

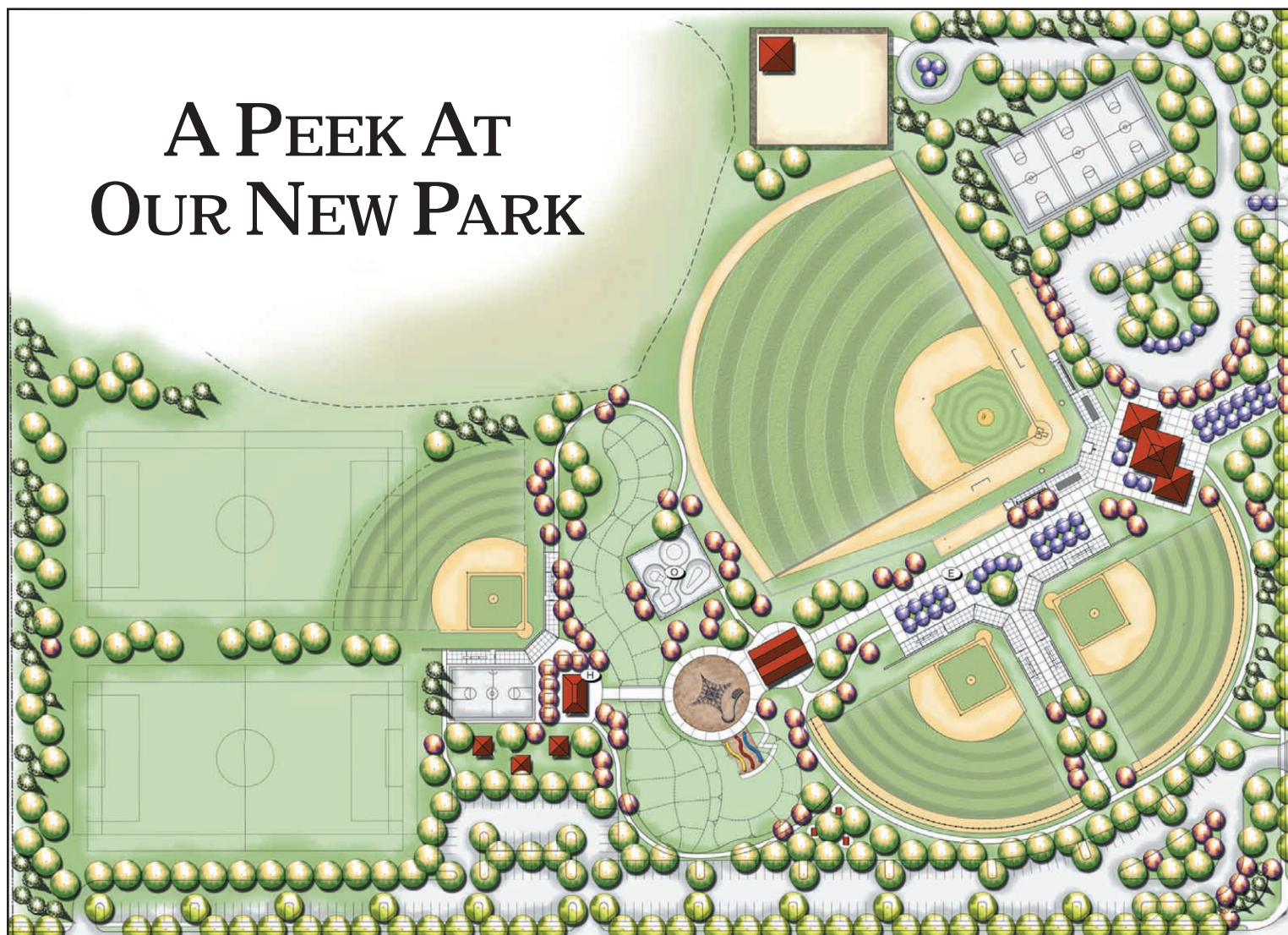


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# Winters Express

"Gateway to the Monticello Dam"



Graphic by HLA Group Landscape Architects and Planners, Inc.

The proposed Winters Sports Park features a baseball diamond, three Little League diamonds, a parking lot, picnic area, play structures, basketball court, soccer field and a skate park.

## Sports park plans pitched

By ELLIOT LANDES  
Staff writer

"We're pleased with the plan we are presenting today, but we are open to changes based on your input," said John Nicolaus, landscape architect from HLA Landscape Architects, speaking of the plan presented at the July 12 meeting of the park committee.

This citizen committee has moved from identifying needs at the April 18 meeting to setting priorities and getting a primer on park design at the May 11 meeting to viewing a real plan for the site at this, the third of four such meetings.

HLA operated a booth on Youth Day and received ideas and drawings from kids on what they would like to see in their new parks.

The plan covers both the linear park proposal and

the sports park.

The linear park cuts a narrow swath north-south through the future Winters Highlands development. It will be developed in three phases.

The north segment will be developed first and hosts the greatest number of amenities, including two playground areas, a dog park, beach volleyball courts and tennis courts. The playground area will have brightly colored butterfly-shaped shade structures and prefab climbing boulders.

The design for the middle section includes a gazebo, a community garden and a hill with terraced seating. All segments have sidewalks around the perimeter and a network of paths throughout.

The sports park is located north of Moody Slough

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## Meet Katie Jane — again



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Winters native Katie Jane Goudie, known professionally as Katie Jane, is pursuing her career in the music world. She and her band, also known as Katie Jane, will perform at the Earthquake Street Festival on Friday, Aug. 18.

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO  
Express editor

Some folks in town already know Katie Goudie. She was the girl who played flute in the Winters High School marching band and sang in the high school choir, or the one who raised goats in the Winters 4-H Club, or graduated with the Class of 2000. Or maybe they know her as the slim, quiet young lady who'd occasionally sing karaoke at one of the local pubs and put all the other local crooners to shame. Those people will have to meet her all over again, along with new future fans at this year's Earthquake Street Festival. Katie, who performs as Katie Jane with her band of the same name, will be one of this year's opening acts.

Although Katie works as a telephone operator at UC Davis, that may only be for the short term. Katie Jane plans to release its first CD by the holiday season under the independent label, Pocket Records. A solo CD is expected to follow.

A natural born musician, Katie plays flute, piccolo, guitar and drums, and taught herself to play the piano only three years ago. Piano is her instrument of choice when it comes to performing, and her band is rounded out by Joe Menegus on guitar, Abe Smith on bass, Owen

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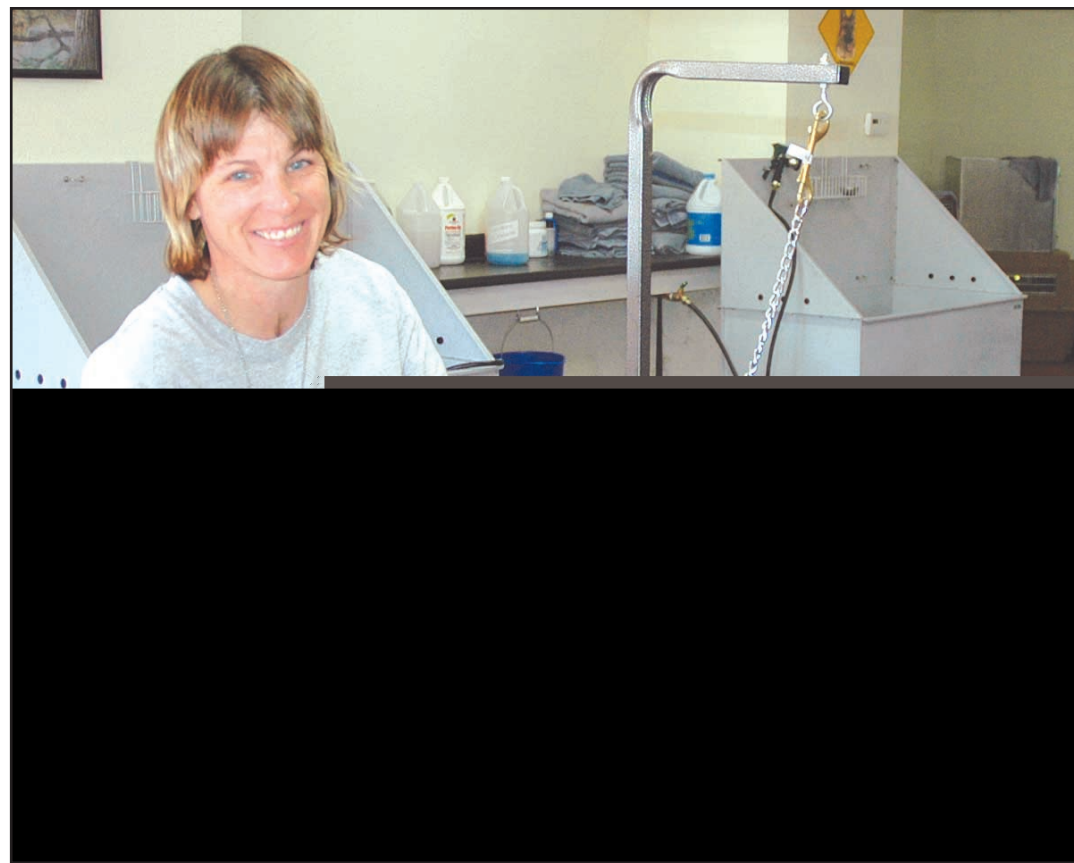


Photo by Elliot Landes

Denise Caudle, owner of Caudle's K-9 Castle, gives Cowboy George a new hairdo.

## Pampering pooches along Putah Creek

By ELLIOT LANDES  
Staff Writer

One of Vacaville's best known dog groomers has opened a salon in the Winters area.

Denise Caudle has worked in animal grooming for 24 years, with 20 years in her own shop known as Caudle's K-9 Castle. She noticed a lot of customers coming from Winters in recent years and so decided to open up a second shop here.

"She's almost like a dog whisperer," says her daughter Desiree. She has a great ability to read animals and put them at ease."

"As many as half the animals we get can be difficult when they first come in," says Caudle. "I like to treat them like my own and make them enjoy the visit. You have to love the animals or

you are in the wrong business.

"Many groomers restrict themselves to small or large dogs only, or refuse to take certain breeds."

She has done well in her Vacaville shop because she is willing to take in all breeds and is willing to take them on short notice. She has also done grooming on cats, pigs, rabbits, ferrets, guinea pigs and birds.

Costs average from \$25 to \$35, and can go up to \$100 for large dogs that take hours of work. \$60 is typical for most large dogs.

The grooming service she offers includes brushing, trimming, clipping nails, bathing and drying. Caudle does a complete inspection and she removes ticks and foxtails when they are accessible without the services of a

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### WEATHER

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

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
July 12		95	57
July 13		89	63
July 14		98	64
July 15		99	57
July 16		97	63
July 17		103	69
July 18		105	70

Rain for week: 0  
Season's total: 0

## Planning commission meeting cancelled

The July 25 Winters Planning Commission meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 22, and includes a public hearing.

The meeting will be held in the city council chambers at City Hall, and begins at 7:30 p.m.

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## OBITUARIES

### Tony Charles Borchard

Tony Borchard, loving husband to his wife Arleen for 31 years, died unexpectedly on July 16, 2006. He was 53 years old.

Tony, who resided in Winters, was born March 10, 1953 in Ventura. A prominent farmer in the Winters area, Tony loved farming, hunting, fishing, being at his cabin in Lake Almanor (where he spent his last two days and went swimming with his grandson), and spending time with his numerous friends and family. He will be greatly missed by all.

Tony is survived by his devoted wife Arleen Borchard; son Peter, his wife Erica their son Kendrick; son Joseph and daughter Louise. Tony is also survived by his brothers Robert Borchard Jr. of Winters, Peter Borchard of Winters, and Edward Borchard and his wife Roxanne of Woodland; his mother and father-in-law Peter and Anna Rubio of Winters; his sister-in-law Annie Riley and her husband Pat Riley of Roseville, and sister-in-law Donna Denton and her husband Gary Denton of Chino.

Tony is also survived by numerous uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents Robert and Louise Borchard of Winters.

A viewing and a rosary will be held Tuesday, July 25 at 7 p.m. at St. Anthony's Parish Church in Winters. A Mass and burial will be held the following day, Wednesday, May 26, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at St. Anthony's. The burial will follow at the Winters Cemetery.

## Winters police report

#### July 1

~ Jesus Segura Flores, 39, of Esparto was driving northbound on Railroad Avenue approaching the intersection of Abbey Street. Flores came to a stop in the northbound lane, at the intersection with Abbey Street, thinking the intersection was controlled by four-way stop signs. Joel Matthew Burt, 30, of Winters was driving southbound on Railroad Avenue approaching the intersection of Abbey Street. Flores started to make a left turn onto westbound Abbey Street and collided with Burt's vehicle. As a result, Flores was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license, failing to yield the right-of-way and no proof of insurance.

#### July 7

~ Troy David Gilson, 21, of Winters was traveling westbound on East Main Street. A 17-year-old Winters juvenile was stopped at the stop sign limit line for westbound East Main Street facing westbound. The juvenile was stopped to allow a pedestrian to enter the passenger side of the vehicle. As the pedestrian was entering the juvenile's vehicle, Gilson decided to pass the vehicle on the right. Gilson failed to properly judge the distance between his vehicle and the opened door. As Gilson passed the juvenile's vehicle, the left rear tire of

Gilson's vehicle struck the opened door.

#### July 8

~ Eber Isai Jacobo-Martinez, 19, of Longview, Washington, was backing southbound inside the parking lot area of 196 East Grant Avenue. Jacobo-Martinez failed to properly judge the distance and proximity of his vehicle and a parked vehicle owned by Dianna Mendez of San Pablo. Jacobo-Martinez' vehicle collided with the parked vehicle. Jacobo-Martinez fled the scene but was located. The case forwarded to the district attorney for complaint.

~ On the 200 block of Railroad Avenue, a suspect punched a victim several times causing injury. The investigation continues.

#### July 9

~ On the 100 block of East Baker Street, a suspect used offensive words toward a victim to provoke a fight.

~ On the first block of East Main Street, a vehicle was vandalized. Estimated damage: \$1,000.

#### July 10

~ On the 1000 block of Kennedy Drive, property was stolen from a residence. Loss: \$110.

#### July 10-11

~ On the 400 block of An-

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## Berryessa down .54 of a foot

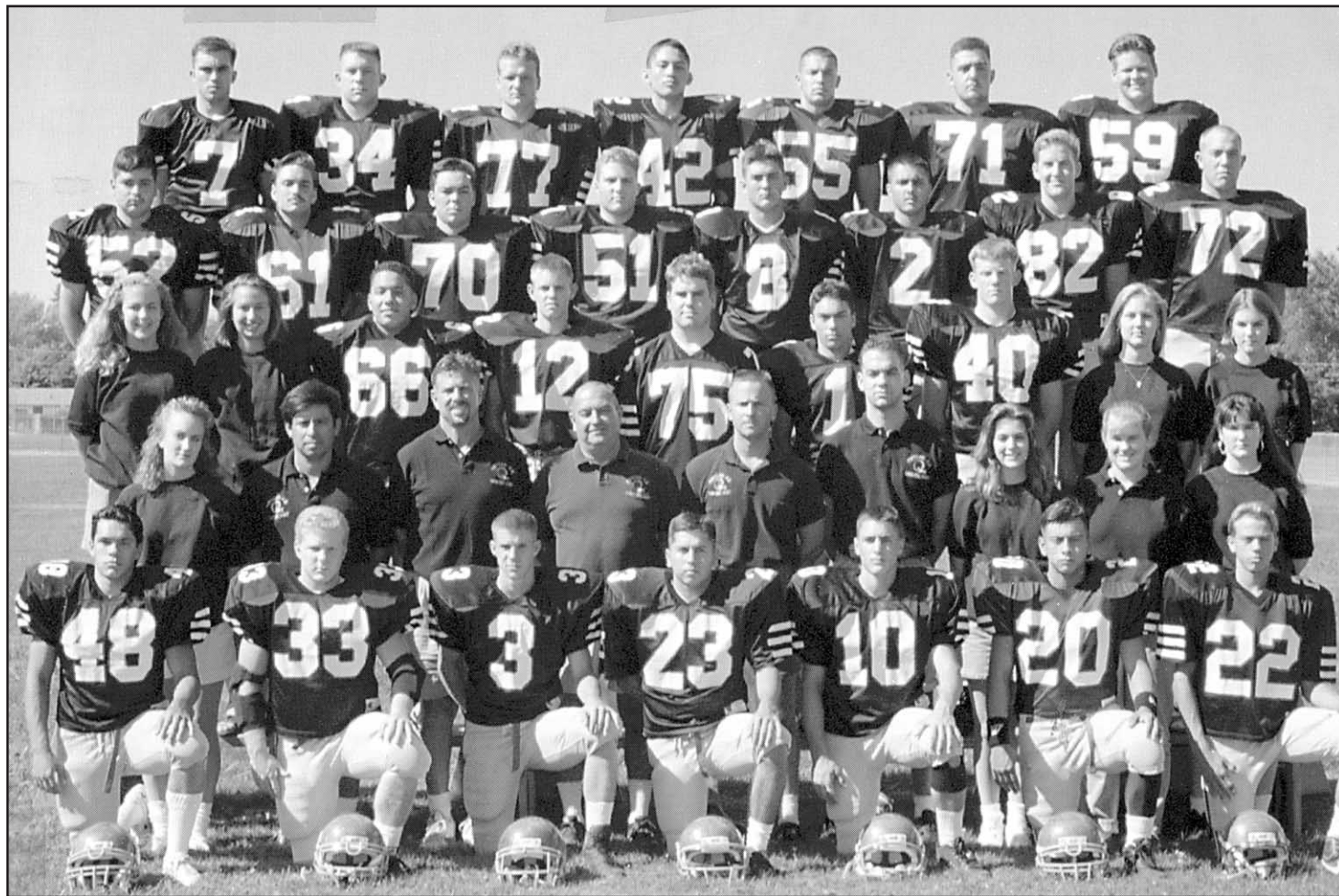
The level of Lake Berryessa fell by .54 of a foot during the past week, with a reduction in temporary storage of 10,252 acre feet of water, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

Faulkner reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 436.62 feet above sea level, with storage computed at

1,537,628 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 555 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 43 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 308 acre feet of water per day during the week.

## YESTERYEAR



File photo

The 1994 Winters High School Varsity Football Team members are, from left (front) Robert Fischer, Greg Stuber, Justin Mariani, Azaham Rodarte, Joe Cook, Roy Garcia, Brian Lathrop; (second row) statistician Amanda Meyer, assistant coach Tony Rodriguez, assistant coach Arn Williams, head coach Jack Delbar, assistant coach Jerry Smith, trainer Jim Stark, statisticians Erin Autry, Mary Wennig, and water girl Lacy Mikulick; (third row) water girls Sprigg Parker, Sarah Hamilton, players Enrique Garza, Ben Button, Collin MacArthur, Tony Item, Joe Scheeline, water girl Kelli Jones and statistician Maegan Ireland; (fourth row) Everardo Arellano, Joel Hunt, Rudy Baylor, Todd Ramos, Jimmy Lucas, Jim Shirley, Nate Snyder and Justin Pate; (top row) Mike Kovach, Ruben Valecia, Chris Moore, Jose Luis Montiel, Joe Ogan-do, Peter Borchard and Bo Stephenson.

35  
YEARS AGO

July 29, 1971

Charles Van Winkle, principal of Waggoner School for the past two years, has resigned to accept a position as principal at Vallejo Junior High School.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors, meeting in Woodland Monday, overruled a decision by the county planning commission, and granted a sign variance to P.G. Manas to install an 85-foot sign on his property near the Interstate 505 overpass. Manas had requested the variance so that a Standard Oil service station could be constructed, saying that the height would be necessary so that the motorists on 505 could see the station.

Miss Lorraine Rominger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Rominger, will represent the Fraternal Order of the Eagles in the Yolo County Sugar Queen Contest. The queen will be selected opening night of the Yolo County Fair, August 19.

The Yolo County Medical Society last week announced the awarding of a \$500 scholarship to Richard Tortosa, of Winters, who is a student at the University of Southern California's school of medicine.

Dan Coman visited his uncle, Bill Vasey and family, of Burlingame last week, returning on Tuesday.

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YEARS AGO

August 9, 1956

George Pollock Company of Sacramento, with an offer of \$799,892.50, was the lowest bidder for the construction of the Diversion Dam below the Low Water Bridge when bids opened here Tuesday morning.

The moving of graves from the Monticello Cemetery to the new location at Spanish Flat has been completed, according to B.P. Bellport, construction engineer for the Monticello Project. Bellport said that 58 graves were moved in one day.

Rev. E.E. Zimmerman, of Winters, has been elected state chairman of the Prohibition Party. He succeeds Rev. Fred H. Ross of Alhambra.

A public hearing on the application of A.A. McKenzie and Mary A. Cook, doing business as the Monticello Telephone Exchange, for authority to discontinue operations as a public utility were held yesterday morning at the St. Helena City Hall. There were no protests to the closing, since the town will soon be inundated by the water behind Monticello Dam.

Bill Vasey and daughter, Victoria, of San Francisco, were visitors at the George Coman home Monday.

Dudley Sparks, who just concluded a seven weeks' vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.M. Sparks, writes from Cali, Columbia that he is temporarily stationed there as a local manager at the Pan American Grace Airways.

65  
YEARS AGO

August 8, 1941

The annual state convention of the American Legion will be held in Sacramento Aug. 10-13. Local delegates are R.H. Murray, Sam Cheney, C.G. Wright and Joe Doll, with Sam Giles and R.S. Lepley as alternates.

At the meeting of the town board Tuesday, J. Rufus Chapman, only applicant, received the appointment of town treasurer, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of C.S. Culton.

Mrs. L.A. Overhouse of Sacramento was a visitor Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.G. Connor.

"Bud" Martin, Cliff Perkins and Wilfred Bigelow were among the successful hunters who initiated the season last week.

Bobbie Ely of San Francisco is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. S.H. Hoy.

Mrs. Leland Gale and children have returned from a vacation with relatives in San Francisco.

Miss Arlett Linnell, newly chosen principal of Wolfskill District was in town the first of the week arranging for residence with Mrs. J.S. Waggoner.

100  
YEARS AGO

August 10, 1906

A Washoe, Nevada, dispatch to the Bee, under date of August 4, says: "Theodore Winters, aged 83 years, one of the most prominent men of Nevada, is dead at his home near this place."

At the meeting of the town trustees Tuesday night, the matter of \$60 a month to pay the salary of the night watchman, W.H. Emery, was discussed. Trustee Judy suggested that a subscription of \$30 a month be secured and the town pay the other \$30 and keep Mr. Emery on duty.

Misses Sallie Wolfskill, Edith Brayden, Mildred Clegg and Mrs. Brayden have returned from Cobb Mountain.

G.W. Andrews has consented to try for the Democratic nomination for constable.

Alex McKenzie, the pioneer blacksmith of Monticello, who has spent three months in Canada, returned home Saturday.

Grand President W.D. Wagner has appointed Arthur Craner district deputy grand president of the Native Sons of this jurisdiction.

Miss Agnes Thompson, a teacher in the Oakland schools, who has been the guest of Mrs. W.S. Baker, returned home Wednesday.

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# Nut Tree development moving along

By NATHAN HALVERSON  
McNaughton Newspapers

Like most of the land around the development, the Nut Tree project used to be farm land. Unlike most of the land around it, the Nut Tree was famous farm land. England's Queen Elizabeth II even paid it a visit in 1983.

The farm gained acclaim when Helen and “Bunny” Powers started a fruit stand that culminated in a restaurant with functioning train to shuttle pilots to and from the nearby airport.

Now the famous land, located about 12 miles south of Winters near the junction of Interstates 505 and 80, is being transformed into a multi-use development. And it's nearly complete. Some of the businesses likely will open as early as August.

“We are on schedule to be substantially completed with construction on or about Labor Day,” said

Lori Coleman, project manager for developer Snell & Co. “Initially we were delayed by the rains, but now everything is right on track.”

The development will include 325,000 square feet of retail, the Nut Tree Family Park amusement park, 180 town homes, 150,000 square feet of office space, a limited-service hotel and a 200-room business hotel and conference center when completed.

The first phase will include rides for the amusement park, bocce courts, and the more than 300,000 square feet of retail space, which is about one-third the size of Westfield Solano mall.

The amusement park is expected to open shortly after Labor Day. Stores will continue to open through the end of the year as more space is leased and retailers complete construction on the interior of their shops.

The exterior of the buildings are expected to be completed in August.

When the project is complete, the retail and entertainment components of the Nut Tree are expected to draw 3 million visitors a year.

Subsequent phases of the project will include the office space, townhomes, hotel and conference center. Deadlines for the second phase haven't been released.

The amusement park's main attraction will be its restored train that will shuttle passengers along 1,800 feet of track. The park will also include a smaller-sized roller coaster, bumper cars, skee ball, a carousel and other rides aimed at children.

“The rides are all complete and will be installed in the next 30 days,” Coleman said.

The amusement park will be free to enter and tickets will be sold for the rides. Day passes and sea-

son passes will also be available, although the latter will be released in limited supply.

Four birthday rooms in the park will be available for guests to rent. The rental cost will include an all-inclusive birthday party, including the cake and refreshments.

“You pay and we take care of everything,” said Ilana Minkoff, marketing director.

Up to 20 birthday parties a day will be held in the park during peak season, Minkoff anticipated.

The Harbison House, the original home of the Powers, is located in the amusement area and will one day be home to a Nut Tree museum. The Vacaville Museum is organizing a fund-raising campaign and hopes to open the museum in the next two to three years, Minkoff said.

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## KATIE

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Myers on B-3 organ and Rudy Flores on drums.

Katie says she's been singing and playing music for as long as she can remember and started performing professionally about a year ago. Katie Jane came together in April, and this year's Youth Day was one of their first public appearances. More recently, they have performed at the G Street Pub and Sofias in Davis, Luna's Café in Sacramento, and were featured on Channel 10's “Sacramento & Co” morning show. Katie has also performed by herself at the Westley Hall Coffee House in Winters.

Katie describes her musical style as “jazzy and blues-ey,” and says the band performs a variety of

rock and pop numbers, many of which are original songs. Katie has written about 50 of her own songs, and when asked which musician or performer influences her most, she says there are “too many to list.”

“I listened to a lot of classic rock and country growing up. When I got into middle school, I listened to everything else I could find.”

Writing her own songs, she says, is therapeutic.

“I just sit down at the piano and play, and think and play, and think and play, and when I get up, a new song is written. It's my form of art. It's just something I do.”

Although she struck out on her musical career as a solo performer, Katie says working with a band has been gratifying.

“I enjoy playing with the band more than playing as

a solo artist,” says Katie. “It's fun to have everyone's style and influence mix and mesh together to make a unique sound.”

She met her guitar player when he was seeking a female vocalist for a cartoon soundtrack, and they decided to keep working together, eventually rounding out the band, using her solo name for the band's name as well.

With a respectable songbook and two CDs in the works, Katie says her immediate goal is to go on tour with the band. She's already met some of the goals she set for herself earlier in life.

“I wanted to be able to play and just be in a band. Now I'm able to do that, and it's really fun.”

As for fame and fortune? Katie's pretty nonchalant.

“If it happens, it happens, but for now, it's just

for fun.”

If it does happen, appearing at the Earthquake Street Festival may be one of the bands first steps. Katie says she's excited to be performing for her home town.

“It'll be nice to see familiar face. I miss Winters,” says Katie, who now lives in Davis with her daughter, Layla, 5.

Anyone who just can't wait until the Earthquake Street Festival (which takes place on Friday, Aug. 18, 5-11 p.m. on downtown Main Street) to check out Katie Jane's music can visit their website, [www.myspace.com/ktjane](http://www.myspace.com/ktjane) to listen to their music, see a video clip of their Sacramento & Co. performance.

For more information about the Earthquake Street Festival, call the Winters Chamber of Commerce, 795-2329.

## POLICE

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derson Avenue, a rock was thrown through a window of the school.

### July 11

~ Timothy Warren Collette, 48, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license and no proof of insurance.

### July 12

~ A 17-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for possessing cocaine, transporting cocaine, possessing concentrated marijuana, possessing controlled substance paraphernalia, possessing tobacco products, riding a bicycle on the wrong side of the roadway, no bicycle light during darkness, no helmet and curfew violation. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Juvenile Hall for incarceration.

~ On southbound Interstate 505 and County Road 29A, an officer assisted the California Highway Patrol with a roll over traffic collision.

### July 13

~ Francisco Javier Nieves Delgado, 37, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked

driver's license and driving an unregistered vehicle.

~ A victim's social security number was used to fraudulently attempt to obtain goods/credit.

### July 14

~ Jose Guadalupe Murillo, 18, of Dixon was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having an audible stereo heard over 50 feet from the vehicle.

~ Isidro Meza Lopez, Jr., 24, of Roseville was arrested on an outstanding San Jose Police Department bench warrant charging him with being under the influence of a controlled substance and hit and run causing property damage. Lopez was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

### July 15

~ Julieta Elizabeth Garcia, 18, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed dri-

ver.

~ On the first block of Main Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was secure.

~ An unknown driver of a vehicle was traveling westbound on Grant Avenue. The vehicle left the roadway for unknown reasons and went up onto the curb and into a brick barrier wall in front of a residence on the 400 block of Grant Avenue. The driver fled the scene.

~ Christina Jara, 24, of Winters was arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department warrant of arrest charging her with burglary, theft and making/passing a fictitious check. Jara was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

### July 16

~ Jorge Junez Puga, 26, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and

## Van provides rides for seniors

The city of Winters offers free transportation service to seniors and disabled persons needing a ride to and from medical appointments.

The van is staffed by volunteer drivers, so the city asks those with

appointments to get in touch by phone at least two days in advance, if possible.

For scheduling, call the city of Winters, department of administrative services, 795-4910, ext. 100.

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# Opinion



## DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

**W**HEN WE LAST LEFT OFF, I was on the balcony of a 12th story hotel room watching the torrent over downtown Philadelphia, wondering if I could bum a ride with Noah back to California. The downpour was biblical, by California standards, where every prissy little rain shower is breathlessly declared a storm on the local evening news. By Pennsylvania standards, relentless summer thunderstorms don't even raise an eyebrow. Maybe they're even anticipated with joy because they provide respite from their snowbound winters.

"But our autumns are so beautiful," Pennsylvanians always say in defense of their undeniably gorgeous but soggy state. I'm sure they are. And those scant few weeks when the hills are ablaze in yellow and red are worth 11 months of meteorological misery.

Uh huh. The hills are ablaze in yellow and red in California in the fall too, PA. For real. So there.

Compared to our black, charred hills and smoky September skies, I guess Pennsylvania wins the Best Autumn contest hands down. A few orange Chinese pistache trees dotting the freeway median strips for a week or so in November constitutes "autumn color" in California. And don't go away for a week, you'll miss the entire season. Ditto for our blink-and-you'll-miss-it springs. This year, spring happened in California from 11 a.m. to 4:37 p.m. on April 13. Bummer. I was at the mall. Missed the whole shebang. Ran the heater in the car on the way over, the AC on the way back. Woohoo! 4:38! It's summer!

Apparently Pennsylvania has an actual springtime, when the snow turns into rain, and it "warms up" into the 50s. In California, we call that "December." Egads. I start shivering when the temperature drops below 70. Pass the mittens and the hot chocolate, because baby, it's cold outside - it's only 60 degrees! Meanwhile, back in Pennsylvania, when the mercury hits 60, they're firing up the barbecues and running through the sprinklers.

Hey. Penn-ies. Just because the front yard has thawed to permafrost doesn't mean it's time to break out the huaraches and the Coppertone. Your blue lips should be a clue.

Bottom line, if I were living in Pennsylvania, I could enjoy a few weeks outside in the fall, spend about nine months bundled up like Kenny on South Park, and the rest of the time sweltering, sweating and swearing like I'm having an endless hot flash.

Or, you point out, I could just stay right here in sunny, warm, dry California.

I could. I could do just that. But I might not. Because although Pennsylvania has the worst weather this side of Siberia and Guam combined, it has one thing California doesn't: the most wonderful man in the world.

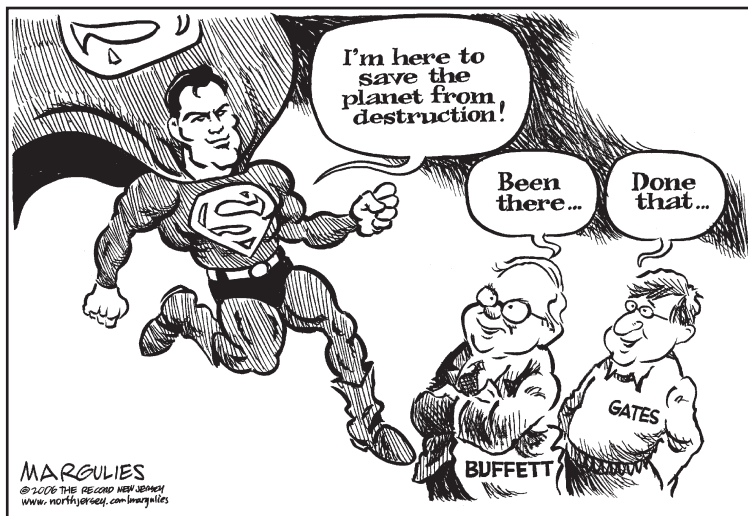
Yes, I have a guy. Have had for years. His name is Joe. If you've been paying attention, you know I refer to my Best Friend and Biggest Fan on occasion. What did you think I was talking about? A little old lady named Maude who runs my fan club? Sheesh.

Anyway. Back to the issue at hand. I'm faced with a dilemma. Perfect living vs. perfect loving. Here or there, here or there. That's the endless "tick tock" in my head. To tick or to tock, that is the question. If only Blind Justice had a cousin, Blind Decision, to make the choice for me, because I'm stuck, stuck, stuck. (Anyone who's successfully emigrated from California without regrets - or not - please share. I need input. California is a one-way door. If you leave, you'll never get back in. I only get one shot at this decision.)

I know, I know, this is quite a bomb to drop in the middle of an otherwise mundane little column about spoiled Californians visiting other climates. But the time has come to throw the issue out to the universe and see what it tosses back.

Why now? Well, Joe and I decided a long while back that despite the hassle and expense of flying back and forth, and the torment of being apart, we'd remain in place until our respective children graduated from high school and moved on to employment, college or marriage. As of last month, all our children reached that milestone. When my daughter leaves for college in August, all the little birds will have flown from their nests. Now it's time for us to fly. But to where? Both choices offer different but equally balanced positives and negatives.

Here or there. Here or there. Tick tock. Tick tock.



## LETTERS

### All involved were fantastic

Dear Editor,

This past weekend, the community of Winters was treated to an excellent experience of Shakespearean comedy original music and great local talent in every aspect of play production.

I know I speak for many when I extend a heartfelt "thank you" to renowned director Russell Saint Clair and dedicated coproducers Denise Cottrell and Mary Lou Linville of the Winters Shakespeare Workshop. Because of their talent, dedication and personal commitment, the lives of many people, both young and young-at-heart, have been touched, enriched and greatly enhanced. As well, the charm of Winters as a community, wherein the arts are flourishing, was given a resounding affirmation. Additionally, one of the best uses of the art of communication, as a tool for positive community building was espoused, tested and proven both successful and fun. All this and the pure joy of experiencing a great evening of free and excellent entertainment are definitely reasons to be grateful.

For those of us fortunate enough to have teenagers who participated in this production, whether as actors, musicians, technical staff or in other capacities, the value of this experience goes even further. Our kids have been happily working extremely hard in a voluntary endeavor for the past six weeks, learning to work cooperatively, making responsible choices, taking constructive criticism, reaching inward to tap their talents and exposing themselves to parental oversight and public scrutiny in a willing effort to create something positive for themselves and their community. They have learned immeasurable lessons, had great fun, and may well become more involved members of the communities they will someday inhabit as a result.

Their families have been supportive and enthusiastic, and what they have given in return is

more than ever expected. We are truly proud of you and encouraged that young people like you will help influence the future. I think I speak for all of your families when I express how much we appreciate the opportunity to parent such great kids as you have proven to be.

Sooo... A heartfelt "shout out" to the actors: Becky Allen, Dylan Barker, Krista Blanden, Barnabas Caro, Andrew Fridae, Jon Harper, Cat Hasbrook, Amanda Holland, Laura Holland, Emma Hamilton Pfanner, Nicole Saenz, Asha Sandhu, Raja Sandhu, Emilio Vallecillo and Stefan Vallecillo; the musicians: director Laura Sendage, Alexandra Franke, Dwight Howard, Baily Kallas, Sharon McCorkell, Chris Patton and Dale Stephens; also dance instructors from Yore Folk Dance Ensemble; choreographer Pam Askin, Kivilcim Demir and Ezerhan Kadioglu; and stage crew Julia Millon and college students Cara Patton, Stephanie Wilcox, Sophie Sears, Alexess VanDyke and Wyatt Hesemeyer, as well as Thea Kwan and Vita Sandhu. You are awesome!

Thank you also to the adult community members and family members who contributed everything from technical skills to baked goods, and to the audience, for making this a truly fantastic experience.

Finally without the dedication and support of the Winters Friends of the Library, the cooperation of the Winters Parent Nursery School, the city of Winters, the Yolo County Arts Council, The Learning Advantage, Inc., the Rumsey Community Fund and Winters Community Theatre, this great opportunity would not have been possible. Thank you, all!

The Winters Shakespeare Workshop is open to teens age 13 and up for a Summer Production in 2007. Please inquire in the spring through the WFoL at the Winters Branch Library.

ERIN HASBROOK

### Seeking stories and pictures

Dear Editor,

As many people in town know, I have been working on a book and documentary about the history of the Spanish immigrants in Winters. I have videotaped 87 interviews in the past year and a half, and I have collected over a hundred pictures.

At the moment, I have the video down to a 3 hour rough cut and hope to get it down to about 2 hours this fall.

This summer I am really concentrating on the writing of the book. It is impossible for me to interview everyone but on the other hand I do not want to leave anyone out. I would like to take this opportunity to let anyone who reads this to contribute their story

and/or pictures to the book. I am especially interested in any pictures or home movies they might have that are related to agriculture, such as working in the fields, cutting fruit, or of almond harvest. I am also trying to include older pictures of the original immigrants.

If anyone would like to contribute, I can be reached through email (toglo@aol.com) or phone (795-2242). I can send out the questionnaire that I used in the video-taped interviews so that people can get an idea of the kind of information I need. Ideally, I would like any additional contributions by the first of August.

Thank you.

GLORIA LOPEZ



## CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

**I**T'S TIME FOR A VACATION. The guy that is supposed to be on page 2 thinks my new photovoltaic system is causing his weather station to read hotter than it really is. I told him it is just hot. I'll admit that the shade structure that holds the solar panels might affect his weather station, but in the opposite direction. The panels shade Cody's tin building and that has to be cooler than hot tin reflecting onto his white weather station box.

It is true that the alley used to be gravel as was our parking lot, but now the alley is paved and we park on Pavestone pavers. There is a tour bus parked next to the station from time to time, depending on what kind of music is playing at the Palms. Pop has been reading the weather for over 50 years and has the plaques from the National Weather Service to prove it. No money of course, but years of weather data and thank you notes from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, as the weather service is now called.

He has been grumbling about passing the thermometers to someone else, but it keeps him out of trouble and we know where he is every day at 9 a.m. Having a daily chore must be good for you. At 87 he still shows up to work before 8 a.m. and tends to his garden, buys a Chronicle and walks home to have another cup of coffee with my mother, and then walks back to the office.

We used to wonder what he does all day, but the last time he went on a vacation we found out. No one took out the garbage, we ran out of bathroom supplies and if a light burned out, we were left in the dark. His downtown merchant paper route isn't hard to take, but his route in Esparto takes a while.

The older I get the more I think about kicking back, cutting back and road trips. I mentioned that I would like to semi-retire when I'm 60, in about five years. There was a pained expression on Pop's face and he looked at me and asked, "What am I supposed to do if you retire?" I tried to explain that I wasn't planning on retiring any time soon, and wouldn't mind modeling my retirement after his. Work when you want at your own pace. Having cold beer and a pool table in his office doesn't sound like a bad retirement plan.

It made me laugh when I thought about his response. When I turn 60 he'll be 91. If he's still reading the weather, working in his garden, playing pool and drinking beer on Wednesday afternoons, I'll be more than happy to keep him working on the paper in his spare time. That could become my new job. Keeping old guys working while I'm semi-retired.

We used to joke about Pop being the oldest paper boy in America, but I'm not so sure it is a joke anymore. The weather service shows up every five years to give him a new plaque named after some famous weatherman. The last time they showed up they had to make up a new award because no one else in the weather service volunteers forever.

Look around Winters and there are lots of people who have volunteered their whole lives. At the sod laying party last Saturday morning at Rotary Park, enough people showed up to lay almost 10,000 square feet of sod. That's a lot of sod. I had my doubts and asked if there was a backup plan, like having some paid people to show up on Monday to finish the job. I was told there was no plan B.

The party started at 8 a.m., but when I showed up with camera in hand, wheelbarrow in the van, about half the sod was already laid. There were people with wheelbarrows bringing sod to multi people on their hands and knees lining up the seams and moving rapidly across the new park.

I took a few photos, felt a little guilty, and got in line with my wheelbarrow and like ants, we moved pallet after pallet of sod until it was gone. We were short. I looked at Dan Maguire and he just smiled. A truck was on the way with 4 more pallets. We were almost finished, and as the truck unloaded the pallets, he left two for us and took the other two back to the farm. I wasn't the only one who had visions of free midnight sod, but it was not to be. We used every roll of sod we could find, and when it was over, the sprinklers were sprinkling and everyone was smiling.

I knew almost everyone there and when I took a picture of Clayton Brugger, I asked him his name and how long he had lived in Winters. Three weeks, he said with a smile. "Welcome to Winters," I told him. I should have asked for his phone number. Anyone new to town, working in the heat with a smile on his face, is someone you'll need to call someday.

Have a good week.

### Ohio thunderstorms bad too

Dear Debra,

I just read your column (July 6) on your vacation in Pennsylvania. Not only did you hit the nail on the head, you also described to a tee, the weather here in Ohio. You were just a tad too early for fireflies however, they show up usually in August but other than that you get a big fat A+ for accuracy. There is a storm raging as I write this, complete with the ear splitting thunder and blazing lightning.

I love to swim, (I spent

the first 9 years of my life living opposite the old Crowders community pool in Madison) and try to do so daily as a form of exercise and relaxation. My windows of opportunity are very narrow. Many times, I hover in my garage and sprint to the pool at the slightest hint of sunshine, exercise frenetically, paddle around furiously and get out just in time for the next downpour. It is a way of life here. And this

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### Policy for Letters to the Editor

The Winters Express encourages readers to submit letters of general interest to the Winters community. We will accept letters of thanks naming individuals and local Winters businesses.

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is 5 p.m. on Mondays for publication that week.

Letters may be mailed or hand-delivered to The Winters Express, 312 Railroad Avenue, Winters, CA 95694.

We will also accept letters by e-mail. Our e-mail address is wintersexpress@yolo.com.

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

We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

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

**Submission deadline: noon on Monday**



# Milk Farm restaurant may reopen in Dixon

By BARRY EBERLING  
McNaughton Newspapers

The old Milk Farm restaurant property, with its landmark sign of a cow jumping over the moon, will soon become part of Dixon.

“I think it’s a big deal in the sense that forever and ever, people assumed the Milk Farm in its heyday was part of the city of Dixon,” Dixon City Manager Warren Salmons said. “It was our front door for many years, but it’s never been part of the city.”

Recently, Dixon asked the Solano County Local Agency Formation Commission to allow the annexation. LAFCO met at 10 a.m. in the County Government Center, 675 Texas Street. The county LAFCO on Monday, July 10, approved the 60-acre annexation. The agency should issue the certificate to make the Dixon addition official in about a month.

The Milk Farm started in 1939 along what was then Highway 40 and is now Interstate 80. Travelers could get a meal there back when the stretch between the Bay Area and Sacramento was largely rural. They could drink all the milk they wanted for 10 cents.

By the 1980s, the restaurant was on its last legs. It closed in 1986 and the buildings were demolished in 2000. Now sitting abandoned, the old Milk Farm restaurant is known for its sign depicting a cow jumping over the moon. Milk Farm Associates plans to renovate the property with such things as a new restaurant, hotel and research park.

This area has prime farm soils. Plans call for keeping 25 acres as farmland, creating what Salmons called an agricultural buffer.

But the resurrection of the Milk Farm property wouldn’t start immediate-

ly after the annexation. The site needs such things as water and sewer service.

Salmons expects the Milk Farm owners to work with developers in the city’s northeast area to make this happen. Extending infrastructure solely to the Milk Farm would be expensive.

He also expects the Milk Farm sign to stay.

“It’s a powerful symbol and a landmark,” Salmons said.

LAFCO also planned to consider other annexation requests at the July 10 meeting:

- ~ 22.5 acres of the Sheldon Oil property to Fairfield. The property is located north of Cordelia Road and west of Ledge-wood Creek. About 16 acres is to be zoned industrial, with the remainder to remain open space.
- ~ 5.74 acres called North Bay properties to Fairfield. The land is located along I-80, west of Dittmer and Auto Plaza courts, near Cordelia. There is no development proposed, but possibilities include expanding the adjacent auto auction or marketing the land to home furnishings or other retailers, a LAFCO report said.
- ~ 100 acres known as the Mariani Packing Partnership to Vacaville. The land is on the west side of Crocker Drive and north of Vaca Valley Parkway. Vacaville could allow industry and business park uses on the land.

LAFCO must approve all annexations in Solano County. The board consists of Chairman John Saunderson, Suisun City Mayor Jim Spering, Benicia Mayor Steve Messina and county Supervisors Duane Kromm and Barbara Kondylis.

County Supervisor and LAFCO Commissioner Duane Kromm cast the only no vote for the Milk Farm annexation.

He expressed concern that an agricultural buffer that is part of the proposed project doesn’t extend to the lower western end, leaving open the possibility Dixon could someday grow onto prime farmland there.

“Ninety percent of this I agree with,” Kromm said. “But I am concerned about the western edge.”

LAFCO Commissioner and Dixon Mayor Mary Ann Courville tried to reassure him. The Dixon general plan calls for no other development in that area, she said.

“But your general plan can be amended three times a year by three votes on the city council,” Kromm said.

LAFCO approved several other annexations on Monday. But the board imposed conditions reflecting its growing concern that annexing land into cities takes away property tax money from rural fire districts that are facing financial difficulties.

At the urging of Commissioner and Suisun City Mayor Jim Spering, all annexations approved Monday are subject to any policy LAFCO works out within a year on the fire district money problem. Or, as an alternative, the property owner and affected rural fire district can reach an agreement on their own.

A possible policy might be having property owners annexing into cities pay the fire districts for 10 years of lost property taxes, commission officials said.

All of this lent some uncertainty to the annexations approved at the meeting. For example, the agency approved Vacaville annexing the 100-acre Mariani property near Crocker Drive and Vaca Valley Parkway. About 57 acres has the Mariani Packing Co. food processing operation, while the

rest is vacant and could be developed.

The Vacaville Fire Protection District provides fire service to the property and receives \$10,000 annually in property taxes. Once the annexation is official, the city fire department will get both the responsibility and the money.

With county law prohibiting most development in rural areas, rural districts such as Vacaville get few chances to replace lost property tax money, Vacaville Fire Protection District Chief Howard Wood said.

“Ten thousand dollars? Yes, that’s a lot of money for the fire district,” Wood told commissioners.

Bob Miller of Mariani expressed confusion over the commission’s condition making the annexation subject to a yet-unknown commission policy on rural fire districts. This seems open-ended, he said.

“It’s a surprise to you, there’s no doubt about that,” Kromm said.

If Mariani were to pay the Vacaville Fire Protection District for 10 years of lost property taxes, the amount would total \$100,000.

Also Monday, the commission approved annexing 22.5 acres near Cordelia Road and Ledge-wood Creek to Fairfield and 5.74 acres near Dittmer and Auto Plaza courts to Fairfield.

Sitting on LAFCO are public member John Saunderson, Spering, Kromm, county Supervisor Barbara Kondylis and Benicia Mayor Steve Messina. Alternates are county Supervisor Mike Reagan, Courville and public member Nancy Shopay.

*(Reach Barry Eberling at [beberling@dailyrepublic.net](mailto:beberling@dailyrepublic.net))*

## City forming Hispanic Advisory Committee

The Winters City Council voted to establish a Hispanic Advisory Committee (HAC) that will communicate with and focus on issues concerning the Hispanic community.

Members of the HAC will assess the needs in the Hispanic community, communicate city-sponsored programs and events, and improve overall information sources available to Spanish-speaking persons.

The city of Winters is accepting applications for people interested in participating on this committee. Applications are available at City Hall, 318 First Street, or online at [www.city-ofwinters.org/administrative/admin\\_forms.htm](http://www.city-ofwinters.org/administrative/admin_forms.htm). All applications must be turned in at City Hall by 5 p.m. on Monday, July 31.

For more information, call Nanci Mills, 795-4910.

The deadline to submit letters and news items to the Winters Express is noon on Monday

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is the good weather! Don’t even get me started on the winters.

You are also correct about the fences, and we do just pick an area and mow the grass until we get tired. Sometimes our mowing overflows onto the neighbors property but it all evens out in the long run. The upside of all this moisture? It is lush

and green like the tropics and the change of seasons (which happens overnight, no gradual changes here) is breathtaking in October. Then we can expect snow by Halloween. As a transplanted Californian, this was a big shock to my senses and in fact, I have never gotten quite use to all this. There is still that little glimmer of hope that the weather will magically become “normal.” Why am I here? Simply, I am married to the greatest guy on

earth and when he moved here 34 years ago, I tagged along. Better here with him than there without him.

Just wanted you to know that I appreciate so much the fact that you captured life here so well. I have tried for years to explain the Midwest to those that have never experienced it but they thought I exaggerated. Thanks for setting them straight.

**JOYCE BISHOP MORRIS**

## AA offers free help weekly

Local meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous are held on Thursdays at 8 p.m., Mondays at 9:30 a.m. and Sundays at 9 a.m. (book study) at the Winters Library, 201 First Street. Adults are welcome at all meetings.

There is no charge to attend.

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veterinarian.

“She is valuable to vets because she has a sharp eye for detecting various problems the animal has, such as a limping walk caused by a foxtail in the leg,” says her husband, Joe Caudle.

Caudle also does animal rescue work. She often receives abandoned animals which she spays and neuters. She is usually able to find homes for these animals through her many connections with lo-

cal pet lovers, and it is a point of honor for her not to go to animal control.

Her new salon is located in Solano County just across the bridge from Winters at the south end of the bridge on Putah Creek Road. Caudle’s daughter and her husband help out in the business. Caudle is proud of her skilled manager of five years, Tamsen Janes, who was trained by Caudle. Janes alternates weeks working in Vacaville and Winters with Caudle. The shop offers a range of animal feed and supplies, as well.



# Community

## Winters Lions Club news

By JUANITA RAMOS  
Special to the Express

Winters Lions Club held their meeting on Wednesday, July 12 at Tomat's. Lions President Frank Ramos presided.

This meeting was very special for the Lions Club, as District 4-C5 District Governor, Joe Flores and wife Karen from the Embaradero Lions Club of Sacramento made his official visitation to the club. Also attending was District Vice Governor, Gary Dapelo and wife Laurie from Elk Grove Lions Club, District Cabinet Secretary Erv Gon from the Embaradero Lions Club of Sacramento, Cabinet Treasurer Vivian Cline Shinn from Woodland Sunset Lions Club and Zone Chair Craig Jones and wife Carol from Reville Lions Club of Woodland. All of the District Cabinet Officers were dressed alike in black suits, black shirts and red ties with the Lion emblem, making it a very elegant evening.

The club had a total of 20 Lion members attending the District Governor's official visit.

The Lions Club will be holding a Blood Drive on July 31 at the Community Center from 3p.m. to 7 p.m. Lions members will be serving juices and cookies. The club is looking forward to all eligible blood donors coming to donate.

## Haywoods welcome visitors

Harold and Faye Haywood have as their guests for the month of July former residents Gene and Betty Haywood and their daughter, Beth. Gene is the son of Harold and Faye, and Betty is the daughter of former Winters residents Tony and Connie Namauleg, who are deceased. Gene and Betty reside in Haslet, Texas.

## Presbyterian Church to host evening program for kids

Children in the 5th through 8th grades are invited to attend a week-long evening program starting Monday, July 24 and ending Friday, July 28 at the Pioneer Presbyterian Church.

Team games and upbeat worship music will be played and attending participants will learn about the adventure found in Jesus Christ.

The free program will run every evening, 7-9 p.m., during the week in Wesley Hall at Pioneer Presbyterian Church, 205 Russell

## They came, they sod, they conquered



photo by Charles Wallace

City council members Cecilia Aguiar-Curry and Mike Martin get their hands dirty laying sod on Saturday, July 15 at Rotary Park (above). Mayor Fridae carefully rolls out some turf (below).



A large group of volunteers showed up early on a hot Saturday July 15 to carry and lay out 20 pound rolls of fescue sod for the newly expanded Rotary Park. The project was completed in less than four hours.

The expanse of green is to last until parts of the park are removed for future possible amenities, including a fountain, lighting, picnic tables and shade structures for farmers markets.

The overall project includes storm drain expansion and an 84 car parking lot and will cost over \$750,000. The cost will be paid out of redevelopment funds. Parking lot paving begins next week.

## Solano Registration open

Registration is ongoing until Aug. 16 for students at Solano College for fall 2006 classes which begin Aug. 21. Classes are available in Fairfield, Vallejo, Vacaville and Travis AFB for \$26 per unit. Call 864-1006 or visit [www.solano.edu](http://www.solano.edu).

## Tying the knot



Courtesy photo

Beth Haywood and her fiancé Tom McCarty are spending a few days in Winters with Beth's her grandparents, Harold and Faye Haywood. Beth and Tom announced their engagement and their wedding will be held next year. Beth is the daughter of Gene and Betty Haywood of Haslet, Texas. She graduated from Baylor College and works at an elementary school. Tom McCarty is a supervisor with Dell Computers. Both reside in Waco, Texas.



# Entertainment

## Solano County Fair opened Friday, needs visitors

By **BRAD STANHOPE**  
**McNaughton Newspapers**

**VALLEJO** - The annual Solano County Fair opened Friday, July 14, with new events, a new pricing scheme, added entertainment — and some of the same old problems.

The fair, which suffered plummeting attendance last year while trying to reverse years of financial bleeding, will feature headliner acts Gladys Knight and Raven this year, as well as a demolition derby and two rodeos. It also includes a \$2 admission price — just one-fourth of the normal price — before 2 p.m. all days.

But many of the problems remain. It's still a rural fair located in an increasingly urban county. It faces competition for entertainment dollars and sits in the shadow of Six Flags Marine World. And the lure of horse racing, which for years was one of the chief draws, is almost nonexistent with the increase in satellite wagering.

And the troubles of last year — when attendance dropped 25 percent to a modern-day low of fewer than 70,000 people for the 10-day event — still hover over it.

“Last year was a little bit of a disappointment,” fair general manager Joe Burkett admitted. “It wasn't as unexpected as people thought, but we were spending so much money on name entertainment that the cost was more than we were taking in for the fair.”

So in 2005, the fair dropped the headliner entertainment acts — such groups as Tower of Power, Smash Mouth and the Commodores performed in recent years with no extra cost at the gate — and focused on other aspects.

“It was nice to have eight to 10 name entertainment groups for free, but we had to break that,” Burkett said. “We knew there was going to be some pushback and disappointment and there was more than expected. We decided to bring it back, but charge extra for it.”

So fans who want to watch Raven (on July 20, tickets are \$18-\$28) or Knight (on July 21, tickets \$35-\$45) will have to pay extra, although it includes the fair's normal \$8 admission fee. There will also be extra fees to see other concerts — \$20 to \$30 for a Jim Gaffigan comedy show on July 22 and \$10 to see Los Caminates and Los Humildes on July 23.

There will be admission-included tickets of \$15 each for a demolition

derby on Friday night and the Fiesta Del Charro on Sunday evening, and \$25 for PBR bull-riding on Saturday ó all-new events at a new sports arena.

While those are the most noticeable changes — and the ones that most affect your pocketbook — Burkett points to the overall quality of the fair. He said a major attraction of the fair is be the entertainment at the Bay and Delta stages, which host performers such as the Hipwaders, Mumbo Gumbo and The California Cowboys all day long. There's no extra charge for those or for entertainment such as a high dive show, a blacksmith show and other regular features.

“The theme isn't just to have some ticketed events, but a lot of quality entertainment all day, every day,” Burkett said.

The fair also features an unlimited-ride wristband for \$20, which is available for \$14 in advance at the Web site.

“People appreciate that they're not token promos — they're every day,” Burkett said.

The Solano County Fair isn't isolated in its difficulties. All across the industry, fairs are struggling to find an identity in a changing culture.

“For county fairs to be successful, they have to have a tie in the community,” Burkett said. “Our community is Solano County and it's not easy to determine.”

He said the way to measure success isn't easy, either.

“A lot of people measure success on whether attendance went up and others, maybe a little more sophisticated, on whether revenue went up. But both can be misleading,” he said. “We measure success on whether we can offer entertainment and exhibits that people want to come back and see again — and do it in an affordable way. It's not an easy thing to measure.”

Burkett admitted this is a key year for the fair.

“I don't want to set it up too much that way, but it's important if for no other reason than we are offering a lot,” he said.

Burkett said the biggest response has been not for Knight, the Grammy-award-winning R&B legend, but for Raven, who has her own show on the Disney Channel. Both singers will perform at the 4,000-seat concert arena.

“I think this is the template for the future,” Burkett said. “... If we get enough people to respond to it.”



courtesy photo

Clarence Van Hook performs at the Rotary Park Gazebo on Thursday, July 20

## Country-Style Rhythm and Blues at the Gazebo

Clarence Van Hook will bring his unique blend of country music, gospel, and rhythm and blues to the Rotary Park Gazebo in Winters on Thursday, July 20, 7-8:30 p.m. The free outdoor concert is sponsored by Winters Friends of the Library. Refreshments will be for sale and all proceeds benefit the library.

Van Hook has been fixture in the Bay Area music scene since the 1960s. He plays with the Johnny Otis Band, has opened for acts like Lightening Hopkins and Country Joe and the Fish, and is a regular at the San Francisco Blues Festival. He now lives on his farm in Guinda.

He will be joined for this

show by multi-instrumentalists Keith Cary and Bob Armstrong. These Winters residents are veterans of many well-known bands including the Joy Buzards, the Cheap Suit Serenaders and Jolie Holland. It should be an evening of wide-ranging American favorites with Clarence's unique twist.

The gazebo is located on Main Street just east of Railroad Avenue. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and a picnic dinner if you like. Parking will be limited this year due to construction, so plan ahead. For more information, please call 795-3173.

## ‘Broadway Sings’ at Garbeau’s Dinner Theatre

From Phantom of the Opera to Carousel, Garbeau's Dinner Theatre presents an original revue bringing the area's best vocalists together for a night full of passion, full of goose bumps, and full of life.

Featuring music from South Pacific, 42nd Street, Fiddler, King and I, and Les Miserables, Broadway Sings presents over 40 different shows spanning 70 years of the Broadway stage. The show stars Ryan Adame, Brad Bong, Julia Mosby, John Philpott, Ruth Phillips and Irma Weldin. Each performer was hand picked for their outstanding voice and impeccable credentials.

Recreating scenes from

the most famous musicals of our times, Broadway Sings in Concert is guaranteed to thrill even the most casual fan.

Broadway Sings opens July 22 and runs through Aug. 27. Performances are Friday and Saturday evenings, 6 p.m. dinner, 8 p.m. show; Sundays afternoons, 1 p.m. brunch, 2:30 p.m. show. Prices for dinner and the show are adults, \$30 to \$48, and kids, \$15. For the show only, price are adults, \$15 to \$24, with a student ID, \$8.

For more information and reservations call the box office at 916-985-6361 or on the web at [www.garbeaus.com](http://www.garbeaus.com).

## A new train chugs to the Sacramento Zoo

It doesn't have feathers or fur; it can't hop or fly; but the Sacramento Zoo's newest addition does have eighteen wheels and can chug through the redwood grove with local families aboard.

The journey started in Montreal, Canada, where Wattman Trains and Trams build environmentally friendly trains. After the long trip to Sacramento, Mike Jimena, a local artist, used his creative brush strokes to add tiger patterns, leopard spots, zebra stripes, and giraffe prints on the sides of two of the cars. Now this electrically powered, trackless train provides visitors with a unique experience at the Zoo.

Families can catch the train in front of Zoofari Market, then ride past the thick-billed parrots, crested screamers, and other zoo animals.

The caboose, coal car and two passenger wagons seat up to 18 children with adults while traveling at about 4 mph. The train ride cost \$2 per person and tickets are available at the membership window. Run-

ning times will be posted at the front gate. The train can also be rented for private events at the Zoo, including weddings and corporate meetings.

The Sacramento Zoo is located near the corner of Land Park Drive and Sutterville Road in William Land Park and is open daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Week-day general admission is \$7.50, seniors \$6.75 and children ages 3-12 are \$5. Week-end general admission is \$8, seniors \$7.25 and children ages 3-12 are \$5.50. Sacramento Zoo members and children two and under are admitted free.

Parking is free and available throughout the park.

For information, call 916-264-5888 or visit the zoo's web site at [www.saczoo.com](http://www.saczoo.com).

# PARK

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Road where the road turns north around the former Winters dump site. The plan calls for two soccer fields, a baseball field, three little league fields and six basketball courts under a barn-shaped shade structure. Also included are locations for a skate park, a community/concession building, rest rooms, storage for athletic gear, a climbing wall, picnic areas and playgrounds.

The plan calls for 180 parking spaces, which is more than indicated by the rule of 35 spaces per field, according to Nicolaus.

“Unfortunately, this is sacred ground,” said Nicolaus, referring to the elevated old dump site that covers a significant portion of the rectangular city site and is off limits to development. It is a waste site that is capped by a seal layer of clay and surrounded by monitoring wells that the city is not allowed to disturb. The unusable portion of the site is 25 percent larger than originally envisaged.

HLA Architect Bill Roach asked for comments on the plan. City Manager John Donlevy recommended a larger dog park. “We can increase the size to a 125 foot diameter,” said Roach. Dog parks are always polarizing — half the community is in favor and half against.”

“Will there be restrooms in the Linear Park?” asked Cecilia Aguiar-Curry.

“Not as designed – they could be added, but they are not always an asset,” said Nicolaus. “And it is a \$250,000 item.”

“I would like to see dedicated storage organized by teams, with at least 200

square feet per team.” said Donlevy. Harold Anderson suggested that Little League and High School baseball share a storage room.

“Will there be doggy clean-up stations?” asked Anderson.

“Yes,” said Nicolaus, “complete with muttmitts. We could have those throughout the park,” said Roach.

“It would be good to grade the sports park sites so that bleacher sideline seating is uphill,” said Donlevy.

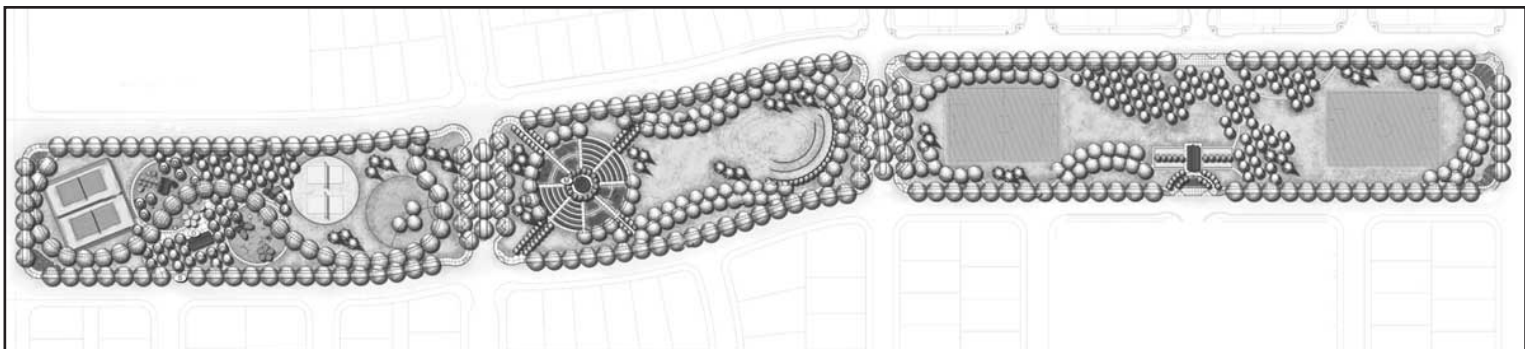
“What about an interactive water feature?” asked Anderson.

That is another \$250,000 item because it requires most of the equipment of a pool,” said Nicolaus. “We deemed it not needed enough.”

“Which items are the most costly?” asked Anderson.

“Buildings, underground drainage, utilities,” replied Nicolaus.

Nicolaus asked for suggestions of items to be included later, in order to phase in the costs of the project. Responses focused on the skate park, a second rest room struc-



Graphic by The HLA Group Landscape Architects & Planners, Inc.

This proposed linear park features a shade structure, dog park, tennis courts, horseshoe pits, play structures,gazebo, a community garden and a beach volleyball court.

ture, and landscaping of the swale in the sports park, which is a low area prone to seasonal flooding. “I should point out that the skate park scored high when we interviewed young people on Youth Day,” said Nicolaus.

There is about \$8 mil-

lion budgeted for the sports park, according to Donlevy, which is short of the \$11 million tentative estimate for the plans as shown. The linear park has over \$3 million available and the approximate cost of items shown in the plan is \$4 million.

“For the linear park, we’re pretty close,” said Roach. “Volunteer contributions are possible for the linear park, particularly the community garden and the horseshoe pits.”

“It would be great to enlarge the shaded basket-

ball area so it could be used for indoor soccer,” said Donlevy. Such a change would give you more bang for your buck, but makes the structure a more elaborate project, according to HLA architect David Cambell.

## Al-Anon offers help to families

Al-Anon meets on Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church, 205 Russell Street.

Al-Anon Family Groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve their common problems. There is no charge to participate.



# Sports

## Where are they now?

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO  
Express sports correspondents

Former Winters High School athletes are continuing their athletic careers all over the country in different sports and at different levels. The Class of 2003 has two former WHS standouts that are making just as big of an impact on their current roster as they did when they were a Winters Warrior.

Sean Shoffit is now playing professional baseball with the Toronto Blue Jays organization in Lansing Michigan. The Lansing Lugnuts are a Class A ball club in the MidWest League. Shoffit's batting average of .233 has dropped since May when he was leading the team with a .333 average but it looks like he may be back in the swing of things. On Wednesday, June 28, Shoffit batted 2 for 4 with a 2 run home run in the seventh inning with two outs to put the Lugnuts up by a run in a 6-5 victory. As of June 29, Shoffit was leading the team in times at bat (253), runs scored (40), and base on balls (35). Shoffit

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## Three-peat for softball all stars



Courtesy photo  
The District 64 Champions are, front row (left to right): Ashlynn Neil and Myla Passantino; middle row: Ashley Andersen, Tess Hyer, Karoline Albuquerque, Emma Hesz, Sammi Andrade, Taylor Mayes, Ashley Hoekwater and Taylor Fox; back row: Megan Smith and Nia Maldonado. Not pictured is Jessica Cummings.

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO  
Express sports correspondents

The Winters Little League 11-12 All Star softball team won the District 64 championship for the third straight year as they defeated Esparto in two straight games. Esparto beat Rio Vista twice to

advance to the title game with Winters, but had a hard time getting past the pitching of Tess Hyer in the championship game.

In the first game Hyer pitched the first two innings striking out five of the seven batters she faced and gave up no runs. In the championship game Hyer pitched a complete game

and struck out 13 batters, while giving up just two hits and one run. Hyer was backed up by Taylor Mayes in game one. Mayes threw the last two innings to help seal the 18-6 victory for Winters.

At the plate in the first game on Thursday, July 6, Winters collected 10 hits off the Esparto pitcher.

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## Gamblers throw the house at the Cats

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO  
Express sports correspondents

The Tri-County Gamblers threw nine different pitchers in a nine inning practice game against the Colusa Cats and came home with a 10-4 victory. The Gamblers had already finished the regular season in the North Bay Joe DiMaggio League tied for first with a league record of 16-5 and 22-7 overall. Coach Jerry Smith had already decided that he was going to throw a new pitcher each inning and hope for the best. The plan worked as the gamblers collected a game total of 11 hits and 10 runs to back up their pitching.

Nick Hedrick threw the first inning, Sebastian Salas threw the second, Kevin Rowell the third, John Avellar the fourth, Michael Gleason threw the fifth and got the win. Kannon Smith threw the sixth, Ray McIntire threw the seventh, Kaplan Smith the eighth and Brock Neil threw the ninth.

At the plate the Gamblers were led by Neil who batted 2 for 4 with a homerun. Hedrick batted 1 for 4 with a homerun and 3 RBI. Kaplan Smith also batted 2 for 4. Kevin Lohse, Gleason, Rafael Martinez and Cody Guenther all batted 1 for 2. Salas batted 1 for 3, while Patrick Keuhn batted 1 for 5 for the Gamblers.

## High school athlete physicals planned for Aug. 2 in Winters

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO  
Express sports correspondents

There will be physicals for all Winters High School athletes for the 2006-07 school year held on Wednesday, Aug. 2, at the Sutter Medical Center in Winters. Those with last names between A-M are

scheduled for 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Those with last names between N-Z are scheduled for 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Cost is \$15 in cash or check made out to Winters High School.

Students medical history portion of the physical form must be completed and signed by a parent prior to getting a physical.

## Cruisers play in Suisun tournament

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO  
Express sports correspondents

The NorCal Cruisers played in the Suisun City Softball Tournament last weekend and went 1-3-1 in the two day event. In the first game on Saturday, July 8, the Cruisers lost to the Phantoms 8-4. Ashley

Kraintz had a single and scored a run for the Cruisers.

In game two the Cruisers lost 6-1 to Shamrox but then came back with an 8-1 victory over Impact. Caitlin Calvert had 2 singles and 2 RBI in the victory.

The Cruisers tied the Marin Blue Angles in the next game 3-3. Calvert

pitched five innings allowing just 3 runs on 4 hits, 3 strikeouts and one error.

On Sunday, July 9, the Cruisers lost a one run game to the Elite in extra innings with the score 9-8. Calvert threw a no-hitter but seven Cruisers' errors allowed 9 runs. Kraintz scored once and Calvert scored twice in the game.

## Tade wrestling for Portland in the Pac 10

Michael Tade signed a "National letter of intent" to wrestle at Portland State University in the Pacific 10 Conference. Tade was scheduled to graduate from Winters High in 2005 but moved after the football season to Oregon. Portland State has a great wrestling tradition. PSU under Coach Marlin Grahn has had 17 National individual champs, 40 All Americans, 3 Olympians and two team National Team titles at the Division 2 level to go along with 4 Western Regional Team Championships. In 1989 Grahn was the "All Divisions" NCAA Wrestling Coach of the Year. After the recruiting process Grahn retired and turned over the program to Coach Mike Haluska.

Haluska said "Mike is a guy we hope to rebuild our program with. We should have some great results with him over the next few years, we expect great

things. He carries himself well and is a great person."

Tade's high school ca-

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## CODY'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



## Tess Hyer

Tess Hyer, the pitcher for the Winters Little League 11-12 softball All Stars is this week's Winters Express athlete of the week. In route to the third straight District 64 all star championship for Winters, Hyer put on a hitting and pitching clinic.

At the plate Hyer batted 4 for 7 for a .571 average, scored 5 runs, had a homerun and 4 stolen bases. Hyer also struck out five out of seven batters in game one and had 13 strike outs in the championship game.



# TADE

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reer concluded at the Oregon State 4A championships. He was 2nd at Districts (Like NSCIF Masters) as a senior. At Winters High he was co-Outstanding wrestler his Jr. Year and holds a school record with a six second pin.

While wrestling for Winters USA his accomplishments were Greco Roman State Championships at the Cadet and Jr. Level, placed at Freestyle State, placed at Western States Regional tournament in both styles, three time California National Team member, two time NAWA (North section) all star team wrestler, wrestled in the Greco World Duels at Concord Youth Center, won Area Championships in Sacramento SAWA, Northern Ca NAWA, Coastal Mountain Area, and Bay Area, along with many “local” tournament championships.

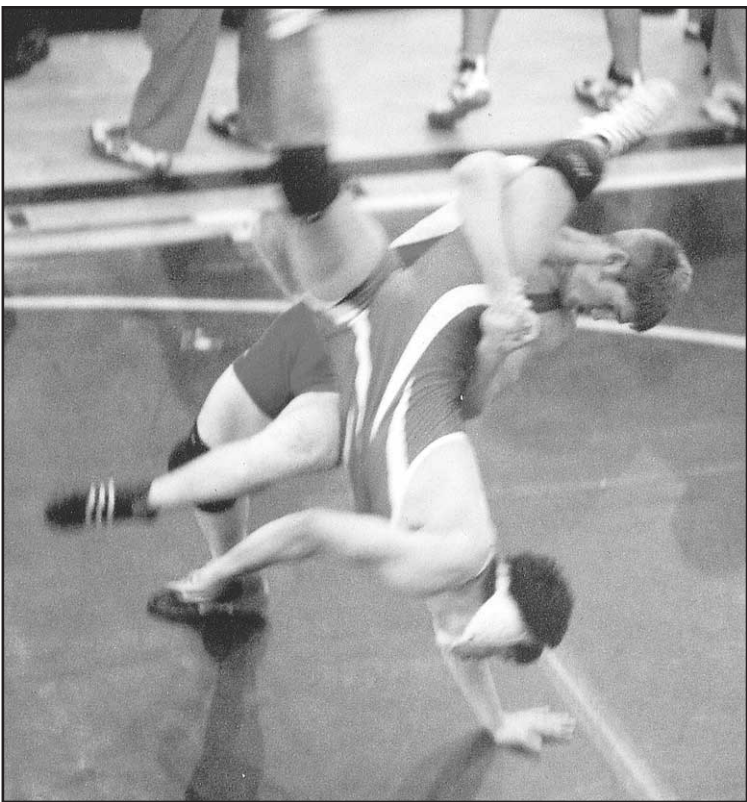
“It is great to have hard work pay off and earn such a great opportunity.

Portland State is a beautiful school with a great atmosphere,” said Tate. “I was planning to go to Davis, but we moved. I also talked with Oregon State but I liked PSU better. I really feel comfortable there.” He will be majoring in Architecture.

Tade spent the last year gaining Oregon State residency for college. He has been working for America’s Tire and coaching at West Salem High where he graduated. “It’s been a great experience. Sort of ‘red shirting’ without being in college. It also gave me some time to decide where I wanted to go to school. Getting to know the area better, make more contacts, and learn where I want to be.”

“Mike is a great kid, hard worker and the best is yet to come for him. I expect him to do very well at this level,” said former Winters coach Jesse Hellinger. “He always showed class and sportsmanship.”

“I would like to thank Coach Hellinger for letting me be me,” said Tade. “I



Courtesy photo

Michael Tade brings an opponent to the mat at a wrestling match.

know my style is different, but instead of changing it, [he] worked with me on it. I truly appreciate it and our results aren’t too bad.”

Tade thanks Hellinger and other coaching staff,

crediting them and their help for his success. He also thanks the Buckhorn and owner John Pickerel for helping his fundraising efforts throughout his time in Winters.

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also has two home runs, four triples and 11 doubles on the season.

Chris Gurecki, also a standout athlete in the

class of 2003 at WHS is just coming off a remarkable season at California University of Berkley where as a junior he helped lead the Bears to a NCAA National Championship in rugby. Gurecki led the Bears with 9 points in

their 29-26 victory over BYU in the championship game. Gurecki has one more season with the Bears who will try to win their fourth straight national title. The Bears have won 15 out of the last 16 championships and

have won 22 national titles since 1980.

If anybody has information on any former Winters High School athlete please contact the Winters Express by phone 795-4551, or by email at news@wintersexpress.com.

# CHAMPS

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Mayes led the team batting 3 for 4 with a single, a double and a triple, scored 4 runs and stole a base. “Taylor did a great job of hitting,” said coach Dave Hyer. Tess Hyer

batted 2 for 3 with a home-run and a single, stole 4 bases and scored 3 runs. Ashlynnne Neil batted 1 for 2 with 2 runs scored and had 3 stolen bases. Karaline Albuquerque batted 1 for 1. Sammi Andrade batted 1 for 1 with a run scored. Jessica Cummings batted 1 for 1

with a run scored and had a stolen base. Myla Passintino batted 1 for 4 with a run scored and had 3 stolen bases. Nia Maldenado and Emma Hesc each scored 2 runs, while Taylor Fox scored a run for Winters.

Game two on Saturday, July 8, was a lot closer

than the first and despite having 15 strike outs against the Esparto pitcher; Winters played tough and won 4-1. Mayes and Hyer each scored a run in the first and sixth innings. Both players batted 2 for 3 for Winters only hits.

# Winters players help team win tournament

By JEROME CARELOCK  
Special to the Express

The North Bay Lightning went 4-0-1 to win the USSSA World Series qualifier in North Lake Tahoe on June 17-18. In the first game, the Lightning faced Brentwood Blast (Red). Pitching and defense dominated the game. Lightning starting pitcher Jacob Caballero pitched five innings with seven strikeouts scattering three hits and two walks.

Zack Higgins of Winters closed out the game striking out five of six batters he faced to complete the shutout. On offense, the Lightning was paced by Jonathan Dunn and Antoine Pickett who each had two hits apiece, while Myles Carelock from Winters added a double and run scored. The final score was Lightning 3, Blast 0.

In their second game, the Lightning faced the Danville Gold. The final score was Danville 4, Lightning 4. Down 4-2 in the final inning the Lightning came to bat needing to score two runs to tie or three to win. Robert Martinez got the lightning off to a good start with a single followed by hits by Dalen Jones and Jason Dunn. Jones went 2 for

3 on the day with two runs scored. Dunn drove in the game tying run. Lightning finished Pool Play as the number two seed.

On Sunday, June 18, the Lightning opened up the single elimination playoff against the Dot Bombers. The final score was Lightning 6, Dot Bombers 2. The Lightning was paced on offense by Brian Clay, Nick

McDonald and Antoine Pickett. Clay was 2 for 3 with a run scored, while Pickett was 2 for 3 with a triple and two RBI. McDonald was 1 for 2 with two stolen bases. Zack Higgins and Pickett combined to keep the Bombers to one earned run and only three hits.

In the semi-finals, the Lightning were up against the Danville Gold for the second time. Again it was a close game. The Lightning came out on top 5-4. The Lightning offense was paced by Carelock and Higgins. Carelock was 2 for 4 with a run scored and Higgins was 2 for 2 with a walk, scored a run and had two RBI. Dunn was excellent on the mound going six and two-thirds innings giving up two earned runs on only two hits. Pickett closed out the game for his second save of the tournament.

In the championship game, North Bay Lightning

faced number one seed Clayton Vaney Pioneers. Carelock came from behind the plate after four games to start the game on the mound. After giving up only one hit, two big errors allowed Clayton Valley to pull ahead 4-0. Going into the fourth inning down 4-0, Carelock got things started with a walk, stole a base and a RBI single from Pickett got the Lightning’s scoring started.

Zack Higgins then drove in Pickett on an infield hit. Going into the sixth inning down 2, the Lightning had the top of the lineup ready for a comeback. Singles by Dunn, Carelock, and a throwing error on the

Pioneers’ third basemen setup Higgins game tying single. With one out Jones squared to lay down a perfect bunt scoring Higgins from third for the go ahead run. Caballero went one, two, three in the top of the 7th to slam the door closed and get the victory for the Lightning.

The team is rounded out by Nick Villazon Jr. and Brandon Henry, both out with injuries. The manager is Jerome Carelock, and the head coach is Lee Caballero. The team is made up of players from Winters, Vacaville, Fairfield, Susan and Cordelia.

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### EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

Pues el tema de la semana sigue siendo para nosotros los mexicanos las ya tan manipuladas elecciones en México, tal ves algunas personas cuestionaran el porque son tan importantes para nosotros los mexicanos que vivimos en USA. Bueno para nadie es desconocido que la mayoría de nosotros tenemos por lo menos alguien que esta ligado a nosotros en México, padres, hermanos, tíos, etc. Y después de cada elección presidencial uno espera que el presidente que llega por lo menos haga algo para mejorar la calidad de vida de los que están allá, pero esta ves lo primero que tienen que hacer los candidatos es apegarse a las leyes y esperar quien es el verdadero presidente, por a lo que se ve, esto va a tener un final no muy feliz para la política en México.

El PRD tiene todo el derecho de impugnar la elección, malo si no lo hiciera, hay muchos analistas políticos que están diciendo que si se puede, que se debe, que es contra la ley, etc., lo que yo digo es que se esta empezando a crear un clima político en México muy peligroso, porque al momento que el TRIFE del resultado final ningún partido político va a estar de acuerdo, y no quiero ni pensar que todo ese descontento se vaya a trasladar a las calles, en donde trataran de manifestar su frustración.

En el 88 las actas no quedaban en manos de los partidos. En el 91 los partidos carecían de representantes en un buen número de las casillas. Las zonas alejadas

tuvieron que ser cubiertas por un auténtico ejército de observadores. La Fiscalía Especial es otro paso. Denunciar irregularidades y anomalías es obligado e imprescindible para el avance democrático. Allí no hay dicusión. Pero se plantea algo distinto.

Pero todo tiene un limite, las protestas de López Obrador, parecen ser parte de un plan para desinformar a la opinión publica, recuerden que en política todo es valido, y más valido si lo que se pelea es la silla presidencial, lugar desde donde se han amasado grandes fortunas en México.

¿De verdad creen que hubo irregularidades intencionales en 50 mil de las 130 mil casillas? ¿De verdad creen que el PREP, el conteo y el cómputo distrital fueron manipulados? Piensan entonces que hubo un silencioso golpe de Estado en el IFE que involucró a cientos de servidores públicos, incluidos científicos de gran renombre, golpe de Estado del cual nadie se dio cuenta por cierto, ni ellos. Una operación central de ese tipo involucraría a decenas de miles de ciudadanos. Allí el asunto no cuadra. ¿Ignorancia o perversidad? AMLO encuestas a destiempo. Convertido en Presidente virtual durante dos años se vio mucho tiempo en la silla presidencial.

Los medios colaboraron a ello mes a mes: 10,15, 20 puntos de ventaja. Pero ¿quiénes eran los competidores reales, en qué situación? Faltaba mucho por definir. ¡Voy ganando! Soy indestructible, acabaré con las pensiones de ex presidentes, aumentaré el gasto social, construiré refinerías, trenes, carreteras, abajo los ricos, vivan los pobres, ¡viviré en Palacio!, frases de AMLO cuando ya se sentía presidente antes de tiempo, pero oh. Se le cayo el castillo de pureza, quiero decir el palacio nacional.

Convencido por las remotas cifras de las encuestas inició su marcha a la Presidencia desde el corazón del país que ya gobernaba. Pero había un pequeño prob-

lema: las verdaderas campañas comenzaron en enero y, por supuesto, las tendencias se movieron. No iba sólo. Esa realidad ya no gustó: “cuchareadas”, “manipuladas”. Amañadas las contrarias, válidas las favorables.

Llegó el día de la verdad: casi un millón de representantes de partidos, más de 900 mil ciudadanos involucrados en las casillas, todos testigos de primera mano; 800 consejeros distritales; 24 mil observadores nacionales y, por si fuera poco, casi 42 millones de votantes que saben por quién votaron: 65 de cada 100 no lo hicieron por él. En el camino AMLO arroja lodo a los consejeros electorales del IFE, al padrón electoral, al PREP, al conteo rápido, al cómputo distrital. ¡Todo es una porquería! Los 236 mil votos a favor de Calderón no valen. Nada de que un voto es un voto. Los más de 27 millones que votaron en su contra tampoco, él es el elegido, tiene que serlo. Quien no lo sepa vive en el error. Síganme los valientes ¡Vamos contra todo y todos! ¡Fraude, fraude, fraude!

Pero ahora AMLO declara fraude generalizado, llama “traidor” a Fox y “pelele” a Calderón y, en pocas palabras, se regresa a la política cerril que cuestiona al marco institucional. Como la realidad no me gusta abro lanzas contra todos. De los costos para el PRD mejor ni hablamos: pueden perder habiendo ganado.

Ahora resulta que no vale el sufragio de decenas de millones de mexicanos; tampoco las actas firmadas por decenas de miles de ciudadanos; ni los números a los que arribaron miles, ni los ojos vigilantes de otros tantos. “Respeten nuestros resultados” fue la consigna de AMLO el dos de julio. Sólo Él conoce la verdad. Sólo Él sabe lo que es justicia. Sólo Él accede a los deseos de los mexicanos. Sólo Él se preocupa por los pobres. Sólo Él puede ser el próximo Presidente. Sólo Él es demócrata. Sólo Él es honesto y, finalmente, sólo Él sabe sumar.

## Educación en Estados Unidos

Quiero hablarles de la educación en los Estados Unidos, para nosotros que como inmigrantes hemos venido de otro país, el sistema de educación se nos hace tan complejo y frustrante el no poder entenderlo completamente, y por ello muchas veces nosotros como padres no sabemos exactamente en que o como ayudar a nuestros niños, bueno para ser sinceros muchos de nosotros no nos interesamos a veces en ni siquiera ir a conocer a los maestros de nuestros niños, menos saber como funciona el sistema educativo, quisiera compartir la estructura básica del sistema educativo de este país.

La educación es muy importante para mucha gente en los Estados Unidos, y desde mediados de los 1800 hemos tenido educación pública gratis para las personas que viven en nuestro país. Esta educación pública es consolidada y administrada a través de los impuestos al nivel local y del estado, pero es bajo el poder federal.

Tomar clases y avanzar su educación puede ser una parte importante de aumentar sus habilidades, conocimiento y mejorar sus posibilidades en el área de trabajo. Y en los Estados Unidos nuestro sistema de educación pública ofrece muchas oportunidades excelentes para usted y sus niños, y nuestra comunidad priva-

da y universidades estatales ofrecen una ancha variedad de opciones para educación avanzada.

En los Estados Unidos se requiere legalmente que todos los niños asistan al colegio desde los 6 hasta los 16 años (hasta los 18 en algunos estados) o serán considerados holgazanes. Todas las comunidades tienen alguna forma de educación pública que es suministrada por impuestos locales. No hay precio de enseñanza o costo para asistir, y los libros son proveídos, pero los padres tienen que proveer los cuadernos, lápices, crayolas, y otros artículos que el niño usara durante el año escolar. Niños en nuestro país usualmente empiezan a ir a la escuela a los 5 años en Kindergarten. Muchas escuelas tienen programas de medio día para kindergarten o permiten que niños a esta edad vayan a su casa más temprano que los otros estudiantes.

La escuela primaria es de primer grado a quinto o sexto grado en la mayoría de las comunidades. De ahí los niños van a la escuela secundaria (junior high) para grados 6 a 8 o 8 a 9 (esto varia de comunidad a comunidad). Preparatoria es de grados 9 a 12 o de 10 a 12 depende de la escuela.

El sistema de enseñanza de la escuela pública es determinada por un comité del estado que es suministrado a través de fondos del estado o por

oficiales locales de la escuela. La mayoría de distritos escolares tienen cursos que incluyen lectura, escritura, gramática de Ingles, literatura, matemáticas, ciencias, historia y estudios sociales, geografía, economía, estudios cívicos (o de gobierno), computadoras y teclado, y educación física. A los Estudiantes también se les permite tomar clases electivas como arte, drama, informática, economía del hogar, u otras clases en las que estén interesados.

Si un niño no habla Ingles como su lengua nativa, y la barrera del lenguaje es tan grande que hace difícil aprender en la escuela, ellos serán puestos en un programa de ESL (Ingles como Segundo Lenguaje) con profesores que son especialistas en ayudar al niño ha acomodarse a la nueva cultura y lenguaje. Esto puede hacer más fácil la transición para muchos niños.

Muchos escuelas preparatorias tienen programas especiales de vocación que le permitirán a los estudiantes mayores el empezar a estudiar y practicar para una carrera de su opción si no planean asistir a una Universidad después de graduarse de la escuela preparatoria. Los estudiantes que planean ir a la universidad muchas veces toman cursos preparativos para la universidad los cuales incluyen

matemática avanzada, ingles avanzado, ciencias, o en algunos colegios clases avanzadas de empleo. La mayoría de las escuelas secundarias y preparatorias también ofrecen clases de enriquecimiento como música, arte, drama, o un programa atlético para los estudiantes.

Normalmente hay escuelas privadas en la mayoría de las comunidades. Aproximadamente 10 por ciento de los estudiantes en los Estados Unidos asisten a una escuela privada. Estas no son suministradas por dinero de impuestos, en vez de eso los padres pagan un precio anual de educación para sus niños. Las escuelas privadas pueden ser acreditadas o no acreditadas por diferentes organizaciones certificadas, así que es importante que cheque si los profesores son acreditados. Algunas escuelas privadas son academias “preparatorias para universidades” y casi todos los estudiantes que se gradúan van a la universidad. Aproximadamente 80% de todas las escuelas privadas también tienen alguna clase de afiliación con una denominación religiosa e incluyen alguna forma de instrucción religiosa como parte de su preparación. Otras son colegios militares e incluyen alguna forma de entrenamiento militar en su preparación.

Un número pequeño de padres escogen enseñarles a sus hijos en su casa. Para poder hacer esto usted debe de usar un programa acreditado, y ser su-

pervisado por un profesor acreditado. Algunos distritos escolares en ciudades grandes tienen programas de instrucción dada en casa que sobre miran al padre local que da instrucción en su casa.

Muchos distritos escolares tienen programas de educación para la comunidad que son muy baratos o hasta gratis para residentes locales. Estos pro-

gramas son usualmente patrocinados a través del distrito de colegio local, y pueden incluir clases como arte, artesanía, la Internet, deportes, o clases de ESL (Ingles como Segundo Lenguaje) para adultos. También deben de tener clases especiales para niños durante el verano, o campamentos de enriquecimiento.

## Comité consultivo hispano de la ciudad

El Concejo de la Ciudad votó para establecer a un comité consultivo hispano (Hispanic Advisory Committee, HAC) que se comunicará y enfocará en asuntos referentes a la comunidad hispana. Cargan a los miembros del HAC que determinen las necesidades en la comunidad hispana, que comuniquen los programas y acontecimientos patrocinados por la Ciudad, y que mejoren las fuentes de información disponibles a personas his-

panohablantes. La Ciudad de Winters ahora está aceptando solicitudes de personas interesadas en participar en este comité. Las solicitudes están disponibles en el City Hall, 318 First St, o en el Internet en [http://www.cityofwinters.org/administrative/admin\\_forms.htm](http://www.cityofwinters.org/administrative/admin_forms.htm). Todas solicitudes deben ser entregadas no mas tarde de las 5:00pm el Lunes, 31 de Julio, 2006. Para más información, por favor llame a Nanci Mills: 795-4910.



# Features

## Rabies, with few exceptions, is fatal

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have my dogs vaccinated for rabies, but I wonder how necessary this is. I have never heard of a case of rabies. From what animals can people get it? Is it treatable and curable? What actually is it?—O.R.

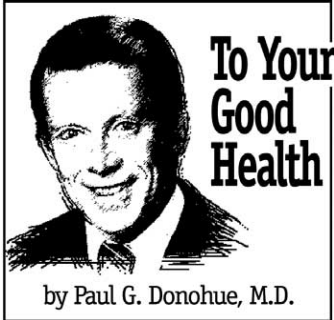
ANSWER: In the United States and Canada, very few rabies cases are seen in a year, and almost none from domestic animals like cats and dogs because of our policies requiring pet vaccinations. Around the world, however, there are about 55,000 rabies cases annually, and just about 100 percent die from the infection if they are not treated before the signs of rabies develop.

Raccoons, skunks, foxes, wolves and coyotes are the principal carriers of the rabies virus. The No. 1 rabies spreader is bats.

The virus in saliva, transferred from a bite, causes no symptoms for one to three months. At that point, the bitten person comes down with a headache, fever, muscle aches, fatigue and loss of appetite—all common to many other illnesses. One to four days later, the person becomes confused and hallucinates. Muscles go into violent spasms. Saliva and tear production increase markedly. The thought of taking a drink sets off a painful series of contractions of the swallowing muscles. That's the famous hydrophobia—fear of water—rabies sign. Quickly, the person then slips into a coma, and death is inevitable. Recently, a young woman in Wisconsin died of rabies.

If a person is immunized soon after being bitten by a rabid animal or bat, the illness does not develop. That is why, if bitten, it is so important to observe domestic animals whose rabies vaccination is doubtful and to send the brain of the wild animal to the state lab when it is possible to do so. Today, only five shots, given over one month, can abort rabies. The shots are not painful.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: The backs of my hands are covered



with brown spots. My neighbor tells me that they are liver spots and they are signs of liver disease. I have never touched a drop of alcohol in my life, and I feel fine. I can't believe I have liver disease. Do I?—R.V.

ANSWER: Those spots are common and have nothing to do with the liver. They have to do with sunlight and aging. Don't give them another thought. I don't know how the "liver spot" name came about, but it's unfortunate, for it worries people unnecessarily.

Retin-A, an acne medicine, has been prescribed to lighten them. If they don't bother you, then leave them alone.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: You say it's safe for a man to have two alcoholic drinks a day, a drink being 12 ounces of beer, 5 ounces of wine or 1.5 ounces of 80-proof liquor. How much is safe for a man taking Lipitor?—L.S.

ANSWER: The same amount. Alcohol doesn't interfere with Lipitor, and Lipitor doesn't interfere with alcohol. Lipitor is a statin drug, the popular cholesterol-control drug family.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Readers may also order health newsletters from [www.rbmamall.com](http://www.rbmamall.com).

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## Fears about Panama Canal were unfounded

Hello from the Republic of Panama! (Sandwiched between Colombia and Costa Rica).

The Winters Express is becoming somewhat of a phenomenon among small town newspapers with a sprinkling of foreign correspondents, me being the latest addition. If anyone wasn't aware that Mexico, like the U.S., has a southern border, now is the time to take notice. We're all in the same boat. With the exception of island nations, we all have borders to contend with.

As much as I'd like to write about Mexico, I don't have the perspective of living there, something that might be more appropriate for Winters, whose population is close to half Hispanic, most of these with ties to Mexico in one way or another. Panama and Central America, southern neighbors of Mexico, will have to do for now until a situated-in-Mexico correspondent steps up to the plate. In any case, dispatches from Panama can't hurt. The more one knows about something, the less radical one can be about it. Being in someone else's shoes is, in most cases, a valuable learning experience.

As long as Panama is on the agenda, I can't help but mention the long since forgotten 1989 invasion and its relevance to today's delicate situation in Iraq and Afghanistan. The father of the current president created a Saddam-like ogre (Mañuel Noriega) and carried out a manufactured solution to capture and imprison him in the name of democracy and human rights. Perhaps this was the plan for Iraq—a swift military stroke that would later be forgotten and relegated to a footnote in history. Be-

ROBERT FISCHER

## SOUTH OF THE SOUTHERN MEXICO BORDER



cause something works once doesn't mean it will always work later.

U.S. military intervention in Panama has occurred more than a dozen times since the country was born in 1903 as a breakaway province of Colombia. U.S. gunboat diplomacy blocked Columbian armed forces from putting down a Panamanian rebellion in exchange for "perpetual" rights to build an interoceanic canal and occupy a slice of land five miles wide on both sides of it.

In 1977, Jimmy Carter's administration thought better of the idea and signed a new treaty that would turn the canal and the Canal Zone to Panamanian sovereignty in the year 2000. The succeeding American governments had misgivings about this treaty and sought ways to neutralize it. The 1989 invasion, which killed score of civilians in "collateral damage" was one such solution to Carter's earlier "diplomatic failure".

To get off the subject for a brief minute—a recent letter writer to the Express pointed out that the sitting president of Iran recently wrote a letter to George W. Bush trying to reach out for mutual understanding, only to have the letter rejected by Bush and his lackeys in the State Department. History repeats itself... we may end up with another invasion of a country that has never attacked us and our soldiers' lives may be put once again in harm's way. Can't we learn at least

from Panama?

In 2000, when the smoke had blown away, Panama got what the 1977 treaty had stipulated: Control and ownership of the Panama Canal. The sky did not fall in. No other hostile country moved in and took it away for their own purposes. Fears about having to deal with a dangerous "rogue" nation controlling a vital and strategic location proved to be unwarranted and unfounded. Even George W. Bush himself dropped in briefly last year to have a friendly look-see.

I am happy to report that Panama is doing just fine running its own affairs and minding its own business. The economy has rebounded and arguably is in better shape than that of its neighbor, Costa Rica. Immigrants are coming in, some legal, a lot not. (This is a separate issue not just confined to the U.S.A.).

It's hot here, being closer to the equator, but not as hot as Winters probably is right now. In any case, I wish the same for Iraq if the dust ever settles, and for Cuba and any other country that has ever been a target of the U.S. and its paranoid foreign policies.

Have a good week—Tenga un buen semana!

## Pleased to meet you



**Name:** Robin Harris  
**Occupation:** Substitute teacher  
**Hobby:** Growing plants  
**What's best about living in Winters:** "I think they have a great school system."  
**Fun fact:** Just graduated from Sac State with a multiple subject teaching credential, which she has been trying to do since she was 20.

— King Crossword —  
Answers  
Solution time: 21 mins.

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## King Crossword

**ACROSS**

1 Lustrous black  
4 Japanese cartooning style  
9 Support system?  
12 Raw rock  
13 Short letters  
14 - U.S. Pat. Off.  
15 Dangerously fast  
17 Corn spike  
18 They, in Toulouse  
19 17-year locust  
21 Legal pad  
24 Uncontrollable  
25 It's good for a breather  
26 Upper area  
28 Uncloses  
31 Notion  
33 Golf statistic  
35 Satan's forte  
36 Inclines  
38 Agreeer's word  
40 - out a living  
41 Door handle  
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55 Run off to wed (Suffix)  
56 Chart format

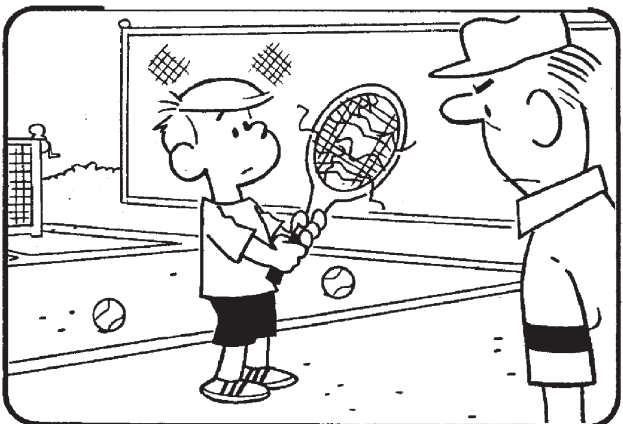
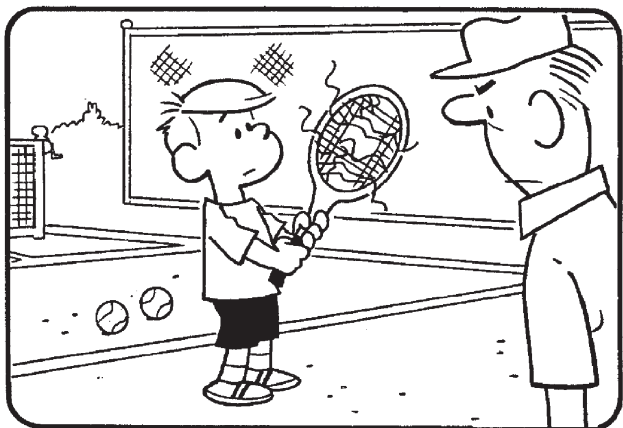
**DOWN**

1 Exemplar of patience  
2 Blunder  
3 Shirt shape  
4 Short sock  
5 Continuous  
6 Resident (Suffix)  
7 Center of activity  
8 Igloo denizen  
9 Neither profit nor lose  
10 Peruse  
11 Taj Mahal city  
16 Have a bug  
20 Manage somehow  
21 Whippet's wagger  
22 Assistant  
23 It may be continental  
27 Remuneration  
29 Sneaker brand  
30 Coaster  
32 "- Karenina"  
34 Tweak further  
37 Gloomy  
39 Puts on the line  
42 "Mr. Television"  
44 Peculiar  
45 Two-way  
46 Old gasoline name  
50 Very long time  
51 Choose  
52 Victory  
53 Butterfly catcher

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.  
4. Hedge is smaller. 5. Sneakers are different. 6. Socks are missing.  
1. String is missing. 2. Ball is moved. 3. Sleeve is different.

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"Curiosity about life in all of its aspects, I think, is still the secret of great creative people."

~ Leo Burnett



ARIES (March 21 to April 19)  
You're not Sheepish when it comes to asserting your opinions on what you think is right or wrong. Be assured that you're being heard, and something positive will follow.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)  
Your sense of justice makes it difficult not to speak up about a recurring matter involving a co-worker. But, once again, you need facts to back you up before you can act.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)  
Romance is still dominant, and if Cupid misfired before, don't worry. He'll take better aim at someone new this time around. Expect favorable news about a financial matter.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)  
The zodiac's Moon Children can expect things to work out pretty much as planned. One negative note involves a minor relationship problem that suddenly turns serious.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)  
You're suddenly being asked to make choices between two practically equal offers. Which one to choose? Easy. The one most likely to gladden your Lion's heart.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)  
Once again, you're confronted by a workplace problem you thought you'd already resolved. This time, you might need to go higher up to find a just resolution.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)  
Good for you: You're determined to stick with your goals and ignore those naysayers who might try to discourage you. You're on the right track. The challenge now is to stay on it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)  
You'll soon get news that is supposed to help you with a troublesome situation. Use your sharp Scorpion instincts to determine if the information is reliable.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)  
If you learn someone has betrayed your trust, don't just accept it and walk away. You need to know why that person decided to do what he or she did.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)  
A painful family relationship problem could finally begin to heal. Be prepared to show more flexibility than you might like. But it could be worth it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)  
It's a good idea to enhance your career skills so you'll be prepared to accept a more responsible position when it's offered. A friend returns a favor just when you need it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)  
Show that strong, steely backbone that you usually hide, and demand to be included in any family decision-making that could affect the well-being of a loved one.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can be happy being alone at home. But you also love exploring the world outside and meeting new people and sharing new ideas.

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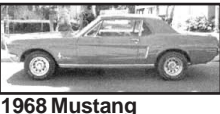
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