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Winters Express

"Gateway to the Monticello Dam"

Terrific teacher



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Vickie Catalan, named Teacher of the Year by the Winters Youth Day Committee, was formally honored at Youth Day opening ceremonies on April 28. Catalan, a third grade teacher at Waggoner Elementary School, has been with the Winters School District for 12 years.

More than one-quarter of students absent May 1

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

More than one-quarter of Winters students were absent on Monday, May 1, apparently participants in a national boycott of schools and workplaces intended to show support for immigrants' rights.

Gloria Hahn, chief business officer for the Winters School district, said that on any random school day, the average absence rate is five percent, or about 50 students. On May 1, 528 students were reported absent across all seven Winters campuses, which amounted to 28 percent absent.

The financial impact to the school district will be minimal, said Hahn, because the Winters School District's Average Daily Attendance (ADA) stage funding is calculated on annual attendance rather than daily attendance, and the time period only goes to the last complete school month to end on or before April 15. So, Winters will not lose any ADA funding.

Hahn said the money the school district receives from state lottery funds and some minor grants may be affected, but even the losses from those funding sources will be minor.

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Officer dragged, run over

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

Winters Police Officer Scott Leach miraculously escaped serious injury after being dragged by a moving vehicle and then run over under its rear wheels on Friday, May 5. Witnesses saw the car driven by Francisco Ramos, 19, of Winters bounce as it ran over Leach at about 10:30 p.m. and many were certain his legs had been crushed, but according to Winters Police Sergeant Sergio Gutierrez, Leach sustained only moderate injuries to his feet and did not suffer any broken bones. However,

he is in considerable pain, and although able to walk a little bit with crutches, Leach will be off duty "indefinitely."

Gutierrez says Leach was performing a routine "walk around" at the Community Center on Friday evening, where a dance was being held. He noticed an unacceptable amount of noise coming from the stereo of Ramos' 2002 Chevy Camaro, which was facing eastbound on Russell Street near the corner of Railroad Avenue. He approached the vehicle from the passenger side and leaned his arm on the window frame of the car door while dis-

cussing the stereo noise level with Ramos through the open passenger window. For unknown reasons, Ramos suddenly hit his accelerator and turned right on Railroad Avenue, heading toward the car bridge over Putah Creek.

The angle of Leach's arm in the window frame combined with the sudden acceleration trapped Leach's arm in the window, says Gutierrez, and he was dragged about 50 feet before falling loose and being run over. Ramos, who had passengers in the vehicle, fled the

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Winters sees a bridge in its future

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff Writer

At the Winters City Council meeting on May 2, the engineering team designing the replacement bridge over Putah Creek presented drawings and dramatic architectural images of what Winters might get 5 years from now.

The aging bridge to Solano County is on the state's list of bridges eligible for upgrade or replacement. City staff presented options to the city council in April 2001 that had been developed by Solano county's transportation department.

A public workshop was held on June 11, 2001 to discuss these options. The preferred option at that time was to widen the bridge and rehabilitate it. Later structural analysis concluded that the bridge would have to be replaced.

In January 2006, the city

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Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

The Tiare Group from Halau Hula O Lei Hali'a performed for the Youth Day crowd in City Park on Saturday, April 29. From left are (front) Lindsey Mayhew-Huges, Melissa Arellano and Rochelle Akoni; (back) Alyssa Oxley, Breanne Benson and Kristyn Lucero.

DANCERS HEAD FOR HAWAII, TAHITI

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

They are going where no Americans have gone before — to compete in "Heiva," the biggest dance competition in all of Tahiti. Led by their instructor, Michele Drumright, owner of the Halau Hula O Lei Hali'a hula studio in Winters, a troupe of local dancers will be the first non-Tahitians

ever allowed to participate in the competition.

Drumright explains that her own teacher's aunt is the owner of one of the biggest dance schools in Tahiti, and she decided to take the fledgling Winters dance school under her wing in an effort to unite schools that teach Tahitian dance.

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Farm worker fatally injured

By LAUREN KEENE
McNaughton Newspapers

A 21-year-old Grimes woman was killed on Wednesday, May 3, in an industrial accident on a Winters tomato farm, Yolo County sheriff's officials disclosed Monday. Julisa De Los Santos Dolores died of blunt-force trauma Wednesday morning after being accidentally run over by a big-rig whose driver was trying to connect a trailer to the rig, sheriff's Sergeant Dale Johnson said.

A preliminary investigation showed no negligence on the part of the driver, a 34-year-old Modesto man, and no criminal charges are expected to be filed, Johnson said. It was strictly accidental, he said.

The incident occurred at about 8:30 a.m. in a field on

County Road 89, just south of County Road 31. The property, owned by an Oakland couple, is being leased for tomato planting by the local farming operation Button & Turkovich, Johnson said.

According to sheriff's reports, Dolores had just exited a porta-potty on the property and was walking along a dirt road when she was clipped by the rear passenger-side wheel of the big-rig, which was traveling forward at an estimated 5 miles per hour. The driver did not see her, Johnson said.

There were no witnesses to the impact, but it is believed Dolores was run over, her chest and abdomen crushed, Johnson said. Fellow workers then saw her get up, walk sever-

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Annual garage sale Saturday

The annual Main Street neighborhood garage sale takes place on Saturday, May 13, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dozens of homes along Main Street and surrounding streets will become secondhand storefronts, as residents attempt to relieve themselves of unwanted household items at bargain rates.

FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

ATCHER JAMES KENDALL was born to parents Tony and Angie (Strickland) Kendall of Woodland on April 11, at 5:21 a.m. in Sutter Davis Hospital. He was eight pounds, 11 ounces and measured 22 inches in length. Atcher is the first child of Angie, who grew up in Winters, and Tony.

Maternal grandparents are Bill and Linda Strickland, formerly of Winters, now of Woodland. Paternal grandparents are John and Lynne Jensen, of Woodland.

Maternal great-grandmother is Mary Strickland of Winters; paternal grandparents are Ruth Hamilton, of Woodland, and Lucille Jones, of Hilmar.

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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
May 3		91	54
May 4		82	53
May 5		83	52
May 6		81	50
May 7		81	51
May 8		89	58
May 9		91	59

Rain for week: 0

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Average to May 9: 20.85

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Weekly police report

April 28

~ On the first block of East Grant Avenue, a suspect hit a victim several times about the body. Case forwarded to the District Attorney for complaint.

April 29

~ A 15-year-old Dixon juvenile was issued a notice to appear for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana.

~ On the 700 block of Lupine Way, an unlocked residence was entered and property was stolen. Loss: \$197.

April 30

~ On the 700 block of Lupine Way, an unlocked residence was entered and property was stolen. Loss: \$20.

~ On the 200 block of Emery Street, an improvised explosive device detonated in the driveway of a residence causing minor damage to the driveway.

April 30-May 1

~ On the 100 block of East Baker Street, a vehicle was vandalized.

May 2

~ Joseph George Castro, Jr., 20, of Woodland was arrested for possessing a gravity knife and violation of probation. Castro was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

~ On the 100 block of Martinez Way, a suspect repeatedly hit a victim causing minor injuries. Case forwarded to the the District Attorney for complaint.

May 3

~ Eduardo Jimenez, 20, of Winters was arrested on two outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrants charging him with failure to appear on previous charge of shooting a firearm on a public road and failure to appear on previous charge of driving with a suspended revoked driver's license. Jimenez was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a promise to appear.

~ At County Road 89 and Country Road 31, an officer assisted the California Highway Patrol with a traffic collision.

~ Edward Lloyd Sherley, 21, of Winters surrendered himself on an outstanding Woodland Police Department bench warrant charging him with violation of probation on previous charge of being under the influence of a controlled substance. Sherley was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

May 4

~ A 13-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for battery causing serious bodily injury. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a parent on a notice to appear.

~ Brian Richard Warner, 18, of Winters was arrested for having unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor, rape by force, false imprisonment, assault with a deadly weapon, inflicting corporal injury on a victim, sodomy, and sexual penetration with foreign object with force. Warner was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ At State Route 128 and County Road 87, an officer assisted the Yolo and Solano County Sheriff departments and California Highway Patrol with locating a vehicle and missing person.

~ On the 1100 block of Malaga Lane, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

May 5

~ Daniel Ryan Murphy, 31, of Winters was booked and released on a District Attorney letter charging him with battery.

~ On the 1000 block of Eisenhower Way, forcible entry was made to a residence. A bedroom was ransacked, however no property was stolen.

May 6

~ Francisco Roy Ramos, 19, of Winters turned himself in to the Winters Police Department for assault with a deadly weapon causing great bodily injury on a police officer. Ramos was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

A found bicycle was turned over to the police department.

May 7

On the 300 block of Main Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The alarm was activated accidentally.

~ Ronald Rehm McMahon, 54, of Winters was arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department warrant of arrest charging him with an attempt to commit vandalism. McMahon was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

YESTERYEAR



File photo

In May, 1984, officers for the Winters High School Chapter, Future Farmers of America, were elected for the 1984-85 school year. Pictured above are, left to right: Scott Marer, sentinel; Dawn McCoey, reporter; John Agiar, treasurer; Rich Nitzkowski, vice president; and Karen Benson, president. Not pictured, Sheree Griffin, secretary.

35
YEARS AGO

May 20, 1971

Elizabeth West has been named valedictorian of the eighth grade graduating class at Waggoner School and Debra Biasi has been named salutatorian, according to Charles Van Winkle, principal. Graduation exercises will be held next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Herbert Bauer, Yolo County Health Officer, will be the speaker at the annual Winters High School baccalaureate service, to be held at the High School football field Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

The City of Winters has issued a building permit to Don Gale, Davis building contractor, to construct a building for Drs. E.A. and C.A. Young east of the medical center on East Grant Avenue. The new building will house a liquor store and gun sales and service store, to be operated by John H. Griffin.

T-Sgt. David C. Harvey is expected to arrive at Travis AFB on Monday, after a year's tour of duty in Vietnam.

Moises Barbosa was elected president of the Winters High School student body for the 1971-72 school year in balloting held at the school Monday.

J.L. Atherton was named to the vacant seat of the Winters City Council Tuesday night to replace James Hyer, who is moving out of town.

Mrs. David Riley, who has been circulating a petition asking for home mail delivery in Winters, reports that 544 people have signed the petitions.

The 98th birthday anniversary of Mrs. Mary Stafford, Tuesday, May 11, was observed on Mother's Day, May 9, when she was feted at a dinner party given by members of her family.

Six Winters students will receive degrees at Chico State College on June 5. Dale Butler will receive a master's degree, and bachelor degrees will be awarded to Rose M. Gonzales, Ronald W. Martinez, Byron L. Randolph, Karen K. Neel and Rosanne M. Turkovich.

50
YEARS AGO

May 31, 1956

Forty-four seniors at the Winters Joint Union High School will receive their diplomas Friday night. Charles H. Olson will be the valedictory address, and George G. Wren will give the salutatorian's address.

Art Chaboya, coach at the Winters High School, will be the commencement speaker tonight at the Winters Grammar School graduation when 53 eighth graders receive their diplomas.

A group of about 100 persons attended the Memorial Day services at the Winters Cemetery to hear an address by Rev. Fr. Andrew Coffey, pastor of St. Anthony's Catholic Church here.

Up to Tuesday evening, a total of 133,000 yards of concrete has been poured at the Monticello Dam. The dam, when completed, will contain 325,000 yards of concrete.

Don Freeland, son of Ted Freeland, of Winters, finished the annual Memorial Day 500-mile race at Indianapolis, yesterday.

The apricot shipping season, which got a slow start last week, appears to be one of the lightest in several years.

Sealed bids will be opened in the Winters office of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation June 7 in the final clearing contract of the Monticello reservoir area.

A formal wedding ceremony performed in the presence of members of the families Sunday afternoon in All Soul's Catholic Church, Concord, united in marriage Miss Betty Joyce Johnson of that city and Mr. Eugene E. Gale of Winters.

On May 23, over 20 women met at the home of Mrs. Charles Hamilton to form an organization of Farm Bureau Women. Mrs. James Rominger was elected chairman and Mrs. William Guerard, vice chairman.

65
YEARS AGO

May 30, 1941

The Winters High School Class of 1941, consisting of 44 graduates, received their diplomas last night on the high school lawn.

Mrs. W.A. Young, retiring from teaching after 50 years, was honored Saturday night at the Masonic Hall in a surprise program and reception, with about 200 friends and former pupils attending.

Mrs. Fannie Baldwin, oldest local pioneer is witnessing third generation graduations. Last night, Reva Bruhn and Herbert Covell, great grandchildren, received their high school diplomas, and on June 10, Norman Thissell, great grandson will be among the graduates of Dixon High School.

Receiving degrees at the University of California Saturday were Thomas William Vasey, Edward Allen Baker and Margaret Ann Hemenway. In the graduate division, Galen S. Geller received his Master of Arts degree. Grady Bollen and George Harold Crum received Bachelor of Science degrees from the College of Agriculture.

Buckeye School offered an entertaining closing program Tuesday evening and graduated two pupils, Annie Ramos and Flora Salaverria.

Miss Dorothy Day entertained a group of eight Aggie College mates Wednesday evening in her home on East Main Street. The occasion was the hostess' birthday.

Miss Mary Knight, Union District teacher this year has accepted a position on the teaching staff at Zamora.

John Young, law student in San Francisco is at his home in Apricot District to assist in the summer fruit harvest.

Mrs. H.R. Bowman and Miss Annie Baker spent a few days this week with their sister, Mrs. S. McCune in Dixon.

Berryessa drops 1.43 feet in a week

The level of Lake Berryessa fell by 1.43 feet during the past week with a reduction in storage of 27,747 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 440.5 feet above sea level with storage computed at 1,612,722 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 305 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 751 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 242 acre feet of water per day during the week.

100
YEARS AGO

June 1, 1906

Today the 15th school year of the Winters Joint Union High School closes, organized in 1891, the trustees are J.F. Griffin, president, Buckeye District; Fred W. Wilson, secretary, Winters District; August Brinck, Apricot District; William Baker, Wolfskill District, and J.B. Wolfskill, Olive District.

President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California toured the university farm in Yolo County Monday.

The Southern Pacific is planning to build an iron bridge across Putah Creek for its own use. The current bridge is used for a wagon and foot bridge as well as for railroad services, a very awkward and unsatisfactory arrangement. The railroad company in letters to Yolo and Solano counties suggests that the two counties build a bridge west of the railroad tracks, and will donate land for that purpose.

The graduation exercises of Oak Grove, Cherry Valley and Monticello schools will be held jointly in Hunger's Hall, Monticello Saturday evening.

Wray Gibson and George Bristol went to San Francisco the 20th, remaining a week. They took along a camera and secured some excellent views.

The memorial and decoration services, postponed last Sunday on account of the rain, will be held next Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Correction

In the Youth Day Auto Awards, Randy Brinsley won a first place trophy with his 1970 Boss 302, not second place.



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Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO
**BECAUSE
I SAY SO**

IMAGINE! THE AUDACITY! Taking a country's beloved national anthem, stripping it of its lyrics and replacing them with another culture's words! What a slap in the face! A shocking insult on par with thrusting one's middle finger up at an entire country and all it holds dear!

Which is surely what every loyal British citizen said when we took their national anthem, "God Save the Queen," rewrote the lyrics and relabeled it "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

To really pour salt in the wound, the final line in our song, "Let freedom ring" is, in the British national anthem, "God save the Queen," the ultimate exclamation of loyalty and love for the British throne. Replacing that particular phrase with those particular words is viciously, delightfully symbolic. England could see that great big American middle finger from all the way across The Pond. And just in case the message wasn't clear, our Statue of Liberty looks suspiciously middle finger-ish.

So, fair's fair, yes? No! Make that *hay-ull* no! Not when it's our precious "Star Spangled Banner," rewritten in Spanish! Not just translated, but completely rewritten! Patriotic Americans everywhere are having kittens as we speak. I've got a tabby and two calicos mewing by my feet right now.

Payback's a bitch, isn't it?

Turning the karmic screw yet tighter, it turns out that Mexicans weren't even responsible for this poke in Uncle Sam's eye. It was a British guy! According to CNN, British music producer Adam Kidron said he "just wanted to honor the millions of immigrants seeking a better life in the U.S. when he came up with the idea of a Spanish-language version of the national anthem."

Uh huh. Because the British are so fondly supportive of people seeking a better life in the U.S. In fact, they sent over the Redcoats in the 1770s to deliver that sentiment personally.

Kidron, further maintaining his completely innocent intent, shrugs off all this national anthem upset by claiming that American immigrants ("Immigrants"? Weren't they called "rebels" back then?) borrowed the melody of the "Star-Spangled Banner" from an English drinking song.

Hogwash! That's not what they taught us in school! Francis Scott Key was so moved by the sight of Old Glory proudly waving after a night of bombing while we fought the British off yet again in the War of 1812 that he sat right down and penned "The Star Spangled Banner," which became our national anthem.

Oops. Seems the teacher omitted a couple details about that story. After surfing the internet a bit, it appears Kidron is right. Although Francis Scott Key wrote the lyrics, the tune itself was, once again, swiped from the British. Read it and weep at <http://www.150.si.edu/chap3/flag.htm>.

The last time the truth disappointed me so deeply, I discovered there was no Santa Claus. I love my national anthem. It makes me all misty. Now I find out it was bellowed out in cold, dank pubs by generations of pot-bellied sots with stained shirts and bad teeth. Oh the pain, the pain.

So, did Kidron finally get retribution for the American kidnapping of British songs? Did he seek to recapture honor for the British crown? Nope. Kidron's been a U.S. resident for 16 years. Apparently our Capitalistic ways rubbed off on him. With the instinct and precision of a striking cobra, Kidron saw an opportunity to make a fortune amid all the illegal immigration uproar.

One dollar from every "Somos Americanos" CD, which features our hijacked national anthem, "Nuestro Himno," will be donated to the National Capital Immigration Coalition. Given the throngs of illegal immigrants and their supporters clogging the streets on May 1 (By the way, where was Immigration and Naturalization? Having coffee with the guys over at FEMA? It would've been like picking cherries.), I'm sure this CD will go platinum by June. Money talks, my friends. Or sings in Spanish. Whatever. In the words of Pink Floyd, grab that cash with both hands and make a stash.

Kidron. Dude. Apply for American citizenship. You're obviously one of us.

Meanwhile, all those folks who love America so much that they refuse to pay her the most basic respect by learning her national anthem in her native language (even if we did steal it from the Brits) will surely be belting out "Nuestro Himno" the next time they march down Broadway demanding the rights of an American citizen while refusing to obey American laws.

Not too difficult to translate that into English. It's a great big upheld middle finger.

ON A LOCAL NOTE: 28 percent of Winters students did not attend school on May 1 (see page A-1), even though the law requires students to be in school with the exception of excused absences. This beautifully illustrates on the local level my point of a few weeks ago — you cannot pick and choose which laws to obey in the United States. If the first thing one does upon entering this country is break the law by entering illegally, it fosters the mindset that laws only have to be obeyed when it's convenient. Apparently 28 percent of the students on May 1 found the law to be inconvenient. Will they suffer any consequences? Probably the same consequence as the illegals. In other words, *nada*.

And, to top it all off, our state legislators officially endorsed — and therefore encouraged — truancy! Fire them all!

Once again, I can only say, where are we going and why are we in this handbasket?



LETTERS

Student made it happen

Dear Editor,

I want to tell you about some exciting art events in May and to thank those responsible for them.

First, thanks to local artists Bob Leach and Dean Thomas — supported by their wives Avril and Gloria — who took one full day to hang the Winters Student Art show, featuring works from the high school art programs in painting and ceramics. This all-encompassing show would not have been possible except for the enthusiasm and energy that Kim Rolls, now a WHS graduating senior, has contributed over four years of collaboration with the Center for the Arts (formerly the Winters Participation Gallery).

Traditionally, in the fall, a group show of Winters High School artists has featured all the state fair award winners. A May show has been reserved for a single high school artist featuring a senior project. This spring show provides an opportunity for any senior wishing to explore and exhibit new media. In the past, Jillian Howard exhibited her bronzes created under the mentorship of local artist Fred Snyder. (Fred and his wife Jean have been generous benefactors to the Center for the Arts.)

Over several years, Kim Rolls had expressed an interest in the opportunity, and the gallery followed her evolution as an artist with great interest. A collaboration was planned for her senior year. However, this fall, the show traditionally exhibiting all the award winning art from the high school did not occur due to the retirement of Sally Paul and the fact that the new teacher had only been in the position for three months.

It's National ALS awareness month

Dear Editor,

As a member of the Board and active participant with The ALS Association, Greater Sacramento Chapter and the daughter of an ALS patient (Keith Cross) who passed away in September 2005, I write to remind the Yolo County community that May is National ALS Awareness Month.

The ALS Association will be lighting the way for a treatment and cure for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease. Across the nation, The ALS Association's Chapters will be spreading the word to their local communities that each person can help fight this disease that afflicts as many as 30,000 Americans each year.

Every 90 minutes, someone is diagnosed with ALS and every 90 minutes, someone loses their battle with ALS. ALS is an incurable fatal neuromuscular disease characterized by progressive muscle weakness resulting in paraly-

sis. In a generous gesture, Kim took the smaller back room in the gallery, opening the front of the gallery to her colleagues. She has mounted an exhibit of her portraits and animals which compliments front-room paintings and ceramics. Kim's generosity of allowing the show to be opened up is a powerful statement about excellence in art. The fact that everything in the gallery is high school work makes it all the more exceptional.

The gallery will be offering a special event featuring photo opportunities for Kim's portrait subjects. On May 19, from 7-8 p.m., the people featured in the portraits created by Kim will be honored with a reception and photo opportunity. All friends, relatives and the public are invited to attend. The event is free.

Finally, this Saturday, May 13, an original musical, "Michelangelo," written by Sacramento artist Dario Vanni, will be presented. The concert will be at the Palms Playhouse at 8 p.m. thanks to the generosity of owner Dave Fleming. The proceeds will benefit Winters High School scholarships in dramatic art and the staging of the full musical. Admission is a \$25 donation. If you liked "Phantom of the Opera," this performance is not to be missed. The only other performance held in the area some months ago in Woodland, played to a full audience. I advise you to buy tickets in advance, so as not to miss it.

Thanks to all of you who have made these events possible. We welcome you to these exciting events and hope you enjoy them.

VALERIE WHITWORTH
Board member
Center for the Arts

sis. The average age of onset is 55, however, ALS can affect people at any age, and cases have been found in persons as young as 12 and as old as 98.

The cause of ALS is unknown. At least 10 percent of cases are heredity (familial). The other 90 percent have no familial link and are known as sporadic. A recent study indicates that military veterans are more likely to contract ALS than the rest of the population, regardless of when they served in uniform (my father was retired Air Force).

The Greater Sacramento Chapter provides resources and support to patients and families in 24 counties throughout Northern California, including Yolo. Patients and families have access to monthly support group meetings, respite care reimbursement, equipment loan closet and many more resources. Community support is critical to continuing the mission of the

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CHARLES R. WALLACE
**A QUICK
OPINION**

ISN'T WINTERS GROWING LIKE CRAZY? I love it when I tell people Winters hasn't added any homes in years. They just look at you like you're crazy. Sure we've added a lot of homes over the years, but lately...

When I mentioned that Councilman Fridae and wanted to be Councilman Bill Harrington were the only people building homes this year, I forgot about the condominiums that John Siracusa is building on Baker Street. Even added together no one would consider this a building boom.

According to an article in the Sacramento Bee Winters lost 105 people in 2005, and we're down to 6,867 citizens. I'm not sure where everyone went, but they aren't living in Winters. It may be high school graduates who left for college or jobs, and people who move to the cemetery aren't counted as residents any longer. If we aren't building houses and we are losing population, we have fewer people living in each home. This isn't just a Winters phenomena, other cities and states are experiencing the same thing.

If you want to compare our growth rate with the rest of California cities, we rank 472 out of 480. Having a minus 1.5 percent growth rate is pretty special, but not unusual for our area. Woodland lost 373 people for a minus .7 growth rate. Up the road in Lincoln, total population 33,589, they added almost the population of Winters, 6181 for a state leading 22.6 percent growth rate.

What does having a declining population mean? For the city it means less road dollars and less state money which is based on population. The school district gets paid per student and has experienced declining student population for years. Society is changing and as the 78 million baby boomers get ready to retire, it is going to affect more than just population studies. We are 46 percent of the current work force. Who is going to take our places behind desks, backhoes and lunch counters? My guess would be recent immigrants.

As society ages, we will be looking for technology that will make everything more efficient and the demand for certain jobs will fade away. The need for nursing homes will increase as will the need for better drugs. Remember, most boomers like, or liked, drugs at some point in their lives.

When we talk about growth rates I like to look at large eras because of economic times like we are experiencing now. Over the years there have been times when we don't grow at all and then we add hundreds of homes in a short period of time. It is hard to plan or budget when you don't know if you are going to have new customers, or a declining consumer base. It is also true for service clubs who need new members or count on fund-raisers to support their philanthropic endeavors.

In 1986 we had 3,340 citizens. By 1996 we had 5,500 for an average growth rate of almost 6.5 percent. From 1996 to 2006 we grew at just under 2.5 percent per year. Next month I'm starting a new contest to guess our annual growth rate, or maybe total population each January 1. I'll give you a hint for January 1, 2007. It will be less than minus 1.5, but you decide and guess on your own. Watch for entry blanks in the Express.

Think big and have a good week.

Home tour benefits Red Cross

Dear Editor,

It's that time again for the Yolo County Red Cross Heart of the Home Kitchen tour. On May 20, eight homes in Woodland, Davis and Winters will be open for kitchen fanatics, wine connoisseurs, and those just looking for a great time and fun day.

John and Liz Siracusa will open the Abbey House Inn for the tour and Tony and Jacqueline Avellar have graciously offered their home.

Local businesses participating and offering their talents, wine and food at these two homes are Berryessa Gap Winery, Lester Farm's Bakery, Lorenzo's Town and Country Market Catering service, Putah Creek Cafe, Steady Eddy's Coffee House, Textures, Briggs & Co. and Chris' Florist.

Besides all this fun and

food, you'll be supporting the local chapter of the Red Cross. All the funds stay right here in Yolo County where we need it.

Did you know that the Red Cross not only teaches CPR and lifesaving, they instruct the instructors, respond to all local disasters (from fire, flood, or traffic accidents) and are a vital link with military searches? Imagine how much you would rely on the Red Cross if one of your family members were missing overseas.

Plan to attend this worthwhile event on Saturday, May 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$25 prior to tour (\$35 on day of tour). You can get tickets from me, at Briggs & Co., or at the Red Cross office in Woodland.

Hope to see you the 20th.

JOYCE NEELEY

Policy for Letters to the Editor

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is noon on Mondays for publication that week. Letters may be mailed or hand-delivered to The Winters Express, 312 Railroad Avenue, Winters,

CA 95694, or emailed to news@wintersexpress.com.

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

We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

THANKS . . .

We would like to thank our family and friends for all the food, flowers, cards and support during our time of sorrow.

The family of Doris Manas

DANCERS

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“It’s really a big deal. Only people from Tahiti are suppose to participate,” says Drumright. “The pressure is on for us, but it’s a big experience too.”

Before heading to the competition, the dancers will visit Oahu, Hawaii, to see the places and things they learn about in the Hawaiian songs of their dances.

“I want the girls to have the actual experience of what they’re dancing about here. I’m going to take them to the areas so they know what they’re dancing about.”

When the dancers see with their own eyes the brilliant aqua Hawaiian waters and hold the native flowers in their own hands and smell their fragrance, and see the brilliant pink sunsets, Drumright says it will enrich their dancing as they perform songs that celebrate the beauty of the Islands.

Besides seeing the natural beauty of Hawaii and Tahiti, the Winters dancers will visit native dance schools, learn the meaning behind native songs, and each will learn to make her own “haku lei” — a wreath of flowers worn on the head — by hand.

Drumright says the dancers won’t simply be sitting down in a room with a box full of flowers and stringing them together, they’ll actually be walking in the hillsides of Oahu and picking their own flowers and leaves for their haku leis. She explains that this is the meaning behind “haku lei” — the gathering of beautiful things to make one beautiful item.

Drumright’s sister, Rochelle Akoni, who also dances with the group, explains that the songs used in the dances aren’t just background music. Each song tells a story.

“You can explain it better when you’ve seen it,” says Akoni.

“How better to express it than when you’ve experienced it,” adds Drumright.

Drumright explains this concept using local landmarks.

“If you’ve never driven through the hills to Lake Berryessa, it’s hard to express them in a dance.”

After experiencing Hawaii firsthand, the dancers will move on to Tahiti and experience that culture and environment. In Tahiti, the focus will switch from absorbing everything they see, smell and touch, to concentrating on the actual competition.



Photo by Suzette Oxley

The Tiare Group includes, from left, Kristyn Lucero, Rochelle Akoni, Gina Brice, Aaron Drumright, Anake Michele Drumright, Lindsey Mayhew-Huges, Melissa Arellano and Alyssa Oxley (not pictured, Frank Lucero).

“We’re going to compete. We might not be ready, but we’re taking the challenge,” says Drumright.

Born on Oahu and raised on the Big Island, Drumright moved to Winters in 1993 and began teaching hula after being invited to teach hula at a local luau. She opened her studio at 305 First Street in January of this year, with such enthusiastic response for her classes that she eventually had a waiting list of students.

Drumright still visits her homeland from time to time, and recently returned from the biggest hula dance competition in the world. She says that trip helped her “get back in touch” with her roots, and refreshed her desire to share her culture with others.

“I want to perpetuate that here,” says Drumright.

She explains that her hula studio is not simply a dance school. Everything she does is “in the light of ohaha,” or “the family,” and this is particularly true of the dancers she’s taking to Hawaii and Tahiti.

“We have all been working hard together as a family. We’ve worked so hard to get to this point. We laugh together and we cry together.”

Her family of dancers have performed locally at Youth Days, Earthquake Street Festivals and the Canyon Creek Resort, and also competed in a major dance festival recently, the San Jose Tahiti Fete.

Although Drumright has students of all ages, the group she’ll be taking to Hawaii and Tahiti come from her most experienced dancers, the Tiare Group. The group that will

be going on the trip and competing includes Drumright, Akoni, Gina Brice, Melissa Arellano and Alyssa Oxley. The dancers are 14 years old and up, and have been dancing from as little as six months to as much as 12 years. Besides the dancers competing in the group, Drumright’s husband, Aaron, and another young Winters student, Frank Lucero, will also be going along to learn the men’s traditional dances, called “marquesian.” The group leaves for Hawaii on June 4, then travel to Tahiti on June 11. The Heiva competition lasts the entire month of June. The Winters dancers will compete on June 16.

Despite the excitement and life-enriching experiences that lie ahead for Drumright and their dancers, there is a downside. The cost of the trip

has been a challenge for them, and they’ve been raising funds like crazy for weeks. Unfortunately, even with all the fundraising for trip expenses, one of Drumright’s students was unable to come up with the money for the airplane fare and will not be able to attend. Although, they’re disappointed that they’ll be leaving one of their own behind, the group is still pushing forward to raise money for food and lodging.

“We are in desperate need,” says Drumright, adding that anyone who’d like to help the dancers out can make a donation to their non-profit bank account, the Hula Dancers of Winters, at First Northern Bank.

“Your donation will go to a lifelong experience,” says Drumright.

WORKER

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al steps and collapse.

Dolores was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident. There were no other injuries.

The incident is being investigated by multiple

agencies, including the California Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Cal-OSHA), the Sheriff’s Department, the Yolo County coroner’s office and the California Highway Patrol, which Johnson said assisted with making diagrams of the scene.

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Winters High School graduation takes place on Friday, June 2, at 7 p.m. at Dr. Sellers Field

Community

Building dedicated to Winters resident

BY WOODY FRIDAE
Special to the Express

It was the kind of honor teachers might only dream about. Surrounded by friends, family, and former students, Winters resident and retired physics professor Lee Gildart had a school of computer science and engineering named after him and a former colleague at Fairleigh Dickinson University, where they both had taught 30 years ago.

Research scientist Dr. Gregory Olsen had been a student of Professors Gildart's and Oswald Haase's in the 1960s at F.D.U. in Teaneck, New Jersey. Olsen went on to become a very successful inventor, entrepreneur, and most recently, a "space tourist", spending \$20 million to fly with the Cosmonauts to the space station where he performed experiments with the laser sensors he had developed. Olsen donated \$5 million to the university to have the school remodeled and renamed the Gildart-Haase School of Computer Science and Engineering.

"You can never directly repay a mentor for the gifts they have given you," Olsen said in his speech Wednesday, "The only way to honor them is to do unto others as they have done to you."

And honor them he did. Olsen sent a private jet service to pick up Gildart, who is 95, his four daughters, Laura Sauter of Bodega, Martha Gildart of Sacramento, Sarah Contreras of Davis, Rebecca Fridae of Winters, and granddaughter, Jemima Sauter of Windsor at the Yolo County Airport to fly them to the ceremony.

The Gildart clan had a day to rest up and visit their old house in Englewood, New Jersey before attending the ceremony.

It was an especially nostalgic return for daughters Martha and Rebecca, who had both attended FDU in



Courtesy photo

Lee Gildart, (seated) with his daughters, (from left) Martha Gildart, Rebecca Fridae, Sarah Contreras and Laura Sauter, stand in front of the newly-named Lee Gildart and Oswald Hasse School of Engineering and Sciences at Fairleigh Dickinson University in New Jersey.

the 1970s. Martha graduated with a B.S. in physics in 1976.

About 250 people attended the Wednesday afternoon event which included addresses by Professors Haase and Gildart, Olsen, and F.D.U. dignitaries. In Dr. Gildart's address, after thanking Olsen, of whom he said "he aced everyone of my exams," he told the university audience "Good schools require good teachers, and good teachers require high salaries, and Fairleigh Dickinson needs to make a commitment to make it a first rate school."

The dedication was followed by a reception under a tent along the banks of the Hackensack River flanked by azalea bushes in bloom. Many former students and colleagues came to congratulate the two men and reminisce about

the university 30 years ago, and the numerous volleyball picnics held in the Gildart's back yard.

After the ceremony, his daughter Laura said that it was "wonderful to know that even at the age of 95, unexpected, exciting things can happen to you."

Gildart and his family returned home Thursday, tired but grateful for all Olsen had done.

Winters Post Office food drive planned

The second Saturday in May has become an important day of the year for countless community food banks, food pantries and homeless shelters throughout the nation, thanks to a partnership between the National Association of Letter Carriers, the United States Postal Service and the AFL-CIO. That day is the day of the NALC Letter Carriers' Food Drive.

Working together as a labor-management team, and assisted by the Unit-

ed Way of America and Local United Ways, corporations and local food bank representatives, the NALC and the Postal Service have developed a food delivery system in all 50 states that allows residents along postal routes to donate non-perishable food items for their local food banks without any trouble or inconvenience.

Postal customers simply leave non-perishable food items in bags in their mail boxes on the Food Drive day which is

Saturday, May 13, this year. When the city carrier comes by that day delivering mail on his or her route, the food is collected, taken back to a postal station, and then delivered to the food banks.

The national one-day drive began in October 1991, with a pilot drive in 10 selected cities. It was a tremendous success, with over 584,000 pounds of food collected.

No postage is required on food left in mailboxes.

BRIDGE

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council approved replacement of the bridge. The city selected MGE Engineering to perform design services and they have been meeting with a subcommittee the past few months.

The subcommittee includes Solano County representatives and Winters representatives John Donlevy, Harold Anderson and Woody Fridae.

Paul Wiese of Solano County presented the current state of the design and two alternative locations for the bridge to allow council members to comment. He described this as a “first look” and said that the design will take about four years, “worse than the process for the new traffic signal.” The design showed details adopted from the old bridge and some dramatic new features. One item was the inclusion of an oval “traffic calming” island at the north end of the bridge that would slow traffic before it enters Winters. The architectural renderings also showed the most striking feature -- a series of pedestrian balconies along the roadway that are referred to as “belvederes.”

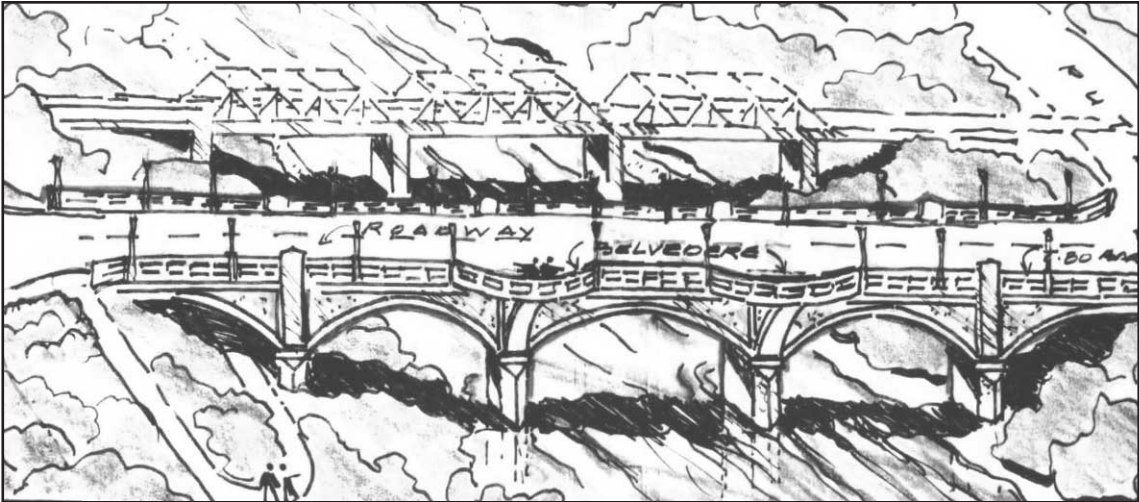
He described two approaches for location of the bridge. Alternate 1 calls for the replacement to be located in the current bridge’s position. Alternate 2 calls for the new bridge to be built a small distance west of the current bridge. This approach would allow use of the old bridge during construction of the new one.

For Alternate 1, traffic would be routed via Interstate 505 during the year and a half construction period. There is an “Alternate 1A” that would call for a temporary bridge for use during construction of the actual bridge, and that plan would allow traffic to continue at the bridge site.

Alternate 2 would require purchase and removal of the restaurant property at the south end of the bridge and the garage located at the north end of the bridge. It would also require a roundabout at the junction of Russell and Railroad.

Wiese presented some of the pros and cons for the two approaches. Alternate 1 would have negative impact on traffic flow during construction. The temporary bridge version (Alternate 1A) would lessen this somewhat but it would cost more. The traffic impact would be a problem for ag equipment and emergency services.

Alternate 2 would have little impact during construction, but would produce a new bridge that



Graphic courtesy of MacDonald Architects

This is how the car bridge over Putah Creek might look when finished.

does not align with Railroad Avenue in Winters. Looking across the bridge from south to north one would be looking at the side of a building. Wiese said that landscaping on the proposed roundabout would mitigate this effect. Alternate 2 would produce much more traffic calming, but would cost more and take longer because of the requirement to purchase two properties and remove them.

Alan Mitchell of Ponticello and Associates said that the overall cost of the project would be \$7,000,000 to \$7,900,000. The City of Winters would be contributing \$400,000 to \$450,000 of this.

He said that construction would take place in 2011 and 2012, or one year later in the case of Alternate 2.

Council member Tom Stone asked about the wisdom of installing belvederes when we already have the railroad bridge for pedestrians. Wiese estimated that removing the belvederes from the design would save Winters about \$12,000.

Council member Woody Fridae said that he preferred Alternate 1, especially since the property owner on the Winters side of the bridge is unwilling to sell his property. Fridae spoke in favor of the temporary bridge approach. The temporary bridge would cost \$900,000. Winters’ share of the cost would be \$50,000.

“It is well worth it not to impact local economy, ag activities, and as a matter of convenience to the city,” said Fridae.

In response to a question about dismantling the temporary bridge, Wiese said “the temporary bridge is made of components like an erector set, and when you are done you dismantle and return it.”

The architect, Don McDonald, presented illustrations of the bridge. He described a number of design elements that can be seen in the old bridge, including piers at the waterline that have a pointed shape, vertical and horizontal lines in the road-

way barrier, and arches that are recessed from the face of the bridge sides. McDonald showed how the designers had incorporated these elements in the new design. The light standards shown in the drawings would match those used on city streets.

“The belvederes would be good for city festivals and river-related festivals,” he added.

He showed that the new roadway barriers have openings in them for increased visibility. They are part of a system engineered specifically to resist impacts and function well in case of accidents.

Mayor Martinez asked about access to the south end of the bridge. McDonald said the difficult turn would be eased somewhat for better access, and the increased width of the bridge would make this more possible. The proposed span is 32 feet wide. The existing one is 22 feet wide.

Martinez asked about utility lines with the temporary bridge. Wiese said that the utilities would have to relocate lines and it is not part of the project costs. He said ultimately utilities would go through an opening in the body of the new bridge.

Butch Branscum spoke before the council. He owns the garage that would have to be removed to facilitate Alternate 2 and spoke strongly against that plan. He demanded that the council move immediately to strike Alternate 2 from the list of possibilities.

“This is a farming community and will continue to be,” said Branscum. “The belvederes are a hazard that will be regretted the first time a car hits a skateboarder there,” he said.

“We need to keep an open mind and not hamstring ourselves at this point,” said Mitchell. “We need to decide this after we get citizen input at the community center public meeting.”

Council member Steve Godden asked about the roundabout at the north end of the bridge in Alternate 2. Mitchell said that

Wolfskill Street would be closed off with either option. Fridae said that Wolfskill Street should be blocked with a gate that emergency services could open for access.

Stone asked if the council was being asked to make an eminent domain decision. Wiese said that both proposals should be made to citizens at the public meeting. Stone asked when the public meeting would take place. “Later in the month,” came the answer from Wiese.

Other items:

The council passed a motion raising compensation for city council members from \$75 per month to \$150 per month. This change cannot take place until June 2006, when three new terms of office begin, according to code. The current \$75 compensation was set in 1966.

Fridae said that he cannot support this increase while our police and fire departments are so short of funding. Stone said that he agreed in principal, but “with six to eight meetings a month and the associated costs of travel to meetings, it should be a volunteer job, but not a losing proposition.”

The council passed a motion that describes the kind of property developers can use to mitigate wildlife habitat destruction. The motion favors mitigation areas that are within Yolo County and within a seven mile radius of the city limits.

“Where mitigation is not possible in Yolo County, the first priority shall be mitigation in an approved mitigation bank in Solano County located within a seven mile radius of the city limits,” according to language in the proposal. Council member Tom Stone asked about the wildlife. Swainson hawks, burrowing owls, and vernal pool crustaceans,” answered Development Director Dan Sokolow.

Stone asked city attorney John Wallace if Granite Bay Holdings would be able to make use of property belonging to the catholic church that is in

Council to meet

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ Update on public safety facility.

- ~ City of Winters Grant Avenue Access Study.

- ~ Resolution regarding preparation of agenda packets.

- ~ Resolution regarding policies and procedures for naming and dedicating city facilities.

- ~ Resolution regarding the naming and dedication of the Railroad Trestle Bridge.

As the Community Development Agency, the council will address the following items:

- ~ Winters High School football lighting project.

- ~ Senior housing rehabilitation program

- ~ Home Purchase Assistance Program.

OFFICER

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scene.

An “officer down” emergency call was placed over the county emergency dispatch, which brought officers into Winters within minutes from the Vacaville and Woodland police departments, the California Highway Patrol and the Yolo County Sheriff. The Winters police and fire departments were also on the scene, and the entire downtown was flashing red and blue in the night sky from all the activity by about 11 p.m., as a CHP helicopter searched the area with a floodlight south of the bridge for Ramos’ vehicle. Emergency personnel from the Winters Fire Department tended to Leach, who was eventually taken by EMR ambulance to Sutter Davis Hospital. He was treated over the next several hours and released. Gutierrez attributes Leach’s ability to withstand such an injury

to his excellent physical condition. Ramos was not found that night, but turned himself in the following day. He was arrested and charged with felony assault with great bodily injury to a police officer and transported to the Yolo County Jail. Leach has been with the Winters Police Department for two years and was named the 2005 Officer of the Year. Although he is expected to recover, his lengthy absence combined with another officer off duty due to an injury to his hand will leave Winters with only four patrol officers. The officer with the injured hand is expected to take a law enforcement position elsewhere in June, so the police department was already recruiting for new officers over the last several weeks. However, the police department is not prepared to hire anyone from this recruitment, says Gutierrez. The city of Winters frequently struggles to hire officers be-

cause the pay is low relative to larger cities. Winters Police Chief Bruce Muramoto has asserted at several community meetings that six patrol officers is not adequate to keep Winters safe at all times, and even with six officers, there are periods of time during the week when there are not any patrol officers in town because they are transporting suspects to jail in Woodland. This problem will be further impacted by being short two more patrol officers. Gutierrez points out that with only six officers, being short just one is like losing about 17 percent of the department’s workforce. Although the police department does have reserve officers, Gutierrez explains that they are volunteers and cannot work alone, and additionally have full-time jobs of their own elsewhere. He says suffering two vacancies at once means that Winters needs trained police officers “yesterday.”

Yolo County Fair catalogs available

Exhibitor Catalogs are now available in Woodland at the Yolo County Fair Office and the Woodland Library; in Davis at Big-O Tire and the Davis Library; in Clarksburg at Holland’s Market and the Clarksburg Library; in West Sacramento at the Chamber of Commerce office and the West Sacramento Library; in Winters at the Winters Express and the Winters Library; in Guinda at the General Store; in Esparto at the Esparto Library; in Yolo at the Yolo Library; in Knights Landing at the Knights Landing Library; in Zamora at the Zamora Post Office; and in Dunnigan at the Dunnigan Post Office. Exhibitors may also go online to yolocountyfair.net and get information for both the 2006 Exhibitor Catalog

and the 2006 Livestock Catalog. Ehibitors interested in Livestock Catalogs can also contact the Fair Office. Most entries close on June 30. Exhibitors may send in their form at any time. Call the fair office, 662-5393, for more information. Entry department hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 Monday through Friday.

STUDENTS

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Although the district was spared any significant financial blow, Hahn emphasized that skipping school is “not good news for the kids themselves.” “There’s lots of important things going on in class now, with less than a month left of the school year,” said Hahn. Consequences for unexcused absences are determined at each campus,

rather than at the school district office. At Winters High School, vice principal John Barsotti said the May 1 absences will not be treated any differently than unexcused absences on any other day. Depending on the student’s attendance history, the consequence may be anything from detention to in-school suspension or, if a chronic truancy pattern exists, referral to the School Attendance Review Board (SARB). In addition to the

school’s response to truancy, individual teachers also have the ability to assign consequences for unexcused absences. According to high school principal George Griffin, teachers are not required by the state of California to allow students to make up missed class work or tests, or turn in late homework on days with unexcused absences. Teachers are also not required to allow students to make up missed benchmarks for days they were truant.

ALS

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Chapter as it continues to add patients and families to its programs. For more information about The ALS Association, Greater Sacramento Chapter and its mission to find a

cure for and improve living with ALS, call (916) 979-9265, send a tax deductible donation to the Chapter at 2717 Cottage Way, Suite 8, Sacramento, CA 95825 or visit www.alssac.org. **CHERYL (CHERIE) FELSCH**

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Schools



It's getting late into the fourth quarter. You are weary from the efforts you have invested in order to get to this point. The challenges seem insurmountable. Do you have what it takes to finish successfully? No, I am not referring to the professional basketball playoffs. But rather, this is the scenario for many of our students, but most especially seniors.

The unfortunate perspective taken by many students is that they have worked hard or done enough to get by to this point in the school year and they can afford to relax since the school year is almost over. In fact, it is likely that for those parents who have had to invest considerable time and energy to motivate their student to be successful in school, the tendency is also for parents to relax.

Promotion from one grade to the next, from eighth grade to high school, and graduation from high school are based upon the students' performance for the whole duration, not just for part of one year or part of one's high school career.

Senioritis is real, and so is "eighth grade-itis." As we quickly come to the close of the 2005-2006 school year, we must remind ourselves and our students that now is the time to have a successful finish, to complete what has been started. What a tragedy to almost meet the requirements, to be near the finish, only to lose the prize because we didn't persevere! Promotion for 8th grade is June 1st and Graduation for seniors is June 2nd. Let's chose to be a source of motivation and encouragement for our students until then!



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Atlas Martinez, 5, rode his bike down mainstreet on Youth Day, April 29, as a member of First Adventures Daycare's Kiddie Parade winning entry.

Kiddie Parade award winners announced

Award winners in the 70th Annual Youth Day Kiddie Parade held on April 29 were:

Decorated Bikes: first, Baylee Rippee; second, Nicholas Gomez; third, Cole Ramos

Costume: first, Payton and Macy Paschoal, Olivia Paul; second, Haley Archibeque; third, Kristen, Joshua, Amy, Kaeli, Brittany, Katelyn Schmuhl

Wagon: first, Kiana and Jillian Miller, Julie Campbell; second, Jose Angel Mejia; third, Anabel and Maribel Lares

Pets: first, Summer

Lester (with Leo, Jack & Luke); second, Taylor Rippee (with Princess and Angie); third, Brittany (no last name)

Groups: first, First Adventure Daycare; second, WPNS (Winters Parent Nursery School); third, WJUSD Two Way Immersion Program

Mini- Float: first, Gracie Barnett; second, Hunter and Mackenzie Godden

Sweepstakes: Payton and Macy Paschoal, Olivia Paul.

Visiting from Brazil



Courtesy photo

Marco Forini, of Brazil, is visiting Winters this month. Forini lived in Winters as an AFS student with the Lindsey family and graduated from Winters High School in 1994.

While Forini is in Winters he plans to attend Andrew Lindsey's graduation from Cal Berkeley. He says he is enjoying this opportunity to "visit the greatest little town in the entire world."

Pictured from left to right are Marco Forini, Bobbie Greenwood and Lori Lindsey.

Williams named Teacher of the Year by UC Davis group

Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Winters High School history teacher Jessica Williams will be honored at a banquet on Friday, May 19, at Andiamo Restaurant in Folsom after being named Teacher of the Year by UC Davis' The History Project. Williams is responsible for world history curriculum development for Winters High School and strives to help students build literacy skills while learning history. She will be traveling to Germany this summer in conjunction with The History Project.



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Summer recreation sign-ups begun

With the summer quickly approaching, the city of Davis Parks and Community Services Department has a number of classes and activities for toddlers, preschoolers, school-aged children, teens, adults and many family oriented special events.

Registration is now being taken for recreation classes and programs offered June through August. You can review the

Summer Recreation Schedule online at www.cityofdavis.org/pcs/w ebreg or pick one up at the Parks and Community Services Department, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis. The Parks and Community Services office is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, call 757-5626.

Entertainment

Enjoyable evening spent with author

By ANN M. EVANS and
GEORGEANNE BRENNAN
Special to the Express

By 5 p.m. last Thursday, the vast green lawn at The Putah Creek Farm, headquarters of the Center for Land-Based Learning, was filled with over 200 people, sipping Yolo County wines and nibbling on locally produced food, chatting and socializing as they waited for the main event: a talk by the celebrated author, Michael Pollan. The scene, framed by rows of olive trees, walnut orchards and fields of nascent sunflower, with men and women dressed in pastel summer colors and hats, and more than a few of the women wearing frocks, looked more like a lawn party or a wedding than a political event.

Make no mistake. When Michael Pollan speaks, he is talking politics, the politics of food. Eating, according to Pollan is not only an agricultural act, but an ecological and a political one. We, as consumers, vote with our dollars for the kind of food, land, and eventually earth that we want.

As we milled around, taking in the quiet rural scene around us, looking west past Winters to Berryessa Gap and the Blue Ridge, and north up the Sacramento Valley, we felt privileged to be in such a rich, agricultural setting. The menu literally had us eating the local landscape. The baby radishes, carrots, and turnips we nibbled came from Capay Valley, as did the baby fennel and asparagus. The aioli we were dipping them in was made from organic eggs laid near Woodland. Our Belgian endive leaves were from Rio Vista, garnished with cream cheese from Willets and smoked sturgeon from Elverta. The walnuts and almonds we sampled were grown in Winters, and so were the bacon-wrapped prunes. The bread was baked at Nugget Market in Davis,

and the artisan cheeses stacked high on the buffet tables were produced less than 100 miles away in Petaluma, Modesto, Pt. Reyes, and Sonoma. Our wines were from Winters, the Dunnigan Hills, and Clarksburg. We were doing it right, eating locally, organically, close to home.

Michael Pollan spoke for forty minutes, standing on a podium with a battery-powered microphone, shaded from the sun by an umbrella, after a statelY introduction by Craig McNamara, founder of the Center for Land Based learning and an organic walnut farmer. After a long ovation, we felt more than ever that the landscape around us, the agricultural landscape that had just provided us our food and drink, was at risk. Judging from overheard conversations, so did many other people.

“Eat Your View,” Pollan said, is a popular slogan in Europe, a cry to eat what is grown and raised around you, what you can see. This he says, is better than sending a check to an environmental organization. Know where your food comes from. Know whether you want to eat meat from animals raised in humane conditions or in factory conditions. After his talk we overheard several energized women talking about having bumper stickers made for Yolo County residents that say “Eat Your View”.

Pollan, a Professor of Journalism at UC Berkeley’s School of Journalism, a long-time contributor to the New York Times Magazine and author of the best-seller, The Botany of Desire (The Penguin Press) is on a nationwide book tour with his newly-published book, The Omnivore’s Dilemma, A Natural History of Four Meals (The Penguin Press). His talk last Thursday was in conjunction with a field trip with his graduate students, who visited The Center for Land-Based Learning, inspecting the

varied aspects of the 40-acre site dedicated to teaching adolescents about the food, land, environment, and agriculture before going to Capay Valley to visit Full Belly Farm, a diversified family farm that Pollan said he had never visited, though he gets a weekly box of produce from them through a program known as “community supported agriculture” or CSA. He and his students then returned for appetizers and his talk.

As the sun dropped slowly toward the Blue Ridge, Pollan spoke about his experiences researching and writing the book. He began with a question, what does it mean to have an industrial food system that is not sustainable. It means, he said, that the system can’t go on indefinitely, that it consumes its seed corn. It doesn’t serve the people it’s meant to serve – the farmers or the eaters – and it is a system that is based on ignorance. The only way you can eat industrial meats, he said, is to eat in ignorance. And finally, the fossil fuel energy the system consumes cannot be sustained. The food requires more calories to grow, process and distribute than it gives back in calories. From this definition he talked about four meals he traces in the book: a meal eaten in his car from a fast food franchise; an “industrial organic” meal; a small farm organic meal; and finally a meal that he grows, gathers and hunts for himself.

After Pollan’s talk, he took a few questions. Predictably, one of the first was about people who could not afford the premium of organic food. He said we have created a sys-

tem where it’s rational to eat empty calories, that we need to rewrite agricultural policies and align the nation’s farm bill (which is really a food bill) with our broader goals as a nation.

“This bill writes the rules of the game we eat by,” Pollan said. To a question on humane treatment of animals raised for meat, he said, “Half the dogs in America get Christmas presents and yet we don’t think about the Christmas ham.” He urged people to shed the cult of ignorance, which anyone who reads his book will do.

Following questions, a line of people quickly formed on and past the porch of the Center’s Farmhouse Office where Pollan sat behind a stack of his black-jacketed books, smiling and signing his books. People didn’t seem to want to leave, even though the event was scheduled to end at 7 p.m. It’s hard to say whether it was the wine and the setting that kept them there, or the reluctance to leave behind the sense of empowerment, the sense of shared importance about eating locally that his talk engendered.

The Omnivore’s Dilemma has been chosen by the Campus Community Book Project, and if you missed him last Thursday, don’t miss him this fall, November 29, at UC Davis. The Plant Genomics Program will be hosting a panel discussion on genetics, food and farming in the afternoon featuring Pollan (time and venue to be announced.) Pollan will also be a Special Event speaker at the Mondavi Center as part of their 2006-07 Season of Performing Arts that evening.

Dancers will raise funds

Students from two dance studios in Winters, Studio C and Halau Hula O Lei Hali’a, will be dancing to raise money for cancer research on Saturday, May 13, at the Veterans Memorial Center Theater in Davis.

As many as 100 dancers from Yolo, Sacramento and Placer Counties will join with the Studio C Dancers to “dance for a cure.” Show times are 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Ticket prices are \$12 general admission, \$10 for students and seniors and \$8 for children under 12 years.

Tickets are available at the door or by calling Tara Manners at 795-1900.

Comedy nights
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Picnic in the Park, Horseshoe Tournament to raise funds

Trip-tip, chicken, salad, beans and rolls will be served at Picnic in the Park and Horseshoe Tournament, an event to benefit the Timothy Casson Memorial Scholarship Fund. The picnic will be May 20, beginning at 1 p.m. and will also include a raffle and a quilt raffle.

The Timothy Casson Memorial Scholarship Fund, given through the Yolo Community Foundation, will be given to a Win-

ters High School graduate to continue his or her education in a trade/technical school.

Admission is \$20 and includes the Horseshoe Tournament as well as the barbeque. For children under 10 years, admission is \$10, but does not include entrance into the Horseshoe Tournament.

For ticket information, call Laurie, 795-9921 or 681-1627.

Beer festival helps seniors

Citizens Who Care, Inc. is celebrating All Things Beer. Their Second Annual event in conjunction with Sudwerk, features handcrafted beers from Northern and Central California, food provided by Nugget Market, live music by Hardwater and raffle baskets. Also included in the celebration are commemorative ale glasses, unlimited beer and food tasting.

The event, sponsored by Citizens Who Care, Inc., a nonprofit corporation that strives to improve the quality of life of the frail elderly and their families, takes place on Saturday, June 3 from 1-4 p.m. at Sudwerk Brewery on Second Street in Davis. Tickets are \$20 per person, but only 500 are available. Tickets are available for purchasing at 416 F Street in Davis, by phone at 758-3704, or online at www.citizenswhocare.org.

Sports

Lady Warriors play hard, finish in Orland

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters Warriors varsity softball team lost an 11-0 league game to Orland on Tuesday, April 25, at Shirley Rominger School. The Warriors started freshman Caitlin Calvert on the mound. Calvert gave up seven hits, six runs and struck out four batters. Jessica Graham gave up five runs, three hits and had one strike out.

At the plate Kelsy Fox led the Warriors batting 2 for 2. Calvert batted 1 for 1 and Ashley Krantz batted 1 for 3 and had a sacrifice hit. "We were getting on base," said coach Traci

Calvert. "But we were leaving them there. We had the bases loaded twice with no outs and we didn't score." Defensively the Warriors only committed two errors.

For their last home game the Warriors recognized their senior players Sara Hayes, Consuelo Prado and team captian Fabiola Hernandez.

The Warriors traveled to Oroville on Friday, April 28, to take on the Tigers in a doubleheader and lost both games. In game one the Warriors lost 12-2 but gave the Tigers all they could handle in game two in a 4-1 loss. "This was by far our best game of the season," said coach Calvert. "We played like a

team and only committed two errors." The Warriors out played the Tigers in every statistic but on the scoreboard.

Calvert pitched an outstanding complete game allowing 4 runs, 3 hits, just one walk and struck out eight batters. "Defensively, the infield really backed Caitlin up," coach Calvert added.

Winters stayed with the Tigers into the fifth with a 0-0 game before giving up any runs. At the plate Krantz led the Warriors batting 3 for 4. Consuelo Prado batted 2 for 3 with a run scored, while Jessica Graham batted 1 for 3 for the Warriors. Jesse Fowles also did a good job at the plate. "Jesse put the

bat on the ball each time at the plate," said Calvert. "She advanced runners every time."

In the Warriors first game of the day things didn't go as well as Winters lost 12-2. The Warriors had seven hits in the game but left too many runners on base. Calvert led the Warriors batting 2 for 3. Fabiola Hernandez batted 1 for 2. Graham batted 1 for 3 with a run scored. Kelsy Fox and Kayla Hartwell both batted 1 for 3, while Krantz batted 1 for 4 with a run scored. Graham pitched a complete game for the Warriors allowing 12 runs, 13 hits, just 1 walk and 2 strikeouts.

The Warriors finished

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Photo by Jay Shuttleworth
Senior Gabrielle Boisrame makes it over the hurddles at a recent track meet.

Track girls mop up Sutter and Gridley at home

By JAY SHUTTLEWORTH
Special to the Express

After three consecutive weeks of rain-out delays, the Winters High School track and field team finally met BVL opponents Gridley and Sutter Union High School here last Wednesday. The varsity girls swept the competition, the jayvee boys topped Gridley, and the JV girls, despite fielding only seven athletes, beat Sutter.

For the varsity girls, junior Lauren Yehle contributed four individual victories to the cause. She won the 100 hurdles (17.4), the 300 hurdles (51.7), the triple jump (29-4), and ran lead-off for the victorious 4x100 team with freshman Danielle Murphy, junior Jessica Jordan, and junior Leslie Contreras.

Contreras won the 200 (29.2), was second in the 100 (13.5), and ran with teammates Yehle, senior Natalie Cooley, and senior Courtney Carner to win the 4x400 (4:34).

Cooley won the 1600 (5:55) and the 800 (2:38). Carner won the 400 (1:05) and finished second in the 800 (2:49). Murphy finished second in the 300 hurdles (52.3) and was third in the 400 (1:07).

Senior Vanessa Rubio won the 2-mile (14:09) and was second in the mile (6:33). Senior Erica Jordan

was second in the 2-mile (15:25) and was third in the discus (54-7). Senior team captain Cara McCoy was third in the 300 hurdles (57.9)

Senior Thrower Mayte Herrera was second in the shot put (27-11.5) and in the discus (71-5).

For the JV boys, freshman Ryan Hofstrand had a significant personal best of 16.7 to win the 110 hurdles. Teammate Cody Shafer was third in 18.3. Shafer later won the 300 hurdles (45.1) and Hofstrand finished second (46.3).

Shafer and Hofstrand teamed with freshman Andrew Medina and sophomore Jayson Garcia to nip Gridley by .7 of a second for the win in the 4x400. The same quartet ran 49.6 to finish second in the 4x100.

Sophomore Andrew Fridae won the 2-mile (12:06) and finished second third in the mile (5:35) behind Sam Lanfranco, who won the event in 5:18. Lanfranco also won the 800 in 2:25.

In the 200, Jayson Garcia placed second (26.5), and Andrew Medina was third (28.0). Medina also finished third in the 400 (1:01.7).

The JV girls team beat Sutter, 60-16 and challenged BVL-favorite, Gridley, before falling 65-41

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Warriors get share of title with win

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
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The Winters High School varsity baseball team clinched a share of the Butte View League championship last Tuesday, May 2, as they traveled to Orland to take on the Trojans in the final league game of the season. The Warriors scored one in the first then five more in the second to take a commanding lead before bringing home a 7-2 victory. The Warriors are co-champs of the Butte View League with Oroville both teams have a league record of 9-1 and the Warriors improved their overall record to 17-4.

On the mound Alex Thomson threw a complete game for the Warriors to improve his overall record to 6-1 and 5-0 in league. Thomson struck out 12 batters and gave up six hits, two runs and no walks.

At the plate the Warriors were led by Brenden Benson and John Avellar. Both players batted 2 for 3 with 2 runs scored and Benson had an RBI. Danny Campos batted 1 for 2 with 2 RBI and a run scored.

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Cooley, and Stocking on all division team

Seniors Natalie Cooley and Jaclyn Stocking were both named to the Northern Section All Division IV girls' basketball team last month. Cooley was named to the first team as a guard and Stocking was on the second team as a forward.

Cooley was also selected and played in the North Section Lions All Star game on March 21.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Tyler Cross

Tyler Cross, a senior on the Winters High School swim team is this week's Winters Express athlete of the week. On Saturday, April 29, Cross took home two first place finishes and two second place finishes at the Golden Empire League championships.

Cross won gold in the 50 free with a time of 22.57, was on the 200 free relay team that placed first, was on the 400 free relay team that placed second and took second in the 100 breast stroke with a time of 1:03.30.



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El sacrificio de ser madre

Nunca ha sido fácil ser madre, ni tampoco lo es hoy en día. Ser madre es una de las tareas más difíciles que le toca a una mujer, porque cumplir con dicho rol implica, en muchos aspectos, olvidarse de sí misma para poder proveer a los hijos sus necesidades primarias.

Sin embargo, y principalmente las madres latinas, tienen un espíritu de sacrificio que no necesariamente es saludable. Muchas madres se olvidan por completo de sí mismas, de sus intereses y pasiones, de su cuidado personal, de su espíritu creador y hasta de sus ganas por la vida cuando el primer bebé llega al hogar.

Mucho más aún, dejan relegada su relación matrimonial en función de ocuparse del recién nacido que viene al mundo con exigencias que deben ser cumplidas. Pero, no es cuestión de culpar nuevamente a la mujer por sus "olvidos" y hacerla responsable de una cosa más, en la larga lista de categorías de las que ella se hace cargo. Pero, es tiempo de encontrar el balance entre todas ellas, evitando el "sacrificio" que sólo crea resentimientos para consigo misma y hasta para con sus hijos.

Lamentablemente, la poca participación de los padres en muchos hogares, o la falta completa de su presencia en los que el divorcio se hizo presente, parecen eximir al padre de la responsabilidad de la crianza de los hijos, mientras que la madre es quien termina haciéndose cargo de ellos.

Aproximadamente un tercio de los niños en este país viven sin su papá. En los casos de divorcio, la mitad de los hijos nunca han visitado la casa de su papá. En el curso de un año, el 40% de los niños de matrimonios divorciados jamás ven a su padre, y uno de cada cinco niños lo visita cada cinco años.

Estas estadísticas amplifican la imagen de lo que significa ser madre hoy en día, una tremenda responsabilidad que la mujer se impone con su embarazo, sabiendo que el 50% de los matrimonios terminarán en divorcio y que los niños están expuestos a la gran posibilidad de quedarse sólo con su mamá. Mucho más en estos casos que en aquellos en que la familia se mantiene íntegra y donde el hombre cumple con su función activa de ser padre, la mujer no encuentra más que el sacrificio de su tiempo, espacio y sueño, para poder brindar lo mínimo e imprescindible a sus hijos.

Así como en otros aspectos de la vida, las mujeres toman los modelos de sus propias madres en el ejercicio de tan ardua tarea. El ejemplo de las madres y abuelas ha sido "dar sin pedir", "amar incondicionalmente", y hasta "ofrecer antes de que se solicite". Con estos parámetros y la presión de ser reconocida como buena madre, muchas mujeres transmiten a sus hijos el modelo del sacrificio, donde mamá no necesita nada, y todo lo que brinda es porque así debe ser, en muchos de los casos sin agradecimiento alguno.

Así es como la madre, siempre venerada en la cultura latina, brinda su propio ser para el beneficio de sus hijos, tratando de proveerles todo lo que ella nunca recibió. Pero no siempre su trabajo dadivoso es reconocido ni apreciado. A veces, dar más de lo necesario se convierte en una respuesta contraria de lo intencionado. Hijos irresponsables, desconsiderados, irrespetuosos y exigentes surgen cuando reciben demasiado de sus madres.

Un concepto interesante es proclamar que las madres puedan aprender también a ser buenas madres consigo mismas, ya que una mujer que se olvida de sí misma no conoce su propia salud emocional no se la puede brindar a los suyos. Muchas mujeres consideran que pretender ser felices puede ser suficiente para que sus hijos estén bien. Pero los niños son mucho más sabios que cualquier actuación en el hogar, y ellos perciben y aprenden de las frustraciones y angustias de su mamá y las hacen suyas.

Por lo tanto, este Día de las Madres, resulta ser una buena oportunidad para que las madres se celebren a sí mismas, apreciando su maternidad, encontrando el tiempo para sí misma, reconociendo sus sentimientos, alegrías y sinsabores, y extendiendo su mano al futuro soñado que a ella le pertenece. ¡Feliz Día de las Madres!

¿Qué sitios visita su hijo en el internet?

En pocos años, la internet pasó de ser un medio exclusivo de agencias militares y del gobierno para convertirse en un recurso masivo, casi indispensable, de todos los días.

Los primeros esbozos de la red se remontan a la década de 1960, a los días de la Guerra Fria entre Estados Unidos y Unión Soviética. Como respuesta a la necesidad de un tipo de comunicación difícil de interceptar, organizaciones militares y del gobierno comenzaron a enviar información secreta a través de este innovador recurso que hoy conocemos como internet.

En la actualidad, su uso, lejos de ser secreto, se ha diseminado en escuelas, bibliotecas, oficinas y se ha instalado en la intimidad de nuestros hogares. Los niños de hoy son "expertos" en computadoras, bajan música de distintos sitios, se comunican con amigos y familiares, incluso de otros países, e investigan para la escuela.

La internet es una herramienta muy importante y maravillosa, no sólo para que los niños accedan a juegos o disfruten de su familia en el exterior, sino para que consulten enciclopedias sobre distintos temas, desde historia, hasta ciencia. Al mismo tiempo, esta herramienta puede convertirse en un arma peligrosa para

depravados sexuales que buscan engañar a niños, o para otros criminales que pueden obtener así información confidencial y privada. Según varias fuentes de información, en Estados Unidos más de 45 millones de niños de entre 10 y 17 años tienen acceso a la internet. Entre ellos, Uno de cada cinco niños ha recibido propuestas de carácter sexual. Uno de cada cuatro se ha encontrado con pornografía sin buscarla. Uno de cada 17 jovencitos ha recibido amenazas o ha sido víctima de acoso en el último año.

Uno de cada 33 recibió el año pasado una propuesta sexual en la cual se le pedía una cita en persona, una llamada telefónica o el intercambio de correspondencia o regalos. Casi el 60% ha recibido correos electrónicos o mensajes instantáneos de un extraño y la mitad de ellos respondió al mensaje.

Uno de los sitios más populares entre los menores es MySpace. En él comparten sus fotos e información personal con millones de miembros. El sitio, parte de la corporación de medios Fox, ha recibido numerosas críticas de padres, escuelas y otras instituciones que temen que sus hijos se expongan a extraños que lo visitan.

Esta creciente preocupación de los padres ha llevado a distintas organizaciones a lanzar campañas informativas para crear con-

ciencia de los peligros de la red y así prevenirlos. La campaña consta de carteles en las escuelas y paquetes informativos para los padres que se repartirán en organizaciones sin fines de lucro, como CARECEN, con consejos para que niños y jóvenes puedan navegar la internet sin temor. La campaña está dedicada a la comunidad latina y es completamente en español. "Las familias hispanas, en general, somos muy conservadoras, pero no por eso debemos privar a nuestros niños de las ventajas del uso de la internet".

Existen medidas sencillas que los padres pueden tomar para proteger a sus niños, como el control o filtro que bloquea ciertos sitios de la internet peligrosos. Bloquear los sitios que no queremos que visiten nuestros niños es algo sencillo y todos los padres pueden hacerlo fácilmente. La campaña ofrece otros consejos útiles para que los adultos puedan controlar el uso de la red por parte de sus hijos.

Recomendaciones: Manténgase al tanto de qué sitios visitan. La computadora tiene un sector llamado Historia (History) que registra cada página visitada. Hable con sus hijos sobre seguridad e información confidencial. La internet oculta la identidad de las personas y que deben tener cuidado cuando

utilizan una sala de charla (chat room). No deben dar su número de teléfono y domicilio a extraños. Si algo o alguien los asusta o hace sentir incómodos, que se lo digan a usted o a un adulto de confianza.

Instale control de cuenta de correo electrónico: los proveedores de servicios de internet ofrecen opciones para bloquear sitios. Existen filtros que supervisan el uso de la red.

Instale la computadora en un lugar visible de la casa. Puede ponerla en la sala de estar o en el estudio, para que los adultos puedan supervisar a los niños.

Controle los horarios en los que se utiliza la computadora. Establezca un horario y sitios que pueden y no pueden visitar. Revise regularmente los materiales que hayan sido descargados en la computadora de sus hijos. Descargue el contenido de forma responsable. Es importante que enseñe a su hijo que si baja música o películas ilegalmente, puede tener complicaciones legales independientemente de su edad.

Miles de niños sin familia

El número de niños latinos que han sido separados de sus padres y viven en hogares adoptivos temporales. En California es preocupante. De los 83 mil niños que viven en casas de crianza en el Estado, 37% son latinos, 29 por ciento afroamericanos, 28% caucásicos y un 1.8% son nativos y de otras razas.

Miryam J. Choca, directora de la organización California Strategies, dijo, al ponerse en marcha el mes del cuidado de los niños y jóvenes en hogares de Crianza en California, que el aumento de menores latinos con padres adoptivos temporales va de acuerdo con el crecimiento que registra la población hispana en el Estado. Preciso que las principales causas de separación de los menores latinos de sus padres son el alcohol y las drogas.

"Son niños que han sido des-cuidados por sus padres. Y que es muy difícil para ellos, cuidar a sus hijos cuando trabajan muy duro; y a veces, tienen sólo un padre". Agregó que el problema se agrava debido a que muchos padres latinos no tienen en el país una fa-

milia grande que los apoye.

Además, enfatizó que la pobreza se encuentra muy relacionada con el maltrato. Y añadió: "No es que por el hecho de ser pobre, un padre tenga que maltratar a su hijo o des-cuidarlo, sino que los padres que tienen menos recursos enfrentan mucho más tensiones en la vida y, por tanto, presentan una mayor disposición al abandono". Choca indicó que para poder cambiar esta situación, necesitan buscar la manera de que al ser separados de sus padres, los niños vayan a vivir al lado de sus familiares más cercanos.

Frank J. Mecca, director ejecutivo de la Asociación de Directores de Bienestar Social de los Condados, hizo ver que las instituciones y organizaciones que trabajan con los hogares de crianza enfrentan recursos muy limitados. "Necesitamos más servicios para las familias, como educación y acceso a la vivienda, así como más trabajadores para atender los casos".

William C. Vickrey, director administrativo de los Tribunales de California observó que el 20% de los niños y el

13% de los jóvenes en hogares de crianza de todo el país, se encuentran en el Estado. Sostuvo que los grandes retos son ayudar a que los jóvenes, que salen de los hogares de crianza, no sigan siendo parte de las altas tasas de delincuencia ni consumidores de sustancias tóxicas.

Un reporte de la Nueva Comisión del Moño Azul de Niños en Hogares de Crianza indica que con frecuencia la mitad de los jóvenes que crecen en hogares adoptivos se encuentran a los 18 años desempleados, un tercio no tienen un hogar y un 5% termina en la cárcel. "Tenemos que hacer más rápido el proceso para que los menores vayan a un hogar permanente; y reducir la carga de trabajo para las trabajadoras sociales, para que así tengan más tiempo de visitar los hogares donde se encuentran los menores y verificar que las condiciones sean seguras", refirió.

Además, se tiene que buscar que haya más flexibilidad en el dinero asignado a los hogares de crianza para que no sólo pueda ser usado para ayudar a

los niños que ya están con familias adoptivas, sino para ayudarlas a prevenir que a sus hijos se los quiten.

La asambleísta demócrata por Los Ángeles, Karen Bass, quien encabeza un esfuerzo bipartidista para que este año sean aprobadas 25 proyectos legislativos relacionados con el sistema de hogares temporales, dijo que estamos ante una gran oportunidad para mejorar las condiciones de estos menores.

Las iniciativas presentadas este año por demócratas y legisladores buscan: extender los beneficios de los hogares temporales a los jóvenes hasta los 21 años; aumentar los apoyos para las familias y familiares de los padres que aceptan cuidar a los niños; dar colegiaturas gratis a los jóvenes que decidan ir al colegio.

También pretenden apoyar a los jóvenes con ayuda para vivienda, en tanto dejan el sistema de hogares temporales; y reducir el número de casos a las trabajadoras sociales para que puedan proveer servicios adicionales y más apoyos a los pequeños y jóvenes bajo este sistema.

Día ejemplar para los inmigrantes

Los inmigrantes en Estados Unidos volvieron a vivir un día histórico donde millones de personas se manifestaron por la dignidad de los trabajadores indocumentados. El movimiento surgió a raíz de un proyecto de ley injusto e inhumano para reformar las leyes de inmigración regresó a las calles creando un mar de color blanco con una gran mayoría de banderas estadounidenses.

Las marchas pacíficas por parte de cientos de miles de inmigrantes y ciudadanos, de documentados e indocumentados, de mujeres hombres y niños, mostraron a una comunidad respetuosa de las leyes, pero firme en su convicción. Multitudes de personas participaron en distintos tipos de acciones no violentas. El movimiento popular que surgió semanas atrás sigue creciendo masivamente y mantiene una actitud ejemplar que debe ser orgullo para todos.

Las demostraciones, junto al boicot y al paro de labores son recursos aceptados en esta sociedad para protestar y defenderse de los abusos y maltratos. No hay otra manera de definir la medida

aprobada por la Cámara de Representantes donde en nombre de la seguridad se criminaliza a los indocumentados exponiéndolos a la posibilidad de intensificar las persecuciones y deportaciones. Sino, ¿para qué darle fuerza de ley a esta designación?

En las ciudades de mayoría latina como Huntigton Park y Bell, por mencionar dos de ellas, las calles se vieron desiertas y con sus comercios cerrados tal como se puede imaginar en un día sin inmigrantes. Aunque no fue fantasía sino realidad.

Es necesario resaltar que en las grandes ciudades como Los Ángeles, como en Chicago y Nueva York, inmigrantes de todas diversas partes del mundo participaron ya sea marchando cerrando sus negocios en solidaridad. La mayoría de los indocumentados son latinos.

Las acciones de ayer, como las anteriores, mostraron a la nación que los inmigrantes indocumentados son individuos que están para trabajar de una forma honrada y decente. Este mensaje ha resonado.

“Piensa Postal” viene a Winters

Piensa es un proyecto de arte y poesía iniciado por Julia Connor, una poeta-laureada de Sacramento y fundada por Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commision. El proposito es fomentar mayor conocimiento de literatura por el publico en general.

La manera que trabaja es esta: Durante un taller gratuito al publico, un artista producira un trabajo de arte en una tarjeta postal. Luego un poeta, puede ser la misma persona o persona distinta, creara un poema relacionado con el arte. Puede ser al contrario, el poema primero y el arte despues. Las postales ya terminadas seran mandadas al Arts Commission y las seleccionadas seran parte de una exhibicion tarde este verano.

Winters es una de las comunidades elegidas para participar en esta programa. El taller gratuito se llevara a cabo Sabado 13 de Mayo de 10 a.m. a medio dia en el Winters

Public Library. Las anfitrionas de este evento seran Maggie Burns, poeta local, artista de Isleton, Carolyn Schneider y Francisca Arelano, maestra y traductora. Habra surtido basico de necesidades artisticas pero se les pide a los participantes que traigan pequenos momentos, recuerdos, fotos, listas, recivos, estambre, plumas, etc. que puedan usar y pear a las postales para mandarlas por correo. No se ocupa apuntar solo presentese!

Este taller es para todas edades, y niveles de habilidad. Se les apoya a las familias que vengany trabajan juntas. Si no puedan asisir al taller, pueden hacer su arte en casa y mandarlo. Postales en blanco estan disponibles. Llame al 916-566-3986. Busque el sitio web, www.sac-culture.com para informacion al corriente de horarios y localidades.

Smith throws well against Orland

By ERIC AND LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters High School JV baseball team ended their successful season with two big wins over Orland and Esparto last week to improve their overall record to 15-4 and 9-1 in the Butte View League. The Warriors started the week traveling to Orland and defeating the Trojans 11-0 in their final league game of the season.

Kaplan Smith led the Warriors with a huge game offensively and defensively. Smith was one batter away from a perfect game. The first batter of the game hit a fly ball that was dropped and that was the only batter to reach first base as Smith threw a no-hitter for five innings, struck out seven batters gave up no runs and no walks.

At the plate Smith helped himself out batting 3 for 4 with 2 RBI and 2 runs scored. Kevin Rowell batted 1 for 2 with 3 RBI. Patrick Keuhn batted 1 for 2 with an RBI. Justin Contreras batted 1 for 3 with a double, while Rafael Martinez also batted 1 for 3 for

the Warriors.

On Thursday, May 4, the Warriors were able to add in a game against Esparto and came home with an 11-3 victory. Keuhn had the big game this time for the Warriors as he played against his former teammates and batted 4 for 5 with a double and 3 RBI. Keuhn also ended the season batting .436 to lead the Warriors. Contreras batted 2 for 4 with 3 runs scored. Cody Campos batted 2 for 4 with a double. Campos was second on the team batting .407 for the season. Ray McIntire batted 2 for 4, while Aaron Geerts batted 1 for 3 for the Warriors.

Coach Daniel Ward had a great first season as head coach for the Warriors but gives all the credit to the players. “As a team we had a batting average of .334 and an ERA of 2.73,” Ward said. “They are a great group of kids. They make it a lot of fun to come out everyday and practice. You know you have a great group when you have other teachers complimenting you on your players’ behavior in class,” Ward said with pride.



Courtesy photo

Zachary Linton with his trophies.

Linton wins wrestling Triple Crown Award

Zachary Linton, wrestling for Winters Wrestling Club, won Greco State in Turlock and received the Triple Crown Award.

Zachary Linton has placed first in three major USA Wrestling tournaments to get this prestigious award. His wins include first at San Jose

Folkstyle State in February, first at Western State Championships in March at Clovis and first at Greco State in April at Turlock. He still has Freestyle State to compete in on May 12 in San Jose.

Also wrestling well for the day was Dan Hausler, who took second.

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Nathanael Lucero batted 1 for 3 with a run scored. Sebastian Salas also batted 1 for 3, while Jacob

Thorne batted 1 for 4 with an RBI double. Nick Hedrick had 2 RBI and Thomson scored a run for the Warriors.

The Warriors will host their first round of the playoffs on Thursday, May 11, at 4:00p.m.

SOFTBALL

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their 2006 season with a 13-1 loss to the Orland Trojans on Tuesday, May 2, in Orland. The Warriors threw their two aces with freshman Caitlan Calvert pitching the first two innings giving up 5 runs, 3 earned, 3 hits, 2 walks and struck out one batter. Sophomore, Jessica Graham threw the next two innings giving up 8 earned runs, 8 hits and

struck out 3 batters. “Caitlin and Jessica have really done an outstanding job for us this year,” said coach Traci Calvert. “We are constantly being told by opposing coaches how impressed they are with our pitchers, especially being so young.” At the plate the Warriors were led by Ashley Kraintz batting 2 for 3 with a run scored. Amber Johnston also batted 2 for 3, while Graham batted 1 for 2 with one RBI for the Warriors.

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overall. Freshman Katie Anstead shined in the throws; she won the discus (71-7.5) and finished second in the shot put (23-5.5). Anstead also teamed with freshman Alyssa Oxley, freshman Karissa Sais, and freshman Catherine Hasbrook to finish second in the 4x100 (59.8) and 4x400 (5:18).

Sophomore Krista Blandin won the 800 in 3:06.4. Nicole Saenz won the triple jump in a personal best, 25-11.75, and she was third in the shot put (19-6). Oxley was second in the 200 (32.8) and Hasbrook was third (32.7).

Hasbrook also was second in the 300 hurdles (59.2). Sais was second in the 100 (14.8).

For the varsity boys, junior Curtis Holabird won the 400 (59.8) and also teamed with senior team captain Robert Warren, junior Mat Catalan, and junior Colton Crabtree to win the 4x400 (4:03.4).

Catalan was second in the 800 (2:22.5), and junior Colton Crabtree led teammates Ozzy Arce and Stefan Vallecillo in a 2-3-4 finish in the 300 hurdles. Crabtree also finished third in the 100 hurdles (18.3).

Junior thrower Brian Williams notched a mark of 32.10.5 for third place in the shot put.

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Features

Early lung cancer difficult to detect

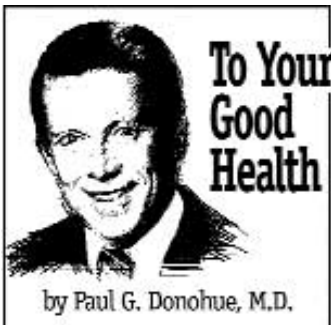
DEAR DR. DONOHUE: In 2000, my wife was diagnosed with polymyalgia, temporal arteritis and rheumatoid arthritis. Prednisone gave her some relief. In 2002, she developed a mild but persistent cough, which was explained as a medication side effect. In 2003, she had X-rays for back and leg pain, which was ascribed to arthritis. In 2004, now age 78, we requested a scan to look deeper into her complaints. The scan showed she had advanced lung cancer, which had spread to her liver, brain, back and knee. She died five months later. How could this cancer not have been detected in an earlier stage, when it might have been successfully treated? — J.C.

ANSWER: No words can suitably convey my sympathy to you and your family, and I can't offer you a suitable explanation why it took so long for your wife's cancer to be diagnosed, but such is often the case with lung cancer. By the time that many lung cancers are diagnosed, the cancer has often spread to distant body sites — brain, bone, liver and lymph nodes.

Medicine has failed to come up with a good screening test for early lung-cancer detection. The chest X-ray is not a great screening test. It misses too many small cancers. There is hope that a special kind of CT scan, a spiral CT scan, might prove to be the answer to this problem of finding lung cancer in its early stages, when it can be more successfully treated.

I can't say if your wife's cough in 2002 was the first sign of the cancer. If it was, a chest X-ray at that time should have shown it. As for her bone and joint pains in 2003, X-rays should have demonstrated cancer spread if those pains were caused by it.

I don't have a good answer for you. I can't make



excuses for something that seems like it should not have happened. I can say, without trying to gloss over this tragedy, that many lung cancers behave in the same way your wife's did. They go undetected until very late stages.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What's the difference between man-made vitamin C and natural vitamin C? A friend sells vitamins and considers herself an expert in the field. She says I should take only natural vitamin C, the kind she sells. Is there any good reason why this is so?

Also, is it true that smokers need more vitamin C than nonsmokers? I smoke. — E.C.

ANSWER: I don't know of any evidence that supports the claim that natural vitamin C is more effective than the vitamin C made in a laboratory.

Smokers have lower blood levels of the vitamin than do nonsmokers. The suggestion has been made that smokers take an extra 35 mg a day. The recommended daily allowance for vitamin C is 75 mg for adult women and 90 mg for adult men.

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 w.rbmamall.com.

Easing gasoline prices won't help Bush

Oilman Bush has decided to do something about high gas rates. One, by rewarding his friends with less regulatory restrictions, and two, asking the consumer (those addicted to oil) to sacrifice further by accepting the high prices and looking the other way while the same companies that helped in designing this administration's energy policies can not only dictate the price of gasoline and support this president, they can continue to rake in record profits and, last but not least, possibly help Bush's plummeting poll ratings by showing that he's being the "decider" and deciding this is good for us oil-addicted folks.

The consumer is being asked to conserve while the oil companies get another break. That seems fair, right? It's alright if we have less quality air as long as we have enough gas to get us to our summer vacation spots. Start riding your bicycle, drive less, get a hybrid car, walk. We're being asked to change our behavior (not without merit, of course!) but auto makers still make



gas guzzling SUV's and Hummers; many consumers still purchase and drive these beasts. American automakers are failing while foreign auto makers that market more fuel efficient cars are thriving. And it's the American auto worker who must pay for their companies' faulty business practices and auto designs by losing their benefits and their jobs. "It's just business."

"There is no silver bullet" — so says, Senator Frisk, but for Republicans (unlike lycanthropes) it's going to take far more than a silver bullet, further environmental rollbacks and lip-service to investigations into gouging. It's going to take a total change of mindsets in Congress and the American consumer, and that portends to be disastrous for Republicans.

If the oil companies want

less restrictions, all they have to do is raise the price of gas and put pressure on their friend the president to further roll back burdensome regulations and standards. We can blame it on environmentalists or the Arabs who attacked us on 9/11... gas prices go down a few pennies and the hordes will be happy and ignore the long term cost.

(By the way, electricity rates nearly doubled from last year's rates, and nobody seemed to shout, "what the hell is going on?" Is Enron back? Nope! Have we got less hydroelectric capabilities? What's the explanation... Katrina, illegal immigration, hostile Arabs, consumers out of control — could it be greed?

Will the release of oil reserves help lessen the costs at the pump or Bush's declining popularity? I doubt it.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're the first sign in the Zodiac and like to take the lead wherever you go. But this time, you'd be wise to follow someone who has much to teach you.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your adversary hasn't given up trying to undermine you. Continue to stay cool — someone in authority knows what's happening.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Spring debuts with a positive aspect for relationships. Paired Twins grow closer, while the single set finds new romance — perhaps with a Leo or Libra.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Wavering aspects this week mean weighing your words carefully to avoid misunderstandings.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You could soon be on a new career path in pursuit of those long-standing goals, but don't cut any current ties until you're sure you're ready to make the change.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A former colleague wants to re-establish an old professional connection. It would be wise to make the contact, at least until you know what he or she is planning.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A relationship that survived some rocky moments could be facing a new challenge. Deal with the problem openly, honestly and without delay. Good luck.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A recent and much-appreciated change in the workplace inspires you to make some changes in your personal life as well. Start with a plan to travel more.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A friend needs your kind and caring advice, but you need to know what he or she is hiding from you before you agree to get involved.

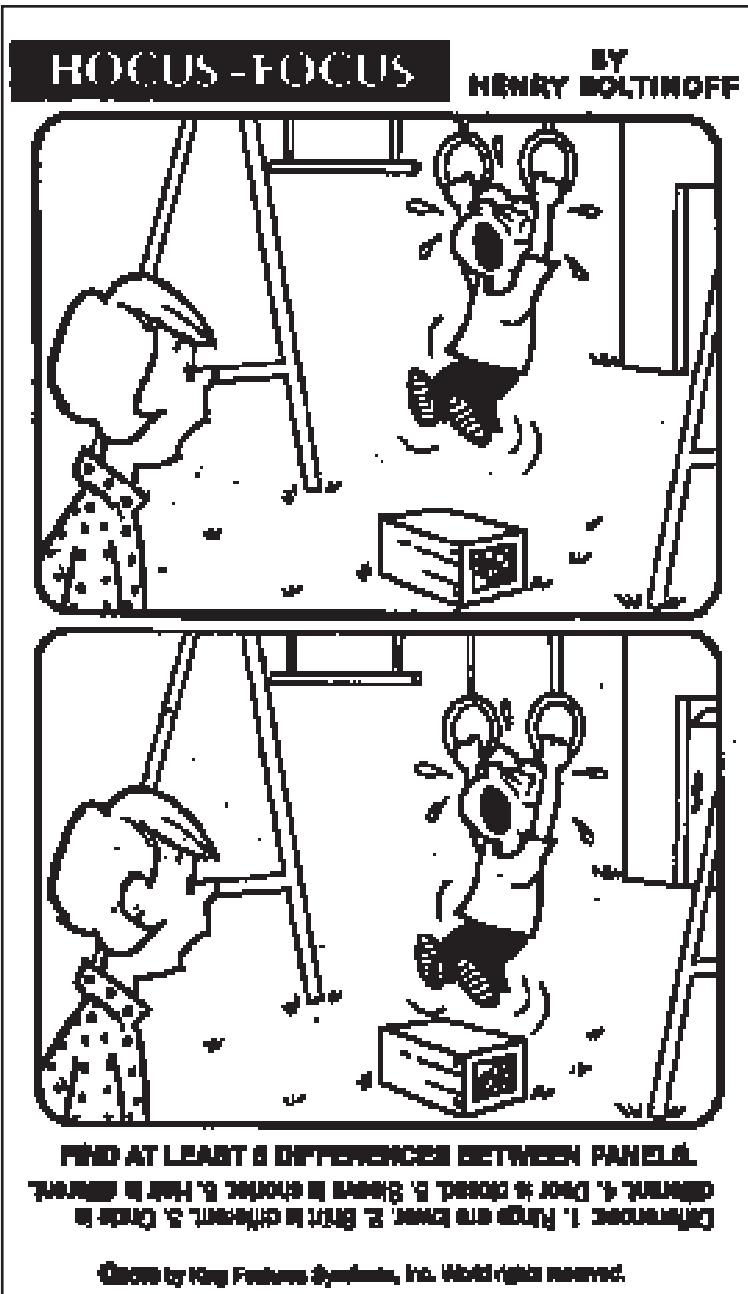
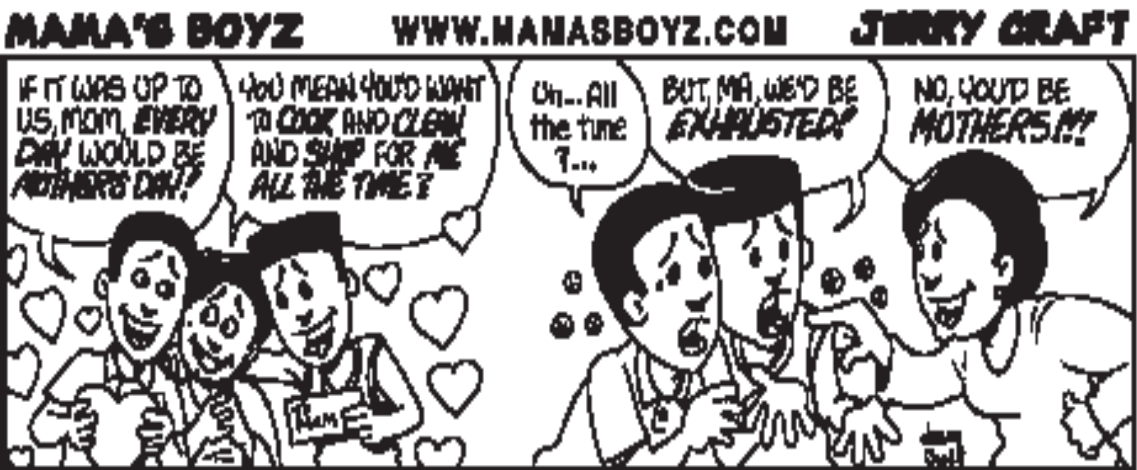
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your circle of friends continues to widen. Expect to hear from someone in your past who hopes to re-establish your once close relationship.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your aspects favor the arts. Indulge in whatever artistic expression you enjoy most. A workplace situation will, I'm pleased to say, continue to improve.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Warning! Your tendency to let things slide until the last minute could have a negative effect on a relationship that you hope can develop into something meaningful.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are both emotional and sensible. You enjoy being with people. Good career choices include teaching, performing and the clergy.

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"Horse sense is the thing a horse has which keeps it from betting on people."

~ W. C. Fields

Pleased to meet you



Name: Jackalope

Occupation: Official mascot of the Annual May Garage Sale (Saturday, May 13).

Hobby: Hunting

What's best about living in Winters: "It's not Davis."

Fun fact: Jackalope is an Aries and enjoys long walks on the beach.

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

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CEASE	PIOTTA	
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King Crossword

ACROSS

1	Low poker hand
5	Pocket watch chain
8	Linchpin target
12	Discountous
13	June
14	"Tube-Train"
15	Press
16	Unambitious types
18	Hall & winter
20	Ferno style
21	Trickster's handful
23	Black bird
24	Balls near the stem
28	Comster
31	Lubricate
32	Packs cargo
34	Shower
35	Roadway component
37	Running shoes
38	Miller Sebastian
41	Deserve
42	Missouri tribe
45	Revolt participant
49	Pickup line group
51	Story
52	Tardy

DOWN

1	Overly proper one
2	Emanation
3	"American"
4	Fame
5	Trawler gear
6	Hooker
7	Feathery accessories
8	Diet doctor
9	Actor McBride
10	Authentic
11	Mine diggings
12	Heavy weight
13	Egg part
14	Robert
15	Bodyspread fabric
16	Roll-call reply
17	Bridge position
18	Backdasher (Abbr.)
19	Fifth Avenue capital
20	Hum
21	Bowl
22	Chart format
23	Item by item
24	Administrative oath to
25	Always, in verse
26	Moinee
27	Wrap of India
28	Orphaned cattle
29	Complex, as a problem
30	"A mouse"
31	Norway's capital
32	Celebrity
33	Denomination
34	Poi base
35	Hebrew month
36	Glanzi
37	PI follower

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Cold weather means bad year for local butterflies

Cold, wet conditions early in the year mean that 2006 is shaping up as the worst year for California's butterflies in almost four decades, according to Art Shapiro, professor of evolution and ecology at UC Davis.

That's a turnaround from last spring, when millions of painted lady butterflies migrated through the Central Valley. But other species have seen steep declines in recent years and could disappear from the region altogether.

"It has been the worst spring for butterflies of my 35 in California," Shapiro said. "There will probably be long-term repercussions, especially for species already in serious decline."

Shapiro said that at most of his study sites, he is seeing half or less than half the number of species present at this time in an average year, and far fewer individual butterflies than usual. For example, at Gates Canyon near Vacaville he counted 10 species and 43 individuals on April 18. At the same site on April 19, 2005, he counted 21 species and 378 butterflies.

This winter's weather conditions may have a lot to do with the drop in numbers. The early winter was mild, with not enough cold to end the winter dormancy or "diapause" of most butterflies, so they did not emerge to take advantage of early warm weather in February. Then March turned cold and wet, wiping out the breeding of species that had emerged.

While northern California was soaked, the southwest desert has had a very dry "La Nina" winter, leaving little food for the caterpillars of the painted lady. Shapiro said that, as in previous dry winters, the painted lady butterflies had given up on trying to breed in the desert and headed north; a handful were seen in Davis on Feb. 11. Shapiro and his students have seen only one painted lady in the area in recent weeks, when the migration would normally occur.

Apart from this year's weather, several species of California butterflies, including the large marble, sooty wing, Lorquin's admiral and the mourning cloak, suffered major declines in 1999 and have not yet recovered, Shapiro said.

Shapiro compared the decline of the butterflies to similar declines in populations of frogs and other amphibians. While there may be different possible explanations for declines at each location, "the pattern is regional," he said. Shapiro is working to test various ideas about why these butterflies are in decline, including combinations of changing climate and changing land use.

In the short term, he said, butterfly species that breed several times a year may rebound quickly to take advantage of improving conditions. But for species with only one brood per year, a catastrophic season will have repercussions for up to a decade.

More butterflies may still emerge in the mountains. The rain has led to a heavy snow pack in the Sierra Nevada, which typically means a good year for butterflies in the high country. Snow protects the dormant insects from cold and drying. But the snow came late in the season, meaning that many of the overwintering insects may have been killed off early. We will not know about the fate of those butterflies until July, Shapiro said.

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May 02, 2006
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The following person(s) is/are doing business as:Beat Street Stereo Equipment.
Business address, 2350 Geary Ct., West Sacramento, CA 95691
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s/DeAnna Ahloo

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s/Kimberli Barklow , Deputy Clerk
May 11, 18, 25, June 1, 2006

Public Notice

The Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District (District) Board of Directors will consider the adoption of District Rule 11.2, CONFINED ANIMAL FACILITIES PERMIT PROGRAM and the approval of the filing of a Notice of Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Proposed Rule 11.2 establishes a new permit program specifically created to implement new permitting requirements for confined animal facilities (i.e. dairies, beef feedlots, chicken layer/broiler operations). These new requirements were added to the California Health and Safety Code by California Senate Bill 700 (SB 700). The proposed rule is intended to create a permit program directly affecting confined animal facilities. Proposed District Rule 11.2 includes permitting, application, and emission mitigation requirements, program fees, and all other regulatory components needed to establish a new District permit program. The proposed rule and staff report are available on the District's website (www.ysaqmd.org) or may be obtained by contacting Gary Ma at (530) 757-3650.

The public hearing will be held at the following time and location:

Wednesday, June 14, 2006 9:00 AM
Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District
1947 Galileo Court, Suite 103
Davis, California 95616
(530) 757-3650

The District invites written public comments to be submitted to Supervising Engineer Susan McLaughlin at the above address. Comments are to be received by the District by May 31, 2006.
Published May 11, 2006

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Christie Ann Bartee, 303 Edwards St., Winters, CA 95694.
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Fictitious Business Name

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March 22, 2006
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Valerie Clinton, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2006-343
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Stephanie Merten , 909 Alvarado Ave., #25, Davis, CA 95616.
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The Clorox Products Mfg. Co. has multiple openings at its Fairfield operation. These include production line assistants & possibly entry-level fork truck operators & off-shift blow-molding associates. Need mechanical & organizational skills & a sound work ethic. Safety & teamwork are top priorities & must be familiar with computers. Shift assignment will be made by Clorox. Applicants must be willing to work some weekend overtime when necessary. High speed packaging line & preventative maintenance exp. a plus. Salary: Entry level \$2513/mo. + benefits. (incr. @ 3 mo. with skill demonstration).

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The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Yolo Land & Cattle Co.
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1572 E. Beamer St., Woodland, CA 95776
Henry H. Stone, 20650 Stone Lane, Woodland, CA 95695. Scott A. Stone, 37874 Co. Rd. 28, Woodland, CA 95695. Kenneth C. Stone, 215 Abbey St., Winters, CA 95694
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

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Kenneth C. Stone
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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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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
s/Kristina A. Hunt, Deputy Clerk
April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 2006

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 22, 2006
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
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.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on 03/01/06.

s/Brian Lee

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