

OBITUARIES

Joe R. Martinez

Joe R. “Papa Joe” Martinez died peacefully at his Winters home on Oct. 14, 2007. Born on March 10, 1921 in Cement, California to Juan and Juana Martinez, he was 86 years old. He served in the US Army during World War II, where he saw combat in Normandy, Rhineland and the European African Middle Eastern Campaigns.

After leaving the Army, he farmed in Winters and also worked at Travis Air Force Base as a civil service employee. He was a member of the Winters VFW Post 11091 and Club Iberico de Espana.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Juanita; daughter and son-in-law, Laura and Robert Paschoal of Winters; son and daughter-in-law John and Christine Martinez of Yuba City; daughter and son-in-law Cynthia and Carl Stillwell of Winters; son and daughter-in-law Ruben and Jeanie Martinez of Loveland, Colorado; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 16, at the Winters Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Sutter Hospice Foundation, 2800 L Street, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA, 95816.

Mont Ray Spencer

Mont Ray Spencer of Winters passed away at his home on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007, at the age of 58. He was born in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on May 27, 1949. He worked for Sysco Food Services of San Francisco for 27 years and for Sexton Food Service. He loved boating at Lake Berryessa, at the Spanish Flat Resort.

He is survived by his wife, Patsy, of Winters; daughter, Irene Mildred Nickleberry of Vallejo and son Monty Ray Spencer of Daly City; grandson Isiah Nickleberry and granddaughter Gabriella Spencer; many friends and co-workers.

A graveside service is planned at the Russian River Center, 940 Low Gap Road, in Ukiah on Oct. 18 at 1 p.m.

Weekly police

Oct. 4-7

~ On the 100 block of East Grant Avenue, two counterfeit \$20 bills were passed at a local business.

Oct. 7

~ On the 700 block of Dutton Street, an Officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

Oct. 8

~ Samuel Cabrera, 24, of Woodland was issued a notice to appear for speeding, being an unlicensed driver and no proof of insurance.

~ John Edward Crespo, 71, of Winters was backing up from a parking space in the parking lot of 180 East Grant Avenue. Crespo did not see a vehicle driven by Marilyn Helen Bisnett, 69, of Roseville that had already pulled out of a parking space and was traveling westbound passing behind his vehicle. As Crespo backed out of the parking space, his vehicle collided with Bisnett's vehicle.

~ A 15-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for committing battery on school grounds. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

~ An officer assisted the Yolo County Sheriff's Department with a vehicle pursuit on I-505 from State Route 16.

~ On the first block of East Abbey Street, a victim applied for a job over the internet. The company sent the victim two checks and instructed her to cash them, keep 10 percent for herself and send 90 percent back to the company. The victim became suspicious and contacted the FBI. The victim learned that the business was fraudulent, as were the checks.

Oct. 8-9

~ On the first block of East Main Street, spray paint was used to write graffiti on the tailgate of a vehicle.

Oct. 9

~ On the 100 block of Colby Lane, a victim received a letter with a

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YESTERYEAR



Pictured above is the building housing the Winters Drayline, on Railroad Avenue where Cody's is now located. The Winters Express of July 8, 1927 reported that “The Depot Garage was taken over from Roe Judy this week by Sale & Ruggles.”

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YEARS AGO

October 31, 1957

Congressman John Moss, of Sacramento, who represents Yolo County in Congress, will be the speaker at the November meeting of the Winters District Chamber of Commerce, to be held Monday evening at 7 p.m. at the First Christian Church.

Lucille Reed won first prize in the annual Halloween window painting contest, sponsored by the Winters District Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rubio, of Winters, are the parents of a daughter, born at the Woodland Clinic Hospital October 23, 1957.

Technical Sgt. Herbert Smith is retiring from the U.S. Air Force today after 20 years service with the armed forces.

Robbie Young scored both touchdowns for Winters, piling up 137 yards in 21 carries as the Winters Warriors defeated Clarksburg 12 to 0 last Friday on the local field.

The contractors for the Monticello Dam, Peter Kiewit Sons Company, expect to wind up the work on the dam during the next two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Ramos and son, Gregory, are this week moving from the Wolfskill District to Arbuckle, where they have purchased farming properties.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Kidder are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Mary Louise, to Mr. G. William Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Yandell and daughters, Denise Ann and Valerie Lynn, of Long Beach, have been visiting here with Mrs. Yandell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Carrion.

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YEARS AGO

October 30, 1942

Mrs. S.H. Hoy was honoree at a surprise birthday party recently, honoring her 80th birthday which fell October 18.

According to R.E. Degener, the town scrap pile now amounts to 15 tons – and is still growing.

A large audience heard Rev. Monroe Drew in farewell at the united service Sunday night at the Christian Church.

Elwin Martin has written of singing every day with other musicians at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel. He wrote also of a pleasant visit with Dr. Leon Mermod in Honolulu.

Sherman Herold and Harry Sattazahn were hosts Thursday night at the J.F. Vasey home, at an “open house” party honoring prospective servicemen in farewell compliment. Among the honorees were George Leggett, Ed Forwick, Carl Holmes, Bill Duncan, John Randolph Griffin, Harold Overhouse.

Misses Betty Mae Niemann and Ermyl Baker, students at a Sacramento secretarial school spent the weekend at their respective homes.

Miss Marian Degener, student at UC spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Degener.

Miss Maralea Franke, employed in Sacramento was a weekend visitor at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Chapman who are residing in Sacramento where he is employed visited relatives during the weekend in Union District.

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YEARS AGO

November 1, 1907

Ray Pratt, Fred Parker, F.W. Herold, J.R. Griffin and R.H. Jeans are a committee of arrangements and W.O. Russell, A.C. Gannon, W.A. Cannedy, W.H. Hoy, C.H. Waughtel, W.A. Brinck and James R. Briggs are floor managers for a Native Sons dance to be given Thanksgiving night.

Wm. Brinck and wife, August Brinck and wife arrived recently from Honolulu. Of course they had a glorious trip, spending some four weeks on the island and taking in all the principal towns and the crater and other parts of interest.

115
YEARS AGO

October 29, 1892

Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Briggs of Woodland were visitors at the Buckeye ranch this week.

J.E. Sackett and wife returned on Thursday morning's train from a visit of two weeks with relatives in San Francisco.

A gang of railroad carpenters have been employed this week in repairing the floor of the bridge across Putah Creek, tightening the bolts, etc. They have also braced up and repaired the depot platforms.

Fire department report

Oct. 8

~ Medical aid, 400 block of Abbey Street; fall

~ Medical aid, County Road 29A and Interstate 505; vehicle accident

Oct. 9

~ Medical aid, 100 block of East Main Street; unknown medical

Oct. 10

~ Medical aid, 700 block of Ivy Court; victim of assault

Oct. 12

~ Mutual aid to Dixon Fire, State Highway 128 at County Road 91; power line down

~ Public assistance, Grant Avenue and Railroad Avenue; vehicle lockout

Oct. 13

~ Investigation, Railroad Avenue and Russell Street; controlled burn

Oct. 14

~ Medical aid, northbound Interstate 505 at County Road 29A; vehicle accident.

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PLANNERS

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ers took their seats, and the meeting began.

“Thanks again to the outgoing commissioners,” said Planning Commissioner Albert Vallecillo. “Now it’s time to roll up our sleeves and get to work.”

Commissioner Pierre Neu was nominated vice chairman and Albert Vallecillo was nominated chairman.

Martinez volunteered to sit on the economic development subcommittee.

Pearse property

The planning commissioners discussed the details of a housing development being planned for property at the south end of Third Street, near Putah Creek.

Property owner Tom Pearse and designer Wade Cowan (who is also a planning commissioner, but stepped down for the discussion of this project) gave a brief description of what they hope to do with the land: Create a bulb-shaped loop at the end of Third Street and divide the surrounding land into four separate properties, all of which would be separately available for purchase. Custom homes would then be designed and built by those who purchased the property.

“I’ve spent a lot of time

going over the conditions of this project and am convinced that everything will be fine,” said Cowan.

Celia Racine, a Third Street resident who lives next to the property, expressed her concerns at the meeting.

“Conceivably, the way the lot is set up, I could end up with a skyline of large two-story houses 10 feet away from my backyard,” Racine said. “My request is that you control the elevation of the sight so that the new homes match the size and character of the rest of the neighborhood. As the planning commission, you have the ability to enforce such a condition.”

“I think the details of the houses themselves can be dealt with later, when the time comes to design and build them,” responded Vallecillo, clarifying that the goal of this particular meeting was to discuss the property division itself, not the design of the houses.

Another concern of Racine, who also spoke on behalf of her neighbors, the Fletcher family, was that the proposed road would sit uncomfortably close to existing houses and cause undesirable noise.

There was some discussion about shifting the end of the court, which sits between the four parcels, slightly to the south so as to create a

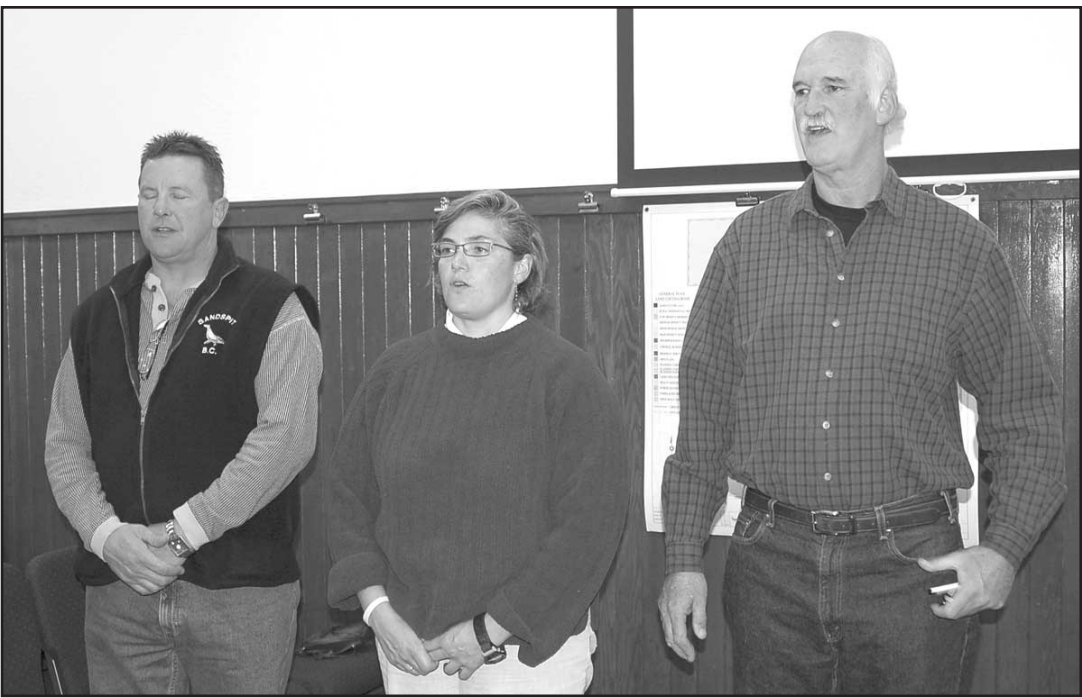


Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Taking their oath of office for the Winters Planning Commission at the Oct. 9 meeting are, from left, GlenDe Vries, Corinne Martinez and Bruce Guelden.

more comfortable distance between the older homes and the new road.

Cowan pointed out that shifting the entire project south could create potential problems when building begins.

“We would end up on very steep ground,” said Cowan. “Construction would be much more difficult.”

A compromise was struck when Cowan pointed out that rather than shift the whole court to the south, they could instead move the road slightly and have it enter the property at a point slightly to the south, creating more space between the

neighbors and the road.

“I don’t see any issues with shifting the road to the south,” said City Engineer Nick Ponticello.

The motion to approve the plan was passed unanimously with an amendment to make the property owners responsible for maintenance of the new road. Details concerning the houses themselves will be discussed as the project continues to progress.

“I really feel that it’s important to make sure the new development fits with the old,” reiterated Racine. “The planning commission should keep that in mind.”

“It’s understandable

that nobody would want a large two-story house in their backyard,” replied Glen De Vries. “But old will meet new. It’s part of development.”

The division of the Pearse property was approved unanimously.

The next planning commission meeting will be on Oct. 30, a change from the normal meeting date of the fourth Tuesday of each month. The change in date was approved at the Oct. 9 to accommodate notices and paperwork needed for the Pearse property.

Commissioner Joseph Tramontana was not present at the meeting.

City seeks Youth of the Year nominees

The city of Winters parks & recreation department is accepting nominations for Youth of the Year. Coordinators of the annual honor are looking for an extraordinary school age youth to honor for his or her contribution(s) in making the world a better place to be.

To make a nomination, write a letter explaining why the nominee deserves recognition and in which areas she or he is extraordinary.

Nominations are due on Friday, Nov. 9, by 5 p.m. Bring or mail nominations to City Hall, City of Winters, 318 First Street, Winters, CA , 95694, Attn: Traci Nakamura.

AA offers help

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

Adults are welcome at all meetings. There is no charge to attend.

County adds website features

Yolo County today announced the addition of a new email subscription service to the county’s Web site. As part of Yolo County’s commitment to, and concentration on being more proactive in its communication with residents, the county has added this service to many of the county’s Internet pages to keep visitors to the site up to date on news and information.

The service allows members of the public to subscribe to topics of interest and receive instant and automated e-mail, or wireless notification, when subscription items are updated. Signing up to receive updates is easy: within a few clicks residents can subscribe to public health announcements, news releases, job openings, meeting minutes, and more.

The new service is expected to benefit both residents of Yolo County and the county itself. Residents will stay better informed, receive information immediately, and save time previously used to search for relevant updates on the website. At the same time, the county improves responsiveness to the public, interacts more effectively through proactive

communication, and reduces paper use and delivery costs by sending information digitally instead of on paper.

“We are always looking for ways to improve how we communicate the business of Yolo County with our residents, partners and stakeholders,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Mariko Yamada. “Besides providing this new e-mail subscription service, we have embarked on a major initiative to update our entire Web site. Stay tuned for a new and improved Yolo County website in the new year.”

Email and wireless alerts link subscribers back to the updated website for more detail. Signing up is free, easy, and risk-free. Visitors to the Yolo County website can click on the button on the left side of the homepage with the red envelope which says “Sign up for e-mail subscriptions” to sign up and see what pages are available for subscription. The only information that is required is an e-mail address. Subscribers can change their subscription details or cancel the service at any time.

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Opinion



DEBRA LO QUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

ALTHOUGH AMERICA IS openly despised in the Muslim world, certain American values aren't. Take Capitalism. Money talks, and it's multilingual. Enter Salma, a Muslim version of Barbie, complete with the Muslim version of the Little Black Dress, the black abaya and hajib. According to a Reuters video featured on Yahoo last week, Salma is all the rage in Indonesia, and has taken little Muslim girls' hearts by storm.

One little girl was quoted, through a translator, as saying, "She's so cute in her long sleeves and ankle length dress."

Uh huh. The Indonesian entrepreneur says her motivation was twofold. One, she noticed the proliferation of American Barbie dolls in the Muslim world and, two, she saw a lack of similar dolls portraying traditional Muslim garb and values. All well and good. But oddly enough, Salma has distinctly western features. She has no obvious non-Anglo ethnicity at all and, in fact, looks just like a Barbie knockoff. She may be peeking out from a hajib, but Barbie by any other name is still Barbie.

As for the desire to create Muslim dolls more appropriate for Muslim girls, I suppose that's an honorable goal. Little girls learn how to be grownup women through playing with dolls and exploring the female attributes that are most desirable, which is why Barbie is so beloved in America. We all want to grow up to be vapid, materialistic, narcissistic bimbos, with minds as empty as a drum.

Sigh. It's not hard to imagine why a Muslim entrepreneur might want to present more honorable goals for young girls (if only we all did), and therefore design a doll representing Muslim values, particularly since a Muslim woman sauntering down the sidewalk in a Barbie-style pink mini-skirt and bikini top would likely be shot on sight in some areas of the world.

It was a business-savvy call, because Salma is flying off the shelves in Indonesia. Before long, she'll surely pop up in other parts of the Muslim world, in all sorts of new variations, like all the Barbie variations — Malibu Barbie, Cinderella Barbie, etc. Salma won't be far behind. Neither will all the Muslim parents buying Salma for their kids.

How do you say *ka-ching* in Arabic? Little girls in Afghanistan will just love Taliban Salma, covered head to toe in a burqa. Unfortunately, Taliban Salma isn't actually allowed to be taken out of her box unless accompanied by Taliban Abdul, who will put a bullet through her head should a breeze pick up her skirt and reveal a dainty ankle.

Hamas Salma comes complete with a checkered head scarf and a sporty little dynamite-filled vest. Pull her string and she shrieks "Death to Israel! Death to America!" and explodes into a million little pink pieces. Sadly, Hamas Salma will not be rewarded with a place in paradise, where she can have her way with 70 virgins and then toss them aside like used toilet paper. That reward is reserved only for Hamas Hassan. Hamas Salma just ends up in the trash.

Then there's Islamic Jihad Salma. She masquerades in typical western clothing while she takes advantage of the American university system and earns a biochemistry degree, only to return to her own country where she takes what she has learned and helps Islamic Jihad Tariq construct and detonate a dirty bomb to kill every man, woman and child living in Cleveland. As a reward for her intellectual contribution, she is forced to return to living her life under a tablecloth for the remainder of her days, and is beaten severely if she objects.

And then we have the African version of Muslim Salma. She comes complete with a thick diaper to collect the constant leakage of urine and bodily fluids because when her labia and clitoris were hacked off in cold blood as a young girl, the wounds unfortunately healed badly, leaving her genitalia not only mutilated but functionally and sexually useless. African Muslim Salma, like her real-life counterpart, gets tossed aside because she no longer holds any sexual value to African Muslim Kamal and besides, she smells awful.

And soon to be released: Tribal Salma. She comes with flexible legs that can be pulled sideways, because when her brother commits what the tribal elders deem to be a perversion, his transgression is mitigated by pinning Tribal Salma down so all the men in the village can rape her repeatedly. And, just to appeal to the preteen set, Tribal Salma is only 12.

Think the dolls are offensive? How about the real thing! Let's get offended about that! No, it's not the mainstream Muslim world. But the mainstream Muslim world turns its head. It doesn't object. Silence is complicity.

To those Muslims who are offended by this column, I say this: The outrageous abuse of Muslim women offends ME. Deeply. How dare Muslims think they're the only ones entitled to feel offended.

There is possibly nothing more offensive than the rampant oppression, torture, mutilation and assassination suffered by Muslim women worldwide. It is disgusting, it is wrong, and it is unacceptable in any civilized society. And it should generate one hell of a lot more uproar from the Muslim community than a few cartoons.



LETTERS

Looking for Outstanding Youth

Dear Editor,

The search is on again this year for the City of Winters Parks & Recreation Department to honor an Outstanding Youth of the Year. I know we hear this every year at this time but isn't it wonderful to have a chance to recognize a young person for their positive contributions in this time of so many difficulties in the world?

For those wishing to write a letter of nomination for a school age youth, please explain what area, or areas, in which the youth is extraordinary. For example: A) Involvement with family, civic organizations, church, hospital, youth groups, etc. B) Does the youth volunteer, if so

where and what is the focus? C) Any heroic action, and D) Dedication.

The deadline for the letter is Friday November 9 by 5 p.m. and can be sent, or taken into the Winters City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694.

A panel of judges will read the letters and the winner will be notified during the Thanksgiving holiday. The award will be presented December 5 at the Winters High School annual holiday concert at 7p.m. for the community.

For additional information call Traci Nakamura at 795-4233, ext. 102, Nancy Mills at 795-4910, ext. 101 or Theresa Foster at 795-2956.

Theresa Foster

Still room in watercolor class

Dear Editor,

The Winters Participation Gallery/Center for the Arts is pleased to announce that Diana Jahns will offer a one-day workshop on painting with pastels this coming Saturday, Oct. 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The workshop will be held at the gallery, located at 18 Main Street.

Enrollment is limited and a few places remain. The enrollment fee of \$65 includes all the materials needed. Diana introduces participants to a variety of papers and pastels so that a complete understanding of the tools and techniques

is acquired.

Beginning and advanced students both will find satisfaction in the instruction. High school students are particularly encouraged to attend since stipends are available.

Don't miss this opportunity for hands-on participation and direction from a well-known artist. To sign up or get more information, call Valerie Whitworth, temporary program coordinator, at 795-2009 or leave a message at 95-0608.

MICHAEL BARBOUR
Secretary

Winters Center for the Arts

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CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

WATER METERS, PART II. Sometimes it strikes me as funny what stirs people up. You can bring up religion and not have a more heated discussion as when you tell someone they have to put in a water meter, pay for it themselves, and your rates might even go up.

Over the years Winters has had different tax rates for different parts of the city. The park tax in the old part of town was different than newer sections of our community paid. The street lighting tax was also divided into six different districts across the city. At some point, about the time we voted in a municipal services tax of \$10 per unit, we also voted in a park and street lighting district, about \$85 per year, that included everyone in town. One flat rate for everybody.

With Proposition 13 everyone's property tax is different depending on when you purchased your home, or how much you paid for your home. There are three homes in Winters with my same floor plan, three bedrooms and 2 baths, about 1450 sq. ft., on a nice sized lot. One of those homes just came up on the market and sold for a lot more many than I paid for mine, or should I say more than my wife and I paid back in 1977. It is also a lot more than John paid for the house, somewhere around 1980, that his relatives just sold.

We just received our county property tax bill and I'm sure the new neighbor that bought John's home just received his bill based on the previous assessment. He will receive a supplemental tax bill in a few months reflecting the new assessment/new purchase price. His new tax bill will be more than four times as much as his neighbors. Sounds fair to me.

Right now, we all pay the same for water, no matter how much water you use, or don't use. No one has been able to change the system, but now we don't have a choice. The State of California has ordered that all cities install water meters as a way to encourage conservation. And trust me, if they offer you an incentive to save money by conserving water, most people will.

The problem is paying for and installing water meters in the 1,000 or so homes that don't have them. The city is talking about a total cost of around \$800 each to install these meters. That's \$800,000 if my math is right. There is a question about whether you can install your own meter, which costs around \$200. That is \$600 per install or \$600,000 for the whole city in added costs just to install the meter. For \$600,000 we could start a company just to install water meters in Winters. Hire six people, pay them \$75,000 per year and install 4 meters a day, and by the end of the year you're done and have \$150,000 to cover your overhead and profit.

The city is in the perfect position to hire these people themselves and hire a public works director who could oversee their work. If the city isn't in the business of making money, it could lower the cost per meter, provide local employment and save the citizens of Winters a lot of money.

Just a thought.

Street, Suite 275, Vacaville, CA 95688; (707) 455-8025; fax, (707) 455-0490.

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DAM

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miliarity has lessened the sense of awe at the visual spectacle, another feeling has emerged.

“I respect it — what it is and what it created,” Burbey said recently as he stood on top of the dam, a lake on one side and the dizzying plunge to Putah Creek on the other.

The dam created the 23-mile-long Lake Berryessa reservoir, which holds 1.6 million acre-feet of water to serve Solano County cities and farms. An acre-foot is enough water for a family of four for a year.

There are bigger dams. Shasta Dam in Northern California is twice as tall, three times as long and five times as wide at the base. But Monticello Dam is still huge at 304 feet from base to crest, as tall as the Statue of Liberty. It is perhaps the most imposing man-made structure in Solano County, rivaled in height only by the Montezuma Hills wind turbines installed during the past few years.

The dam’s secrets

Burbey knows the many secrets of this mysterious structure sitting off-limits to the public behind fences along Highway 128. Among them is that, though most of the dam is solid, there is a long tunnel inside. Burbey and his team of dam tenders enter through a door at the dam’s base. They walk through a concrete passageway illuminated by bare lightbulbs and check on the structure’s health.

A wire extends 300 feet through the dam’s insides from top to bottom, following a nine-inch-wide hole until it emerges in the tunnel. This is one of three plumb lines that show if the dam is moving. The dam typically moves about a half-inch a year because of such factors as expansion, contraction and the water temperature in the lake, Burbey said.

“That wire is stretched extremely tight by a seven-pound weight at its bottom and will move for hours if touched, Burbey said.

The walls and floor inside the dam are dry. Eighty-nine perforated pipes that run through

the dam collect water that seeps through the concrete and send it running out of the structure through a drain. Dam tenders measure this minuscule water flow the old fashioned way: With a stop watch and measuring cup. The amount equals about 1.44 cups per hour.

“Some concrete dams have a lot of water inside them because of seepage,” said Larry Nuss, a structural engineer with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. But people can enter Monticello Dam without waders.

“Monticello is really good,” Nuss said. “It has a good foundation, it’s very solid, so it’s pretty dry.”

The temperature inside the Monticello Dam is always about 58 degrees, kind of like a huge wine cellar. This coolness proves tempting to rattlesnakes during the summer and they slither under the door into the tunnel. Putting up with the snakes is part of life at the dam.

Falling bird waste from swallows used to be a problem — Monticello Dam was a Northern California version of Mission San Juan Capistrano. Mud swallow nests covered much of dam from March to July, Burbey recalled. But, for some reason, the swallows stopped coming in large numbers during recent years. Burbey has no idea why, making the disappearing swallows a Monticello Dam mystery.

Monticello Dam on occasion serves an additional purpose to holding back water. Its sheer bulk makes it a good site for training exercises.

A few years ago SWAT members repelled down the dam, he said. One person bounded down the face in three leaps. Others took the 25-story plunge so tentatively Burbey can point to scratches on the dam that mark their passage.

Could it be bigger?

Those wary SWAT members are lucky. At 304 feet tall, Monticello Dam is massive. But the idea keeps coming up to make it far taller and the reservoir behind it far bigger.

Governor Edmund “Pat” Brown in 1963 wanted to replace Monticello Dam with an earthen dam twice as tall and bring in Eel River water to help fill the reservoir. Adjacent valleys such as



Courtesy photo

Looking from downstream, the Monticello Dam was showing progress on Nov. 27, 1956. The 50th anniversary of the dam’s construction was celebrated last weekend, on Oct. 13. The dam’s construction meant the end of the town of Monticello, which was located at what is now the bottom of Lake Berryessa. The residents of Monticello were all forced to relocate.

Pope Valley in Napa County would go underwater. Lake Berryessa would hold 10 times as much water. But Brown’s \$360 million plan never caught on, Harold Rubin wrote in his book, “The Solano Water Story.”

When the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation in 2004 looked at enlarging Shasta Dam, it had to explore alternatives as part of an environmental study. One alternative was to create a bigger Lake Berryessa at a cost of \$2.8 billion.

Add 200 feet to Monticello Dam and pump in water from the Tehama-Colusa canal, the study proposed. The bigger lake would cover 55 square miles, rather than 30 square miles. It would hold four times as much water.

Local water officials take such talk with a grain of salt.

“It’s not serious,” said David Okita, Solano County Water Agency general manager. “It’s more dreaming up options to justify another project.”

What if it fails?

Despite the dam’s age of 50 years, Burbey sees no signs of excessive wear.

“The bureau likes to say (a dam’s) good until there’s no more water on the other side,” Burbey

said.

Yet Monticello Dam could become a curse in the unlikely event it ever fails with a full Lake Berryessa behind it. The consequences for Solano and Yolo counties would be disastrous. It’s one of those unthinkable, worst-case scenarios the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation has contemplated, drawing up a flood map of where the water would go and how fast.

A wall of water nearly 200 feet high would tumble from the dam site into the narrow valley below, giving Putah Creek the biggest gully washer in history. This surge of water would spread out and lessen in height as it moved beyond Devil’s Gate and reached the Central Valley.

Still, water would be more than 15 feet in depth in Winters in less than an hour. It would be in the 9-12 foot range in Dixon after 2.5 hours and Davis after 3.5 hours.

The floods would also wreak havoc on rural land. Mile upon mile of rich eastern Solano County farmland — the backbone of the county’s \$238 million annual agriculture economy — would go underwater. The water would rush down to the Yolo Bypass, where it would press up against the bypass lev-

ees. From there, it would pour down toward the Delta and flood parts of Rio Vista.

Fairfield, Vacaville, Suisun City and Woodland would remain high-and-dry, a refuge for those able to evacuate the flood plains fast enough on traffic-clogged roads. Okita would be among those evacuating because he lives in Davis.

Residents can take some comfort in the face of this doomsday scenario.

“That map assumes the dam vaporized instantly,” Okita said.

Monticello Dam won’t vaporize. But a direct hit from a powerful earthquake could potentially damage it and ultimately cause it to fail. Certainly there are faults in the area capable of creating big quakes, such as the 1892 temblor that leveled parts of Winters and Vacaville.

Scientists later estimated this quake reached between 6.4 and 6.7 on the Richter scale. That puts it on par with the 1989 Loma Prieta quake.

The Bureau of Reclamation did computer simulations a few years ago of an earthquake hitting the dam, Okita said. The dam is built of big blocks that move independently. In the simulation, the blocks moved

during the quake, then settled back into place, he said. Bureau officials couldn’t locate this study and said it might be privileged information in light of post-Sept. 11, 2001, security measures.

Inside Monticello Dam are two small boxes that detect motion. Should a quake hit the area, the information is automatically transmitted to Bureau of Reclamation officials in Denver.

Burbey can recall the devices going off only once, when a quake hit a few years ago in the Bay Area. The Loma Prieta quake didn’t set off the devices, he said. The mountains shielded the dam from the energy.

So Monticello Dam remains standing strong and impressive and graceful. The passing decades have done nothing to diminish its grandeur. Fifty years after its completion, the dam remains a sight to behold, a sure winner should anyone ever draw up a list of the Seven Wonders of Solano County.

(Editor’s note: This is the first in a five-part series examining the Monticello Dam, which celebrated its 50th anniversary on Saturday, Oct. 13.)

After School Program expands

The City of Winters will expand its After School Program to Winters Middle School on Oct. 22.

The program offers supervised homework assistance and recreation.

Registration packets are available at the City Clerk’s Office at City Hall weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Call Nancy Gonnella, 795-4910, extension 109, for more information.

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Community



NANCI MILLS
Director of
Administrative Services

Who's who at City Hall

By **JUSTIN COX**
Staff writer

Nanci Mills' office is conveniently located on the ground floor of city hall, just beyond the reception desk. While the location may have to do with the various administrative aspects of her job, it's hard to imagine that accessibility to her always-welcoming smile has nothing to do with it.

As director of administrative services/recreation, Mills is in charge of a long and ever-changing list of duties.

"I get to wear many hats," she says. "It's a really fun atmosphere."

Among other tasks, she must plan, organize, direct and review all activities and operations in the administrative services department including human resources, parks and recreation, insurance, data processing and reception. She regularly coordinates activities with other city departments as well as outside agencies. She answers to City Manager John Donlevy.

Mills grew up in Porterville and studied at Fresno State. She met her husband Dave in Visalia and they married in 1978. In 1980, Dave was offered a full-time position at Tuft's Ranch, prompting the two to pack up and head for Winters. In the years that followed, they had two children (Ashley and Adam) and settled nicely

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Treasures to be rediscovered



Courtesy photo

Charlotte Kimball shows off a 1930s wedding gown, antique rocking chair, art print, wall fountain, books and plants — just a few of the items that will be for sale at the Winters Friends of the Library yard sale on Saturday, Oct. 20, 8 a.m. to noon at Rotary Park (inside the Community Center in case of rain). The sale will include fine items from a Capay estate. All proceeds from the sale will go to the new library fund.

Party planned for Greenwood

By **MIKE SEBASTIAN**
Special to the Express

The Friends of Bobbie Greenwood are throwing a special 90th Birthday Bash for our beloved city icon. For over 55 years, Bobbie has dedicated her life to the kids of Winters through Swim Team and AFS, so we are celebrating with a birthday party.

The party will be on Thursday, Nov. 1, from 6-8 p.m. at the Winters Community Center, and will follow a Hawaiian/Poolside theme. A catered dinner will be provided by Tomat's, \$12 for adults and \$10 for children. Soft drinks and water will also be available. There will be no alcohol served.

Several merchants have donated raffle prizes for the event, and all proceeds from the raf-

fle will go to the Winters Swim Team.

To reserve a seat, contact Dolores Sorenson, 795-2769; Joyce Snyder, 795-4401; or Mike Sebastian, 795-2091. Money will be collected at the door, but reservations must be made in advance. The reservation deadline is Friday, Oct. 26.

We are also looking for photos, etc. that can be displayed at the party. Copies of pictures, articles, etc. can be brought to the Community Center at 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 1.

If anyone cannot attend and wishes to send e-mail greetings can send them to _joycedsnyder@yahoo.com (mailto:joycedsnyder@yahoo.com).

Anyone wishing to help with set-up or coordinating parts of the evening can contact Mike Sebastian, 795-2091.

Dinner benefits Cache Creek Lodge

A dinner benefiting the Cache Creek Lodge will take place on Saturday, Oct. 20, at 6 p.m. the Winters Community Center. Cache Creek Lodge is a rehabilitation program offering help to those with drug or alcohol problems. There will be

door prizes worth \$600, and all proceeds from the evening will benefit Cache Creek Lodge.

Tickets are tax-deductible and cost \$25 per person or \$40 per couple. For tickets, call Joe, 574-2948. Tickets can be delivered.

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The Winters City Council plans to increase water user fees without your vote.

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Ciao, Winters



Courtesy photo
Winters residents went all the way to Florence, Italy with the latest copy of the Winters Express. From left are Dan Maguire, Julie Fuller, Liz Siracusa and John Sircusa.

MILLS

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into the community.

In 1986, six years after her arrival, Mills decided to apply for a city position advertised in the newspaper.

“There were only about 15 city workers when I started, including police officers,” she says. “We now have close to 40.”

Mills initially worked in the finance department, but saw her duties shift toward recreation in 1990 when Merrell Watts became city manager. She was also elected city clerk that year and has worked Tuesday night council meetings ever since. Her involvement in the community runs deep in that the lines between her work life and social life are somewhat blurred.

She recognizes most community members who shuffle through city hall everyday and does an impressive job of making each and every one of them feel comfortable. In addition to her duties at city hall, she coached her daughter’s soccer and softball teams for ten years and also delivers meals to the elderly on Sundays.

“Winters a very friendly place,” she says. “I enjoy the people so much.”

Her children have since gone on to college and begun their own careers in finance. Ashley is married and has a young baby. Adam lives in Walnut Creek and works in the Bay Area.

“My children came home one day, handed me their business cards and told me they were happy and doing well,” she says. “That’s all a mother can ever really want.”

Mills can be reached at 795-4910 or at nancy.mills@cityofwinters.org.

Tickets on sale for Yolo County Philanthropy Day awards

The deadline is drawing near to purchase tickets for Yolo County Philanthropy Day Awards ceremony. Yolo Community Foundation, a nonprofit organization, will host the Yolo County Philanthropy Day Awards Tuesday, Nov. 13, at the Heidrick Ag History Center, 1962 Hayes Lane in Woodland. All Yolo County Nonprofits are invited.

This event will celebrate, remember, honor, and recognize the significant assistance individuals give to community-based organizations.

These special awards focus on those individuals who donate their financial resources and time for the enrichment of the community in which we live.

Tickets cost \$15 per person, and must be purchased by Nov. 1. Yolo County Nonprofits can order tickets by sending a check to Yolo Community Foundation, Yolo County Philanthropy Day Event, PO Box 1264, Woodland, Ca 95776.

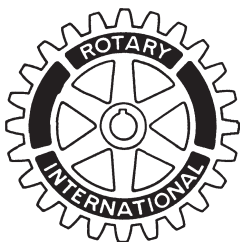
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ROTARY CLUB OF WINTERS STUDENT OF THE MONTH Amber Ramos



Mr. Mike Challender presented Amber Ramos with the Rotary Student of the Month plaque. Mr. Challender talked about how hard it is to pick an outstanding student, but the more he thought about it, the decision became clearer. “Amber is a great kid, solid student, and someone you would like to have lunch with,” Challender told the lunch time crowd. He went on to say that Amber prepares teacher packets made up of overheads and copies, and proofreads the teachers lesson plans. Amber is in Mr. Challender’s math class. Amber’s parents were also present at the luncheon.



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Community turns out for annual Winters Harvest Festival



Former expert Nut Tree pumpkin carver Linda Galusha (right) was on hand at the annual Winters Harvest Festival to show just how to make a perfect Jack O'Lantern. The booth was sponsored by Briggs & Co. The festival took place on Saturday, Oct. 13, along East Main Street next to Rotary Park, and featured wine tasting, food, live music, fresh local produce and craft booths. The event is just one of many sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce, which promotes local business and encourages visitors to come to Winters. Any local business is welcome to join the Chamber, and anyone in the community is welcome to attend monthly Chamber meetings and get involved with such activities as the Earthquake Street Festival and the Citizen of the Year dinner. The Chamber meets on the second Friday of each month at 7 a.m. at the Winters Community Center. For more information or to join, call 795-2329, or stop by the office, which is located inside the Community Center.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Kate Laddish, one of the Putah Creek Crawdads, played the violin with the group at the annual Winters Harvest Festival, which took place on Saturday, Oct. 13, on East Main Steet next to Rotary Park.

The Winters Chamber of Commerce promotes local business and encourages visitors to come to Winters. You can become a member by calling the Chamber office, 795-2329



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Winters Soroptimist member Mary Gardener (right) smooths out the handmade quilt at the Soroptimist booth at the Winters Harvest Festival, held next to Rotary Park on Saturday, Oct. 13. The quilt and wooden stand will be raffled off next spring as a fund-raiser for a scholarship to be awarded to a Winters High School senior. Raffle tickets are \$3 each or five for \$10, and are available at Eagle Drug and First Northern Bank. Soroptimist meets every Wednesday at Cloth Carousel at 7 a.m. Call Fran, 795-4498 for more information.



Crafts, quilts and creativity

Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Colwyn Martin, a fifth grader at Shirley Rominger Intermediate School, concentrates on his tall pumpkin creation at the ceramics booth sponsored by The Clayground at the Winters Harvest Festival on Oct. 13. The Clayground offered creative activities for young and old alike, and also featured some of their handmade ceramics for sale. The Clayground is located on the northwestcorner of 9 East Main Street in Studio 9G, and offers group and private ceramics lessons. For more information, call 902-0863.

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Schools

FFA holds career fair

By **RAVEN CASTRO**
FFA reporter

On Sept. 27, Winters High School held a career fair hosted by the Winters FFA chapter. In past years, the Rotary Club and the Winters High School have been responsible for putting on the career fair. The career fair is held every two years at Winters High School.

This year the FFA was asked to take over the event. Ari Ruiz, an FFA chapter member, chaired the event. It took weeks of planning, preparation and hard work, but I'm proud to report the Winters FFA chapter held a successful career fair. The keynote speaker, Pallas Hupe, the anchor on CBS13, kicked off the career fair by informing the student body on how important it is to find a career path that you will enjoy and can excel at.



Courtesy photo

The FFA recently sponsored a career fair. Ari Ruiz was the chairperson, pictured with FFA chapter advisor Kent Benson and previous Winters FFA chapter members, who were presenters at the career fair.

The career fair featured the following presenters from various fields: Dave Fleming, large business; Karianne Padilla and Isabel Miranda, banking; Nancy Meyer, real estate; Tim Ireland, computer programming; Lynn Martindale,

agriculture education; Heidi Scheeline, marketing; Javier Gutierrez, trucking; Dustin Romney, prosthetics; Lizzanne Hunt, radio; Don Calvert, sheriff's department, Cache Creek Chef, investigator; Laura Mariani, interior design; Pete

Manas, architecture; Luis Robles, engineering; and Duke Rassmussen, entrepreneur.

Because of this year's career fair's great success the FFA has decided to adopt the responsibility of putting on the career fair in future years.

Class of 1957 plans reunion

The Winters High School Class of 1957 50-year reunion will take place Saturday, Oct. 20, at Tomat's Restaurant. The graduates and their guests will enjoy a buffet dinner, see old friends, and share stories of their lives over the past 50

years. A book of memories, a page for each alumnus, has been created as a keepsake.

Tickets for the event are \$25 in advance. Contact Jocelyn (West) Schrum, 570-1862 or JoSchrum66@msn.com for more information.

Talk addresses teen risk taking

A nationally known expert on substance abuse will be the key speaker at a special event set for 6:30-9 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 23, at the Ulati Community Center, 1000 Ulati Drive in Vacaville.

Dr. Alex Stalcup will discuss the teen brain with regard to judgment, impulse control and adolescents' heightened sensitivity to social influences (friends). Hosted by A.W.A.R.E (Advocating for Wellness, Adolescent Recovery and Education) program, Stalcup will present both scientific and practical information to help parents and providers deal with the challenging teen years and offer an understanding of the adolescents' still developing brain.

Stalcup is a graduate of Whittier College and the UC San Francisco School of Medicine. He is Board Certified in Pediatrics, certified in Addiction Medicine by the American Society of Addiction

Medicine (A.S.A.M.) and certified as a Medical Review Officer by A.S.A.M., and the Medical Review Officers Certifying Council (M.R.O.C.C.).

In 1990, after three

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German AFS student staying in Winters



Anja Sperling

By **JUSTIN COX**
Staff writer

At just 16 years old, Anja Sperling, has decided to take a year-long break from her routine in Germany to come to Winters and study for the year. She lives on the outskirts of town with her host parents, Robert and Tracy Nickelson, and their three daughters: Keely, Molly and Saman-

tha.

She comes from the town of Braunschweig, which is located in Northwest Germany, near the border of France.

"It's much bigger than Winters," she says. "Probably between the size of Davis and Sacramento. I like small towns. It's fun to see my friends in the town newspaper."

Between a full school schedule and trips to Tahoe, Santa Cruz and San Francisco, she has managed to stay quite busy since her arrival in August.

"I learned to wakeboard at Lake Berryessa," she says. "And think I'm going to try snowboarding this winter."

Her main priority up to this point though has been school, her favorite classes being psychology and U.S. history.

"In Germany, homework is not worth credit," she explains. "You sometimes have just one big test at the end of the year. If you don't do the homework, you

won't do well on the test."

Sperling started learning English in 5th grade and now speaks it fluently. In 7th grade she began learning French and Latin and says that now, since her arrival in Winters, she's even begun to learn a little bit of Spanish.

She will walk the stage with this year's senior class and then return to Germany for two more years of school. When she graduates she plans to study either medicine or biology.

"I would love to work for the Red Cross," she says.

She has thought about returning to the United States for college when she graduates from high school in Germany.

"I'm going to take the SATs while I'm here, just in case," she says. "I may want to come back here or maybe go to Australia. That seems like fun."

Sperling has told her family and friends that she would rather they not come visit because she is afraid she will "miss them

too much when they go."

"I miss my little brother and my cat the most," she says, "And also my three best friends."

In order to preserve the memory of her experience here, Sperling's host mother has been taking many pictures and teaching her to scrapbook.

"I really like doing it," she says. "But I'm so far behind right now!"

POLICE

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check indicating she won a sweepstakes lottery. The victim was instructed to cash the check, keep a portion of the cash for her winnings and wire the remaining cash back to the sweepstakes headquarters to pay for the taxes on the winnings. The bank confirmed the check was fraudulent.

~ On the 1000 block of Kennedy Drive, a victim had property for sale on the internet. The victim received an email from an interested subject. The victim received a check by mail from the subject with instructions to cash the check, keep a portion for the purchase of his property and wire the remaining balance to the buyer for shipping costs. The bank confirmed the check was fraudulent.

Oct. 7-9

~ On the 100 block of East Baker Street, a locked vehicle was entered and property was stolen. Loss: \$5.

~ On the 200 block of First Street, spray paint was used to write graffiti on the walls of two businesses.

Oct. 10

~ Joselita Calderon, 24, of Winters was arrested for battery. Calderon was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

Oct. 11

~ Paul Demetrius Breed, 32, of Pittsburg was arrested for cultivation of marijuana and possession of marijuana for sale. Breed was transported directly to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

Oct. 12

~ On the 400 block of Manzanita Way, a suspect contacted a victim by telephone in violation of a restraining order. The case was forwarded to the District Attorney for complaint.

Oct. 14

~ Ricardo Sanchez, 18, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having audible music heard within 50 feet of the vehicle.

~ A vehicle owned by Pablo Daniel Correa of Winters was parked northbound on the 700 block of Taylor Street. An unknown driver of a van made an unsafe turning movement, struck the parked vehicle and left the scene.

~ Richard Brian Haywood, 47, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and crossing over double yellow lines. Blood alcohol content results: .21/.21. Haywood was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

~ On the 200 block of Russell Street, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

Yolo Hospice plans Dia de los Muertos celebration

Yolo Hospice joins much of the world in observing the Day of the Dead or Dia de los Muertos and invites the public to join the celebration. The Day of the Dead is an international celebration honoring the spirits of the deceased. Observed primarily in Mexico and other Latin American countries, the celebration is rapidly spreading to other parts of the world.

The Day of the Dead is actually two days, which coincide with All Saints’ Day and All Souls’ Day, Nov. 1 and 2, respectively. Traditional festivities include an altar set up to honor a family’s or community’s deceased loved ones. Lavishly decorated altars have flowers, candles, skeletons, offerings of food and photographs or other representations of the dead. A traditional Day of the Dead altar is in the window at The Next Chapter Book Store in Woodland.

Bright gold marigolds, skeletons, skulls and twinkling lights decorate the Day of the Dead altar sponsored and created by Yolo Hospice, Yolo Family Resource Center and Community Medical Centers/ Esparto Family Practice. Anyone may stop by, during store hours, through October to leave photos of their deceased, which will then be added to the altar and honored in the ceremony. The ceremony on both days will include readings, poems, songs and a short (10-minute) play.

“The event presents an opportunity to ac-



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knowledge your loss and remember your loved ones in a supportive community setting,” said Robyn Burris, Yolo Hospice bereavement counselor. “I encourage anyone who is interested to attend this year and be apart of this important cultural tradition.”

The public is invited to join in the Day of the Dead celebration on Nov. 1 and 2. No regis-

tration is necessary.

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For more information, call Rosalinda Fullmer, Yolo Family Resource Center, 406-7221.

Class of 1997 plans 10-year reunion

The Winters High School Class of 1997 will hold its 10-year reunion on Saturday, Oct. 27, from 2-6 p.m. at Rotary Park. All alumni of the Class of 1997 are invited to attend, and spouses, significant others and children are welcome. Coordinators advised everyone to dress warmly as this event will take place outside.

Tickets will be available at the door. Tickets will be no more than \$15, and include food, beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages. For more information email harris.gabrielle@gmail.com or call 400-9598.

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TEEN

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years at the Haight Ashbury Free Clinic in San Francisco, Stalcup opened a private practice in addiction medicine. Since 1996, he has served as the medical director of the New Leaf Treatment Center in Lafayette. He also serves as a lecturer and consultant for drug treatment and chemical dependency issues to both public

and private agencies in California and nationally.

Additional community resources and the National Institute on Drug Abuse’s publication “The Science of Addiction – Drugs, Brains, and Behavior” will be provided at the local event which is funded by the City of Vacaville and the Solano County Board of Supervisors.

For more information contact Ivonne Vaughn, (707) 449-5512.

Yoga class helps with grief

Grief is a process affecting body, mind and spirit. It does not affect everyone in the same way. A support group might help some, while others count on family and friends. Many may benefit from yoga, which address all those areas — body, mind and spirit. Yolo Hospice is offering a free Yoga and Breathing Techniques workshop for the public.

The workshop will include education, group discussions and yoga. Yolo Hospice bereavement counselor Colleen McDonald, MFT, RYT (Registered Yoga Teacher) uses gentle movements, adjusted to make the process easy and comfortable for anyone, even yoga novices and those with physical limitations

The class takes place on Saturday, Nov. 3, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at Sacramento City College, Davis Extension (Next to Yolo Hospice), 1909 Galileo Court, Suite B, Davis.

Call Yolo Hospice, Bereavement Services, 758-5566, for more information and to determine if participation in the group is appropriate for you at this time. Pre-registration is required.

New parent kits available

For anyone wishing infants, babies, toddlers and young children came with instruction manuals, First 5 Yolo has the answer — the Kit for New Parents. This freshly redesigned, user-friendly box of tips, books and an educational DVD, brings new mothers and fathers much needed information on everything from feeding and changing to safety and discipline. And, it's free.

Along with the latest early childhood development information, the kits provide practical guidelines in an easy-to-use style that can help build parents' confidence as they take on their new roles. The DVD features advice from prominent child development experts. Important information on children's health insurance, brochures on topics ranging from oral health to obesity prevention, an explanation of paid family leave and an interactive book for parents and children to enjoy together also are included.

According to First 5 Yolo Executive Director Julie Gallelo, it's easy for parents and caregivers to obtain the Kit for New Parents.

“We are working with healthcare providers, clinics, programs and agencies across Yolo County,” she says. “People can pick up a kit at over 40 locations or from our First 5 Yolo office in Woodland. It's an easy-to-get, easy-to-read, easy-to-follow and enjoyable resource parents and caregivers will return to time after time.”

A full listing of where to find the Kit for New Parents can be found on the First 5 Yolo Web site at www.yolochildren.org. Interested parents and caregivers also may call the First 5 Yolo office, 669-2475, to find the nearest kit distribution point. The kits are available in English, with Spanish and Asian-language versions to be released later this year.

First 5 Yolo is committed to improving the lives of children 0-5 years of age and their families in Yolo County. First 5 Yolo focuses on ensuring these children are healthy and ready to learn by providing grant funding to programs in Yolo County that benefit young children by improving their health and providing access to developmental activities.

Hip joint replacement pre-op class offered

Sutter Davis Hospital has launched a new class for patients scheduled to undergo joint replacement surgery. The goal of the new pre-operative total joint replacement class is to make the patient's surgical experience a successful and positive one.

Participants in the class will learn how to prepare for surgery, learn what to expect during recovery and

hear about the importance of rehabilitation services in their recovery process. In addition, the class will provide information on nutrition, pain management, and the transition from hospital to home. Caregivers or spouses are encouraged to accompany the patient to the class.

“The class is free and is an opportunity for patients to ask questions and learn more about

what to expect before and after surgery,” said Ann Marie Soika, RN, Sutter Davis Hospital. “We encourage patients to attend a session prior to their surgery because they absorb the information much better ahead of time than they would during their hospital stay.”

All classes are held at Sutter Davis Hospital in the meeting rooms, the second Wednesday of

every month and last two hours. To sign up or for more information, call 757-5121. The classes are also open to individuals who are considering joint replacement surgery.

“We're also offering a joint replacement educational booklet to each patient who attends the class,” said Soika. “We want to make our patient's surgical and therapy experience as easy

and as productive as possible.”

Sutter Davis Hospital is affiliated with Sutter Health, a not-for-profit, community based health system located throughout Northern California. For more information on Sutter Davis Hospital, visit the web site at www.sutter-davis.org.

Early detection best defense against prostate cancer

Experts say that a reduction in the number of prostate cancer deaths can be attributed in large part to an increase in early detection of the disease. However, the American Cancer Society estimates that there will be about 230,900 new cases of prostate cancer in the United States this year and about 29,900 men will die from the disease.

Prostate cancer is still the most common type of cancer found in American men other than skin cancer. Throughout September, which is prostate cancer awareness month, Timothy Wilson, MD,

Director of Urology and Urologic Oncology at City of Hope Cancer Center in Los Angeles, emphasizes that prevention and early detection can reduce the risk of prostate cancer and improve treatment outcomes for those who are diagnosed with the disease.

“The exact cause of prostate cancer is unknown but risk of its development is associated with age, family history, race, environmental exposure, and certain nutritional deficiencies,” says Wilson. “Prostate cancer is often called a ‘silent disease’ because it frequently develops without obvious symptoms.”

When symptoms are present, they may include some of the following:

- ~ a weak flow of urine
 - ~ frequent or painful urination
 - ~ blood in the urine or semen
 - ~ pain in the lower back, pelvis, or upper thighs
- Wilson recommends that all men over the age of 50 visit their physician for a yearly exam. This exam should include:
- ~ a discussion about risk factors and possible symptoms
 - ~ a digital rectal examination (DRE) to detect irregularities of the prostate
 - ~ a prostate specific

antigen (PSA) blood test

Men who are at high risk for prostate cancer—especially African Americans or men who have close family members with prostate cancer—should consider beginning these tests at an earlier age.

Prevention is the best way to reduce the risk of prostate cancer. Men should take proactive measures to live free of the disease. Wilson suggests the following:

- ~ eat a balanced diet,

high in fruits and vegetables and low in fat

- ~ watch your weight, and exercise daily
- ~ limit alcohol consumption
- ~ know the risk factors and be aware of changes in your body
- ~ see a physician for a yearly exam

For more information about prostate cancer research and treatment at City of Hope Cancer Center, call 1-800-826-HOPE or visit www.cityofhope.org.

Woodland Healthcare offers flu shot clinics

Woodland Healthcare is offering adult and pediatric flu clinics beginning in late October. The cost is \$25 (discounted fee paid at time of service if not covered by insurance). It is recommended that those receiving a flu shot wear a short-sleeved shirt.

The following people are considered high risk and should contact their physician to receive a flu shot as soon as possible: all children aged six to 35 months old (contact pediatrician); adults over the age of 65; people aged two to 64 years old with underlying chronic conditions, such as asthma, diabetes, heart disease, chronic lung disease, hepatitis, HIV/Aids or

are undergoing active chemotherapy.

The Adult Flu Shot Clinics will be held at the following locations and times. No appointment is needed.

~ Woodland Clinic, 1207 Fairchild Court: Oct. 29, 7 a.m. – 2 p.m.; Oct. 30, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.;

Nov. 1, 2-7 p.m.; Nov. 2, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Nov. 12: 3-7 p.m.; Nov. 13 and 15: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.

~ West Court Clinic, 239 W. Court Street, Suite B; Oct. 26: 12-6 p.m.; Nov. 3, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Call 666-1631 for more information.

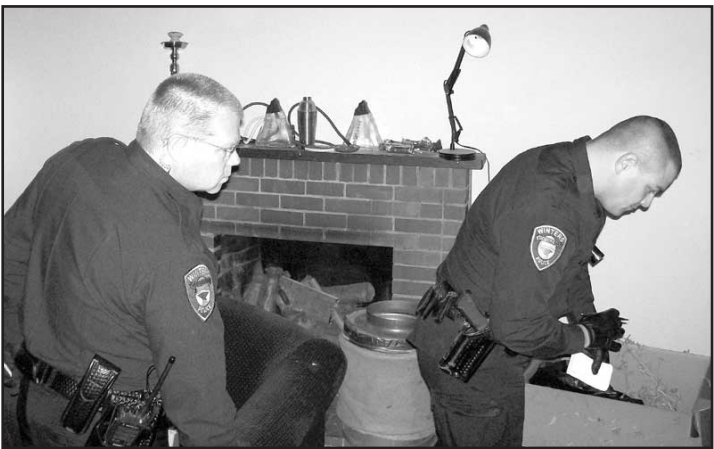
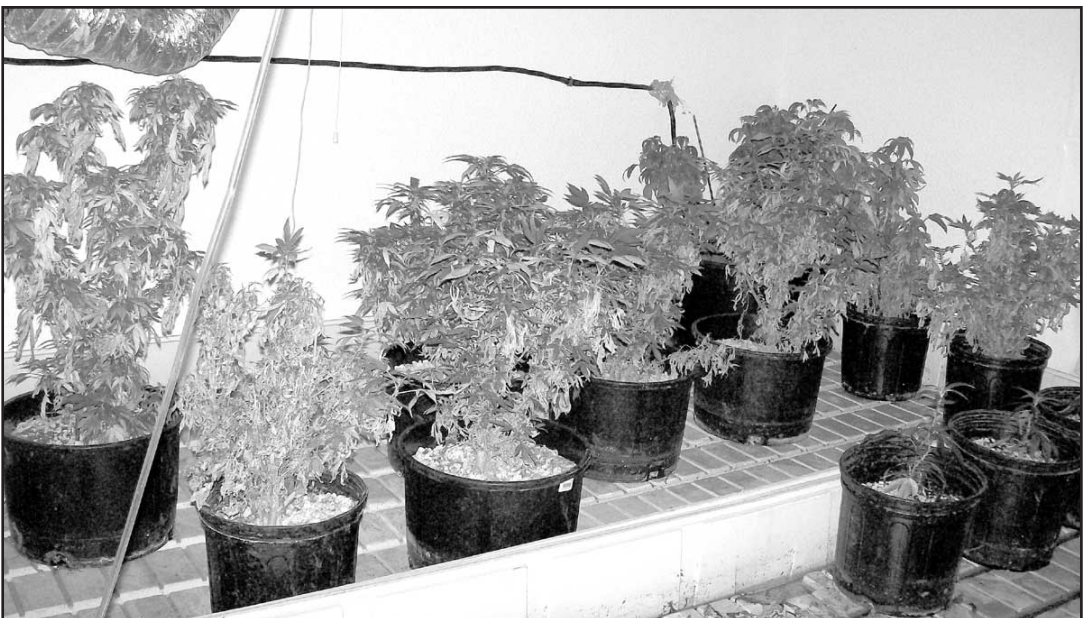
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plants, as well as 3,893.3 grams of dried marijuana, a heat seal and paperwork issued to Paul Breed, showing that he had an Oakland Cannabis Buyers Cooperative certificate.

It appears that the residence was not actually being used as a home, only as a center for growing marijuana. Oddly enough, Gutierrez was not aware of any calls to the Winters Police Department from neighbors reporting anything suspicious going on.

Following all the law enforcement activity taking place at the house that morning, one neighbor did inform the police department via Yolo County Dispatch when the person believed to be the resident of the home returned later that day. Winters Police arrested Breed, 32, without incident around 1 p.m. He was also found to be in possession of approximately .5 grams of cocaine. Breed's actual place of residence is unclear, but Gutierrez said he has a Pittsburg address. The identity of the actual owner of the Jefferson Street house is also uncertain, as is whether Breed owned the home or rented it.



Breed was charged with unauthorized cultivation of marijuana and taken to the Yolo County Jail. The case is being investigated by YONET, and will be prosecuted at the county level. YONET estimated the street value for the marijuana plants (once matured)

and the possessed marijuana to be approximately \$400,000.

Gutierrez expressed gratitude to the attentive neighbors who made the initial phone call to the police department about the front door left open, as well as the neighbors who called Yolo County

Courtesy photos
These were some of the 169 marijuana plants (above) found growing at a house on Jefferson Street. The plants were seized by the Yolo Narcotics Enforcement Team (Yonet). At left, Winters police officers Richard Mason (left) and Jose Ramirez search the premises for evidence. An alert neighbor called the police after noticing that the front door was left open.

Dispatch to report Breed's return.

Anyone wishing to report suspicious activity can call Yolo County Dispatch (795-4561) to alert the Winters Police Department (do not call the business line, 795-2261) or 666-3373 to contact YONET.

Yolo County one of 12 counties to become a Cool County

By BETH GABOR
Yolo County
Information officer
Special to the Express

Yolo County recently joined the 12 charter member counties from every region of the country, collectively representing over 17 million people, in pledging to participate in the Cool Counties Climate Stabilization Declaration, a new initiative to combat global warming.

“As a county government, we have a unique role to play in reducing

greenhouse gas emissions as we set policy surrounding air quality, land use planning, transportation, zoning, forest preservation, water conservation, and wastewater and solid waste management,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Mariko Yamada. “Joining the Cool Counties Climate Stabilization program is timely in the midst of our general plan update as we are considering all these issues throughout the process, including our own business practices.”

As a participant, Yolo County will seek to reduce global warming emissions 80 percent by 2050, an achievable annual average of two percent. Yolo County will also be asking congress to adopt matching emissions reduction goals and enact legislation requiring fuel economy standards to be set at 35 miles per gallon within 10 years.

By taking part in the Cool Counties initiative Yolo County will be creating a greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory and im-

plementing policies and programs to achieve significant, measurable and sustainable reductions to operational GHG emissions. There are seven key areas for possible reductions: energy efficiency, renewable energy, greening county vehicle fleets, land use, transportation, water conservation, and educational outreach.

Cool Counties is an outgrowth of the Sierra Club's Cool Cities program, a plan to implement the U.S. Mayor's Climate Protection Agreement.

Free food available for needy residents

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible Winters residents on Wednesday, Oct. 24, at Yolo Housing, 62 Shams Way, 3-5 p.m. and Friday, Oct. 26, First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, 12-1:30 p.m.

Commodities to be distributed include peanut

butter, green beans, pumpkin, and rice.

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.



RAINFALL CONTEST

Guess the total rainfall for the 2007-2008 season and the Express will give you \$100. \$25 bonus if you are a subscriber to the Express. Submit your entries by October 26, 2007 to:

The Winters Express
312 Railroad Ave.
Winters, CA 95694
or bring it to the office

Only one guess per person. Rainfall total will be from measurements at the National Weather Service Station in Winters. Annual rainfall ends on June 30. Watch the Express for weekly and yearly totals.

Name _____

Address _____

Subscriber Yes _____ No _____

Rainfall guess (in inches) _____

Remember the deadline is October 26, 2007

Entertainment

Soroptimist dinner to benefit music program

The Winters Middle School music program will be the beneficiary of the second annual “An Elegant Affair,” sponsored by Soroptimist International of Winters. The event is planned for Saturday, Nov. 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the DeVilbis Room at The Buckhorn, and features a five course meal, with a different glass of wine for each course.

Tickets are \$70 per person, and include dinner, wine and tip. The tickets are tax-deductible, as Soroptimist International is a federally recognized non-profit corporation, which supports community needs and funds scholarships each year for Winters High School seniors.

The local Soroptimist group meets every Wednesday at 7 a.m. at Cloth Carousel, and invites new members, both male and female.

For more information or tickets, call Fran Philbrook, 795-4498.



Courtesy photo

Are they acting or are they the audience? The only way to find out is to attend the Murder Mystery at the DeVilbis Hotel, planned for Saturday, Oct. 27, at 7 p.m. in the Buckhorn banquet room. Call 795-5870 for tickets or more information.

Murder mystery to be staged at The Buckhorn

In the spirit of Halloween, dress up in your best Old West or Late Victorian attire and help solve the “Murder Mystery at the DeVilbis Hotel” at The Buckhorn on Saturday, Oct. 27, at 7 p.m. In this hilarious interactive musical murder, the audience will be called upon to deduce “who done it.”

Set in the 1880s, traveling star actor/singers were brought in to perform and entertain at the local theatrical venues, whether opera houses or saloons, where locals were enlist-

ed to play the supporting cast.

The audience will be treated to a delicious dinner, music, songs and entertainment performed by an eccentric cast of characters in a play in which everything goes delightfully awry resulting in the untimely demise of one of the characters. The audience will then be called upon to help solve the mystery.

The festivities will take place in the banquet room at The Buckhorn, which is housed in the historic DeVilbis Hotel building at

2 Main Street. Admission includes an all you can eat buffet dinner and show. Tickets are \$45 per person. The doors open at 6 p.m., the no host bar will open at 6:30 p.m., and the “trouble” will start at 7 p.m. Seating is limited.

Playwright Mark Lyon holds a masters degree in theater and is a member of the Screen Actors Guild. He will have copies of his San Francisco Ghosts available for signature.

For more information and reservations, call Liz Siracusa, 795 5870.

Celtic World Music Folk singer to perform at Irish Pub

Folk singer/songwriter Chris Waltz will perform at the Irish Pub & Coffeehouse, 200 Railroad Avenue, on Saturday, Oct. 20, at 6 p.m. Admission is free. Must be 21 and over to attend.

World music composer, vocalist, songwriter and instrumentalist Waltz performs an eclectic blend of Celtic, Folk, Spanish-Sephardic/Flamenco, Mid-East Gypsy, Neo-Classical and period film score style music featuring original and traditional songs sung in Irish/Gaelic, Spanish, Latin, Latino and English. Using voice, nylon and steel string guitar, fiddle, flutes and whistles, Waltz brings to life the melodic language of each tradition. With his powerful yet gentle voice, each song is finely crafted so the audience can experience the passion and emotion behind each turn of the melody. He fills the room with a mystical, otherworldly feel.

As a solo folksinger/songwriter Waltz plays original contemporary folk, Celtic, Flamenco and some cover songs by John Denver, as well as original renditions of more traditional songs. He has been hailed as the Josh Groban of Celtic music, infusing the more romantic and sensual side of Celtic music rarely heard by male Celtic

singers.

Waltz is one of the few male Gaelic singers around. Mixed with his wit and humor he shows off the playful side of Irish music. Singing from within the depths of his soul, Waltz has the rare ability to really connect very deeply with his listeners. Using lyrics of his own and from Renaissance poetry set to newly composed music he creates a presence of the mystical. He often incorporates the exotic sounds of gypsy and Middle Eastern music into his arrangements. With his smooth-handed guitar playing and deep, clear tenor voice he'll transport you to ancient worlds.

Waltz has had classical voice training and is currently back in school part time studying voice at the Pease Conservatory of Music. He has performed at churches, festivals, concert and folk venues all over the country, enabling him to share his strong yet elegant stage presence with many people.

Last year Waltz debuted at the California's Celtic Music circuit at the Grass Valley Celtic Music Festival. He was accepted by Riverdance as a lead singer, but last year the show reverted to its original production with no male soloist



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See **WALTZ** on page **A-16**



Photo by Gary Beall

This is the view of Lake Berryessa from the top of the Loop Trail, located in Stebbins Cold Canyon. Training for hike guides at Stebbins Cold Canyon begins on Oct. 27. The area is open to the public daily for hiking and enjoying the local habitat.

Canyon hike guide training to begin

Training begins in October for individuals interested in leading (or assisting) themed hikes at Stebbins Cold Canyon. Stebbins Cold Canyon UC Reserve will begin on Oct. 27, Nov. 3 and 10, and Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Stebbins Cold Canyon. Stebbins Cold Canyon is one of the most pristine, back-to-nature places in all of Yolo and Solano counties. It offers hiking, sightseeing and the ability to breathe deeply in a natural setting.

The emphasis of this program is to develop a diverse series of presentations that educate, stimulate and provide

recreation. To do this, guides tap into their own passions and create outings interactive and informative in nature. The training consists of four four-hour sessions and offers opportunities to connect to a personal passion or hobby and mold it into a presentation for the public.

If you have an interest in natural history, experiential activities, wildflowers, sustainable living, creative writing, bird-watching, photography, biology, storytelling, yoga or anything that might connect another to the land and the birds and the flowers and the

trees, you are invited to attend.

To participate, send an email to Jeff Falyn, jfalyn@ucdavis.edu

Hikes scheduled

Some of the hikes already scheduled this fall include:

- ~ Botanical Drawing, Sunday, Oct. 21, 10-1 p.m. Have you ever wanted to draw but thought it beyond your skill? This presentation goes through the step by step process of drawing what you see. No experience necessary. All drawing materials are provided. Guides: Ruth Williams.
- ~ Basic Botany, Sunday, Oct. 28, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A way to identify plants: Learn about the basic characteristics of plant anatomy that are the clues to identifying major plant families. With this skill you might be surprised how many plants and wildflowers you can identify at the reserve and at home.. Guide: Barbara Byrne.
- ~ Storytelling for Kids, Sunday, Nov. 4, 10 a.m. to noon. Children explore the canyon while participating in a story about the plants and animals. For children 4-8. Guide: Lyndsay Dawkins, et al.

To sign up, email jfalyn@ucdavis.edu.

Yolo County libraries offer wireless internet

Thanks to a joint venture among the Yolo County departments of the Sheriff-Coroner, Information Technology and the Library, all Yolo County libraries now have wireless (WiFi) internet access, which is available free of charge to all library visitors.

Prompted by a request from the Sheriff-Coroner to have wireless internet access for his deputies that work in remote areas of the county, a project was put into motion to outfit all the county libraries in the unincorporated areas with a wireless access point. With the exception of the Davis and West Sacramento branches, which provided funding for access points in their own facilities, and Winters which was provided by the Yolo County Health Department, the Sheriff's department purchased wireless access points for approximately \$500 per unit for the remaining four Yolo County library branches.

"Our Sheriff's deputies often need access to the internet while on patrol," said Yolo County Sheriff-Coroner Ed Prieto. "As a majority of our county is remote, providing this wireless access in the library branches was a logical choice for this enhancement to our law enforcement system."

Yolo County library branches are located in Clarksburg, Davis, Esparito, Knights Landing, West Sacramento, Winters and Yolo. Each branch has wireless access for use by both Sheriff deputies and the public.

"Any visitor to a Yolo County library branch, possessing wireless technology on their laptop, will now have this additional resource," said Kevin Yarris, director of the Yolo County Information Technology Department. For more information, call 666-8005 or visit www.yolocountylibrary.org.

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parts.

Waltz is a chorus singer with the Sacramento Opera. He has opened for or performed on stage with the Celtic Super group from Ireland Dervish, Virtuoso Celtic composer/Bouzouki player Roger Landes, and singer/songwriter Tish Hinajosa. He was instrumental in forming Triana, a Celtic world music ensemble, which performed a blend of original and traditional folk music. He was the ensemble's main composer,

writing and arranging most of the music they performed, including many pieces with multivocal parts and instrumental accompaniment.

According to Ellie Blair of Celtic & Beyond KTAO Radio says, "Chris's more contemporary material reflects the transpersonal spiritual journey we're all on. He's like a male version of Loreena McKennitt with his soul-stirring lyrics and pure natural voice."

For more information about Waltz, visit www.chriswaltz.com. For more information about the Irish Pub performance, call 795-5400.

Sports

Tri-County Diamonds take home championship

By **ROBIN SMITH**
Special to the Express

The Tri-County Diamonds took home their first championship this past weekend at the Don Durfee Memorial Scholarship tournament in Yuba City. The Diamonds won the Round Robin Format going 3-1 and finishing with the largest run differential. In game one, the Diamonds defeated the Yuba-Sutter Sting 7-3. Rylee Smith got the win on the mound giving up only one walk and three earned runs while getting base hit at the plate. Baylee Opperman was 1 for 2 at the plate with an RBI. Playing solid defensively was McKenzie Culp at first base and Samantha Parisio in centerfield.

In game two, of the Round Robin format the Diamonds defeated the Fairfield Tornados by a score of 10-1. Morgan Hughes pitched a no-hitter and struck out 7 in the win. Mikayla Massa had her first big hit for the Diamonds going 1 for 1 with an RBI. Opperman and Alyssa Beatty each had singles. Mikaela Ponciano stood out defensively at catcher throwing out three base runners on attempted steals.

In game three, the Dia-

monds took on the Tornados once again and exploded offensively pounding out 10 hits on their way to a 12-2 victory. Opperman was 2 for 2 with a homerun and two RBIs. Alyssa Beatty also had a home run and an RBI. Massa was 2 for 2 with two RBIs. Kassidy Millen was 1 for 1 with an RBI and made an outstanding catch in the outfield. Hughes was 1 for 1. Rylee Smith pitched her second no-hitter of the season and had nine strikeouts in only four innings of work due to the 10-run rule.

In the final game the Diamonds were defeated 4-0 by the Yuba-Sutter Sting in a pitching duel. The Sting pitcher was dominating striking out 14 hitters and only giving up one hit to McKenzie Culp. Morgan Hughes did a great job keeping the game close by having 14 strikeouts of her own and only allowing 3 hits in the loss.

By finishing in first place the Diamonds received automatic berths into the World Series in Reno in July of 2008 and the State tournament, which is slated for Nov. 10-11 in Yuba City. The Diamonds' next tournament is in Sacramento at Freedom Park on Oct. 20-21.

Swimming news



Photo by Eric Lucero
Jamie Anderson wins the 200 IM on Wednesday, Sept. 19, at Winters High School.



Photo by Eric Lucero
Maya Tice leads the 100 butterfly for the Winters Warriors swim team on Wednesday, Sept. 19, at the Winters High School.

Warriors hold on for 6-0 victory over Orland

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The game may not have gone according to plan and maybe a little too close for comfort, but the Warriors held on for a 6-0 Butte View League victory over Orland at the Trojans' homecoming game on Friday, Oct. 12, and that's what really matters.

Winters had a tough time with the Trojans but didn't help themselves with one penalty after another.

"We started out moving the ball like we thought we would," said coach Brad Burton. "We drove down on our first possession and despite a couple of penalties were able to punch it in. After that nothing was working.

Cody Campos scored the only points of the game with a three yard run touchdown run. Campos led the Warriors with 88 yards on 20 carries. Kyle Tobler carried the ball six times for 26 yards. David Borges carried the ball five times for 26 yards, while Max Mariani had 29

yards on 11 carries. Aaron Geerts had the big catch for the Warriors with a 37 yard reception from Kaplin Smith and David Hill caught a 16 yard pass from Kyle Tobler.

The Warrior defense was as stingy as it has been all season, but gave up a big play late in the fourth that almost cost them the game. Four plays later, Mariani made a game-saving defensive play from cornerback with the help of Smith at the one yard line.

"The defense did a good job the whole game until that last drive," said Burton. "Max did a good job of being there and Kap helped over the top. Jon Cummings also did a great job on defense for us."

The Warriors are now 1-1 in the Butte View League and take on visiting Las Plumas this Friday, Oct. 19.

"Las Plumas is much better than their record shows," said Burton.

The Thunderbirds are 1-6 but have a pretty tough schedule.

Lady Warriors fall to Sutter, 3-0

The Winters Warriors varsity volleyball team lost to powerhouse Sutter in three games on Tuesday, Oct. 9. The Warriors played the last two games pretty close, considering Sutter has a 32-2 win loss record. Game

one was 8-25 then 14-25 and 14-25 in the next two games.

Winters will play at home on Thursday, Oct. 18, against Orland, and then will host their last home game on Thursday, Oct. 25, against Sutter.

Unbeaten JV Warriors prepare to host Las Plumas

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Winters JV football team notched another victory on the road last week as they traveled to Orland for a Butte View League game and came home with a 27-6 victory over the Trojans.

"This wasn't our best defensive performance," said coach Daniel Ward. "We didn't start out very well but we played a good second half."

Offensively though, the Warriors scored two

quick touchdowns and were led by the running of Tony Breavor and Marcus Carrasco. Breavor gained 137 yards on just nine carries and had a 69 yard touchdown, while Carrasco pounded out 121 yards on 14 carries and had a 14 yard touchdown run.

Brandon Kuehn carried the ball six times for 18 yards and had a one yard touchdown plunge. Zach Higgins completed 5 of 8 passes for 81 yards and had a 35 yard touchdown pass to Carrasco.

Dillon Ney caught two passes for 27 yards for the Warriors.

The Warriors will host Las Plumas for what could be the championship game. "I think this is the game of the year for us," said Ward. "They have the best offense we will see and I think we have the best defense. So it should be a very good game. The kids are ready and they know they have to have a great game."

Good luck all athletes with upcoming events!

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CODY'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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Marcus Carrasco

Marcus Carrasco, a sophomore on the undefeated Winters High School JV football team is this week's athlete of the week. Carrasco has been the work horse for the Warriors all season and last Friday, Oct. 12, was no exception. Carrasco carried the ball 14 times for 121 yards, had a 14 yard touchdown run and had a 35 yard reception. Carrasco also led the defense with nine tackles.

"Marcus has been our leader all year," said coach Daniel Ward. "He doesn't get any of the easy yardage but you can tell he wants the ball every play."

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Suggestions offered for reducing winter air pollution

Woodsmoke from fireplaces and woodstoves can cause significant air quality problems in neighborhoods during the cold winter months. The Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District (Y-S AQMD), a public health agency, is encouraging residents to help improve winter air quality by using the cleanest mode for heating their homes. If using a wood burning appliance is the only option, it is recommended that they use the cleanest woodburning alternatives and adhere to the “Don’t Light Tonight” advisories by the air district.

“Don’t Light Tonight” is a voluntary program in which the district asks residents not to use their woodstoves and fireplaces on evenings when air pollution, especially carbon monoxide and small particles, approach unhealthful levels. The program is aimed at keeping pollution levels below the health standards for carbon monoxide and particulate matter.

Concentrations of carbon monoxide and particulate matter reach their highest levels in winter because low-lying air inversions trap pollutants near the ground in the pocket of air we breathe. As night falls, ground-level air cools and cold air slides down into the valley areas, hugging the valley floors. When there is little or no wind, the warm air level above acts as a lid on top of the cold air. As a result, wood smoke and other air pollutants can be trapped close to the ground — under a ceiling sometimes as low as 50 feet. These cold weather conditions, coupled with the increased use of fireplaces and woodstoves,

can create pollution levels that can lead not only to poor air quality but also to health problems for many residents.

“As temperatures drop and winter sets in, the incorrect use of woodstoves and fireplaces can seriously affect our air quality by causing an increase in particulate pollution. These particles float in the air and can be inhaled deep into the lungs,” said Mat Ehrhardt, executive director for the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District.

“Wood smoke can cause breathing difficulties, especially for people suffering existing respiratory conditions, such as asthmatics, and for young children and seniors. There is also evidence that smoke pollution can cause cardiac problems in at-risk populations,” he added.

Pellet stoves, EPA-certified woodstoves or fireplace inserts, and natural-gas fireplaces are cleaner burning alternatives over fireplaces. They can reduce woodsmoke by 75 to 99 percent over a traditional fireplace. Residents are encouraged to take advantage of new, cleaner technologies that have been developed to effectively reduce woodsmoke pollution. In addition to using a cleaner alternative, residents should follow these steps:

(1) Always burn small pieces of aged, dry hardwood. Unseasoned wood has lots of moisture, which causes fire to smoke. Choose pellets over wood when possible as they burn 50 percent cleaner and with less ash clean-up.

(2) When storing wood, stack it under cover in a dry ventilated area. Freshly cut wood needs

to be stored for about eight to twelve months.

(3) Never burn household trash or chemically treated or painted wood. It is sure to pollute the air and it can produce poisonous gases.

(4) Stack wood loosely so plenty of air circulates around it which reduces heavy smoke emissions.

(5) Keep the flame active. Your fire should only smoke when you first light it and when you add extra fuel (and then only for a few minutes).

(6) Don’t let your fire smolder overnight — keep enough air in the fire to maintain a flame.

(7) Check your chimney regularly to see how well your fire is burning. If there is excess smoke coming from the chimney, increase the air supply to your fire.

(8) If you are buying a wood stove or insert, make sure it is EPA-certified.

“It’s the responsibility of all woodstove and fireplace owners to follow these easy steps and minimize the harmful effects of smoke pollution on themselves, their families and neighbors,” said Ehrhardt.

The Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District is dedicated to protecting human health and property from the harmful effects of air pollution. A free brochure with information on “Light it Right” tips and the “Don’t Light Tonight” program is available by contacting the district at 757-3650 or (800) 287-3650, or for additional information go to: www.ysaqmd.org.

Serving it up



Photo by Eric Lucero

Caitlin Calvert serves the ball during a recent Winters Warriors varsity volleyball game.

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Respeto a las leyes

Cuando llegamos este país, encontramos muchas cosas diferentes con relación a nuestros países de origen, lo primero que miramos, es el orden y la manera cómo se respetan las leyes aquí en Estados Unidos. Es raro ver que alguien pase por encima de la ley, como suele uno verlo tantas veces en nuestros países, y si quebrantamos la ley aquí, tarde que temprano, serás castigado. Estados Unidos se creo con la bandera de la Democracia, las personas que fundaron este país establecieron leyes muy precisas. Con errores y todo la democracia ha prevalecido aquí.

Por lo general la gente se siente segura, ya que con este sistema las personas que son elegidas a cargos populares, la mayoría de ellas ejercen su cargo y su responsabilidad como lo marca la ley. Y para que este sistema siga funcionando, tenemos instituciones que ayudan a los ciudadanos, cuando necesitan hacer reclamos. Tan solo el hecho de tener tantos años guiándose por este sistema hace que los ciudadanos tengan conciencia, actúen y ejerzan sus derechos que como ciudadanos la constitución les otorga.

El respeto y orden de las leyes es lo que hace que esta sociedad pueda convivir, esto ha permitido el desarrollo y estabilidad que caracteriza a Estados Unidos.

Cuando nosotros venimos a este país, lo primero que debemos hacer es conocer las leyes de aquí, y darnos cuenta que aquí no se gobierna como en México o Latinoamérica. Debemos de respetar las leyes y las instituciones, para nosotros mismos vivir bien, y debemos dejar atrás la sociedad de corrupción de donde venimos, debemos dejar atrás la mala costumbre de buscar ventajas y beneficios violando las leyes. Es importante para nosotros dejar atrás la costumbre de actuar en la sociedad empujados por los caprichos personales y el criterio de que los demás tienen que acomodarse a lo que a mí me conviene al margen de las leyes y normas sociales establecidas.

Hay gente que dice que en su casa pueden hacer lo que quieran, ahí nadie lo puede molestar, esta bien, pero ¿qué pasa cuando esa persona hace escándalo y ruido excesivo?, Deben tener en cuenta que hay normas que ponen un limite a eso, y que los vecinos tienen derecho a paz y tranquilidad. Las leyes y normas son para el beneficio de todos, y al quebrantarlas, se rompe la armonía social.

¿Que me dicen de las leyes de transito y de estacionamiento? Son leyes que tenemos que respetarlas aunque la autoridad que la impone no esté presente. Nunca bloquee la salida a otra persona aunque sea por unos segundos. Usted no sabe en la emergencia que se puede ver el otro, incluyéndose a usted mismo. En ese sentido hay que recordar la vieja máxima que dice: “No hagas al otro lo que no quiere que te hagan a ti.”

Otro ejemplo muy conocido, son las personas que toman y manejan, bien saben que es contra la ley, tal ves lo han hecho toda su vida, manejan tomados y nunca los ha detenido la policía, pero un día o los para la policía, o van a provocar un accidente. Estas son situaciones a las que estamos muy acostumbrados a realizar en nuestros países de origen. El no respetar las leyes, el sentirnos muy prepotentes, son tendencias que traemos de nuestras sociedades y por eso tendemos hacerlas parte de nuestra conducta en esta sociedad, lo que es contraproducente y discordante a la conducta de la mayoría.

Los que hemos inmigrado tenemos la responsabilidad de respetar las leyes, y actuar de acuerdo con las normas de la sociedad de este país, y no dar motivos para que los grupos antiinmigrantes nos sigan acosando y calificándonos como personas que no respetamos las leyes. No les demos motivos para que sigan impulsando el odio antiinmigrante.

Así como debemos respetar las leyes, así debemos también de respetar los símbolos que representan esta nación, así que mientras andamos reclamando amnistía para los ilegales, por favor no levantemos banderas de otros países, es una imprudencia muy grande. Se pueden levantar banderas de otros países cuando se trata de festivales culturales de diferentes grupos que ya se han asentados en este país.

Respetemos las leyes y los valores de este país, que al final de cuentas vivimos todos aquí, demos testimonio de lo que verdaderamente somos, cumplamos con las leyes.

Prestamos para casa

Por **CARLOS HERNÁNDEZ**

¿Que tipos de préstamos existen para adquirir una propiedad? Es una pregunta común, en las personas que desean adquirir una propiedad, y que ha veces no nos animamos a hacerla por una u otra razón. A continuación describiremos todos los tipos de prestamos disponibles a los cuales podemos aplicar y de alguna manera ser aprobados, para llevar a cabo uno de los más grandes sueños...tener tu propia casa!.

Préstamos convencionales: La única garantía es el valor de la propiedad. Préstamos acordes a las pautas de Fannie Mae/Freddie Mac(ConformingLoans) son préstamos convencionales que cumplen los términos y condiciones establecidos por las pautas de la Asociación Hipotecaria Federal Nacional (FNMA o Fannie Mae, por sus siglas en inglés) y de la Corporación Federal de Hipotecas de Préstamos para la Vivienda (FHLMC o Freddie Mac, por sus siglas en inglés).

Hipoteca con tasa de interés fija: La tasa de interés y los pagos de capital permanecen fijos durante toda la vigencia del préstamo. Tenga en cuenta que su pago mensual a la cuenta de depósito en custodia podría cambiar de año en año, de acuerdo con las variaciones en las tasas de impuesto y seguro.

Hipoteca con tasa de interés variable o ajustable: La tasa de interés que se devenga sobre el préstamo fluctúa durante el periodo del préstamo. Se realizan

ajustes periódicos a la tasa de interés de acuerdo con las variaciones en un índice determinado. La tasa de interés del préstamo se determina agregando un número fijo de puntos al índice determinado.

Préstamo de pago global (Balloon Loan): Hipoteca con tasa de interés fija, a corto plazo, con pagos mensuales generalmente basados en un cronograma de amortización de 30 años, y un pago global adeudado al fin del periodo de vigencia, que por lo general es de 3, 5 o 7 años. La tasa de interés sobre préstamos de pago global es, por regla general, inferior a la de las hipotecas con tasa de interés fija a 15 o 30 años.

Préstamo concatenado (Piggyback Loan): Una segunda hipoteca que se cierra con la primera. A menudo, la primera hipoteca es por 80% del precio de compra y la “concatenada”, por 10%. El comprador de la casa cubre el 10% restante con su pago inicial. (Algunos prestamistas aceptan una segunda hipoteca por 15% o incluso 20% del precio de compra.)

Agencias de financiamiento de vivienda (Housing Finance Agencies): Estas agencias ofrecen programas de préstamo especiales a compradores de ingresos medios y bajos interesados en rehabilitar una casa en un área escogida como meta y a otros grupos definidos por estas agencias. Trabajando a través de una agencia de financiamiento de vivienda, usted puede conseguir una tasa de interés más baja que la de mercado, ayuda con el pago inicial

y otros incentivos. Préstamos Jumbo y préstamos no acordes a las pautas de Fannie Mae/Freddie Mac (Non-Conforming Loans)

Préstamos por encima del monto máximo establecido por las pautas de Fannie Mae y Freddie Mac. Frecuentemente, la tasa de interés cobrada por un préstamo Jumbo o no acorde a las pautas de Fannie Mae/Freddie Mac es superior a la que se cobra por un préstamo acorde a tales pautas.

Préstamos B y C: Préstamos para prestatarios que no pueden satisfacer las pautas de crédito establecidas por Fannie Mae y Freddie Mac. Su propósito consiste en ofrecer financiamiento temporal a quienes, por su historial de crédito, no reúnen las condiciones necesarias para un préstamo acorde a las pautas de Fannie Mae/Freddie Mac (incluidos quienes recientemente se hayan presentado en quiebra, hayan sido objeto de ejecución hipotecaria o tengan pagos atrasados en sus informes de crédito). Por lo general, las tasas de interés son más altas y varían según la situación de crédito de cada individuo.

La Administración Federal de la Vivienda, que forma parte del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de Estados Unidos (HUD, por sus siglas en inglés), desempeña un papel significativo ayudando a familias de ingresos bajos y medios a acceder a hipotecas. La FHA ayuda a los compradores primerizos y a otros que no reunirían las condiciones necesarias para un préstamo convencional, constituyendo un

seguro hipotecario a favor deprestatistas privados. Las tasas de interés correspondientes a los préstamos de la FHA equivalen en general a la tasa vigente en el mercado, mientras que los requisitos de pago inicial de los préstamos de la FHA son menores que los de los préstamos convencionales. El pago inicial exigido puede ser tan bajo como el 3% y los costos de cierre pueden estar incluidos en el monto de la hipoteca.

Préstamos garantizados por el Departamento de Servicios a Veteranos de Estados Unidos (VA Loans): Los préstamos conocidos en inglés como VA Loans son préstamos garantizados por el Departamento de Servicios a Veteranos. Las personas en servicio y los veteranos pueden acceder a un préstamo de este tipo, que generalmente ofrece una tasa de interés fija y competitiva, sin pago inicial y con costos de cierre limitados. Si bien el Departamento de Servicios a Veteranos no es quien otorga los préstamos, emite el certificado de elegibilidad que se exige para solicitar estos préstamos.

Programas de crédito del Servicio de Vivienda Rural de Estados Unidos (RHS, por sus siglas en inglés): El Servicio de Vivienda Rural, que forma parte del Departamento de Agricultura de Estados Unidos, garantiza préstamos otorgados por prestamistas privados para ayudar a familias de ingresos bajos y medios a reunir las condiciones para obtener hipotecas.

Feria de Salud en Winters el domingo 21 de octubre

La semana binacional de salud traerá a Winters la feria de salud, la cual se llevara a cabo el domingo 21 de octubre, el lugar será el parque de la ciudad de Winters, todos los exámenes que se ofrecerán serán gratis, habrá exámenes de colesterol, de diabetes, se tomara la presión arterial, también tendrán exámenes dentales y de la vista. por si fuera poco, también se tendrán actividades para los niños, habrá rifas, música, licuados de frutas naturales, vengán y aprovechen esta oportunidad.

La Semana Binacional de Salud es una de las

mayores movilizaciones sociales a favor de la salud de los grupos más vulnerables de origen mexicano y latinoamericano. Está compuesta por una serie de actividades de promoción y educación de salud que se llevan a cabo anualmente durante una semana, y que incluyen, talleres educativos, referencia a clínicas y programas de seguro médico y pruebas de laboratorio.

Esta semana de actividades es posible gracias a la participación de una red de miles de voluntarios, agencias gubernamentales y organizaciones comunitarias que

han hecho de la Semana Binacional de Salud su propia misión. Entre los socios de este año se encuentran las Secretarías de Salud y de Relaciones Exteriores de México, El Salvador, Guatemala y Colombia, el Instituto de los Mexicanos en el Exterior, el Instituto Mexicano del Seguro Social, el Departamento de Servicios de Salud de California, el Consejo de Federaciones Mexicanas en Norteamérica, la facultad de salud pública de la Universidad de California, Berkeley, la ciudad de Los Angeles, la Iniciativa de Salud de las Américas (anteriormente lla-

mada Iniciativa de Salud México-California) un programa de la Universidad de California Oficina del Presidente, la Comisión de Salud Fronteriza México-Estados Unidos y las fundaciones The California Endowment, y The California HealthCare Foundation entre otros.

La Semana Binacional de Salud es solamente un primer paso en una serie de esfuerzos de cooperación entre los países de Norte y Latinoamérica para mejorar la salud de los migrantes y sus familias.

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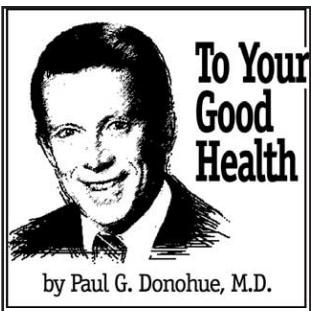
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Features

Lice make this a lousy world

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My daughter is 6 years old and has acquired head lice many times in day care and in public schools. We fear that the treatment is toxic. I want to know if it can cause long-term health problems. Is there a lice season? When lice hatch from the egg, how many days before they start laying eggs? I wish the public were more educated on head lice. We all need to work together to stop outbreaks. — C.L.

ANSWER: Few things fill mothers with greater revulsion than the news that their child has head lice. Lice aren't an indication of delinquent housecleaning. They've been with us since the dawn of civilization, and they'll stay with us unless C.L.'s call to action is heeded. The most-used anti-lice medicine is permethrin (Nix and many other brands). It is safe for child use. It has no long-term health consequences. Another popular louse medicine is pyrethrins (RID and others). It too is safe to use. Malathion (Ovide) shouldn't be used in children younger than 6. Lindane (Kwell) is held in reserve and used when other medicines fail. It's only for those who weigh more than 110 pounds. Lice don't have a special season. They can appear at any time of the year. The female louse lays seven to 10 eggs a day — a considerable number over her life span of 20 to 30 days. The eggs are firmly glued to a hair as "nits." The eggs hatch in a week or so, and the young louse matures in two to three weeks, when it begins to lay eggs. Lice live for only about two days apart from a human host. They don't live forever on carpets and furniture. All that need be done is to vacuum those furnishings. The hot water of a washer and the high heat of a dryer kill lice. Toys, stuffed animals and anything else that can't be washed should be put in a plastic bag for two weeks to make sure all the critters have departed from the face of the



earth. Some parents in your daughter's schools aren't paying attention to their child's head and their child's scratching of it.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: If a man suffers from a heart problem in middle age, can he still live an average life span of, say, 76 years? — L.J.

ANSWER: What kind of heart problem? How is it being treated? What's the man's general health? Does he have other health issues, such as diabetes, high blood pressure or kidney disease? Many middle-aged men and women have heart problems, even heart attacks, and live much longer than 76 years. Not only does life span depend on the heart problem, but it depends on how well the person is taking care of that problem. The booklet on heart attacks describes the details of North America's No. 1 killer. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue—No. 102W, 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.

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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Looks like the party's over in Panama

The organization "International Living", which monitors countries outside the U.S. for their desirability as retirement locations, has recently demoted Panama to 4th in rank after being number one for six years running. (Mexico is now in first place).

One reason for Panama's fall in grace by the expat crowd is a recent antiterrorism bill passed in May of this year restricting tourist visas to 30 days instead of 90. The snow birds that come down here (even buying property) had been able to stay 6 months at a time simply by getting 2 tourist cards back to back. Now the process of staying for this long a period of time has become more complicated. Renewing a tourist visa for 90 more days was as simple as leaving the country for 72 hours and returning. Now it has to be done every month. The alternative method standing in long lines at immigration offices to pay fees month after month is just a little too disruptive.

To get a Panamanian Green Card it takes a lot of paperwork dealing with bungling bureaucrats and can be revoked at any time and also costs a lot of money (lawyers mostly). But going to Costa Rica for three days every month? For one thing, Costa Rica isn't as great as it's made out to be. They have a currency that is confusing.

A journey to Costa Rica requires a good pocket calculator and a sharp mathematical mind. At 518 Costa Rican colones to the dollar a sandwich or something similar can cost 2,000 colones. It is easy to forget what one is actually paying for something and there are a lot of people willing to take advantage of that fact. In one restaurant in the capital city of San Jose they tried to charge me 70,000 colones for a dinner that really cost 7,000. That's 140 dollars instead of 14. Not until I threatened to report them to the Tourist Board did they back down on their inflated bill.

Dubbed "the Switzerland of the Central America," Costa Rica has been resting on its laurels. It made a big splash on the World Scene by abolishing its army in 1948, and now has an illegal Nicaraguan community that's 20 percent of the nation's population of 4 million. Unable to control its borders and bowing over for the tourist dollar it is an expensive country without a solid identity, in my hum-

ROBERT FISCHER

SOUTH OF THE SOUTHERN MEXICO BORDER



ble opinion. It has a lot of police in place of an army but they seem to just to parade around each other. Their taxi drivers are the worst bunch I have seen in Central America. They are supposed to have meters but they almost always say they're broken. When you are finally seated in one of their cabs they got you where they want you.

The expat crowd that has hung its hat in Panama is now having to look at its options. The 30-day visa possibly could be reversed. The Canadian ambassador, a naturalized Colombian immigrant, was in town recently asking the that the 90 day visa be reinstated. See if a Colombian or Panamanian can get into the U.S. Canada with a visa for even two weeks.

Since Mexico is now Numbah One maybe some of the expats here will go there. It has the advantage of being a country that one can drive to in a car, but with all the Mexicans around who clearly don't want to live there, I have my doubts. I've never been in Mexico more than two weeks but I do remember shakedowns by uniformed customs officers at vehicle entry points and don't like being expected to pay bribes to people who are supposed to be doing their jobs. Things are reported to have changed since the charismatic cowboy Vincente Fox got elected on an anti corruption platform and his successor, Felipe Calderon, seems to be in favor of continuing Fox's non mordida policies.

As in Baja California there are so many Americans trying to acquire cheaper coastal property that maybe there can be too much of a good thing. Real estate prices in Panama have shot up too fast for comfort, which is one reason why it's dropped to Number Four instead of being on top of the heap. A place like Boquete, where I just spent a weekend, is so full of expat Americans and Canadians in gated communities it is commonly called "gringolandia" by locals. There's even a coffee hangout there called "the Shalom Café." Puh-leese!

El Salvador is a place an

American can stay as long as a passport has a year's time left on it. El Salvador has an undeserved reputation of being in a War Zone and has had a hard time living down that impression. But it's crowded (6.7 million people in an area the size of Massachusetts) and costly and crime ridden to boot, even though its take out chicken outlet "Pollo Campero" is still the best.

Honduras and Belize may be the best deals in Central America considering the alternatives. Guatemala is not that far away from the end of a thirty year civil war and is still considered unstable politically. Expats have been sniffing out Nicaragua but its considerable social and economic problems are a long way from being resolved, especially since the Sandinistas are again back in the saddle. I've already hinted why Costa Rica should be scratched off the list... unauthentic and too costly.

I really believe the new 30-day visa rule is a message from Panama that they are tired of being a doormat for the industrialized world's drifters. It's their country and they know it. They got the Canal Zone back, got the Americans there to pack up and leave, and now it's the Perpetual Tourist's turn. Putting down roots with so many rootless people isn't that easy, and as they say in Spanish "no vale la pena," not worth the effort.

As you may have guessed it might be time to wrap up this column or give it another heading. Maybe I could even give "Mexico Lindo y Querido" a try. Since there are so many recently arrived Mexicans in Winters there's a lot of firsthand information to draw on. I'd stop burning up my fortune buying airline tickets because I can't decide what country to live in and be able to come back to the U.S. for visits on just a tank of gas.

Pleased to meet you



Name: Jodie Davis
Occupation: Full time mom and home maker
Hobby: Girl scouting and bird watching
What's best about living in Winters: "Everybody knows everybody."
Fun fact: Lived in Nebraska for six months.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might feel compelled to get involved on the "right side" of a seemingly unfair fight. But appearances can be deceptive. Get the facts before going forth into the fray.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Bullying others into agreeing with your position could cause resentment. Instead, persuade them to join you by making your case on a logical point-by-point basis.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Resist pushing for a workplace decision you might feel is long overdue. Your impatience could backfire. Meanwhile, focus on that still-unsettled personal situation.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your aspects favor doing something different. You might decide to redecorate your home, or take a trip somewhere you've never been, or even change your hairstyle.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You might want to take a break from your busy schedule to restore your energy levels. Use this less-hectic time to also reassess your plans and make needed changes.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) What you like to think of as determination might be seen by others as nothing more than stubbornness. Try to be more flexible if you hope to get things resolved.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Watch that you don't unwittingly reveal work-related information to the wrong person. Best to say nothing until you get official clearance to open up.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) With things settling down at work or at home, you can now take on a new challenge without fear of distraction. Be open to helpful suggestions from colleagues.

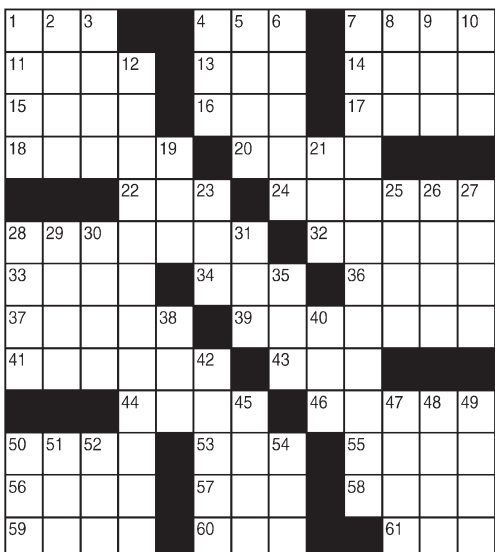
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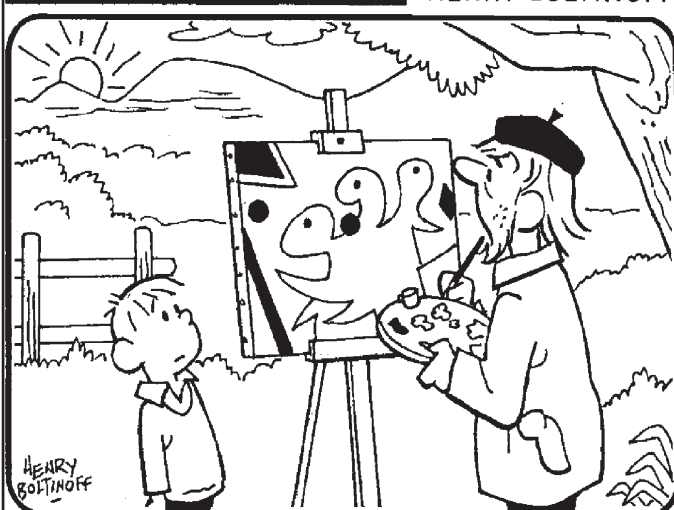


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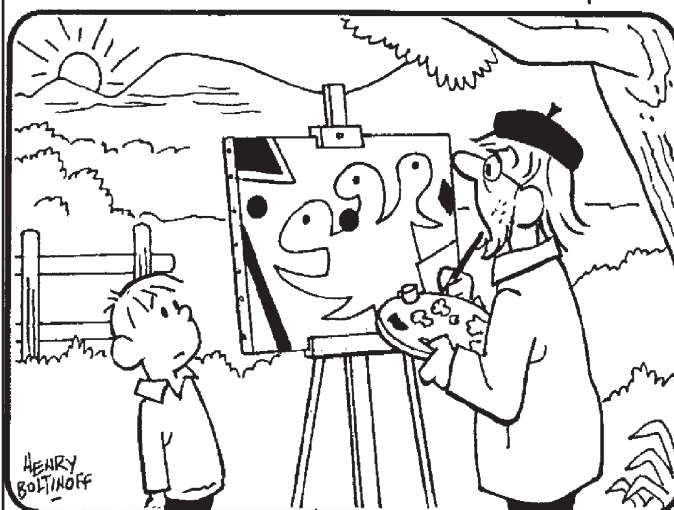
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Cloud is missing. 2. Artist has glasses. 3. Boy's necktie is different. 4. Easel has third leg. 5. Painting is different. 6. Artist's paint rag is gone.

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ANTIQUE FAIR

ANTIQUES STREET FAIR Old Town Auburn 40th Annual-Rain or Shine Sunday, Oct. 21st, 8am-4pm 1-80 @ Maple Street (530)823-3836

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

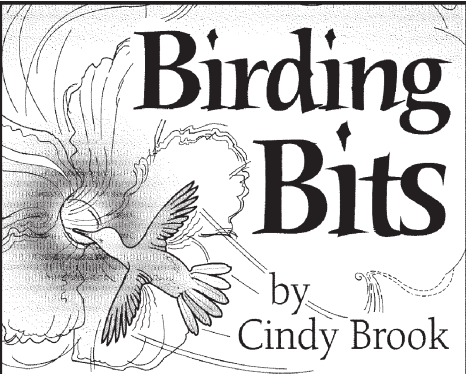
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. before the City Council of the City of Winters, Council Chambers, 318 First Street, Winters, California. Purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider adoption of Ordinance No. 2007-06, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Winters Acknowledging the Lack of a Program to Acquire Property Using Eminent Domain Within the Winters Community Development Project Area by the Winters Community Development Agency. This ordinance is summarized, pursuant to the California Government Code, as follows:

When the City Council formed the Winters Community Development Agency, and Designated the Community Development Project Area, a limited authority was given to the Agency to use the power of eminent domain to condemn for public use private property in certain limited circumstances. That authority has expired. The Winters Community Development Agency has taken no action to change that. California State Law, as part of legislation to regulate the power of government to use eminent domain authority, requires that each City enact an ordinance describing a redevelopment agency's program to acquire real property by eminent domain. The Winters Redevelopment Agency has no such program, as its agency has no such authority. This ordinance will confirm that lack of authority, and that no program exists for exercising the power of eminent domain.

All citizens are invited to attend. Written comment or input in lieu of appearance may be delivered to the office of the Winters City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, California no later than 5 p.m., Tuesday, November 6, 2007.

Dated: October 15, 2007
John C. Wallace, City Attorney

Published October 18, 2007



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2. Dive-bombing crows.
3. Dive-bombing cats.
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Public Hearing

Request for Proposal
"The City of Winters is requesting professional services proposals for the design, purchase, and installation of a Citywide Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System (SCADA) for the sewer and water facilities. Contact Jim Fletter at 530-668-5883 or jimf@pacbell.net to request a copy of the RFP."

Published October 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 2007

Fictitious Business Name

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Sep 19, 2007
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2007-951

The following person(s) was doing business as: COMPUTER GUY
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Maxim Zhukov 3720 Chiles Rd Davis, CA 95616.
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Fictitious Business Name

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September 6, 2007
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FBN NUMBER 2007-903

The following person(s) was doing business as: Infinity Property Management
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P.O. Box 74326 Davis, CA 95617
Ara Arbazadeh 505 K St. Davis CA 95616
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FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
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FBN NUMBER 2007-987

The following person(s) was doing business as: Wheelee Ads
411 1st St., Apt. #2 Davis, CA 95616
Jason Tessler 411 1st, Apt. #2 Davis CA 95616
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FBN NUMBER 2007-986

The following person(s) was doing business as: Pacific Residential Appraisal
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John A. Sylvain 3401 Bermuda Avenue #19 Davis, CA 95616
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FBN NUMBER 2007-920

The following person(s) was doing business as: Just Sell it Online
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Adrian Villanueva 166 Third St. Woodland CA 95695
This business classification is: Co-Partner s/Gabriel Silva/Adrian Villanueva

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State of California, County of Yolo
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October 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 2007

Petition for Change of Name

FILED Yolo Superior Court
September 27, 2007
By E. Endo, Deputy
Case Number: PT07-2092
Superior Court of California, County of Yolo
725 Court Street
Woodland, CA 95695

Order to show cause for change of name
To all interested persons:
Colton Christopher Crabtree filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name Colton Christopher Crabtree, to proposed name Colton Tameseu Brunson.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: November 8, 2007, Time: 9:00, Dept.: 2

Dated September 25, 2007
Timothy L. Fall
Judge of the Superior Court

Published Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2007

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Public Lien Sale

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to satisfy a lien imposed on said property pursuant to section 21700 of the bus. and prof. code section 2328 of the UCC, section 535 of the penal code and provisions of the civil code.

The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the 31 day of October 2007 at 10:30a.m. on the premises where said property has been stored and which is located at Beamer Street storage 1572 E. Beamer St, Woodland, CA 95776 and which consists of misc. personal property, household, garage and yard items and misc. boxes (contents unknown) sale will begin at Beamer Street storage.
All items sold as is where is and must be removed by 5p.m. or make arrangements with the office.
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UNIT#: 44. J Pruitt 156 D. Rosale
213 J. Halsey 285 T. Marquez
401 E. Cunnion 405 C. Ingold-Scott
406 T. Dodds II 250 P. Scherwinka
54 G. Heto 311 I. Fierro

Published October 18, 25, 2007

Notice of Public Hearing

The Winters Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on the project application as described below, beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 30, 2007, or as soon as possible thereafter, in the Council Chambers, City Offices, 318 First Street, Winters, California 95694. The City Council will conduct a public hearing beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 20, 2007, or as soon as possible thereafter, in the Council Chambers, to receive the Planning Commission's recommendation and take action on the project.
PROJECT LOCATION: CITYWIDE.
APPLICATION TYPE: The City Council is conducting a public hearing to solicit comments regarding an ordinance of the City of Winters adding Chapter 17.112 to the Winters Municipal Code pertaining to commercial condominium conversion. The ordinance would be applicable citywide.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed ordinance would provide for the conversation of projects where ownership of existing buildings is subdivided, whether such subdivision involves residential to commercial/industrial or commercial/industrial to commercial/industrial, and whether such conversion is to condominium as defined in Section 1350 of the Civil Code, to community apartment projects, as defined in Section 11004 of the Business and Professions Code, or to stock cooperatives, as defined in Section 11003.2 of the Business and Professions Codes.

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

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO APPEAR AT THE MEETING DATES IDENTIFIED ABOVE AT 7:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS TO COMMENT. COPIES OF ALL THE ABOVE PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS, PLANS AND THE COMPLETE FILE, CAN BE VIEWED AT THE OFFICE OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, 318 FIRST STREET, CITY HALL, AT LEAST FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARINGS, OR CALL THE STAFF CONTACT PERSON AT (530) 795-4910, EXTENSION 112. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE HEARINGS AND EXPRESS THEIR COMMENTS. WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED PRIOR TO, AT, AND DURING THE HEARINGS. ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED WILL BE GIVEN TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION.

PURSUANT TO SE0CTION 65009 (B) (2), OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT CODE "IF YOU CHALLENGE ANY OF THE ABOVE PROJECTS IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARINGS DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL AT, OR PRIOR TO, THESE PUBLIC HEARINGS".
Kate Kelly - Planning Manager
Published Oct. 18, 2007

Notice of Trustees Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 1110373-08 APN: 003-342-16-1 TRA:002000 LOAN NO: XXXX1118 REF: MONTENEGRO, ELISEO UNVER IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED May 27, 1998. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER ON October 31, 2007, at 12:00pm, CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded June 04, 1998, as Inst. No. 98-001567300, in book -, page -, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: ELISEO A. MONTENEGRO AND ANA MARIA MONTENEGRO, HIS WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE WEST SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: COMPLETELY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 715 APRICOT AVENUE WINTERS CA 95694 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$7,301.28. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. FOR SALES INFORMATION: Mon - Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (714) 259-7850 CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION 525 EAST MAIN STREET P.O. BOX 22004 EL CAJON CA 92022-9004 Dated: October 10, 2007 By: - Authorized Signature ASAP# 911366 10/11/2007, 10/18/2007, 10/25/2007

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If you enjoy country living, beautiful views, and the rolling hills of Winters this is the property for you!! This property boasts a 3 bedroom 21/2 bath ranch style home, workshop with office, 2 stall barn with hay storage, beautiful landscaped yards, fenced and cross fenced along with 4.98 useable acres. Priced at \$950,000.

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