



## Nine exotic birds stolen

◆ Winters breeder heartbroken, birds are at risk

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO  
Express editor

Samantha Hughston's life revolves around caring for her exotic birds. Since Sunday, July 15, it has revolved around getting them back. While she was attending a barbecue at a friend's home about three miles away, someone trespassed on her property on Putah Creek Road just outside Winters and stole nine birds.

Ironically, Hughston says caring for her birds was such an all-consuming project, with baby birds needing to be fed every couple hours and all of the birds on special, regimented diets, that she estimates she has only been away from home for more than a couple hours three times in the span of a year. Last Sunday, she and her husband left for a cookout birthday party around noon. She re-



Courtesy photo

Have you seen Lilly? She is a rare Hyacinth Macaw, stolen from a Putah Creek Road aviary on Sunday, July 15. Eight other exotic birds were also taken. Anyone with information about the birds is asked to call the Solano County Sheriff's Department, (707) 421-7090.

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## New principal hired

◆ Superintendent gets pay raise, lawsuit settled

By GARY BEALL  
Express correspondent

Suzen Holtman, who spent the last 10 years as a teacher and administrator for Sacramento City Unified School District, will be the new principal at Waggoner Elementary School, replacing Manolo Garcia, who resigned at the end of the 2006-07 school year to accept a principal's position at Markham Elementary School in Vacaville.

Holtman, currently serving as a summer school principal for Sacramento city schools, has five years of administrative experience, including districtwide responsibility in Sacramento Unified's Multi-lingual Cultural Department. She will begin her responsibilities at Waggoner on July 25.

The Winters Joint Unified School District is still recruiting for a middle school principal to replace Suzanne Martin, who left the district for an elementary school principal position at Old Adobe Union School District in Petaluma. Closing date for the middle school position is July 30, with announcement of the successful candidate expected at the Aug. 16 board of trustees meeting.

In other action on July 12, district trustees approved a one-year contract extension and 3.5 percent pay increase for district superintendent Dale Mitchell. The action, based on a satisfactory performance evaluation by the board, takes Mitchell's contract through June 30, 2010 and boosts his annual salary to \$121,564.

The superintendent's contract and pay was approved by a 5-1 board vote, with Rodney Orosco op-

posing. Trustee Jay Shepherd was absent. Orosco said he opposed the action because of the tough financial decisions the district is expected to face during the coming year and suggested that the leader of the district should set an example by taking a pay cut.

Board president Mary Jo Rodolfa said that the district has money available for all employee groups.

"I have a hard time saying someone shouldn't be paid their worth," Rodolfa commented.

The 3.5 percent increase for the superintendent is less than the 4.31 percent increase approved for other district employees in the last round of negotiations.

In other personnel action, trustees accepted the resignations of David Cruz, district manager of information technology and services, and teachers

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## Sports park study OK'ed

By ELLIOT LANDES  
Staff writer

The city has announced an initial mitigated negative declaration (what planners call a "neg-dec") for the Winters Sports Park to be built on Moody Slough Road. This is an important step in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process, a required stop on the road to building the 22-acre park.

The park will be located north and east

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### FUTURE SUBCRIBERS

**NICOLAS CARRIZOSA** is the firstborn son of Kristina Knabke and Santiago Carrizosa of Washington, DC. He was born on April 10, 2007 at Sibley Hospital in Washington, DC., and weighed 5 pounds and was 19 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Bill and Carmen Knabke of Winters. Paternal grandparents are Julio Carrizosa and Maria Cristina Posada of Bogota, Colombia.

**TAYLOR ANDREW LEWIS** is the firstborn son of Kevin and Carissa Lewis of Winters. Born on July 9, 2007 at Kaiser Hospital in South Sacramento, he weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces, and was 20.5 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Bill and Leanne Hicks of Discovery Bay. Paternal grandparents are Rick and Andrea Lewis of Pennngrove. Maternal great-grandparents are David and Barbara Hicks of Burlingame, Rick Jones of Valley Springs and Carolyn Jones of Lake Tahoe. Paternal great-grandfather is Andrew Pansini of Tiburon.

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### WEATHER

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

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
July 11	T	96	63
July 12		90	62
July 13		94	58
July 14		93	58
July 15		96	58
July 16		101	64
July 17		97	63

**Rain for week: Trace**  
**Season's total: Trace**



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

The city of Winters youth recreation staff includes, from left, Sasha Anderson, Mayra Hernandez, Nancy Gonnella, Traci Nakamura and Jerome Epling. They will be leading free children's activities at this year's Earthquake Street Festival, planned for Friday, Aug. 24, at 5 p.m. For more information about summer and school year youth programs, call City Hall, 795-4910.

## Festival Starts With Fun, Fun, Fun

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO  
Express editor

Fun, fun, fun! It's almost a mantra with the city of Winters Youth recreation staff, and they plan to show the community just what they mean as they kick off this year's Earthquake Street Festival with a variety of activities like those offered in the Adventure Day Camp, Fun in the Park and After School Program.

Besides fun for all, there's a lit-

tle healthy competition between two recreation branches. The summer programs — Adventure Day Camp and Fun in the Park — are led by city recreation supervisor Traci Nakamura, while the school year activities — the After School Program — are supervised by city program coordinator Nancy Gonnella.

When you have the supervisors and their staff all in one place, you hear "Hey, we offer field trips, too!" and "But we have snacks for

the kids, too!" But it's all in good fun, and the bottom line is that whichever program Winters kids choose (or all of them, even), they can't go wrong.

Adventure Day Camp runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays at the Community Center during summer break, and features structured activities like games and crafts, and regular visits to the Winters Library. Each week has a theme that

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# Police report

**June 24-25**  
~ On the 700 block of Valley Oak Drive, property was stolen from a vehicle. Loss: \$350.

**June 28**  
~ An officer contacted suspects trespassing at the community pool. A 16-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for being a minor in possession of alcohol. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear. The case is being forwarded to the District Attorney for a complaint against the adult suspects.

**July 2**  
~ On the 100 block of Grant Avenue, an unlocked bicycle was stolen. Loss: \$100.

**July 4**  
~ On the first block of East Grant Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was secure.

**July 6-8**  
~ On the 200 block of Almeria Place, two bicycles were stolen. An investigation continues.

**July 8**  
~ On the 800 block of West Grant Avenue, parties were involved in a physical domestic violence altercation. Investigation continues.

**July 8-9**  
~ On the 100 block of Martinez Way, a vehicle window was broken causing \$100 damage.  
~ Red spray paint was used to write on the bathroom walls at City Park causing \$25 damage.

**July 9-14**  
~ On the 700 block of Main Street, forcible entry was gained to a residence and property was stolen. Loss: \$960.

**July 10**  
~ A 16-year-old Davis juvenile attempted to burglarize a residential garage on the 500 block of Abbey Street. The juvenile was arrested for attempted burglary, booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Juvenile Hall for incarceration.  
~ On the 100 block of East Baker Street, parties were involved in a domestic dispute.

**July 11**  
~ Penny Jane Haehl, 58, of Marysville was traveling eastbound on East Grant Avenue. A 16-year-old Winters juvenile had stopped at the stop sign, facing north-

bound, on Morgan Street at East Grant Avenue. The juvenile did not see Haehl's vehicle approaching, pulled out into the eastbound lane of East Grant Avenue, and collided with Haehl's vehicle.

**July 11-12**  
~ On the 400 block of Dry Creek Lane, an unlocked bicycle was stolen. Loss: \$70.

**July 12**  
~ On the 1000 block of Kennedy Drive, vehicle tires were slashed and the vehicle body scratched causing approximately \$1,000 in damage.

**July 13**  
~ On the 800 block of West Grant Avenue, parties were involved in a domestic dispute.

**July 14**  
~ Raul Jose Duran, 27, of Winters was arrested for making threats with the intent to terrorize and violation of parole. Duran was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ Leopoldo Vargas Diaz, 23, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver, having unlawful tinted windows and no proof of insurance.

~ A vehicle owned by Manuel Becerra of Winters was legally parked on Lauren Court. An unknown vehicle made an unsafe turning movement, struck the parked vehicle and fled the scene.

**July 14-15**  
~ An unknown vehicle was traveling eastbound on Eisenhower Way and made a right turn onto Hoover Street. The unknown vehicle collided with a legally parked vehicle owned by Jesus S. Martinez of Winters and fled the scene.

**July 16**  
~ Joseph Cash Norfolk, 19, of Winters was arrested for making threats with the intent to terrorize. Norfolk was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

owned by the Pioneer Presbyterian Church into one parcel. The address listed was incorrect. We apologize for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

# YESTERYEAR



In October, 1968, Cal Poly Freshman Tony Turkovich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Turkovich of Winters, is congratulated by D. Ross Sullivan, left, representing Santa Fe Railway, and Dr. Dale W. Andrews, right, academic vice president, Cal Poly, after Turkovich was presented with the Santa Fe achievement award at California State Polytechnic College, San Luis Obispo. In 1968 Turkovich served as the reporter for the California Association, Future Farmers of America.

File Photo

35  
YEARS AGO

July 20, 1972

A large gathering of family and friends, some 60 strong, greeted Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Bishop at their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary party held in City Park on Sunday, July 10. They were married in Winfield Alabama, July 7, 1912.

The mercury reached over 110 degrees for three days this week. July 14, 115 degrees, July 15, 114 and July 16, 111 degrees.

At the 21st annual banquet of the Sacramento-Yolo-Sierra Heart Association, held in Sacramento last month, Mrs. Felicia Diaz, of Winters, was presented with the Silver Achievement Medallion, as one of the outstanding Heart Fund Chairmen in America.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors Monday, granted a one-year extension on a variance for a single highway sign, 85 feet in height, to be erected at a proposed Standard Oil service station near Interstate 505 and State Highway 128 east of Winters. The supervisors overruled the planning commission, which had denied the extension.

Mr. and Mrs. Sukh Singh are the parents of a son, born in Woodland Memorial Hospital on July 11, 1972.

Jennifer Jean Baylor was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Baylor on June 13, 1972 at Davis Community Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. David Gomez are the parents of son, born in Davis Community Hospital July 15, 1972.

Mrs. Barbara Pedre is moving to San Jose on Saturday in order to work on her secondary teacher's credential at San Jose State College.

50  
YEARS AGO

August 1, 1957

Workmen for the George Pollock Company of Sacramento, contractor for the construction of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Diversion Dam three miles west of town, Monday started running water through the dam.

Sammy Fernandez, who had been in partnership with Eusabio Carrion in the management of the Associated Service Station at the corner of Railroad and Grant Avenues, yesterday bought out his partner's interest, and became the sole proprietor.

Henry Sunderman, who has been stationed in Arabia with the Air Force, in being transferred this month to McClellan Air force base, Sacramento.

A Greyhound permit was issued by the city last Thursday th Urvin Spurling to construct a small house on South Elliott Street at an estimated cost of \$3,744.

Miss Juanita Ramos, of Winters, will teach languages at Pierce High School in Arbuckle, according to Principal A.H. English.

Expected home on Saturday from the Presbyterian summer camp at Cisco Grove are Sandra Hickman, Elizabeth Bruhn, Sue Singleton, Ann Willis, Judy Mosier, Judy Eldridge, Carol Perkins, Hudy Martin, Mike Marks, Charles McCutcheon and David Wemp.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Button of Winters are the parents of a daughter, born on the Yolo General Hospital July 23, 1957.

65  
YEARS AGO

July 31, 1942

C.P. Culton who was appointed director of local U.S.O. announced that the drive for funds will begin shortly. The local quota was set at \$1,200.

Yolo County tomato growers claim that they stand to lose a part of the estimated #3 million tomato crop unless there is an importation of several thousand additional tomato pickers into the county. Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Gale received word from their son Robert, at Luke Field, Arizona. He said that he would soon finish his training course for aircraft service, and receive his commission.

Herman Ossenbrigen has written Royal Pleasants and said that he had arrived safely in Australia.

A meeting was held Thursday at the labor Camp to discuss the establishment of a nursery school in the camp, to be sponsored by the Rosenberg Foundation Fund, with community cooperation.

Mrs. E. Gaddini, Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Gaddini and little daughter Carol Lynne, Norman Gaddini are vacationing at Jenner.

Fred Moody, deputy, is on the police force for two weeks while Chief of Police G.A. Crowder is on his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pearse and Master Tommie are having a vacation outing in Santa Cruz and other coast cities.

# Berryessa drops .63 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa dropped by .63 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 11,336 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 426.44 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,349,578 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 625 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 43 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 316 acre feet of water per day during the week.

100  
YEARS AGO

August, 2, 1907

Contract for the new Putah Creek concrete bridge at Winters awarded yesterday to W.N. Concannon for the sum of \$46,902.30. Healy, Tibbitts & Co.'s bid of \$39,700 was rejected on account of irregularities. The Pacific Construction Co.'s bid was \$47,700 and Fred Smith's \$54,600.

Miss Lena Briccetelephone operator, is off on a vacation, and her place is being acceptably filled by Miss Moore of Vacaville.

Aunt Peggy Wolfskill and Miss Sallie Wolfskill are expected home from Tennessee today, where they have been over two months.

Mr. Reasoner of Guinda who recently bought two acres of E.A. Cheatham on the Madison Road, expects to build there this fall and move his family to Winters.

John F. Stowe's spectacular production of Uncle Tom's Cabin will show at Winters August 6. Noonday concert by band of 20 pieces.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brinck gave a reception Thursday evening of last week to the members of Yosolano Chapter O.E.S., and a few friends to even up unavoidable absences. The function was in honor of Mrs. James Young of San Francisco who is a guest at Rosedale Ranch, and Miss Alice Manning of Chicago.

Married in Sacramento, July 31, 1907 by Rev. W.F. Reagor, at the parsonage, Miss Bertha Wittner and Leslie Baldin. The bride is the daughter of Jacob Wittner of Putah Canyon, and is well known in Winters. Her husband is the eldest son of Mrs. Fannie Baldwin of this town where he was born and reared.

# CORRECTION:

In the story on the June 26 planning commission meeting in the July 5 edition of the Express, a resident at 211 Russell Street was mentioned as being opposed to a proposed plan to merge two parcels



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# BIRDS

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turned home to feed some baby macaws around 6:30 and all was well. However, when they returned home at 10:30, they discovered the cage door for the Hyacinth Macaw, named Lilly, was wide open and she had vanished.

Hughston called the Solano County Sheriff's department and upon further inspection of the bird cages, discovered eight more birds missing, as well as a net near the aviary fence that the thief or thieves apparently used to trap the birds. Besides Lilly, four Blue Front Amazons, two Congo African Grays and two Hahns Mini Macaws were taken.

Hughston points out that whoever took the birds, valued between \$20-30,000 (Lilly alone is worth about half of that amount), has put their lives at risk not only because they have specialized diets but because any change in their

routine or environment can cause them extreme stress. She is particularly worried about Lilly, who is only one of roughly 5,000 Hyacinth Macaws left in the world.

"She is considered a very rare bird," says Hughston, describing her as cobalt blue, with black underwings and yellow around her eyes and beak. "She has a special diet. She is very picky and only eats one kind of pellet. I'm worried sick that she's starving to death."

Hughston herself hasn't fared much better. Since the birds were taken, she's only managed to eat a banana and sleep about six hours. However, she's made good use of the time, contacting commercial bird breeders nationwide to keep an eye out for someone trying to sell the birds, and has put flyers up all over the area in both Yolo and Solano counties, and contacted the local television stations. She says the sympathy and interest of others has been encouraging.

"It has been a phenomenal response," says Hughston.

She suspects that someone in the area must have known she has exotic birds and also recognizes her blue pickup truck, striking at an opportune moment on one of those rare occasions that she was away. She points out that her aviary is not visible from the road, nor is it visible from the driveway. She adds that she doesn't know that many people in the area, and few people even knew she had the birds.

The Solano County Sheriff's Department is in charge of the investigation. Anyone with information about the theft or who has noticed someone who suspiciously obtained some exotic birds over the last week can assist Hughston and possibly save the birds' lives by calling (707) 421-7090.

To see what the birds look like, visit Hughston's website: [www.baby-blueaviary.com](http://www.baby-blueaviary.com).

# Weekly fire department report

**July 9**  
~ Medical aid, 400 block of Manzanita Way. Abdominal pains.  
~ Fire call, Stevenson's Creek. Grass fire.  
~ Fire call, Putah Creek at State Route 123. Car fire.

**July 11**  
~ Medical aid, 500 block of Manzanita Way. Victim choking.  
~ Medical aid, 100 block of East Grant Avenue. Vehicle accident.

**July 12**  
~ Medical aid, 10 block of Abbey Street. Unknown medical.  
~ Public assistance, 400 block of Edwards Street. Vehicle lockout.

**July 13**  
~ Medical aid, 400 block of Dry Creek Lane. Victim fell off bike.  
~ Medical aid, Lake Solano. Victim of a fall.

**July 14**  
~ Medical aid, 900 block

of East Grant Avenue. Unknown medical.  
~ Medical aid, 100 block of East Grant Avenue. Vehicle into a ditch.  
~ Medical aid, 400 block of Manzanita Way. Unknown medical.

**July 15**  
~ Medical aid, Russell Street and First Street. Victim of a fall.  
~ Medical aid, 200 block of Anderson Avenue. Unknown medical.



# Opinion



## DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

**S**O, WHAT COLOR IS a “gut feeling”? We need to know, because last week Secretary of Homeland Security Michael Chertoff predicted a major terrorist attack on the U.S. sometime this summer. The evidence for this, he said, is a “gut feeling.”

Where does that rank on the ever-so-useful color-coded DHS Advisory System? We were already at Yellow/Elevated before Chertoff’s grim prognostications, and afterwards, remained so. Maybe a “gut feeling” is somewhere between yellow and orange, say, a nice shade of apricot? Goldenrod, maybe? Let’s get our big Crayola boxes and figure it out.

Of course, the televised media breathlessly relayed Chertoff’s premonitions, but when it became apparent that Americans weren’t elbowing each other out of the way to get their hands on the last roll of duct tape and plastic sheeting, the media quickly adopted a more skeptical stance. Why? Because Americans obviously know the story, “The Boy Who Cried Wolf.”

How many times has the Bush Administration cried wolf? Keith Olbermann has been keeping a running score on his Countdown program, correlating government-issued increased terror alerts to White House troubles. Like the Tom DeLay indictment, or a Bush staff member leaking the identity of a covert CIA agent, or the energy surrounding the 2004 Democratic convention, and another just in time for the election that followed.

By Olbermann’s count, every time the Bush Administration issued a terror warning that ultimately produced exactly nothing, there was a corresponding issue that Bush & Co. needed to distract the American public from. Fool us once, shame on you. Fool us twice, or about 10 times that, shame on us. Finally, we’re starting to catch on.

Consider the cornucopia of recent topics that Bush & Co. don’t want us paying attention to: the continuing Alberto Gonzales debacle regarding the firing of federal prosecutors and Dubya’s direct orders to White House staffers Harriet Miers and Sara Taylor to ignore Congressional subpoenas on the matter; the commuting of Scooter Libby’s prison sentence, with all the appearances of being done in the interest of self-preservation and cronyism rather than justice; a congressional analysis that the Iraq War is costing \$12 billion per month, coupled with the announcement that the Iraqi government has failed to meet a single benchmark for meeting its own independence; and an announcement by our own intelligence sources that al Qaeda has regrouped in strength and numbers not seen since just before 9/11. Oh yes — and how many more troops (sic) died in Iraq this week?

No wonder they want to distract us. The White House of cards is crumbling under the weight of its own corruption and incompetence. It’s therefore no surprise that Bush & Co. attempted to give us a good terror tweak, a la Michael Chertoff, last week. And the best he could come up with under short notice was a “gut feeling.” Pathetic.

Take a moment and let it sink in: Your government is manipulating you with fear so it can continue its self-serving activities undetected and undeterred. It wants you to be afraid of the Big Bad Wolf, little sheep, be very, very afraid, because a frightened flock is an obedient flock. Doesn’t this infuriate you? If not, for the love of God, how come? Wise up, little lamb! It’s not the Wolf, it’s the W you should be worried about. Little by little, he devours our Constitution and our country, and all we do is huddle in the corner and tremble.

Not everyone’s trembling, however. The Today Show’s Ann Curry challenged Chertoff about his “gut feeling,” asking how it’s possible, after six years of this so-called war on terror, that al Qaeda has rebounded in full strength? Is it because we’ve been focusing on Iraq rather than the Pakistan and Afghanistan border, where al Qaeda is based? His response: “This is a war that’s going to go on for some period of time.” Huh? It was as if she’d asked, “What time is it?” and he’d said, “Flamingos.”

“Why the comment (about a gut feeling)? Why not be straight with the American people?” demanded Curry. Chertoff then declared that “Summer is the season terrorists like best” and finally admitted, “I don’t have any specific information.” Which means there was no actual reason to issue this terror alert. Unless you’re trying to create a distraction. And manipulate. And keep the flock in line.

Chertoff claimed he was only reminding Americans to be vigilant. Forget being vigilant, being very, very vigilant. It’s time to be angry. Very, very angry.

## Policy for Letters to the Editor

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is noon on Mondays for publication that week.

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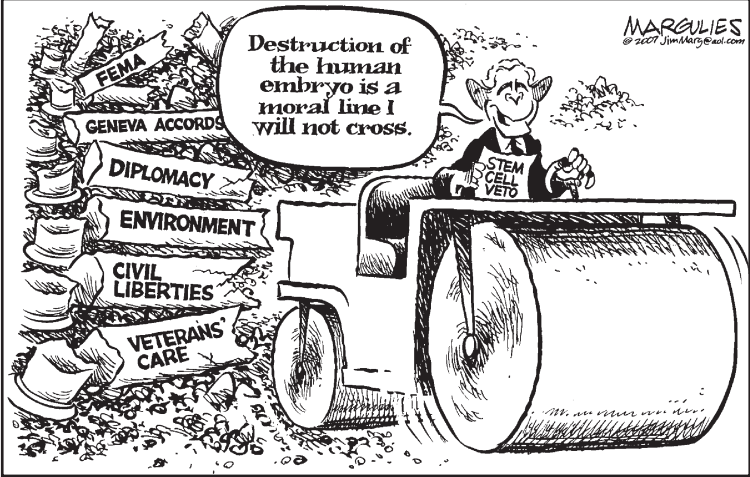
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## LETTERS

### Bill supports healthcare for all

Dear Editor,

Anyone interested in healthcare for all Californians should support State Senator Kuehl’s bill SB 840. It takes insurance companies out of the loop and covers everyone, including “people between

jobs, retired or self-employed.” Check [www.OneCareNow.org](http://www.OneCareNow.org) then let the governor know you want him to support SB 840; his number is (916) 445-2841.

NANCY PATTERSON

### He says leave the dam where it is

Dear Editor,

To all your readers and the Winters City Council: Leave the dam be and leave it where it is. That dam should be of some historic value or at least made a historic landmark. Most of the newcomers and do-gooders do not really know what that dam stands for. I believe we all have our personal reasons.

Does anybody remem-

ber the diving board just upstream of the dam? Well, I do. That is where my brother Tony taught me to swim in deep water and my older brother Frank dove from the tall trees across from the diving board.

I may just be a sentimentalist, but so what. To paraphrase Debra, because I say so. Well, now I say so.

JOE GARCIA

### Glad Greenwood is still coaching

Dear Editor,

I was excited to hear about the new pool and that Bobbie Greenwood is still coaching. She coached me in the ‘60s. I spent most of my day at the pool and have taught my five grandchildren the

same strokes she taught me. She is a very devoted coach and a blessing to Winters in getting a new pool for the children to learn in. May God continue working through her.

BEV RUCCI (HATTABAUGH)  
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## CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

**F**RIENDS. A few weeks ago I got a call from an old college fraternity brother, Chuck Sams. We were both in the printing department at Cal Poly and see each other about every 15 years or so. Chuck was driving down the coast and phoned from Fort Bragg. It took him a week to get here, so I knew he was retired and taking a nice, leisurely road trip, with his wife Barbara.

Chuck went into teaching after college. He student taught in Santa Barbara or someplace south of San Luis Obispo before taking a teaching job in Washington. His high school print shop in Port Orchard, was state of the art. Kind of like our ag department. He did the district printing and taught kids how to be printers and graphic designers. He told me the last few years were mostly computer design with less and less emphasis on printing presses.

He looked old, by the way. He looks a lot like Nick Nolte, and the older they get the more they are going to look like each other. We had a good time when we were in college and we sat around and talked about old times, people we knew and who we’ve seen lately.

Chuck had contacted a few other fraternity brothers and arranged to see them in St. Helena and Napa. Doug Wight and Ranndy Piña were just a couple of farm boys from St. Helena when we were at Cal Poly. They took off winter quarter to work on the grape harvest and caught up going to summer school. Winters played baseball against St. Helena when I was in high school and there was a connection between small town students and those from bigger cities. Back then Winters and St. Helena were about the same size. Winters has more people, now, but St. Helena has a traffic problem that isn’t going away. Too many tourists, too many vineyards.

Sherri and I, along with Chuck and Barbara, took off Monday morning to see a couple of old friends and see how life was treating them. Doug had been through Winters 10 years ago, but time passes and everyone has their own lives to lead. I hadn’t seen Ranndy since he graduated and joined the army. They have both done well growing and managing grape vineyards.

We sat in the backyard of Doug’s grandmother’s home drinking a bottle of his wine, Lewelling Vineyards. The home is now used for tastings and meetings. Lewelling was his grandmother’s maiden name and his family settled in St. Helena in 1864. The wine was really good, and I asked how much he charged. He told me they get \$40 a bottle for what we were drinking and \$70 a bottle for the Wight label, and they are sold out of the last two vintages. I’m looking around at 80 acres of grapes.

Chuck was on a mission. He grows bonsai plants and had purchased several on his way down the coast. He was eyeing old growth vines as we drove through the wine country. He claims you can cut a grape vine above the ground and get it to re-root. Doug was skeptical, but after a glass of wine, Doug loaded us into the back of his pickup and drove into a 35 year old vineyard.

With saw in hand, Chuck bent down, picked a vine he liked, and cut it down. Doug was busy clipping away vines that got in the way. It was sad, and I mean real sad. I couldn’t believe Doug gave up one of his grapevines so a college friend could try and bonsai it. Sherri seemed just as disturbed as I was, but you couldn’t take the smile off Chuck’s face. I’ll let you know if the plant survived.

We stopped for lunch at Taylor’s, that famous hamburger place in St. Helena and phoned Ranndy to let him know we weren’t going to make it to Napa. He said he would meet us at Taylor’s, but to eat without him.

As we were munching on our hamburgers and blue berry milk shakes, up walked Ranndy Piña with a Winters Express in his hand. He’s a big man and is still in great shape. He had a big smile as he shook my hand and slapped the paper on the table. Ranndy writes a bocce column for the Yountville Sun and someone had driven through Winters and saw our bocce story and gave the paper to Ranndy. He mentioned that he looked to see if I was still working at the Express and thanked me for writing in support of farmers.

Ranndy runs Piña Vineyards with his three brothers. His family also settled in St. Helena in the 1860s. Both Ranndy and Doug manage other people’s vineyards and run their family wineries. They could be in Winters or any other farming community, they just happen to be in wine country.

Sherri thought we all looked pretty good, but time has taken a toll on her eyesight. We said our goodbyes, promised to see each other more often, and went back to our own lives.

Ranndy sent me a few of his bocce columns and they are pretty good. I told him John Siracusa was trying to start a bocce league in Winters and that if things go well, we’ll challenge his Yountville team. He told me they limit their membership to 125 and play on Thursday nights. “What other sport can you hold a ball in one hand and a glass of wine in the other?” He has a point.

Each town in the wine country has a bocce team, so it isn’t so far fetched that Winters can field a traveling bocce team. Maybe we could have a bocce column, too.

Friends are friends. I remember coming home from Cal Poly one summer and Ranndy carried my belongings in his car as I drove my motorcycle home. He grumbled as we turned on Highway 80 towards Winters and not St. Helena. He figured he could tie my bags on the bike with his belt, but I convinced him to drive to Winters and have a beer at the Buckhorn. He passed on the beer, and headed towards Lake Berryessa. I didn’t bring this piece of our past up, why ruin a nice day.

Practice your bocce toss and have a good week.



# Dead bird tests positive for WNV

The Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District (District) received confirmation today that an egret found on County Road 103 in Yolo County has tested positive for West Nile virus (WNV). This is the first confirmation of West Nile virus activity for Yolo County.

“It is critical that residents of Sacramento and Yolo counties heed this warning sign,” said District Manager David Brown. “District employees are aggressively addressing mosquito management issues within our community by inspecting and treating mosquito development sites such as un-maintained swimming pools, rice fields and wetlands. But we can’t do this alone. We need the public’s help.”

Brown says area residents should empty items

that can collect water such as buckets, flower pots, wheelbarrows and other containers. Proper drainage of these commonplace items at least once a week will prevent mosquitoes from breeding on your property. One water-filled bucket in someone’s backyard can literally produce over 1,000 mosquitoes each week.

“Remember to wear a good repellent when outdoors while mosquitoes are most active, specifically in the early morning and at dusk. Make sure you follow all label directions. We need to continue to work together to reduce the mosquito population in our area,” Brown said.

### West Nile virus

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), West Nile virus (WNV) is the leading

cause of arboviral encephalitis in the United States. Originally discovered in Africa in 1937, WNV was first detected in the western hemisphere in 1999 in New York City. Since then it has caused seasonal epidemics of West Nile virus fever and severe neurological disease. West Nile virus is transmitted to humans and animals through the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected with WNV when they feed on infected birds.

To report a dead bird or squirrel call 1-877-WNV-BIRD (1-877-968-2473) or visit the California Department of Public Health online at [westnile.ca.gov](http://westnile.ca.gov)

The SYMVCD provides mosquito and vector control services for Sacramento and Yolo counties.

## Planning commission to meet next Tuesday

The Winters Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, July 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. All interested residents are welcome to attend.

The following items are on the agenda:

~ Public Hearing and consideration of Parcel Map application submitted by John and Lois Herrington to subdivide the existing parcel located at 28 East Edwards Street into two parcels approximately 7,680 and 6,090 square feet in size.

~ Update from Granite Bay Holdings, LLC on Winters Highlands Subdivision project.

# Running on veggie power

By ELLIOT LANDES  
Staff writer

Winters has a history going back to the 70's of local practitioners in alternative energy. One current entrepreneur is Anton Berteaux, an expert metal artisan and all around scrap yard fancier, and also, refiner of diesel fuel.

Berteaux, who grew up in Davis, helps his wife Frederica run a grand horse ranch they recently purchased, south of Winters. In the past, he put his welding skills to work building displays for the respected Exploratorium Museum in San Francisco, as well as elaborate kinetic sculptures for the Burning Man Festival in Nevada. Now he likes to call himself a ranch hand.

In his shop, a museum of all things weird and metal, Berteaux shows his setup for converting used vegetable oil into diesel fuel.

"You don't have to have this much junk lying around to make biofuel," joked Berteaux.

He takes pains to explain that he produces diesel fuel from used vegetable oil, and you can drive any diesel vehicle with the fuel he produces.

He is not producing ethanol to run gasoline vehicles.

"I'm converting the fuel, rather than converting the car," said Berteaux. "There is straight vegetable oil - SVO - and modified vegetable oil - MVO. SVO is too goopy to go through the fuel injectors that are in every diesel engine. You have to either modify the vegetable oil to produce MVO or modify the engine. Modified engines have a separate fuel tank that heats SVO so it can atomize through the injectors." Both types of engines can run on regular diesel fuel from a regular gas station.

"It costs me about a \$1.25 to \$1.50 to make, now that I pay to have the used oil delivered here." Berteaux used to get his oil from a corn chip frying operation when he lived in San Francisco, mixing his brew near the bus he lived in on an industrial site. He now spends a few days making enough diesel fuel for a few months of farm and vehicle use - considerably more than one would make for a household.

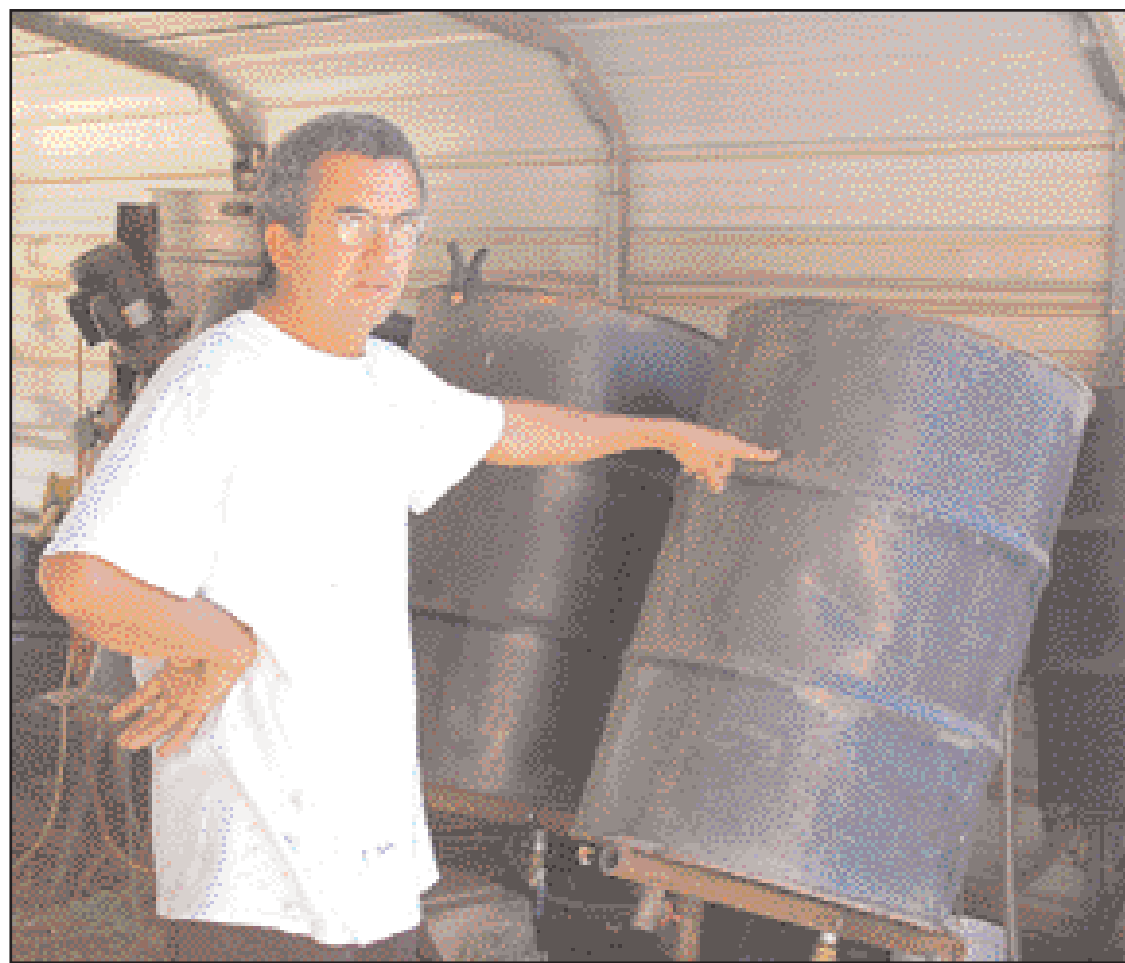
Being a tinkerer, he is always inventing devices to ease the work and automate some of the steps. He is working on a set of

relays that will turn his oil heater off and on depending on the oil level in the heating tank. For many biofuel alchemists, the labor part is a labor of love. Berteaux figures the project is a good value for reduced energy costs, even if he paid himself \$30 per hour for his time.

Most people get the waste vegetable oil from restaurants for free. Berteaux pays \$.50 per gallon to a friend who gets more than she needs for free and stops at the ranch on her way. Buying the oil is a concession he's made to producing all the fuel for a farm operation.

"I'm now paying for this stuff," said Berteaux. "When I first started, they were so happy to give it to me for nothing." As fuel costs rise, there is increasing interest in biofuel and more makers are finding themselves having to pay. Rendering companies remove used vegetable oil from restaurants for a fee, and as more of the oil goes to backyard biofuel producers, the rendering companies sometimes object, pointing out the amateurs are not paying highway taxes.

"There are cases of people being prosecuted for that," said Berteaux. "And the rendering companies



By Elliot Landes

Anton Berteaux points out his heating and processing tank for turning vegetable oil into biofuel.

have helped push a law through requiring a license to transport used oil on the highway." He finds it ironic that one can transport new vegetable oil from the store without a license, but once it's fried a chip, a license is needed.

Asked about hazards during production, he said the oil can burn, but is hard to ignite. Some methanol is needed for the process, which is flammable and needs the same precautions as stored gasoline.

Berteaux starts the process, called transes-

terification, by heating the oil to 120 degrees in an old restaurant soup kettle that has a water jacket. He then mixes dilute methanol and a measure of lye together. The lye catalyzes an exothermic reaction producing a new compound. That operation takes place in a small tank set high up so it can drain into the soup kettle of heated oil.

The oil is a triglyceride, and the lye replaces the glycerides with methanol. The result is less viscous and more volatile, according to Berteaux.

He then lets the fuel settle for a number of hours in angled drums, while the glycerine drains out. The mix is then "washed". By dribbling water through the biofuel, water solubles in the oil are pulled out.

"I can make a batch in three hours," said Berteaux.

The process ends up with some byproduct, a biodegradable mix of glycerine, lye and methanol. Some home brewers neutralize the lye with acid and compost

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## VEGGIE

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it. Berteaux uses it to tamp dust on horse paths.

"Now somebody is selling a whole stainless steel biodiesel processor setup that sells for \$8000. It's really slick, very industrial, and it doesn't take up much space. It only makes a 30 gallon batch, but it is completely automated. You push the button, you walk away and it actually makes it and washes it and settles it, and it has a gas pump on the side of it. They claim it makes a batch in a day, but I think you'd need more settling time than that."

The store-bought package might pay for itself in five years, perhaps better if the operator can find free waste oil. There is always the hope fuel prices will rise, making the payback shorter still.

"I don't think its going to save the world," said Berteaux. He likes the environmental benefits of the process as much as the next home brewer, but

admits there are issues. In the current economy, a good part of the oils he uses would get recycled by rendering companies anyway. In the recent past, more would end up in landfill.

Because diesel is 30 percent more efficient than gasoline, there is a reduction in greenhouse gases along with the cost savings. The bad rap on diesel emissions has to do with high-sulfur fuel. Berteaux's product is no-sulfur fuel, eliminating that problem. Replacing the use of fossil fuels is a strong plus. Low sulfur diesel fuel will be appearing in California soon, which may lead to more choices in vehicles that run on diesel.

"We don't want people bulldozing forests in Malaysia to grow biofuel," said Berteaux, speaking of the increasing popularity of biofuel and the problems of scaling things up.

"It's great to take a waste product and make it into fuel for yourself. I don't see the downside to that. It's always felt really good to me."



Photo by Elliot Landes

These are the settling tanks for the biofuel where glycerine is removed.



Photo by Elliot Landes

This is a chamber Berteaux built for washing the fuel.



# Community

## County fair flower booth entries open

The Yolo County Fair theme for this year is "Planting Memories." The flower booths have taken on an around-the-world flavor to celebrate "From Honeymoon to 50th Anniversary."

The following themes still have openings to fill

~ Large booth themes: (approximately 10x20) or corner booths) \$25 entry fee; Bring Back the Memories: Celebrate a 25th anniversary at a Japanese Tea Garden (east side booths); More than a Memory: Celebrate a 30th anniversary in Merry Old England, formal garden (corner booths).

~ Small booth themes: (approximately 10x10) \$15 entry fee; Only a Memory Away: Celebrate a 40th anniversary in a park in Australia, make it colorful, use a bench (new booths, two northwest side, one northeast side); Thanks for the Memories: Celebrate a 50th anniversary in Tahiti, tropical (north side booths).

Entries may still be accepted for potted plants, cut flowers and arrangements (no entry fee).

Any interested person(s) may contact the fair office, 1125 East Street, Woodland, CA 95776; 402-2205; jeannie@yolocountyfair.net.

## Sure shooter



Photo by Charles Wallace

The winner of this year's Rotary Trap Shoot, held at the Yolo Sportsmen's Association on June 9, was Mike Hennagin. At left is Greg Little, who placed second. At right is Dr. Ed Andersen, who placed third.

## Three school board seats open

Three Winters School Board Area 2 trustee positions are up for election in November. Potential candidates must live within city limits.

Candidates interested in a trustee position can file at the Yolo County Elections Office. The deadline is Aug. 10. The election date is Nov. 6.

## Al-Anon meets on Thursday evenings at the library

Al-Anon meets weekly at the Winters Library community room on Thursday nights, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Following the Al-Anon meeting, an AA meeting meets at 8-9:30 p.m.

Al-Anon is a support group of friends and families dealing with alcoholic/addicts in their lives. Al-Anon informs and educates about the disease of addiction. Al-Anon invites the community to learn how to live a full life while dealing with a loved one recovering or suffering from the disease.

There is no charge to attend.

## Yolo cities increase in assessed value

Yolo County Assessor Joel Butler announced the recently completed 2007 local assessment roll of

19,670,376,090 net taxable dollars, which reflects a 8.27 per cent increase of \$1,577,529,248 over 2006. This increase while not as great as the past few years due to the declining residential market, still provides the major local finding source in Yolo County.

The assessor's staff, after reviewing a substantial number of properties acquired around the current peak of the real estate market, identified approximately 2,250 residences where the market value had declined below their

Proposition 13 Base Year Value.

All areas of the county experienced increases in assessed values: Davis, 6.11 percent or \$331,979,867; Winters, 6.08 per cent or \$27,713,781; Woodland, 8.08 percent or \$349,018,425; West Sacramento, 11.94 per cent or \$596,189,877; and the unincorporated area, 9.44 percent or \$272,034,125.

In addition to the local assessment roll, the State Board of Equalization assesses public utilities and railroads in Yolo County. The State Board Roll assessed value to Yolo County was \$414,988,080 for 2006. The value for 2007 is not yet available from SBE.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Ray Boone (left) and James Allen help sort food at the Community Center for a free distribution last winter. More help sorting food on distribution day is always appreciated. Call 668-0690 to volunteer.

## Food available for needy residents

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible Winters residents on Friday, July 20, at Yolo Housing, 62 Shams Way, 3-5 p.m. and on Friday, July 27, at the First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, 12-1:30 p.m.

Commodities to be distributed include refried beans, corn, pears, dehy-

drated potatoes and grapefruit juice.

Participants may receive food at only one site.

Eligible participants are asked to bring a bag to carry their food home.

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



# FUN

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corresponds to a lunchtime movie, such as “The Jungle Book” or “Tarzan.” It costs \$75 per week per child for the first child, and \$50 per week per child for siblings.

Fun in the Park, however, is free of charge and although supervised by paid staff, it is a drop-in program and children are free to come and go as they please. Children must be mature enough to get to and from the program on their own, and can sign out if they wish to leave early. The program is available all summer at City Park from 1-5 p.m. Besides water play and games, Fun in the Park stages a weekly talent show, where everyone gets a chance to be in the spotlight.

Children in both summer programs can participate in weekly field trips, for which there is an additional nominal fee. Meals are not provided, so children must bring their own brown bag lunches.

Both programs are an excellent resource for working parents over the summer, particularly for children who are too old to go to daycare but too young to be left home alone all day. Nakamura points out that getting together with other children and having fun is a much better, healthier alternative than sitting home alone all summer watching TV and playing video games.

At the end of summer, the fun continues in the After School Program, based at Waggoner Elementary School and Shirley Rominger Intermediate School. Each program begins at the end of

the school day and is offered until 6 p.m. In addition to having some fun and a healthy snack, children in this program can get some help with home work and participate in activities that offer a little learning when no one's looking.

“We call it disguised learning,” says coordinator Gonnella, pointing out that all sorts of fun activities involve learning, such as math skills and measuring while doing crafts, and language skills in spelling bees. She emphasizes that the After School Program is not intended to be just one more classroom for kids to go to.

“We aren't trying to extend the school day, we're trying to enhance it,” says Gonella.

The three components of the program are academics, nutrition and education, and the fee is on a sliding scale. Typical fees are \$25 per week per child or \$100 per month per child, with additional siblings paying \$60-80. Children who qualify for free or reduced lunch in the school lunch program can attend for free. Gonella explains that the program is funded by a grant from the state, through Proposition 49 funds, and has been approved for three years, after which time the city can apply for another grant if it meets its target of 84 children participating at each site.

Just like the Summer Recreation programs, the After School Program also offers parents a child care resource outside the traditional daycare setting.

“It's a safe place for kids to be when their parents are at work,” says Sasha Anderson who works as a recreation leader at both

Adventure Day Camp and the After School Program as a site coordinator at Shirley Rominger Intermediate School. “It's a good way to afford day care. As a working mom, it works great for me.”

“It's someplace to go to finish homework in a safe learning environment,” says Gonella. “Kids are safe, learning and having fun.”

Mayra Hernandez is the site coordinator at Waggoner Elementary School, and says kids can get plenty of help with homework in the After School Program. She points out that this is particularly helpful for children with Spanish-speaking parents, who may struggle with helping their children with homework in English.

“We can help parents who don't know how to help their kids with homework,” says Hernandez.

To participate in Fun in the Park, children can drop in at City Park from 1-5 p.m. To sign up for Adventure Day Camp call Nakamura; for the After School Program, contact Gonella, both at City Hall, 795-4910.

All children visiting this year's Earthquake Street Festival are invited to join the Summer Recreation and After School Program staff at 5 p.m. The festival takes place on Friday, Aug. 24, on downtown Main Street. Recreation staff will host several fun, free events with prizes for children. Children's activities will also be offered in booths along Main Street, as well as bounce houses and pony rides.

Following the youth activities and games, there will be live entertainment beginning at 5:30 p.m. with The Studio C dancers. Next up will be the Halau



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Enjoying the afternoon in last year's After School Program are, from left, Victoria Olton, Isabella Rougeau and Kendrick Borchard.

Hula O Lei Hali'a hula dancers at 6 p.m., Vatrene King & Friends at 6:30 p.m., and the Sacred Fire Naimas Hips belly dancers at 7 p.m. The Chamber plans to hold a 50/50 raffle at 7:45 p.m., just before the street dance at 8 p.m., featuring live music with the band Four Barrel. The festival ends at 11 p.m. All along downtown Main Street, food and beverage booths will offer tempting treats, as well as a variety of items for sale and hand-made crafts.

This annual event is sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce, free of charge. More help is always needed at the festival, which is a major fund-raiser for the Chamber. To volunteer, find out more about the festival or the Chamber, or to reserve a space for a vendor booth, call 795-2329.

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## USDA reminds farmers of signup deadline

Lynda Janne, executive director of the USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Solano County reminds farmers and other landowners with base acres and yields they have until Aug. 3 to enroll in the 2007 Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment Program (DCP).

“The deadline to enroll in the 2007 Direct and Counter-cyclical Payment Program is rapidly approaching,” said Janne. “I encourage all eligible producers to enroll in DCP before the Aug. 3 deadline to avoid paying the late fee.”

In March 2007, FSA extended the DCP sign-up deadline to Aug. 3. The original DCP enrollment deadline was June 1. Computer problems caused FSA to extend the deadline. Producers failing to sign up by Aug. 3 but before Sept. 30 will pay a late-file fee of \$100. The final date to enroll in the 2007 DCP is Sept. 30. Enrollment in DCP for the 2007 contract period began on Oct. 1, 2006.

DCP provides payments to eligible producers on farms enrolled for the 2002 through 2007 crop years. There are two types of DCP payments: direct payments and counter-cyclical payments. USDA computes payments using the base acres and payment yields established for the farm. The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (2002 Farm Bill) authorized DCP.

More information about DCP is available in the program fact sheet found online at: [http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA\\_File/dcp06.pdf](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA_File/dcp06.pdf).

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# Schools

## Martial Arts awards



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Steven Guirterez holds his brown belt promotion certificate. He studies karate at Javier Martial Arts in Winters.



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Recent belt promotions at Javier Martial Arts included Joseph (left) and Connor McGrath, both promoted to orange belt in karate. Their instructor is Sifu Louie Javier.

## Yellow belt promotion



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Devin Tice was recently promoted to a yellow belt at Javier Martial Arts in Winters.

## Public hearing scheduled

The Yolo County superintendent of schools will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, July 19, at 3:35 p.m. in the Yolo County Office of Education board room, 1280 Santa Anita Court, Suite, 100, in Woodland, to receive comment from members of the community regarding the Yolo Education Association, Chapter #71, 2006-07 collective bargaining negotiations proposal to the superintendent of schools.

For more information, call 668-6700.

## Class of 1997 plans reunion

The Winters High School Class of 1997 10-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Aug. 25. A small reception is planned. All graduates are welcome to come and join others from Winters High School.

Tickets for this event are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. For information on the time and location of the event or to purchase tickets, visit [myspace.com/wintershighclassof1997](http://myspace.com/wintershighclassof1997). A link to the official evite with pay link is listed on the site.

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# Entertainment



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Enjoy an evening of Eastern European party music with the Davis Klezmer Orchestra. The Winters Friends of the Library will sponsor a free outdoor concert at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 19, at the Rotary Park gazebo.

## Eastern European party music planned at gazebo

The Davis Klezmer Orchestra will bring their jazzy, high-energy music to the Rotary Park gazebo for a free outdoor concert on Thursday, July 19. Klezmer music is Eastern European Jewish party music, with influences from Romania, Hungary, the Middle East, Ukraine and the Roma people (gypsies). Accordionist Elaine Fingerett puts it this way: “The Jews have been on the road for 5,000 years

and we have absorbed the musical traditions of all the places we’ve been.”

The band has been playing together since the early ‘90s, and features George Weis on cello, Julie Partansky on cornet and marimba, Ralph Libet on violin, Moreen Libet on viola, Bob Wren on octave mandolin, and Elaine Fingerett on accordion.

The free outdoor concert, sponsored by the Winters

Friends of the Library, runs from 7-8:30 p.m. Rotary Park is located at the corner of Main Street and Railroad Avenue, adjacent to the Community Center. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, invite your friends and neighbors, and enjoy a picnic on the grass. Refreshments will be available. All proceeds benefit the Winters Library.

For more information, call Keith or Diane Cary, 795-3173.

## Feast features Solano produce

The public is invited to a Heritage Feast to benefit Solano Land Trust at their historic Rush Ranch property near Suisun City on Sept. 29 from 5:30-10 p.m. The evening includes a bountiful meal prepared by Benicia Yacht Club Chef Manny Rodriguez and features locally grown produce, meats, and fine wines. Guests can dance to the music of the Phirehouse Philharmonics, enjoy horse-drawn carriage rides on ranch trails, savor a world premiere walnut tasting, and visit with historic local personalities throughout the evening.

This event is designed to highlight the abundant harvest of Solano County farms and ranches, many of whom are conservation partners with the Land Trust, and to honor the contributions of SLT volunteers. Volunteers teach about the history of farming, native people, and natural resources on a wide range of Solano Land Trust sites. They also help build and maintain trails and facilities, and guide recreation opportunities from hiking and biking to horseback riding and bird watching. Local businesses interested in donating

food or wine products for the event can call the Heritage Feast Chair, Pam Nelson, (707) 863-9111.

Tickets for the dinner and dance are available at Solano Land Trust for \$50 per person. Sponsorship opportunities begin at \$250 and are coordinated by SLT Development Di-

rector Susan Wilkinson, (707) 432-0150, extension 205. Potential volunteers or auction donors are asked to contact SLT Volunteer Coordinator Teri Engbring, (707) 432-0150, extension 200. More information is available at the SLT website: [www.solanolandtrust.org](http://www.solanolandtrust.org)



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Joe Louis Walker, one of the most heralded blues artists of our time & The Bosstalkers will appear at The Palms on Saturday, July 28, at 8:30 p.m.

## Joe Louis Walker returns to The Palms on the 28

Multiple Grammy & Blues Foundation (WC Handy) award winner Joe Louis Walker & The Bosstalkers will appear at The Palms on Saturday, July 28, at 8:30 p.m.

Joe Louis Walker (JLW) is one of the most heralded blues artists of our time. JLW is a true powerhouse guitar virtuoso, unique singer and prolific songwriter who has toured the world religiously throughout his career and earned himself a legion of dedicated fans around the globe.

JLW has recorded with the likes of BB King, James Cotton, Bonnie Raitt, Taj Mahal, Huey Lewis, Branford Marsalis, Steve Cropper, Shemekia Copeland and Ike Turner, with a discography that counts 18 solo albums, two live DVDs, and countless compilations and guest appearances.

Still recording and touring with a vengeance, JLW is already being referred to within the blues world as a “living legend.” However, as Walker himself

would say, “The best is yet to come!”

For more information about JLW, visit [www.myspace.com/joelouiswalker](http://www.myspace.com/joelouiswalker).

Tickets are \$18 and are

available at Pacific Ace Hardware and at the door if not sold out. The Palms is located at 13 Main Street. For more information call 795-1825.

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# STUDY

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of the intersection of Moody Slough Road and Rd. 88, in the northwest corner of the city. It will be adjacent to the north side of Winters Highlands, the 431-unit subdivision scheduled to break ground soon, and the Linear Park, a long narrow park that will run from West Grant Avenue north through two subdivisions to meet the sports park at Moody Slough Road.

To get to the neg-dec, the city first had to design the park in a public process. The architect, HLA Group of Sacramento, then had the environmental engineering firm EDAW, also of Sacramento, analyze the site for environmental impacts and issue a 1/2-inch thick report. This initial negative declaration must now survive public hearings before becoming final.

The EDAW report identifies impacts and rates them as follows: “no impact”, less than significant with mitigation”, “less than significant”, and “potentially significant”. If there is one or more “potentially significant” impacts, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is required. An EIR can significantly delay a project and boost costs, so this mitigated neg-dec report is a positive step for the city, if it survives public review.

The sports park will be on 22 acres of a 30-acre site that includes what was once the city dump. The dump is long closed and has been sealed with a cap of clay, because of soil contaminated with metalites. The dump portion will be off-limits to

the new park. The master plan for the park includes two Little League baseball diamonds and one full size hardball diamond, two soccer fields, a “sports barn” with night lights for indoor soccer, basketball and street hockey. There will be other structures for snacks, equipment storage, picnic areas and play structures.

Construction will be phased in over a few years and the \$3 million cost will be paid mostly by developers’ fees.

The report identifies these impacts needing mitigation:

~ Under “aesthetic impacts”, EDAW identifies only “source of substantial light or glare” as an impact needing mitigation. The report proposes using low intensity lighting shielded to limit “off-site light spillage”.

~ The report gives rules for construction of the project, to minimize air pollution (dust) caused by the construction work.

~ The city will have to provide habitat mitigation for the park’s impact on Swainson’s hawks, a species designated “threatened”. The same is true for the northern harrier and burrowing owls, which the state lists as “species of special concern”. The owls do not occupy the site currently, but if they show up before construction, a biologist will have to “passively” move the owls off the site. Moving them passively means gradually closing burrows they leave daily, in a pattern that will end in their settling elsewhere.

~ Native populations have lived throughout the area for centuries, according to the report. A plan

will be needed if “cultural resources”, such as archeological Native American sites, are discovered during construction. The same applies for paleontological sites. The report mentions Pleistocene era fossils of a mammoth, a saber-tooth cat and a sloth found west of Woodland in the Modesto Formation, a rock formation that includes the park site. An

on-site paleontologist will be needed when construction starts. If something of note is found, construction must cease while paleontologists do surveys and create a plan for the site, including data sampling, museum storage and another thick report. A similar plan will be needed if human remains are found, requiring not just an archeologist, but

the county coroner.

~ The soil is clayey silt, silty clay, sand and sandy gravel. The soils have what the report calls “moderately high expansion potential”. This condition can cause settling and cracking foundations and can disrupt roads and underground utilities. The city will have to hire a geo-technical engineer to provide direction for con-

struction and to follow his recommendations.

The city is inviting written comments from the public until July 27. Comments should be directed to Dan Sokolow, Community Development Director. The city council will hold a public hearing on the subject at the August 7 council meeting, 7:30 p.m., in the City Hall council chambers.

# SCHOOLS

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Jose Bermudez, Kindra Samuelson and Andrea Sidun. They approved hiring Mark Watson as a special education/SDC teacher at Winters Middle School, Jack Delbar as driver education instructor at Winters high school, and Molly Bentley as part-time high school ceramics and AVID teacher. Shirley Rominger Intermediate School teacher Alejandro Delgadillo had his appointment increased from halftime to fulltime. igh school teacher Jessica Williams and Rominger teacher Veronica Dunn were granted maternity and parental leaves for the 2007-08 school year.

Trustees, in a 5-1 vote, also approved a reduction in hours for a kitchen aide position as a result of fewer students participating in the district’s breakfast and lunch programs. Orosco opposed the action.

### Lawsuit settled

Trustees approved a mediation settlement agreement that releases all claims in an employment discrimination lawsuit between the school district and former high school teacher Kukui Hughes. Hughes will receive \$50,000 in the settlement, with \$30,000 being paid from the district’s general fund and \$20,000 paid by the district’s in-

surance carrier.

The agreement denies any wrongdoing on the part of the district and bars Hughes from any future employment in the district.

Mitchell said it was in the best interest of the district to resolve the lawsuit rather than endure unknown legal costs and the uncertainty of any outcome if the suit came before a judge or jury.

### Paving bid

The district received only one bid for several planned paving projects. Although the bid from Vintage Paving was nearly \$30,000 higher than the \$60,000 allocated for the projects, trustees accepted the bid but will not enter into a contract with Vintage until additional funding can be found.

In response to a question from trustee Kathy McIntire whether the bid process could be extended, Mitchell said timing was an issue and that there was only a small pool of potential bidders for the project.

Trustee Robert Nickelson, because of his association with Vintage, excused himself from the discussion and vote on the bid.

### Next meeting

The next board meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 2, at the school district office, 909 West Grant Avenue.

# Sutter Davis Hospital auxiliary in need of more volunteers

The Sutter Davis Hospital Auxiliary is recruiting new members (male and female), who are in good health and over 18 years of age, to volunteer in various capacities in the hospital. They must attend a general orientation and on the job training.

For more information, check out the Sutter Davis

Hospital website: sutterdavis.org. Click on careers, then volunteer opportunities, then Sutter Davis Hospital.

Applications are available at the Hospital Information Desk, 2000 Sutter Place, Davis, 759-7485, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.



# Sports

## Junior All Stars



Photos by Eric Lucero  
Brian Case pitches for the Winters Little League Junior All Stars in the first game of two of the District 64 championships on Monday, July 8, at Arlington Park in Vacaville.

## Gamblers prepare for Regionals

◆ Gleason, Rowell, Thomson and Neil have the hot bats  
By ERIC LUCERO  
Express sports

The Tri-County Gamblers are getting ready for the North Bay Regionals as they locked in at least the second seed with two victories over Napa Raneir and Long on Sunday, July 8, at the Vets home in Yountville. The Gamblers improved their overall record to 21-3 and 15-2 in league with three regular season games remaining against St. Helena.

In game one, the Gamblers used ace pitcher Michael Gleason to shut out Napa with a 10-0 victory. Gleason gave up just two hits throwing a complete game. On the other side of the ball Tri-County totaled 10 hits with Brock Neil leading the way. Neil batted 2 for 3 with two doubles and three RBI.

Alex Thomson also batted 2 for 3 with a homerun, a double and an RBI. Ray McIntire batted 2 for 5 with a double and two RBI. Kyle Tobler batted 1 for 1. Nick Hedrick and Kannon Smith were each 1 for 4, while Gleason batted 1 for 5 for the Gamblers.

The second game was much like the first as the Gamblers defeated their opponent 9-1 with Thomson getting the win on the mound. Thomson gave up just two hits and one run in the seventh. At the plate Tri-County totaled 15 hits with nine players adding to the total. Thomson helped himself out batting 3 for 5 with 3 doubles. Will Enos batted 2 for 4 with a double

and two RBI.

Sebastian Salas and Smith were both 2 for 4. Karl Olsen batted 2 for 5 with a double, a triple and a RBI. Kevin Rowell batted 1 for 1. Alex Galvan batted 1 for 3, while Neil batted 1 for 4 with a homerun and three RBI.

Tri-County played one game during the week against Will C. Wood of Vacaville on Wednesday, July 11, and pulled off a 9-3 victory. Rowell threw a complete game for the Gamblers and improved his record to 5-0 on the season. Neil led the Gamblers at the plate batting 3 for 4 with a homerun a double and had an RBI. Rowell batted 2 for 3 with two doubles. Kannon Smith batted 2 for 4 with an RBI. Thomson batted 1 for 3 with two RBI and McIntire batted 1 for 4 with two RBI.

The Gamblers finished up the regular season with a three game sweep over St Helena. On Saturday, July 14, the Gamblers played a doubleheader and won the first game 10-4. Thomson got the win on the mound and improved his record to 4-0 with the help of the Gamblers hitting. Tri-County totaled 13 hits led by Thomson who went 3 for 5 with two doubles. Hedrick batted 2 for 2 with a double and three RBI. Salas batted 2 for 3 with a double and two RBI. Kyle Tobler batted 1 for 1. Neil batted 1 for 2 with a double. Nathanael Lucero batted 1 for 2. Rowell and McIntire both batted 1 for 3, while Olsen batted 1 for 4 with a triple and two RBI.

In game two, the Gamblers won a closer game with a 6-4 victory. Lucero picked up his second win of the season as he came into

throw the last three innings. Tyler Enos threw the first four innings for the gamblers. The Gamblers continued to hit as they totaled 11 hits. Thomson once again led the Gamblers batting 3 for 3. Neil and Rowell both batted 2 for 4 with an RBI. Olsen and Mistrot both batted 1 for 3. Kaplan Smith batted 1 for 4 with an RBI, while Thomas Fleming batted 1 for 4 for the Gamblers.

The Gamblers returned to St. Helena on Sunday, July 15, and dominated their opponent with a 20-1 blowout. Gleason picked up his fifth win of the season striking out 10 batters in four innings. Neil came in to finish up in the fifth. Gleason helped himself out at the plate batting 4 for 4 with two triples, a double and seven RBI. Neil batted 3 for 4 with a double and two RBI. Olsen batted 2 for 2 with a triple and an RBI. Rowell batted 2 for 3 with a

double and an RBI. Kaplan Smith batted 1 for 1 with an RBI. Patrick Kuehn batted 1 for 2 with an RBI. Tobler batted 1 for 2 and Thomson batted 1 for 3.

The Gamblers finished the regular season seeded number two behind Vallejo with a 25-3 overall record and 19-2 in league. The regionals will be played this weekend at the Vets home in Yountville. The Gamblers will play their first game on Friday, July 20, at 5 p.m. With a win, their next game will be played Sunday, July 22, at 10 a.m.

“We are hoping to get a good crowd there supporting us,” said coach Jerry Smith. “If we win the first two games, we will automatically be in the world series.”

The world series will be played in Carson City, Nevada starting on Thursday, July 26, and ending on Tuesday, July 31.

## Shoffit plays solid for the Lugnuts

By ERIC LUCERO  
Express sports

Former Winters High School standout Sean Shoffit is having another big season for the Toronto Blue Jays organization minor league Lansing Lugnuts.

Shoffit is more than halfway through his third season with the team. After playing in 77 games this season more than any other player on the team, he is the team's fourth leading batter with a .272 average, leads the team in runs scored with 48, triples with 10, base on balls 46 and in stolen bases with 11.

He has the second most at bats with 250, the second most hits with 68, second in total bases at 112 and is second in slugging percentage with .448. He also has 15 doubles, five home runs in-

cluding two grand slams, 32 RBI and has an on base percentage of .383.

Shoffit has padded his stats for the season in the last 10 games, batting 10 for 33 with a .303 average, scored 10 runs, and had five RBI, two doubles, two triples and a homerun. The Lugnuts were in second place of the Midwest League as of July 11.

## CODY'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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## Baylee Opperman

Baylee Opperman, a member of the 9-10 Winters Little League all star softball team, is this week's athlete of the week. Opperman helped lead the Winters team to the District 64 championships with her bat and her arm. In the first game against Rio Vista, Opperman had two triples and two doubles, and then pitched a complete game in the championship game giving up just four hits.

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# District 64 Tournament



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The Winters Little League Allstars, Major Division ages 11-12, traveled to Woodland on July 6 and 7 to play in the District 64 tournament held at Camarena Field. The team included, from left, (back) coach Alfredo Tejada, Brandon Emery, Taylor Burke, Anthony Pantaleo, Xavier Borcheldt, coach Joe Luis Corrales and Henry Nicholson: (front) Adam Martinez, Kendrick Moore, Ben Case, Michael Bermudez, Austin Murphy and Kevin Lane.

## August job fair has hot opportunities

If you're looking to change careers or just in line for a new job, Sacramento's HIREvent may be the place to start. This free job fair is planned for Tuesday, Aug. 7, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Sacramento Convention Center, 1400 J Street.

Jobseekers will be able to speak to recruiters from dozens of companies looking to fill hundreds of positions in the fields of customer service, law enforcement, sales and marketing, social work, finance, management, public safety and more. Companies that will be in attendance include Lewis Corporation, Department of Justice, Wells Fargo, AHF International, SETA, Resource

Staffing Group, USAA, California Highway Patrol, Carmax, US Border Patrol, and many others.

A free one-on-one resume critiquing service will be available and jobseekers can also take advantage of professional CareerTalks, which will explore successful job search tactics and interviewing skills. Jobseekers will be encouraged to use their new skills when interviewing with recruiters on the spot during the event.

Job seekers are advised to dress professionally and bring resumes.

For more information, visit [www.jobjournal.com](http://www.jobjournal.com) or call 1-888-THE JOBS.

## On their toes



Photos by Eric Lucero  
Niko Doyle goes after a throw down to second and is backed up by Austin Calvert in the Winters Little League Junior All Star District 64 championship game on Tuesday, July 9, at Arlington Park in Vacaville.

## Free blood pressure checks offered

The general public can have a free blood pressure check every Wednesday in the Sutter Davis Hospital lobby (2000 Sutter Place, Davis) from 10 a.m. until noon. This service is provided by the hospital and the auxiliary.

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# Nuestras Noticias



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## Seguro Medico

El pasado 5 de julio se llevo a cabo un foro de salud, con la presencia de mas de 100 personas en el salón del centro San Antonio. La organización estuvo a cargo del ministerio de transformación comunitaria de la iglesia de San Antonio, la fundación del cuidado de la salud de Winters, y North Valley sponsoring committee. Se contó con la presencia de la asambleísta Lois Walk, y Cindy Ehnes directora del departamento de Salud publica y representante del gobernador de California.

La fundación del cuidado de la salud en Winters reporto que el año pasado atendió 1,600 pacientes, de estas el 38% eran personas sin seguro medico, 7 % eran niños y 43% eran trabajadores del campo, y el 47% se identificaron como hispanos.

Moisés Barbosa explico como el comité North Valley trabaja en diferentes comunidades, y especialmente aquí en Winters donde Brian Heller de Leon ha trabajado por mas de un año, logrando primero que el distrito escolar y la ciudad de Winters establecieran el programa de ayuda escolar despue4s de la escuela, y la formación del comité hispano para la ciudad de Winters, las clases de ciudadanía, la información en español de parte del ayuntamiento de Winters (City Hall), y las clases para los primeros compradores de casas.

Personas y familias dieron testimonio de los problemas que tienen por no contar con un seguro medico. Lourdes Figueroa de la clínica de Winters comento el hecho de cómo personas con diabetes, tienen que escoger entre comprar la medicina o alimentar a la familia, dijo que estas personas no toman su medicina regularmente, y solo la toman cuando en verdad no pueden más. El testimonio de Irma Ibañez, a la que su empleador para no darle aseguranza medica, solamente la emplea medio tiempo y este es un claro ejemplo de cómo los patrones evitan dar aseguranza medica, aprovechándose de la misma ley. Pablo Brambila que sufrió un ataque al corazón el año pasado tiene una factura de \$80,000, y él preguntaba ¿ cómo lo voy a pagar?.

Con estos testimonios los organizadores quisieron presentar de primera mano a la asambleísta, y a la representante del gobernador la realidad de las personas que no tienen aseguranza medica, y que así como las personas que dieron su testimonio, existen muchas mas en todo el estado.

La asambleísta Lois Walk dijo que no era posible que el estado de California siendo la octava economía mas grande del mundo, no tuviera aseguranza medica para todos sus residentes, y dijo que aun los que tienen aseguranza medica, también tienen problemas en su cobertura. Comento que este año la prioridad numero uno para la asamblea y el gobernador era el cuidado medico. Hablo de tres proposiciones que se están analizando, pero fue muy realista al decir que no había dinero, que el dinero tendría que venir de algún lado, y comento sobre la responsabilidad de patrones y trabajadores para pagar por el cuidado medico. Cualquier plan que sea aprobado necesita ser accesible, de calidad, compartir la responsabilidad, y controlar costos.

La representante del gobernador Cindy Ehnes comento que el plan del gobernador esta enfocado en la prevención e información de programas, además de cobertura para todos, y al igual que Lois Walk hablo sobre la responsabilidad compartida, incluyendo los negocios.

El gobierno tiene que reconocer que el seguro de salud es muy necesario para las familias que vivimos en este país, se necesita para recibir servicios preventivos, ya sea de especialistas o de los hospitales, así como para proteger a las familias de los altos costos médicos. El no tener seguro afecta la estabilidad económica de las familias, donde uno trabaja es donde uno adquiere cobertura medica, pero hemos visto en los últimos años como los empleadores están dejando sin cobertura medica a sus trabajadores, y esto es un gran problema para las familias inmigrantes, el seguro que el empleador ofrece es una fuente de seguro medico, y es importante teniendo en cuenta que la ley ha restringido su elegibilidad para recibir cobertura médica pública mediante el programa de Medicaid y el programa de seguro médico estatal para niños (en inglés, State Children's Health Insurance Program o por sus siglas, SCHIP).

Sin embargo, aun cuando las familias inmigrantes tienen tanta probabilidad de trabajar a tiempo completo como las familias de ciudadanos estadounidenses, la probabilidad de que las primeras tengan acceso a cobertura de salud pagada por su empleador es mucho menor. Y las posibilidades para conseguir un seguro medico para los que no los tenemos, en vez de mejorar, van a empeorar. Esto se debe a los altos costos, que hacen que los patrones no ofrezcan cobertura, y los que la ofrecen los trabajadores pagan una prima muy alta por el servicio. Si para los nacidos aquí, y los residentes el obtener un seguro medico esta medio difícil, así que imagínense a los indocumentados. Y ahora con tantas restricciones que se están poniendo en muchos estados, al final de cuentas el no tener un seguro medico le va a salir mas caro al estado, porque si no hay prevención, las salas de emergencia ya de por si saturadas se verán rebasadas por muchos pacientes.

La falta de un seguro medico, al final de cuentas es lo que hace la diferencia a la hora de decidir si vas al doctor o no, porque afecta las condiciones de salud y las económicas. Si se ofreciera cobertura medica, se mejoraría la salud porque se tendría acceso a una prevención, que a su vez resultaría en una mayor capacidad de trabajo.

## Vacaciones

Si usted es de las muchas personas afortunadas que en este verano va a disfrutar de unas buenas vacaciones fuera de Winters, la policía de Winters le pide que para mantener su casa segura cuando usted fuera, siga las siguientes recomendaciones: Trate de hacer que su casa parezca que esta habitada, puede encargar a sus vecinos que estén al pendiente de su casa, y, además, puede ir al departamento de policía de Winters para notificarles que su casa estará sola, le pedirán que llene un formulario, para que ellos puedan vigilarle su casa. Dele una llave a la persona que usted deje de encargada, y dele los números de teléfono donde se pueda comunicar con usted.

Puede hacer arreglos para que su correo sea detenido el tiempo que estará fuera de la casa, no deje notas en la puerta diciendo que esta afuera, esto atraerá a los

ladrones. Haga arreglos para que le corten el césped y limpien la parte de enfrente de su casa, para hacer como si alguien esta ahí. Puede usar alarmas automáticas para prender el radio, y las luces de la casa a diferentes horas. Deje las persianas o cortinas de la manera que siempre las tiene, además, no olvide cerrar todas las puertas de la casa con llave.

Marque todas sus cosa valiosas con su numero de licencia de manejar, asegúrese de mantener todas sus cosas de valor en una caja fuerte. Le puede pedir a su vecino que se estacione en el frente de su casa de ves en cuando, y, además, si deja un carro estacionado fuera de su casa pídale a sus vecino que se lo mueva, para que de la sensación de que hay alguien en casa, y por favor que alguien sepa en donde esta y cuando regresara.

## Leer en el Verano

La biblioteca de Winters les recuerda que sigue teniendo sus programas de lectura en este verano. Uno de los programas que sigue con mucho éxito es la invitación para que vayan a la biblioteca por lo menos seis días durante el verano, y saquen un libro prestado, en cada visita se les dará un pequeño regalo y a la sexta ves que saquen un libro se les regalara una pizza individual y un libro como cortesía de los amigos unidos de la biblioteca.

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Las historias para preescolares se tienen cada martes a las 10 am, y para los niños de primer a sexto grado, los martes por la mañana de 10:45am a 11:45 am. Se tienen las historias para niños mayores, vengan a escuchar las historias que hay para ustedes.

Y la biblioteca también tiene el club de libros para adolescentes, los miércoles en las tardes durante los meses de julio y agosto.

## Conciertos de Verano

Los amigos de la biblioteca los siguen invitando para que los acompañen en sus conciertos al aire libre en el Kiosco del parque Rotario. Este jueves 19 de julio a las 7 pm. se presentara la Orquesta Davis Klezmer,

que toca música judía del este de Europa. Los conciertos son gratis, solo traiga una cobija o una silla, invite a sus amigos y vecinos. Se venderán aperitivos. Las ganancias serán para beneficio de la biblioteca de Winters.

## Pases para el Autobús

Los pases de verano para el autobús son buenos para viajar sin limite en cualquier ruta del autobús Yolo o Unitrans. Los pases cuestan \$15.00 y el precio del viaje sencillo es de \$0.35 y lo puede pagar en el auto-

bús. Los pases del verano son buenos del 1 de junio hasta el 31 de agosto, y no son validos en la región de Sacramento. Los pases los pueden comprar en la oficina del ayuntamiento (City Hall).

## Servicios Aliados Para Niños

Servicios Aliados Para Niños: un programa con base escolar para niños y adolescentes que ofrece servicios de intervención en casos de crisis, pre-

vencción y servicios psicoeducativos en todo el condado de Yolo.

Para mayor información: Susana Russ, LCSW, 662-2211, ext. 25.

## Servicios para clients en español

YFSA ofrece terapia en español para parejas, familias e individuos (adultos y niños). Nuestros terapeutas son bilingües y están familiarizados con las diferentes culturas. YFSA

también ofrece grupos en español, en los casos en que resulta necesario. Para solicitar servicios en español, llame al 662-2211, extensión 25.

## Viaje de regreso

El lunes pasado empezó a funcionar el plan de repatriación voluntaria, que fue creado por la Casa Blanca en 2003, la función de este plan es principalmente es combatir el trafico y la muerte de los inmigrantes que se aventuran a cruzar el desierto en los meses más calurosos. Con este plan se pretende repatriar a 300 mexicanos diarios, y enviarlos a su lugar de procedencia en donde pueden volver a rehacer su vida, o como sucede muy a menudo volver a intentar cruzar la frontera en otro tiempo mas propicio.

El gobierno de México dice que se pretende evitar que los paisanos crucen en este tiempo tan caliente en el desierto de Arizona, hasta el día de hoy ya se llevan contabilizadas mas de 200 muertes en el cruce de la frontera. Los médicos y paramédicos de la patrulla fronteriza ayudan a determinar si los indocumentados están en condiciones físicas de regresar a México, o si tienen que esperar un tiempo prudente para la repatriación. Este plan solo se aplica a mexicanos que son arrestados en el desierto de arizona, ya que aquí es por donde hay mas trafico de indocumentados. Si no es mexicano, lo encarcelan y lo deportan por uno de los puertos de entrada del país.

El gobierno federal paga por mandar de regreso en avión a 300 indocumentados, en vuelos diarios a sus ciudades o pueblos de origen en México. Los mexicanos que son detenidos y manifiestan

su interés por participar en este programa, son transportados a un centro de detención en Nogales, después los llevan en autobús a Tucson, y de ahí los mandan en vuelos a México.

Sin embargo, este plan no es la solución para frenar a los mexicanos que intentan cruzar la frontera, lo único que hace el programa es darle la oportunidad al indocumentado de regresar sano y salvo a sus lugares de origen en México. El año pasado fueron deportados mas de 15 mil mexicanos. Los estados con mayor numero de repatriados son Chiapas, Veracruz, Puebla, y Oaxaca.

Cifras oficiales del gobierno muestran que cada año 1 millón de personas tratan de cruzar la frontera ilegalmente, y se deportan el 50 por ciento. El programa tiene varias consideraciones o requisitos que se deben de cumplir. El traslado de los detenidos debe ser a centros de detención del Departamento de Seguridad, los vuelos en donde se repatrian son aerolíneas comerciales mexicanas, y el máximo que podrán viajar son 300 pasajeros, además, no deberán ir custodiados por agentes federales, solo se repatriaran mexicanos mayores de 18 años, y menores si son acompañados por su familia, además, los repatriados no deberán tener antecedentes penales y aceptar de forma voluntaria su participación en el programa, funcionarios del consulado de México podrán tener acceso a los repatriados en cualquier punto en su regreso a México.

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## Identifying Alzheimer's Disease

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: On TV, a commentator said Alzheimer's disease is known as the disease of the four A's. What are those four A's? — M.C.

ANSWER: I don't know. I'm pretty sure they were devised either by that commentator or by someone whom he heard speak. They're not a universally used way to identify this illness. I can give you a list of the more common Alzheimer's symptoms, and, by stretching things, I can come up with three A's.

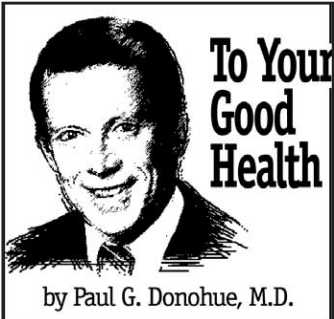
Loss of memory is a prominent symptom, and most Alzheimer's patients don't realize how bad their memory is. The "A" word here would be "amnesia." In addition, people with this condition have trouble with abstract thinking—a second "A" word. An example of abstract thinking is maneuvering numbers, as you'd do in balancing your check-book.

Difficulty with language is another sign. Such difficulties include constantly using the wrong words or forgetting the meaning of simple words. By really stretching things, this could be called "aphasia," a third "A."

Another sign of Alzheimer's is the inability to do routine tasks, things that people do without giving them a second thought, like dressing. Poor judgment is yet another sign. On a cold day, an Alzheimer's patient might go out with only a T-shirt. Alzheimer's makes it hard for people to get their bearings; they become lost even in surroundings that should be familiar.

On misplacing something like their keys, Alzheimer's patients often look for them in outlandish places, like the refrigerator. They have rapid swings in their mood. Frequently, they suffer an about-face in their personality. A pleasant, friendly person becomes suspicious of everyone and acts in a gruff, abrasive manner. If any reader knows M.C.'s four A's, please write.

Readers who would like a more comprehensive discussion of this common and distressing ill-



ness can order the Alzheimer's booklet. Write to: Dr. Donohue — No. 903W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6.75 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Every summer when I go to my cottage, I get swimmer's ear. I've been told I get it because I don't get all the water out of my ears after swimming. How do I keep from getting it this year? — R.N.

ANSWER: You avoid it by getting all the water out of your ears after swimming. Have you tried rolling up an edge of a washcloth and gently inserting into your ear to wick water out of the ear canal?

Make a solution of equal parts rubbing alcohol and white vinegar. Put a drop or two in each ear canal after swimming and let them stay there for two minutes. Then tilt the head to drain the drops out of the canal. The solution keeps the ear canal at the right acidity and stops the growth of bacteria and fungi that are responsible for swimmer's ear. The evaporating alcohol dries the ear canal.

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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.

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## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Woman, slangly  
4 Information  
8 "— of Our Lives"  
12 Diva's problem  
13 Hodgepodge  
14 Acknowledge  
15 Script  
17 Start of something big?  
18 Hoodlum  
19 English homework  
20 Say it's OK  
22 Recording  
24 Dorm dweller  
25 Fossey subjects  
29 Slapstick missile  
30 Invigorant  
31 "A Chorus Line" song  
32 In the cards  
34 Pesky filer  
35 Crystal gazer  
36 Wade of baseball  
37 Inlets  
40 Architect — Ming Pei  
41 Condo, e.g.  
42 Look of sadness  
46 H look-alikes  
47 Advantage  
48 Annoy  
49 Clinton competitor

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- 50 Borscht ingredient  
51 "Catcher in the —"  
**DOWN**  
1 Solidify  
2 Past  
3 Spiderlike "daddy"  
4 "Impossible!"  
5 Joie de vivre  
6 Triumph  
7 Turf  
8 Maiden  
9 Erstwhile ova  
10 Relaxing exercise  
11 Convince  
16 OK  
19 Grand story  
20 Shot a hole-in-one  
21 Theater box  
22 Photocopier need  
23 Desertlike  
25 Vanished  
26 Lover of classical music  
27 Scrambled wd.  
28 Collections  
30 Haberdashery rackful  
33 Sleeping-sickness  
34 Slip-up  
36 Sire  
37 Prompted  
38 Knowing about  
39 Lab container  
40 "Bus Stop" writer  
42 Beirut's land (Abbr.)  
43 Praiseful piece  
44 Turn on the waterworks  
45 Supplement, with "out"

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## The difference between a remedy and medicine

I recently started a job as a publications writer for an insurance company in Monterey. I spend my eight-hour day transcribing notes into formally written documents. I took the job because I enjoy writing and I figured it would be a good learning opportunity. I've worked there for just over a month now.

A few days ago, in the middle of my work shift, I felt my mind drift away from the demands of my job and I began to fall asleep at my desk. I got up and walked to the bathroom, sat down in a stall, and slipped instantly into power-nap. A friend of mine had suggested it after I told him how tired I always felt at work. I laughed at the time.

It was shortly after that incredible nap that I began to think extensively about how the job made me feel, and whether or not I should really be doing it. After all, I had just slept in a bathroom. Something about the job was not engaging me, and as a result I couldn't maintain my concentration. I tried to think of a solution to my problem, and this story came briefly to mind:

About a year ago, during my last two weeks of college, I was working on a 35-page research paper that was required in order to graduate.

I often struggle to focus over extended periods of time, so I prefer to do my writing very late at night, once all the action has died down. One night, about a week before the

project was due, I was re-laxing and drinking coffee, waiting to separate myself from the wild pace of the day. I was only 15 pages deep at that time, and had been unsuccessful in my last few attempts at writing. I knew something big needed to happen in order for me to finish on time. The ideas were in my head, but I struggled mightily to wrap my brain around how to pin them coherently onto paper.

I tried for almost two hours to get started. Nothing came. Nothing. In a fit of extreme stress and frustration, I got up and took a walk to my neighbor's house. I explained to her my problem. I made my frustration obvious. I had intentions.

Our conversation lasted about 10 minutes. In it, we agreed that I would take her out for a burrito sometime later that week. I told her thanks, and exited the front door. While walking home, I reached into my pocket and fished out a tiny white pill available at the drug store, a stimulant. I put myself to bed seven hours later, having written and edited 14 solid pages. I wasn't at all tired, but it was past 7 a.m., and going to bed just seemed like the right thing to do.

I brought my neighbor a burrito the next day and

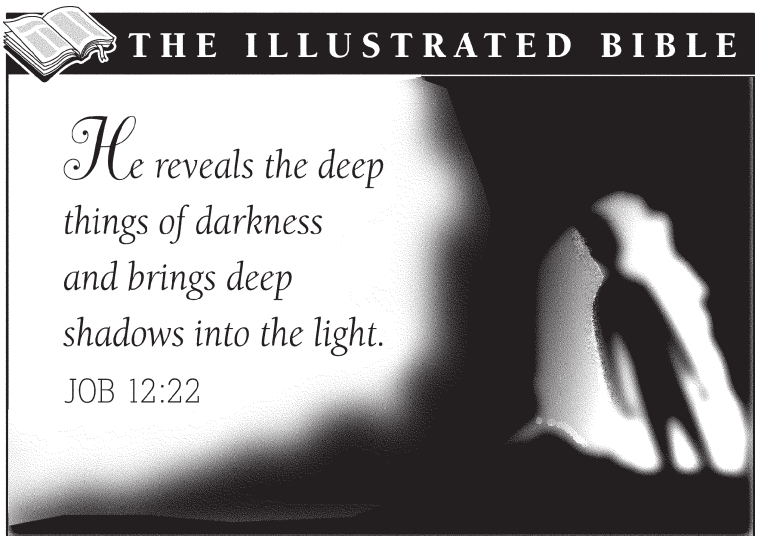


requested that she never give me one of those pills again, no matter how many burritos I offer next time.

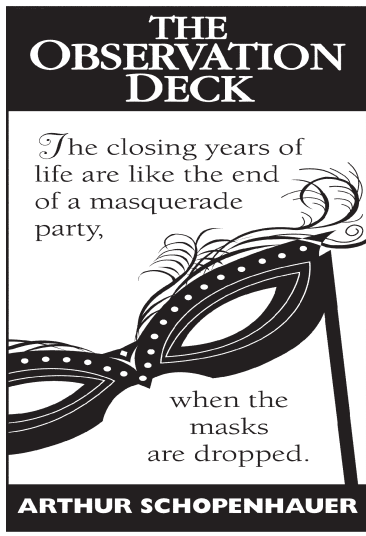
I imagine these pills would make my work day an absolute breeze. The problem with that though, is that I don't know if my current workday should be a breeze. When it all comes down to it, I don't like it, and for this reason I should probably remain in search of something more fulfilling rather than enhance my ability to accept something that deflates me. What effect would be had on the rest of my life if I were to allow a pill to artificially bend my mind and body in the direction of a full-time job that I dislike?

We are much better served in the long run if we take the time to fit naturally within the structured world. At that point, we are free to bend it in the direction of our own personal strengths and interests, unaffected by the scheduled numbness of any amphetamine or daily enhancer.

Between the lofty demands of society and the patchwork solutions designed to help cope with those demands, we're chasing ourselves in circles. We can choose to step aside and do more than simply exist.

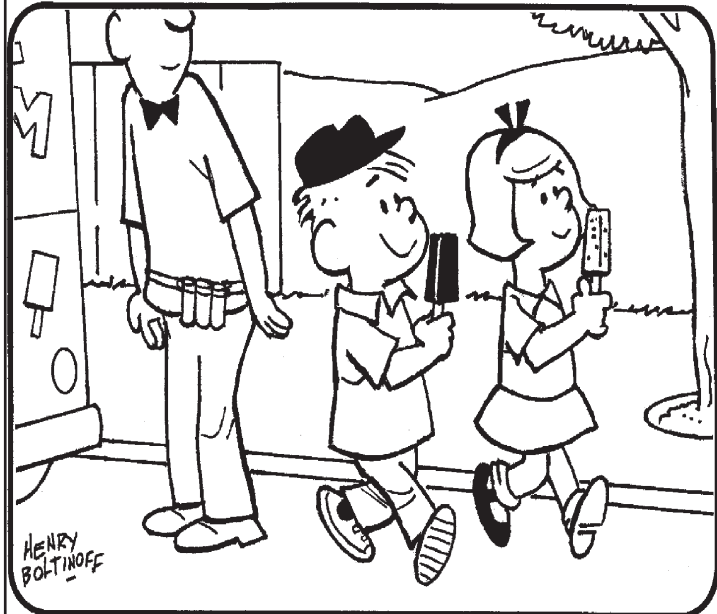


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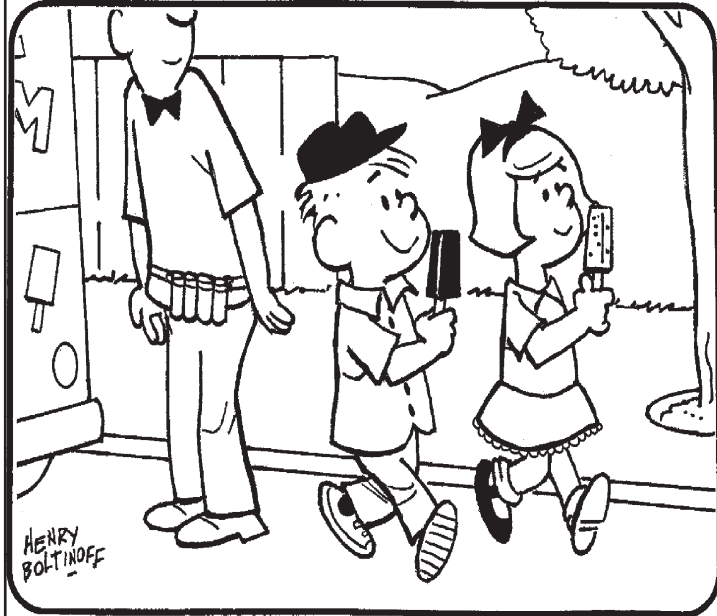


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## HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Tree is fuller. 2. Change belt is different. 3. Fence is longer 4. Girl's bow is different. 5. Boy's shirt has buttons. 6. Girl's skirt is decorated.

## Pleased to meet you



**Name:** Marcella Heredia  
**Occupation:** High School Counselor  
**Hobby:** Traveling and reading  
**What's best about living in Winters:** "I like the people and the restaurants."  
**Fun fact:** Climbed a 13,000ft volcano,twice in Mexico. Where she could barely breath.

## King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 27 mins.

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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Aspects favor socializing with family and friends, but an irksome workplace situation could intrude. No use grumbling, Lamb. Just do it, and then get back to the fun times.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) There's still time for you Ferdinands and Fernandas to relax and sniff the roses. But a major work project looms and will soon demand much of your attention through the 23rd.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Your enthusiasm persuades even the toughest doubters to listen to what you're proposing. But don't push too hard, or you'll push them away. Moderate for best results.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Your energy levels are rising, and you feel you can handle anything the job requires. That's great. But don't isolate yourself. Keep your door open to your workplace colleagues.

**LEO** (July 23 August 22) A workplace change could lead to that promotion you've been hoping for. But you'll have to face some tough competition before the Lion can claim his or her share of the goodies.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Your rigidity regarding a difficult workplace situation could be the reason your colleagues aren't rushing to your assistance. Try being more flexible in your demands.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) That uneasy mood could be your Libran inner voice reminding you that while it's great to be with your new friends, you need to take care not to ignore your old ones.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) A sudden spate of criticism could shake the Scorpion's usually high sense of self-confidence. Best advice: You made a decision you believed in — now defend it.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Your reluctance to help restart a stalled relationship could be traced to unresolved doubts about your partner's honesty. Rely on a trusted friend's advice.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) The capricious Sea Goat is torn between duty and diversion. Best advice: Do both. Tend to your workaday chores, then go out and enjoy your well-earned fun time.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Cutting back on some of your activities for a few days helps restore your energy levels. You should be feeling ready to tackle your many projects early next week.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) A co-worker might be secretly carping about your work to mutual colleagues. But associates will come to your defense, and the situation will ultimately work to your advantage.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Your ambition makes you a success at whatever you choose to do — especially if it's in the world of the performing arts.

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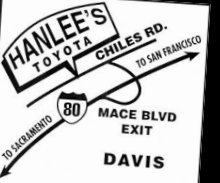
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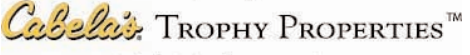
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