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Photo by Justin Cox

Velo City is this year's Chamber business of the year. Owner Myke Berna displays the bicycle he is donating as a silent auction prize for the Year in Review celebration on Jan. 26.

Velo City named Business of Year

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Myke Berna, owner of Velo City bike shop, this year's Winters Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year, grew up on a farm outside Marysville. His dad was a construction worker who spent a lot of time away from home because of his job. As a child living out in the country, Berna found himself often using a bike as a means to get from place to place. This turned out to be the starting point for what would evolve first into a passion and ultimately into a successful career. "My dad didn't always have time to fix broken parts," he says of the bikes he had as a child. "I learned to fix the chain-basically how to make things work."

Berna's family moved to Davis when he was 13 years old. Within a year, he was helping with repairs in a local shop, where he says "things were always done right."

By starting in a low-volume type of atmosphere where customer satisfaction was paramount, his career was set in motion with a strong set of good habits that would remain intact as his career progressed and ultimately landed him in Winters. He speaks very highly of this chosen line of work, saying that his main reason for starting the business was to assist people in having good times. "I love the clientele," he says. "They're generally in a good mood, doing something they love. If I had to deal with a bunch of grumpy people every day, I wouldn't be doing it."

The people that visit Velo City range from professionals who ride between 100 and 500 miles per week, to businessmen and women who work full time jobs and ride on the weekends as a form of exercise and release. Berna sees it as his responsibility to make sure their equipment

functions properly so they are free to channel their energy into riding. "We want to make sure everything works for them," he says. "I've seen plenty of people get sub-par service."

In an effort to make his services readily available to all types of riders, Velo City is open on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., allowing full-time workers ample time to visit the shop after their shifts. Located on Main Street, next to El Pueblo Meat Market, Velo City's influence on downtown has been extremely positive. "In order to make Winters a different type of downtown," he says. "We need people out wandering around. We need them to see open doors."

Velo City has brought people to Winters in a number of ways. Many of them knew Berna prior to his arrival and come to town specifically for his services. He then turns

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Committee gets look at new streetscape

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The Downtown Master Plan Committee got a first look last week at the design improvements planned for the streets around Railroad and Main. This project will make significant changes to the look and feel of the core district streetscape. The committee is a re-born version of the group that made decisions two years ago for redevelopment of the downtown area. The committee is made up of business and property owners that would be affected. With over \$1 million in redevelopment money avail-

able, the original group gave priority to upgrading the look of the downtown area with a collection of improvements, including construction of widened sidewalks at key corners — called "bulb-outs" — along Railroad and Main, installation of street furniture such as planters and benches, fancier street materials for paving and sidewalk surfaces, and new signage. In a competitive request-for-qualifications process, the city selected Rick Engineering Company of San Diego to design the improvements. City engineer Asa Utter-

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It's time to celebrate!



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Members of the Winters Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors remind the community that it's time to celebrate the Year in Review, planned for Saturday, Jan. 26, 6-9 p.m. at the Community Center. From left are Nancy Meyer, board president Dave Fleming, Myke Berna, Board executive assistant Katie Whitmarsh and Chris Jones. The annual event features dinner catered by the Buckhorn, a no-host bar, and the honoring of this year's Citizen of the Year, Business of the Year, Senior Citizen of the Year and winner of the Theodore Winters Award. Tickets are \$35 per person and must be purchased in advance. Tickets are limited, and none will be sold at the door. So, it's time to buy tickets too. For tickets or more information, call the Chamber office, 795-2329.

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WEATHER

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

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
Dec. 25		61	42
Dec. 26		58	33
Dec. 27		55	36
Dec. 28	.19	52	38
Dec. 29	.20	42	39
Dec. 30	.04	45	40
Dec. 31	.01	56	42

Rain for week: .44
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Average to Dec. 31: 7.66

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OBITUARIES

Barbara Ramona Arthur Wehr

Barbara Wehr passed away at Sutter Davis Hospital on Dec. 24. She was 92. Her granddaughter Carole Brooks Niehues, who she raised, was at her bedside. Wehr had been living at Sierra Health Care for the last 3 years.

Preceding her in death was her husband Willis Wehr in 1990. They were members of the Pioneer Presbyterian Church where they served as an Elder and deacon. Barbara was a member of the Auxillary and Guild at the church for many years. They moved to Winters from Lancaster in 1966. They had been married in La Habra and lived in Pasadena and in Oregon. Barbara was born in Topeka, Kansas in 1915.

Barbara and Willis had three daughters: Penny Lou Burris and Mary Linda Wilson. Karen Lee Spiller preceded them in death in 1969. Barbara and Willis raised Karen's two daughters here in Winters: Carole Brooks Niehues and Barbara Brooks Mateer.

Other grandchildren surviving are Dan Wilson of Tennessee, Jon Burris of Dixon, David Wilson of Cloverdale, Pamela S. Lewis of Arkansas, Dale Wilson of Las Vegas, and Joseph Burris of Idaho. They had a total of 12 great grandchildren.

Barbara was a member of Winters Senior Citizens and she was also a member of Fortnightly club in Winters and played bridge with members and friends. When she moved to Sierra Health Care she became known as the most avid Scrabble player and excelled at various other games. She was also known to be a singer of hymns and other songs during sing-a-long activities. She had a very subtle sense of humor which will be greatly missed by her friends and family.

Noah Leeland Farnham

Noah Leeland Farnham, 71, died on Wednesday, December 26, 2007, at Alderson's Convalescent Hospital in Woodland.

Born on January 24, 1936 in Woodland to Jack and Helen (Hubbard) Farnham, he grew up in Yolo County graduating from Esparto High School's class of 1954 and was valedictorian prior to his attendance to U.C. Davis. After his educational years, Mr. Farnham entered ranching and was a member of the Yolo Cattlemens & Wool Growers Association for over 50 years.

A lifelong Yolo resident, he is survived by his wife of 50 years Ruth J. Farnham of Brooks; daughters Karen Reeves, Sharon Farnham, and Susan Reyes and husband Martin all of Brooks; sons Mike Farnham and wife Faye of Sacramento, Steve Farnham and wife Penny of Capay; sisters Dolores Moe of Woodland and Mary Vannucci and husband Fred of Capay; brother Jack Farnham and wife Sharai of Woodland; grandchildren Tyler, Sophia, Jessica, Jennifer, Inez, Bradley, Roman, Miranda, and great-grandson Jerry.

A Celebration of Life is scheduled for 11 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 6, at the Reyes family ranch, located at 18063 County Road 70 in Brooks. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Capay Valley Fire Department in his memory. Assisting the family with funeral arrangements is Evergreen Funeral Service of Woodland.

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The 1994 Academic Decathlon Team includes, from left (back row) Anthony Thomas, Sierra Kent, Jenny Morrison, Jeff Jaeger, Amber Foster and Dominich Porras; (middle row) Toby Seeger, Jessica Ortiz, Mary Wennig, Sarah Lester, Dan Medina and Ben Davis; (front row) coach Wendy Davis, Annie Eastman, Nina Lorenzi, Alissa McDermid and Josh MacLean. (Not pictured are Sarah Hamilton, Sprig Parker and Terry Shaw.)

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YEARS AGO

January 16, 1958

A \$1,081,000 appropriation to the \$47 million Solano Project (Monticello Dam) was proposed Monday by President Eisenhower in his budget message to Congress.

A meeting will be held at the Winters City Hall on Thursday, Jan. 23, at 7:30 p.m. to organize Winters Youth Day council for the coming year. Don Frisbee, chairman of the 1957 Youth Day, will preside at the meeting.

Manuel Cuellar Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Cuellar Sr., has enlisted in the Army reserve. He left Sunday for Fort Ord, where he will take his training.

Carl Holmes was named Salvation Army Drive Chairman for Western Yolo County at a meeting for the Salvation Army committee held Tuesday night at Bishop's Café.

Mrs. Lura Dozier, of Dozier's Drug Store, was elected president of the Winters Merchants' Credit Association at the annual election of officers held Jan. 8. She succeeds John Greenwood, outgoing president.

Elections were held Tuesday night at the annual congregational meeting of the Pioneer Presbyterian Church as follows: Mr. and Mrs. John Clayton, deacons; Mr. W. Lloyd Adams, Mrs. O. A. Stone and Mrs. Oscar Holmes, elders; Mr. Miles Wemp, Mr. Robert Jay, Mrs. Myrtle Kidder and Mrs. Dorthy Pugh, trustees.

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YEARS AGO

January 15, 1943

According to Dr. A. M. Herron, principal, most details have been arranged for the re-assembly of the student body Monday morning, Jan. 18. Assembly will be held at 8:30 in the grammar school auditorium. Headquarters will be made at the Japanese school, with principal's office and most of the classes established there.

E. W. Forwick, in training at Camp Kohler, was a weekend visitor at home.

The Missionary Society of the Christian Church met Wednesday. Mrs. R. L. Niemann was leader, on the topic, Latin America. Others participating were Mrs. W. A. Young, Mrs. Lee Sadler, Mrs. Gertrude Wyatt and Mrs. Alice Rice, who conducted devotionals.

Elmwood Circle, Neighbors of Woodcraft, held their regular monthly meeting Tuesday night. Guardian Neighbor Mattie Bower presided over the business session and a committee composed of Mrs. Mabel Crowder, Mabel Bruhn, Jennie Rice and Alice Rice served sandwiches and coffee during the meeting.

At the meeting of the Service Club Monday evening, Postmaster Charles Graf reported that the local office may be rated as 2nd class when the last year's business is audited by the department at Washington.

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YEARS AGO

January 14, 1893

Among the Pleasant Valleyites in town this week we noticed Henry Brinck, W. J. Pleasants, W. Johnson, W. Tubbs and Rufus Thurber.

Principal Crane will move his family down from Capay today or tomorrow, and will occupy W. J. Cannedy's house on Baker Street, between Railroad Avenue and First Street..

William Wolfskill, past president, installed the officers elect of Winters Parlor No. 163, Native Sons of the Golden West, last Saturday evening. Charles Dayton Ireland was installed as president.

J.D. Little was here from Monticello last Thursday afternoon. He says he was five hours making the trip down, in consequence of having to walk a greater part of the way - the road being so badly washed that it was unsafe to ride his horse over it.

William Wolfskill, manager of the Hotel DeVilbiss, bought a carload of wood in Capay Valley last week, and it was unloaded here on Tuesday last.

Mrs. E. J. Clark has moved her restaurant into Cradwick's building on the north side of Main Street, and will furnish the rooms upstairs for lodgers.

Berryessa level up slightly

The level of Lake Berryessa rose slightly during the past week, for the first time since last March.

Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District e-mailed the Express Dec. 25 that the lake was 419.15 feet above sea level, .09 above the previous Tuesday reading.

At the 419.15 foot level the lake contained 1,221,787 acre feet of water, 1,553 acre feet more than the Dec. 18 recording.

On Dec. 25, 55 second feet of water was flowing in the Putah South Canal and 30 second feet was flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 35 acre feet of water per day during the Dec. 19 to Dec. 25 week.

Bad check writers to pay

The Yolo County District Attorney's Check Prosecution Unit reported that the Check Prosecution Unit recovered \$28,826.07 for Yolo County merchants and residents during the month of October. Jeff W. Reisig, District Attorney, said much of the money was paid by check writers before criminal proceedings were initiated. Once criminal complaints are filed and arrest warrants are issued, the court supervises the payments of restitution through the Check Prosecution Unit.

Businesses or persons who have received NSF or CLOSED account checks in Yolo County and have been unable to get cooperation from the check writer(s), are encouraged to contact the Check Prosecution Unit. While stolen and forged checks must be reported to the local law enforcement agencies, NSF and CLOSED account checks can be submitted to the District Attorney Check Prosecution Unit for investigation.

For more information about the Check Prosecution Unit, call 666-8200 or contact the unit at 301 Second Street, Woodland, CA 95695. Any merchant or residents needing check forms can pick them up at their local Chamber of Commerce office. In Winters the Chamber office is located inside the Community Center. Check forms are also available online at the DA web site: <http://www.yoloda.org/Departments/BadCheckProgram.htm>.

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First Northern announces third quarter earnings

First Northern Community Bancorp (the “Company,” ticker symbol FNRN), holding company for First Northern Bank, today announced earnings through the third quarter of 2007. Year-to-date net income as of Sept. 30, was reported at \$6.09 million, down 9.64 percent from the \$6.74 million earned in the same fiscal period last year.

Diluted earnings per share for the nine months ended Sept. 30, was \$0.71, down 7.79 percent from the \$0.77 reported last year (all 2006 per-share earnings have been adjusted for a 6 percent stock dividend paid March 30). Annualized Return on Average Assets for the period ended Sept. 30, was 1.18 percent, compared to 1.36 percent for the same period in 2006. Annualized Return on Beginning Equity was 13.11 percent, compared to 15.83 percent one year ago.

Total assets at Sept. 30, were \$690.3 million, an increase of \$34.5 million, or 5.3 percent from prior-year third quarter levels. Total deposits of \$607.8 million increased \$30.4 million or 5.3 percent compared to Sept. 30, 2006 figures. During that same period, total net loans (including loans held-for-sale) increased \$20.0 million, or 4.1 percent, to \$510.4 million.

Net income for the quarter ended September 30, was \$2.02 million, down 1.46 percent from the \$2.05 million earned

in the same period in 2006. Diluted earnings per share for the quarter was \$0.24, up 4.35 percent from the \$0.23 reported in the same period last year.

“Our Company is one of the fortunate financial services companies in the region that continues to grow in these increasingly difficult market conditions. While First Northern Community Bancorp experienced steady gains in its assets, deposits and loans, our earnings are feeling the affects of increased interest expense attributable to a growing interest-bearing deposit portfolio and intense competition. In addition, we are providing provisions for loan losses at a level considered adequate for the risks inherent with the current real estate market. Loan loss provisions for the nine months ending September 30, 2007 amounted to \$1,250,000 compared to \$585,000 for the same period in 2006. While we certainly do not consider ourselves immune from the challenges that lie ahead with California’s deteriorating real estate market, we remain focused on our core business and our communities. This strategy, coupled with a strong capital base, has served us well for nearly a century representing all types of economic ups and downs,” stated Owen J. Onsum, President and Chief Executive Officer.

VELO CITY

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them on to some of the surrounding areas, many of which are perfect for riding. Over time, he says, many of them make Winters a part of their routine. And often times his customers use Putah Creek Café or Steady Eddy’s as a lunch stop while they wait for the completion of their repairs.

“It helps them discover the roads around here,” he says of the store’s location. “The cycling community already knew about Winters. We were just sticking our neck out.”

In addition to bringing individual cyclists to Winters, Berna successfully brought the Tour of California, an eight-day 700 mile bike race, to Winters by getting in touch with the Tour’s route director and routing it through downtown. The popular event put downtown Winters on display and further plugged it into the cycling scene.

Berna has made a point to educate his customers about the rules of the road, promoting safety and cooperation between cyclists and automobiles.

Often times he is visited by local kids with damaged bikes, many of which don’t have much money or means of getting the necessary repairs done.

“I like helping out the local BMX kids,” says Berna, who often times takes these opportunities to teach them how to properly fix and maintain their bikes.

Velo City will be recognized as Business of the Year at the Winters Chamber of Commerce Year in Review celebration, planned for Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Winters Community Center, 6-9 p.m. Berna has donated a bike for the silent auction that will be held that night.

Tickets are \$35 per person, and are available in advance only. Call the Chamber 795-2329 for tickets or more information.

Great Wall guys



Courtesy photo
Dennis Kilkenny (left) and Cecil Padilla took their Winters Express on a vacation to the Great Wall of China last month.

Women’s group taking sign-ups

Yolo Family Service Agency offers a weekly support group focusing on women’s issues in Davis. The support group of 6 to 8 women is held on Wednesdays from 12- 1:30 p.m. The group meets at Yolo Family Service Agency’s Davis office at 1105 Kennedy Place, Suite 2 in the Davisville Professional Center, near Covell Boulevard and J Street. Parking is available.

The group is accepting

participants. A fee of \$5 per session can be covered through private insurance, Medi-Cal or private payment. The group is ongoing and will continue through February.

The Women’s Group is designed to allow women to meet other women in a safe environment for support, sharing, growth and empowerment. Topics include life changes, depression and anxiety.

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Christmas trees are biodegradable and will eventually decompose.

The Yolo County Central Landfill is located at

44090 County Road 28H in Woodland. The Esparto Convenience Center is located at 27075 County Road 19A in Esparto.

The Yolo landfill is open Monday through Saturday from 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays. The Esparto Center is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. Both will be closed on New Years Day.

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PLAN

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back introduced planner Martin Flores of Rick, who presented the design.

Flores explained the goal of his team, which is to design improvements rich in references to features characteristic of Winters' history, with an emphasis on the agricultural component.

In this first of two meetings planned for the committee, Flores showed two designs, one more expensive than the other. Both plans focused on three locations, the intersection of Abbey Street and Railroad Avenue, a mid-block crossing at 25 Main Street (at the vacant lot) and the key location, Railroad and Main. Both plans called for bulb-outs at these sites, upgraded pavement materials like pavers and bricks, black metal benches, tree hardware and bike racks with an old fashioned design.

Both plans called for bulb-outs on the west side of Abbey and Railroad, the two ends of the proposed Main Street mid-block walkway and the four corners of Railroad and Main. The bulb-outs at Railroad and Main subtracted a few available

parking spaces, and in return offered a wider space for bike racks, plantings, and outdoor seating for The Buckhorn and the Putah Creek Cafe.

Committee member Mike Kimes asked about the total loss of parking spaces for the whole plan, to which Flores answered, six.

Kimes said he was against any loss of parking spaces as harmful to business downtown. City Manager John Donlevy said this had been decided at the earlier meetings years before. Kimes, reminded of the plan for abundant mid-block parking behind the stores along the north side of Main Street, said he liked the idea but doubted it would happen soon, if at all.

Flores favored the more expensive of the two plans, which calls for use of used brick in the Railroad and Main intersection, either in the crosswalks or in the center area between the crosswalks. This plans calls for "tabling" the intersection — raising the grade level of the intersection so the side-walks pass level onto the crosswalks, with no drop at the curbs. The less expensive plan is traditional, with handi-capped access ramps cut through the curbs at

each corner.

Both plans call for the bulb-out at the Rotary Park corner to integrate with the walkway that leads into the park.

The more expensive version also called for black steel benches with wood slats. Asked about problems using wood, Flores said the type of wood the benches use is very resistant to decay, but there is a problem with vandals doing carvings.

Asked about less expensive pavers for the intersection, Flores made the case for used brick that matches the brick of the historical Main Street buildings.

"This detail refers strongly to the history of this area and is an important part of what makes this design uniquely suited to the town," said Flores.

Architect Eric Doud said the mid-block connection should align with the plan he is designing for a walkway through the west side of the vacant lot at 25 Main Street. The lot is designated to be the future site of a Winters art center, to be developed by Winters Center for the Arts. Flores said he would look into making an adjustment.

A number of members expressed support for the more expensive plan. Some praised

wood slat benches as feeling "warmer." Others said they had seen tabled intersections in other cities and liked the result. The actual cost cannot be determined at this point of the design, according to Flores.

Donlevy expects the construction work to take place in the summer of 2008. Flores addressed the problem of disruption of the intersection during construction.

"There is a temptation to consider phasing in the project," said Flores, "in order to minimize the impact. Time and again we have found this makes the project twice as expensive. It makes more sense to get the work done in one phase."

Donlevy also supported getting the work done in one job.

"Will it be disruptive for businesses on Main Street?" asked Donlevy. "Absolutely, but this is the right way to get the job done."

The second and last meeting of the committee with Rick Engineering will take place in April. At that time, the design will be 90 percent complete, with only a small amount of wiggle room left for design changes.

Volunteer training offered for Lynch Canyon docents

Prospective volunteers interested in guiding tours of the beautiful 1,000 plus acre Lynch Canyon Open Space in Western Solano County are invited to a free two hour training on either Thursday, Jan. 17, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. or Saturday, Feb. 2, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Trained docents will learn how to safely and confidently guide a wide variety of park users from hikers and students to equestrians and birders through Lynch's rolling grasslands and bird-filled groves of native trees with spectacular ridge-top views. Prior experience or knowledge is not required, just a willingness to learn and share.

This phase of the Solano Land Trust Docent training program will be held at the new Rush Ranch Nature Center, 4 miles from Suisun, off Highway 12 at 3521 Grizzly Island Road. The free training will include information about the area's plants, birds, ecology, history, and geology, as well as

tips on how to prepare and present a fun program and interpret this amazing natural site for visitors. Land Trust staff and Solano County Park Rangers are anxious to expand the dedicated volunteer team actively supporting the Lynch Canyon Open Space.

Docents are asked to lead at least two classes or tours per year at Lynch. Training will also be offered for other Land Trust sites where docents are needed including the vernal pools of Jepson Prairie Preserve, the native American (Patwin) program and historic blacksmith shop at Rush Ranch and tours of King and Swett Ranches that are open only with staff or docent guides.

Prospective volunteers interested in learning more about the Lynch Canyon training or other volunteer opportunities should call Solano Land Trust Volunteer and Education Coordinator Teri Engbring at (707) 432-0150, ext 200.

The Winters Chamber of Commerce meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 a.m. in the Community Center
All interested Winters residents are welcome

Swell sweaters



Courtesy photo

Many tried but only one managed to walk away with the prize for the Ugliest Christmas Sweater contest at Briggs & Co. on Friday, Dec. 21. Lee Anne Gianola won a \$50 gift certificate for her Teddy bear themed sweater.

FCC to hold digital television workshops

The Federal Communications Commission has announced that it will hold two more Digital Television (DTV) Consumer Education Workshops, each of which will last approximately three to four hours.

The next workshop will be held on Jan. 31, and will address issues related to insuring that consumers in rural areas and on tribal lands are prepared for the DTV transition.

On Feb. 28, the Commission will hold a workshop to address issues related to ensuring that consumers with disabilities are prepared for the DTV transition.

The workshops will be held at FCC Headquarters and will be webcast live from the FCC's website, www.fcc.gov.

For more information, contact Pam Slipakoff at (202) 418-7705 or at pam.slipakoff@fcc.gov.

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Red Cross of Yolo County offering Adult CPR/AED class Jan. 7

Learn CPR skills now so you will know how to respond in an emergency, with a family member, friend, or even a stranger. The American Red Cross of Yolo County is offering an Adult CPR/AED class Monday, Jan. 7, 2008. This class will run from

6-10 p.m. Students will learn and practice CPR skills on manikins, and also will learn rescue breathing, unconscious and conscious choking rescue, how to prevent disease transmission and how to use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).

A First Aid class will be offered on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2008, from 6-9 p.m. as well. Participants will learn how to recognize and respond to emergencies, care for bleeding, burns, fractures, seizures, shock, heat/cold emergencies and poisoning.

Both of these classes will be held at the American Red Cross Yolo County chapter located at 120 Court Street, Woodland. Call now to register, 662-4669, or visit the Yolo County American Red Cross website at www.yc-arc.org.

Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

JUST LOOK AT THAT fresh clean new year, spreading out before us, pure and untouched like newfallen snow. I can already tell 2008 will be a fabulous year because the good news is already being heralded: I received not one, not two, not three, but four — count ‘em — *four* Out of Office Countdown calendars for Christmas. Soon, dear readers, very soon (390 days, as I write this on Dec. 27) the horror that we have come to know as the George W. Bush administration will come to an end.

Sadly, the aftermath of carnage and debt will still be with us for generations. I heard someone liken Dubya to an unruly, irresponsible teenager who went joyriding in the family car — our country — and crashed it into a tree. And then just shrugged and walked away, snickering sheepishly, without even a glimmer of remorse. Perfect metaphor.

But, here’s the good news: It doesn’t much matter who becomes the next President, because he or she will be instantly superior to the current one, no matter who it is. Infinitely. Things can *only* get better in 2008. Things can only go up. Talk about starting the year on a positive note.

With a nod to George Harrison, little darlins, it’s been a long, cold lonely winter, little darlins, it seems like years since it’s been here (eight to be exact)... Here comes the sun!

THE END OF THE YEAR means it’s time to toss out some things I wanted to write about in 2007 but didn’t get around to. Like poor, pathetic Britney Spears.

Besides shaving her head, bopping in and out of rehab, losing custody of her kids and being declared fat on the MTV music awards (like any of us could even dream of being fat like that), Britney has been spotted driving aimlessly around Los Angeles at all hours of the night. A recent report claimed she’d been driving around for days in the same clothes, and at one point jumped out of her car and was immediately besieged by paparazzi, and started shrieking “I’m scared, I’m scared!” And the flashbulbs just flashed. Isn’t this peculiarly cruel? What did she do to deserve this level of cruelty?

Lack of parenting skills or musical talent aside, Britney is a human being, and is clearly at the end of her psychological rope. The poor girl obviously doesn’t have the best coping or decision making skills on earth, and no family support. In the midst of all Britney’s woes, her mother is cashing in on her daughter’s suffering and writing her own parenting book. That’d be hysterical if it weren’t so disgustingly ironic.

Britney Spears is unraveling before our eyes. Maybe because I have children her age, or maybe just because I have a soul, this bothers me. She’s being ruthlessly driven over the edge, and when she topples over it, all that endless ridicule will transform into sympathy, funneled into 24-7 news coverage and drippy insipid television specials about the tragic life of America’s beloved Pop Princess and, as God is my witness, some idiot commentator will wonder aloud, “How could this happen?”

How about a Britney Spears media moratorium until the young lady gets her act together. It’s the humane thing to do.

SPEAKING OF HUMANE, we’ll all get a chance to do something to help someone else on Friday, Feb. 1. Mark that date on your calendars, because that’s the day that Sia Amma will bring her “In Search of My Clitoris” comedy performance to The Palms, to benefit Global Women Intact. If you’ve been with me for the last couple months, you know that I and many others out there are interested in helping to end female genital mutilation, which is the goal of Global Women Intact.

The show will begin at 8 p.m., and tickets will be \$20 — but there will be an opportunity for anyone to donate more if they wish at the show. Yes, it’s on! Anyone who wishes to expand their soul by helping someone they’ll never meet and be gratified only with the knowledge that they did so is welcome. A warning, though: I’ve seen Amma perform and if you’re easily offended, her show’s not for you. Of course, if you are easily offended, you probably don’t read this column anyway. Don’t say I didn’t warn you.

SO, HERE’S TO A HAPPY, healthy, humane new year! And little darlins, the smiles are returning to our faces! Only 55 weeks to go!



LETTERS

Thinking outside the box?

Dear Editor,

Anyone who saw George W. Bush’s Dec. 20 news conference may have noticed he slipped up in answering a question about the recent energy bill that mandated 35 miles per gallon for automobiles. He responded that he was happy to see that 35 miles per hour would be implemented by this legislation. Was this a deliberate error or was Bush thinking outside the box for a change?

After the oil embargo in 1973 by OPEC, the national speed limit was reduced to 55 miles per hour. During that time, gasoline usage was curtailed and highway fatalities decreased. Conservation was tried and failed because it wasn’t taken seriously. Nor is it today. Try driving down Interstate 505 to Vacaville at the speed limit and see how many high-powered cars and trucks pass one by.

But what if the speed limit was 35 miles per hour? Think of it. Wind resistance would be less so cars would be closer to maximum fuel efficiency. Electric cars, which have a problem reaching high speeds, would be more sellable. Very

small gasoline engine cars with less than four cylinders would be able to be sold since crash safety standards could be lessened because of reduced danger in crashes.

People might forget about driving 70 miles each way to work and find employment closer to home. People here might actually resist going to Wal Mart and start shopping just a little bit closer (like within the Winters city limits).

Assuming that trains buses and other forms of mass transit would be exempt from the new speed limit, there would exist the will to make these systems workable. Use of ethanol fuels would be within sustainable levels (we just don’t have enough land to take care of current fuel needs). A lot of other things would happen. Some jobs might be lost, but those people could all join the CHP writing tickets to enforce the new law.

If some people don’t start thinking in unconventional ways, the fuel crisis and oil wars will never be ended. Thanks, George W., for giving us an idea.

ROBERT FISCHER

A big ‘thank you’ from STEAC

Dear Editor,

A couple weeks ago Winters High School hosted an Empty Bowls fund-raiser for the Short Term Emergency Aid Committee. Art students donated over 200 pieces of art and made the soup that was served for dinner.

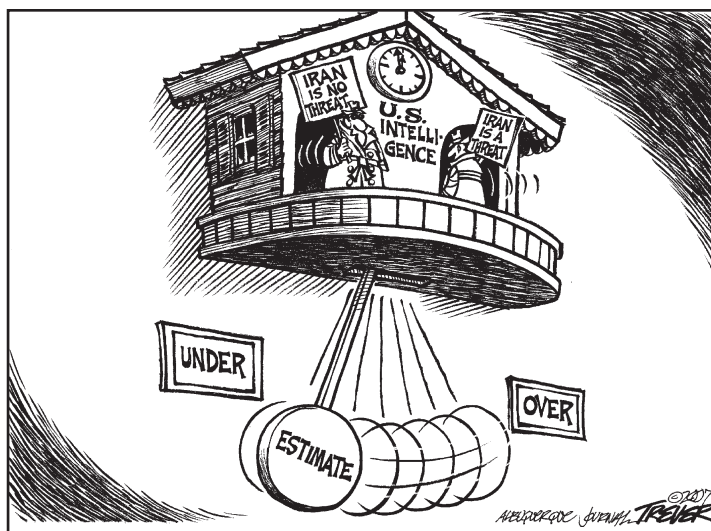
For those who weren’t able to attend the event, the Winters Participation Gallery displayed the art that didn’t sell at their gallery, donating all the proceeds to STEAC’s food closet. STEAC wishes to thank the students at Winters High School and art teachers Kate Humphrey

and Molly Bentley, who coordinated this entire event.

Additionally, much appreciation goes to Valerie Whitworth of the Winters Participation Gallery for displaying the art at the gallery. All told, over \$700 was raised, enough for STEAC to distribute over 1,500 meals through its local food closet.

On behalf of all of us here at STEAC, I wish to thank everyone involved in this event. We feel very fortunate for support like this from our community.

KATY ZANE
STEAC co-director



The genius of you Americans is that you never make clear-cut stupid moves, only complicated stupid moves which make us wonder at the possibility that there may be something to them which we are missing.
~ Gamel Nasser



CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

PREDICTIONS FOR 2008. I’ve been reading a few columnists that are predicting what will happen in 2008 and I thought I’d take a shot at guessing what will happen in Winters this year.

The percolation dam will finally be removed and the area cleaned up, and the renovation of Putah Creek behind the Community Center will be almost finished by January, 2009. There will be a new Yolo Federal Credit Union building on Grant Avenue along with at least one other building next to it. Granite Bay will be pushing dirt to start putting in the infrastructure for new homes, but the homes won’t be built until 2009.

The new Monticello building across the street from the Express will be making its way through the planning commission and city council, but it will be a drawn out affair. I’ll be surprised if the parking lot is gone in 2008. The bulb outs and remodeling of the corners around Main and Railroad will be completed, making our downtown look a lot like every other Main Street in California. Not that the remodeling is good or bad, but it will be different. Main Street Winters will be alive and well in 2008. East Abbey Street, at Railroad, will be closed as will be East Street at Grant.

The Fire and Police Departments will still be in their cramped quarters, waiting for their new community services building to be built. It will be a quiet year for both our fire and police departments as our chiefs won’t want to retire until after their new digs are completed.

The school district will be making cuts that no one will like, but will be necessary as our student enrollment continues to fall. The City of Winters will also see its revenue decline and will be faced with making cost cutting decisions which some of us will like, others won’t, and lots of people not caring one way or the other.

On a personal note, I’ll be getting a new grandson and taking more time off to travel around the Western United States on the Harley. Everyone in Winters will be having a great year and will also enjoy a road trip or two in 2008.

On the national level, the Democrats and Republicans will continue to embarrass themselves with mud slinging and inaction in Washington, D.C. The war in Iraq will wind down as the people of Iraq get tired of the killing and stand up for themselves and retake control of their country. We won’t have a woman president or vice-president from either party.

Houses will continue to drop in price until sanity returns to the housing market. A lot of people who couldn’t afford homes will be thinking about buying a home for the first time, with fixed rate financing. The rental market will get tighter and rents will rise, making even more people think about buying a first home.

If thinking about a whole year gives you a headache, just have a good week.

Tell them what you think

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We will accept letters of thanks naming individuals and local Winters businesses. Non-local individuals and businesses listed in letters of thanks will be edited out.

Write to us at: news@wintersexpress.com

Entertainment

Unique ceramic exhibition planned

The John Natsoulas Center for the Arts will present its first Trompe L'Oeil Ceramic Artists Exhibition, one of the most rare and exuberant survey shows of contemporary trompe l'oeil ceramic artists in the United States, through Feb. 2 with an opening reception on Saturday, Jan. 5, 7-9 p.m. The gallery is located at 521 1st Street in Davis.

The French term Trompe L'Oeil literally means "deception of the eye". It is a painting that utilizes the knowledge of perspective and games of light and dark to create, if only for a moment, the illusion of something that in reality it does not exist. These illusions, whether serious or playful, allow the viewer to perceive art and nature through a different perspective.

In the 1960s, distinguished ceramic artists such as Marilyn Levine, Richard Shaw and Victor Spinski began further experimenting with Trompe L'Oeil in ceramics by transforming clay into leather, metal, wood, plastic, glass or steel and creating found objects, banal if by themselves but gaining signif-

icance and intrigue when combined with other quotidian clay-created found objects.

Richard Shaw has pioneered the Trompe L'Oeil style for many generations, developing an astonishing array of techniques including perfectly cast porcelain objects and overglaze transfer decals. By combining the commonplace with the whimsical, the humorous with the mundane, Shaw captures the poetic and the surreal with the sensibility of a comedian.

Marilyn Levine's idealized concept of developing holds an authentic sculptural expression, which enabled her to create sculpture that resulted in a paradoxical tension and implied subjectivity found in surrealism. Her works encapsulate the aesthetic of the beautiful, which is grounded in her meticulous attention to surface and mastery of the techniques of firing and glazing.

Victor Spinski has been considered the ultimate founder of the Trompe L'Oeil tradition and completed the tradition by demonstrating both a sense of humor and tech-

nical mastery of the media.

The Trompe L'Oeil movement has recently been escalating in popularity throughout the country as new breeds of artists mentored by Richard Shaw and Victor Spinski are gaining recognition through their artwork.

Malia Landis is an exemplary new generation artist, a recent Humboldt State University graduate who manages to mold clay into natural elements such as abalone shells, with the intention not to copy nature but to complement it with the use of glaze and texture.

The Trompe L'Oeil Survey Exhibition will also include renowned artists Sylvia Hyman, Steve Hansen, Emma Luna, Rebecca Catterall, Paul Dresang, Xiaoping Luo, Helen Key-Morgan, Linda Fitz Gibbon, Cameron Crawford, Dennis Mitchell, Claudia Tarantino, Shalene Valenzuela and Justin Mitman.

A series of special tours for groups and schools is also available.

For more information, call Nancy Resler, 756-3938.

'Imaginary Invalid' coming to Woodland

The Woodland Opera House will present the Moliere satire, "The Imaginary Invalid," Jan. 18 through Feb. 10. The show is directed by and stars the veteran performer Rodger McDonald.

McDonald's direction of "The Imaginary Invalid" is inspired by the original productions of the show. It is being produced in the same way Moliere did the show in the 1600s with 2007 twists. As with Moliere's productions, the actor in the lead (Rodger McDonald as Argan) is also the director.

"We are turning the theater into the Comedie Francaise," says McDonald. "The actors have a great deal of interaction with the audience in a very Cirque De Soleil atmosphere. Although the audience is never asked to appear onstage, they will feel as if they know the actors personally since the last fifteen minutes before curtain the actors are spectators in the audience and the audience members get a

sneak peek as to who they are."

People may find this a great way to experience Moliere for the first time. Moliere is not long-winded like Shakespeare but his lines are witty and direct. There is nothing high-brow or stuffy about Moliere.

"I fell in love with Moliere when I saw Hume Croyn and Rene Auberjonois in 'The Miser' in Los Angeles," says McDonald.

The comedy is meant to show the foibles of human nature and the complete lack of trust that Moliere had in doctors and the medical establishment, not unlike what people think today. It is not all buffoonery although there is that element as well.

McDonald explains that many of TV Sitcoms found their inspiration from the plays of Moliere. The Lucy Show directly used many of Moliere's gags that appear in "Imaginary Invalid": disguises to fool the boss, hair-brained schemes to get some-

thing for nothing, zany plans and frenetic plots are all here.

The lead character, Argan, who is a hypochondriac inspired characters with one dimensional thinking like Archie Bunker. The comedy ranges from "The Three Stooges" to "Frasier." Because the characters in Moliere's plays were well known, his plays were written almost like episodes for weekly TV with a different angle for each one but the same character-types in each.

The show plays at the Woodland Opera House, 340 2nd Street in Woodland, with shows on Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. There will be one additional matinee at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 2. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for ages 17 and under with discounts for seniors, students, and groups.

To reserve tickets call the Woodland Opera House box office, 666-9617.

All skill levels welcome. Listeners welcome.

Parking is available for \$6 in Visitor Lot 5, at Old Davis Road and A Street. For more information, call 752-4880 or visit arboretum.ucdavis.edu.

Darn them



Courtesy photo

Those Darn Accordions return to The Palms on Saturday, Jan. 12, 8 p.m., and will celebrate the release of their new CD, "Squeeze Machine." What started out many, many years ago as a kind of joke band that included way too many accordions, Those Darn Accordions has evolved into one of the most original, entertaining, and musically and lyrically interesting bands around. Tickets are \$17, and are available at Pacific Ace Hardware and at the door if not sold out.

Big Band Tribute planned in Woodland

The Woodland Opera House Concert Series will present a Big Band Tribute with Buddy Harpham Saturday, Jan. 12 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Co-founders of the NOR CAL BIG BANDS Preservation Society, Lou Coppola and Buddy Harpham will host the Big Band Tribute which salutes the heyday of America's favorite radio shows, their live broadcasts, and gigantic dances during the great Swing-Dancing decades (1920-1950).

The concert will feature performances by; the band's vocalist, Lynn Steiner, who began her career with the Miss Sacramento and Miss California beauty pageants and later as a dancer with Dean Martin's "Golddiggers" line in Vegas, and Rick Lipp, pianist and arranger. Rick was a permanent cast member of TV's The Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour and Glen Campbell's Good Time Hour. He also was a touring member of the hit group Climax.

Tickets to the Big Band Tribute are available at the Woodland Opera House box office at 340 2nd Street or by calling 666-9617. Reserved seats are \$16 for adults and \$8 for people 17 and under.

Free jam session planned at UC Davis Arboretum

Folk musicians are invited to play together informally during an acoustic jam session on Friday, Jan. 11, 12-1 p.m. at the Wyatt Deck, located on Old Davis Road next to the redwood grove in the UC Davis Arboretum.

Pull out your fiddles, guitars, mandolins, penny whistles, pipes, flutes, squeezeboxes (you name it) and join your fellow musicians for a little bluegrass, old-time, blues, Celtic, klezmer, and world music over the lunch hour.

Square Dancing

The Vaca Ville Ramblers invite everyone to attend the first night of their new dancer square dance class, free of charge.

Dancing starts Friday, Jan. 11 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 897 Cotting Lane, in Vacaville. Hosts are Jim and Lessie Diffey, (707) 450-0380, jldiffey@sbcglobal.net.

Sports

Ingles, Garcia win MSBL World Series

By ERIC LUCERIO
Express Sports

Jeff Ingles and Don Garcia traveled to Clearwater, Florida to play in the MSBL (adult baseball league) World Series earlier this month and came home with a World Series championship title. Ingles and Garcia continued their one-two combination as pitcher and catcher respectively as they have for the last 10 years.

Ingles pitched the nine-inning semi-final game with Garcia catching, and then was asked by the manager the following day to do it again in the championship game.

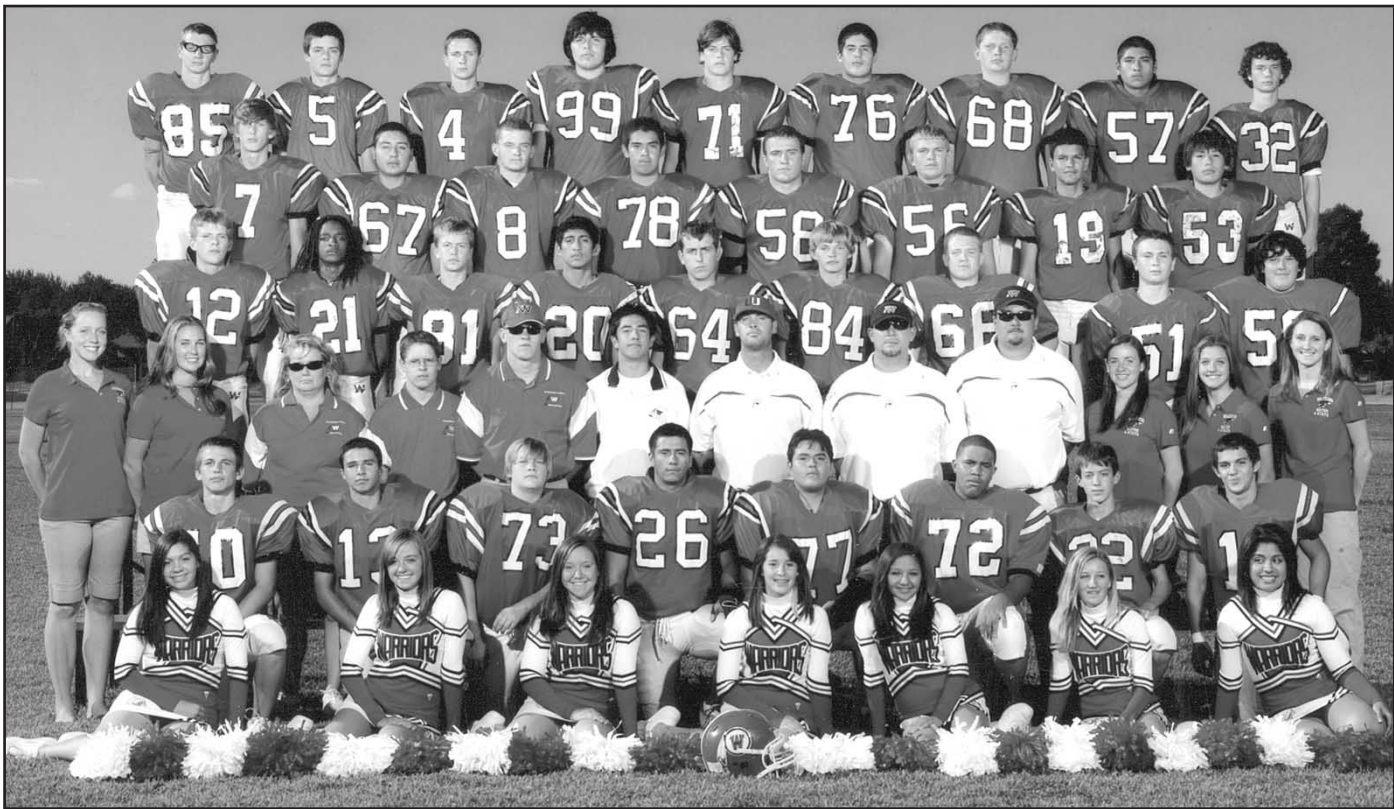
“Ingles was amazing,” said Garcia. “He had full command of his pitches in the semi-final game and when coach gave him the ball for the championship I honestly got

chills. Jeff is an extraordinary athlete and a very knowledgeable coach when it comes to baseball (as you can see by the number of championship pennants hung high above the WHS baseball field). The team we faced was from Maryland and had one six out of the last 10 years. They were loaded with ex-pro players and at one point they were upset to find out that we didn’t have any. Jeff and I have been chasing this World Series ring for ten years as 30-year-olds and now, as 40-year-olds, we finally did it.”

Ingles will have to pay for the victory with a sore arm for a while, but said it was worth it.

“I wanted that championship,” he said. “There is no guarantee that we will ever get another chance, so I didn’t hesitate to take the ball.”

Warriors all



Courtesy photo

The Winters High School JV football team won the Butte View League 2007 championship with a 9-1 record. From left are (back) Tyler Berg, Brian Case, Steven Warren, Jesse Renaux, Mike Monnin, Israel Quiarte, Thomas Damon, Danny Silva and Kyle Bowen; (second row) Dillon Ney, Juan Tovar, Zach Hlggins, Artemio Franco, Billy Rotenkolber, Thomas Bosswell, Sebastian Mahnke and Max Barbosa; (third row) Jared Ney, Ed Latimer, Alex Evanoff, Darian Flores, Jared Ramos, Joe McIntire, Colton Nichols, Marky Boyko and Aaron Rodriguez; (fourth row) Statisticians Alyssa Oxley and Lauren Atheron, cheer coach Sherri Corrales, Craig Otton coaches Nick Hill, Riki Lucero, Daniel Ward, Eddie Marquez and Chris Kim, statisticians Lillian Boisrame, Daniel Murphy and Sara Warren; (fifth row) Brandon Kuehn, Tony Breavor, Cody Linton, David Vilagomez, Michael Sanchez, Darian Clark, La’Okea Drumright and Marcus Carrasco; (front) cheerleaders Olivia Manas, Stacie Gillespie, Brittanie Hedrick, Courtney Corrales, Vanessa Lizarraga, Tyler Pierce and Zalena Mora.

You go, girl!



Photo by Eric Lucero

Jenny Campos takes a shot in a recent Winters High School girls basketball game. Jenny was named Athlete of the Week last week after scoring 23 points against East Nicolas.

Volunteer firefighters are needed

The Winters Fire Department is recruiting candidates to fill volunteer firefighter/emergency medical responder positions. Firefighters must be available to respond to calls from home and/or work.

If you are interested in finding out more about this unique and rewarding way to serve your community, call 795-4131.

Be a team player!
Shop in town!
Local merchants support youth sports teams!

Swim programs offered

The following swimming programs are offered at the Bobbie Greenwood Community Swim Center:

~ Masters Swimming: weekdays, 6-7 p.m. and 6-7 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call Dave Kelley, 795-2265.

~ Adult Lap Swim: Monday through Thursday, 7-8 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$25 per month, payable at City Hall in the city clerk’s office. For more information, call Traci Nakamura, 795-4910, extension 102.

AYSO Under 12 Boys soccer team wins it all

The Winters United AYSO Under 12 Year Old Boys soccer team was undefeated throughout the season, winning all 20 games it played. The team played nine games in the regular season,

three games in the Winters Regional Tournament, five games in the Area 2D Tournament in Antelope, and four games in the Section 2 Tournament in Foster City.

The team scored a total of 119 goals during the season and received only 29 goals, almost a 4-1 ratio.

The team will go on to play in the California Cup tournament.

CODY’S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



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AYSO Soccer Boys 12 and under

The undefeated Winters United AYSO soccer team includes, from left (front): Brandon Barajas, Jose A. Meijia, Raul I. Lope, Luis Salcedo and Adrian Korcyl; back row (l to r): Omar Rodriguez, assistant coach A. Santana, Mauricio Hernandez, Jose M. Santana, Omar Rodriguez, Brian Rodriguez, Adolfo Sandria and coach Jose R. Ramirez.

FOOD FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Each Cody’s Athlete of the Week receives a FREE Lunch

Schools

Scouts have sweet celebration

By **DAWN STEWART**
Special to the Express

Pack 998 celebrated the heritage of their Cub Scouts at the December Pack meeting. Boys were asked to bring a dessert from their heritage. Justin and Jordan Hoekwater brought Holland butter cookies and shared with the Pack that in Holland, children put out their shoes outside and Santa comes walking and fills the stockings. If you were naughty your shoes are filled with salt and if you are good your shoes are filled with candy.

Mitchel Stewart brought German cookies. He told us that in Germany, St. Nicholas comes on Dec. 6. Children put their boots outside and good children have them filled with oranges, nuts and chocolates, then on Christmas Eve the Christ Child brings gifts. Billy Johnson shared a Japanese dessert. Be-

cause Christmas is kind of new to Japan, some people there go to Kentucky Fried Chicken for their Christmas dinner.

Ka'imi Drumright brought treats from his Hawaiian heritage. Matthew Tumey shared yummy Mexican pastries. Nick Riise shared a chocolate Irish dessert. Logan Ray shared scones and Cody and Tyler Williams shared Scottish cookies. Everything was delicious and the boys and parents enjoyed tasting everything.

Cub Scouting is a year-round family program designed for boys who are in the first grade through fifth grade (or 7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age). There are two Packs in Winters, Pack 998 and Pack 600.

For more information on joining Cub Scouts call the council office, (916) 929-1417, or go to online to <http://www.joincubscouting.org/>



Courtesy photo
Billy Johnson shares a Japanese dessert with his fellow Cub Scouts.

Solano Community College offering classes in Dixon

Starting in January, Solano Community College is offering classes for Spring 2008 on the Dixon High School campus at 555 College Way. Students who complete courses satisfactorily will receive college credits which are transferable to four-year institutions. High school students can also take college classes while in high school and earn both high school and college credits, if it is in accordance with the student's school district's policy

Spring classes at Dixon High start on Jan. 22. Seven classes are available including criminal justice, economics, oral communication, human biology, statistics, algebra and career/life planning. Registration is ongoing and admissions applications can be completed online at www.solano.edu.

For information, call Dixon High School counselors at 693-6331 or Solano Community College at 864-7171.

Winters Combined PTA earns cash with box tops

If you'd like to help the students at Waggoner Elementary School and Shirley Rominger Intermediate School get a head start on next year, there are lots of easy ways to get involved. Collect Box Tops from hundreds of familiar, participating products and send them to: Waggoner Elementary School, "Attention Jenyse Lichwa - Box Tops Coordinator," 500

West Edwards Street, Winters, CA, 95694.

You can also sign up on the Box Tops website at boxtops4education.com. Designate Waggoner or Shirley Rominger as the school you wish to support. At the Box Tops website, you'll learn more about all of the easy ways you can choose to make a difference — all at no additional cost to you.

Children's theater workshop offered

Congregation Bet Haverim is pleased to offer a creative, experiential Jewish education program for children ages 5 to 12 years old beginning on Jan. 17. Under the guidance of Ezra LeBank, a Jewish children's theater producer and performer based on the east coast, the children will study the story of Jacob, with special focus on the Jewish relationship to sacred ground. Among the topics the children will be invited to explore is environmental awareness and sensitivity. The workshop will culminate in the children bringing their exploration to life by performing a play they create from their experience. The performance will take place on Jan. 20, at 4 p.m. in the Bet Haverim Sanctuary and is open to the public.

LeBank, a native of Eugene, Oregon and a member of the Jewish Renewal community, has performed professionally in theater, film and dance throughout the country. He has also taught physical theater to children through various programs in New York, New Mexico, California, Washington and Oregon. He enjoys a reputation as an energetic, dynamic performer and educator.

Participation in the workshop is open to all children in the Sacramento area community. The children's

workshop will include sessions on Thursday afternoon/early evening, Jan. 17, Saturday afternoon, Jan. 19, and Sunday morning, Jan. 20, in addition to the performance on Sunday afternoon. Children will be divided into two age-based groups during much of the workshop, but will perform their play together. An informational meeting for parents of children enrolled to participate will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 13. All children interested in enrolling should sign up and send \$40 per child to Congregation Bet Haverim by Jan. 13.

In addition to the children's workshop, LeBank will provide a one-time class for adults Saturday evening, Jan. 19, in which he will train participants in his experiential teaching methodology. The class will be held at Bet Haverim, is open to all interested adults and is offered at no cost to participants.

This event is part of the Kol HaNefesh Visiting Scholars Program and is partially funded by a generous grant from the Jewish Federation of the Sacramento Region. Individuals interested in learning more about the workshop or the class for adults should contact Heidi Smith, 753-1888.

PTA benefits from eScrip

Anyone wishing to help support the Winters PTA can sign up for eScrip at www.escrip.com. Click on "Sign Up," and enter the Group ID# 139431312. When you shop at the over 6,000 merchant locations, a percentage of the purchase goes to the Winters PTA.

For more information, call Jenyse Lichwa, eScrip coordinator, 795-0958.

ROTARY CLUB OF WINTERS

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Taylor Brickey



Mr. Jay Shuttleworth started his introduction of the most recent Rotary Student of the Month by saying "If you could pick an all star class you would start with Taylor Brickey." Mr. Shuttleworth teaches all of the U.S. history classes at Winters High School and is also the track coach. "Taylor, a junior, always gives 100 percent and is very polite, very informed and a great student," Mr. Shuttleworth told the lunch time crowd "You couldn't honor a better student." Taylor's mother, Lauren, was in the audience and could be seen smiling throughout the presentation. Mr. Shuttleworth mentioned that Taylor is active in sports, playing baseball and football, and is also involved in FFA.



Rotary Club of Winters
Meets every Thursday, 12:15 p.m.
Buckhorn Restaurant
2 Main Street, Winters

The Rotary Club of Winters just finished putting in an irrigation system at the soccer field at Yolo Housing, and would like to thank the community for their support of their fund-raisers during the year.

Nuestras Noticias

¿Ya llegó el fin del imperio ?

Los problemas económicos que esta enfrentando este país, la caída del dólar, el problema de los prestamos hipotecarios, el costo de la guerra inútil en Iraq, todo esto ahora esta llevando a predecir que el fin del poder de los Estados Unidos como primera potencia mundial, esta cerca. No es la primera ves que se predice esto.

Recuerdo que en la década de los ochenta, los japoneses entraron al mercado de este país con mucha fuerza, sobre todo en los electrónicos y en los carros, en aquellos años todos los jóvenes querían tener un walkman, y el diseño y el ahorro de combustible de los autos japoneses, sobrepaso en ventas a los carros hechos aquí en Estados Unidos.

Las compañías japonesas empezaron a comprar de todo, recuerdo que compraron hasta una productora de cine. Parecía que Japón se iba a comer económicamente a Los Estados Unidos, pero no hubo tal cosa. Si es cierto que Japón es un país poderoso y rico, pero les falta mucho para ponerse al nivel de este país. Para sobreponerse a la oleada japonesa, los norteamericanos simplemente hicieron lo

que siempre han hecho en su historia: Salir adelante. Adaptarse a las circunstancias. Cambiar. Desapabilar ese increíble dinamismo que tienen como pueblo, y que puede ser muy criticado, pero que creó un país rico y poderoso. Quizá el más rico y poderoso en la historia de la humanidad.

Y hoy volvemos a leer las mismas predicciones que mirábamos en los ochenta, sobre la caída de los Estados Unidos, pero ahora el país que nos amenaza es China. Los expertos consideran que la devaluación del dólar, la deuda externa, el que los norteamericanos gasten mas de lo que producen, y que casi todo se fabrique en China, hace muy factible que este país se vea en problemas. En realidad si hay problemas, adentro del país, y afuera. Como la guerra y la política del vaquero de la administración han hecho el peor daño a la imagen de Estados Unidos en su historia reciente.

Pero esto no es nada nuevo. El país ha pasado por otras crisis antes, y hasta peores: La Guerra Civil, la depresión de los 1930s, el ataque japonés de los 1940s, la amenaza rusa y espacial de los 1950s han

presagiado la “inminente debacle” de Estados Unidos como primera potencia mundial.

Pero siempre ocurre lo mismo, Los norteamericanos se ponen a trabajar. Cambian, modifican, se adaptan, y salen adelante. Eliminan lo que no funciona y hacen innovaciones que pocos países se atreven a adaptar. Este dinamismo siempre ha distinguido a los norteamericanos, no solo de origen anglosajón, sino descendientes de italianos, irlandeses, polacos, alemanes y hasta hispanos.

¿Recuerdan a principios de los años noventa la Internet? En esos años todo mundo compraba acciones de empresas de Internet, ¿y que paso?, se reventó la burbuja, la inflaron de mas, las empresas en el Internet se inflaron y reventaron, Hubo multimillonarias pérdidas. Muchísima gente se quedó sin trabajo y sin dinero. Y no pocos predijeron la debacle de Estados Unidos como país, y del internet como negocio viable.

Pero los norteamericanos se levantaron. Se adaptaron. Borraron lo que no servia, y rediseñaron la Internet, y esta volvió mas fuerte que nunca. Fue la segunda oleada, con sitios como

Google, YouTube, MySpace y tantos otros, con conceptos distintos y novedosos. Así son los americanos, prácticos y dinámicos, y por este dinamismo, es por lo que dudo mucho la caída del imperio americano. A pesar de que muchos comparan los problemas actuales con la caída del Imperio Romano.

Los críticos, por ejemplo, dicen que si Roma, aún con todo su poderío, desapareció al final, Estados Unidos no tiene la más mínima posibilidad de permanecer.

Bueno, por principio, Roma tardó un poquito en caer: Nomás unos mil años. Esta comprobado que el poder de los países sube y baja a lo largo de la historia, países poderosos como la Francia del Siglo XVIII, Gran Bretaña del XIX, y la Alemania de principios del XX, también perdieron poderío. Pero hoy en día siguen siendo países ricos e influyentes.

Les tocara a las futuras generaciones de este país, probar que siguen teniendo la misma ética de trabajo y el mismo dinamismo que caracterizo a sus padres y abuelos, y que creo de la nada, en solo dos siglos, al país más poderoso del mundo.

La juventud y la escuela son importantes

Es probable que usted ya conozca la importancia de una buena educación para el futuro de sus niños. La idea de enviar a sus niños a la universidad o escuela vocacional, ojalá por medio de una beca, es un sueño hecho realidad. Entonces, ¿cómo puede guiar sus niños hacia la dirección correcta? ¿Cómo puede animarlos a aprovechar toda la oportunidad disponible para ellos? Todo comienza en el hogar. Aunque usted tenga una educación limitada, esto no quiere decir que usted no debe animar a sus niños a quedarse en la escuela y tener ambiciones. Además, los niños tienen mayor éxito cuando sus familias participan en su educación. Comuníquese abierta y frecuentemente con sus niños. Es importante discutir lo que ocurre en la escuela de una forma regular. Manténgase en contacto con las experiencias de sus niños en la escuela. Asegúrese de que ellos sepan que usted está disponible para escuchar y ayudarles.

Tenga paciencia al tratar con sus preocupaciones, desafíos, y otros problemas. No deje que su niño se sienta como una víctima si no le va bien en la escuela, está siendo intimidado, o si tiene problemas del aprendizaje. Hable con sus maestros, o asesor escolar acerca de maneras

en las cuales usted puede participar y ayudar.

Trabaje en equipo con la escuela de sus niños. La vida familiar y la escuela son las mayores influencias en la vida de un niño. Las escuelas esperan que los padres participen, hagan preguntas, y apoyen en la escuela. Recuerde que sus comentarios son su mayor recurso. Cada padre tiene algo que contribuir, aunque su educación sea limitada. Sus niños beneficiarán más de su educación si usted crea una asociación con la escuela y participa.

Asegúrese de que sus niños sean sanos. La clave es una dieta buena, sueño, controles médicos regulares y vacunas. Mantenga una actitud positiva hacia la escuela. Si usted participa en la escuela de sus niños, demuestra un interés en lo que están aprendiendo y hace preguntas, sus niños sabrán que usted cree que el aprendizaje es importante. No se sienta intimidada si su niño está aprendiendo más de lo que usted sabe acerca de ciertos ramos. Considérelo un proyecto en el cual los dos aprenderán juntos. Esto les animará a quedarse en la escuela y lograr buenos resultados académicos.

Establezca metas altas para sus niños. Establecer normas y metas altas ayudará a motivar a sus niños a rendir bien en la

escuela y animarlos a pensar grande. Enséñeles que si ellos trabajan duro, sus sueños sí se harán realidad.

Animar y ayudar a sus niños con las tareas es una buena forma de demostrarles que usted se preocupa de sus resultados académicos. Pero seamos honestas. A veces es difícil lograr que sus niños dejen a un lado una tarde llena de diversión para trabajar y resolver problemas. Entonces, ¿cómo puede facilitar esto? Aquí hay algunas sugerencias:

Si usted está ayudando a sus niños con algo que usted no conoce, busque recursos en la biblioteca local y en Internet para guiarle. Participe en la escuela de sus niños. Lea nuestro artículo sobre maneras en las cuales usted puede involucrarse. Conozca los maestros de sus niños por medio de asistir a eventos tales como conferencias para padres y maestros, reuniones del PTA, u otros eventos escolares. Pregúntele a los maestros si tienen un sitio de la Web donde usted puede revisar las tareas.

Asegúrese de que sus niños tengan un libro para los deberes escolares. Revíselo regularmente y animelos a usarlo para que se acostumbren. Enséñelo a su niño destrezas de estudio tales como leer las instrucciones detenida-

mente, estudiar ejemplos en los libros de estudio y anotar los deberes. Establezca un área para hacer las tareas en casa para que sus niños tengan un lugar donde puedan concentrarse. Asegúrese de que esté bien alumbrado y organizado.

Establezca reglas para después de la escuela y de estudio para que sus niños comprendan que es hora de empeñarse y comenzar a estudiar. Animelos a comenzar temprano para que puedan disfrutar la cena y acostarse a una hora razonable.

Durante la hora de estudio evite distracciones tales como la televisión, música y muchos llamados telefónicos.

Déle a sus niños refuerzos positivos por sus esfuerzos para rendir bien.

Cuando usted ve a su niño luchando con las tareas, a veces es tentador resolver el problema o darle la respuesta. Está bien si usted hace algunas sugerencias, pero asegúrese que su niño haga su propio trabajo. No aprenderá a menos que lo haga ella misma. Lo más importante es tener paciencia. Cada niño aprende a un ritmo diferente. Si su niño sigue teniendo problemas con las tareas, hable con su maestro, tutor, o asesor escolar.



Inicio del año

Como cada principio de año estamos siempre llenos de ilusiones, sueños y proyectos, pero como siempre, sólo se quedan en el intento. ¿Qué podemos hacer en esta ocasión para sacar el máximo provecho del año que se nos viene encima? Aunque estamos pasando por una época difícil a nivel mundial de crisis y guerras, debemos realizar nuestro mejor esfuerzo por aprovechar todo lo bueno que la vida nos da, y explotar las oportunidades que tenemos para vivir y desarrollarnos. En otras palabras, hay que luchar por conseguir nuestros propósitos y esforzarnos por que no queden en una bonita idea.

En nuestra vida siempre tenemos metas a corto y largo plazo, ya sea profesionales, familiares, culturales, recreativas etc. La mayoría de las veces hacemos poco por convertirlas en realidad. Se quedan en nuestra agenda como metas que “ojalá algún día se realicen”. Por supuesto que ahí guardaditas y anotadas nunca se cumplirán por sí solas.

¿Cuales son sus metas?, Quizá ha decidido dejar los malos hábitos, o perder libras que por ahí andan estorbándole, dejar de fumar, sería una buena meta; que tal volverse mas organizado; o dejar de beber por el bien de su salud; Que le parece la meta de ser mejor padre, o mejor madre, o mejor esposo, esposa, que tal ser mejor hijo, hija. Como puede ver podemos tener siempre una meta, lo importante es saber como cumplirla.

Los buenos propósitos de Año Nuevo son excelentes, especialmente cuando la meta es la autosuperación y la salud. Pero tenga en mente, que las intenciones de Año Nuevo pueden ser o una bendición o una pesadilla: un buen empujón para el ego si el propósito tiene éxito; o un duro golpe para la autoestima si el sueño se desvanece. Pero no lo tome tan a pecho, puesto que no es tan difícil como parece. Un resbalón y aun varias caídas no significan la derrota.

Si ha tomado una determinación de Año Nuevo, con eso ya lleva la delantera: usted ha reconocido el paso que debe dar y se ha comprometido a lograr la meta trazada. Ahora, sólo necesita llevarla a cabo. “Comprometerse a hacer algo es bueno. El hacer un compromiso o tomar una determinación es un importante primer paso. Esto muestra que la persona se preocupa por el cambio y quiere hacerlo. La gente tiene que comprometerse para poder tratar.

El problema radica en que tal vez la obligación o compromiso no sean suficientes. Si una persona decide hacer un cambio pero no tiene los recursos, probablemente no lo logrará. “Alguien que haya tratado de dejar de fumar muchas veces, podría necesitar la ayuda de alguien para lograrlo”. “Así que el siguiente paso es buscar un programa de consejería para fumadores, o un programa de apoyo”. Las personas que juran que dejarán de beber y sufren por conseguirlo deben reconocer que quizá necesiten ayuda, como un programa de desintoxicación u otros tipos de consejería.

Otro problema está en tener expectativas razonables. “A menudo la gente hace propósitos que son casi imposibles de cumplir, como ‘nunca más voy a comer otro postre mientras viva’. Y, bien, esto es imposible porque se les presentarán muchas tentaciones”. Sin embargo, hay un secreto. Se debe estar preparado para reconocer que puede haber una recaída, un regreso momentáneo al comportamiento que se está tratando de cambiar. Sólo la forma en que se haga frente al problema determinará el éxito o el fracaso.

Generalmente, la persona que ha jurado renunciar a los postres y caramelos sucumbe ante un postre tentador, se encoge de hombros y se abalanza sobre un pastel entero con la excusa de que es imposible cambiar. Lo que debería hacer, es decir, calmadamente: “Me comí un pedazo de pastel. Lo disfruté y ahora trataré de ser fiel a mi propósito”. Todo el mundo necesita reconocer que una recaída no es el fin del mundo.

Pero un par de cosas: aunque el día de Año Nuevo es un momento lógico y oportuno para hacerse buenos propósitos, no es necesariamente el más práctico. Finalmente, todos debemos reconocer que siempre es difícil cambiar el comportamiento. Es un proceso lento que toma tiempo y compromiso. “Haga sus propósitos de Año Nuevo”, “Sea sincero consigo mismo y no se dé por vencido aunque tenga una recaída o dos”.

Last day to register to vote is Jan. 21

The last day to register to vote for the Presidential Primary Election is Jan. 21. The election will be held on Feb. 5.

To qualify to register to vote, a voter must be 18 years of age on election day; be a resident of the County of Yolo for at least 15 days before the election; be a

citizen of the United States and submit a properly completed Affidavit of Registration to the County Clerk-Elections Department by no later than Jan. 22.

For more information concerning registering to vote, contact the Elections Department, 666-8133.

Solano Community College offering ESL classes

For residents who are developing fluency in English, Solano Community College is offering a number of Level 3 courses this spring throughout Solano County for students seeking to master the English language. Classes start on Jan. 22 and include ESL 372 (Fundamentals of ESL Reading), which will be taught at the Vallejo Center on Tuesdays from 1-3:50 p.m. ESL 373 is being offered at the Vacaville

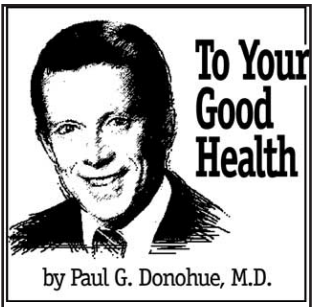
Center on Mondays from 6:30-9:35 p.m. and at Dixon High School on Thursdays from 6- 9:15 p.m. In Fairfield, students can register for Level I and Level II classes for help with reading, composition and conversation skills.

Classes cost \$20 per unit. For more information contact Jane Berger, (707) 864-7000, ext. 4459. Register by calling (707) 864-1006 or visit www.solano.edu by Jan. 16.

Features

Thyroid illness sometimes is silent

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My doctor says I have to take thyroid hormone because my lab tests show I'm not making enough of it. I don't have a single symptom. I feel like I have always felt — fine. I don't like the idea of taking medicines. What do you say about a situation like this? — A.K.



ANSWER: When a person's thyroid tests show a low production of thyroid hormone and when that person has no symptoms of hypothyroidism (a sluggish thyroid gland), the condition is known as subclinical hypothyroidism. Symptoms of too little thyroid hormone are weakness, fatigue, intolerance of cold, constipation, weight gain without an increase of calories, dry skin, brittle hair and poor memory. Not all symptoms occur to all hypothyroid patients, and the time for symptoms to develop can be quite long. The first thing you should do is request a second test. Another test, done four to eight weeks after the first test, comes back normal half the time. If the second test comes back abnormal, then you're faced with a decision. People like you — with no symptoms but an abnormal test — progress to the stage of symptomatic hypothyroidism at the rate of 2 percent to 5 percent each year. Many doctors favor treatment in such cases. One reason is the possibility of developing symptoms. Another reason is that low thyroid hormone levels, even when not producing symptoms, can foster heart disease. Low levels also raise cholesterol and diminish the ability of insulin to permit blood sugar's entrance into cells. I'm on the side of treatment. It's cheap, convenient and practically devoid of side effects. It entails taking only one pill a day. The booklet on thyroid diseases discusses both an overactive and underactive thyroid gland. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 401W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow

four weeks for delivery.
DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 55 and have had, for the past three months, what I believe is thrush. My tongue is white and has sores on the back of it. I have gargled with many things; none has worked. I had been on prednisone and antibiotics. According to the Internet, they cause thrush. Is that true? What can I do? — P.P.

ANSWER: Thrush is an infection with the Candida yeast. It coats the tongue and the insides of the mouth with thick, creamy-white, curdlike patches. If the patches are scraped away, the undersurface is red, raw and bleeds. Thrush can appear after antibiotic treatment. The Candida yeast lives in the mouth in low numbers. Mouth bacteria keep the population in check. Antibiotics can kill off the mouth bacteria that suppress Candida growth, and that's why thrush is sometimes seen with their use. Prednisone can promote Candida growth too. You need an accurate diagnosis by having scrapings of the white coating examined microscopically. Your doctor can do that. He or she can also prescribe medicines that are quite effective against Candida — nystatin, clotrimazole, fluconazole and posaconazole are some of those medicines.

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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Continuing education is life-enriching

I urge everyone to take advantage of continuing education; it is an experience that you will never regret. In the recent past I worked as a student aide for Professor Karen McCord at Solano College. She is a woman of extreme intelligence and character. Her entire demeanor is pointed toward the advancement of all of mankind. She works very hard at bringing public awareness to a myriad of public deficiencies which include, racial and sexual disparities in our society, solutions to violence, and teen pregnancies.

Everything that she does is centered on and has derived from her unfaltering belief in the goodness of God. She is probably the hardest working woman that I have ever known and I found it very hard to stay on track and keep up with her student aide assignments, given to me in rapid succession. A new assignment always came before I could finish the last one. Never-the-less I found it gave me a new energy in life. The work that she offered me which was mainly internet research and updating course information and PowerPoint presentations gave me great satisfaction. Even professors of the highest caliber cannot keep up with the flow of information and technology by themselves. I was so honored to be chosen, for any number of her students were better qualified for the job of student aide to a professor of Psychology and Racial Ethics.

I made it a point to take every course that she taught: Psychology 10 (Psychology of Women), Psychology 20 (Personal and Social Behavior), (Sociology 22 (Minority Group Relations), Sociology 23 (African American Family), Sociology 30 (Peace and Nonviolence), and two courses in Sociology 49 (Social Science Honors). I credit this petite, but tough-minded woman, and her associates, Professors Ella Tolliver and Alena Hairston, with the un-



precedented expansion of my mind and soul. How could I ever have imagined that at my advanced age I could make the National President' Dean List, and become a member of the International Scholastic Order of Phi Theta Kappa. More importantly, I found that I had gained a new strength of personal character in the knowledge that it is the strength of our women that holds our world together and their passion for knowledge and understanding are their greatest tools. All three of these scholars are intent on the peaceful advancement of all of mankind and they will succeed in making an impression upon our society.

At Solano Community College, Professor Karen McCord has an infectious dedication to her students. I wanted to help and I soon found myself taking courses in technology that would help me help her. Courses in Internet Research, Computer Science, and Learning Resources gave me some of the tools that I needed to, at least try, to keep up with the unusually fast pace that she keeps in her work for society. More often than not, by the time I had finished one project for her, she already had 10 more that needed quick attention. It was through the research assignments given to me by her that I credit as the prime reason that I did so well in returning to college, a feat that I would never have thought possible.

All of my life I have believed the male half of our human population to be the stronger of the two sexes. I think that this is taught to us at a very early age by male role models in life and via the media. Men try to emulate their heroes. I always

wanted to be like John Wayne, Gregory Peck, J.F.K. and Martin Luther King. I admired Malcolm X for his mental fortitude and his strength to resist oppression without fear of repercussion. I think that my mindset was typical of my generation and this very fact of hero worship is at the base of our generational conflicts that include the warfare of Vietnam and Iraq. The idea that men are superior to women, and our resulting actions at home, are in full view of our children. Through our actions as the oppressors of women we teach our children that it is OK for one person to dominate another. Typically, what a child learns in the home will decide how his future relations with the outside world will be constructed. They will be either cooperative or dominate in nature.

Continuing my education was originally a suggestion by my VA psychiatrist as therapy to aid in my tendency to self isolate. As it turned out, it was likely the best thing I could do at the time. At first it seemed strange going to class with people that are the age of my youngest son. I was old enough to be their grandfather.

It was an experience that I will always be grateful for. The kids of today are so smart. They are not like my generation at all. It doesn't seem like it in the home, but in social interactions they are courteous, thoughtful, and respectful of their elders. Technology has made them so wise and smart while society has given them street smarts. They will accomplish so much. I just wish I could be here on earth long enough to see it.

That's just the way I see it.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) It's a good time for reunions with those very special people from your past. You could be pleasantly surprised by what comes to light during one of these get-togethers.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The new year gets off to an encouraging start for the Bold Bovine who takes that demanding workplace challenge by the horns and steers it in the right direction.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The clever Gemini will be quick to spot the telltale signs of workplace changes that could open up new opportunities for the right person. (And that's you, isn't it?)

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The Moon Child's post-holiday letdown soon lifts as you begin to get back into your comfortable routine. Someone from your past extends a surprise bid to reconnect.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You've been the ultimate social Lion over the holidays. Now it's time to relax and recharge your energy so you can be at your best when you pounce on that new project.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A relationship could be moving in a direction you might not want to follow. Step back for a better overview of the situation. You might be surprised at what you see.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Emotions rule at the start of the week, affecting your perception about a decision. Best advice: Avoid commitments until that good Libran sense kicks back in.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A longtime friendship could take a romantic turn early in the new year. While this pleases your passionate side, your logical self might want to go slow.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Someone might make a surprising disclosure about a trusted friend or workplace colleague. Stay cool and reserve judgment until you get more facts.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might think you've found what you've been looking for. But appearances can be deceiving. Don't act on your discovery until you know more about it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're no doubt anxious for that confusing situation to be cleared up. But don't press for a quick resolution or you might overlook some vital facts.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Now that your holiday distractions are easing, you need to apply yourself to getting those unfinished tasks done so you can begin a new project with a clean slate.
BORN THIS WEEK: People respect both your wisdom and your deep sense of loyalty and compassion.

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King Crossword

ACROSS
1 Suitcase
4 Analgesic targets
9 Tackle the slopes
12 Work with
13 Excessive
14 Central
15 Type of con
17 Right angle
18 Beerlike beverage
19 Bumbershoot
21 Respond
24 Vend
25 Tier
26 Longing
28 Transactions
31 Concept
33 Speck
35 Stagehand
36 — of the Wisconsin (noted gorge)
38 Unspeaking
40 Carte lead-in
41 Mad king of literature
43 Constant sufferer
45 Plot
47 Swiss canton
48 Before
49 Entrance
54 Meadow
55 Speak from the soapbox
56 Ultramodernist
57 Nourished
58 Of old Scandinavia
59 Leno's network
DOWN
1 Clear the tables
2 Blond shade
3 "Golly!"
4 Grooved wheel
5 Irate
6 McKinley's first lady
7 Desensitizes
8 Become 5-Down
9 Be suspicious
10 Slay
11 One way to stand by
16 Legislation
20 Couturier Cassini
21 Sahara-like
22 Protuberance
23 Egotist
27 Artesian
29 Easter emblem
30 Sail support
32 Sheltered from the storm
34 Commotions
37 He had a bad hair day
39 Actress Matlin
42 Duplicate, for short
44 Eve, originally
45 The "S" in "SCUBA"
46 Great Lakes tribe
50 Listener
51 Hostel
52 Beak
53 Holiday at the O.K. Corral

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF
Find at least six differences in details between panels.
Differences: 1. Snowman is added. 2. Boy's hat is black. 3. Girl's hair is different. 4. Background hills are missing. 5. Tree is added on right. 6. Boy's left arm is hidden.

"The basic difference between an ordinary person and a warrior is that a warrior takes everything as a challenge while an ordinary person takes everything as a blessing or a curse."
~ Carlos Castaneda

Pleased to meet you
Name: Robert Nickelson
Occupation: Contractor and partner in Vintage Paving
Hobby: Water and snow skiing
What's best about living in Winters: "A short commute."
Fun fact: His dad dated Cloris Leachman

King Crossword — Answers
Solution time: 21 mins.
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SHELL GAME ELL
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ANSWER SELL
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SCHEME URT
ERE SPELL BIND
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Notice of Trustees Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No: G344717 CA Unit Code: G Loan No: 0087246500/ QUINTERO Min No: 100013800872465006 AP #1: 064-211-21-1 T.D. SERVICE COMPANY, as duly appointed Trustee under the following described Deed of Trust WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (in the forms which are lawful tender in the United States) and/or the cashier's, certified or other checks specified in Civil Code Section 2924h (payable in full at the time of sale to T.D. Service Company) all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property hereinafter described: Trustor: SERGIO QUINTERO Recorded July 5, 2005 as Instr. No. 2005-0032037-00 in Book — Page — of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County; CALIFORNIA, pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded September 13, 2007 as Instr. No. 200732236 in Book — Page — of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County CALIFORNIA. aid Deed of Trust describes the following property: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED JUNE 17, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. 9 ORANGE STREET, WOODLAND, CA 95695 (If a street address or common designation of property is shown above, no warranty is given as to its completeness or correctness). Said Sale of property will be made in as is condition without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest as in said note provided, advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. Said sale will be held on: JANUARY 16, 2008, AT 10:00 A.M. *AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA At the time of the initial publication of this notice, the total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the above described Deed of Trust and estimated costs, expenses, and advances is \$413,873.52. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. Date: December 18, 2007 T.D. SERVICE COMPANY as said Trustee, CRYSTAL ESPINOZA, ASSISTANT SECRETARY T.D. SERVICE COMPANY 1820 E. FIRST ST., SUITE 210, P.O. BOX 11988 SANTA ANA, CA 92711-1988 We are assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing. 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. If available, the expected opening bid and/or postponement information may be obtained by calling the following telephone number(s) on the day before the sale: (714) 480-5690 or you may access sales information at www.ascenitex.com/ websales. TAC# 765535C PUB: 12/27/07, 01/03/08, 01/10/08



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Summons

County of Yolo, Plaintiff,
v.
ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE MATTER OF the Issuance and Sale of Bonds for the Purpose of Refunding Certain Obligations that the County of Yolo Owes to the Public Employees Retirement System Arising Under PERS Contract and the Public Employees Retirement Law, and Certain Proceedings Leading Thereto, Including the Adoption of a Resolution that Authorizes the Issuance of Pension Obligation Bonds and the Execution and Delivery of a Trust Agreement Relating to the Issuance of Such Bonds, Defendants.
NOTICE! YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. THE COURT MAY DECIDE AGAINST YOU WITHOUT YOUR BEING HEARD UNLESS YOU RESPOND NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 21, 2008, WHICH IS TEN (10) DAYS OR MORE AFTER COMPLETION OF THE PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.
ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE MATTER OF THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS THAT THE COUNTY OF YOLO OWES TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM ARISING UNDER PERS CONTRACT AND THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT LAW, AND CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS LEADING THERETO, INCLUDING THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION THAT AUTHORIZES THE ISSUANCE OF PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS AND THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A TRUST AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS:
Plaintiff has filed a civil complaint against you. You may contest the validity of the above matter by appearing and filing with the Court a written responsive pleading to the complaint not later January 21, 2008, which is ten (10) days or more after the completion of the publication of this summons. Your pleading must be in the form required by the California Rules of Court. Your original pleading must be filed in this Court with proper filing fees and proof that a copy thereof was served on Plaintiff's attorney. Unless you so respond, your default will be entered upon Plaintiff's application, and the Plaintiff may apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint. Persons who contest the validity of the matter described below and in the complaint will not be subject to punitive action, such as wage garnishment or seizure of their real or personal property.
You may obtain a copy of the Summons and Complaint in this matter by making a written request to counsel for the Plaintiff.
DETAILED SUMMARY OF THE MATTER THAT PLAINTIFF SEEKS TO VALIDATE:
The County provides its employees with a retirement plan under the requirements of the Public Employees Retirement Law, California Government Code section 20000 et seq. (the "Retirement Law"), pursuant to a contract, as amended from time to time (the "PERS Contract"), it has entered into with the Public Employees Retirement System (the "System"). The Retirement Law obligates the County, among other things, to: (a) make annual contributions to the System; (b) amortize the unfunded accrued actuarial liability of the County, which is the liability that has accrued but which the County has not yet paid to the System (the unfunded liability, hereinafter, the "Pension Obligation"); and (c) appropriate funds to meet these obligations.
The County currently must pay the System interest on the Pension Obligation at the rate of seven and three quarters percent per annum. The County understands and believes that, in the current market, it can issue taxable bonds at an interest rate of less than seven and three quarters percent per annum. Thus, the County can realize a substantial savings by issuing bonds, using the proceeds to refund its Pension Obligation, and thereby pay a lower interest rate on the bonds than the rate it would otherwise have to pay to the System.
On August 8, 2007, the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution (the "Resolution") which authorized and approved the issuance and sale of the Pension Obligation Bonds for the purpose of refunding the Pension Obligation, and to pay costs of issuance, underwriter's discount, and original issue discount, if any, in connection with the Pension Obligation Bonds. The County also approved and authorized the issuance and sale of Additional Bonds from time to time in the future for similar purposes. The Pension Obligation Bonds will be in an aggregate principal amount which shall not exceed the principal amount of the Pension Obligation plus any underwriter's discount, original issue discount, and costs of issuance related to the Pension Obligation Bonds, and will mature not later than thirty years from the date of issuance.
The County filed this validation action to obtain a judicial declaration of the validity of the matters alleged in the County's complaint and described herein. In this action, the County seeks a judgment from the Court that, among other things, all proceedings by and for the County in connection with the Resolution, the Pension Obligation Bonds and any Additional Bonds, the Trust Agreement, and the other related agreements authorized by the County, were, are and will be valid, legal and binding, and were, are and will be in conformity with the applicable provisions of all laws and enactments at any time in force or controlling upon such proceedings, whether imposed by law, constitution, or statute.
YOU MAY SEEK THE ADVICE OF AN ATTORNEY IN ANY MATTER CONNECTED WITH THE COMPLAINT OR THIS SUMMONS. SUCH ATTORNEY SHOULD BE CONSULTED PROMPTLY SO THAT YOUR PLEADING MAY BE FILED OR ENTERED WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED BY THIS SUMMONS.
SI USTED DESEA SOLICITAR EL CONSEJO DE UN ABOGADO EN ESTE ASUNTO, DEBERIA HACERLO INMEDIATAMENTE. TAL ABOGADO DEBERIA SER CONSULTADO PRONTO PARA QUE SU REPUESTA ESCRITA PUEDA SER REGISTRADA DENTRO DEL TIEMPO REQUERIDO POR ESTA CITACION JUDICIAL.
The name and address of the Court is (El nombre y direccion del Tribunal es):
Superior Court of the State of California
County of Yolo
725 Court Street
Woodland, California 95695
The names and address of Plaintiff's attorneys are (el nombre y direccion del abogado del demandate es):
Michael Weed
ORRICK, HERRINGTON & SUTCLIFFE LLP
400 Capitol Mall, Suite 3000
Sacramento, California 95814
12/20/07, 12/27/07, 1/3/08

Notice of Trustees Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS # CA-07-101796-CH Loan # 2000177878 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/20/2006. 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. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): SILVIA A DURAN DE GARCIA AND RAUL GARCIA JR, WIFE AND HUSBAND AS JOINT TENANTS Recorded: 6/27/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0025037-00 in book -, page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California; Date of Sale: 1/16/2008 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$311,751.74 The purported property address is: 832 JEFFERSON STREET WINTERS, CA 95694 Assessors Parcel No. 003-462-01-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. 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. Date: 12/22/2007 Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 714-259-7850 or Login to: www.fidelityasap.com Reinstatement Line: (619) 645-7711 ext 3704 If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 948495 12/27/2007, 01/03/2008, 01/10/2008

Storage Lien Sale

There will be a lien sale at Winters Self Storage (WSS), 807 Railroad Ave, Winters, CA 95694 on January 11, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. This sale is authorized by Chapter 10, commencing with sEct. 21700 of the Calif. Business and Professions Code. All items are sold on an "as is" basis without warranty or guarantee for Cash Only. We reserve the right to reject any or all offers. Purchased items must be removed from WES immediately following the sale. The folowing is a general description of items to be sold: furn, tools, personal items, books, clothes, boxes, plastic bins, appliances, tv, toys & misc. items belonging to: A-13 TOM R. THOMPSON, B-13 JEFFREY KUEHNAU, D-08 BRIAN MCMENOMEY, F-14 PATRICIA G. DENNEY. AUCTIONEER BOND # 0342850.

Published Dec. 27, 2007 and Jan. 3, 2008

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
December 11, 2007
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2007-1215
The following person(s) is/are doing business as:
Carillon Computer
2112 Humboldt Ave., Davis, CA 95616
P.O. Box 72567, Davis, CA 95617
Marc James Langlais
2112 Humboldt Ave., Davis, CA 95616
This business classification is: An Individual
s/Marc James Langlais
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
November 2, 2007
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Lupe Ramirez, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2007-1105
The following person(s) is/are doing business as:
Woodland Club Volleyball dba Dynamix Volleyball Club
1742 Adobe Way, Woodland, CA 95695
P.O. Box 8929 Woodland, CA 95776
Michelle Lee, 1454 Garfield Ct., Woodland, CA 95776
Janene Scoonover, 1742 Adobe Way Woodland, CA 95695
This business classification is: An Unincorporated Association other than a Partnership
s/Michelle Lee, Janene Scoonover
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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Liz Mahovick, Deputy Clerk
12/20, 12/27, 2007, 1/3, 1/10, 2008

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Notice of Trustees Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S.No. 1116436-02 APN: 03-502-03-1 TRA: 002000 LOAN NO: Xxxxxx2707 REF: Williams, Anthony IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED April 24, 2006. 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 January 08, 2008, at 09:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded April 27, 2006, as Inst. No. 2006-0016641-00 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, executed by Anthony Williams, A Single Man, 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: A: the rear (north) entrance to the city hall building 1111 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: 1013 Hillview Lane 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: \$453,482.31. 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 (619) 590-1221. Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: December 11, 2007 Trustee Sale Officer: Jeffrey A Ferrer. (R-159329 12/20/07, 12/27/07, 01/03/08)

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
December 5, 2007
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberly Barklow, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2007-1201
The following person(s) is/are doing business as:
Diamond Creek Investments, LLC
505 Ashley Ave., Woodland, Ca. 95695
Diamond Creek Investments, LLC 505 Ashley Ave, Woodland, Ca. 95695
This business classification is: An Individual
s/Aaron Gallegos
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Liz Mahovick, Deputy Clerk
12/20, 12/27, 2007, 1/3, 1/10, 2008

Fictitious Business Name

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November 28, 2007
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberly Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2007-1215
The following person(s) is/are doing business as:
Carillon Computer
2112 Humboldt Ave., Davis, CA, 95616
P.O. Box 72567, Davis, CA, 95617
Marc James Langlais, 2112 Humboldt Ave., Davis, CA, 95616
Martha Cervantes 18204 Mallard St. Woodland CA 95695
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s/Marc James Langlais
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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Liz Mahovick, Deputy Clerk
Dec. 27, 2007; Jan. 3, 10, 17, 2008

Fictitious Business Name

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December 17, 2007
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2007-1226
The following person(s) is/are doing business as:
First Choice Heating and Air Conditioning
First Choice Plumbing
First Choice Total Service
5451 Warehouse Way #109
Sacramento, CA 95826
Arland F. Whiddon, 8333 Dillard Rd. Wilton, CA 95693
Floyd R. Patterson, 2400 Migration Dr. Elk Grove, CA 95757
This business classification is: A General Partnership
s/Arland F. Whiddon and Floyd R. Patterson
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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy Clerk
12/27, 2007, 1/3, 1/10, 1/24, 2008



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Awesome 3 bed 2 bath on valley oak drive, this one has a lot of new fixtures, new paint, and even has a remote for the sprinkler system. Call for details. Priced aggressively at \$399,000.

Huge corner lot!! 3 bed 2 bath in beautiful dry creek meadows. Priced very aggressively. Sellers want to move it! Offered at \$435,000. Call for details! Huge custom single story home.

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Great house for the money. Nice open floor plan with laminate floors throughout living area. Large corner lot makes for lots of privacy. \$359,000.

Here is your rare opportunity to own 3/4 of an acre just outside the city limits. The home was built in 1945 and has many features typical of that era, including a basement. Come make this your dream home. Priced @ \$529,000.

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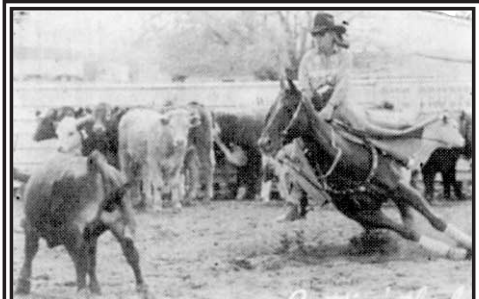
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If you enjoy country living, beautiful views, and the rolling hills of Winters this is the property for you!! This property boasts a 3 bedroom 21/2 bath ranch style home, workshop with office, 2 stall barn with hay storage, beautiful landscaped yards,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

This is a steal!! Price reduced below market for quick sale! This beautiful 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath home backs up to open space and Putah Creek. Landscaped front and rear yards, large area for RV parking. You just need your furniture. Home shows beautifully. So much home for so little! Reduced to \$405,000! Call for appt. today before it is gone!

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Pleasants Valley Equestrian Estate

Spectacular hilltop Mediterranean home with mountain and valley views, equestrian facilities and cottage on 20 acres of oak and pine studded rolling hills and level pastures. Main home features Saltillo tile floors, an open and inviting floor plan and plenty of windows to take in the breathtaking views! Lush landscaping and in-ground pool with retractable cover. All weather arena, fenced pastures and a 3-stall barn with tack room **\$1,497,000.00.**

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Tucked away in the countryside just outside of winters is this unique and exciting home with spectacular views on 5 very private acres! Level ground for a horse setup or RV storage, while the home is hilltop with panoramic views. One story, 3 bedroom, 2421 sq ft with an enormous kitchen with a hand tiled island, wet bar and eat-in area. Two wood burning fire places. Large pond, several fruit/citrus trees and a great barn/shop with lots of storage. **\$975,000.00**

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Red Cross CPR/AED course offered for professional rescuers

The American Red Cross of Yolo County is offering CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer program on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. This class is recommended for those in the medical field. Students will learn basic medical & legal terminology, one rescuer & two rescuer Choking Rescue, Rescue Breathing & CPR, how to use a bag Valve Mask (BVM) and an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). There is no First Aid component to this class.

Furthermore, the

American Red Cross of Yolo County is offering a CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer Challenge class. Candidates for this class have had previous certification and use their CPR skills on a fairly regular basis. This class will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 6-9 p.m.

To register for these classes, please call the Yolo County Chapter, 662-4669, or visit the website www.yc-arc.org. All classes will be held at 120 Court Street in Woodland.

Master Gardeners offer rose pruning classes

A rose pruning clinic taught by local rosarian Albert Crepeau will be held on Jan. 5, from 10 a.m. to noon at Woodland Community College. Woodland Community College is located at 2300 East Gibson Road in Woodland. The rose pruning clinic will demonstrate how to prune modern roses such as hybrid teas and floribundas. Climbing roses and ramblers will also be treated.

Crepeau is a longtime member and past president of the Woodland Li-

brary Rose Club and is a member of the Heritage Rose Society and American Rose Society, having preserved many old rose cultivars including many from the Sacramento Old City Cemetery on Broadway. A propagator, hybridizer, preservationist, and author, Crepeau has in the past 5 years begun entering his roses in the Yolo County Fair and as a result has won hundreds of blue ribbons as well as a best in show this past year.

The Yolo County Master Gardeners will pre-

sent another rose pruning clinic at Davis Central Park Rose Garden on Saturday, Jan. 19, from 10 a.m. to noon. Central Park is located at the corner of 5th and B streets in Davis. The clinic will be taught by local rosarian and Master Gardener, Linda Parsons.

In addition to rose cleanup and pruning, Parsons will instruct students on tool use and care. Old root stock designated for removal will be available for students to practice on, as well as

roses which require both pruning and transplanting.

Participants in either clinic are asked to bring gloves and hand pruners, if available, and wear appropriate clothing.

Detailed handouts covering all pruning techniques will be available. Class reservations are not necessary but an RSVP to Cooperative Extension, 666-8143, is requested in case of class cancellation.

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