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Test results mixed

By GARY BEALL
Express correspondent

Are Winters schools making the grade? A) Yes; B) Maybe; C) No; D) All of the above.

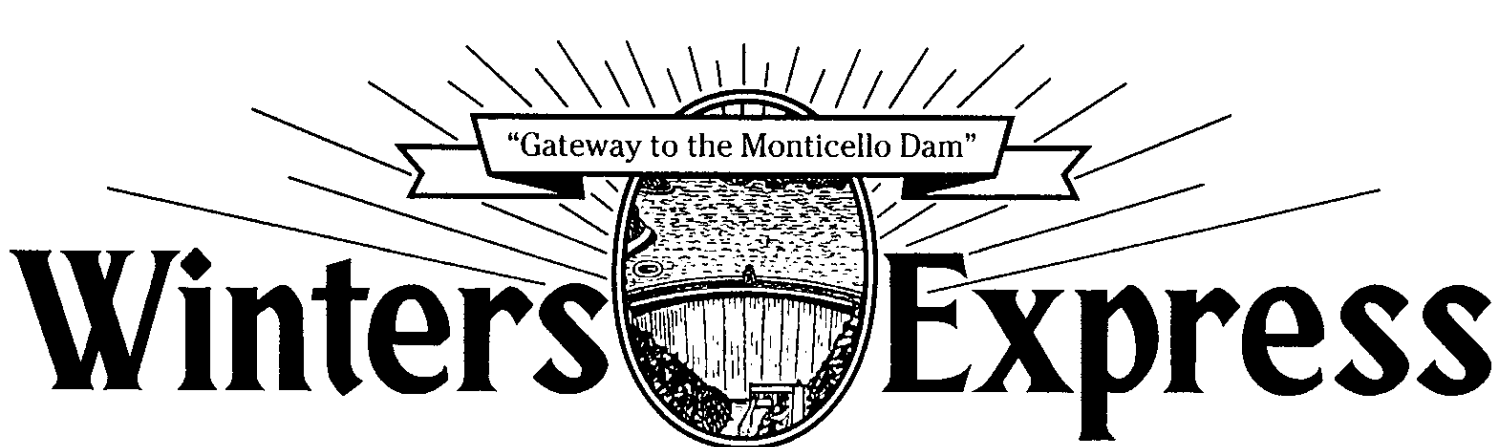
The answer depends on the assessment tool, sample sizes and, most of all, interpretation of the myriad results from various state and federal yardsticks that measure student progress.

Take, for instance, the academic performance index (API) used by the state to measure academic growth. The API for Winters schools is up considerably when the 2006 numbers released by the state in August are compared with those of three to five years ago.

"That's a good thing," Emilie Simmons, director of educational services, told district trustees on Sept. 7.

Yet, there are occasional setbacks from year to year and comparisons between 2005 and 2006 show no API growth districtwide, only a four point growth at Winters High School, which had a target of six points, and a decline of 26 points at Winters Middle School. Wolfskill Continuation High School was the star performer, with an API growth of 108 points over 2005, but Wolfskill students bombed on the California High School Exit

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propose
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Enrollment drops again

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

Preliminary counts show school enrollment will be even lower than anticipated this year, by a count of as many as 36 students, according to Gloria Hahn, the school district Chief Business Officer. The decline mirrors declines in close to half the school districts throughout California and presents fiscal challenges for the school district.

The school district is required to make program reductions in order to stay within its budget. Because of the way state funding is calculated, revenues can decline faster than the ability of a school system to reduce costs without harming instructional services.

Overall enrollment in the state has declined this past year, 2005-2006, for the first time in over a quarter of a century. The Winters Joint Unified School District (WJUSD) has seen drops in enrollment in six of the past seven years.

The district uses a statistical process to predict enrollment for a given year, but variation always takes place. Actual enrollment varies through the year, and the difference between attendance and enrollment is a factor, because funding is based on actual attendance. The prediction for this year was 1866 students, but it now appears the actual count will be lower.

The funding for California

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City council asked to reconsider decision

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

At a very short city council meeting on Sept. 5, Marion Hamilton, of Winters Antiques and Ethnographica, took advantage of the open comment period to ask the council to reconsider the selection made for the building project at Railroad and Main. Hamilton's store is located across the street from the proposed project.

Council members Cecil-

ia Aguiar-Curry, Tom Stone and City Attorney John Wallace were not present because they were attending the League of California Cities annual conference in San Diego. The selection for the Railroad and Main project was made at a meeting on August 28 that was specially scheduled in anticipation of these absences.

"I ask the council to reconsider this decision,"

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Public hearing on agenda

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ City council direction on starting CEQA analysis of Storm Drain Master Plan update for

General Plan flood overlay area.

~ Spare The Air banners — alternative verbiage.

~ Swimming Pool project update.

~ Putah Creek Grant application.

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Coast and Creek Cleanup includes Putah Creek sites

By DAWN LINDSTROM
Special to the Express

The 2006 Coast and Creek Cleanup is the 22nd of the annual California Coastal Cleanup Day program, making this one of the longest running and largest volunteer events in the state. Over 50,000 people participated in California Coastal Cleanup Day last year, collecting over 800,000 pounds of trash. All 50 states and over 100 countries took part in the International Cleanup sponsored by the Ocean Conservancy, making this effort the largest marine-related volunteer event in the world. In California, the Coast and Creek Cleanup is sponsored and organized by the California Coastal Commission.

The Coast and Creek Cleanup Day is a great event to involve families in caring for and protecting their local water bodies. It is also an opportunity for

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Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

All ready to lend a hand at the annual Coast and Creek Cleanup are, from left, Amy Boyer, Linda Springer and Dawn Lindstrom. Volunteers will meet at the Putah Creek Council office, located at 5189 Putah Creek Road, at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 16, to clean up four areas along Putah Creek, including the Putah Creek Nature Park in Winters. Refreshments will be provided after the cleanup.

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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
Sept. 6		95	59
Sept. 7		97	61
Sept. 8		98	56
Sept. 9		81	53
Sept. 10		83	53
Sept. 11		89	58
Sept. 12		93	63

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OBITUARIES

Margot Colleen Johnston

Margot Colleen Johnston, a 42-year resident of Winters, died peacefully with her family at her side on Sunday Sept. 3, 2006 at Sutter Memorial Hospital in Sacramento. Born on Sept. 10, 1938 in Weaverville to Vaughan and Margaret Gates, she was 67 years old.

Her passions in life were her late husband Ivan, her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was very active in the Catholic Church. She worked for the Winters School District and then the Davis School District, from where she retired. She was a compassionate, caring mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and will be deeply missed by all, says a family spokesperson.

Mrs. Johnston is survived by her mother and step-father, Margaret and Alvin Miller of Weaverville; children, Carolyn Gale and husband Ed of Winters, Carwin Brice II and wife Margaret of Winters, Cynthia Maze and husband Scott of Lenoir, North Carolina and Brian Brice of Vacaville; step-children, Richard Johnston of Sacramento, Debra Vomaka and husband Mark of Dobbins, Mickey Johnson and wife Robin of Ojai; brother, Max Gates and wife Kiyoko of Redding, sister Vaughna Plaza and husband Tim of Weaverville; grandchildren, Carney Chambers and wife Bobbie, and Colin Chambers all of Rathdrum, Idaho, Catherine and Kylie Chambers of Winters, Isabel Brice of Winters, Gina and Carwin Brice III of Sacramento, John, Ben and Leila Muller of Winters, Willie and Jennifer Brice of Vacaville, Samantha Johnston of Ojai; step-grandchildren, Holly, Danny and Cassidy Maze of Lenoir North Carolina, Michell Muller of Oregon, Ronnie and Bethany Hayes of Lake Havasu, Arizona, Troy and Rochelle Vanvelson of Corcoran, Ryan and Monica Hayes of Corcoran, Mark and Charlene Vomaka of Roseville, Nichole and Joey Vomaka of Dobbins, Justin and Amy Edgar of Parker Heights, Texas, Daphnee Johnston of Rocklin; several great-grand children, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Ivan, who died Aug. 1, 2005.

Vigil services were planned for Wednesday, Sept. 20, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church at 7 p.m. A Memorial Mass will be held on Thursday, Sept. 21, at 10 a.m. at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Celebrant will be Father Joe Ternullo. A private burial will be held at a later date in Weaverville.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggested memorial contributions be made to St. Anthony's Catholic Church, or the American Heart and Lung Association.

Marie Rubio Goddard

Marie Rubio Goddard died peacefully at her home in Winters on Thursday, Sept. 7, 2006. She was 87 years old.

Mrs. Goddard was the first of her siblings to be born in the United States to Salvadore Rubio and Gabriella Contreras Rubio, Spanish immigrants from Estepona, Spain. She was married to her high school sweetheart, Hugh Goddard, for over 60 years. She operated her own beauty shop in Winters for over 15 years and then went into full-time farming of apricots and walnuts and raising livestock with her husband on their ranch off of Pleasants Valley Road for over 30 years. They were the first importers of Certified Aberdeen Angus cattle into the area.

Marie loved her family and her garden. She won first place at the California State Fair for her beautiful quilts and crochet work.

She is survived by her husband, Hugh Goddard; sons Fred Manas and Dennis Goddard; grandchildren, Dana Manas, Terry Talbot, Jr. and Dee Dee Talbot; numerous great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Salvadore Rubio and Gabriella Contreras Rubio, her sisters, Gabriella Manas, Frances Ariza, Salvadora Manas, and her brother, Dick Rubio, as well as her granddaughter, Liesa Manas

Funeral services will be at the Pioneer Presbyterian Church in Winters on Thursday, Sept. 14 at 2:00 p.m., with visitation at McCune Garden Chapel in Vacaville Wednesday, Sept. 13 from 5-8 p.m.

Juvenal Martinez

Juvenal Martinez of Winters passed away on Sept. 8, 2006 in Davis, CA at age 55. He was born in San Ignacio, Cerro Gordo Jal., Mexico on Oct. 5, 1950.

Known as "Juve" to his family and friends, he worked at Cooley Enterprises in Winters for 20 years and the Mariani Nut Company for 15.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Bertha Cortez; stepdaughters Patrica, Imelda and Veroni-

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YESTERYEAR



File Photo

Lin Schroeder, left, Chairman of the 1954 Winters Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year committee is pictured above presenting the award to C. Perry Culton at the annual Winters Chamber Christmas party in December, 1954.

35
YEARS AGO

September 16, 1971

Student enrollment for the start of the fall term is 1169 students, exactly the same as last year according to School Superintendent James Bernardy.

Some of the 1971 graduates of Winters High School have indicated their choices of college attendance as follows: John Jones, Richard Rominger and Stanley Tufts, UC Davis; Stephen Griffin, University of Nevada, Reno; Cynthia Morgan, Susan Reimers, Chico State College. Juan Zaragoza, Lucinda Paynton, Sacramento State College; Richard Hart, Dornford Jude, Jose Lopez, Jon Pleasants, Yuba College; Donna Rominger, College of Holy Name, Oakland; Marcos Barcelo, Andrew Goheen, Dannete Pede, Ellen Kammerer, Debbie Snow, Sacramento City College. Donna Brewer, Commercial College of Great Falls, Montana; David Hemenway, Columbia Junior College; Pam Huber, Cathy Rulon, Foothill J.C.; Teresa Moreno, Sawyer College, Joseph Ogando, Co-sumnes J.C. Peter Morrison, Stanislaus State; Karla Timperley, Shasta J.C.; Pamela Wurth, Santa Rosa J.C. and Tim Holman, Electronics School, Portland, Oregon.

Record-shattering heat hit Northern California last week. A high of 108 degrees was recorded in Winters

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YEARS AGO

September 27, 1956

The Solano Project is nearing completion, with work now underway on the diversion dam, just east of the Low Water Bridge. The George Pollock Co., of Sacramento, is the contractor.

The Warriors traveled to St. Helena last Friday night and handed the favored Saints a 30-7 thumping. Bob Little, with no experience at football, completed 25 out of 30 passes, three for TD's.

Water hearings, which will have a great bearing on the future of the Winters area, are being held this week in Sacramento before the state water rights board.

Mrs. D.B. Walters, Mrs. L.A. Islip and Mrs. Charles Pearse visited Bob Islip at St. Mary's College Sunday.

Fred T. (Ricky) Roseberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roseberry, of Winters, has enrolled at California State Polytechnic College at San Luis Obispo.

Leland Johnson, winner of the Central Counties Public Speaking Contest, received an award from Santa Fe Railroad of \$100, to help send Leland to the National Future Farmers Convention at Kansas City, Missouri.

65
YEARS AGO

September 26, 1941

Monday afternoon the Buckeye home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Purrington burned to the ground. The origin of the fire is not known as Mr. and Mrs. Purrington had been away all day.

The Presbyterian Church featured a fellowship dinner Sunday following the morning worship, honoring pastor Monroe Drew's birthday that fell Saturday.

George Taylor came over from Sacramento during the week end and moved his household effects to the Capitol City, where they will have a permanent residence.

Mrs. F.P. Mitchell was hostess recently to a small group at a daintily appointed luncheon at her orchard home in Apricot District.

Malcolm Mahoney in U.S. Army training at San Luis Obispo is at home on a 15-day leave.

Bill Singleton has taken up residence in Vallejo where he has been in defense employment for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. John Edison and family and Miss Colleen Baker were Sunday motorists to Gardnerville, Nevada where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Edison.

Berryessa drops .43 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa fell by .43 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 7,989 acre feet of water, according to Mickey Falkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 432.61 feet above sea level with storage computed at 1,462,341 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 350 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 20 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 233 acre feet of water per day during the week.

Al-anon meets Thursdays

Al-anon meets on Thursdays in the Community Room at the Winters Library from 6:30-7:30 p.m. A 12-Step Alcoholics Anonymous meeting follows at 8 p.m.

The Al-anon group invites anyone who wishes to learn about Al-anon and its fellowship. The 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.

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YEARS AGO

September 28, 1906

Next Monday afternoon and night Burch & Reiss' World's Greatest Dog and Pony Shows will exhibit in this town. There are upwards of 300 performing animals, and among actors are camels and dromedaries, ponies, dogs, monkeys, goats, mules, pigs, ant eaters, llamas, pumas and other rare animals.

Mrs. J.E. Sackett, 45, died in Berkeley Sept. 26, after a lingering illness of nearly three years. She was a native of Boston, Mass.

Arthur Craner, Mr. and Mrs. D.O. Judy, John McCoubrey, Frank Moler, Will Hoy, Mr. and Mrs. F.M. Wyatt and Ray Pratt took advantage of the Chico baseball excursion Sunday.

The Baker Hardware Store is the name by which the only strictly hardware store in town will be hereafter known. Mr. W.I. Baker has formally taken possession of the store and business he recently bought from R. Morrison.

The Current Topics Club has arranged for a series of entertainments of unusual promise. The first of the series will be a lecture, "The Simple Life," by Marshall Choate Crouch on Oct. 15.

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RESULTS

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Exam (CAHSEE). Shirley Rominger Intermediate School had an API growth of 22 points and Waggoner Elementary school had a growth of 16 points.

On the CAHSEE, Winters students were about five percent below the state average and 10 percent below the Yolo County average in math and English language arts. Approximately 55 percent of all Winters students who took the CAHSEE passed. The state average was around 60 percent.

“I’m not thrilled, but it’s not horrible,” Simmons commented.

When the dismal performance of Wolfskill Continuation High School students is separated out, though, Winters High School students performed at or slightly above the state average. Approximately 18 percent of the Wolfskill students passed the math portion of the CAHSEE and about 28 percent passed the English language arts portion.

Further analysis of the CAHSEE numbers shows wide gaps — 54 percent in English language arts and 40 percent in math — between students classified as English learners and those classified as non-English learners, with the non-English learners having the most success.

This gap also exists in the statewide numbers, but to a lesser extent. District trustees expressed concern about the learning gap. Trustee Rodney

Orosco asked what more could be done. Simmons said that there is no districtwide curriculum for English learners.

“We are not going to turnaround overnight. We are making some progress, but it is sad to see this,” Simmons said.

The statewide Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) results from 2003 to 2006 generally show growth in the percentage of students who are proficient in math and English language arts over the four-year span, but there are some decreases in 2006 over 2005. For instance, district students proficient in math increased from 34.4 percent in 2003 to 44.5 percent in 2005 but decreased to 40.6 percent in 2006. At Winters High School, the percentage of students proficient in math dropped from 44.2 percent in 2005 to 29 percent in 2006. In 2003, 35.9 percent of the high school students tested proficient in math. Districtwide, student proficiency in English language arts increased from 26.9 percent in 2003 to 37.3 in 2005, but remained static at 37.2 percent in 2006.

The California Standards Test (CST), however, generally shows fewer Winters students placing at below or far below basic levels as they progress through the grades.

The federal No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), which requires all students to be proficient in math and English Language arts by the 2012-13 school year, is yet another

indicator of student performance. For the third consecutive year the district as a whole and two district schools — Waggoner Elementary School and Winters Middle School — did not meet all of the adequate yearly progress (AYP) requirements established by the Act. The district as a whole and Waggoner Elementary School met 17 of 20 AYP criteria; Winters Middle School met 15 out of 20. The problems occur in the English-learner and socio-economically disadvantaged categories designated by the NCLB. On the positive side, Shirley Rominger Intermediate School, Winters High School and Wolfskill Continuation High School met all of the AYP requirements.

New teachers

Based on comments from new teachers welcomed by district trustees at their Sept. 7 meeting, recommendation from friends and a desire to work in a small community are two of the primary reasons they chose Winters to start or continue their teaching careers.

Trustees welcomed Waggoner Elementary School teacher Claudia Garcia; Shirley Rominger Intermediate School teachers Britta Morejohn, Renee McEwen, Alejandro Delgadillo and Mary Stewart; Winters Middle School teachers Jessica Ford, Linda Fox, Robert Hopkins and William Kish; and Winters High School teachers Kellie Cox and

Bonnie Walker and counselor Carla Serratos.

New teachers who were unable to attended the board meeting are Waggoner teachers Jose Bermudez, Claudia Mojica-Rodriguez and Jennifer Hoover; Rominger teacher Christina Petersen; middle school teachers Khalid Mahmood and Raquel Ulloa-Mendoza; Winters High School teachers Nikki Hills, Andrea Hurst, Tania Manion, and Kindra Samuelson; and Wolfskill and independent study teacher Jennifer Goodman and psychologist Meagan O’Malley.

Shuttleworth gets board recognition

Winters High School teacher Jay Shuttleworth received a certificate from district trustees honoring his selection as teacher of the year for Yolo County. The board commended Shuttleworth for challenging his students to thing critically and for making social studies come alive for his students.

Shuttleworth attributed his success to his students and peers, and to his parents, who were both teachers.

“Teaching in Winters just feels right,” Shuttleworth said.

The county honor earns him the right to compete for best teacher statewide.

In other personnel action, trustees approved hiring Cathleen Olsen as director of food services for the district and Tracy Murrin as part-time custo-

dian at Waggoner Elementary School. They also accepted the resignation of middle school aide Danelle Burnette and granted a leave of absence through Oct. 19 for middle school math teacher Raquel Ulloa-Mendoza.

Trustees also recognized Wolfskill student Joseph Justice for his positive attitude and dedication to learning and community member Gus Mariani for his “willingness to lend a hand when we need one” to help move a kindergarten playground structure from the old kindergarten site at John Clayton Educational Center to the new site at Waggoner Elementary School.

Next meeting

The next school board meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Sept. 21 at Winters Middle School.



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Fabi y Nataly

AGENDA

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~ Putah Creek Master Plan update

~ Amendment to HCP/NCCP JPA agreement.

~ Public hearing regarding Casitas at Winters tentative subdivision map. Project is a proposed residential subdivision of 1.2742 acres to create 16 attached single-family lots; Lot 17 (2,868 square feet) for a park area; and a 10,631 square foot common area lot for internal roadways at a location on the north side of West Grant Avenue (State Highway 128) east of the Tomat’s restaurant at 1123 West Grant Avenue. APNs 003-450-15 (0.551 acres), 003-450-16 (0.4591 acres), and 003-450-17 (0.2641 acres). Applicant: Mark R. Power. Entitlements include conditional use permit, rezoning from Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) to Neighborhood Commercial Planned Development Overlay (C-1 PD), planned development permit for PD Overlay, development agreement, tentative subdivision map and site plan.

Acting as the Community Development Agency, the council will address the following items:

~ Consultant services agreement with Urban Futures for financial advisory services.

~ Approve project budget for the 2006 Safe Routes to School improvements and authorize design.

~ Approve project budget for the Jackson/McArthur Road reconstruction and water system upgrade and authorize design.

OBITS

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ca Martinez; his son, Juvenal Martinez Jr.; his stepson Adan, his mother Maria Del Refuzio Martinez; his sisters Margarita and Marla; his brothers Fernando, Salvador, Jose, and Victor; 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his father, Juvenal Martinez, his sister Maria and his brother Jesus.

A service for him will be held on Friday, Sept. 15, at 11 a.m. at the St. Anthony Catholic Church in Winters. Visitation hours will be Thursday, Sept. 14, at St. Anthony’s, 6-9 p.m.

Edwin E. Sanders

Edwin E. Sanders passed away early on Sept. 11, 2006 at the Veteran’s Hospital in Battle Creek, Michigan. Mr. Sanders was a Disabled Veteran of World War II who served throughout the Pacific war theater and was a survivor of the attack on Pearl Harbor. The majority of his adult life was spent in various VA hospitals around the country.

He is survived by his son Donald K. Sanders of Winters, a disabled veteran of the Vietnam War; grandfather, father and son, all are recipients of the Bronze Star Medal. He is also survived by sons James, Michael and Dennis, and daughter Diane, who were lost in the Arkansas Orphanage System. Their whereabouts are unknown.

He was preceded in death by his father, Eddie A. Sanders, a disabled veteran of World War I.

Mr. Sanders will receive a full Military Honors funeral and will lay at rest next to his father in the Sanders family plot in Cookeville, Tennessee. He will be the fourth generation veteran laid to rest in the family plot.

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Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

SO HERE WE ARE, five years after The Day The World Changed. Let's take stock. Although there hasn't been a terrorist attack on American soil since 9/11, terrorism has increased exponentially worldwide, and the world is most certainly not a safer place than it was since the U.S. launched a preemptive war on a country that had nothing to do with 9/11.

So we haven't been attacked since 9/11. Maybe no such attack was planned. We haven't been hit by a meteor either. Maybe the Bush Administration will take credit for that too.

Just imagine how our country and the world might be right now had we spent all this time, money and military power pursuing al Qaeda and Osama bin Laden, rather than satisfying our need for vengeance by lynching the convenient Saddam Hussein. Not that Hussein didn't have it coming, but that was a fight for another day. Tracking down bin Laden was vastly more important.

As it stands, not only does bin Laden enjoy relative freedom, holed up in a Pakistani cave like a stinking, cowardly rat, but The Decider has reassigned the special CIA unit dedicated to finding him to more pressing duties, like taking juice boxes from toddlers at the airport.

Yes, our so-called President called off the dogs on bin Laden. He's not a priority. Yet Bush invokes that Bogeyman's name in speeches of late because it still strikes fear in the hearts of average, bleating American sheep, making them cower together and tremble, and that comes in really handy just before a mid-term election.

Not only are we more unsafe than we were on Sept. 10, 2001, we feel more unsafe. Heckuva job, Georgie! But you can't chalk it all up to hubris and ineptitude. It's calculated. The Neocons know that a frightened populace is an obedient populace. Fear keeps them in power. Mark my words, if the Republicans start sliding in the mid-term election polls, our terror alert will be bumped up to orange, maybe even red. And the voters will fall for it again. But maybe that doesn't actually matter because even if they didn't, our electronic votes can be easily altered, and it's completely undetectable. That's far more terrifying than Osama bin Laden coming to eat our babies in the still of the night.

Our votes can be altered, our civil rights have been eroded, our government is out of control, the national debt has become a financial abyss, and we just cower quietly. America has been divided into Blue and Red since 9/11, and in case you don't know what happens to a house divided, here's a newsflash: it's not good. Besides all this, Dubya & Co. ignore the illegal immigration deluge and encourage the outsourcing of American jobs to foreign soil, all in the name of corporate profit. And then there's the price of gas. Maybe al Qaeda already defeated us and we just don't realize it.

As I consider the systematic dismantling of my country over the last five years, I wonder if maybe we should replace Uncle Sam's face with Humpty Dumpty's. After the fall. And yes, that's egg on Dubya's face. No, he didn't push Humpty over the edge all by himself, but it happened on his watch. Under his "leadership," the worldwide support and concern after 9/11 was squandered. The United States is so despised throughout the world that few countries will stand beside us in the fight against terrorism. Who's left in the Coalition of the Willing, anyway — the Romanian soccer team and two guys from Albania?

In an attempt to swing the world back in our favor, Bush has been peppering his speeches lately with "Islamic Fascists," tapping the knee-jerk fear and loathing of Hitler. If fear works on Americans, maybe it'll work on everyone else too! Hey, it's worth a shot when you're desperate.

There are some key differences between World War II and our current battle, besides our lack of significant allies. For one, the Jews of the Holocaust were innocent. From the Arab perspective, the U.S. isn't so innocent. It's the bully that allows Israel to occupy Palestinian land. That's why the jihadists hate us.

Does that mean they get to kill us? Oh, hay-ull no. The jihadists deserve instant justice at end of a soldier's rifle. And they might've gotten it, had we not wasted our wealth, military and worldwide goodwill chasing the wrong enemy.

I said it once, I'll say it again: "Heckuva job, Georgie."



LETTERS

RFP process should be redone

Dear Editor,

I attended the city council meeting on Aug. 28 and reviewed the proposals that were posted on the Winters web site regarding the competing Railroad and Main projects. In my work, I am accustomed to seeing requests for proposals (RFPs) that are 10-20 pages long for projects in the \$200,000 and higher range. Because of the level of effort required to develop RFPs and respond to them, any breach in procedure is grounds for challenging the award selection and starting the process all over again, so the offering agency has a responsibility to insure a fair and equitable process.

The RFP issued by the city was only two pages long and missed many of the ingredients of typical RFPs, which usually require a specific cost proposal format that enables an apples-to-apples comparison of costs, as well as detailed requirements for qualifications and technical quality. No such format was provided, and the spreadsheets developed by a consultant retained by the city to evaluate costs and revenues does not list the same line items for both proposals, making a comparison very difficult.

The selection process for this project was also irregular. There is typically an open question and answer period, after which absolutely no communications are allowed so that all those bidding are working with exactly the same information. Only after the winning bidder is selected can there be any negotiation between the granting agency and the bidder, at which time the bidder is free to offer up alternatives.

Make it a memorial bridge for all

Dear Editor

I was grateful for the letter that Theresa Sackett wrote for the Winters Express which was forwarded to me by Bobby Greenwood and indeed, "the train bridge does belong to us all".

It was interesting that my father, General Jack Lindeman was able to broker a deal for \$100 which enabled the city of Winters to purchase the bridge.

My feeling is that if the bridge is named for only one person, it limits all possibilities. The bridge is symbolic of the past, present and the future — a beautiful and enduring monument for the people of Winters. It also represents the bridging of com-

Reviewers are required to score proposals only on the stated criteria, not on "extras" offered by the bidder to sweeten the pot. In this case, one of the bidders negotiated a deal to provide space for city use, unbeknownst to the other bidder, and no such space was requested in the RFP. The staff recommendation listed this space as "valuable asset."

The RFP required a project description, site plan, a description of off-site improvements, a timeline, a detailed cost/revenue pro-forma, a description of how the project integrates with the Downtown Master Plan, and a list of past projects indicating ability to perform.

While both proposals could have been disqualified for not meeting all of these requirements satisfactorily, the Ogando proposal stands out as providing no specific description of off-site improvements, no detailed construction schedule, no examples of similar projects, and no cash flow pro-forma. Neither proposal provided a detailed analysis of compliance with Master Plan objectives.

Other red flags raised by the Ogando proposal (and subsequent offers) include the lack of architectural fees, a \$1 million lease obligation to the city, city financing of land acquisition costs, and a guarantee that Ogando will serve as a key anchor tenant by creating a business that does not yet exist.

In summary, my impression is that the RFP should be re-issued using a fair and equitable bidding and selection process. There will be no "do-overs" once this building, which is critical to the future of Winters, is completed.

DAVID SPRINGER

munities, Yolo County to Solano County.

If the bridge was designated as the Winters Memorial Train Bridge then it's possible to remember everyone that was involved in the history of the city of Winters. This designation would enable the city council on an annual basis to add names to the bridge of those who were part of the fabric of Winters.

Another possibility could be a plaque to honor the Veterans of Winters that have served in the armed forces.

I grew up in Winters and have fond memories of the town and community spirit.

JON H. LINDEMAN
Kennewick, WA

Looking forward to city meetings

Dear Editor,

I am pleased to learn of the city's commitment to getting community input on the proposed building for the corner of Main Street and Railroad Avenue.

I trust the relevant meet-

ings will be widely publicized so everybody who has concerns will be able to express them.

There are worse things than design by committee, namely inappropriate design.

MARION HAMILTON



CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

INTERESTING TIMES WE LIVE IN. The letters keep coming in on the proposed new building on Railroad. Some writers make some good points, while others seem to be lining up behind one builder. What I find interesting is the calm and or quiet coming from both developers. Not a peep from John Siracusa or Karen Ogando. Too bad we can't learn from their example. This columnist included.

I am having problems with some of the people complaining about the council's decision, not all in print, and not just about their latest decision. Some people seem to complain about everything, and I heard someone refer to them as WAVE. Wintersites against virtually everything. This is a knockoff of CAVE, citizens against virtually everything.

I can find plenty of things wrong with Winters, the downtown or even the council, but if I can't come up with a working solution, I pretty much leave things alone until I hear a viable solution to the problem. No solution, no complaints. As if the world operated on such a simple plan.

GOLF TOURNAMENTS. For those who like to participate in fund-raisers, golfers or non-golfers, there are a couple of tournaments coming up. The Youth Day golf tournament is Sunday, September 24, and will be played at Davis Muni. You'll need to call Joe at 795-3315 and have at least \$75 in your pocket to enter. The deadline to sign up is now.

The Winters Healthcare Foundation is hosting their Fifth Annual Swing for the Clinic golf tournament at the Yolo Filiers Club on Friday, October 6. You'll need \$150 per person to participate in the clinics fund-raiser. Call 795-5200 for more information.

Both tournaments play a scramble format, which means you don't have to be a golfer to have fun, and both accept sponsors donations. Surprise, surprise. There are dinners planned for after the game and non-participants can enjoy the meal without having to hit a single ball.

TEACHERS, TEACHERS EVERYWHERE. The annual welcome back to school barbecue, hosted by the Winters Chamber of Commerce, was a big success. This annual event is getting bigger and bigger with each passing year. Joining the regular chamber members were 70 school personnel under the new shade structure behind the Community Center. The Buckhorn took care of the barbecue, the chamber hosted the bar while several merchants supplied a goody bag for the teachers. A ream of colored copy paper from the Express, a free sandwich from Steady Eddy's, a coupon from Cody's, a classroom gift from Pacific Ace Hardware, a \$15 Target gift card from the Buckhorn and a dry erase marker from the Winters Printing Company.

If you would like to add something to the goody bag, next year, give me a call sometime in August. Have a good week.

Give teachers some presents now

Dear Editor,

Pencils, paper, (unlimited) copies and bulletin board paper. That's all. Did you know that these are the only supplies that at least one of our elementary schools is able to provide to teachers at the beginning of the school year? Oh, and a supply budget... of \$100! While I don't know for certain, I am pretty sure that circumstances are the same at most, if not all, of our schools.

These few items and the \$100 supply budget are supposed to be sufficient for the entire school year. It takes a teacher about five minutes to spend this amount on the bare necessities alone, much of which will last about one month at best. With this money, teachers are expected to purchase everything else they need: construction paper, glue, glue sticks, staplers, scissors, borders, Post-it notes, paper clips, rubber bands, markers, pens, highlighters, notebooks, white board pens, transparency pens, permanent markers, poster paper, masking tape, book binding tape, crayons, index cards, file folders, hanging file folders, transparencies... and the list goes on. You get the idea.

As parents, we know that teachers end up spending a great deal of their own (very hard-earned) income on supplies to be fully prepared and to help our children have the best classroom experience possible. Perhaps many of us did not

realize how little teachers actually get to start the year.

We often show our appreciation of our children's teachers at holiday time and/or at the end of the year with teacher gifts. A friend of mine recently mentioned something that she does for her children's teachers and it is such a great idea that I want to urge other parents to do the same.

Instead of giving teachers end-of-the-year gifts that they may or may not need or truly want (i.e., another mug with an apple on it), and to express our gratitude for their hard work (not to mention help make their jobs a little easier and hence our children's experiences even better), why don't we give at the beginning of the year, when teachers truly need the help? And, why not give them gift cards to office supply or other stores, where they can get fully stocked and prepared for the school year?

We parents need to step in and help our teachers (and our children). From now on, I will be following in my friend's footsteps all the way to the office supply store to buy a gift card. Please think about doing the same. As a substitute teacher and a parent of two school-aged children, I am certain that such a gift will benefit our teachers and ultimately our children.

REBECCA BRESNICK
HOLMES

Why weren't architects included?

Dear Editor,

The proposed building at Railroad and Main has rightfully attracted much public attention. This is due in large part to its important location in the downtown core and the impact the building will have on the future success of downtown and surrounding businesses. Therefore, it is surprising that the architectural design of the project was given so little consideration during the selection process.

The building will occupy one of the most important and historically sensitive corners in Winters, adjacent to the historic Hotel

DeVilbiss and the Putah Creek Cafe building. The proposed structure will form the gateway to the historic downtown core. Therefore, the architectural response for the project should have been of critical importance in the selection process.

The attraction of Winters as a destination is well established. People are drawn to Winters because of its intimate historical small town atmosphere. A building in this location has the possibility of contributing to the downtown by respecting the historic character of

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the town, or conversely by overpowering the very qualities that make Winters such an attractive place for visitors.

The community development agency (CDA) and the subcommittee that evaluated the project largely used a financial consultant to determine which project would be chosen. There were no design advisors or consultants. There were no public hearings despite the fact that large sums of public money are potentially involved.

With the limited competitive environment both from an architectural and financial perspective, it is surprising that the city council was willing to give its approval to a proposal that had no architect included in the project team and no history of building commercial or retail buildings.

Perhaps the advisory committee should have consulted with someone well versed in the area of design and not just a financial consultant. What was it that led to such important requirements being overlooked? Perhaps we will never know, as so many decisions appear to have been made behind closed doors and away from public scrutiny. Although concerns were voiced at the recent city council meeting, these concerns were largely brushed aside and a weak compromise was hastily proposed that leaves little possibility for meaningful design input in the project process. As a result, the design is largely in the hands of the developer to determine.

The Request for Proposals issued by the CDA in December 2005, lists “integration with the master plan” and “architectural components of the project including design and materials” as key criteria. If the CDA and the advisory committee had required the project to meet these “key” criteria in order to qualify for consideration, and had the process been more transparent, perhaps there would be little basis for public concern.

MICHAEL SEARS
BA (Arch), UCB
Architectural
Project Manager

Sports Booster dinner was successful

Dear Editor

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped make our annual Winters High School All Sports Booster Club Tri-Tip Dinner a success. It was a great evening with delicious food, raffle prizes, and socializing.

A very special thank you to Laura Lucero, Debbie Geerts, Lawren Brickey and Bridget Mariani for all of their preparation work. Without their hard work and dedication this event would not have been possible.

Winters Express – thank you for printing the dinner tickets and helping publicize our event.

Thank you Town & Country Market for selling us the tri-tip meat at a reduced price.

I would like to thank Frank Ramos and his barbeque crew (Mr. Ramos, Don Calvert and Mr. Hellinger) for barbecuing the delicious tri-tip. Thanks to the “kitchen crew,” consisting of Laura Lucero, Dawn VanDyke, Traci Calvert, Dee, Brian and Tyler Cross, Debbie Geerts, Lori Avellar, Debbie Holland, Elvira Lucero, Juanita Ramos and Frank Ramos.

Buckhorn Restaurant – thank you for the use of miscellaneous kitchen pans and dishes to use at

our dinner.

Mary Ramos – Thank you for the salad donation.

Thank you to all of those who donated their delicious desserts: Janet Anderson, Claudette Adams, John and Leslie Kraitz, Scott and Cara Miles, Debbie Holland, Kaitlyn Calvert’s grandparents, and all of the others who donated.

Lawren Brickey and Bridget Mariani – thanks for the great job with the new Warrior Wear merchandise.

Thanks to Melody Benson and Barbara Thorne for their help at the door.

Traci Calvert – thank you for working on publicity for our dinner.

Tom Crisp – thank you for getting raffle prizes and organizing students to help setup.

Thanks to Laura Lucero and Debbie Geerts for pre-dinner shopping, setting up the tables and your organizational skills.

Barbara Thomas, Darlene Benson, Debbie Geerts and Dawn

VanDyke – thanks for making delicious beans.

Thanks to Coach Burton and Coach Ward and all the football players and other student athletes for helping set up and take down tables. To the varsity and volleyball players and cheerleaders — thank you for helping at the dinner.

To those who purchased tickets to our dinner and everyone who helped sell tickets thanks so much. A special “thank you” to those who were unable to

attend but still made a donation to our Booster Club. Your generosity is very appreciated.

Creekside Country Club (John and Karen Neil) – thank you for the donation of ice.

Coca Cola Distributing (via George Griffin) – thank you for the donation of beverages and water.

Community Center Staff and Nanci Mills – thank you for your continued support of our efforts. You have been a pleasure to work with.

I truly appreciate all the time each of you has taken to help make our fundraising efforts a success. It has been a pleasure working with everyone.

To anyone else I may have forgotten to mention, thank you. Sometimes our most gratifying accomplishments are those that happen when we just lend a helping hand.

KARRYN DOYLE
President
WHS All Sports
Booster Club

COUNCIL

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said Hamilton. We need more public input and a lot more proposals to come in."

"I want to point out that this was a Community Development Agency (CDA) decision, not city council," said Mayor Woody Fridae. "The CDA members are the council members."

"So it is a fait accompli?" asked Hamilton.

"The city has authorized exclusive negotiations with one of the two applicants, to take place after two public meetings reviewing the exterior design of the proposed structure," answered City Manager John Donlevy.

"The proposal will then come back to the CDA for approval, where there will be public input. If agreement is successfully reached, there will follow a number of steps, including design review by the planning commission.

DMV expands online services

The Department of Motor Vehicles announced last week that customers can now report a change of address and file a Notice of Release of Liability through the DMV Web site at www.dmv.ca.gov. The two new additional services are part of the department's drive toward using innovations in Web-based technologies to enhance customer service.

"Similar to other services we now offer online, these two have the potential of saving time and money for our customers by eliminating unnecessary trips to our field offices or phone calls into our system," said DMV Director George Valverde. "At the same time, those customers whose business must be conducted in person will also benefit because they will find less crowded offices and shorter wait times."

By law, anyone who sells a motor vehicle must notify the DMV by filling out a Notice of Release of Liability within five days after the sale. The notice releases the previous owner from any civil and/or criminal liability for the parking, abandonment or operation of the sold vehicle by another party.

California law also mandates that all licensed drivers, holders of state issued I.D. cards and anyone who has a vehicle registered in his/her name must report any change of address to the DMV within 10 days.

Currently the DMV receives more than 6.4 million Notices of Release of Liability and 1.7 million change of address forms each year. All are currently processed manually. Unfortunately, a high percentage of the forms received by mail are either illegible or incomplete, causing customers to make additional phone calls and/or field office visits to correctly update their information. Incomplete or illegible change of address forms can also inconvenience customers by not allowing them to use mail or Internet options to process their vehicle renewals because they are unable to receive the renewal notices by mail.

The new Internet options will expedite the process and reduce the number of incomplete forms because the system will not finalize a form that has not been filled out completely.

"The only decision so far is favoring one of the two applicants. There is no final agreement."

Donlevy added the decision process was discussed at the December 2005 CDA meeting, and the downtown master plan process included six or seven meetings with stakeholders, which includes land and business owners.

"I'm still not clear as to the current status of the project," said Hamilton.

"There is no development agreement currently

in place," replied Donlevy. "The city will negotiate with Monticello Partners exclusively and do a fiscal review of their proposal."

Mayor Fridae pointed out that he did not participate in the August 28 meeting because of a conflict of interest.

There were no discussion items at the meeting. In the consent portion of the agenda, the council approved working with JG Consulting to apply for Proposition 49 funds for the city's after-school pro-

gram. The program is a result of ideas generated at the Latino Town Hall Meeting held in May, according to the city staff report. The cost of preparing the application will be \$5,400.

Also in the consent agenda, the council authorized the city manager to contract with Luhdorff and Scalmanini, consulting engineers, for groundwater monitoring and development of a monitor station for the Winters waste water treatment facility, for up to \$57,500.

Community

Conaway settlement reached

By **BETH GABOR**
Public information officer
Yolo County
Special to the Express

(Woodland, CA) – The Yolo County Board of Supervisors announced last week that a settlement agreement has been reached with the Conaway Preservation Group (CPG) regarding Conaway Ranch. “On behalf of the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, I am very pleased to announce an agreement has been reached that addresses our long-standing objectives to preserve the water, agricultural heritage and natural resources of Conaway Ranch for public benefit,” said Chairman Frank Sieferman, Jr. “This agreement brings to a successful conclusion what all parties said they wanted – protecting a critical resource in Yolo County.”

The settlement of the Conaway Ranch litigation provides:

1. Water shall be used first to satisfy any and all uses on the Conaway Ranch, including agriculture, open space, recreation and habitat.
2. No water can be sold off the ranch unless it is determined to be surplus above and beyond the current uses on the ranch, including agriculture, recreation and habitat.
3. In-county surplus water transfer/sales require county notice and input.
4. Out-of-county long-term surplus water transfers/sales (more than one year); the county will be given the first right to negotiate for the purchase of water; the county will receive 7.5 percent of long-term water transfers.
5. Out-of-county short-term surplus water transfers/sales (less than one year); the county will be given the first right to negotiate for the purchase of water; the county will receive 2 percent of net proceeds derived from short-term water transfers, or the fee adopted as part of the water ordinance, whichever is larger.

6 Any groundwater extraction on Conaway Ranch shall be consistent with the groundwater management plan.

7. The Conaway Preservation Group (CPG) will consult with the county on public access to specific areas of the Conaway Ranch.

8. CPG may sell or grant conservation easements on all or part of Conaway Ranch.

9. The Yolo County Board of Supervisors will have the first right to negotiate with CPG in any future purchase of all or part of the ranch. Small parcels may be sold without prior notification to the county. No more than a total of 1,500 acres of small parcels may be sold. All parcels sold remain subject to county land use policy regulation.

10. CPG shall reimburse the county for its attorneys’ fees, costs and expenses in the amount of \$2.4 million.

Conaway Ranch encompasses over 17,300 acres of active farmland, open space and wildlife habitat along the Sacramento River. In addition to Yolo County’s largest natural gas fields, there are about 50,000-acre feet of surface water rights that go with the land. The ranch plays an important role in flood control and rural recreation.

In spring of 2004, the ranch was put up for sale by National Energy and Gas Transmission (NEGT) in a closed-bidding process not legally open to the County. After efforts to negotiate with NEGT were denied, and with the private bidding about to close, the board of supervisors voted unanimously

on July 8, 2004 to pursue eminent domain to preserve Conaway Ranch for public benefit. In December of 2004, after eminent domain proceedings were initiated, the Conaway Preservation Group purchased the ranch. In November of 2005 Yolo County Superior Court Judge Timothy Fall ruled Yolo County had the legal right to acquire Conaway Ranch for public benefit. The valuation trial was scheduled for Oct. 31, 2006. Settlement talks resulted in an agreement on the preservation of the ranch.

“I especially want to acknowledge my colleagues, and members of our negotiating team, Supervisors Mike McGowan and Helen Thomson, for their unwavering commitment and countless hours devoted to reaching an agreement which meets these objectives,” said Sieferman, Jr.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors extended its appreciation to Judge Richard Park for his assistance in this resolution and the Rumsey Band of Wintun Indians for their steadfast support, their pledged financial assistance in this project, and their valued commitment to the preservation of Yolo County’s natural heritage. The board also thanked former County Counsel, now Yolo County Superior Court Judge Steven M. Basha, current County Counsel Robyn Truitt Drivon and outside counsel Stuart Somach and Kirk Trost, and County Administrator Sharon Jensen and staff for the many hours of hard work and diligence in helping reach the Board of Supervisors’ objectives in preserving the agricultural heritage and protecting the water, open space and natural resources of Conaway Ranch.

A day in the country



Photo by Elliot Landes

The weather and setting were exquisite as hundreds attended “A Day in the Country,” a fundraiser to benefit Yolo Land Trust on Sunday, Sept. 10, at Abele Farms near Zamora. The annual event celebrated the Trust’s 18 years of farm and open land conservation. Food was prepared and wine poured by dozens of local and Bay Area restaurants and wineries, including Chez Panisse, The Buckhorn, Monticello Bistro, Berryessa Gap Vineyards and Rominger West. Music was performed by Joy Buzzards, starring Winters’ own Bob Armstrong and Keith Cary. Over 600 people attended, the most ever. The Trust has raised \$400,000 since its inception in 1988, enabling \$10 million in land purchases and easements.

Food available

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible Winters residents during September on Friday, Sept. 15, at Yolo Housing, County Road 32, 8:30-9:30 a.m., and on Friday, Sept. 22, at First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, 12-1:30 p.m.

Commodities to be distributed include green beans, mixed fruit, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce and peanut butter.

For more information call the Food Bank, 668-0690.

Garibay graduates from basic training

Daniel Garibay (Guzman) graduated from basic training at the U.S. Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego on July 14.

After spending a week in Winters with family and friends, Garibay reported to Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base for combat training. He is currently at Camp Johnson, North

Carolina, being trained in the field of logistical support specializing in landing support. He will be stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina where his unit will be deployed to Iraq in January.

Garibay is a 2005 graduate of Wolfskill High School and is the son of Socorro Garcia of Winters.



DANIEL GARIBAY

Weekly Winters police report

Sept. 1

~ On the 200 block of Railroad Avenue, property was stolen from a business. Loss: \$775.

Sept. 5

~ On the 100 block of Abbey Street, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

~ Rigoberto Gradilla Villasenor, 51, of Dixon was picked up at Solano County Jail, transported to Yolo County Jail and booked on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with failure to appear on a previous charge of possessing a controlled substance.

~ William Michael Blackburn, 19, of Vacaville was picked up at Solano County Jail, transported to Yolo County Jail and booked on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with failure to appear on a previous

Schools



DALE MITCHELL, Ed.D.

EDUCATIONALLY SPEAKING

THIS SHOULD NOT BE a quiet year for the school district. There are several priorities that have been established in order to improve student achievement this year and to provide for quality learning opportunities in the future. There are four major points of emphasis as we strive to increase student learning of grade level standards.

At Waggoner, teachers soon will begin implementing a one hour instructional program called “ExCEL.” During this time, students across a grade level will be grouped according to their reading/language arts skills and provided learning opportunities specifically designed to challenge them. There is significant research evidence that this program, when combined with the regular reading/language arts program, contributes to significant learning growth for all students.

Dual immersion students at Waggoner and Rominger are participating this year in a more rigorous program than prior years. Teachers invested significant time this summer to design lessons that increase student learning of grade level concepts in Spanish and English. The goal is to have all dual immersion students be at grade level in both Spanish and English when they finish the program at grade 5.

At Winters Middle School, Winters High School and Wolfskill Continuation High School, teachers are implementing a teaching strategy designed to help all learners of English be successful. In essence, this program benefits all students who have not acquired a grasp of academic written and spoken English needed to be successful in school and after graduation. This is done by having students participate in learning activities that require students to learn through reading, writing or speaking in all content areas, not just in English. Students learn academic concepts while developing their language skills, regardless of subject area. While this is not a novel instructional approach, we are increasing our professional accountability to ensure that this type of instruction actually occurs.

Districtwide, writing continues to be a priority. There is much research-based evidence that students who frequently write at grade level will also demonstrate knowledge of grade level concepts in subject areas such as math, science, and social studies and be able to successfully communicate this knowledge through both teacher and state assessments.

In addition to these strategies, we know that teachers design and redesign lessons on a daily basis in order to increase student achievement. It requires the district, school and teachers’ individual and collective improvement efforts for us to improve achievement for all students.

Alternative learning program proposed

By JANET ANDERSEN
Special to the Express

A group of concerned parents and community members has been meeting to discuss alternate schooling options for elementary school aged students since last spring. Many parents are looking for innovation and creativity in the classroom and less focus on raising test scores.

Teachers are laying aside time-tested strategies and projects in order to fit in the required curriculum each day. Teachers are working harder than ever but have less freedom to make decisions about what and how to teach their students. Many want to return the love of learning to their classrooms and focus less on phonics, test-taking skills and an ever more monotonous curriculum.

Many parents and teachers would like thematic teaching, cooperative learning groups, conflict resolution strategies, creative problem solving and analytical thinking skills to be the focus of the schools. These concepts are supported by educational research and are naturally motivating to both students and teachers.

From these meetings, and with the hard work of the development team, the CLIP program has been created. CLIP (Cooperative Learning Involvement Program) is based on the successful ACE program (Alternative Cooperative Education) at Markham School in Vacaville. This “school within a school” is designed to create a dynamic community of learners where children can develop under the watchful

partnership of parents and teachers. CLIP supports a child’s natural curiosity and desire to learn and thereby creates motivated lifelong learners who are productive members of the community.

If approved by the school board, the CLIP program will be part of the Winters Joint Unified School District and housed at Waggoner Elementary School. Slated to begin in Fall 2007, CLIP will initially consist of two combination classrooms — one kindergarten-first grade, and one second-third grade.

The program’s theme-based, cooperative learning environment allows children to progress in a caring and naturally motivating way while providing students, teachers, and parents the opportunity to develop and nurture a love of learning. Such a setting supports children’s learning for the present while preparing them for the future. An added benefit to combination classes is that students stay with the same teacher for two years. This concept, called looping, is highly regarded as beneficial in educational research and practice.

The CLIP curriculum will support all five areas of children’s development: social, emotional, physical, language and cognitive. CLIP teachers recognize that skills and the motivation to learn must be developed and fostered together in order for learning to be enjoyable. CLIP meets the same state and district academic requirements and uses the same

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Crabtree to receive Eagle Scout Award

Austin David Crabtree, 18 and a 2006 graduate of Winters High School, will be receiving his Eagle Scout Award on Sunday, Sept. 17 at 6 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 435 Anderson Avenue.

He is a member of BSA troop 998. To earn the highest award Austin has earned 23 merit badges, served as leader in his troop and completed a major community service project. As an Eagle Scout, Crabtree has mastered many skills and made the Scout Oath and Law a part of his life.



AUSTIN CRABTREE

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FFA projects named Best of Show

By AMY CROSS
Winters FFA reporter

Winters FFA members involved in agriculture mechanics and woodshop programs have something to be proud of. Recently, they exhibited 14 wood-working and metal projects in the 2006 Yolo County Fair, two of which

won best of show.

Clell Binion, a senior at Winters High School, entered an eight-foot utility trailer and was awarded Best of Show for the Built Large Construction Projects. Luis Loza and Andres Herrera, also seniors at WHS, entered a project in the Reconstructed Projects category and won

Best of Show for that division.

FFA Advisor Donnie Whitworth is proud of his students’ accomplishments.

“I think this is the start of something good for our students involved in the mechanics and woodshop classes,” Whitworth said.

College/University Day scheduled at Solano Community College

Solano Community College will host a college day on Thursday, Sept. 14. High school students, Solano College students and the general public are invited to College/University Day 2006, to be held in the SCC cafeteria in Build-

ing 1400 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5:30-7:30 pm. Admissions representatives from more than 60 colleges including private colleges throughout the Bay Area, California State Universities (CSU), and the University of Califor-

nia (UC) system will answer questions, assist attendees in looking at eligibility requirements and the admissions process for their colleges, and offer informational brochures.

Free parking is available in Lot 4.

Program helps families cope with divorce

Yolo Family Service Agency will once again offer the effective and popular Kids’ Turn Program beginning Monday, Oct. 2, 6-7:30 p.m. at Davis High School. Registration is now open. Kids’ Turn is a six week educational program for parents and children experiencing separation or divorce. Kids Turn is designed to help parents better communicate with another and their children. The program also provides children with a safe place to express their concerns and fears.

Divorce is never easy. Local and national statistics tell us that 50 percent of marriages will end in divorce with the majority of these divorces affecting

children. While the impact of divorce on adults is difficult, it is especially difficult for the children involved. The Kids’ Turn Program is a preventative program, offering support and an opportunity to help kids learn coping skills and adults learn parenting skills. It also includes a special component for stepparents to better prepare for their role.

The curriculum features age-appropriate components for children ages 4-14. Children participate in small groups facilitated by licensed or licensed eligible mental health professionals. It is an opportunity for children to meet with counseling professionals and other children who are experiencing sim-

ilar emotions. It is their time to express their emotions openly and honestly.

Parents also benefit through group work and both parents are encouraged to attend. Separated/divorced parents participate in different groups, ensuring all attendees can participate equally and confidentially. Single parenting, second-marriages, and new homes all place new demands on parents. Different parenting skills are needed. The Kids’ Turn Program helps develop these skills.

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. For more information or registration materials, call Erin Brown, ASW, 662-2211, extension 35.

Nuestras Noticias



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HISPANOS

Regreso a la escuela

Nuestras escuelas de Winters ya han tenido su tradicional día de regreso a la escuela, (back to school), este día es cuando nosotros los padres de familia podemos conocer a los maestros de nuestros niños, los maestros explican por lo general las metas de la clase, hablan sobre la tarea, los exámenes, la disciplina, y todo lo relacionado al ambiente en el salón de clases. Asisten un buen numero de padres a todas las escuelas, debo decirles que por lo general son los padres que vemos año tras año, son padres que se preocupan por la educación de sus hijos, pero ¿En donde están los demás padres?. al asistir a los eventos que las escuelas tienen, les demostramos a nuestros niños que su educación es muy importante para nosotros, además es una motivación extra para los niños ver a sus padres que les demuestran interés por su escuela. Se de muchos padres que nunca han asistido a estos eventos, piensan que no es tan importante. Son los padres de familia que creen que la responsabilidad es solo de los niños y de los maestros.

Sabemos de la necesidad de que nuestros niños se eduquen, como también sabemos que en este país una buena educación te da una vida mejor, de ahí la necesidad de hablar, apoyar y motivar a nuestros niños para que ellos puedan conseguir tener una mejor vida. El único sacrificio que tenemos que hacer es persistir y motivar a nuestros hijos cada día, de que la educación es lo que les va a abrir las puertas para un mejor futuro. Todo esto lo empezamos a hacer desde el kinder y repetírselo cada día para que cuando llegue la edad de que el niño vaya adquiriendo uso de razón y por tanto, quiera tomar las decisiones por si mismo, aprenda a valorar la importancia que en su vida tiene la educación.

Si como padres no tomamos esa decisión en serio y se la dejamos a otros, en este caso a los maestros y la escuela, el niño puede ser que se desilusione y pierda el interés por su educación. Como padres no tenemos que tener títulos universitarios, ni siquiera ser graduados de la high school, ni mucho menos. Solo debemos estar convencidos que la educación para nuestros niños es tan importante como darles comida, medicina y protección que los niños ocupan para crecer. Como padres debemos convencer a nuestros hijos que no hay otra actividad tan importante como la tarea escolar, la tarea debe ser más importante que el juego, la televisión, amigos, entretenimiento, primero la tarea.

Después es muy fácil echarle la culpa a todo mundo por el fracaso escolar de los hijos, sin antes ponerse a pensar si cumplieron la función de velar por la educación de los hijos. También es muy común encontrar a padres preocuparse por la suerte educativa de sus hijos, cuando estos ya han decidido tomar otros caminos fuera de la educación y cuando es tarde para buscar remedio. Pienso que en estos casos los padres fallan cuando desde una edad temprana no se toma en serio el estudio de los niños, dejándolo todo al ultimo minuto.

Necesitamos sentar las bases de una buena educación, poniendo interés desde que el niño empieza su caminar en las escuelas. Por eso, es tanto la insistencia que hace la escuela de que los padres tienen que ser activos participantes en la educación de sus hijos. Para llevar a cabo ese trabajo debemos tener la clara idea de que por encima de la educación no hay otra meta más importante para los hijos. La obtención de una educación para jóvenes de hoy es mas crítica que en el pasado, ya que, una persona sin ninguna formación académica se le hará casi imposible obtener un trabajo que le posibilite una vida cómoda. De manera que hoy es más urgente que nunca, que inculquemos en nuestros hijos que asistan y continúen en la escuela, sobre todo en momentos en que no solo se demanda mas educación, sino en que los hispanos abandonan las escuelas con mas frecuencia que cualquier otro grupo. Pongamos nuestro grano de arena para detener la deserción escolar por parte de nuestros jóvenes. Por lo tanto en inicio de un nuevo año escolar nos trae el reto de participar, ayudar y motivar a nuestros niños para que busquen un futuro mejor.

Los casos del Virus del Nilo Occidental en Winters

Este año es el primer año que el Virus del Nilo Occidental es detectado en los seres humanos en Winters. Cuatro de los 22 casos actuales en el Condado de Yolo son residentes de Winters.

“Es muy importante que la gente se proteja a si mismo de las picaduras de mosquito,” menciona la Doctora Bette Hinton, Oficial de Salud del Condado de Yolo. “Esta es la mejor forma de prevenir el infectarse con el virus del Nilo Occidental.”

El virus del Nilo Occidental se contagia a los humanos por medio de picaduras de mosquitos. Las personas típicamente desarrollan síntomas entre 3 y 14 días después de que les pican los mosquitos infectados. Aproximadamente 80% de las personas (4 en cada 5) las cuales son infectadas con el virus del Nilo Occidental no muestran ningún síntoma. Hasta un 20% de las personas que se infectan tienen síntomas tales como fiebre, dolor de cabeza y cuerpo, nauseas, vomito y algunas veces se les hinchan las anginas ó hasta un salpuldido en la piel del pecho, el estomago y la espalda. Estos síntomas pueden durar desde algunos días o las personas muy sanas han estado enfermas por varias semanas.

“El tener una enfermedad crónica o condición que disminuya el sistema inmunológico del cuerpo pone en riesgo a la persona de desarrollar la mas severa forma de infección,” reporta la Doctora Hinton.

Aproximadamente una en 150 personas que están infectadas con el virus del Nilo Occidental desarrollaran una infección muy severa. Los síntomas severos pueden incluir alta fiebre, dolor de cabeza, cuello muy tieso, atontamiento, desorientación, coma, temblorina, convulsiones, agotamiento en los músculos, perdida de la vista, adormecimiento y parálisis. Estos síntomas pueden durar varias semanas, y los efectos neurológicos pueden ser permanentes. Las personas de la edad de 50 años ó mayores, las personas diabéticas y aquellos que sufren de hipertensión, tienen un potencial mas elevado de desarrollar serios síntomas del virus del Nilo Occidental si se enferman y deben tener cuidado especial para evitar las picaduras de mosquitos.

La mejor forma de prevenir la infección del virus del Nilo Occidental es prevenir las picaduras

de mosquitos infectados. Las siguientes 7 recomendaciones reducen el riesgo de las picaduras de mosquitos:

~ ESCURRA cualquier agua estancada que pueda producir mosquitos.

~ AMANECER y ATARDECER son las horas que debe evitar. Estas son las horas cuando los mosquitos son más activos.

~ VISTASE apropiadamente con manga larga y pantalones largos cuando salga afuera.

~ DEFIENDASE usted mismo de los mosquitos al usar un repelente efectivo contra insectos, tal como el DEET, Picaridin ó Aceite de Eucalipto de Limón. Asegúrese de seguir todas las instrucciones de la etiqueta!

~ LOS MOSQUETEROS de las puertas y ventanas deben de estar en buenas condiciones. Esto evitará que los mosquitos entren en su casa.

~ EL PERSONAL DEL DISTRITO está disponible para ayudarle con cualquier problema que usted esté experimentando relacionado con los mosquitos. Usted puede llamarles al 1-800-429-1022.

El Control del Vector y Mosquitos del Distrito de Sacramento-Yolo continua agresivamente ocupándose de situaciones relacionadas con los mosquitos en la comunidad de Winters al inspeccionar y fumigar ciertos sitios para que no se reproduzcan los mosquitos tales como piscinas descuidadas, campos de arroz y campos mojados. Al hacer esto ellos integran el manejo adecuado de pesticidas, incluyendo la vigilancia y el educar al público acerca de todo esto. El personal del Distrito están entrenados y certificados por el Departamento de Servicios de Salud de California para realizar el control biológico (el manejo apropiado del pez mosquito) y el control químico (el uso de productos restringidos por la Agencia de Protección del Medio Ambiente) para el manejo y el control de la reproducción de los mosquitos.

Pero el Distrito de Control del Vector y Mosquitos de Sacramento -Yolo no puede hacerlo solo. Ellos necesitan tu ayuda! El manejo del agua en las áreas urbanas es extremadamente critico durante este tiempo del año. Asegúrese de vaciar todo aquello que almacene agua, como cubetas, macetas, carretillas, y cualquier otro objeto que almacene agua. El escur-

rir apropiadamente todos estos artículos por lo menos una vez a la semana prevendrá que los mosquitos se reproduzcan en su propiedad. El prender los filtros de las piscinas y los spas también ayuda a prevenir que la población de los mosquitos se duplique en estas fuentes de agua. Recuerde usar un buen repelente cuando esté afuera cuando los mosquitos están mas activos, especialmente al amanecer o al anochecer. Asegúrese de seguir las instrucciones de la etiqueta!

En dado caso que la población de mosquitos sea una amenaza de salud ó llegue a ser una molestia insignificante para el público, el Distrito responderá implementando el Plan de Manejo de la Enfermedad de la Reproducción de Mosquitos del Distrito. Como parte de este plan, el Distrito administrará tratamientos de Volumen Ultra Bajo (ULV) usando fumigadoras en camionetas ó por aire alrededor de las áreas donde la actividad del virus ha sido detectada. Cada unidad para fumigar está calibrada para emitir la cantidad exacta para asegurarse que la cantidad de producto exacta sea aplicada para cada área de tratamiento. La meta principal del Distrito es proteger la salud pública y el bienestar al controlar la población de los mosquitos para que no presenten un riesgo de salud significativa en nuestra comunidad. Para mayor información acerca de tratamiento adicional en su área, por favor visite la página de Internet FIGHTtheBITE.net/treat-

ment.

El programa de continua vigilancia del distrito este año a detectado la actividad del virus del Nilo Occidental en los condados de Yolo y Sacramento en 118 pájaros, 87 mosquitos, 29 personas, 1 equina y 14 gallinas centinelas que han examinado y obtuvieron resultados positivos de dicho virus. Si usted observa un pájaro, particularmente un cuervo ó urraca, que esten mostrando señales de trauma ó haya estado muerto por menos de 24 horas, por favor llame a 1-877-WNV-BIRD (1-877-968-2473) para repórtalo. Los cuervos y urracas son mas susceptibles en lo particular a la enfermedad, por esta razón ellos son el signo primario y excelente para una temprana señal de la actividad del virus en una área específica.

Para mayor información sobre el virus del Nilo Occidental, visite los siguientes sitios de la Web ó llame al Distrito de control de Plagas y mosquitos del condado de Yolo y Sacramento-Yolo al 1-800-429-1022

Recursos Adicionales:
Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District:
www.fightthebite.net
Yolo County Health Department:
www.yolohealth.org
California West Nile Virus Surveillance Information Center:
www.westnile.ca.gov ;
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:
www.cdc.gov/westnile.

City forming Hispanic Advisory Committee

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

The city is accepting applications for people interested in participating on

this committee. Applications are available at City Hall, 318 First Street, or online at http://www.cityofwinters.org/administrative/admin_forms.htm. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled.

For more information, call Nanci Mills at City Hall, 795-4910.

CLEANUP

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students to earn community services hours by helping to cleanup trash in their local communities.

This year's events in the Winters area will take place from 9 a.m. to noon at multiple sites along Putah Creek. Volunteers will meet at the Putah Creek Council office, 5189 Putah Creek Road. For directions to the meeting location, visit www.putahcreekcoun-

cil.org or contact Dawn Lindstrom, 795-3006, coordinator@putahcreekcouncil.org.

Volunteers should wear long pants, sunscreen, close-toed shoes and hats. Water, gloves, and trash and recycling bags will be provided. For any special needs, contact the local coordinator.

For Yolo County, the cleanup event is being organized by a committee including representatives from the Cache Creek Conservancy, city of Davis, city

of West Sacramento, Putah Creek Council, Yolo County Public Works, Yolo County Parks Department, the Delta Protection Commission, River City Rowing Club, and the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. Additional supporters include the CALFED Bay-Delta Authority, Lower Putah Creek Coordinating Committee, Waste Management, and Vacaville Sanitary.

At last year's Coast and Creek Cleanup, 200 volunteers participated in

cleanup events in Yolo County and removed approximately 3,500 pounds of trash and 600 pounds of recyclables from local waterways. Volunteers helped to rid local creeks of broken beer bottles, plastic bags, old newspapers, aluminum cans, and countless other items that have been thoughtlessly strewn along the waterway's banks.

For more information about other cleanup sites in Yolo and Solano counties, visit www.putahcreekcouncil.org/.

Entertainment

Chorus seeks new members

The West Valley Barbershop Chorus will hold an open house on Monday, Sept. 18, at 7:30 p.m. at the Grace Fellowship Church, 535 West H Street in Dixon. Men of all ages are invited to join the group for an evening of fun as the rich harmonies of the barbershop style are introduced. There will be quartet demonstrations, tag singing and opportunities for guests to learn a song.

The West Valley Chorus is the Davis-Vacaville Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, an international organization headquartered in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Current chorus members live from Davis to Fairfield and meet every Monday evening in Dixon. The chorus sponsors a number of community charity events, has performances at a variety of area venues throughout the year, and produces an annual theater show.

For more information or a ride to the open house, call Roy Bellhorn, 795-3524.

Dyer, Silk to perform in Davis

Village Homes Performers Circle will meet on Monday, Sept. 25, 7:15-9 p.m. at the Village Homes Community Center, 2661 Portage Bay, in Davis.

This free event is for performers of all levels and listeners. It is held the fourth Monday of each month except December.

Performers sign up at 7 p.m. and play, followed by the featured acts. The emcee for this month is Jean Jackman.

There will be two featured acts for September: Wendy Silk, singer-songwriter, followed by Peter Dyer, the founder of Performers Circle and a Features page columnist for the Winters Express. Dyer now lives in New Zealand.

“The Silk Cocoon” are songs of love and struggle, written by Silk, and will be performed by Silk, Ron Goldberg, Laura Sandage, Steve O’Neill, Barry Markman and Eve Bessier. Wendy will be on piano, Ron on guitar and ukulele; others will be singing.

Dyer is a singer-songwriter who played and sang in the Davis area for 19 years before he and his wife Cathy moved to New Zealand in 2004. His favorite music is old country-western and western swing — a blend which he refers to as “Jazzabilly.” Other influences include



Courtesy photo

Musician/columnist Peter Dyer will perform at the monthly Performers Circle on Monday, Sept. 25, at the Village Homes Community Center in Davis. Dyer is the founder of Performers Circle. A former Winters resident, he now resides in New Zealand.

folk music from several nationalities as well as good old American early rock and roll.

Through painful experience he has learned not to

yodel in the presence of small dogs and children.

For more information call 756-3484, 753-2113 or 756-8232.

Dinner will benefit Habitat for Humanity

A night of fine dining and a silent auction await those who attend Yolo County Habitat for Humanity’s “Enchanting Taste of India” on Saturday, Oct. 7, at the Community Center at Holy Rosary Church, 503 California Street, Woodland, 6-9 p.m.

The evening will feature a gourmet Indian dinner, silent auction and raffle. Among the items available for auction will be a home-cooked meal for 10 by event chef (and board member) Mary Phillip, who will also provide tips and suggestions for her Indian fare. Also available for auction will be four lower-level Kings’ seats, behind-home-plate River Cats’ seats, wine, local restaurant and spa dona-

tions, and numerous other exciting contributions.

Tickets are \$30 per person, \$50 per couple, and \$250 for a table of 10. Call Tom Connolly, 668-0899, for ticket purchases and inquiries regarding event sponsorship and donations.

Organizations and individuals are invited to sponsor the event by donating at one of several levels: Event (\$1,000), Gold (\$500), Silver (\$250), or Bronze (\$100). Sponsors will be recognized in various forms of publicity. For example, Event Sponsors will be prominently recognized on all event programs, flyers, handouts, and brochures.

Habitat Yolo is also seeking donated auction

items. Vacation home stays, sporting event tickets, restaurant and business donations, and original artwork make excellent auction items. To become an event sponsor or to donate items for the auction, contact Tom Connolly, 668-0899.

Habitat for Humanity’s mission is to eliminate poverty housing and to provide decent shelter as a matter of conscience and action. Habitat for Humanity of Yolo County is actively securing funds to build at least three low-income, single-family homes in the Spring Lake development project in Woodland to meet the critical housing needs of low-income families in our community.

www.wintersexpress.com

Art, wine, brew event planned

The 7th Annual Art, Wine & Brew Festival takes place on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 16 and 17, in Downtown Vacaville. This year’s event features some of the area’s finest artisans and crafts, a variety of California wines and a sampling from regional micro-breweries. Commemorative glasses and five tastes are \$18. Live entertainment is planned at the Town Square stage.

There will be a variety of food, fun and entertainment. Many downtown businesses will host open houses and are offering festival specials. Admission are parking are free.

For more information call Downtown Bob, (707) 452-2100; Kathie Hoglund, (707) 330-3277; or visit www.downtownvacaville.com.

Circle of Singers seeks vocalists

Love to sing? The Circle of Singers, founded by Theresa Foster, is calling all those from ages 14-104 to join together in song on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m.

Singers of all abilities will rehearse in the Winters Library conference room. The repertoire will be holiday based.

The final performance will be in conjunction with the high

school on December 12 at the “Youth of the Year” ceremony.

Scared? Try it once and see if you like it. Bring a friend to hold your hand. No one will be asked to sing alone. The first rehearsal is on Sept. 19.

Lynne Secrist will be this year’s director with accompanist Gerie Pedersen.

The cost is \$65 for adults, free for high school singers.

Auditions for ‘Peter Pan’ planned

The Winters Theatre Company will hold auditions for “Peter Pan” on Monday, Sept. 18, and Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 7 p.m. at the Community Center. People from 9-99 years old are sought to perform in the play. Performance dates will be Nov. 17-18 and 24-26, and Dec. 1-3.

There are singing and non-singing parts available. Auditioners should be prepared to sing and dance at the audition.

“If you have a prepared song or dance to perform that’s wonderful. If you don’t, that’s okay too,” says WTC group member Linda Glick.

For more information, call Glick, 795-3683.

Publicize your event in the Winters Express

Entries sought for cook-off

It’s not too late to start cooking up ideas for a tasty chili recipe and enter the Harvest Days 2006 Chili Cook-Off coming this fall at Travis Credit Union Park in Vacaville. Sponsored by the Vacaville Fire Protection District, the Chili Cook-Off gets started on Oct. 21, with set-up and cooking from 8 a.m. to noon. Judging will take place from 12-1pm, and winners will be announced at 1 p.m.

Categories include an open category and a vegetarian category with 1st through 3rd place awards for each. The entry fee will be \$20 with one entry per contestant and one entry per team.

The Special Events Committee (SEC) under the Vacaville Conference and Visitors Bureau is organizing Harvest Days 2006 which will take place at Travis Credit Union Park Oct. 21-29. Central to this family-fun festival is the revival of the well-known Pumpkin Patch and Great Scarecrow Contest along with a Halloween Parade and Costume Contest, Haunted House, Carnival Games, Entertainment, Halloween Ball, and many other exciting activities.

For more information on the Chili Cook-Off, contact committee chair Tim Walton, (707) 447-2252. Contest rules and entry forms are posted on the Harvest Days website, www.harvestdays.org.

The SEC is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization.

SCHOOLS

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nia schools is keyed to average daily attendance (ADA), and because of the way the state supplements funding from property taxes, the amount of local property taxes does not determine local school budgets. The state school system is unique amongst state agencies in that the funding adjusts each year to a count of the population served.

A number of factors can contribute to declining enrollment, making the prediction process all the more difficult. The population wave made up of the children of the post World War II baby boomers, known as the “echo boomers,” is currently making its way through high school and into college, leaving a slower rate of population growth in its wake.

In the Sacramento Valley, new housing development often affects school enrollment numbers. Davis and Winters have seen little in the way of new construction in recent years and this has contributed to reduced school enrollment. Davis has closed two public schools in the past few years. The San Juan school district in Sacramento is closing two schools this year because of declining enrollment.

Winters has over 600 housing units currently

planned, but predicting when they will be built is difficult, as evidenced by the delay caused by the recent Richland Communities lawsuit. Further delays may be caused by the decline in demand for housing.

One likely factor in declining enrollments is the high cost of housing. Communities with high housing costs are less affordable for families with small children. An increase in the average age of the residents can negatively affect school enrollment. Declining enrollment is being seen more strongly in California communities with higher housing costs.

“Enrollment declines are historically a factor of note for districts that later went into receivership,” says Hahn.

A shrinking population creates significant financial problems for any school system. Teacher salaries are on contract for the year, making it difficult to cut personnel costs. Closing schools is difficult in any community and even more so in small districts that only have a small number of schools.

The WJUSD adjusted program locations to adapt to last year’s population decline, and met with strong resistance from parents and teachers.

The Wolfskill site in Solano County for the continuation high school was closed and the programs

there moved to John Clayton Elementary School in town. John Clayton Elementary was renamed John Clayton Education Center (JCEC) and kindergarten was moved from there to Waggoner Elementary School. The Independent Study program at Winters Middle School was also moved to JCEC.

“Kindergarten at John Clayton was a wonderful and successful program in a safe, nurturing environment,” says Rebecca Bresnick Holmes,” one of the parents that acted to resist the changes made.

By moving kindergarten to Waggoner Elementary, the Winters kindergarten lost its unusual characteristic of having its own site. Parents in the community have expressed their sense of loss caused by this change. Future declines in enrollment will cause even more painful changes.

POLICE

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charge of possessing a dangerous weapon.

Sept. 6

~ A found bicycle was turned over to the police department.

Sept. 7

~ On the 100 block of East Grant Avenue, checks from a closed account were fraudulently written to local businesses in December 2005. Loss: \$550.

~ On the 400 block of Luis Place, property was stolen from a residence. Loss: \$1,400.

Sept. 8-9

~ On the 1000 block of Washington Avenue, an unlocked vehicle was en-

tered and property was stolen. Loss: \$160.

Sept. 9

~ Edward Wyaman Callison, 36, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license and driving an unregistered vehicle. Blood alcohol content results: .08/.08. Callison was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

Sept. 10

~ On the 400 block of Columbia Way, an unlocked vehicle was entered and the ashtray was broken.

Sept. 11

~ On the 700 block of Main Street, a suspect violated a court order.

Learn to be a Master Gardener

Do you like to garden? Are you interested in meeting people who share your interest in gardening? Are you willing to share your gardening skills with members of your community? Learn how to become a Yolo County Master Gardener Volunteer at a free information night on Thursday, Sept. 28, at 6:30 p.m. at Norton Hall, 70 Cottonwood Street in Woodland. Yolo County Master Gardener will be attending to answer questions about the program.

To attend or for more information, call the UC Cooperative Extension, Yolo County office, 666-8143 by Sept. 26.

Getting married? Just had a baby? Earned a degree?
Announce it in the Express — it's free!

Sports

Lady Warriors beat the Rams and the Rams

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The varsity volleyball team at Winters High School won both games last week as they took on Rio Vista at home and traveled to Dixon for another victory. On Tuesday, Sept. 5, the Warriors hosted Rio Vista and beat the Rams in three straight games 25-14, 25-16 and 25-15.

On Thursday, Sept. 7, the Warriors traveled to Dixon to take on more Rams, this time dressed in green, and had another impressive performance as they beat Dixon 28-26 in game one. They lost 25-21 in game two but bounced back and convincingly won two straight by scores of 25-5 and 25-7.

“The girls are starting to work together and are learning a lot about each

other,” said coach Mari-bell Chavez. “We have a very young team this year. At this point I am moving girls around into different positions and trying to find the most aggressive players the court.

“Jenny Campos and Leslie Contreras are my team captains and they are trying to get their team going. My blockers Chelsea and Katie Anstead are trying their best to adjust to the other teams’ hits and working a lot on timing.

“My setters, Jenny and Ashley Jordan are new to the position so they’ve been working hard in getting their sets up. My hitters Arlett Chavez, Contreras, Caitlin Calvert and Cindy Houck have been working as defensive specialist in the back row. All together we have been coming along very well.”

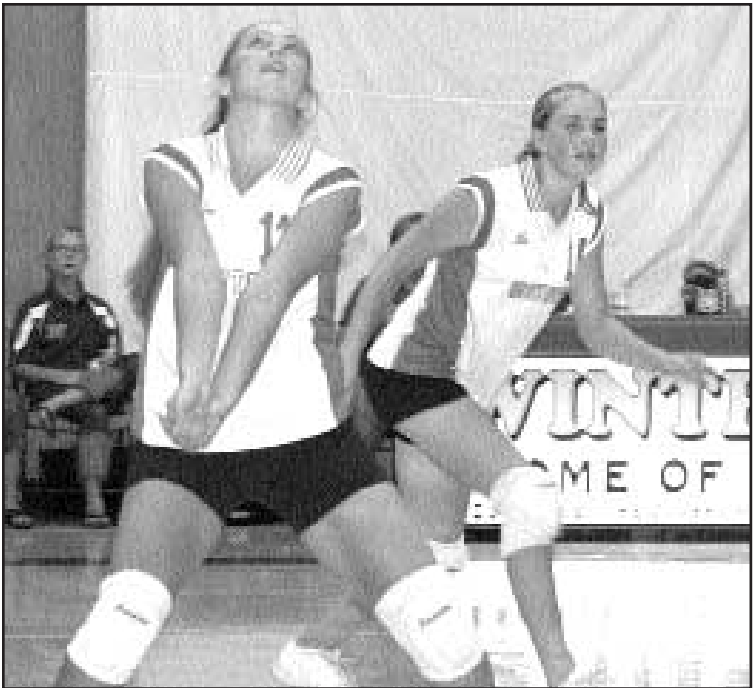


Photo by Laura Lucero
Caitlin Calvert (left) gets ready to bump the ball over, as Katie Anstead (right) covers Calvert and gets ready to block.

The Next few home Volleyball games:

- JV V-ball plays : 5:30
Varsity Volleyball plays: 7:30
- 12 Sept. VS, Woodland Christian
 - 14 Sept VS. Like Oak
 - 19 Sept. VS. Colusa
 - 3 Oct. VS. Orland
 - 10 Oct. VS. Sutter

Warriors can’t stop the Honkers



Photo by Laura Lucero
Curtis Holabird (left) and Colton Crabtree (33) get ready to stop the runner during the first home game on Friday, September 8th.

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Warriors hosted the Willows Honkers in their first home game of the 2006 season on Friday, Sept. 8, and had a long night trying to stop the Honkers running game as they lost 28-19. The Honker’s tailback totaled over 300 yards by himself as he ran right at the Warriors defense.

Willows drove down and scored on the opening drive but failed on the PAT. The Warriors quickly responded though as Nick Hedrick ran back the ensuing kickoff 71 yards down to the five yard line. Cody Campos punched it in two plays later to even the score. After making a good defensive stand and forcing the Honkers to punt, Nathanael Lucero returned the punt 76 yards

for another Winters score. “Johnny (Lucero) made a heck of a block for Nathanael,” said coach Brad Burton. “That’s the Winters football that I remember.”

Hedrick kicked the PAT and put the Warriors up 13-6.

It didn’t last long though, as the Honkers scored one more time before the half and make the two point conversion to regain the lead 14-13. Willows scored a touchdown in the third and another in the fourth and the Warriors only got into the end zone one more time when Johnny Lucero punched it in from eight yards out to cap off a Warriors drive.

“We just forgot how to tackle,” said Burton. “It’s definitely not what we practiced all week.”

The varsity team had plenty of defenders mak-

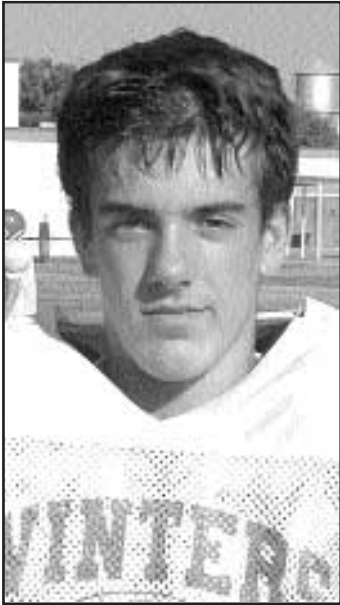
ing tackles — they were just making them too late. Cody Campos led the Warriors with 13 total tackles including individual and assisted. Lucero and Hedrick each totaled seven. Rafael Martinez had five, Colton Crabtree, Nick Hill, Lucero and Kaplan Smith each had four tackles. Brandon White had three tackles, Alex Huizar and Eric Coffman each had two, while Ramiro Bacerra and Ramon Bermudez each had one tackle for the Warriors. Crabtree highlighted the defense with an interception for the Warriors.

Offensively the Warriors were led by Nathanael

Lucero who totaled 143 yards and a touchdown. Lucero rushed for 67 yards on seven carries. Hedrick totaled 98 yards with 27 yards rushing on six carries. Johnny Lucero rushed for 62 yards on 9 carries and a touchdown. Campos carried the ball 11 times for 30 yards and a TD, while Damon Miles carried the ball two times for 12 yards. Miles also completed one pass for 21 yards to Clell Binion.

The Warriors will host Dixon on Friday, Sept. 15, as they look for their first home win. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

CODY’S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Max Mariani

Max Mariani, a sophomore on the Winters High School JV football team, is this week’s athlete of the week. In last week’s game against the visiting Willows Honkers, Mariani had over 261 all purpose yards and a touchdown. Mariani rushed for 61 yards and a touchdown, totaling over 200 yards in returns as he made it difficult for Willows to bring him down. Mariani also led the Warriors defense with six tackles.

LEARNING

Continued from page A-8

curricular materials as the general education classes. The difference is in the thematic approach to subjects, the order in which the material is presented, and the supplemental materials used.

These supplemental materials are purchased by CLIP as teachers request and as funds are available. Teachers, however, will have the freedom to use all materials as they believe best benefit their students. Teachers will be free from the general education pacing schedules and will work collaboratively to schedule thematic units so that by the end of third grade, all students will have in-depth learning on all required subjects.

Thematic teaching is a natural way to spark interest and curiosity in children. During an Oceans Unit, all subjects are taught within the theme and across grade levels. Story writing, spelling, and reading selections all focus on oceans. Guest speakers are invited to the class and fieldtrips planned. Parents with expertise in the area contribute their knowledge to classroom projects. The room may even be turned into an ocean habitat for the duration of the theme.

Math may consist of counting and graphing different types of fish in the lower grades or calculating the area of habitat destruction in the upper grades. Science and social studies curriculum will determine the themes. Teaching every subject using a central theme helps students make connections and think about what they have learned in new and more complex ways.

Cooperative learning allows students to be actively involved in the learning process. Students are responsible for constructing meaning in each lesson instead of being told how to complete a task. Lectures and teacher-directed lessons are replaced with group activities where each student has a roll and a responsibility. Students think about different ways to figure out problems and learn how to explain their thinking process to the group. Active listening skills are modeled. Learning how to work cooperatively in group situations transfers well to the modern workplace.

An integral component of CLIP is parent participation. Each family will be required to volunteer 60 hours of time throughout the school year (about 1-2 hours per week). Parents can become members of the CLIP board (the governing body of the school), volunteer in the classroom, Parent Teacher Association or School Site Counsel, take home projects, become a class parent, or coordinate lunchtime or after school clubs. Working families can complete projects at home on evenings or weekends. Speaking English is not a requirement and no special skills are necessary. All reasonable accommodations will be made so that every family who wants to participate can meet this requirement.

In order to supplement

school funding, each participating family will either donate \$20 per month or be required to participate in fund-raising efforts. These additional funds will be used for supplemental curricula, classroom supplies, continuing education for CLIP teachers, and enrichment opportunities for CLIP students. Several scholarships will be available for families that will benefit from this program but are unable to meet this requirement. Educational grants will also be sought.

Additionally, parents will be required to attend monthly, interactive parent education meetings on a broad variety of subjects. Meetings will be open to the entire community and will be scheduled at family friendly times with childcare provided.

The idea of opening a charter school was what initially brought the parent group together. Many parents are looking for more educational options for their children. A charter school would let them create an educational community that would allow their students to thrive. A charter school in Winters, however, had the potential to divide the community and take funding away from the school district. The “school within a school” model was embraced because of its benefit to program participants, the school district and community as a whole.

CLIP is designed to be an option for all interested families in Winters. We are looking to breathe new life into our educational system. The program benefits the school district by keeping currently enrolled families in our district and possibly attracting families who have opted for private education back into the district. This program helps to pull our community together by creating a sense of pride in our schools and creating an exciting educational community in our town. It helps to keep skilled teachers in our district who are looking for something different. It implements an innovative approach to education that can be expanded to include higher grades in the future.

The program is being presented to the school board on Thursday, Sept. 21, at 6 p.m. at Winters Middle School. Anyone interested in showing support for CLIP, or just finding out more about it can attend.

Families who are interested in enrolling their primary students for the 2007-08 school year are being asked to sign a statement of support to determine how many students might be in the inaugural classes. Brochures are being made and distributed around town. Development team members will email copies of their draft proposal. They will have a website and information about upcoming informational meetings soon.

To learn more about CLIP, contact a member of the development team: Janet Andersen, 795-5030 or andersen@ramp113.org; Rebecca Bresnick Holmes at Rebecca@PorFinPottery.com, Lauren Peters at peterspalace@joimail.com, or Cheryl Moore at ctmoore3@sbcglobal.net.

Jr. Warrior Midgets are red hot

By RORY LINTON
Special to the Express

The Winters Jr. Warriors Midgets opened the season against the Colusa Cowboys with a stunning 39-6 win. After receiving the ball for the first series, Jacob (Forrest) Gorham punted deep, leaving the Cowboys on their own five yard line. The Warriors’ strong defense created a fumble that was recovered by Tony Brever. The offense took control and Brever scored the first touchdown of the game.

The tough Winters defense held the Cowboys down in their own territory, forcing them to punt. Brever ran the counter the for a 33-yard touchdown, making the score 14-0 in the first quarter. In the second quarter, Brandon Kuehn led the Warriors for their third touchdown just before half time.

After the half, starting quarterback Zack Higgins led the team for two more scores. Fullback Cody Warren capped one drive

with a 25-yard touchdown and Zach Higgins finished with a 2-yard keeper for the fifth touchdown of the day.

Leading rushers for the day were Warren for 70 yards, Higgins with 70 yards, Brever with 63 yards and Miles Carelock with 32 yards. Pass receiving for the day was Jared Ney with 2 for 16 yards and Tim Breckenridge with 2 for 17 yards.

Coach Scott Higgins has formed a very powerful defense.

“These kids are strong and fast,” said Coach Higgins. “I think they are one of the best defenses in the league”

Warren, Cody Potts and Higgins all had seven tackles and one sack each. Then it was Cody Linton with six tackles and one sack, Carelock for five tackles, Max Barbosa for four tackles and Brever for four tackles and one fumble recovery.

Last week the Warriors went up against Yreka, beating them 30-0. Yreka was considered one of the

powerhouses in the North Division. Winters’ powerful defense held Yreka to only three first downs.

“This was a non-league game, but we will play the North in playoffs and we needed to play strong,” said Coach Higgins.

It was Carelock’s big day — nine carries for 55 yards, scoring two touchdowns, Brever totaled 62 yards on four carries with one touchdown and Darrian Flores had six carries for 18 yards and one touchdown.

Jared Ney received for a total of 22 yards, Tim Breckenridge received for 20 yards and Carelock received for 9 yards.

Jr. Warrior place kicker Gorham connected 3 of 4 extra points attempts, which added 6 more points to the score.

The first week’s game was scheduled against Willows. It was canceled because of the death of a high school player. Next week, the Warriors will play the Woodland Wolves in Woodland.

LaViolete wins first grid contest

With a new football season comes a new Winters Merchant Football Contest. Donna LaViolete picked 21 out of 28 games to take home the \$30 first prize check. Jack Holt also had 21 correct guesses, but lost in the tie breaker by picking 31 total points in the Penn State - Notre Dame game. LaViolete picked 55 while the total score was 58.

Sarjeet Singh was close with 20 correct picks and were Chris Gertz and Angela Stone. There were plenty of entries with 19 correct, including: Mack Cody, Debbie De Los Santos, Joseph Borchard, Gorden Kemp, Tim Ireland, Lee Holt, and Justin De Los Santos.

Another contest in on Page A-11 of today’s Winters Express.

Mariani totals over 260 yards in JV loss

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters JV football team lost to visiting Willows on Friday, Sept. 8, by a score of 35-14. The Warriors did a good job on offense and special teams but were unable to stop the running game of the Honkers.

“We did a horrible job on defense,” said coach Daniel Ward. “We just couldn’t tackle anybody. Then when we had a

chance to close the gap at the end of the fourth they dropped the ball while punting then picked it up and ran it back for a touchdown.”

One bright light for the Warriors was sophomore Max Mariani. Mariani totaled over 261 all purpose yards as he rushed for 61 and a touchdown and had over 200 yards in returns.

“Max was impressive on special teams,” Ward replied. “He never went down on the first contact. It took at least two or three

guys to tackle him.”

Also running the ball well for the Warriors were Patrick Kuehn with 44 yards on six carries, and Jesse Hellinger who had two carries and a one yard touchdown. Kyle Toblar kicked the PAT for the Warriors on both touchdowns.

Defensively the Warriors were led by Marcus Carrasco and Mariani with six tackles each and Hellinger who continued to play solid defense.

AYSO soccer players celebrate opening day

The 22nd Winters AYSO soccer season began with their annual opening ceremony at Shirley Rominger Intermediate School on Friday, Sept. 8. This season, 350 children ages 4-19 will play against leagues from

Davis, Antelope, Rio Linda and Capay every Saturday until mid-November, ending the season with an area tournament.

Most of this season’s 32 teams enjoyed the opening ceremonies with a free

hot dog picnic meal for all players and a parade announcing all of the teams. Games began on Saturday, Sept. 9.

Saturday, Sept. 16 is picture day for all teams and players.

Golf lessons offered for adults

Wildhorse Golf Course and the city of Davis Parks & Community Services Department will provide a wide variety of golf instructional classes for both adults and seniors of all experience levels.

Classes begin on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Sept. 19 through Oct. 5, 9:30-11 a.m. or 5-6:30 p.m., or on Saturdays, Sept. 23 through Oct. 28, 9:30-11 a.m.

Each nine-hour session costs \$120 per person, plus a \$20 materials fee that in-

cludes balls, equipment and cart rental. Advanced registration is required and space is limited.

To register for any of these classes, or for more information, call Christine Helweg, Community Services Supervisor, 757-5696. Registration is accepted at either the Parks & Community Services office, 23 Russell Boulevard in Davis, the Senior Center corner of 7th & A streets in Davis), or online at www.cityofdavis.org.

Getting married? Just had a baby?
Announce it in the Express — it's free!

Fire department report

Sept. 4
~ Mutual aid, vehicle accident in Solano County; Wolfskill Road at Old Winters Road.

~ Medical aid, 100 block of Wolfskill Street; difficulty breathing.

Sept. 6
~ Medical aid, 300 block of Railroad Avenue; child running into a vehicle.

~ Medical aid, 1100 block of Roosevelt Street; unknown medical problem.

~ Medical aid, 200 block of Martinez Way; difficulty breathing.

~ Medical aid, 1000 block of Taft Court; possible overdose.

~ Medical aid, 50 block of Myrtle Circle; chest pain.

Sept. 7
~ Medical aid, 20000 block of County Road 88; possible stroke.

~ Mutual aid, grass fire in the area of County Road 104 at County Road 36 in Davis.

Sept. 8
~ Medical aid, 200 block of Grant Avenue; difficulty breathing.

~ Grass fire, near Russell Boulevard at Interstate 505.

~ Medical aid, first block of Main Street; unconscious male.

Sept. 10
~ Medical aid, 800 block of Jackson Street; fall victim.

White Cane Dinner scheduled

The 5th Annual White Cane Dinner will be held on Oct. 12 at 6 p.m at the Woodland Elks Lodge, 500 Bush Street, in Woodland.

Sponsored by the Woodland Host Lions Club. Tickets will be sold for \$12.50 each.

The dinner menu will consist of chicken breast and pasta. The money from ticket sales goes to the projects and programs of OutA Sight, a group dedicated to helping the sight impaired.

For tickets,call Lion Don LaPlante at 666-0487 or Lion Lucinda Talkington at 662-0535.

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Jean De Smith 1014 4th St. Woodland Ca 95695

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The following person(s) have withdrawn as a general partner(s) from the partnership operating under the Fictitious Business Name (s): Shear Perfection
Business address, 424 Main St. Woodland Ca 95695
Teresa Wells, PO Box 775 Knightslanding CA 95645.

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FBN NUMBER 2006-837

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Pacific Rim Nutritional Consulting Group and ConSurv International
Business address,1411 W Covell Blvd #106-153 Davis, CA 95616-5934
John M. Gerlich 1411 W Covell Blvd #106-153 Davis, CA 95616-5934

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FBN NUMBER 2006-742

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Wellness Massage
Business address, 606 Railroad, Winters Ca. 95694
Sylvia Halk 104 Quail Ct. Winters Ca. 95694

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Valerie Clinton, Deputy
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The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Three Laughing Friends Co.
Business address: 25767 Duncan Dr. Esparto Ca 95627
Sherry Greer 25767 Duncan Dr. Esparto Ca 95627

This business classification is: An Individual s/Sherry Greer

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FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Valerie Clinton, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2006-791

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: B&K Street Cleaners
Business address, 825 Colby Ct., Woodland, Ca. 95695
James Kevin Pike, 825 Colby Ct., Woodland, CA 95695
Beverly Fay Pike, 825 Colby Ct., Woodland, CA 95695

This business classification is: Husband and Wife s/Beverly Fay Pike

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Ava Woodard
FNBN NUMBER 2006-800

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Tate Mobile Notary
Business address, 25776 Grafton Street Esparto, Ca 95627
La Tanya Tate 25776 Grafton Street Esparto, Ca 95627

Fictitious Business Name

This business classification is: An Individual s/La Tanya Tate

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Kimberly Garklow
FBN NUMBER 2006-802

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Altus Information Security
Business address, 971 Witham Drive Woodland, Ca 95776
Monte Ratzlaff 971 Witham Drive Woodland, Ca 95776
Angela Ratzlaff 971 Witham Drive Woodland, Ca 95776

This business classification is: Husband and Wife s/Monte Ratzlaff and Angela Ratzlaff

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A/A WOODARD, DEPUTY
FBN NUMBER 2006-824

The following person(s) is/ are doing business as: Jack In the Box #512
Business address,1200 E Main St. Woodland Ca, 95776
Abe Alizadeh 8670 Wood Grove Granite Bay CA 95746

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VALERIE CLINTON, DEPUTY
FBN NUMBER 2006-839

The following person(s) is/ are doing business as: Andy's ARCO
Business address,313 W. Main St Woodland Ca 95695
Inverveer Takhar & Bharpur Takhar 18344 Gad-wall St Woodland Ca 95695

This business classification is:A corporation s/Inverveer Takhar & Bharpur Takhar

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The following person(s) is/ are doing business as: Osaka Sushi Japanese Restaurant
Business address, 630 G St. Davis, CA 95616
MMABB, Inc. 630 G St Davis, CA 95616

This busniness classification is:A corporation s/ Alan Ju

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FBN NUMBER 2006-725

The following person(s) is/ are doing business as: Lighthouse Mobile Notary Services
Business address,214 Edwards St. Winters CA 95694
Bette S Safreed PO Box 1216 Winters, CA 95694

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The following person(s) is/ are doing business as: Lady Di's Pets
Business address, 4103 Vista Way Davis, Ca 95618
Dianne Rosner & Kent Rosner 4103 Vista Way Davis CA 95618

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Superior Court of California, County of YOLO
Filed August 28, 2006
by S. Bender, Deputy
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case# PT06-1443
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
PetitionerAustin David Crabtree has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Austin David Crabtree
to Austin David Taifau Brunson
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Thursday, October 12, 2006 8:30am., Dept. 11
725 Court Street,
Woodland, CA 95694
A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county.
Signed THOMAS E. WARRINER
Judge of the Superior Court
August 31, September 7, 14,21 2006

Name Change

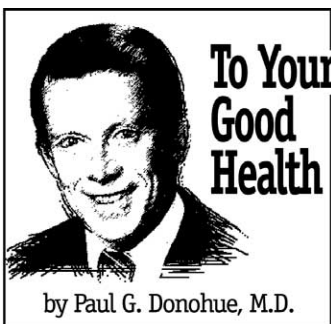
Superior Court of California, County of YOLO
Filed August 15, 2006
by L. Carner, Deputy
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case# PT06-845
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
PetitionerCatrina Ackerson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Catrina Ackerson
to Catherine Winters
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Tuesday, September 19, 2006 8:30 am., Dept. 11
725 Court Street,
Woodland, CA 95694
A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county.
Signed THOMAS E. WARRINER
Judge of the Superior Court
August 31, September 7, 14, 21 2006

Features

A different kind of angina

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have had, on at least five occasions, chest pains that made me think I was having a heart attack. All my tests have been normal, including a stress test. A heart doctor decided to catheterize me, and he discovered I was having heart artery spasms, which caused the pain. I carry nitroglycerin with me. Could I still have a heart attack? — T.D.

ANSWER: You have an unusual kind of angina — chest pain that comes about when heart muscle doesn't get enough blood. Your angina goes by the name of Prinzmetal's angina or variant angina. Regular angina arises when a person is active, bustling around. Prinzmetal's angina occurs when people are at rest, just sitting. In your angina, heart muscle is deprived of blood due to a sudden constriction of a heart artery. That kinks the artery, so blood flow to the heart temporarily stops. Pain arises during the phase of artery constriction and goes away when the artery dilates. Prinzmetal's angina is often hard to confirm. During an episode of chest pain, an EKG shows changes typical of the condition, but most people don't have the good fortune of having an EKG running while they're having chest pain. To prove the diagnosis, a heart doctor often must catheterize the heart arteries. A catheter is a pliable tube that is threaded into the heart arteries from an artery in the groin. If Prinzmetal's angina is suspected, the doctor gives the patient a drug called ergonovine, which causes the artery to constrict, something that doesn't happen to normal arteries. The most dangerous time for a person with Prinzmetal's angina is the first six months of symptoms. After six months, the frequency of chest pains starts to diminish. The survival rate for Prinzmetal's patients is high — 95 percent at the five-year mark. The threat of a heart attack is not great.



Nitrate drugs, like nitroglycerin, are standard treatment. So are drugs called calcium channel blockers. Some brand names are Cardizem, Procardia, Cardene, Plendil and Norvasc. The booklet on coronary (heart) artery disease discusses ordinary angina. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 101W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6.75 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: The doctor has told my daughter that my grandson's "sutures" have closed too early. I have no idea what this means. What are sutures? Can this be corrected? — L.G. ANSWER: Infants' skulls have to expand to make room for their growing brains. To achieve this, their skulls have a number of "sutures" — lines in the skull, like fault lines — that are bridged by soft, fibrous tissue. That permits the skull to accommodate the expanding brain. Once brain growth is complete, the sutures fill in with bone. If the sutures fill in with bone too early, the brain cannot enlarge. Artificial sutures can be surgically created when the need arises.

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.

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18 "M*A*S*H" locale

20 Fool

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Plenty of monkey business in Central America

When one thinks of the tropics, monkeys come to mind. Panama has its share of monkeys, but their numbers are dwindling as deforestation and other environmental damage continues to go unabated.

A special type of monkey that still thrives is the Mono Titi, the chihuahua of New World Monkeys, a small pint sized version in the Monkey Nation that are not normally seen in zoos of the world. They are so small they can sit in the palm of your hand. They are absolutely the very finest monkeys anyone would ever want to meet.

They exist precariously in Southern Costa Rica and Southwestern Panama and were thought to be extinct in Panama until very recently when a troop of them was discovered still managing to survive in the wild. They continue to flourish in Panama due to the heroic efforts of two expatriates who protect them in an enclave designed to allow them to live the way they have for thousands of years.

Called "Mono Feliz" or "Happy Monkey," the monkey compound they inhabit gives them a lot to be happy about. If not for ex-L.A. resident John Garvey and Australian Allegra Marshall, many of the Mono Titi monkeys would not be around to tell any tales. Most people in the U.S. don't know Mono Titis exist, nor do most Panamanians for that matter. In a world where a number of people still talk about ecology but don't do anything about it, it is refreshing to see that there are two brave individuals on the front lines doing their small bit to slow down the shutdown of our planet.

Mono Feliz is a bit off the tourist trail in an isolated area called Punta Burica only a few thousand yards from Costa Rica. Because it is in a remote border area that is hard to get to it has been situated in a locale of drug smuggling moving from Costa Rica to Panama. (not all drugs flow north as it is commonly supposed). John and Allegra don't care about any danger from narcotraficantes—protecting

ROBERT FISCHER

SOUTH OF THE SOUTHERN MEXICO BORDER



the monkeys is their primary mission and they haven't any weapons there more sophisticated than a sling-shot. If Mono Feliz was ever attacked the Mono Titis would retaliate and bite their attackers (they have small sharp teeth and can inflict a stinging wound on any human being they don't especially like) and John and Allegra would defend them with dull kitchen knives, bamboo sticks, thrown coconuts, anything!

Still, Mono Feliz is not just a sanctuary for monkeys in danger of extinction — it is also a refuge for the two legged creatures that are also in danger of extinction: those human beings who are environmentally aware enough to realize the pickle our planet is in.

The environmental movement in the United States has died on the vine in the last two decades but there are still diehards out there ready to see one germinate again. John and Allegra are two lonely people hanging out in the jungle boondocks miles away from anything civilized like crisp cold beers or television sitcoms, and may not realize their importance. Almost everyone has heard of who Jane Goodall is but John Garvey and Allegra Marshall have yet to hit the headlines for their important work in protecting these small monkeys from disappearing. They invite others to visit and share the experience of their monkey paradise, furnished with three outdoor cabins, a kitchen, a refreshing cold pool and restrooms provided for the occasional paying visitor.

Mono Feliz does not appear much in print anywhere and is still hard to find on the internet. About the only publication that mentions them is in the latest edition of Lonely Planet-Panama (available in the

travel section of most bookstores), a piece which Allegra wrote herself. I am glad their names can finally reach a different audience, and it is my pleasure to introduce them to another isolated and virtually unknown hamlet in California called Winters. Like I meant to say, they are as important to Mono Titi monkeys as Jane Goodall is to chimps, and it is time somebody said so. Without them the Mono Titis would probably not be around too much longer to make our world worthwhile.

John (also called Juancho), who looks like a crusty retired sea captain, is contented to be squarely in the middle of a monkey habitat. He is also one of the few people in the area who can actually play chess. (He is trying to teach the monkeys the game but they are more interested in grabbing and taking off with the game pieces than in learning the game's strategy). Allegra, a lively Aussie with a decidedly cheerful disposition, finds bananas for her troop of monkey friends, cooks delicious meals for visitors, maintains the cabins, teaches English (for non-monkeys only) and basically holds down the fort. Surrounded by monkeys 24/7 they are good enough reason for a worthwhile visit.

My hat is off to John Garvey and Allegra Marshall, another two of many English speaking exiles in a place called Panama.

Pleased to meet you



Name: Katy Long
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Hobby: Scrapbooking and playing with her kids.
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King Crossword

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Notice of Public Hearing

The Winters Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on the project application as described below, beginning at 7:30 P.M. on Tuesday, September 26, 2006, or as soon as possible thereafter, in the Council Chambers, City Offices, 318 First Street, Winters, California 95694.

PROJECT LOCATION: 434 MAIN STREET, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 003-182-64.

APPLICATION TYPE: The Planning Commission is conducting a public hearing to solicit comments regarding the Site Plan application submitted for the installation of a 1,727 square foot single-story, single-family Craftsman-style manufactured home at 434 Main Street.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project proponent, Robert Ferguson, has proposed to install a 1,727 square foot single-story, single-family Craftsman-style manufactured home at his residence located at 434 Main Street. Exterior features of the home include a wrap around front porch with columns, a varied roof pattern with multiple gables, composition roofing, and siding. The existing home, approximately 900 square feet in size, will be demolished in order to accommodate the new home. The property (APN 003-182-64) is approximately 6,400 square feet in size, has a General Plan land use designation of Low Density Residential (LR), and is zoned Single Family, 7,000 Square Foot Average Minimum (R-1). This project will require Site Plan approval from the Planning Commission.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Winters, Community Development Department, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694 or you may telephone (530) 795-4910, extension 112. In addition, a public information file is available for review at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.

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PROJECT LOCATION: 308 PEACH PLACE, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 003-271-28.

APPLICATION TYPE: The Planning Commission is conducting a public hearing to solicit comments regarding the proposed Variance for the rear yard setback of an addition to a single-family residence.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project proponent, Eva Boyko, has proposed a variance of 15.5-feet on the rear yard setback for the non-permitted addition she constructed to her residence located at 308 Peach Place; the rear yard setback requirement is 20 feet. The property (APN 003-271-28) is approximately 7,300 square feet in size, has a General Plan land use designation of Medium Density Residential (MR), and is zoned Single Family, 6,000 Square Foot Average Minimum (R-2). This project will require Variance approval from the Planning Commission.

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