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# Winters Express

"Gateway to the Monticello Dam"

## Winters getting trashed

◆ Community still adjusting to single stream recycling program

By ELLIOT LANDES  
Staff writer

People in Winters are getting it more or less – how to work with the new single stream waste recycling. Waste Management(WM)'s czar of the changeover is Recycling Education Coordinator Marissa Juhler, and she is very happy with how things are going. There have been a lot of questions phoned in to the WM call center, enough to require extra help to answer phones, and only a few out-of-touch customers have put out the old green recycling tubs.

Juhler has heard from happy customers as well as unhappy ones. "We had a call from one person who was so excited about the new system she brought out glasses of sparkling cider to help her neighbors celebrate. It's a great little town, I love it. We've had enough calls that I have to give the phone reps a pep talk, but it's only the first few weeks, and that's to be expected."

In what might be a strange protest or an accidental cluster of cleverness, over 50 people troubled themselves to remove the "recycling" sticker applied to their old 96 gallon cart and applied it to their new smaller 64 gallon trash cart. The garbage truck drivers

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## Here's the beef!

◆ Buckhorn named top independent steakhouse in nation

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO  
Express editor

We're number one! Well, the Buckhorn is, anyway.

Buckhorn owners John and Melanie Pickerel and general manager Chris Polston traveled to Nashville Tennessee last week to accept the National Beef Backer Award, signifying that the Buckhorn Steak and Roadhouse in Winters is the top independent restaurant in the nation for restaurants that specialize in presenting beef on their menus.

National Beef Backer Award winners were announced last month by the Beef Checkoff Program at

the Annual Cattle Industry Conference in Nashville, Tennessee. The Beef Backer Award recognizes chain and independent restaurant operators who excel in "menuing" (how selections are grouped and presented on a menu) and marketing beef. Besides the Buckhorn, this year's national winners included O'Charley's (Nashville, Tennessee) in the "Chain" category and Mortimer's (Boise, Idaho) as the "Innovator of the Year."

The National Beef Backer contest solicits restaurant entries through state beef councils, attracting upwards of 4,000 people to its awards ceremony.

"It is important for beef producers to identify and honor those operators

who continue to raise the bar in preparing and promoting beef on their menus," said Oklahoma cattleman Brian Healey, chairman of the Joint Foodservice Committee. "In 2006, more than 8.38 billion pounds of beef were served in the food-service channel. This is a clear signal that today's consumers expect and are willing to pay for a memorable beef-eating experience away from home — the kind of experience they can count on at these National Beef Backer restaurants."

John Pickerel takes great pride in the Buckhorn's national award, noting that it isn't merely a popularity contest — this is the beef industry honor-

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Courtesy photo

John and Melanie Pickerel were presented with the National Beef Backer Award in Nashville, Tennessee last week, where the Buckhorn Steak and Roadhouse was named the top independent steakhouse in the nation.

## 'Bombshells' features homefront stories

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO  
Express editor

When a service member goes off to war, much attention is focused on him as he kisses friends and family goodbye and steps onto the airplane. But what about those left behind? Who supports the people who do the bulk of supporting the troops? We have all heard or read about soldiers' tales of the horrors of war, but what about the tales of those who spend every moment hoping and praying they'll return home safely?

These are the unheard voices from the wider ramifications of war, and they are the focus of "Bombshells — War Stories and Poems by Women on the Homefront." One of the co-editors and contributors to the book is Winters resident Jesse Loren, who also teaches English and journalism at Vanden High School in Fairfield.

Loren says she became involved with the book after reading about the project on the internet and submitting poetry about her own experience of waiting for her boyfriend to return from an 18-month tour of duty in Iraq. Playwright and author Missy Martin came up

with the idea of giving women-in-waiting a voice after attending her brother's graduation from boot camp and speaking with other women about what it feels like to send a loved one off to war.

At the graduation, Loren says Martin noted the women's deep emotional reactions to the ceremony and "decided there was a whole subculture of families out there on the homefront who have their own stories and experiences about the war." She decided to collect stories and poems about these experiences from all over the country, from women of all ages waiting for men who served in wars from World War II to the present. However, so many women had stories to tell, Martin needed a partner to carefully select and edit those that would be included in the final project. Following some email exchanges and phone calls, Martin invited Loren to come on board.

The two have spent much of the last year sifting through all the submissions, and the finished product will be available for purchase, ironically, on Feb. 14 — Valentine's Day. It is

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Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Winters poet and Vanden High School teacher Jesse Loren has co-edited and contributed to "Bombshells — War Stories and Poems by Women on the Homefront," to be released on Feb. 14. The book features the experiences of those who wait for the troops to come home.

## Dam causes controversy

By ELLIOT LANDES  
Staff writer

The first regular meeting of the Winters Putah Creek Committee (WPCC) on Jan. 21 spent its time wrestling with the question of removing the old collapsed dam across the creek. This concrete structure, called the percolation dam, was originally designed to feed water into underground aquifers during wet seasons. It now serves as an ad hoc deck for swimming and fishing at the large pool downstream of the dam.

Jeff TenPas, who works for the National Forest system, has emerged as a voice against plans to remove the dam. These plans took a great leap forward with the successful awarding of a \$425,000 River Parkways grant to the Lower Putah Creek Coordinating Committee (LPCCC). The funding is designated for removal of the dam, and city council members voted for the grant application with the intention of having the dam removed.

TenPas argued his point this week at the city council meeting on Jan. 22 as well as at the WPCC meeting. He says the science supporting the decision is not complete and the dam is a valuable recreation site, because of its popularity with swimmers and fishermen. TenPas says the large pool below the site is caused by the dam, and removing the dam will cause the pool to disappear. TenPas also argues that the popularity of the site is partly because the water in the pool is very clear, and removing the dam will cause the pool to acquire the layer of film characteristic of other

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## Revised school goals generate reactions

By GARY BEALL  
Express correspondent

Proposed 2007-08 goals for Winters schools that emphasize student achievement and include detailed performance expectations for students, more writing assessments, and monthly trustee monitoring of student progress have hit a few speed bumps on the road to approval. The goals and their specific indicators for success are being challenged by some teachers and questioned by some district trustees.

Shirley Rominger Intermediate School (SRIS) teacher Dave Paratore told district trustees meeting on Feb. 1 that teachers need more input in the goal setting process.

"There are some really good things in here, but they need to be discussed throughout the district," Paratore said. He suggested that teacher morale is low because leadership isolates itself and needs to reach out to teachers more often.

"It's my feeling that teachers feel their input is not valued," Paratore

said. However, he made it clear he wasn't talking about SRIS. "I'm proud of the collaboration at SRIS and success. Leadership encouraged teachers and didn't keep them out of the loop."

Trustee Rodney Orosco, a teacher in another district, agreed that teachers should be part of the process and questioned whether the goals were getting into micromanaging teachers and making more work for them. His sentiment was echoed by

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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
Jan. 31		66	36
Feb. 1		61	38
Feb. 2		50	39
Feb. 3		59	33
Feb. 4		62	35
Feb. 5		69	38
Feb. 6		69	43

Rain for week: 0  
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## OBITUARIES

### Elva Doris (Womack) Lowry

Elva Doris (Womack) Lowry passed away on Jan. 24, 2007. Born on Jan. 13, 1911 in Winters to Wallace and Maude (Harvey) Womack, she was 96 years old. She loved Winters, and her favorite memories were of the Fischer family ranch.

She is survived by her daughter, Ardelle( Lowry) Hampton; grandchildren Lorinne (Rego) Griswold and Leneei (Rego) Jacobson; great-grandchildren, Allie, Nicky, Ella, and Anna; sister Alda Mae (Stark) Baily of Payson, Arizona; many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Lowry Jr. of Oakland; brother Ellis Womack of Menlo Park; and aunt, Carrie Fischer, who was born in Winters and lived on the Fischer Ranch on Putah Creek until her death at age 98. The ranch was later sold to the Marianis.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Feb. 10 at New Hope Christian Fellowship, 22110 Montgomery Street, Hayward, CA, 94541. For more information, call (510) 537-6230.

### Philip Joseph Carando

Philip Joseph Carando passed away on Feb. 2, 2007 in Sacramento. Born in Woodland on Dec. 7, 1942 to Anack P. and Irene (Meyer) Carando, he was 64 years old.

Mr. Carando was a 1961 graduate of Winters High School, and attended Chico State University. He loved mechanics and worked on automobiles for 15 years, then became a truck driver for 32 years.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Lynn; daughter and son-in-law Sherri and Joe Corrales of Winters; brother Joseph Carando of Woodland; brother-in-law Pat Baker of Yuba City; grandchildren, Chelsea, Courtney and Christian Corrales, all of Winters.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A graveside committal service will take place at the Winters Cemetery on Friday, Feb. 9, at noon. After the service, a reception will be held at the Buckhorn banquet room. Friends and family are invited. No visitation is planned. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made in Mr. Carando's name to the Yolo County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty of Animals, P.O. Box 510, Davis, CA 95617. Kraft Bros. Funeral Directors of Woodland is in charge of arrangements.

### Frank I. Ramos

Frank I. Ramos passed away on Feb. 4, 2007 in Brookings, Oregon, following a long illness. Born in Winters on July 5, 1937, he was 69 years old. He was a retired farmer, and enjoyed fishing and spending time with his grandchildren, and was an excellent cook.

He is survived by his wife, Rose; sons and daughters-in-law Frank I. Ramos Jr. and wife Mary of Winters, Scott Ramos of American Canyon, Randy Ramos of Sacramento, Jeff Ramos and wife Carol of Corning; stepsons, Wyatt Earp of Dixon, Darrell Christie of Dixon, Billy Christie of Arkansas and Bob Christie of Brookings, Oregon; brother, John I. Ramos of Winters, and sister Rose Lopez of Vacaville; numerous grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Filomena Ramos, and sister Isabel Gordon.

A Funeral Mass is planned for Monday, Feb. 12, at 11 a.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church, with Father Chuck Kelly officiating. Burial will follow at the Winters Cemetery.

## Berryessa drops .05 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa fell by .05 of a foot during the past week, with a reduction in temporary storage of 919 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

Emigh reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 430.93 feet above sea level, with storage computed at

1,431,256 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 50 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 16 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 50 acre feet of water per day during the week.

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# YESTERYEAR



File photo

Rotary Club President Frank Sydow, at right, is shown congratulating Winters High School senior Sunshine Branscum on winning the club's speech contest during the club's luncheon meeting on Feb. 13, 1992. Also competing, at left, were Eddie Mills and Svetlana Kozin.

**35**  
YEARS AGO

**February 10, 1972**

Dr. Genevie Dexter was the recipient of the 1972 PTSA life membership at a meeting of the organization held last Thursday night in the high school. The honor is based on ability to work with young people and on contribution to community betterment.

Mrs. Rax Mayes and Mrs. Joe Franke, co-chairmen of the recently conducted Mothers March, report turning over \$377.80 to William Nichols, treasurer of the local project.

The Winters Nursery at 505 East Street is being reopened this week, according to Vernon Bruhn.

Orchard thermometers will be tested at the California Fruit Exchange Building on Friday, February 11.

The city of Winters this week issued building permits to the Champlin Construction Company of Davis to build six homes on Grant Street. The houses will be built at 403, 405, 407, 409, 411, and 413 Grant.

Bob Saborit, a retired Marine Corps sergeant, said this week that he plans to start a restaurant in the Maywood Building, at the corner of Railroad Avenue and Main Street.

Shee Long Go, 95, widow of the late Go Long, died Monday in the Fairfield Community Hospital, after a short illness. She was a resident of Winters for 45 years.

Requiem Mass will be offered this afternoon at 2 o'clock in St. Anthony's Catholic Church for Joseph Francis Martino Sr., 55, who died at his home here February 8.

**50**  
YEARS AGO

**February 27, 1957**

Leland Johnson, Winters High School senior and son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Johnson, won the Future Farmer sectional speaking contest in Sacramento on February 13. He will now compete in the regional meet March 2 in Tracy.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Biasi, of Winters, are the parents of a daughter, born at the Woodland Clinic Hospital February 14, 1957.

Rotary Charter Night will be observed this evening with a dinner at the Christian Church. It was a year ago this week that the local club received its charter.

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation this week announced that plans will be available this week for the third leg of the Putah South Canal, with bids to be opened on March 27. The third section will start at McCoy Creek and will run 8.7 miles south and west to Suisun Creek, near Mankas Corners.

A group of 33 boat enthusiasts met at the Legion Hall Monday evening and made plans to organize a boat club. Five men were named to draw up by-laws. They are Kal Holman, Todd Carrando, George Conard, Bob Kiefer and Ned Streeter.

Veto Garrett and Carl Kiepe returned this week from Asilomar where they attended a high school leadership conference. Garrett was sponsored by the Farm Bureau and Kiepe by the FFA.

Miss Nancy McClish and her fiancé, Martin Newkom, were honored at a reception in Yuba City last Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lonon.

**65**  
YEARS AGO

**February 20, 1942**

Among the first class of aviation cadets to graduate from the new Air Corps Basic Flying School at Merced February 23 is Joseph D. Griffin, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Griffin of Winters.

The third selective service registration Saturday, Sunday and Monday enrolled 179 men at the local firemen's hall, for war service.

Mrs. John Lopez received a message from her son Ed Lopez in service off the Alaskan coast accompanied by a check for her birthday that will fall in March.

Nancy McKenzie, Joyce Clark, Lucille Ruggles, Lucille Meagher, Howard Kiefer, Margaret Long, Yuico Otani and Juanita Lopez were presented with their C.S.F. pins at the high school on Wednesday.

The High School varsity cagers chalked up two more wins last weeks in defeating the Dixon varsity in two starts 52-35 and 44-23.

Mr. and Mrs. Fenley Briggs and Mrs. Bullard of Woodland were Sunday dinner guests at the J.R. Briggs home, the occasion, Fenley's birthday.

John Young, employed in defense service in Benicia, was at his home in Apricot section yesterday.

Mrs. F. Bryant of Sacramento spent the weekend at the P.W. Thornberry home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ruiz, newlyweds, are residing in the E.J. Ellenberger cottage on east Abbey Street.

## Winters weekly police report

**Jan. 15-Feb. 1**

~ On the 400 block of Grant Avenue, a window of a residence was damaged by an unknown means. Amount of damage: \$600.

**Jan. 22-24**

~ On the first block of East Baker Street, property was stolen from a vehicle. It is unknown if the vehicle was locked. Loss: \$1,000.

**Jan. 22-Feb. 1**

~ On the 500 block of Creekside Way, property was stolen from the bed of a pickup truck. Loss: \$1,095.

**Jan. 26**

~ On the 1000 block of Village Circle, property was stolen from an unlocked vehicle. Loss: \$50.

**Jan. 28**

~ Victims were walking along the first block of

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YEARS AGO

**February 20, 1892**

Another coursing match took place Tuesday, on the Dexter place, in which Bert Ireland's "Belle B" defeated J.S. Devilbiss' "Keno B."

Walter Hemenway has been on the sick list this week, and Chief Deputy Postmaster, L. Moody, has been assisting in the distribution of the mails.

Miss Agnes Leland, teacher at Buckeye District School, announced the following students on the honor roll: Charley Brattin, Will Cook, Emer Dexter, Charley B. Wurth, Joe Griffin, Henry Bentley, Johnny Brattin, Adrian Cook, Eliza Brattin, Maudie Brattin, Katie Wurth, Minnie Wurth, May Dexter, Lydia Wurth, Ida Wurth, Sara Bentley and Ella Overhouse.

L.H. Grunig purchased the house advertised for sale by the Board of School Trustees, and will move it on his lots in the block opposite the new school house. He paid \$285 for the building.

Millions of men have lived to fight, build palaces and boundaries, shape destinies and societies; but the compelling force of all times has been the force of originality and creation profoundly affecting the roots of human spirit.  
~ Ansel Adams

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# Opinion



DEBRA LO QUERCIO  
**BECAUSE  
I SAY SO**

**S**O THERE I WAS, on an average Wednesday afternoon, ready to start my column and the topic cup runneth over. So many topics, so little column space. Should I hammer on the Iraq War nail some more, now that our so-called president's attention span is waning, Iraq has become boring and we're setting our sites on Iran. Have the Four Horsemen saddled up yet? Or maybe I should launch into the revelation (no pun intended, I swear) that the Bush Administration specifically and methodically censored scientific evidence about global warming.

Then there's the whole sad tale of Jennifer Strange, the young mother who died from water intoxication recently while participating in a Sacramento radio station contest, incredibly egged on by some DJs who thought it'd be a hoot to see someone keel over just to win a Nintendo game system. Maybe for their next nutty, zany stunt, they'll gouge the eyes out of puppies.

The Scooter Libby trial's going hot and heavy, and my nagging question remains unanswered — when the Valerie Plame you-know-what hit the fan, how come none of it landed on columnist Robert Novak? He could have kept his yap shut when her identity was leaked to him, but decided that destroying a career and participating in a felony was worth a few inches of ink. Skuzzball.

It was a column cornucopia last week.

And then Molly Ivins died.

That was a where-were-you-when-Kennedy-died moment for me. Molly is my hero. Molly is who I want to be when I grow up. Her picture hangs above my desk. The greatest compliments I've ever been given are those comparing my work to Molly's, even if it's to say it'll never be as good. I'm honored to even be mentioned in the same breath.

And now she's gone. Maybe sharing a laugh in the great beyond with my other hero, Erma Bombeck? Breast cancer took them both. I'm awfully glad Dave Barry doesn't have breasts.

No more Molly. What a sad, gray day this is. Beyond the sheer delight I took in her relentless skewering of Uncurious George, Molly embodied everything the First Amendment stands for — that in this country, we have the right to speak our minds openly, and harshly criticize the government if we disagree with what's taking place, without fear of repercussion.

Who's left to not just question authority but rebuke it? There's Maureen Doud, but she lacks Molly's salt and sass. Maybe Keith Olbermann could be enticed to put his fiery, fearless oratories into print. And there's Mark Morford at the San Francisco Chronicle, but he's preaching to the choir over there. Let's see him lick honey off a lover's tailbone in Omaha. In the meantime, without Molly, there's just... void.

In the commentary vacuum she leaves behind, those of us who fear the consequences of silence more than we fear the consequences of speaking out are obliged to carry Molly's torch forward. Speak the truth, shout it if you have to, until you're heard. And pounce on lies, falsehood and pretense whenever you come across them. Every. Single. Time. As Molly might have written.

As for what Molly actually did write, I'll close with a sampling from one of my very favorite in-your-face tirades, when Molly drew some Liberal blood for a change:

"Mah fellow progressives, now is the time for all good men and women to come to the aid of the party. I don,'t know about you, but I have had it with the D.C. Democrats, had it with the DLC Democrats, had it with every calculating, equivocating, triangulating, straddling, hair-splitting son of a bitch up there, and that includes Hillary Rodham Clinton..."

"Every Democrat I talk to is appalled at the sheer gutlessness and spinelessness of the Democratic performance. The party is still cringing at the thought of being called, ooh-ooh, 'unpatriotic' by a bunch of rightwingers.

"Take 'unpatriotic' and shove it. How dare they do this to our country? 'Unpatriotic.' These people have ruined the American military! Not to mention the economy, the middle class, and our reputation in the world. Everything they touch turns to dirt, including Medicare prescription drugs and hurricane relief..."

"This is not a time for a candidate who will offend no one; it is time for a candidate who takes clear stands and kicks ass..."

"What happens now is not up to the has-beens in Washington who run this party. It is up to us."

Nobody said it, or ever will say it, better.

## Please come to opening of WCA

Dear Editor,

Please extend our invitation to attend the opening of the new location of the Winters Center for the Arts at our store front, the old Classic Video site, at 18 Main Street in Winters.

The WCA is a volunteer run non-profit arts co-operative dedicated to supporting the arts education in Winters and the region. The new show will exhibit the work of students in the arts departments at Winters High School. The scholarships that are offered each year support

High School visual artists and theater/film artists presently. As the endowment fund builds, the Center hopes to have funds to support all aspects of the arts as well as providing gallery space and classes.

There will be a raffle and live music by Dick Holdstock and his friends. Please plan to attend and have some fun with us on Saturday, Feb. 10, from 7-9 p.m. at 18 Main Street.

VALERIE WHITWORTH



## LETTERS

### Help support the arts

Dear Editor,

We want to invite the town to celebrate the opening of our new gallery location at 18 Main Street with a terrific show from the students of Winters High School. We will have a raffle to add to our scholarship endowment and music by Dick Holdstock and friends. Please plan to attend on Saturday, Feb. 10 from 7-9 p.m. and support our students and their art teachers.

We also want to thank those of you who attended the very successful wine-tasting fund-raiser to support these students and to publicize the wonderful work of Katherine Rominger and her family, who in these past months has publicized the need to support emerging artists at Winters High School.

Katherine is a student who attends Winters High School and who has benefited from the art instruction there. Realizing that art education is a vital asset in any school curriculum, she has established a campaign to bring \$1,500 worth of support to the scholarship endowment administered through the Yolo Community Foundation for the Winters Center for the Arts.

The Winters Center for the Arts, formerly the Winters Participation Gallery, is an established 501C non-

profit organization dedicated to preserving excellence in art education. The mission of this nonprofit is threefold: 1) support for scholarships to individual art students, 2) development of art classes, and 3) provision of art gallery space exhibiting emerging artists as well as established regional artists. The ultimate purpose of the scholarship endowment is not only to support individual students at Winters High School in art Education, but to assist all art programs in the Winters School District.

Katherine has raised over \$1,500 to date. I encourage you to buy raffle tickets from her for the gallery event this Saturday. The raffle will be held on Feb. 10 at the gallery location with the opening of our annual student art of Winters High School show.

In response to her activity, a donor has presented a challenge to the regional art community. This donor will match the amount she raises. Can you add to her total, or become a challenge sponsor and pledge to match all or a percentage of what she has raised in the last two months?

By supporting future artists, you preserve the gallery business of the future. Thank you for your support.

ERIC DOUD

### Must quote JFK in context

Dear Editor,

While reading excerpts from President Kennedy's inaugural address in the letters section a couple of weeks ago, I noticed some important omissions. I think that If Kennedy's speech is going to be used as commentary on today's world situation, it should be quoted in context. And if I had my druthers, it would be quoted in full. In the hopes you'll have room for it,

I've included the full text with my e-mail; if you don't have the space, folks can read the whole speech at <http://www.bartleby.com/124/pres56.html>.

Meanwhile, here are a few key excerpts:

"Finally, to those nations who would make themselves our adversary, we offer not a pledge but a request: that both sides begin anew the quest for peace, before the dark powers of destruction unleashed by science engulf all humanity

in planned or accidental self-destruction.

"So let us begin anew — remembering on both sides that civility is not a sign of weakness, and sincerity is always subject to proof. Let us never negotiate out of fear. But let us never fear to negotiate.

"Let both sides explore what problems unite us instead of belaboring those problems which divide us.

"Let both sides, for the first time, formulate serious and precise proposals for the inspection and control of arms — and bring the absolute power to destroy other nations under the absolute control of all nations.

"Let both sides seek to invoke the wonders of science instead of its terrors. Together let us explore the stars, conquer the deserts, eradicate disease, tap the ocean depths, and encourage the arts and commerce."

NANCY PATTERSON

### Fond memories of Winters High

Dear Editor,

As a member of the class of 1961, and someone who moved away, it was fascinating looking at some back issues of the Winters Express about the Youth Day events. In 1961, I was the student sports director for the track meet that was held. I have some fond memories of my high school days in Winters.

Playing football for Coach Kammerer, basket-

ball for Coach Aguiar, baseball for Coach Randolph and tennis for Principal Snow. Being gone for 45 years, it's amazing that I continue to remember those days.

My 1961 yearbook disappeared, so if someone has one for sale, please let me know. To all my old high school teammates and friends, I hope your lives turned out as great as mine.

VIC HOBSON



CHARLES R. WALLACE  
**A QUICK  
OPINION**

**W**INTERS, WHERE SPRINGTIME IS FOREVER. Just in case you forgot, that's the official slogan of the Winters Chamber of Commerce. I took my weekly walk on the grass last Sunday morning and you couldn't ask for a nicer day. I started out layered and cold and finished in a short sleeve shirt and warm.

My sister from the Seattle area was down last week and her top subject was all the rain, wind and power outages they had. We had the driest January on record and Seattle had the wettest month in their history. My son told me it is 50 degrees in Boise, but the news has the East Coast in a major freeze. We may not be experiencing global warming, but the weather is acting pretty peculiar.

Lake Berryessa is only down about 10 feet, so I don't think we will have to worry about a draught this year. A few farmers are predicting a wet February, but if it is going to rain, it better start pretty soon, I've been running my sprinkler system at home for most of the winter, but I'm not sure my plants like tap water. How am I supposed to get rid of all those chemicals I spray on my lawn if it doesn't rain?

**S**ATURDAY WAS A BIG DAY. If you didn't make it downtown last Saturday, you missed something. It isn't everyday that you can walk from business to business and never run out of places to see. From the fund-raiser at the Winters Center for the Arts, to the opening of the Clayground and Aura Day Spa & Salon, there was plenty to do. Not to be out done, Berryessa Gap put on an art show with the artist showing up for a cameo appearance.

The day started out with Cloth Carousel hosting their First Saturday quilting cult. This is the start of another year so every quilter worth a scrap showed up. The rumor was that almost 300 women showed up. I did see a few men wandering around, but I'm not sure if they attended the meeting or just hung out at the Café or Steady Eddy's.

Katherine Rominger put on the fund-raiser for the Center for the Arts as part of her senior project. Judging from the attendance and the quality of the food, she should get a A. Having her parents, Rick and Patty pouring Rominger West wines didn't hurt. Want a good crowd, put out a good spread and pour some good wine.

Aura Day Spa opened on Main Street and went first class with the Buckhorn catering. Paulette Weill was surprised by how much food people could get on appetizer plates. Welcome to Winters.

I was invited to attend the police and firemen's award banquet on Saturday night and didn't make it to the opening of Clayground, a new public pottery studio on Main and Elliott streets. I'm not the most artistic person in the room, so I'm sure they didn't miss me. Friends that stopped by said they were impressed. Everyone that ventured downtown on Saturday commented about how great it was.

It takes a certain type of person to open a business. I wish them all well.

Have a good week.

### Help group support the troops

Dear Editor,

To the 20,000 plus service members and families: Thank you from the bottom of our "freedom loving hearts" for serving our country. You all play crucial roles in defending freedom; what the family and loved ones do here in the states is equally appreciated, as is the deployed service members' role in the call to serve.

We want to extend to you our support during the last phase of news that has extended your stay in Iraq. Soldiers' Angels, is an Internet-based nonprofit that matches thousands of soldiers with those willing to write or send care packages to them among many other projects. We are currently readying ourselves for a jump in the workload that will likely coincide with the increased troop levels.

We encourage the nation to stand up and support our service members as well. "If you can not stand behind our troops, please feel free to stand in front of them!" You can quickly get involved at [www.SoldiersAngels.org](http://www.SoldiersAngels.org) or feel free to email [soldiersangelprteam@gmail.com](mailto:soldiersangelprteam@gmail.com) or contact us at (615) 676-0239.

Your call is important to us. Please leave a message including your name, email if possible and phone number and we will contact you within 24 hours.

For Monetary Donations: Soldiers Angels 1792 E. Washington Boulevard, Pasadena, CA, 91104.

To send donated items, ship to: Soldiers Angels, 914 Tourmaline Drive, Newbury Park, CA 91320.

JULIE EPPING

### Jr. Warriors planning new season

Dear Editor,

The new 2007 football board would like to thank the 2006 board for completing a successful season and helping to establish the new board. We will be changing the board meetings to the third Monday of every month starting in February. These meetings are held at

Cody's Deli at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend the meetings.

If anyone is interested in coaching either for football or cheerleading, please contact Mark Layne, 795-0408, or Rory Linton, 795-3321. Thanks!

**2007 WINTERS  
JR. WARRIOR  
FOOTBALL BOARD**



# LETTERS

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## Hope everyone had fun at opening

Dear Editor:

We would like to thank everyone who helped make Saturday's grand opening of The Clay-ground a huge success. We enjoyed seeing so many friends there and meeting new people. We thank everyone who stopped by and who wished us well. We hope that everyone had fun as well — it certainly appeared that way. If you painted a heart, it will be ready Sunday and you can stop by between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Please contact us for information about clay or paint-it-yourself sessions or visit our site: [www.Clay-ground.biz](http://www.Clay-ground.biz).

**REBECCA BRESNICK HOLMES and SHANNON MOORE-JARVIS**

## Bush should respond to Iranian letter

Dear Editor,

I would like to go back in time to June 8, 2006 and respond to a letter written by Beth Bernat, regarding our ignorance about Muslims. She states that the letter written by Iranian President Ahmadinejad to President Bush is in essence a declaration of war. Ms. Barnat centers her "Declaration of War" theory on the Muslim salutation, "Vasalam Ala Man Ataba'al hoda" that she claims translates into, "Peace only unto those who follow the true path."

Ms. Barnat gathers her information from, "The Council on Foreign Relations", and the New York Sun editorial entitled, "Iran Declares War", dated May 11, 2006, <http://www.nysun.com/article/32594> as a site where the article may be viewed. She also cites a web page at Dinocrat.com and a book written by Bernard Lewis, "The Multiple Personalities of the Middle East."

The issue that I would like to address is not about President Ahmadinejad's letter because different people will see whatever they want to see, and arguing about it is a waste of time. I do however take issue with your interpretation of, "Vasalam Ala Man Ataba'al hoda," because in the literal sense it is simply a way of wishing peace to non-Muslims. It translates to English as, "Peace be upon whoever follows guidance" (i.e. guidance from God).

I think the problem may be your sources of information. On today's internet it is easy for anyone to create and disperse information. It is up to the user to discriminate fact from

opinion. The sources of information that you cite in your letter are credible but with some investigation you will find that there may be a hidden agenda surrounding the information given.

The Council on Foreign Relations has been the most powerful private organization in U.S. foreign policy since it began in 1921. CFR's 4,200 members mainly reflect the resources needed by the ruling class to maintain their power. You will not become a member of this organization unless you have big money, national security expertise, CIA experience, a political constituency, or clout with the media. CFR's major activity is to organize closed meetings for their members with assorted world leaders where everyone feels free to share views and information about current world events, primarily because CFR has strict confidentiality rules and keeps its records locked up for 25 years. Its member roster is somewhat secret but some of the known members are Richard M. Nixon, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton. Some of the largest and richest corporations in the world are tied to this secretive organization.

The New York Sun and the New Republic, both of which are owned in part by Roger Hertog (neconservative) and Michael Steinhardt (liberal) are the platforms from which the CFR voices its opinions. The other web page that you cite at Dinocrat.com consists of a group of intellectuals; affectionately called "The Boys" by the press, is similar in nature, to the CFR organization. It would seem that all of your sources of information are covertly tied together with some secret agenda. I don't know what that agenda might be but I would guess that it has something to do with money since the members of these organizations are among the richest people in the world.

Now if I was very rich with my own newspaper and I wanted to get richer, I would stir things up in Iran, kill a bunch of Iranians, and take all of their stuff. I would also ignore any attempt by them to reason with me.

A very good web page to visit if you want a credible interpretation of the Muslim lingo is: <http://www.asu.edu/clas/communication/about/csc/>. Also read Community Service Council Report #0602 — The Iranian Letter to President Bush: Analysis and Recommendations. They recommended that President Bush should have responded to the Iranian letter and I feel the same way, but that's just the way that I see it.

**DONALD K. SANDERS**

# Grants available for clean air projects

The Yolo Solano Air Quality Management District (YSAQMD) is accepting applications from public and private agencies, groups and individuals in Yolo County and the northeast portion of Solano County for their 2007-08 Clean Air Funds program. Applications for the grants may be submitted to YSAQMD until March 16. The grant recipients, announced in early summer, will receive funding of varying amounts depending on their projects. Approximately \$630,000 is available from DMV fees and Solano County's AB8 property tax.

All projects must fit into one of four eligible categories:

- ~ Clean technologies/low emission vehicles
- ~ Alternative transportation programs
- ~ Transit services
- ~ Public education/information

The goal of each project should be to reduce air pollution from motor vehicles and/or for related planning, monitoring, enforcement and technical studies necessary for the implementation of the California Clean Air Act (CCAA). The selection process is competitive and grant recipients are selected according to criteria that include:

- ~ Project merit: estimated effectiveness, results

## Hispanic Advisory to meet

The City of Winters Hispanic Advisory Committee will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 13, in the conference room at City Hall at 7:30 p.m. The main agenda topic for the meeting will be youth programs and services. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

For more information, call City Hall, 795-4910.

and efficient use of resources.

- ~ Matching funds: additional sources or in-kind services must be of sufficient amounts to complete project
- ~ Regional benefit: projects that expand or enhance programs in adjacent air districts are encouraged as well as joint projects
- ~ Reduction of Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)/Cleaner Technologies

Two separate Clean Air Funds committees make funding recommendations to the Board of Directors. The Yolo Clean Air Funds Committee reviews Yolo County projects and the Solano Transportation Authority Clean Air Funds Committee reviews Solano County projects.

The YSAQMD board of directors will approve funding for the selected projects at the June 13th board meeting.

Last year, \$570,000 was granted to 15 applicants requesting funding for projects ranging from bikeways to retrofits of refuse trucks to solar lighting for bus stops.

Through its Clean Air Funds Program, the Yolo Solano Air Quality Management District continues its mission to protect human health and property from the harmful effects of air pollution. To learn more about YSAQMD or to receive an application, visit the District's website [www.ysaqmd.org](http://www.ysaqmd.org) or contact the district, 757-3650 or (800) 287-3650.

Here's the new teen on the scene  
Happy 13th birthday  
Jeanine



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# DAM

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places along the creek.

Council members Tom Stone and Harold Anderson spoke strongly against the dam at the council meeting, saying it is a hazard to swimmers, because they can go under the dam. City Attorney John Wallace said the city has liability because the structure is man made.

In answer to council concerns about liability and safety, TenPas says fixing the hazards can be done much more cheaply than the cost of removing the dam, and feels this should be investigated more thoroughly before making a judgement about liability.

TenPas contends the decision to remove the dam was made in the context of applying for the grant, with the result that no public hearing and discussion took place about the wisdom of doing the demolition. He notes the city council approved the decision to apply for the grant as part of a consent agenda (items thought not to be controversial enough to warrant discussion). City staff's description of the consent agenda item

referred to the grant and did not mention demolition of the dam, according to TenPas.

TenPas says he has witnessed fish moving freely through the dam, which has openings through and under the structure. He says the structure is not changing the shape of the channel and only prevents restoring the natural channel shape for a small section of the stream.

Rich Marovich, Putah Creek streamkeeper disputes many of the points made by TenPas.

"I've got pictures from 1955, and there is no hole below the dam - it's all gravel," says Marovich. "You can see gravel up to the edge of the dam. The hole was created when they removed gravel to build the levees for the old sewage treatment ponds. Taking out the dam will not change the form of the channel, because it was never affected by the dam to begin with." The point is important, because it supports Marovich's claim the pool will remain after removal of the dam.

UC Davis Professor Eric Larsen is a noted expert on the subject of river morphology and is often called to testify in legal cases about river flows and behaviors. He is a

member of the committee and a resident of Winters who loves frequenting Putah Creek. Larsen agrees with Marovich that the pool will not disappear after removing the dam, but says TenPas may be right about the clarity of the water. Larsen is upbeat about the prospect of removing the dam and creating a great park at the site.

Marovich has consulted biologists from the National Marine Fisheries Service and they have described the dam as bad for fish migration, depending on flow levels. He adds the structure collects debris, and keeping fish pathways open is a maintenance job that depends on cleaning weeds out of the openings. TenPas counters the openings are clean now, and no one has ever done cleaning of weeds at the site.

Marovich works with hydrologists, geomorphologists and biologists, and sees a consensus that removing the dam is essential. "I'm asking them for their objective opinion and they're giving it," says Marovich, "and they are a whole lot more qualified."

Marovich and Larsen say the dam creates a bar-

rier that causes hydraulic action that widens the channel, scouring in a way that works opposite to the desired form. Marovich's work elsewhere on Putah Creek has emphasized forming a central channel with benching and flood plains on the sides of the channel. The goal is to restore the original form of the creek, which promotes fish and animal life in the stream corridor, and controls erosion.

The narrower channel promotes a lower water temperature which favors native fish, according to Marovich. The flood plains along side the narrower channel encourage insect and animal life to flourish. The benching fortunately works as beach access in recreational zones.

TenPas and his wife, Sally Brown, live near the creek and visit the dam almost daily. They have interviewed visitors to the site and have surveyed use of the area for swimming and fishing. In their survey, they made 105 counts during the summer of 2006, and made a tally of 698 recreational users visiting the site. They evaluated times of day, concluding that most visits occurred between 4 and 6 p.m., dur-

ing the hottest time of the day.

From their study they determined the number visits for the 105 day period of their survey to be 2,000 to 3,000. They also interviewed users, and found middle school and high school youth to be the most frequent users. "Swimming, using a rope swing and sunbathing on the dam" were the most common activities.

Marovich likes the fact that TenPas and Brown have surveyed public use of the site, but says the numbers would be much higher with restoration, because it would be a more natural site and would have better access.

At the WPCC meeting on Jan. 22, comments were heard from Larsen and fisheries expert Erik Ringelberg, discussing how the channel can be developed for recreation after the dam is removed. The committee did not take a position on the decision to remove the dam, because engineer Cheryl Sullivan has begun a contract for the city to design the Winters Putah Creek Park, and her scope of work includes hosting public workshops. The first public meeting she hosts will take up this issue.

## Learn to be a lifeguard

The American Red Cross of Yolo County and the City of Davis Parks and Community Services Department to offer the public a lifeguard training class.

This course includes CPR for the Professional Rescuer and First Aid. The purpose of the course is to teach lifeguards the skills and knowledge needed to prevent and respond to aquatic emergencies. Students must be at least 15 years old and able to pass a skills test in swimming on the first class meeting. Classes will run in March and April 2007.

From March 5 through April 4, classes will be on Mondays and Wednesdays. From March 6 through April 5, classes will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Classes will be held in the Community Pool Building in Davis from 6-10 p.m. The cost of the class is \$150.

Register at the Parks and Community Services Department, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis 95616. For more information, call Sandra Montgomery, 757-5626 or e-mail her at smontgomery@ci.davis.ca.us.



# TRASH

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now have the task of unswapping the stickers in each of these cases. For the time being, the customer will get an "incorrect setout" tag on their cart, but if they persist they will be charged the higher trash rate. This would put them in the position of having a smaller recyclable tub than if they ordered the larger garbage cart to begin with, for the same fees.

The incorrect setout tag has check boxes for things like "obstacle blocking your cart" and "overweight." Juhler had stickers made for a new category: "The smaller 64 gallon cart is for trash and the larger 96 gallon cart is for recyclables. Please do not move or remove the recycling label. If trash is placed in the larger container, you may be charged for a contaminated load."

"That caught people's attention," said Juhler, "and that was the intent, and we got phone calls from people saying 'what does this mean?,' and we explained it to them." Asked if this is a typical

response, she said no, "we've never had anybody remove labels, this is a first."

As part of the new plan, customers can order larger or smaller carts for higher or lower rates.

The commonest error was predictable — many people thought the pick-up for the larger recyclable cart was weekly, and put their buckets out on the wrong week. The refrigerator magnet calendar passed out at beginning of January explains the every-other-week schedule for the larger bin, but some people found the color coded calendar difficult to read.

Juhler is very happy with the changeover for commercial customers, which presents a different set of challenges. She particularly liked working with the Winters Senior Apartments. "I went out and did community meetings with the residents, and I did a presentation. They are just so excited, I just love to see it. They already have their recycling containers full, and we will bring more containers out to them."

Asked if there is a problem with non-recyclables

put into commercial recycling containers, she says yes, "the biggest thing is a matter of education, usually the contaminants are not coming from outside, but the custodial staff needs to be trained. It's really, like in a kitchen, whoever is taking the stuff out. Education is the key to making the program work."

"Then after that we look at whether they need locking bins. Then there is a 5 to 10 percent rate of acceptable contamination. If it goes beyond that and the load gets rejected from the recycling plant, then we have to charge you for contamination, which is the same rate as for trash."

In other cities there have been cases of certain businesses repeatedly contaminating the recyclables, and WM makes an attempt to work with the customer. "What I do is offer these companies my time, to come out and train their staff. We get that a lot — 'we don't have time to train our staff.'" Juhler is willing to come out at whatever time works for the business. She will meet with the custodial staff. Often the office staff is doing a

great job sorting things out, but the custodians throw it all into either dumpster.

After a couple months of contaminated loads, WM will remove their recyclable container and all their waste will be charged at the higher trash rate. "And it happens," says Juhler.

The loads go to Sacramento Transfer and Recycling Station, and if the recycling loads are too contaminated the staff will let WM know about it. "They'll yell at us if they don't like our loads," said Juhler. It works well in general, because if one household is dumping a lot of trash into their recycling, it is averaged against the majority that get it right.

"They know we are in transition," said Juhler. "We haul to them because they can do transfer as well as recycling." Transfer refers to sending trash to the dump. Because the facility is dual purpose, if a recycling load is rejected, which has not happened, they have the ability to pass it to the transfer operation and charge a higher rate. Without that ability the recycler would

call WM to come pick up the rejected load.

Single stream allows customers to put all their recyclables in one container and saves them the chore of separating different types of recyclables. From the point of a city's goal to increase waste that is recycled, the single stream method has proved extremely successful, increasing the recycled percentage on average by 30 percent.

More items are now accepted with the new plan, making participation easier. All paper is accepted, whereas only newspaper was accepted before. All plastics (types 1 through 7) are now accepted whereas only types 1 and 2 were accepted before. Aseptic containers (such as milk cartons) are now accepted.

The single stream approach requires the recycler to invest in more sophisticated plants that use a variety of technical devices to sort the stream, as well as workers standing in front of a conveyor belt. The investment can be as much as two to eight million dollars per plant. Plants with higher automation are more expensive. The WM plant

in Lodi uses the Dutch Bollegraf system. The Bollegraf uses magnets for metal cans, eddy current to electrically pull out aluminum, screens to sort out paper products, a cyclone to blow out lighter plastic bottles and humans to sort green glass from brown glass.

In Winters, the contract with Waste Management is a new one, starting January 1, 2007. New contracts are often a time of significant rate increases. The new price structure allows customers to keep the fee increase to less than a dollar per month if they increase their recycling habits, by shifting to a smaller bin for trash. If they wish to continue using the large 96 gallon cart for trash, their fees will go up eight dollars per month.

Customers wanting to change their service or cart sizes should call 795-1201. Juhler is available by phone at 406-4322 for general questions about the what and where of recycling. She will be producing a quarterly newsletter (printed on 75 percent recycled paper), to be included in the bill, to cover all questions about the service.



# Community



Photo by Elliot Landes

Financial advisor David Jarrett has opened an Edward Jones office at 7E East Main Street.

## Edward Jones office opens in Winters

By ELLIOT LANDES  
Staff writer

David Jarrett is at home in a town like Winters - he has a background in farming, grew up in Williams and lives in Colusa. Jarrett has been doing investment counseling in Winters for over a year and opened Winters' first Edward Jones office last week in a spanking new space in the renovated warehouse building at 7E East Main Street.

Edward Jones built its reputation as the small town alternative to big Wall Street investment houses. The St. Louis based firm started in 1922 opening offices in one-horse towns across the Midwest. Things have changed since, but the emphasis is still on small communities, and most of the 7,800 offices house a single broker. Edward Jones stands as a local alternative in a time when scandals are rocking firms with headquarters in New York and San Francisco.

Jarrett advises people on saving for retirement or college, estate planning and also offers life insurance. He helps people invest in mutual funds, corporate bonds, municipal bonds and government issues as well as stocks.

He started working in Winters as he has in towns like Arbuckle and Dunnigan, by knocking on doors, doing everything he could to meet every person in town. He has built up a number of accounts here as well as other towns and with the new office, Winters is now his headquarters. Jarrett sees education as an important part of what he does, and will be holding seminars on various investment subjects at the conference room in his new office. Jarrett will be president of the Winters Rotary starting in July 2007.

He is the first tenant in the new two story office, which was originally built

as a live/work art gallery, but ran afoul of the building codes. The office is elegantly appointed and smells of fresh paint. It has abundant natural light and looks out through windows on the north end of the building, which also is home to JDS Builders' office and the recently closed Textures.

Edward Jones is independent and does little or no stock underwriting, which helps its reputation for integrity. This assures the client the focus is on investors, as opposed to corporations issuing stock. "A sense of trust is the most important thing I can offer clients," says Jarrett.

Kiplinger's newsletter chose Edward Jones as its favorite full service broker in 2003, particularly because it showed highest stock returns for Edward Jones' stock picks and it liked the reasonable commissions and fees. Kiplinger's rated Edward Jones highly in the category of broker conduct, which it evaluated by looking at the amount of fines and restitutions levied against various firms per broker. Kiplinger's rated Edward Jones highly in this category in its 1999 study as well.

Jarrett was born in Woodland, grew up in Williams and worked in farming for twelve years before making his career change. He worked on the family farm as well as running various production farming businesses on his own. He got his B.S. in business management at Cal Poly and earned a certificate in business administration studying nights at UD Davis. His wife Deana teaches fourth grade in Colusa and they have four children.

His office is open 8-5 on Monday through Wednesday, 10-7 on Thursday, and 7-3 on Fridays. People can drop by or meet by appointment.

## All about art



Photo by Charles Wallace

The Winters Center for the Arts celebrated its last day in its old spot at 31 Main Street with a wine tasting fund-raiser and art show, coordinated by Winters High School student Katherine Rominger (left). The Center celebrates its opening at its new location at 18 Main Street with a student art show on Saturday, Feb. 10, 6-8 p.m. At right are Valerie Whitworth, a longtime supporter of the Winters Center for the Arts, and Richard Rominger, who stopped by to help support the Feb. 3 event.

## Winters Library adds Wednesday hours

The Winters Branch of the Yolo County Library will offer additional public hours on Wednesdays. The library is now open to the public on Wednesday mornings from 10 a.m. until noon, in addition to its regularly scheduled hours, of 1-8 p.m.

Weekly, the Winters Branch Library is open to

the public as follows, excluding holidays:

Mondays, 1-8 p.m.; Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m.; Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to noon and 1-8 p.m.; Thursdays, 1-8 p.m.; Fridays, 1-5 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Winters Branch Library has also hired a new Spanish speaking staff

member, Toni Mendieta, a recent UC Davis graduate.

For more information about public hours, and other services offered by the Winters Branch of the Yolo County Library, call 795-4955, visit the library at 201 First Street, or check out the library web site at <http://www.yolo-county.org/org/library/>.

## AARP offers free income tax preparation

AARP Tax-Aide volunteer counselors will be preparing Federal and California Income Tax returns every Friday morning through April 13 at the Winters Community Center.

Intended for senior and low-income taxpayers, IRS-certified volunteers will prepare and E-File tax returns at no charge. You do not need to be a member of AARP or a retiree to use

this free service.

New this year is a telephone excise tax refund for all taxpayers, whether or not they are otherwise required to file. Tax-Aide counselors will assist in obtaining this refund which ranges from \$30-60 depending on family size.

Before your meeting with a Tax-Aide counselor, you should fill out the questionnaire available at the community center

and bring the required documentation. This includes social security cards for everyone in your family, last year's income tax return, and all W-2 and 1099 forms. Be certain to have any missing documentation before going to your appointment.

Taxpayers are seen by appointments only, which can be made by calling Shelly Del Toro at 795-4241.

## Local mosquito district board needs new members

The Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District is seeking to appoint a trustee from the Winters area following the retirement of Vern Bruhn after serving several years on the Board of Trustees.

The appointments are up to four years. The first term of any member shall not exceed two years. Each subsequent consecutive reappointment, if any, may be for a term of two or

four years, at the discretion of the appointing power.

There are 12 members on the Board of Trustees, who meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 1:15 p.m. at the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District office in Elk Grove. The members of the Board of Trustees represent Sacramento and Yolo Counties, the Cities of Woodland, Davis,

Winters, Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, West Sacramento, Isleton, Folsom, Galt & Sacramento. Each board member receives a small monthly stipend for attending the meetings.

If interested in serving on the Board of Trustees, contact Nanci Mills, director of administrative services for the City of Winters, 318 First Street, or call 795-4910, ext. 101.

## Senior Citizens Club news

By MARGE SEBASTIAN  
Special to the Express

Our first meeting of the New Year was held on Wednesday, Jan. 10 in the Community Center.

The potluck was very nice with a variety of dishes, and a special thank you goes to Marie Heilman, who cooked a turkey and donated it to us.

We were a little disappointed that we did not have so many members attend as usual, but we understand that some were ill and the others may not have wished to come out because of the cold weather. We hope next month to see more of you present.

Drawing gifts were donated by Sheri del Toro and Dorothy Becker. Dorothy also donated all of our Brown Bag Bingo prizes. Members who stayed for Bingo after lunch had fun seeing what each person won.

It was great having Sheri with us again. We hope she will be well now as she sure was missed.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 14, which is Valentine's Day, at the Community Center.

Please remember that dues are payable at this time. If you have a friend or relative that is 50 years old or over, bring them along to join our group. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month and we have a very friendly group and always have a fun afternoon.

This month we will play Bingo again after our potluck for our bag prizes at no cost to you.

## Event to benefit City of Hope Cancer Center

The Fly for Hope Council will hold a crab feed fund-raiser on Saturday, Feb. 10, at St. Anthony's Parish Hall, 510 Main Street. The community is invited. Proceeds will help fund City of Hope's research efforts to find new and more effective treatments for cancer.

Renowned for its bone marrow transplantation program, City of Hope is a leader in the treatment of leukemia, lymphoma and other blood disorders. Located in Duarte, City of Hope is a National Cancer Institute designated comprehensive cancer center.

Tickets for the crab feed are \$39 per person. Call Frank Martinez for tickets, 662-1558 or 867-6030.

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# POLICE

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East Grant Avenue. An unknown suspect swerved his vehicle toward the victims, almost hitting them. A plastic bottle was thrown from the vehicle hitting one victim in the back.

~ On the 100 block of Baker Street, property was stolen from an unlocked vehicle. Loss: \$25.

## Jan. 29

~ On the 400 block of Russell Street, a utility trailer with property inside was stolen. Loss: \$6,309.

~ Cora Lynn Belcher, 22, of Pittsburg was picked up at Contra Costa County Jail, transported to Yolo County Jail and booked on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging her with failure to appear on previous charge of possessing a controlled substance.

## Jan. 30

~ Samuel Cabrera, 26, of Woodland was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, evading a police officer, being an unlicensed driver and crossing over double lines. Blood alcohol content results: .20/.20. Cabrera was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ Two Winters juveniles, ages 14 and 16, were arrested for battery. The juveniles were booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a parent on notices to appear.

~ John Michael Creamer, 43, of Winters surrendered himself on an outstanding Yolo County Sheriff bench warrant charging him with violation of probation on previous charge of driving under the influence of alcohol. Creamer was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ Found currency was turned over to the police department.

## Jan. 30-Feb. 1

~ On the 100 block of Abbey Street an unlocked bicycle was stolen. Loss: \$300.

## Jan. 31

~ On the 100 block of East Grant Avenue, a forged check was cashed at a local business.

~ On the 100 block of Quail Court, a suspect used a victim's Social Security number to gain employment and credit. The case forwarded to the District Attorney for complaint.

~ On the 100 block of East Baker Street, a 15-year-old Winters juvenile refused to go to school and was in violation of her School Attendance Review Board constructional

agreement. The case was forwarded to the District Attorney for review.

## Jan. 31-Feb. 1

~ In the downtown area, graffiti was spray painted on five businesses.

## Feb. 1

~ On the 400 block of Russell Street, property was stolen from an unlocked vehicle. Loss: \$200.

~ On the 1100 block of Valley Oak Drive, a victim's credit card information was fraudulently used to wire money.

## Feb. 1-2

~ On the 100 block of East Baker Street, two rear side windows were broken out of a vehicle with an unknown object. Damage: \$300.

~ On the 100 block of Grant Avenue, a vending machine was forcibly entered and merchandise and cash were stolen. Unknown amount of loss.

## Feb. 2

~ Zachary Eyn Gallus, 30, of Vacaville was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license and having an inoperable headlight on a vehicle.

~ On the 200 block of Baker Street, two 17-year-old Winters juveniles resisted and delayed police officers while they were performing lawful duties. The Juvenile were counseled.

~ On the first block of Baker Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The residence was found secure.

## Feb. 2-4

~ On the first block of East Main Street, graffiti was sprayed on a garage.

## Feb. 3

~ A 16-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for taking a vehicle without the owner's consent. Juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a parent on a notice to appear.

~ Terrence Duane Moore, 34, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. Blood alcohol content results: .19/.19. Moore was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

## Feb. 4-5

~ On the 800 block of Carrion Circle, graffiti was sprayed on a brick wall.

## Feb. 5

~ Antonio Garcia Sanchez, 38, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and being an unlicensed driver. Blood alcohol content results: .14/.13. Sanchez was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

# The hole thing



Photo by Elliot Landes

The hole in the ground at the high school is beginning to look more like a swimming pool. The dry winter may be a problem for some, but it is a boon for construction, and the joint city and school swimming pool project is moving along ahead of schedule. The initial schedule called for completion in July 2007.

# BEEF

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ing its own. The Buckhorn submitted a CD outlining the great pains it takes to select, age and cut its beef, and Pickerel says the award judges were impressed with the extra care, particularly in an industry that is moving away from custom aging and butchering.

“The in-house cutting program that we have is a big deal,” says Pickerel. “The beef industry has really gone to pre-portioned — frozen, easy, ready to use product. You’d be surprised the steak houses that buy frozen proportioned steaks.”

He says the next key step is aging the beef, which is done right there at the Buckhorn restaurant.

“In between buying and cutting is the unique aging program we do. It means something when the cattlemen's association recognizes that as unique. We age our sirloins 60 days. It's expensive, it consumes a lot of space, but it makes a big difference.”

Another facet involved in making sure the beef served at the Buckhorn is top-notch is training the employees to understand

the aging and cutting process, and also teaching them to be able to communicate that to the customer. In 2003, the Buckhorn created “Cow School,” wherein all employees involved in serving food attend a beef training program. In addition to learning about aging and cutting, they learn about the cooking processes, marbling characteristics and beef tenderness, to help educate their customers and promote beef, which accounts for 80 percent of the Buckhorn's menu. “Cow School” has since evolved into a mandatory training program for all Buckhorn food service employees, and is headed up by Buckhorn employee Kate Lovell.

“When the server is explaining the tenderness of our 2 and a half inch Baseball Cut, the flavor in our Bob Taylor Cut or the juiciness of our Bone-In 20 ounce Rib Eye, they know the why's and how's,” says Pickerel. “The customers truly believe we are steak experts, and leave spreading the word. Our best advertising tool is our knowledge and expertise with beef. We have to not only put a good piece of meat on the plate but we have to

explain why it's good to add value to the customer's experience.

“Through our in-house training and education, our staff knows that we are more selective about the type of beef we purchase. After purchasing, aging and cutting, we apply unique cooking techniques in order to minimize shrinkage of highly marbled meat.”

He points out that steak-houses have a lot of competition, and must do whatever they can to keep up with growing demand for pork, chicken or even vegetarian menus. In California, there is the added competition from the wide variety of ethnic restaurants available.

“In California, steak-houses are at a disadvantage of a 20 or 30 to one ratio in competition with ethnic restaurants,” says Pickerel, pointing out that the Winters location has the added disadvantage of being about 30 miles from a major population center, and must attract customers from out of the area.

Before winning national accolades for its beef menu, the Buckhorn first won the state competition about two years ago, and was honored as the best

independent steakhouse by the California Beef Council, making the restaurant eligible to compete nationally. Pickerel explains that the state and national Beef Backer Award programs strive to align the beef cattle industry's marketing dollars with necessary consumer merchandising, such as the familiar “Beef — It's what's for dinner” commercials.

Pickerel opened the Buckhorn in Winters in March 1980, and his wife, Melanie, came on board about 20 years ago. Besides the Winters steakhouse, the two also own the Putah Creek Café and Catering by the Buckhorn in Winters, and the more casual Buckhorn Grill restaurants, with three locations in San Francisco and one each in Napa, Walnut Creek and Emeryville.

Another Buckhorn Grill is expected to open in about a month. Pickerel estimates that about 115,000 customers pass through just the Buckhorn Steak and Roadhouse in the span of a year.

The Buckhorn is located at 2 Main Street in Winters. For more information or reservations, call 795-4503.

# Groups can sell tickets, raise funds

Non-profit groups are invited to earn funds by helping in the sale of tickets for the American Red Cross Heart of the Home Kitchen Tour, scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Groups interested in earning \$5 for each ticket they sell can contact Katie Parker at the Red Cross, 662-

4669, or funddevelopment@yc-arc.org by Feb. 10.

The Heart of the Home Kitchen Tour features renovated, restored or new kitchens and homes throughout Yolo County, as well as samples of gourmet foods and local wines. Proceeds support Red Cross disaster services

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# Plumbing M.D. continues expansion

Plumbing M.D., a local plumbing company founded in Winters, announces the opening of its newest franchise territory. The new exclusive territory opened in Reno, Nevada in mid-November and is operated by a management team led by long time Reno Plumbing Contractor Jared Banes.

Banes currently runs Paragon Plumbing, a large Reno based new construction and development contracting firm that is expanding into the service and repair niche via the Plumbing M.D. system. The Plumbing M.D. system is designed for residential and commercial service and repair as well as sewer and drain cleaning. Banes says that “as soon as I learned about the Plumbing M.D. system I knew it had all the ingredients necessary to attract, service and keep customers. It is an organization I want to affiliate with.” Banes, his management team and his service technicians recently completed their franchise training.

Plumbing M.D. was recently recognized as one of the fastest growing com-



Michael Farias (third from left) welcomes Jared Banes and his staff to the Plumbing M.D. franchise.

panies in the Sacramento region for the second year in a row. Founder and CEO Michael Farias says that “the reason for the continued and rapid growth is our overall approach to being service professionals. Our service embodies our slogan ‘The feel good plumbing experience.’ Additionally, we have a very recognizable brand.

“We are pleased and ex-

cited to welcome Jared and his team as the newest franchise territory. They are going to take the Reno market by storm.”

There are many aspects of the Plumbing M.D. system that make it different and distinctive. From the moment their trademarked, fully stocked, easily recognizable ambulance shows up to your home or business on time (yes, their service trucks

are ambulances that have been converted to plumbing trucks and are protected by national trademark registration) with a full compliment of tools and equipment you will notice a difference from the stereotypical plumbing experience.

For more information call Michael Farias, 866-FAST-AID or visit [www.plumbingmd.com](http://www.plumbingmd.com).

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## Slow Food Yolo features Winters citrus tour, tasting

Join Slow Food Yolo on Saturday, Feb. 10, 10 a.m. to noon, on a private tour and tasting at Four Winds Growers, a wholesale citrus nursery tucked in the hills behind Winters. Mary Helen Seeger, co-owner, and great-granddaughter of the founder of Four Winds Nursery, based in Fremont, will be leading the tour.

Participants will visit the citrus orchards, with their full grown trees, the extensive greenhouses and outdoor growing areas, while Mary Helen ex-

plains about nursery production, and the characteristics of the different citrus. The tour will be followed by a tasting of the many citrus that are in season, including the Indigo kumquat and mandarin cross, a pale pink lemon, and blood oranges.

Participants may want to bring a clipboard for the information sheet Mary Helen will give them, including where to buy the trees locally, and to take notes on the trees and the tasting. Participants will meet at a desig-

nated spot near the nursery at 9:30 a.m., then carpool up the hill 9:45 a.m.

After the tour, everyone is invited to sample some of downtown Winters' restaurants for lunch, such as Ficelle, Putah Creek Cafe, Steady Eddy's, Cody's Deli, Chuy's Taqueria, or El Pueblo Tacqueria.

The cost is \$10 for Slow Food Members, \$15 for non-members. To reserve a spot, mail checks to Slow Food Yolo c/o 1436 Pinnacles Street, Davis, CA 95616.

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## Sutter foundation launches fund-raising campaign

Sutter Davis Hospital Foundation has launched a campaign to raise money for state-of-the-art critical care equipment that will enable medical staff to provide quicker and better diagnosis and treatment capabilities in emergency medical situations. Utilizing a matching grant from Sutter Health, the campaign, called the Critical Care Project, will raise \$300,000 for the equipment and training of staff to use the new technologies. Sutter Davis was one of three medical centers in the Sutter Health system chosen for a pilot match program from the Sutter Health Philanthropy Department in 2007. The Foundation must raise \$150,000 to obtain the \$300,000 total for the equipment and training.

Among the equipment in the fund-raising drive is a portable digital X-ray detector, which eliminates the use of X-ray film and lengthy development

times. This equipment generates less X-ray exposure and better image quality. The digital data can be viewed on a screen within seconds, and the X-ray detector can be taken to the patient, rather than the patient having to be transported to the radiology department.

“When we’re dealing with emergencies, time is of the essence,” said Loren Johnson, M.D., director of the Sutter Davis Hospital Emergency Department. “The digital X-ray system along with the other equipment in the Critical Care Project will incorporate the most superior medical technologies available to significantly accelerate the diagnosis and treatment of patients with strokes, heart attacks, trauma and life-threatening illnesses and injuries.” Some of the additional project equipment that the fund-raising campaign will purchase includes a Bedside Ultrasound Unit, a Heart Fail-

ure Ultra-Filtration System and Waveform Capnography Equipment.

While Sutter Davis Hospital will continue to provide exemplary care of emergency patients, Sutter Davis Hospital Chief Administrative Officer Janet Wagner commented that the new equipment will benefit the community immensely.

“Anticipated population growth in Yolo County is expected and Sutter Davis Hospital is positioning resources in order to provide the care that is needed in emergency situations,” she said. “Combine that with the ability to diagnose and treat critical care patients in an even timelier manner, and you have a great community need that we are addressing with this campaign.”

To donate to the Critical Care Project, and for more information, contact Kristine Reveles at Sutter Davis Hospital Foundation, 757-5120.

## Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off days scheduled this weekend

The Yolo County Planning, Resources and Public Works Department, Division of Integrated Waste Management is sponsoring another Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Drop-off Day at the Yolo County Central Landfill (YCCL) on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 9 and 10. The event will take place during the hours from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. only.

Types of materials that will be accepted include: batteries, used motor oil and filters, cleaning supplies, lighter fluid, antifreeze, aerosol cans (no empties), garden pesticides and herbicides, latex or oil based paints, solvents, poisons, fluorescent bulbs or tubes, electrical switches/relays, pilot light sensors, mercury thermostats. Electronic items including TVs and monitors will be accepted for recycling as well.

HHW will be accepted from Yolo County residents only. No agricultural or medical waste. Residents who have significant quantities of HHW but cannot drive should dial (800) 433-5060 to schedule a pickup. Future planned

drop-off dates are March 9 and 10.

Batteries, used motor oil & filters, small electronics and devices (“e-waste”) with a circuit board (VCRs, cell phones, telephones, printers, radios, computers, monitors, TVs) are recycled free at the landfill on a daily basis during business hours.

Residents can also attend the reusable items day the Saturday following HHW drop-off events. The next reuse pick-up date is Feb. 17 from 9-11 a.m. at the YCCL blue building. Reusable items such as paints & cleaners are available free at this event.

Business hazardous waste from small quantity generators is accepted for a fee by appointment only. Call (800) 433-5060 to schedule an appointment.

The Yolo County Central Landfill is located at the intersection of County Roads 28H and 104, Northeast of Davis. Call 666-8729 or visit [www.yolocounty.org/recycle](http://www.yolocounty.org/recycle) for directions and more HHW information.

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# CASA seeks volunteers to help children

By KRISTY LYN LEVINGS  
Special to the Express

The store shelves are beginning to fill with heart-shaped boxes and candy announcing the arrival of Valentine’s Day. Flower shops will busily deliver flowers and the sales of stuffed animals and jewelry will rise. But as we all know, buying something is not the only way of showing that you care.

Since 1995 volunteers at Yolo County CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) have been showing abused, neglected, or abandoned foster children how much they care by donating their time & talents. Yolo County CASA volunteers spend a few hours each week in a one-on-one mentoring relationship with a foster child. They also advocate for the child’s best interest in the Court system ensuring that the child receives adequate services and the individual attention they deserve.

Studies have shown that this long term volunteer opportunity- about 18 months- yields very positive results. Foster children with CASA volunteers do better in school and are more likely to end up in a safe, permanent home. These two results are undeniable markers for a successful future as an adult.

“As a volunteer, you know you play a part in making a child’s life better.” Said CASA volunteer Jack Jackson, “You can tell by the sincere smiles and expressions of gratitude that you have helped a child through a difficult time.”

Volunteers must be over 21 years and possess reliable transportation. Criminal history and DMV checks will be performed. We invite interested individuals to attend a short, informal Information Session to learn more about the program and pick up an application.

Upcoming Information Sessions are:

~ Thursday, Feb. 8, 6 p.m. at the Woodland Yolo County CASA Office (327 College Street, Suite 204)

~ Wednesday Feb. 17, 6 p.m.. at Davis Public Library (315 East 14th Street, Davis)

~ Thursday Feb. 22, 6 p.m. at Davis Public Library (315 East 14th Street, Davis)

Call 661-4200 for more information or email volunteer@yolocasa.org, or visit www.yolocasa.org.

# Weekly fire department report

## Jan. 29

~ Medical aid, 200 block of Anderson Avenue. Unknown medical problem.

## Feb. 1

~ Medical aid, in the first block of Baker Street. Life line alarm

~ Medical aid, 400 block of Morgan Street. Difficulty breathing

## Feb. 2

~ Medical aid, 300 block of First Street. Victim of an assault

## Feb. 3

~ Medical aid, 200block of Anderson Avenue. Unknown meical problem.

## Feb. 4

~ Medical aid, Main and First streets.

~ Medical aid, 1100 block of Malaga Lane. Victims of pepper spray

~ Vehicle fire, Interstate 505 and State Highway-128.

# CPR, First Aid offered for deaf, hard of hearing

The American Red Cross of Yolo County is offering Adult CPR and First Aid for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing on Sunday, Feb. 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 120 Court Street in Woodland.

This class teaches par-

ticipants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies. In addition, students will learn and practice Adult CPR, rescue breathing, choking rescue, and the following first aid skills: bleeding control, treat-

ment of burns, fractures, sprains, seizures, poisoning, heat/cold emergencies, and preventing disease transmission. Students will also be trained to use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).

The cost for this class is \$50. This class meets OSHA (Occupational Safety & Health Administration) requirements. To register, call the Red Cross of Yolo County, 662-4669, or email hsdirexpress@yolocasa.org.

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## Women in self defense



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These women taking self defense at the Community center have been training with Louie Javier, owner of Javier Martial Arts. Sarah Wallis (second from left) has been training about six months, and recently was promoted to yellow belt. Members of the class include, from left, Dina Smith, Wallis, Cynthia Cummings and Maria Arellano.

## Men's group offered in Spanish

Yolo Family Service Agency offers Grupo de Hombres, a weekly group focusing on men's issues for Spanish-speaking men. The support group is held on Tuesdays from 7-8:30 p.m. at Yolo Family Service Agency's Woodland office, 455 First Street, at Lincoln Street. Parking is available.

The group is currently accepting participants. A fee of \$5 per session can be covered through private insurance, Medi-Cal or private payment. The group meets in a 12-week series and is ongoing.

The Grupo de Hombres is designed to allow Spanish-speaking men to meet in a safe environment for support.

Men interested in enrolling in the group can call Adrian Rodriguez, ASW, 753-6330, extension 22.



# Entertainment



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Winters High School music student Brian Williams (left), and technical support adviser Dwight Howard (right) and Bruce Brewer, (center) are already polishing up the plans for this “Note of Elegance”. The event takes place on March 23 and 24 at the Winters Community Center.

## New look for ‘Note’

By NANCY HOWARD  
Special to the Express

This year’s Note of Elegance will have a new look, a new sound, and a new producer/director, Bruce Brewer. Started in 1988 by high school music teacher Jack Pad-dock, this spring event is the primary fund-raiser for the music programs in Winters’ schools, as well as a showcase for local talent. Proceeds are used to pay entry fees for festivals and parades, for transportation and sheet music, and for the repair of musical instruments.

The new look will be a cabaret/supper club

with seating at tables, a no-host bar, and inter-mission desserts served at tableside. The new sound will be largely acoustic and range from classical to blue grass, from old-time folk music to jazz. Brewer, the new producer, is choosing from a large field of hugely talented musicians, both new and familiar, as he assembles a program with something to please every-one.

Brewer has been on-stage or backstage for all of the past ‘Notes’ and says that he would-n’t even attempt taking on this production with-out the help and support of the Steering Commit-

tee, made up of Dwight and Nancy Howard, Pinky Dahn, Richard Hemenway, Linda East-man and of course, Linda Johnson. He has also had invaluable input from past directors Lynne Secrist and Theresa Foster and musician Keith Cary, as well as current Music Boosters.

March may seem like a long time away but it is not too soon to mark your calendar for the weekend of the 23-24. Tickets will go on sale at Pacific Ace Hardware on Feb. 23. So dust off your suit and shake out your gown, the 2007 “Note of Elegance” is coming to town.

## ‘Man of La Mancha’ production features life-sized puppets

“Man of La Mancha,” the Tony award-winning musical loosely based on Cervantes’ Don Quixote, opens in UC Davis’ Main Theatre in March, pre-sented by the Department of Theatre and Dance. The story follows Don Miguel de Cervantes as he is thrown into prison to await trial by the Spanish Inquisition. The other prisoners hold a mock trial to determine whether Cervantes’ possessions, a trunk of costumes and theater props, should be distributed amongst themselves. As a defense, Cervantes presents a play about Don Quixote, as-signing each prisoner a character along with an appropriate costume from the trunk.

In a new twist, the UC Davis version features spectacular life-sized puppets that are given to the prisoners instead of costumes. Staged with the actors/puppeteers visible alongside their puppet counterparts — remind-ing us that the reality of prison is just below the il-lusion of Quixote’s La Mancha the production offers a unique presenta-tion of multi-dimensional characters that are, like all of us, a blend of noble and not-so-noble aspects.

Puppet designer and builder Kristin Phillips

has created breathtaking-ly beautiful works of art in over 20 puppet charac-ters. Some are operated by three performers, adding a new dimension to the singing and acting skills of the talented cast.

Grueneberger, Artistic Director of Puppet Art Theater Company, a pup-petry business that does 400 shows per year, is also a 2006 MFA in Acting graduate at UC Davis. Last June he presented a bare-bones version of “Man of La Mancha” for his thesis project. It was so well received that Theatre and Dance De-partment invited him back this season to stage a fully-mounted produc-tion.

In addition to Phillips, collaborators include Musical Director Pete Nowlen conducting a group of 16 players using the original instrumenta-tion, including electric and acoustic guitar; The-atre and Dance Produc-tion Manager Darrell Winn handling the scenic and lighting design; and Costume Shop Director Roxanne Femling design-ing costumes.

(Note: Although pup-pets are an integral part of this production, “Man of La Mancha” is for ma-ture audiences, with adult themes and situa-

tions, with the exception: the March 9 matinee, which is suitable for PG-13 audiences and will be followed by a discussion with the director and cast).

Performances are March 2, 3, 8, and 10 at 8 p.m. and Sundays March 4 and 11 at 2 pm. A special matinee on March 9 at 1 p.m. will be followed by a discussion with the direc-tor and cast.

Admission: general — \$20 advance/\$21 at the door; students and chil-dren — \$14 advance/\$15

## “Alice in Wonderland”



Courtesy photo

Come tumble down the rabbit hole with Alice and her friends in Lewis Carrol’s classic tale of “Alice in Wonderland.” Performances will be held on Feb. 23 and 24 at the Com-munity Center. Both shows will be at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for children and \$8 for adults, and can be purchased at City Hall, Shirley Rominger and the Middle School. From left are Paige Wright as Dodo, Emma Nicholson as the Caterpillar, Samantha Nickelson as Alice, Jolie Cintas as the Flower and Lili Manas (front) as Dinah.

## Mardi Gras fun planned at the Irish Pub

Kaycee Tenney, who hosts karaoke at the Irish Pub on Friday nights, in-vites the community to put on their favorite masks and bead strings, and come to the Mardi Gras weekend, Feb. 23 and 24 beginning at 9 p.m. at the Irish Pub. Tenney has a long history with the Irish Pub, entertaining crowds from all over Yolo and Solano counties.

“I enjoy seeing all the old familiar faces in one of Winters’ most familiar places,” says Tenney, who runs Prodigy Entertain-

ment with her husband, Dennis, when she’s not hosting karaoke. Their joint venture is in the final stages of production for “Brain Dead,” a story about being stranded in a deserted fishing lodge with a host of alien-infect-

ed, mutant amoeba-con-trolled zombies at their doorstep. Tenney says many of the scenes were shot in Winters’ own back-yard, along Putah Creek.

To check out the film, go online to [www.10brothers.com/BrainDead.html](http://www.10brothers.com/BrainDead.html).

at the door. High school groups of 10 or more re-ceive a special rate of \$10 per ticket, including adult chaperones, to any performance when re-served in advance through the Theatre & Dance Publicity Office, 752-5863. Tickets are available at the Mondavi Center Ticket Office, 754-2787 or (866) 754-2787 (toll free). For more infor-mation, visit <http://theatredance.ucdavis.edu>.



# BOMBHELLS

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already listed at Amazon.com, and Loren says pre-orders of the book are already taking place at a brisk pace. The theme of the book has obviously touched a nerve. Loren speculates that it's because most everyone knows someone who has served or is serving in a war, and they have strong feelings about it.

"War touches everyone's lives. Everyone alive and breathing should read these tales," she says. "Everyone has had a relative — children, father or uncle or brother or son — that went off to war. We often know part of their tales, but not the tales of the family who waits, sometimes for a happy homecoming and sometimes they are left forever with unanswered questions."

Loren says the plight of those left behind are touched upon in literature, dating as far back as Homer's Odyssey. But often it's just a mention, and the experience isn't elaborated upon.

"You can't discount the value of the hero, but nor can you completely ignore the experience of the family's support, as normalcy, as the base for life to go on. If we're going to be a society that wars, we should consider the whole effect of war."

Loren suspects that stories will beget more stories, and once families, friends and loved ones start reading of others' similar experiences of waiting, hoping for the best and fearing the worst, that a Bombshells II may be in order, as well as the formation of a network for people to discuss their feelings. She emphasizes that the project is not an anti-war statement. The opinions and stories run the spectrum of politics and opinion, and she invites people with varying points of view to speak up.

"We want more women

to come forward and raise the bar on these conversations and talk about the wartime experiences. We'd like to create a relationship, a bond, a blog for women of different ages, different wars and different politics, so that we can move past politics."

Besides presenting Bombshells as an avenue for discussion, Loren says that 10 percent of the proceeds from the book will be donated to Fisher House, an organization that supports families while their loved ones receive help for military injuries.

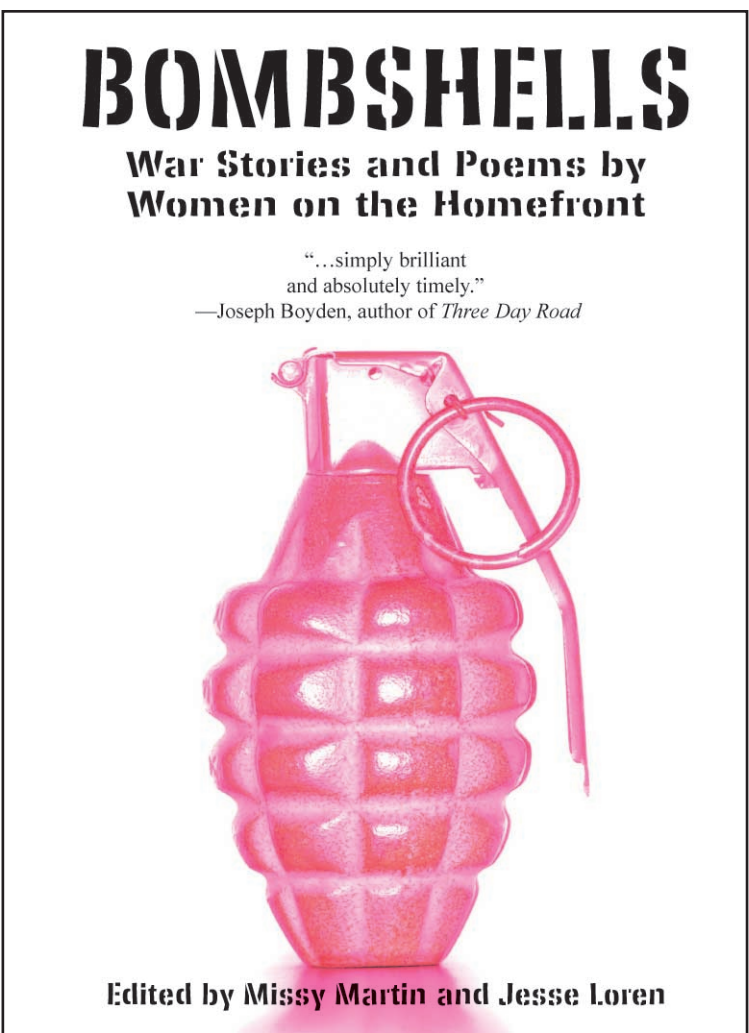
Among the stories included in Bombshells are the perspectives of mothers who lost sons in a war, daughters who lost fathers, and daughters taking care of aging veteran fathers.

"It's great pathos," says Loren. However, she points out that many of the stories are uplifting as well — "Uplifting in a way that only honesty can be." Like the experiences themselves, the stories represent a wide array of feelings, and many are supportive of the soldiers and their missions.

"It's not political," says Loren. "If you are for the war or against the war, you should know the families' stories. You should know the tale of the women."

"No matter how encompassing the politics, having an opinion about the war helps spouses frame their experience, their suffering, and their self-worth. For some of us, we are steeped in trying to make sense of the last deployment, for some they are in its midst, for some, they are counting the days — the last night together, the last breakfast, the last kiss before the departure — and still others, the last night and the last kiss that will ever be shared."

"What we are left with is the big vacuum of the unknown. I believe embracing the experience is more healing than just beating the drums of a certain ideology. The best thing we



Courtesy graphic

This is the cover of the collection of women's homefront stories co-edited by Missy Martin and Winters resident Jesse Loren. The book may be pre-ordered on Amazon.com, and will be released nationally on Feb. 14. Loren also contributed poetry to the book.

can do as a nation, is share the stories and reach out to one another."

In the press release for Bombshells, Loren writes, "Soldiers in battle — men or women — need to know that beyond the chaos and inhumanity they face at war, there is humanity, and a stasis of the hearth that waits for them back home. Maybe this need has kept the homefront experience out of mainstream war literature in the past."

"With an estimated 176,000 U.S. troops currently deployed, perhaps it's our patriotic duty to function as a society that looks at itself beyond rhetoric, politics and the steel case of duty, and acknowledge the whole experience of war."

Loren holds a bachelor of arts degree from UC

Irvine and earned her Master's of Fine Arts in 2005 at the University of New Orleans. She is a published poet and also writes a Features page column for the Winters Express from time to time. She lives in Winters with her three children, Crystal, Jarrett and Caitlin.

Martin, a resident of Phoenix, Arizona, is the sister of an army specialist. She is the co-author of "LifeLines" and the stage play "Pearls: Motherhood Unstrung." She is an MPA graduate from Arizona State University.

For more information about "Bombshells — War Stories and Poems by Women on the Homefront," search the title on Amazon.com or visit the website, . <http://www.omniart-sllc.com/bombshells.asp>.

# Teach Peace film, discussion planned

The Teach Peace monthly film and discussion series, which explores the issues surrounding 9/11, continues with "Steven E. Jones 9/11" on Friday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. in the

Blanchard Room of the Davis Public Library, 315 E. 14th Street. Admission is free.

For more information, call 758-2362 or 758-8431 or visit [www.TeachPeace.com](http://www.TeachPeace.com).

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trustee Robert Nickelson.

"I really believe that good teachers should be left alone," Nickelson said. He said he had doubts about standards based testing and pacing guides for teachers. "We're really making everybody mediocre."

Trustees Jay Shepherd and Mary Jo Rodolfa countered that the district needs to be spending more time on student achievement and that the board needs to communicate the importance of that commitment.

"We have to do a better job than what we're doing in the district," Rodolfa commented.

Trustees are expected to consider adoption of the 2007-08 goals at their Feb. 15 meeting.

**Employee contract**

The school district and employees in instructional services, food services, transportation services, maintenance and operations, office and fiscal services, and technology represented by the California School Employees Association agreed to a new contract that includes a 5.31 percent pay increase retroactive to July 1, 2006. Hourly pay under the new schedule ranges from \$10.95 to \$26.26. The increases will cost the district \$106,789 from its general fund and another \$8,658 from its cafeteria fund.

**New sidewalks**

Trustees approved conveying sufficient district property to the City of Winters for new sidewalks that will be built this summer along the north side of Edwards Street in front of Waggoner Elementary School and on the east side of Hemenway Street along the west side of Winters High School. The sidewalk projects are being funded through a California Safe Routes to School Grant and will not involve and school district funds.

**Recognitions/personnel**

Trustees recognized Wolfskill student Raul Murillo for his outstanding attitude, attendance, and accomplishments. They also recognized neighbors of the John Clayton Educational Center for their acceptance of the Wolfskill program, which is in its first year at the new location.

Maternity leaves were approved for Waggoner Elementary School teachers Laurie Garibay and Yisenia Gonzalez, and for Winters High School teacher Danielle Bertrand. Jennifer Ramos was hired as an aide at Winters Middle School and Christopher Guardado as a workability student at Winters High School.

**Next meeting**

The next board of Trustees meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 15, at Winters Middle School, 425 Anderson Avenue.



# Sports

## Warriors beat Bulldogs again

By ERIC LUCERO  
Express sports

The varsity boys' basketball team beat the visiting Gridley Bulldogs for the second time this season with a 54-41 victory. The Warriors defensive pressure made it difficult for the Bulldogs to get any

kind of offense going and held their top scorer to just 11 points.

"We tried to limit his opportunities with the box and one," said coach Jason Davis. "Alexio Jurado did a good job for us guarding him and led the team in scoring."

The Bulldogs managed

just 8 points in the third and 3 in the fourth.

Jurado scored 15 points to lead the Warriors followed by Colton Crabtree and Mateus Peruck with 10 points each, Alex Thomson with 8, Pierre Cooper with 6 and Justin Valenzuela with 5 points for the Warriors.

## Varsity girls fall to Gridley on February 2

By ERIC LUCERO  
Express sports

The varsity girls basketball team traveled to Gridley on Friday, Feb. 2, and lost 61-48 in a Butte View League game. After a tied half time score, the Warriors were out scored 16-4

and 20-18 in the third and fourth periods respectively.

"We started out slow but came back in the second period to tie the game before the half," said coach Matt Cooley. "But in the third period we played like we were wearing ce-

ment shoes."

Lauren Yehle led the Warriors scoring 21 points. Jenny Campos scored 15 points and made four 3-point shots. Rebecca Salas scored 8 points, while Taryn Jones scored 4 points for the Warriors.

## JV boys fall to the Bulldogs 50-38 on Friday

By ERIC LUCERO  
Express sports correspondents

The JV boys basketball team lost 50-38 to the visiting Gridley Bulldogs on Friday, Feb. 2. The Warriors fell behind early but did make a strong comeback

late in the second half to make it a closer game.

"We just keep making the same mistakes," said coach Brad Burton. "We are not adjusting to their pressure and continue to turn the ball over."

Woody DeVries, Cody Shafer and Jules Damey

each scored 6 points to lead the Warriors. Aaron Geerts scored 5 points, Max Mariani and Patrick Leslie each scored 4 points, Jose Ceja scored 3 points, while Miguel Del Rio and Kyle Tobler each scored 2 points for the Warriors.

## Lady Warriors win one, lose one this past week

The Warriors girls' soccer team lost to Orland on Tuesday, Jan. 30, by a score of 2-0 but then turned it around and beat the Gridley

Bulldogs 2-0 on Thursday, Feb. 1, in two Butte View League games last week.

In the victory over the Bulldogs, Danielle Mur-

phy and Savanna Waldron each scored a goal for the Warriors, while Maribel Escobedo had five saves in the shutout.

## Freshman play tough in loses against Wheatland

By ERIC LUCERO  
Express sports

The Winters High School freshman boys basketball team lost their last two games, but not for lack of effort. The Warriors lost a Butte View League game to Wheatland on Friday, Jan. 26, by a score of 43-30 in Wheatland.

Winters then returned home for a game against the visiting Gridley Bulldogs on Friday, Feb. 2, and lost a close game 54-51. The Warriors came from behind against the Bulldogs and had a chance to put the game into overtime but couldn't make the tying score.

"We played really well," said coach Matt Baker. "We did what we had to do at the end of the game. We were just unable to tie the game."

Against the Wheatland Pirates Riki Lucero led the Warriors in scoring with 10 points. Vince Doyle scored 8 points, Cody Romero scored 6,

Cody Klimper had 4 and Kyle Bowen scored 2 points for the Warriors.

Doyle and Romero led the Warriors scoring 13 points each. Klimper scored 7 points, Ed La-

timer scored 5 points, Bowen, Lucero and Tyler Berg each scored 4 points, while Zach Pangburn scored 1 point for the Warriors.

## Hellinger, White champions on the mat

By ERIC LUCERO  
Express sports

Jesse Hellinger and Brandon White both brought home the gold for the Warriors wrestling team on Saturday, Feb. 3, after competing in the Oakland High School Tournament. Hellinger won two matches by pin and two by tech, while White pinned two, teched one and beat the other opponent 10-2.

"Both of them did really well," said coach Tim Hausler. "They look like they are starting to peak at the right time."

Beau Howard also did well for the Warriors going 2-2. Billy Rotenkolber went 2-2 as well, while Jessica Rubio wrestled hard but didn't place for the Warriors.

"Jessica is doing really well for such a hard weight class," Hausler said.

On Wednesday, Jan. 31, at Shirley Rominger School, the Warriors hosted the Sutter Huskies in a dual meet. Rubio wrestled another tough match but lost in the end. Howard wrestled hard and was up 6-2 before being pinned in his match.

"Beau was doing well, but that's where experience or lack of experience can come into play," said Hausler.

White wrestled well

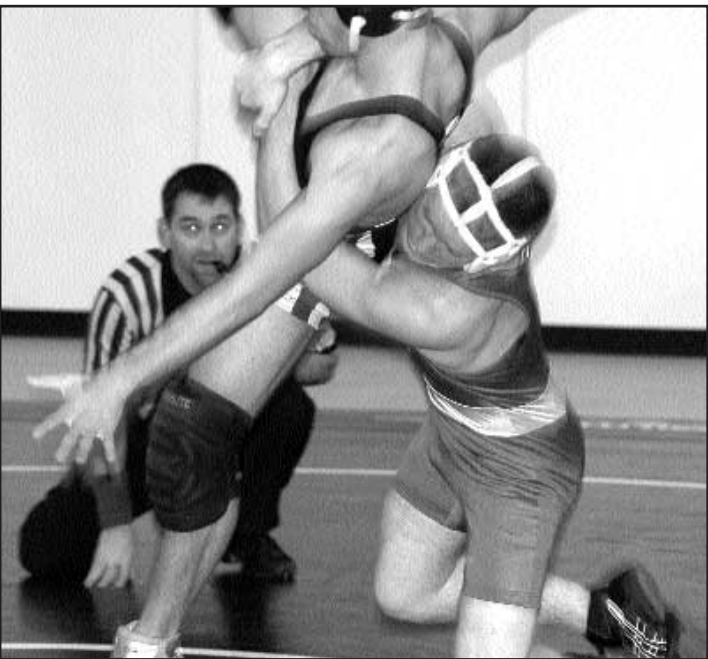


Photo by Eric Lucero

Beau Howard throws a Sutter wrestler to the mat on Wednesday, Jan. 31, at Shirley Rominger School.



Photo by Eric Lucero

Brandon White ties up his opponent before winning his match against Sutter High School on Wednesday, Jan. 31, at Shirley Rominger School.

and won his match. Jose Sousa gave his opponent a tough time in a loss, while Rotenkolber won his match by pinning his opponent.

"Billy is really a tough kid," coach Hausler said. "Once he gets more matches under his belt he is going to be very hard to beat."

## CODY'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



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## Alexio Jurado

Alexio Jurado, a senior captain on the Winters High School varsity boys' basketball team is this week's athlete of the week. Jurado, the Warriors' leading scorer with 161 points on the season, leads the team in assists, steals and is third in rebounding, had a huge game on Friday, Feb. 2, against the Gridley Bulldogs. Jurado scored 6 of his 15 points in the fourth period and held the leagues leading scorer to zero points in the fourth to help guarantee the Warriors a spot in the playoffs by defeating the Bulldogs 54-41.

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# Schools

## Talent show performances



Photo by Cat Hasbrouk (left), Brian Williams (center), and John Harper (right) from Ultimate Warriors, performed a skit at the Winters High School Talent show this past Wednesday, January 31 at the Community Center.

## Free First Aid class offered for youth

The American Red Cross is offering a Free First Aid for Youth class for ages 11-18. The class is scheduled for Saturday, March 10, 12-4 p.m. in the Blanchard Room of the Davis Library, 315 E. 14th Street in Davis. In this class, students will learn how to recognize and respond to emergencies, care for bleeding, burns, fractures, seizures, shock, stroke, heat/cold emergencies and poisoning. This is a popular class, so registration is on a first come, first served basis. For more information or to register, call the American Red Cross of Yolo County, 662-4669.

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

## Storytelling program focuses on African culture

Sandy Holman will present a lively and interactive program focusing on African heritage on Feb. 18 in the Community Room at International House, 10 College Park in Davis, from 2-3 p.m. Children will learn some African history, dance and the importance of cultural heritage in a program interwoven with her first children's book, "Grandpa, Is Everything Black

Bad?" Holman will bring some of her books for signing on that day. Director and Founder of The Culture C.O.-O.P., an organization that works to foster awareness of and appreciation for culturally diverse communities, Sandy is an award-winning author of children's books and a diversity consultant. The storytelling event is open to the public.

There is no charge for International House members. There is a suggested donation for non-members (\$2 per person or \$5 per family). Every third Sunday afternoon per month, children ages 4-10 enjoy storytelling performances with international content at the I-House. For more information, call Shirley German, 758-4196, or Kathryn Tyson, 753-5007. More informa-

tion on the Storytelling Program is at [www.internationalhousedavis.org/storytelling](http://www.internationalhousedavis.org/storytelling). For more information on Culture C.O.-O.P visit [www.cultureco-op.com/](http://www.cultureco-op.com/) International House, Davis is an independent, nonprofit community organization. Its purpose is to promote respect and appreciation for all peoples and cultures.

## Yellowbelt promotion



Courtesy photo Lucas Cummings, 17, (center) was promoted to the rank of yellow belt in his martial arts class at Javier Martial Arts in Winters, where he is doing his senior project.

## Hospital auxiliary offering scholarships

Applications for Sutter Davis Hospital Auxiliary scholarships for 2007 are now being accepted. Anyone who is a resident in the Davis, Dixon, Winters and Woodland school districts, and intends to pursue a health-related career or re-enter the health field, is eligible to apply. Application materials are available at the high school offices in Davis, Dixon, West Sacramento,

Winters and Woodland. They are also available at the Sutter Davis Hospital Information Desk. (2000 Sutter Place in Davis). The deadline for submitting all applications, including a personal essay, official transcript of acade-

mic work, and letters of reference is March 31. Recipients will be announced in April and honored at an auxiliary luncheon in May. For more information, call the Sutter Davis Hospital information desk, 759-7485.



# Nuestras Noticias



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## Las minorías en el juego

Parece muy prematuro estar hablando de una pelea política entre los Demócratas, por la nominación de su candidato para la contienda presidencial del 2008, sin embargo el proceso ya comenzó, y los candidatos que ya se han declarado como participantes en este proceso son de la llamada minoría. Lo cual le da un giro interesante y así podremos comprobar en que nivel se encuentra el liderazgo de las minorías en los Estados Unidos.

Por lo menos le van a dar diversidad al proceso, un proceso en el cual por lo general hasta hoy los participantes para los puestos principales eran de la raza blanca. Los electores que apoyan al partido demócrata deberán apoyar la plataforma electoral, para tener por lo menos otra opción al escoger candidato.

Los que han dicho si a la participación por la nominación, son: Hillary Clinton, Billy Richardson y Barack Obama. De ellos va a depender en gran medida que los electores de los tres grupos que dicen representar, aprendan a ver al país como algo más que una trinchera personal, donde no hay cabida para la convivencia ni las propuestas ajenas.

Clinton representa la oportunidad de demostrar al país que la igualdad entre las mujeres y los hombres dista mucho de ser realidad, y que todavía en la vida cotidiana se necesita hacer muchos cambios y enmiendas para poder alcanzar la igualdad.

Richardson representa para los hispanos alguien en quien se puede apoyar la comunidad hispana, y tal ves él pueda ayudar a resolver la difícil y compleja situación migratoria a la que Estados Unidos no le halla la cuadratura. Él con su experiencia negociadora podría lograr ablandar a los sectores más radicales de la población que siguen insistiendo en implementar medidas para detener la inmigración ilegal.

Obama representa dejar de luchar por derechos naturalmente ganados y zanjar las diferencias que los separan de sus hermanos anglosajones.

Clinton, Richardson y Omaba representan las voces de los raramente se les deja hablar, representan los cambios que tanto tiempo se han estado esperando, representan las voces de las minorías. El debate entre ellos por seguro nos va a presentar posturas y modos de hacer política muy diferentes, pero de acuerdo al momento histórico que estamos viviendo en este país, los líderes demócratas deben ser capaces de trabajar unidos, y ayudar a tener un dialogo que ayude a identificar los problemas y las soluciones para que los grupos minoritarios en este país tengan un real avance en todos los campos.

Los candidatos tendrán una excelente oportunidad para mostrar su verdadero compromiso con los sectores que están representando, y a nosotros nos corresponde aprovechar esta oportunidad para hacer valer nuestra identidad.

## Becas Cal Grants

Seguimos invitando a los alumnos y Padres de familia para que no desaprovechen la oportunidad de aplicar por estas becas llamadas Cal Grants, vemos como día a día los estudios universitarios en las diferentes instituciones del estado el costo de la educación va en aumento y parece como si no tuviera en que detenerse. Los estudiantes que deciden asistir al colegio o a una universidad tienen a su disposición dinero a través de las becas Cal Grants, que puede ayudar con una parte del dinero para cubrir los costos de la educación, lamentablemente estas becas no son aprovechadas por quienes pueden hacerlo, y el dinero se pierde.

El año pasado se otorgaron cerca de 900 millones de dólares a 270 mil estudiantes, y este año se estima

que el monto individual de la beca puede llegar a 9,700 dólares por becado para cubrir por un año los gastos escolares en una universidad o escuela técnica. El mayor problema de estos fondos es que no son para indocumentados, una situación injusta que está ligada a disposiciones del gobierno federal, pese a que la beca es estatal.

No obstante, hay miles de jóvenes que por razones menos serias tampoco aprovechan la oportunidad. Ésta es una ayuda monetaria para educación que no exige ser devuelta como un préstamo, y su trámite es sencillo. La fecha límite es el 1 de marzo, por eso hay que apurarse. Hágale el favor al estudiante más cercano y pregúntele si aprovecha la oportunidad de los Cal Grants. Él o ella se lo agradecerán.

## Aumento en Tarifas

El Servicio de Inmigración y Ciudadanía (CIS, por sus iniciales en inglés), que depende del Departamento de Seguridad Interior, anunció el miércoles pasado que quiere incrementar la cuota de la solicitud para obtener la ciudadanía estadounidense, de 330 dólares que cobra actualmente a 595 dólares, un aumento de 80%. Agregó que también planea elevar la cuota para volverse residente permanente legal, de 325 a 905 dólares.

La oficina, sin embargo, dijo que planea eliminar otros costos que los solicitantes pagan a menudo mientras esperan el documento que les garantiza su estado como residentes permanentes.

La oficina dijo que las nuevas cuotas reducirían los tiempos promedio de procesamiento de solicitudes para finales de septiembre del 2009. La CIS agregó que con los aumentos de las cuotas espera recaudar 2.000 millones de dólares durante dos años.

## George W. Bush fue, es y seguirá siendo un inepto mandatario

Después de ver como nuestro Presidente nos embarco en una guerra innecesaria, a la cual fue con la manipulación de muchas pruebas de que Irak tenía armas de destrucción masiva, convenció a muchos líderes para que lo apoyaran, pero después de haber descubierto que solo eran mentiras y manipulaciones, ahora los líderes que en su tiempo lo apoyaron, por fin han despertado y se han dado cuenta de lo que por tiempo sabe la mayoría de estadounidenses: George W. Bush fue, es y seguirá siendo, hasta el mediodía del 20 de enero del 2009, un inepto mandatario.

Los índices de aprobación de su presidencia, andan por los suelos, menos del 30 por ciento. El pueblo en su infinita sabiduría supo antes que los que ahora regañan al Presidente y los partidarios del terco republicano, que lo de Irak fue, es y continuará siendo un desastre. Mas de las dos terceras partes del pueblo americano consideran que la guerra no tiene sentido, y no lo tiene al momento que se siguen perdiendo mas vidas de jóvenes, y más cuando la situación en Irak se ha vuelto más problemática,

La desaprobación y las protestas en contra de la guerra a nivel nacional igualan ala oposición internacional, y es tan grande la oposición, que inclusive si Bush cap-

turara a Osama Bin Laden su nivel de popularidad seguiría por los suelos. Ahora el problema es como salir de Irak sin tener tantas muertes, insisto que esto esta siguiendo los pasos de Viet Nam. La misma gente en Irak sigue peleando entre ellos, porque eso es lo que han hecho por décadas, ahí su guerra es religiosa, su guerra es por la posesión de quien tiene la verdad y quien la mentira. A ellos no les importa morir, los guerrilleros para eso se entrenan, para morir, los soldados americanos se entrenan para vivir, y ahí esta la gran desventaja, no importa si Bush manda 20 mil o 100 mil soldados, nuestros jóvenes seguirán siendo los blancos predilectos de los guerrilleros.

Ni Osama, ni Iran o corea del Norte deben de desviarnos de nuestro objetivo principal, traer a los soldados lo mas pronto que se pueda. Bush ya no tiene credibilidad con sus conciudadanos, pero tampoco se debe dejar que los demócratas, especialmente los que aspiran a ser los próximos residentes de la Casa Blanca, sean dejados a otro embaleco que permita que nuestros soldados sigan muriendo y matando a otros que no fueron amenaza. Con todo esto ¿Cómo revivir a un Presidente, cuya popularidad esta por los suelos?

## Protestas al viento

Una vez más, un agente de la Patrulla Fronteriza mata a un indocumentado mexicano en la frontera, dizque en defensa propia. Francisco Javier Martínez, de 24 anos de edad y originario del estado de Puebla, fue asesinado a balazos por un oficial que actualmente sigue cobrando su sueldo y a quien difícilmente van a castigar o siquiera investigar como es debido. Pero déjeme decirle que lo ocurrido en Bisbee, Arizona, no es casualidad. Esa región es hoy por hoy la más racista de todo Estados Unidos. Ahí viven, ni más ni menos, que los fundadores de grupos anti-inmigrantes como los Minuteman, los de Ranch Rescue y los de la American Border Patrol.

Mucha gente ahí no sólo no quiere a los migrantes, sino que disfruta maltratándolos y haciéndoles daño. Lamentablemente, este se ha convertido en uno de los últimos puntos para intentar el cruce evadiendo las nuevas medi-

das de vigilancia en la frontera con México. Es por ello que los migrantes seguirán utilizando esa ruta y es por eso que muy probablemente seguiremos escuchando noticias como las de Francisco. Para acabar con el problema, o al menos reducirlo, el presidente Calderón no tiene que declarar a los medios que “protestara enérgicamente en contra del gobierno estadounidense” (cosa que ni siquiera ha ocurrido formalmente por parte de su Secretaria de Relaciones Exteriores).

Lo que en realidad debe hacer el flamante mandatario es cumplir la promesa que hizo el día de su toma de posesión. Dar trabajo a los mexicanos. Crear las condiciones económicas necesarias para evitar que cada año más de 400 mil mexicanos se arriesguen a encontrarse con patrulleros fronterizos o rancheros racistas como los de Bisbee, Arizona. Eso, Digan lo que digan, sirve mucho mas, que una simple y tímida protesta.

## Los Impuestos para este año

Usted debe presentar una declaración de impuestos si sus ingresos son arriba de cierto nivel. La cantidad varía dependiendo del estado civil tributario, edad y la clase de ingreso que recibe. Por ejemplo, una pareja de menos de 65 años generalmente no tiene el requisito de presentar una declaración de impuestos hasta que su ingreso combinado llegue a 16,900 dólares. Sin embargo, los individuos que trabajan por cuenta propia deben presentar una declaración de impuestos si sus ingresos netos exceden los 400 dólares.

Revise la sección “Individuals” del sitio del IRS.gov o consulte las instrucciones de los formularios 1040, 1040A o 1040EZ para detalles específicos que pueden indicarle si necesita presentar una declaración de impuestos con el IRS este año. Aunque usted no tenga el requisito de

presentar una declaración, debe hacerlo para recibir un reembolso si el impuesto federal fue retenido de su pago, o si reúne los requisitos para alguno de los siguientes créditos:

Crédito por Ingreso del Trabajo. Es un crédito tributario federal para trabajadores de bajos ingresos. Reduce la cantidad de impuesto que el contribuyente debe y se le puede regresar en forma de reembolso.

Crédito Tributario Adicional por Hijos. Está disponible si tiene tres o más hijos que reúnen los requisitos o si tiene uno o dos hijos que los reúnen y tiene ingresos que exceden 11,300 dólares. Le puede proporcionar un reembolso aunque no adeude ningún impuesto. Más información en el sitio del IRS en Internet en: IRS.gov o llamando al 1 (800) 829-1040 x 8.

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# Features

## Inflammation of nerve triggers dizziness

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: One morning this past week, I woke up with such dizziness that I can't describe it adequately. It made me sick to my stomach, and I threw up. I went back to bed and lay there for an hour before I could get up and navigate at all. I have never been seasick, but I think this is the closest I'll ever come to it. What causes this, and what can I do for it? — M.M.

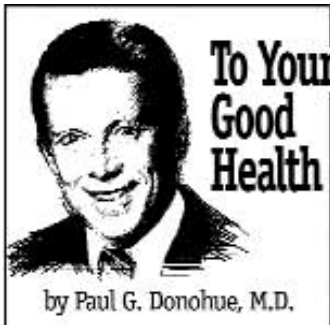
ANSWER: The causes of dizziness are dizzyingly numerous, but if you insist I take a stab at the diagnosis, I would choose vestibular neuritis. The vestibular nerve is the nerve that takes balance signals to the brain from the inner ear. Inflammation of that nerve makes people feel like they're aboard a ship that's rocking and rolling in gigantic waves.

The inflammation is often due to a viral infection. It comes on quickly, the way you describe what happened to you. Nausea and vomiting are almost always part of the picture. I'd like to tell you that things will be well in short order, but the nerve inflammation can last a long time. Symptoms lessen, but lingering dizziness can remain. Cortisone drugs quicken recovery. At least, studies have shown that people who take those drugs regain their equilibrium faster than those who don't.

Motion-sickness drugs like Antivert can also be tried.

What you must do is see the family doctor. I have briefly outlined one common cause of dizziness, but vestibular neuritis is only one of many causes. Treatment of those conditions is quite different from treatment of vestibular disturbance.

The booklet on vertigo (dizziness) discusses the more-common conditions where dizziness is the prominent feature. It also provides information on treatment of those causes. Readers who would like a copy can obtain one by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 801W, 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



To Your Good Health

by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: When I lose weight, it comes off my face. I want to lose it from my stomach. A few pounds of weight loss make me look gaunt. What can I do to keep my facial fat? — R.R.

ANSWER: When people lose weight, they lose fat from all fat deposits. A small amount of fat lost from the face can make some people look like a skeleton. The same amount of fat lost from the waist is hardly detectable.

I admit that I don't know any way to prevent this. Nature can be most unfair.

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 35 and would like to have a flu shot. My doctor says I'm too young to get the shot. Won't it work? — G.M.

ANSWER: It'll work for you. Anyone of any age can get a flu shot if he or she requests. The only reason why you might be refused is a shortage of the vaccine. That shouldn't happen this year.

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

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## True love can cross all boundaries

Everybody has a love story. The beginning of love, the ending of love, and the living of love all are unique for there is always some little difference that sets one love story apart from another.

I can't tell you about my love story because my wife discourages me from invading her privacy, which I perfectly understand. She is a private person and needs her space and I am just the opposite because I want the whole world to know that I love her and all of the details of its birth, growth, and why it is such a success. That is pushing the limit on any details that I can give you about my love story but I have another even more absorbing and wonderful love story that I can tell you about.

Sometimes, fairy-book love stories really do come true and I know this because it happened to my son Rick. I like to call him my son even though there is another man that can legally take that title away from me, his natural father. Regardless of this paternal fact, or anything that anyone can say on the subject, Rick is my son and that's just how it is; end of statement.

Our love story is set at the 2000 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. Thousands upon thousands of athletes, support teams, security teams, and visitors from all over the world converged, within a few short days upon this little city. A city constructed in a circle with streets originating at the Temple and extending out, at intervals, for miles until the terrain turns to a steep mountainous wonderland. Other streets start at the Temple and are not unlike the spokes on a bicycle wheel. I have found that the citizens of Salt Lake have a ferocious love of their city and they believe navigation of their streets, a simple and easy task.

I get lost every time I climb into a car, even if I'm going around the corner to the store. You can



drive for a few blocks and run into an intersection with the same exact street that you are driving on. Then what do you do? Turn on to the street you're on or stay on the street you're on. How are you supposed to get back to where you started? I went past my son's house five times because it was on the street I was on but I wasn't on that street. I could see it but couldn't reach it. There are addresses like, 13000 South, 13000 East Street or 13000 East 13000 West Street, and believe it or not, they do intersect at some point. It's all very confusing.

Anyway, back to the love story. My son Rick, a student, worked part time in the Olympic complex computer center where the athletes could go to email their families. Lo and behold, out of the thousands and thousands of people bumping into each other without even noticing, a beautiful daughter of Russia and an Olympic Hockey Skater, came face to face with my son. This woman is capable of gliding over the ice with an unexpected grace that even I, a man of knowledge and experience, have never witnessed. I have seen just about everything that the world has to offer and I am mesmerized every time I watch her skate. It is a mystery to me how a person can skate without touching the ice. Something is off here, and I think it may be divine in nature.

This daughter of Russia, a damsel in distress, required the aid of a computer tech. to send her email toward home and her beloved family. My boy Rick is smart and good looking like me so he was Johnny-on-the-spot and eager to be there to rescue her. Their eyes locked upon each other. Soon they were sneaking past security

ty and going to the theater and out to dinner. Falling in love was as natural as driving in circles around the Temple. This new love, like the circles around the Temple, was founded in love, always travels around and around, and then comes back within itself in a never ending fold of familiarity and love.

The end of the Olympics was not the end of the love story. Within months my son could stand it no longer and climbed onto an airplane intent on finding his Russian Princess. She and her family met him on the airstrip in Siberia. That's right! Siberia. The end of the world for us but it was the much beloved homeland for the lovely Russian Princess.

To make a long story short, Rick asked her father for his daughter's hand in marriage, and then knelt and asked her to be his bride. She accepted. Several years passed before the Russian Authorities would sign immigration papers for her. (Delays caused by the amount of violence in the United States). Finally, the day arrived when the Russian Princess and my son Rick were wed. I now have a grandson who calls me "peepaw" and my wife, "peemaw". At 2 years old he can speak both Russian and English ga-ga-goo-goo. Unfortunately, Russia has not relaxed its (visitation) visa's rules, so the Russian Princess' parents have never held their grandson like I do as often as I can. We are now praying for the day that we can all be together as an extended family; Russian and American. We will stand hand in hand in a circle of love but the Temple will not be in the middle. That spot is reserved for my grandson.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Lots of mixed signals can create an unreliable situation in which to make decisions. Best advice: Hold off on making any commitments until you're sure you know what's going on.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An apparently friendly offer comes with some strings attached. Be careful not to get tied into something you don't really want. Thoroughly examine all your options before making a choice.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) If you're not careful, distractions can interrupt your best efforts. Continue to focus on what you need to do. You'll soon have lots of time to enjoy the rewards of your dedication.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Knowledge replaces suspicion as you begin to learn more about that "act of betrayal." On a lighter note, someone close to you might be planning a pleasant surprise.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Control your sometimes-overactive jealousy gene before you find yourself saying or doing something that you could later regret. Best advice: Stop obsessing and move on.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to loosen up and do something wonderful and exciting before your more reserved nature resurfaces. A message brings news of imminent change.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Cheer up. Things begin to improve significantly by mid-February. However, you might still need help to get through the rest of this sometimes-difficult period.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Something you learned last week takes on new meaning as you begin to relate it to another situation in your life. It's best to keep this matter to yourself for now.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your energy level is climbing, and so is your self-confidence. Good for you, because you'll need a good dollop of both to tackle an exciting challenge on the way.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A family issue might interrupt a career-linked project. Try to give the matter the attention it needs, but be careful not to jeopardize your workplace situation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Some self-doubt shows up this week, causing you to question your ability to handle a new challenge. But you know you can do it, and this is your chance to prove it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A personal matter requires you to be as clear and forthcoming as possible in order to avoid misunderstandings. A career move is eased with the emergence of new facts. BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of reaching people that makes them feel good about themselves. You would be a splendid motivational speaker.

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### King Crossword

ACROSS	1 Diamond	5 Taxi	8 Pub refreshments	12 Press agent?	13 Dos Passos trilogy	14 Stick in the mud	15 Languid	17 Largest of the seven	18 Pianist-composer Erik	19 Tui Party figure	21 One-on-one battle	24 Conk out	25 Cheat on a test	28 Faction	30 Thanksgiving abbr.	33 Monokini's lack	34 Argonauts' skipper	35 Cain's mother	36 U.C. VIP	37 Anise-flavored liqueur	38 Dougl.	39 Comic-strip squeal	41 Small combo	43 Topped	46 Scooby bars	50 Pelvic bones	51 Delicacy in perfection				
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**Help Wanted**

**Winters Joint Unified School District 3rd Grade Dual-Immer. Long-Term Sub needed.** Multiple Subj. W/ BCLAD required. 3/5/07-6/1/07 \$130.00/Day. Open Til Filled.

**Substitute Teachers Needed: \$105.00/Day Classified Vacancies: Instr. Aide, P/T. Short-Term Assignment:** 4th/5th Grade, 3hrs/day, M-F, 9am- 12pm, \$10.05/hr. ASAP thru May, 07. Add'l requirements at District Office. Open til filled

**Classified Subs Needed: Crossing Guard Substitutes needed.** Custodians; Student Supv Aides, etc. \$10.40/hr.-As needed

**Applications/Job Descriptiong at District Office**

**909 W. Grant Ave. HR/ 530-795-6103**

CAREGIVER FT/PT for DD adults. Criminal clearance upon hire. 707-435-1912

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Ranch Hand. Energetic "Bee" worker. CDL req. Computer helpful. N/S environ. Tom: (707)449-0440 51-4TP

Pest Control Route Tech wanted for California's fastest growing pest control co. We are looking for a motivated, self-directed person to represent a co. dedicated to excellence. Must have good DMV. Apply: Clark Pest Control 811 Eubanks Dr. Vacaville or 707/446-9748 51-4TP

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Truck Drivers Dixon Based Company, local flat bed deliveries, great pay, nice equipment, Class A with min 2 years exp. DMV printout and drug screen. 707 693-6584 7-52tp

Restaurant \*\*NOW HIRING\*\*FRIENDLY STAFF For "New" McDonald's Leisure Town Rd. Vacaville Crew: \$7.50-\$9.50/hr. Mgr.: \$8.75-\$10.50/hr. Additional benefits avail. 800-500-4MCD ext. 20 51-4TP

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DRIVERS NEEDED P/T Class B pref'd. mornings & afternoons. Ask for Linda at 2573 Clay Bank Rd., Suite 13, Fairfield. 1-2tp

DRIVER HOSTLER - Class A req'd. Fairfield facility, F/T. \$17/hr., bnfts. Clean DMV req'd. Call Dee @ Devine Intermodal (916) 662-3787 1-2tp

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Petroleum Lab Tech. No exp. nec. FT, Mon.-Fri., entry level. Drug screening Apply Herguth Labs, 101 Corporate Place, Vallejo or Fax resume 707-554-0109

Sports/Travel Marketing 10 Marketing Reps needed. Immed. hire & pay. Call Nicole: 707-655-9135

SOCIAL WORKER Are you looking for a fun & exciting place to work? Telecare Solano Psychiatric Health Facility is looking for a Social Worker for a 16 bed acute psychaiatric facility. We offer competitive pay, exc. bnfts., 401k & much more! Please call Amanda:707/784-2133 for more info.

Counselors (Relief) needed for 24 hr. adult mental health facility in FF. Some scheduled hrs., some oncall. Fingerprint clearance req'd. BA pref'd \$10.45/hr. Fax resume 707/422-1647

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Nursing RNs Full or Part Time Healthy Work Environment RETENTION BONUS!!! BLOOD CENTERS OF THE PACIFIC seeks RN to work in up-beat, fast paced blood bank w/sites located in Fairfield & Walnut Creek Full training & orientation prgrm. Exc. fringe bnfts. incl. uniform allowance, medical, dental & vision coverage + generous Paid Time Off Program for 30+ hrs. employees. Flex. sched. may incl. wknds. Valid CA nursing lic., driver's lic. w/acceptable DMV record, & CPR card req. Indicate choice of work location. Submit resume with JOB CODE: RN to: Fax (415) 749-6620 or email: resumes@bloodcenters.org EOE/AA. www.blood-centers.org

WAREHOUSE Unloaders, Tote Replenishers, & Trailer Strippers, needed in Woodland, CA, to work AM shifts , & some weekends. Forklift & pallet jack exp. Benefits after 30 days. Must pass background check & drug screen. Please call 1-888-306-8042, leave name, number & reference the city & state in message.

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MAINTENANCE WORKER- Motor Pool FT w/exc. bnfts. pkg. HS diploma/GED and min. 1 yr. exp. in the operation & maintenance of auto equipment. Call CA Maritime Academy 707/654-1140 or www.csm.edu for application. Refer to Job 15, CMA Facility Worker; apps. reviewed Feb. 16. EOE

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Optical Dispenser / Asst. Busy Dr. office seeks organized individual for F/T pos. Need optical exp. for frame styling. Computer & ins. billing exp. pref. Salary DOE. Fax resume to 707-447-3628

**Help Wanted**

Field Service Technician Field Service Technician needed for leading mfg. of power wheelchairs to handle in-home product deliveries & service in the Greater Vacaville/Fairfield/Vallejo area. Electro/Mech aptitude & a clean driving record a MUST. Show interest at hr2@hoveround.com or fax to 941-739-5342 Visit our website at www.Hov-eround.com EOE/AA.

MEDICAL SALES Hoveround, a national co., seeks exp. for in-home eval./demos of DME for the Vacaville/Fairfield/Vallejo area. EMT's, PT's, OT's AP-PLY!! Exc. \$\$, vehicle provided. Clean driving record req'd. Show interest at HR2@hoveround.com or fax to 941-739-5342 Visit our website at www.hoveround.com. AA/EOE

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MECHANIC p/t, 3days/wk. Must have exp. in diesel engines, light trucks & high reach fork lifts. Night work may be poss. Apply at 4349 Cordelia Rd., FF.

Welder Fabricator needed for Truck Body Manufacturer. Must be reliable and have truck body exp. Good pay plus benefits. Friendly work environment. Fax resume to 707-864-2756 or call (707)864-2700

**Help Wanted**

LABORERS LOAD CREW/PLANT CREW We are seeking Load Crew/Plant Crew members in our Suisun City, CA office to provide labor requirements at the location and handle products while complying with MSHA regulations. Individuals will maintain a safe working environment in compliance with regulations and company policies; load/unload products; load tanker trucks; check product bins; yard work and general maintenance of equipment. Candidate must be able to drive company vehicles and complete necessary paperwork as required by company policies/procedures, DOT or federal/state agencies. The individual must possess the ability to read and interpret product bulletins, safety rules, operating and maintenance instructions and procedure manuals, and the ability to add, subtract, multiply and divide in all units of measure. Candidate must be at least 21 years of age. Truck driving experience is a plus. \$12.50/hour. Please forward your response information via fax: 707-429-0122 2-2TP

Driver \$\$ SIGN ON BONUS \$\$ We are seeking a full-time Driver at our Suisun, CA location. This position is responsible for transporting products in late '90's well maintained Peterbilts and Kenworths to mines and quarries in Northern California.

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FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Elizabeth Montoya, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2007-124  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Picture this Photography  
616 Snapdragon Winters CA 95694  
Laura Ray 616 Snapdragon Winters CA 95694  
This business classification is: An Individual s/Laura Ray  
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.  
State of California, County of Yolo  
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder  
Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk  
Feb. 8, 15, 22, Mar. 1, 2007

**Fictitious Business Name**

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER Feb. 2, 2007  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Linda Smith, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2007-125  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Creekside Signs & Graphics  
438 Russell St. Winters, CA 95694  
Manuel Souza 438 Russell St. Winters CA 95694  
This business classification is: An Individual s/Manuel Souza  
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FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Valerie Clinton, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2007-0049  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Elite Leather Care  
125 Inyo Place Woodland CA 95695  
Ronald R. Sanow 125 Inyo Place. Woodland CA 95695  
Patricia Ann Sanow 125 Inyo Place Woodland CA 95695  
This business classification is: Husband and Wife s/Ronald R. Sanow and Patricia Ann Sanow  
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**Fictitious Business Name**

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER Jan. 9, 2007  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Carol Grein, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2007-0025  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Sparkling Hoods  
323 Hillview Ln. PO Box 1013 Winters, CA 95694  
EHC Consulting, Inc. 323 Hillview Ln. Winters, CA 95694  
This business classification is: A Corporation s/Roberto Rodriguez  
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**Fictitious Business Name**

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FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Eleigh Fagel, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2007-024  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: GI Services  
200 E Main. St. Winters, CA 95694  
P.O. Box 408 Winters, CA 95694  
Gabriel Isarra 200 E Main St. Winters, CA 95694  
This business classification is: An Individual s/Gabriel Isarra  
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**Fictitious Business Name**

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FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Eleigh Fagel, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2007-074  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: American Homeland Construction  
24909 County Rd. 29 Winters, CA 95694-9014  
American Media Publishers Inc. 24909 County Road 29 Winters, CA 95694-9014  
This business classification is: A corporation s/Candee Briggs  
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.  
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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder  
Kinkberly Barklow, Deputy Clerk  
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**Fictitious Business Name**

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER Jan. 22, 2007  
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK  
Valerie Clinton, Deputy  
FBN NUMBER 2005-816  
The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Pasro's Home Repair  
125 Inyo Place Woodland, 95695  
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## Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 06-23492 Doc ID #0001212588752005N Title Order No. 3133119 Investor/Insurer No. 1700022068 APN No. 003-492-21 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/04/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by DANIEL R MURPHY, AND WENDY MURPHY, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 11/04/2005 and recorded 11/21/05, as Instrument No. 2005-0058081-00, in Book, Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 03/01/2007 at 12:00PM, At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 117 BROADVIEW LN, WINTERS, CA, 956941773. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$311,415.76. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 02/03/2007 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1757 TAPO CANYON ROAD, SVW-88 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (805) 578-6618 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 819498 02/08/2007, 02/15/2007, 02/22/2007



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