Sweepstakes/Best in Parade went to the Winters Friends of the Library. Other Main Parade winners are as follows:

~ **Floats** (high school): first, Winters High School Class of 2007; second, Winters High School Class of 2006. (Local organization): first, Winters Club Scout Pack 600; second, Winters 4-H Club. (Out of town): first, Cool Pumpkin Patch. (Commercial): The Assisted Riding Club, Vacaville.

~ **Marching Units** (senior): first, Catholic School Majorettes Senior Baton Corps, Sacramento; second, Napa Pepperettes Senior Baton Corps, Napa. (junior): first, Catholic School Majorettes, Sacramento; second, Napa Pepperettes Junior Baton Corps, Napa. (drill team, senior): first, Cowtown Cloggers. (drill team, junior): first, Cowtown Kids,

Vacaville. (solo majorette): Danielle Gram, Sacramento.

~ **Bands** (high school): first, Winters High School Band. (junior high school): first, Winters Middle School Intermediate Band; second, Winters Middle School Beginning Band. (other bands): first, Cal Aggie Marching Band, UC Davis.

~ **Color Guards** (senior): first, Winters VFW Post 11091. (junior): first, Winters Middle School Color Guard. (military): Yolo Post 77 American Legion, Woodland.

~ **Fire Trucks** (antique): first, Winters Fire Department Grass 326; second, 1940 Buffalo, Winters Fire Department. (contemporary): first, Madison Fire Department; second (tie), Winters Fire Department Water 26 and Grass 26.

~ **Autos** (decorated): first, Winters American Field Service (AFS); second, Job's Daughters Bethel, Woodland. (custom): first, Vaca Valley 'Vettes; second, 1970 Boss 302 Mustang, Randy Brinsley, Winters.

~ **Novelty** (vehicle): first, Moms on Mopeds; second, Yolo Shrine Club Calliope. (marching unit): first, Winters Friends of the Library; second, Javier Martial Arts, Winters.

~ **Horses** (senior sweepstakes): Candy Graham, Madera. (junior sweepstakes): Melissa Granger, Vacaville. (pooper scoopers): first, Amber and Katie Sebastian, Winters. (charro mounted group): first, Asociacion Los Charros Caporales de Woodland; second, Hacienda



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

The Winters Middle School band won an award for their performance in this year's Youth Day Main Parade. From left are Dylan Cliche and Dylan Rivas.

San Sebastian Charro Group, Winters. (family group): first, Riders of Rohan, Lauren and Cheryl Filarsky, Winters. (future horseman): first, Heidi Masem. (novelty mounted group): first, Wild Horse Wranglers Mounted Group. (fancy dressed western senior): first, Candy Graham, Madera; sec-

ond, Kleinhenz, Vacaville. (parade horse lady): first, Katie Stewart, La Grange. (plain western): first, Melissa Granger, Vacaville; second, Tosha Lueger, Vacaville. (sheriff's posse): first, Solano County Sheriff's Posse. (working western senior): first, Beverly Baxter, Santa Rosa.

Dear Sir or Madam:

My name is Tiffany Countryman-Valk and I am an active member of the Winters FFA Chapter. This year I participated and raised my first Breeding Animal Project, a La Mancha Dairy Goat named Flower. I plan to use her and the goat cart I have purchased for raising community awareness about agriculture and to earn money to purchase books for the Winters Public Library on agricultural related themes, in thanks to all those that made this opportunity available to me; my FFA Advisor-Mr. Kent Benson, R-Ranch at the Lake whom has given my project a home, and to the community at large for supporting this program, this is my opportunity to give something back.

I have unfortunately discovered that it is very difficult to raise funds in a small community without media coverage or events that bring my project to the public's attention. This past weekend my project debuted in the Winters Youth Day Parade, and many of you may have seen my wonderful La Mancha pulling her cart for the first



time. She is only six months old so this was quite an accomplishment. I am trying to fill her cart with books to be presented to the Winters Library later this month and now find it necessary to bring my plight to the public eye.

I need pledges for books or donations to the book fund to make this dream a reality. If you can help in any way please call me; Tiffany Countryman-Valk or contact Mr. Benson of the Winters FFA.

Tiffany Countryman-Valk (707) 815-8806

Thank You in advance for all your support

Well, what do you know!
Amy is the Big 1-0!



Happy Birthday!!!

Lots of love
from all your family
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Schools

Volunteers needed to judge senior projects

Winters High School is looking for volunteers from the community to help judge upcoming senior project presentations. This is an opportunity for the community to see the creativity and talent of the graduating class. The presentations will take place on Wednesday, May 10 at Winters High School. Panel members may stay for the entire event from 1:30 to 7 p.m. or take part in just one of the sessions 1:30 to 4 p.m. or 3:30 to 7 p.m. Dinner will be served for both sessions' panel members at 4 p.m.

If you are interested or if you have more questions please contact Jessica Williams by email jwilliams@wintersjUSD.org.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

City officers pictured are: back row (left to right), Tyler Cross; middle row, (l to r) Savanna Waldron, Lauren Sebastian, Sarah Warren and Todd Klundt; front row (l to r) Jameson Shugart, Samantha Waldron, Nicole Rheuby, Tiffany Martin and Judy Arce.

Students take office at council meeting

BY NICOLE RHEUBY
Youth Day City Clerk
Special to the Express

This year's Youth Day Student City Council meeting was filled with items from the agenda and from students' opinions. All student officials were in attendance, and all participated in the various discussions that occurred. The topics around the discussions included such items as city growth, city recreation, and the condition of schools and roads in Winters.

With city growth, many students felt that with more people moving into town, the schools would become more crowded and we would not have small class sizes anymore. Others felt that with growth would come money from contractors for schools.

Many ideas were presented for activities to do around town, including a

youth center, which would help keep kids out of trouble, a bowling alley, and intramurals during the summer.

The conditions of the schools and roads in Winters gave many insights into what the students believe need to be fixed, including the gym lockers and bleachers and the many places where potholes exist.

After these four topics were discussed from the agenda, students brought up other topics that they thought were important. A variety of things were discussed: from the parking lots at the High School to the idea of a fast food place. All in all, the hour long meeting was very successful and many of the Youth Day City Council members expressed that they enjoyed being able to learn how a City Council meeting runs.

POLICE

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juvenile was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and being an unlicensed driver. Blood alcohol content results: .08/.08. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

April 29

~ Richard Dale Hall, 51, of Winters was arrested for making threats with the intent to terrorize, being intoxicated in public and vandalism. Hall was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ Guillermo Anua Figueroa, 19, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being a minor in possession of alcohol.

~ A 17-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a notice to appear for being a minor in possession of alcohol.

~ Bryan Lee Panzich, 18, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being a minor in possession of alcohol and violation of probation.

~ Joseph Michael Pacheco, 19, of Winters was arrested for possessing a dirk or dagger and being a minor in possession of alcohol. Pacheco was booked at the Winters Police

Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ Alejandro Gamboa Bermudez, 19, of Winters was arrested for being a minor in possession of alcohol. Bermudez was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

~ Victor Manuel Tafoya, 19, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, being under the age of 21 who had a blood alcohol content of 0.05 percent or more while driving, and speeding. Preliminary alcohol screen BAC: .053/.053. Blood alcohol content results: .03/.03. Tafoya was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

~ Wesley Roy Tatham, 24, of Vacaville was arrested on three outstanding Woodland Police Department bench warrants charging him with violation of probation and failing to appear for jail time on previous charges of driving under the influence of alcohol, shoplifting with prior jail term for this same offense and possessing controlled substance paraphernalia; violation of probation and failing to appear for jail time on previous charge of shoplifting; and violation of probation and failing to appear for jail time on previous charges of shoplifting with

prior jail term for this same offense and possessing controlled substance paraphernalia. Tatham was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

April 29-30

~ On the 100 block of East Main Street, a vehicle was vandalized. Damage: \$400.

April 30

~ Fidel Morales Ramirez, 56, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and having an obstructed vehicle license plate. Blood alcohol content results: .15/.15. Ramirez was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

~ Ed Walter Hendren Jr., 26, of Davis was arrested on an outstanding Ventura County Sheriff bench warrant charging him with violation of probation on previous charge of

driving under the influence. Hendren was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

May 1

~ A set of found keys were turned over to the police department.

~ Willard Garth Davidson, 38, of Rocklin was arrested for failing to stop at a stop sign, possessing a controlled substance, transporting a controlled substance, possessing controlled substance paraphernalia, possessing a hypodermic needle and possessing a gravity knife. Davidson was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ Two found cell phones were turned over to the police department.

~ Found sunglasses were turned over to the police department.

The 4-H Spring Show is May 5 through 7 at the Yolo County Fairgrounds in Woodland.

PLANNERS

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conditional use permit and modification for the installation of four cell phone antennas. The antennas are to be added to the tower located near the sewage treatment facility, where County Road 32A meets County Road 88. The applicant, Yolo County Communications Emergency Service Agency (YCCESA), is contracting with ComTech Communications to provide a radio upgrade to the Simulcast public safety communications system. This upgrade is expected to improve outbound radio transmissions and eliminate the need for 9-1-1 dispatchers to select a specific transmission site (known as “site hopping”). This will benefit police and fire safety communications for the city and YCCESA. The project will not add height or new dishes to the tower and will require no new buildings or equipment cabinets.

Two actions were required of the planning commission:

- ~ An exemption finding for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

- ~ Approval of conditional use modification.

Sokolow said that this safety communications improvement was a temporary approach pending a more permanent solution that would involve the construction of a new tower. Commissioner Jack Graf moved acceptance of the staff recommendation and the motion carried.

Commissioner Joe Tamontana made a comment on the proposed “passive” linear park through the Winters Highlands development. The proposed sport park to the north of the Winters Highlands site is filling up with various functions, and he suggested that some functions (such as handball courts) could be located in the linear park if there is not room for them in the sports park.

“The term passive is a bit of a misnomer,” commented Sokolow, who said that the linear park is ten acres and is available for various uses according to input from Winters citizens. “There are meetings coming up for design of the Rotary Park as well,” he added. All the parks designs will be subject to review by the Planning Commission, according to Sokolow.

Sokolow described an upcoming series of meetings for a Caltrans workshop on “walk-ability and bike-ability” in Winters. This workshop process is

called a “charrette” and the meetings include a Walk Audits Workshop on Saturday May 6 at Waggoner Elementary School from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and a Town Meeting and Presentation of Design on Tuesday, May 9 at the community center, 7 to 9 p.m. This presentation will feature a talk by Dan Burden, national expert on the subject of making cities more walk-able.

“And there will be food there as well” added Sokolow.

Entertainment

Fundraiser benefits Meals on Wheels

Friends of Meals on Wheels presents the 17th Annual Epicurean Esprit. This years event will be held on Thursday, May 18 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the historic Gibson Mansion in Woodland. The fundraiser benefits the Meals on Wheels programs of Yolo County.

This event will offer a unique opportunity to sample the cuisine of Yolo County's most talented chefs and wine makers while supporting senior meal programs in the community.

Tickets are now on sale for \$40, advance purchase, in Woodland at the Gifted Penguin at 716-A Main Street and at the Elderly Nutrition office at 40 North East Street. In Davis, tickets can be purchased at Strelitzia's Flowers at 239 G Street. Tickets are also available by phone at 662-7035. Major sponsors this year include ABS Properties, Daily Democrat and Strelitzia's.

The Essentials play in Davis

The Essentials', one of the Sacramento area's popular party bands, musical menu has something for everyone, whether you like Motown, classic rock, pop, blues, disco, hip-hop, or even country, featuring songs by artists like The Beatles, Earth Wind & Fire, Dixie Chicks, Van Morrison, Madonna, Shakira, Nelly, Mary J. Blige, & more, all with dynamic musicianship and outstanding vocals.

The members of The Essentials are all seasoned musical pros with extensive experience. Bassist Reggie Balino, a session bassist from Las Vegas and San Jose, has performed with Herbie Hancock, Wayne Shorter, and Peter Gabriel, played on the "Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls" soundtrack, and now he drives The Essentials with his funky and hip bass playing. Drummer Stacey Sheston was a founding member of "Natalie Cortez & The Ultraviolets", a multi-Sammie-winning band. Linda Duval (guitar, vocals) took third place in a national band contest in Switzerland, and is an award-winning lyricist. Lead singer Cathy Speck is a vocal powerhouse, evoking flavors of Tina Turner and Chrissie Hynde.

This band plays all your favorites — they don't call them The Essentials for nothing. Come out and dance with The Essentials at a free show for all ages on Friday, May 12, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the E Street Plaza in downtown Davis (between 2nd and 3rd).

For more information, call 756-8260 or email Music@duvalspeck.com.

It's time for a magic carpet ride



Courtesy photos

Courtney Colagrossi and Sydney Stewart, (above photo) as Princess Jasmine and the Magic Carpet, respectively, will take audiences on a magical ride to adventure and intrigue, as they present their version of Aladdin on May 3 and 4. They will be joined by Shane Alameda as evil Jafar and Kyle Schofield as the Sultan (right photo) who will also join the cast of characters. The Winters Middle School chorus will present the play at the Community Center beginning at 7 p.m.



Courtesy photo

Molly Nickelson and Sierra Kreuhn, both Studio C dancers, performed in the park on Youth Day.

Studio C sponsors cancer benefit

Cancer is a disease that impacts not only the person diagnosed, but that person's circle of family and friends too. When the diagnosis is first made, a network of support springs into action as everyone gathers together to offer assistance and encouragement. One of the benefits of living in Winters is that people are so caring for each other.

Winter's Studio C Dance Company and it's dancers have raised more than \$10,000 over the past six years for cancer research.

On Saturday, May 13, Studio C is once again sponsoring a dance benefit to raise money

for research. Eighty to 100 dancers of all ages are participating. There will be a wide variety of dancing including tap, classical ballet, hip hop, jazz, modern and lyrical. Winters' own Halau Hula O Lei Hali'a hula and Tahitian dancers will also take center-stage.

This event will take place at the Veterans Memorial Center Theater in Davis. Show times are 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Ticket prices are \$12 general admission, \$10 for seniors and students and \$8 for children 12 years and younger. Tickets are available at the door or by calling Tara Manners at 795-1900.

Winters High School Blood Drive is May 16, 8 a.m. to noon in the gym.

Sports

JV baseball wins title in Oroville

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters High School JV baseball team brought the Butte View League championship back to Winters as they traveled to Oroville to play the Tigers in a doubleheader on Friday, April 28. The Warriors not only won both games after defeating Orland on Tuesday, they also clinched the BVL championship along the way. First year coach Daniel Ward didn't waste any time expressing how he felt about the team's performance. "The team played outstanding," Ward said. "I

couldn't be more proud of a performance than this. Every player on the field and on the bench played a part in the wins."

On Tuesday, April 25, the Warriors hosted Orland and shutout the Trojans 13-0. Rafael Martinez pitched the first three innings and gave up just 2 hits and struck out three batters, while Patrick Keuhn threw the last two innings and gave up no hits, no runs and struck out three batters for the Warriors.

At the plate, Kaplan Smith led the Warriors batting 3 for 4 with 3 RBI

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-Courtesy photo

The JV baseball team pictured, back row (left to right): Assistant coach Jason Molina, Alex Huizar, Davis Adams, Don Adams, Taylor Brickey, Kaplan Smith and head coach Daniel Ward; middle row (l to r): Kevin Rowell, Max Mariani, Wayne Holland, Rafael Martinez, Aaron Geerts and Kyle Toblar; front row (l to r): Wesley Kraintz, Justin Contreras, Cody Campus, Patrick Keuhn, Donnie Garcia and Ray McIntire.

Boys swim team wins league

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters High School swim team finished off their successful season with a team league championship. Winters scored 254 points to second place finisher Pioneer High School with 226 points. The Winters boys placed first and the girls took second place. Despite not having their own pool to practice in and having to travel for every practice and meet, the Warriors put on a great performance in Woodland on Friday, April 28, and Saturday, April 29. The Warriors will be taking five boys and six girls to sections this year. "This is the most swimmers to ever go to sections in school history," said coach Kevin Chester.

Senior, Tyler Cross led the boys with two first place finishes and two second place finishes. Cross won the 50 free with a time of 22.57 and was second in the 100 breast stroke at 1:03.30. The boys 200 free relay team of Cross, Richard Atherton, Justin Rominger and Jordan

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-Photo by Jay Shuttleworth

Danielle Murphy prepares to pass off the baton at a recent track meet.

Track claims title at Invitational

BY JAY SHUTTLEWORTH
Special to the Express

RIO VISTA- At the 27th Annual Rio Vista Relays held here last Friday, the Winters High School track and field team topped a talented 16-team field and won its first-ever overall team title. The combined scores of WHS' four teams (JV boys 48, JV girls 35, varsity boys 25, varsity girls 59) tipped track powerhouse Live Oak, 167-165.

Notably, the varsity girls beat Vanden High School 59-49 to win their division; the jayvee boys finished second in their division to Live Oak. The varsity boys placed fifth, and the jayvee girls finished fourth.

Highlights for the varsity girls included several runaway victories. The distance medley (800-400-1200-1600) consisting of senior Courtney Carner, senior Cara McCoy, senior

Vanessa Rubio, and senior Natalie Cooley beat second-place Bret Harte by 32 seconds.

The 4x400 relay team of Cooley, junior Lauren Yehle, freshman Danielle Murphy, and senior Courtney Carner won in 4:37, a 22-second victory over BVL-rival, Wheatland.

The 4x100 relay team of Yehle, Murphy, junior Jessica Jordan, and junior

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Ashley Kraintz

Ashley Kraintz, a junior on the Winters High School varsity softball team is this week's Winters Express athlete of the week. Last Friday, April 28, against Oroville Kraintz batted 4 for 8 with one RBI to lead the Warriors at the plate. Kraintz also batted 1 for 3 against Orland on Tuesday, April 25.

Nuestras Noticias



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Salto a la acción

La movilización nacional por una reforma migratoria integral ha tenido diversos efectos y uno de los más notables ha sido un aumento en la cifra de personas que quieren hacerse ciudadanas para poder ejercer su derecho al voto y el interés de personas elegibles en registrarse para votar a corto plazo en los comicios de medio periodo en noviembre de este año, y a largo plazo en las elecciones generales de 2008.

Con eso en mente, el Consejo Nacional de la Raza (NCLR) anunció su iniciativa “Salto a la acción” (Leap to Action) para ayudar a las organizaciones comunitarias “base” a través del país en el proceso de orientar y registrar a futuros votantes para desarrollar

una “cultura de participación”. “Nuestra meta es fomentar una cultura de participación en la comunidad latina”, declaró Janet Murguía, presidenta de NCLR. Esa cultura de participación convertirá a residentes legales en ciudadanos y a los nuevos ciudadanos en líderes de sus comunidades y posiblemente en líderes nacionales.

Obviamente se trata de registrar para votar a las personas que son legalmente elegibles para hacerlo. “Las marchas y manifestaciones por una reforma de inmigración integral han atraído más que la atención pública. En las últimas semanas se ha registrado un aumento significativo de solicitudes de ciudadanía. Las organizaciones latinas de base comunitaria por todo el país han acudido mucho a NCLR para averiguar cómo pueden involucrarse más. LEAP to Action se creó para ayudar a dichas organizaciones con el proceso importante de integrar a sus comunidades plenamente en el proceso político”.

La lucha nacional por una reforma integral ha tomado diversas formas. El pasado lunes 1 de mayo, por ejemplo, una coalición convocó a un boicot general para presionar al Congreso y a la Casa Blanca por el avance de una reforma integral que incluya un componente de legalización de indocumentados. También se condena la medida HR4437 que aprobó en diciembre la Cámara Baja y que criminaliza a los indocumentados y a quienes los asistan.

Pero otras coaliciones consideraron que el boicot no fue la mejor estrategia sobre todo ahora que el Senado federal intenta resucitar la reforma integral contenida en el lenguaje Martínez/Hagel. Un boicot, dijeron algunos, en vez de ayudar al avance de la reforma puede lastimar sus posibilidades en el Congreso, sobre todo ante una Cámara Baja renuente a planes de legalización como lo indicó el líder de la mayoría republicana de ese organismo, John Boehner.

Mientras el Senado decide el próximo paso a seguir alentado por el apoyo del presidente George W. Bush a una reforma integral, hay grupos que consideran que como parte de la movilización nacional del 1 de mayo se pueden dedicar a registrar votantes. Con esto los grupos quieren hacer realidad una de las consignas entonadas en las marchas a través del país y escrito en los carteles: “Hoy marchamos....mañana votamos”.

MAAC Project de San Diego, indicó que es urgente aprovechar el ímpetu generado por el movimiento en pos de una reforma migratoria integral para educar a la comunidad y mantenerla involucrada en los asuntos de importancia. En este caso, se trata de la inmigración, pero los asuntos son variados. Con la iniciativa Salto a la acción NCLR asistirá a cientos de organizaciones comunitarias base a través del país en el proceso de orientar e informar a la comunidad sobre la responsabilidad de obtener la ciudadanía si son elegibles y a los que ya lo son, sobre la importancia de registrarse para votar e influir el proceso político a nivel local, estatal y nacional. También se desarrollará una campaña publicitaria en medios de comunicación para esos fines.

El Departamento de Seguridad Interna (DHS) calcula que ocho millones de inmigrantes en este país son elegibles para la ciudadanía y casi la mitad son hispanos, la mayor parte de ellos de origen mexicano. La movilización en contra de la HR4437 y en favor de una reforma integral ha generado, según observadores, un interés en la ciudadanía y sólo en el mes de marzo, en el sitio de internet de la división de Ciudadanía y Servicios Migratorios del DHS los usuarios pidieron 1.8 millones de solicitudes de ciudadanía.

La movilización nacional requiere que el próximo paso sea canalizar ese ímpetu para que tenga un impacto real en sus vidas y en sus comunidades y eso se logra sólo a través del voto.

Las dos caras de Bush

En una reunión con empresarios del condado de Orange, California, el presidente George W. Bush nuevamente cambió su posición en torno al tema migratorio. “No debemos olvidarnos que estamos considerando a seres humanos, a gente modesta. Tienen que ser tratados con respeto”, dijo. La actitud de Bush en este encuentro y las acciones de su gobierno contra los inmigrantes a lo largo de su Administración son fiel reflejo de una moneda común y corriente: tiene dos caras.

Las palabras del Presidente me hicieron recordar a la pancarta política de conservador altruista que le redituó bastantes votos en la comunidad latino-estadounidense durante su primera campaña presidencial.

La semana pasada, el gesto del Presidente, matizado superficialmente por ese perfil solidario, logró conmover el alma de las mayorías hispanas. Empero, no llegó a convencerlos del todo, especialmente a los 12 millones de personas que viven al borde de la desesperación por la falta de una estabilidad legal en este país. ¿Cómo es posible depositar confianza en el Presidente después de todas las trabas que puso al tema migratorio durante su primera gestión? Su desinterés fue tan claro que no le importó dejar el tema migratorio en manos de una banda de radicales de su partido en la Cámara Baja del Congreso.

Cuando el presidente Bush se dirige al pueblo norteamericano, como lo hizo la semana pasada en el condado de Orange, sus palabras deno-

tan esperanza. Pero cuando las promesas requieren acciones, sus palabras se pierden en el horizonte. Al final, todo lo que dice no significa nada.

Después de todo, en días pasados, su gobierno propició una de las campañas más deleznales de los últimos años. El secretario de Seguridad Interna (DHS), Michael Chertoff, ordenó una campaña de redadas que pusieron de luto a muchas familias de origen latinoamericano. Autoridades migratorias detuvieron a 1,187 inmigrantes indocumentados a la luz del día y en pleno trabajo. Al hacer las deportaciones sin un proceso jurídico, los agentes de migración malograron el hábeas corpus, uno de los cánones más importantes de los derechos individuales de este país. Este derecho legal le da al individuo la garantía de defenderse en un tribunal contra cualquier cargo que le impute el Estado, entidades u otras personas.

Por otra parte, las redadas no sólo afectan al empleado indocumentado, sino también a sus familiares, particularmente a los hijos de los inmigrantes. Muchos de ellos tienen nacionalidad estadounidense. Asimismo, las leyes que se proponen en el Congreso no son nada alentadoras. La propuesta de ley Sensenbrenner, por ejemplo, es una atentado aberrante contra los derechos individuales de los inmigrantes documentados e indocumentados. Esta propuesta no se limita a atacar al individuo, sino también a tender lazos de enemistad a lo largo del

continente americano, al promover la construcción de un muro entre México y Estados Unidos.

Para muchos, la propuesta McCain-Kennedy es la propuesta idónea que resolvería la disyuntiva migratoria. Yo lo creo así también. Una de sus premisas estipula no abandonar el país para solicitar permiso de trabajo y crea una alternativa viable para la legalización del individuo después de cuatro años de estancia y una vez que pruebe un comportamiento sin problemas con la ley.

Lamentablemente, el proyecto de McCain-Kennedy todavía se debate en el Senado y el presidente Bush no apoya la totalidad de esta medida. Por el contrario, se ha mostrado más inclinado a apoyar el proyecto que presentó el senador de Miami, Mel Martínez, cuyo papel fundamental debilita la propuesta McCain-Kennedy.

No debemos olvidarnos que la propuesta que se apruebe en el Senado tendrá que conciliarse con la propuesta perniciosa de Sensenbrenner, el cual ha sido motivo de muchas movilizaciones sociales en la comunidad latino-estadounidense. En este sentido, las manifestaciones civiles, los mítines políticos y los boicots se han convertido en los únicos recursos tangibles de presión para cambiar la tesitura de los políticos en el Congreso. Qué pena, ¿no?

En Bush tampoco podemos confiar. Sus intereses están más aferrados al sector empresarial, a los magnates del petróleo y financieros, que a la comunidad latino-estadounidense.

Impuestos a Remesas

Legislaturas de varias entidades estadounidenses analizan aplicar un impuesto a transferencias de envío de dinero al extranjero ó remesas, para sufragar una parte del costo de los servicios públicos que utilizan los inmigrantes. La gran mayoría de las transferencias internacionales de dinero las realizan los inmigrantes que al menos una vez al mes envían recursos para sus familias en México y otros países. Las propuestas en las legislaturas de Texas, Arizona y Georgia, sugieren que los inmigrantes sean los mismos que financien los costos que genera su atención en los hospitales públicos y en la prestación de otros servicios e incluso el gasto por su encarcelamiento.

Las iniciativas sugieren que se cobre un impuesto que va del 0.5 por ciento hasta el 8 por ciento de la cantidad transferida, en cada una de las transferencias o giros. Las transferencias internacionales realizadas a través de bancos estarían exentas de las cuotas, que se aplicarían sólo a los envíos a través de compañías especializadas. Estas propuestas se basan en la idea de que los indocumentados no pagan impuestos al recibir sus salarios en efectivo, algo que defensores de los derechos de los inmigrantes sostienen como falso.

Muchos trabajadores indocu-

mentados pagan sus impuestos al utilizar para registrarse en sus empleos números de Seguro Social prestados o falsos, aun cuando estos inmigrantes no tienen derecho a recibir beneficios públicos. El impuesto a las transferencias constituirá una importante fuente de nuevos recursos para las entidades si se considera que en 2005, los inmigrantes mexicanos en Estados Unidos enviaron a México unos 20 mil millones de dólares, y un 96 por ciento de ellos se hicieron a través de transferencias o giros.

En Texas, la Cámara de Representantes analiza la iniciativa H.B. 2345 que impondría una cuota de 0.5 por ciento a todas las transferencias de dinero desde esta entidad hacia otro país. La propuesta, introducida por la representante demócrata de Corpus Christi, Vilma Luna, no avanzó durante la pasada sesión legislativa pero será vuelta a someter a consideración durante el próximo periodo.

Una propuesta similar en Arizona, la HCR 2037, introducida por el representante republicano Russell Pearce, impondría un impuesto del ocho por ciento al dinero que se envíe desde Arizona a otra nación. De acuerdo a la iniciativa, el dinero sería utilizado para reforzar la seguridad fronteriza por parte del estado. En Geor-

gia, la Cámara de Representantes aprobó en febrero pasado una propuesta para imponer un impuesto del cinco por ciento a las transferencias de dinero de parte de indocumentados a sus países de origen.

Bajo la propuesta, que aún debe ser considerada por el Senado de esa entidad, las personas que puedan demostrar su residencia legal en Estados Unidos o que paguen impuestos en Georgia, quedarían exentos de pagar el impuesto. Activistas defensores de los derechos de los inmigrantes expresaron su oposición a la idea, al señalar que la cuota sería un impuesto injusto colocado principalmente a personas pobres que ya pagan altas cuotas a las compañías de transferencia de dinero. “Los inmigrantes ya de por sí son extorsionados con las cuotas que pagan por las transferencias”, dijo Jacob Monty, abogado laboral y asesor del Consulado de México en Houston.

Alumnos para tomar en cuenta

El control local es uno de los pilares de la educación pública porque nadie sabe mejor que los maestros y administradores de una escuela sobre las necesidades de los alumnos. En un estado tan diverso como California este aspecto cobra más importancia ante las diferencias que existen entre los estudiantes de uno y otro distrito. Por eso nos preocupa que la Junta de Educación estatal se haya decidido a la hora de seleccionar textos escolares por un sistema que perjudica los alumnos que están aprendiendo ingles.

Esta decisión afectará a cerca de 1.6 millones de alumnos que no tiene el nivel suficiente de ingles como para ser declarados fluentes en el idioma. Estos estudiantes necesitan textos específicos que asistan a estos alumnos con limitaciones lingüísticas, al mismo que puedan aprender otras asignaturas del currículo escolar de California.

La Junta elige cada seis años los textos escolares que se ordenarán a las editoriales con un presupuesto cercano a los 500 millones de dólares. En esta oportunidad, al panel estatal le tomó un año este proceso y, pese a ello, la presura del tiempo fue uno de los argumentos para hacer oído sordo a las peticiones de tomar en cuenta las necesidades de la gran cantidad de los alumnos con limitaciones idiomáticas.

La actitud arbitraria de la Junta molestó a varios legisladores lo suficiente como para intentar eliminar sus fondos y así dar mayor autonomía a los distritos escolares a la hora compra libros. El camino elegido es drástico pero también es urgente proveer a los alumnos a con inglés limitado los instrumentos necesarios de aprendizaje.

Varsity baseball splits doubleheader with visiting Oroville

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters Warriors started the week with a 12-2 Butte View League win over visiting Orland on Tuesday, April 25. Nathanael Lucero picked up the win on the mound throwing all six innings giving up two unearned runs, six hits, while striking out four batters. Lucero improved his over all record to 5-0 and 3-0 in the BVL.

At the plate the Warriors had eight hits led by Danny Campos who batted 3 for 3 with 4 runs scored and 2 RBI and 2 doubles. Nick Hedrick also had a big day batting 1 for 2 with a homerun 2 RBI and 2 runs scored. Jacob Thorne batted 1 for 2 with 2 runs scored and an RBI. Lucero also batted 1 for 2 with an RBI. Sebastian Salas batted 1 for 3 with a 2 RBI double to end the game and scored a run and Brenden Benson batted 1 for 4 with a double and an RBI.

On Friday, April 28, the Warriors traveled to Oroville to take on the Tigers in a doubleheader that could decide the Butte View League championship. Both teams entered the day undefeated in the BVL. In game one Alex Thomson threw another great game and picked up a 2-1 victory. Thomson gave up four hits while striking out eight batters. Thomson improved his overall record to 5-1 and 4-0 in the BVL. Trailing 1-0 in the fifth

the Warriors did what they had to do to take the lead. Hedrick led off with a single between third and short followed by a single to right by Thorne. Both players advanced a base on a pass ball. With two outs Lucero hit a single off the tip of the pitchers glove to score Hedrick then Thorne scored the go ahead run on an over throw to first. Thomson then closed the door on the Tigers with the help from his defense. Lucero led the Warriors

batting 1 for 2 with a RBI, while Hedrick, Thorne and Campos all batted 1 for 3 for the Warriors. In game two the Warriors didn't fair as well as they suffered a 16-5 loss. The Warriors split up the pitching duties with Thorne throwing the first three and a third innings. Brock Neil pitched one and two thirds, Sebastian Salas threw one and two thirds and Joe Fiori threw one third for the Warriors. The Warriors fell behind 2-0 in the third and just couldn't

do anything right after that. At the plate Thomson batted 2 for 3 with a triple and RBI to lead the Warriors. Hedrick and Salas both batted 1 for 2; Thorne went 1 for 3 with a double and an RBI, while Lucero batted 1 for 3 for the Warriors. Winters plays Orland on Tuesday, May 2, for their final league game and a victory will guarantee the Warriors a share of the league title. Oroville still has to play Sutter and Wheatland to finish the season.

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Leslie Contreras won in a time of 55.5. A spectacular finish by anchor Contreras sealed the win over a talented Vanden quartet. The 4x800 squad of Carner, Rubio, senior Erica Jordan, and Cooley used a dramatic come-from-behind finish to beat Bret Harte by six seconds. The Bret Harte girls' team finished third overall. The 4x100 shuttle hurdle team (McCoy, juior Katherine Rominger, senior Gabrielle Boisrame) and the sprint medley team (Rominger-100, McCoy-100, Jessica Jordan-200, Contreras- 400) both finished third.

The varsity girls' team also received a significant individual contribution from senior thrower, Mayte Herrera. Herrera's personal best of 30-4 landed her in second place. Junior Leila Muller placed fourth in the discus with a personal best toss of 87-5. The JV boys' team also turned in some outstanding

team performances. The 4x100 shuttle hurdle team (freshman Logan Garcia, freshman Cody Shafer, freshman Ryan Hofstrand, and sophomore Jayson Garcia) won by three seconds over Rio Vista in 1:11. The 4x800 team recorded a remarkable seven-second victory over Bret Harte. Sophomore Sam Lanfranco, sophomore Andrew Fridae, freshman Robby Emery, and last-minute addition, freshman thrower T. J. Johnson, teamed for the 10:01 victory. The 4x100 team (Hofstrand, Garcia, freshman Andrew Medina, and Shafer), the distance medley quarter (Emery, Hofstrand, Fridae, Lanfranco), and the 4x400 squad (Shafer, Hofstrand, Garcia, Medina) all finished second.

For the JV girls, freshman Katie Anstead recorded a breakout performance with her 84-0 first place throw in the discus. Anstead also teamed with freshman Alyssa Oxley, freshman Catherine Hasbrook, and freshman Karissa Sais to

place third in the 4x100 relay (58.9) and in the 4x400 relay (5:12). The 4x800 team (sophomore Julia Millon, sophomore Krista Blandin, Sais, and Oxley) finished third in 13:19, and the mixed 4x100 team of Oxley, Anstead, Medina, and Garcia placed fourth (56.5).

The varsity boys team recorded some fine team performances, as well. The shuttle hurdle squad (junior Ozzy Arce, junior Stefan Vallecillo, junior Colton Crabtree, and senior Dominic Mandolfo) placed second to Vanden in 1:12.

The 4x400 relay (senior Robert Warren, junior Curtis Holabird, senior Julian Fischer, and Crabtree finished fourth in 4:03. The 4x800 team of Arce, junior Mat Catalan, junior Jon Harper, and Crabtree finished fifth (10:19). The WHS track and field team will compete in BVL action on Wednesday against Orland and Wheatland High School.

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Shugart won with a time of 1:38.24, and the same team placed second in the 400 free relay with a time of 3:41.31. Shugart placed second in the 200 free with a time of 2:09.81. Rominger placed second in the 100 backstroke in 1:05.96 and Alec Bouwens placed second in the 500 free with a time of 6:44.33.

The girls' team was led by sophomore Amy Cross and freshman Megan Hyde. Both swimmers had a first place individual performance and placed second in two relays. Cross won the 200 free convincingly with a time of 2:06.59 and Hyde won the 50 free with a time of 28.55. Cross and Hyde teamed up with Courtney Young and Ashlee DeVries to placed second in the 200 free relay with a time of 1:58.79. Cross and Hyde also were on the 400 free relay team with Jamie Anderson and Sabrina DeVries and took second place with a time of 4:15.84. Anderson also took a second place in the 100 breast stroke with a time of 1:22.57.

JV

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and had 2 doubles. Davis Adams batted 2 for 3 with 3 RBI. Ray McIntire batted 1 for 2 and scored 4 runs. Max Mariani batted 1 for 2 with a RBI, while Alex Huizar, Aaron Geerts and Donnie Garcia each went 1 for 2 for the Warriors. In game one at Oroville the Warriors picked up a 7-4 victory with Kevin Rowell throwing a complete game for the win. Rowell gave up just 2 earned runs and had 9 strike outs. "Kevin did an unbelievable job," said

Ward. Martinez led the Warriors at the plate batting 2 for 2 with 3 RBI and 2 doubles. Donnie Garcia batted 2 for 3. Keuhn batted 2 for 4. Adams batted 1 for 3 with 2 RBI, while Rowell and Cody Campos each went 1 for 3 for the Warriors. Taylor Brickey played the hero in game two for the Warriors as coach Ward brought the freshman in to pinch hit in the bottom of the sixth inning with two outs and the scored tied at 2-2. Brickey came through with an RBI single to put the Warriors ahead for good.

"That was awesome," said Ward. "I put him in a tough

spot and he came through big." McIntire then closed the door on the Tigers as he finished his three perfect innings of pitching. Keuhn started on the mound and threw 4 innings and gave up just one earned run. At the plate Adams continued to swing his bat well as he batted 1 for 1 with an RBI. "Davis has been unbelievable at the plate lately," said Ward. In the last two weeks he has batted 8 for 15 and has 9 RBI. Brickey batted 1 for 1 with a RBI. Martinez batted 1 for 3, while McIntire batted 1 for 4 for the Warriors.

Features

Swollen ankles have many causes

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Why do my ankles swell so much during the day? I am 72 and in good health. When I wake in the morning, my ankles are normal size, but by the time I go to bed, I have a hard time getting my shoes off. I have yearly exams, and they are always good. —B.V.

ANSWER: Swelling results when fluid comes out of capillaries, the tiny blood vessels that connect arteries and veins. Fluid seeping out of capillaries is normal. That's how body cells and tissues obtain their nutrition. However, when capillary fluid pressure rises, then too much fluid leaves, and the feet and ankles bloat.

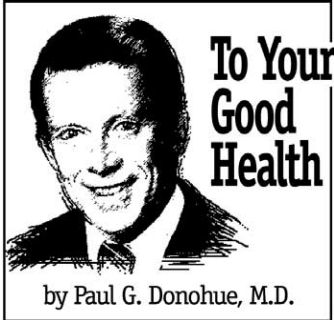
Heart failure, liver disease and kidney disorders cause fluid retention in the ankles and feet. You have a yearly examination and you feel well; it's not too likely that you have any of those conditions.

You could have dependent edema. Edema is the medical word for swelling. Dependent edema indicates that gravity is responsible for too much fluid finding its way into the feet and ankles.

During the day, when sitting or standing for a long time, gravity keeps blood in the legs and feet. Again, pressure in capillaries rises, and fluid oozes out from them.

Throughout the day, when you sit, prop your feet up—the higher the better. If you can take some time—about 15 to 30 minutes—to lie down with your legs elevated above heart level, that empties the legs of blood and stops the oozing of fluid into the feet and ankles. Elastic stockings compress tissues, which forces tissue fluid back into the circulation. Cut back on your salt use. Salt causes fluid retention and promotes ankle and foot swelling.

The booklet on edema and lymphedema discusses the causes of ankle swelling and their treatments. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue—No. 106W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or mon-



by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: All my life I have wondered how people arrive at their body frame. I hear so many give their weight and then say, "My body frame is large, so I can carry all that weight." Will you tell me what they base their frame size on? —M.K.

ANSWER: I think many people determine their "frame" size by looking in the mirror and declaring they have a large frame. A simple way of classifying yourself as having a large, medium or small frame is to wrap your thumb and middle finger of the opposite hand around the dominant wrist. (If right-handed, wrap the left hand fingers around the right wrist; just the opposite for a leftie.) If the fingertip of the middle finger and thumb tip touch, you have a medium frame. If there's a space between them, you've a large frame. If they overlap, you've a small frame.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Readers may also order health newsletters from www.rbma-mall.com. (c) 2006 North America Syndicate All Rights Reserved

An American view on democracy

The Magna Carta went on display in Lincoln Cathedral in Britain two weeks ago as part of a new Lincolnshire-USA celebration. Lincoln has one of the four remaining copies of the Magna Carta. Many pilgrims came from Lincolnshire and the people of Lincoln know that Americans take their democracy very seriously. Indeed, the overwhelming majority of visitors to see the Magna Carta are always Americans. We view the Magna Carte, Latin for the "Great Charter", as the document that heralds the birth of democracy. In fact, it had very little effect on the common englishman when it was signed by King John at Runnymede, an island on the River Thames, in 1215. Rather, it was an attempt by John to forestall civil war over the heavy tax burden that he was imposing on his barons. The original Magna Carta was essentially a list of baronial grievances that John acknowledged by signing, but only to gain time. Yes, there are twenty-five chapters detailing provisions designed to curb the King's exploitation of the tax system and financial privileges, yet it was really only the rich powerful barons who benefited from John's acquiescence. Nowadays, the British themselves view the Magna Carta as an historical document and a reminder of "Bad King John" rather than a milestone to democratic institutions. When Tim saw the one in Salisbury cathedral last year, no one gathered round it was whispering about individual rights but rather about the physical



AL VALLECILLO AND TIM CARO

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state of the parchment.

Americans, epitomized by our current President, continue to trumpet the importance of democracy. It is never quite clear which form of democracy is being touted. Is it the Roman version – after all, the Senate is modeled on Ancient Rome. Or is it the Southern version – or the Northern version? When Al was on the East coast last week, he visited several civil war battle fields, and was struck that each side had been fighting for two different versions of democracy. The Southern version where the emphasis was on States' rights to form their own laws and institutions (including an economic system based on slavery, if you remember your history books), or the Northern version that promoted the integrity of the Union and the Constitution.

Democracy comes in so many forms after all. Winner takes all. Proportional representation. Passing a threshold number of seats to rule. Limitations on money spent on electioneering, or no limit to the kitty? Look at the current election cycle: so far Republicans have amassed \$321 million for the 2006 elections, Democrats \$226 million. Or take the recent election in Italy where Senor Berlusconi, media mogul and now ex-prime minister, monopolized the

TV, radio and newspapers. In both situations, spending money is equivalent to freedom of speech. In other countries, the amount of time that each party is allowed to spend on TV advertisements is, by law, divided up absolutely equally or even state funded.

Then there's the issue of what people actually do with their democracy. In this country turnouts at elections, especially midterm elections, are embarrassingly low. So we have democracy, at least according to some definitions, but we don't use it to the fullest extent. Embarrassed by the statistic that more people vote for a potential popstar on the TV series "American Idol" than vote in national elections? A greater proportion of people vote in Ghana than in the USA. Maybe some of the western democracies should be more proud of the right to assemble and demonstrate on the street. Witness the French students and the immigration demonstrations here at home.

So when you hear the President extolling the importance of democracy, we need to think what he actually means. And nation-specific democracy should be born of the very people who are going to use it, not exported by some imperial power.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

Temper your typical Aries urge to charge into a situation and demand answers. Instead, let the Lamb's gentler self emerge to deal with a problem that requires delicacy.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

You are aware of what's going on, so continue to stand by your earlier decision, no matter how persuasive the counter-arguments might be. Money pressures will soon ease.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

By all means, have fun and enjoy your newly expanded social life. But don't forget that some people are depending on you to keep promises that are very important to them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

You need to wait patiently for an answer to a workplace problem and not push for a decision. Remember: Time is on your side. A financial matter needs closer attention.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)

You now have information that can influence that decision you planned to make. But the clever Cat will consult a trusted friend or family member before making a major move.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

Good news: You're finding that more doors are opening for you to show what you can do, and you don't even have to knock very hard to get the attention you're seeking.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

Your gift for creating order out of chaos will help you deal with a sudden rush of responsibilities that would threaten someone less able to balance his or her priorities.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

Congratulations. Your energy levels are coming right back up to normal—just in time to help you tackle some worthwhile challenges and make some important choices.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)

The sage Sagittarian should demand a full explanation of inconsistencies that might be cropping up in what had seemed to be a straightforward deal.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

A conflict between obligations to family and to the job can create stressful problems. Best advice: Balance your dual priorities so that one doesn't outweigh the other.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)

Don't guess, speculate or gossip about that so-called "mystery" situation at the workplace. Bide your time. An explanation will be forthcoming very soon.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

Boredom might be creeping in and causing you to lose interest in a repeat project. Deal with it by flipping over your usual routine and finding a new way to do an old task.

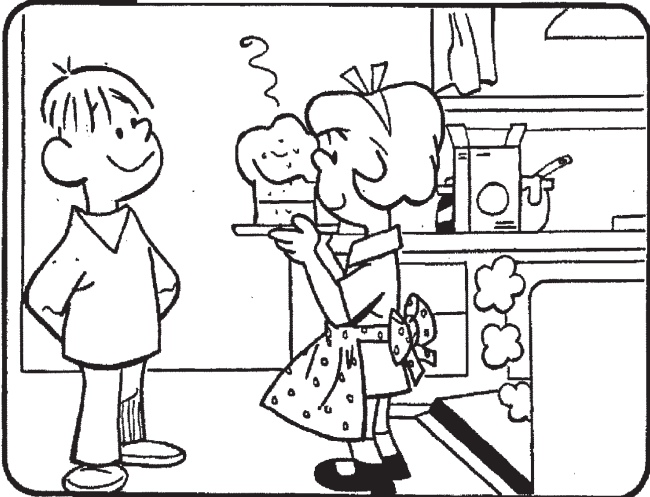
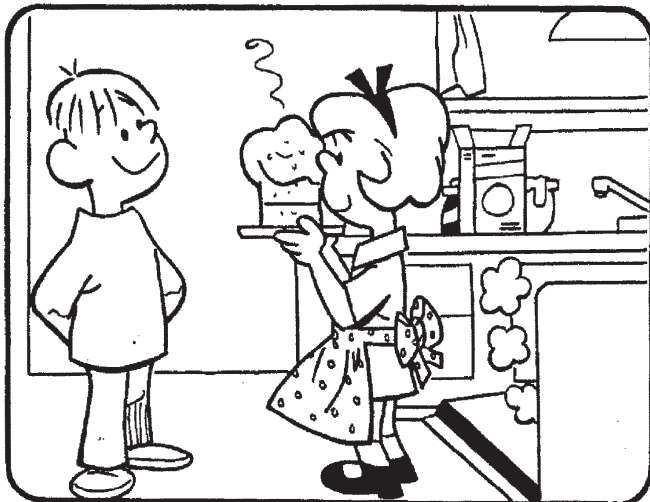
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

Differences: 1. Spoon handle is added. 2. Curtain is wider. 3. Box design is different. 4. Faucet is missing. 5. Bow is different. 6. V-neck is added.

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"Be like a duck. Calm on the surface, but always paddling like the dickens underneath."

~ Michael Caine

Pleased to meet you



Name: Woody Fridae

Occupation: 5th grade teacher at Shirley Rominger

Hobby: Golf

What's best about living in Winters: "People usually try to see the other side of an argument."

Fun fact: When he was 11, he held \$314 million because his great-uncle was the treasurer of Minnesota.

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

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National design experts Dan Burden and Michael Wallwork plan to help Winters citizens redesign State Highway 128 (Grant Avenue) and other city streets in a series of community workshops planned next month. Burden and Wallwork will translate citizen input into a new vision that will improve transportation connections and traffic safety throughout Winters. Burden's final presentation will use computer graphics to show how the highway and other streets can be transformed and improved.

The city of Winters is experiencing problems with traffic congestion and the lack of safe routes for walking and bicycling. For instance, residents living near Highway 128 cannot safely walk across this roadway to their local grocery store. Since the highway is the only route to school for most residents, parents are forced to drive their children the short distance to and from school each day.

To meet this challenge, the California Department of Transportation has provided the City of Winters with funding to host Burden and Wallwork for intensive community design workshops on May 4-9 to help make Winters a more desirable place to live and do business.

All Winters residents are invit-

ed to participate. The plan that arises out of the workshops can be used to help direct public transportation and streetscape investments to make city streets safer and more enjoyable for everyone.

The activities kick off on Thursday, May 4, 6-8 p.m. in the Waggoner Elementary School multipurpose room. Saturday's events will take place from 9 am to 3 p.m. in the same location, with the closing session planned for Tuesday, May 9, at the Winters Community Center from 6-8 p.m.

At the Thursday night kickoff event, Burden will provide participants with an overview of the workshop process, followed by a moderated group brainstorming and a prioritizing session. He plans to make these meetings fun and informative for all ages.

The Saturday events will start with a walking tour of key areas to assess walking, bicycling, transit and driving conditions from all users' points of view, followed by a design training session. The afternoon session will consist of community design tables, where participants will break up into smaller groups and draw their design solutions on maps of the streets.

On Tuesday evening, the workshop team leaders will present the design concepts at a closing workshop at the Community Center.

For more information, call Dan Sokolow, city of Winters community development director, 795-4910, extension 114.

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Administrative Asst. Part time for Tues. - Wed. mornings, 8:30 to 12:30. Computer and customer service skills required. \$10/hr. Please fax resume to 530-795-3202 or call office mornings M-F. Winters Chamber of Commerce 201 Railroad Avenue Winters, CA 95694

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April 11, 2006
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Valerie Clinton, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2006-404
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This business classification is: A Limited Partnership
The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on n/a

s/Scott A. Stone
Kenneth C. Stone
Henry H. Stone
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May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2006

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 22, 2006
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kristina A. Hunt, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2006-333
Fictitious Business Name, R & J Farms, A General Partnership, 1010 Webster St., Colusa, CA 95932.
Full name of registrant(s), residence address, Robert Faris Jr., 1010 Webster St., Colusa, CA 95932. James Jobe Faris, 36720 Co. Rd. 14, Woodland, CA 95695.
This business classification is: A General Partnership.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on 03/01/06.

s/Robert Faris, Jr.
s/James Jobe Faris
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Lien Sale

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professionals Code, Section 2328 of the UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the Civil Code.
The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the, 9th day of May, 2006, at 11 a.m., on the premises where said property has been stored and which are located at Winters Self Storage, 807 Railroad Ave., Winters, CA, County of Yolo, State of California, Bond # RED1006865 the following:
Customer Name: Heather Santillan (#E-25). (Brief description of goods being sold: Mattress set, Big Screen TV, Vacuum Cleaner, Kids Toys, Kids Bicycle, Clothes, Bedding, Air Hockey Table, End Tables, Misc. Household Items.
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April 27 and May 4, 2006

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Carol Grein, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2006-390
Fictitious Business Name, Therapeutic Massage Professionals. Principal place of business in California, 1109 Kennedy Place Suite #5, Davis, CA 95616.
Full name of registrant(s), residence address, Brian Lee, 1013 Hemenway St., Winters, CA 95694
This business classification is: An Individual.
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s/Brian Lee
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FBN NUMBER 2006-474
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: CJ's Refurbish.
Business address, 303 Edwards St., Winters, CA 95694
Christie Ann Bartee, 303 Edwards St., Winters, CA 95694.
This business classification is: Individual
The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on 5/02/06.

s/Christie Ann Bartee
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May 4, 11, 18, 25, 2006

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March 22, 2006
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Valerie Clinton, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2006-343
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Business address, 3614 Modoc Place, Davis, CA 95616. Mailing address, , 909 Alvarado Ave., #25, Davis, CA 95616.
Stephanie Merten, , 909 Alvarado Ave., #25, Davis, CA 95616.
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s/Stephanie J Merten
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April 20, 27, May 4, 11 2006

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FEATURED HOME 1473 Marshall Rd. Vacaville ~ \$383,000
Fabulous 3 bedroom 1 bath family home. Natural hardwood floors throughout. Dishwasher, dual windows, window coverings. Must see. Perfect for first time home buyer.

PENDING 1276 Alderwood Way, Vacaville, \$395,000 Beautiful home, fully landscaped, move in ready. Priced to sell. Great for first time buyers. Wood floors, 3 bedrooms, 1008 sq. ft. Hot tub in back yard to convey. Nice neighborhood off of Alamo. Must See!!

1355 VALLEY GLEN DR. DIXON, \$549,500
Fabulous 3 bedroom, 3 bath home across from the Veterans Park in the Brand New Pulte Subdivision. Back yard is fully landscaped with stamped patio. Home to include refrigerator and possible washer and dryer. 1 year new and family has received orders. Make Offer!!

1650 LASSEN CT., DIXON \$906,000
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2211 Cox Lane, Fairfield ~ \$498,000
Fabulous family home, 8 month old, 3 bedroom, 3 bath, too many upgrades to include. Flooring, blinds, stamped concrete back yard! Duet surrounded by large family homes in Gold Ridge Subdivision. Must see to appreciate.

530 Evans Rd. Dixon ~ \$482,000
Lovely home, well cared for by owners. Listed as three bedroom, was originally four. Master bedroom has extra room. Contact agent & come and see this cute home.

4300 Lelia Dr., Rio Vista ~ \$475,000
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The 20th annual Winters Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, May 13. The City is offering some spaces at City Park for those outside the immediate area. For more information call Bruce Gueldeen at 795-4919.	Stay Cool This Summer! "Legacy" Above Ground Pool 17' round, 5' deep. 3 yrs. old, excellent cond. Everything needed to maintain included. \$1,750. Call 795-3325. 13-2tp	ELECTRIC GUITARS (3) Complete 200W PA with speakers, amp & keyboard. Call (707)386-6134	SOLANO CONSTRUCTION 30 years in Solano, Napa & Yolo counties. Sales-service-construction. ^o online at www.solanoconstruction.com 530-795-1080	PRAYER through application to the Holy Spirit. Holy Spirit you who solve all problems, light all my roads, so that I may obtain my goal. You who give me the divine gift to forgive, and forget all evil against me, and that in all instances of my life you are with me. In this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you, even in spite of all material illusions, I wish to be with you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. The person must say this prayer for 3 consecutive days, after 3 days the favor will be granted. Even if it may appear difficult, this prayer must be published immediately after the favor is granted, without mentioning the favor. Only your initials should appear at the bottom. DOM	3 br., only \$175,000. Foreclosures. For listings 800-749-7901 x1944	3 db/2 ba very well kept home on W. Abbey. No rear neighbors on Dry Creek. Good view, exc. landscaping. \$1500 a mo. (530) 758-2580	Duplex for Rent, 415 Baker St., Winters. Front unit, 2 bdrm/1 ba. \$900 a mo. (707) 447-7677, cell (707) 372-9355.	Comfortable 2/1 apartment, just renovated: New stainless range, dishwasher, microwave, custom cabinets, new fixtures, tasteful colors. Call for showing. \$975/deposit. 795-3816 13-3tp	Small House, 1 bed, 1 bath, cable, water softener, internet, very nice and clean, \$800 + dep. Available ASAP! 530-979-0067
Wonderful Yard Sale, something for everyone. 304 East Main Street, Sat. 8-2.	Above ground pool. 9x17' x 4' includes pump/filter, ladder, plus misc. supplies and equipment. In good working condition. \$1,000. 530-908-7398. 13-2tp	WELDER Lincoln SA200 Needs some work, \$800 obo. 707/290-2307	Child Care		Rancho Yolo Senior Park #123, 2BR/2BA, Double wide, screened porch, appliances included. \$55,000. (530)758-5178	Nice 2 bdrm/1 ba house. \$1200 a mo. plus deposit. All util inc. 795-2553. 14-2tp	\$800: 1 bed, 1 bath in-law in Winters. New and clean. Gas stove, heater, A/C, yard. Gas, garbage, water paid. 530-908-7397 13-2tp	Find your next home here.	RETAIL SPACE: 2,400 sf. downtown Winters on Main Street w/parking. 795-3020, ask for David or Al. 16-tfn

Yard Sale, Sat. May 6, 8-3, 118 Broadway Lane. Tools, fishing & household goods. Please no early birds.	Huge Yard Sale - Multiple Family, 111 Almond Drive, Saturday, May 6, 8-? Clothes, crafts, supplies, furniture, science kits, appliances & more.	Garage Sale, Sat. May 6, 8-noon. 105 Colby Lane.	Misc. for Sale
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800 Railroad Ave. - Historical Beauty and modern conveniences.	CAMINO PACIFICO country home: Discover the peaceful, serene countryside just outside Winters.
Updated and remodeled in the 90's, this spacious 2853 SF home has all the charm you could ask for. Square footage does not include large basement. Corner lot (.42 acres) is located near the heart of Winters and across from proposed re-development. 3 car garage, plenty of RV parking. Sit on your covered porch, sip some lemonade and admire the gazebo, lush lawns and gardens. \$799,000	Situated on top of a knoll, this charming home has views that are just amazing. The 1784 SF, w bedroom, 2 bath home sits on 5 acres and has an open, comfortable floor plan. The warmth of the new laminate flooring ties the living areas together beautifully. All new vinyl windows throughout the home add to its efficiency. A free standing wood burning stove warms the living and dining areas of this home. All this for \$769,000

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