

Winters Express



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Trash Man (Jeff Falyn) and Mother Nature (Lyndsay Dawkins) visited Putah Creek Nature Park recently, and are some of the characters in the Nature's Theater children's program offered at Stebbins Cold Canyon. Falyn and Dawkins are creating a special Nature's Theater story and hike here in town, planned for the next Winters Walk on Saturday, April 5. To participate in the free program, meet at the gazebo in Rotary Park at 2 p.m.

NATURE TELLS THE BEST STORIES

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

What's better than learning about nature in a story? Becoming part of the story itself. That's what happens when children participate in the Nature's Theater program at Stebbins Cold Canyon. Led by Lyndsay Dawkins and Jeff Falyn, children walk down the path at the canyon and meet all sorts of interesting characters, like Mother Nature, Father Winter, Bird

Man and Trash Man, who they help with a variety of predicaments.

For example, what happens when it's time for Winter to come and Summer just won't go? Poor Winter — Summer chased him away last spring and he wants to come back! Well, youngsters get a chance to inform Summer that it's time for her to move along. Dawkins, who holds a BFA and a master's degree in theater arts from UC Santa Barbara, says she loves playing the role of Summer

and is amazed at how engaged the children become in the stories.

"They'll tell me, 'Summer, you need to go!' and start teasing me and say, 'Summer, it's so cold in the shade — time for winter!' The kids get impassioned. It's amazing what they come up with."

The children's Nature's Theater is an outgrowth of the regular schedule of guided hikes offered at Stebbins Cold Canyon.

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Creek plans are flowing

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

One needs only take a quick glance at a topographical map of Winters to see that its southwest edges are banked against a series of creeks. With Lake Berryessa and the Monticello Dam perched in the nearby hills, the town's borders lean directly against both Putah and Dry Creek. Yet, due to a lack of access caused by overgrown plants and decades of erosion, the community has not been able to appropriately enjoy them. Both creeks were addressed separately at the March 18 city council meeting.

The Winters Nature Park is designed to modify the course of Putah

Creek and make its banks more accessible to the community, mostly for recreational purposes. The creek's banks are currently dominated by invasive plant life and overgrown black berry bushes. Large amounts of gravel have been removed over the years causing the path to shift to the south. The current plan will return the creek to its original course and create a series of flood plains that will serve as beaches accessible to the public during the summer, when the water level is down.

"We're not making a big decision tonight," said City Manager John

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Graduation policy kept by split decision

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The school board revisited the controversial subject of who gets to walk the graduation stage at the March 20 meeting. The subject became heated last year when two students were denied participation in ceremonies, because they had not met requirements.

School Superintendent Dale Mitchell pre-

sented eight different options, including allowing students to participate in the ceremony if they had not passed the California high school exit exam (CAHSEE), allowing all students to graduate, and allowing students to participate if they had made use of all available intervention opportunities despite not passing the exam.

High school counselor

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FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

CADE THOMAS SMITH is the newborn son of Andy Smith and Daurice Kalfsbeek-Smith of Colusa. Born on March 3, 2008 at Sutter Davis Hospital in Davis, he weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces, and was 21 inches long. He joins a brother, Cole Schreiner, 10. Maternal grandparents are Knute Kalfsbeek of Arbutle and Pat Davis of Danville. Paternal grandparents are Al and Laura Smith of Winters. Maternal great-grandmother is Bernie Kalfsbeek of Arbutle. Paternal great-grandmother is Lucille Smith of Castro Valley.

Gallery welcomes new coordinator

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Robin Ray is the new program coordinator at the Winters Center for the Arts. She brings with her a strong history in marketing and a steady desire to exercise her mind creatively. She hopes to channel this blend into her work and in doing so illuminate the Gallery's importance to the community. Mostly though, she hopes to have fun.

"That's what attracted me," she says, specifically pointing to board member Valerie Whitworth and current president Eric Doud. "I love them. They are genuine, awesome, caring people."

Ray's goal is to draw attention to the many services of the Gallery, not only from locals but from surrounding communities as well. She will sweep her brush along all canvases, hopefully painting a picture that incorporates a wide variety of parties, from artists seeking a place to display



Photo by Justin Cox

Valerie Whitworth welcomes Robin Ray, the new program coordinator for the Winters Center for the Arts.

their work to young students looking to take classes.

"This is about getting the word out," she says. "And that's something I

know how to do." She hopes to creatively broaden the scope of what the gallery current-

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City council will meet

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, April 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The following items are on the agenda:

~ Proclamation declaring April 2008 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

~ Public hearing for the Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG).

~ Public hearing and second reading of ordinance regarding the amendment of Chapter 2 of the Winters Municipal Code to authorize compensation for planning commissioners.

~ Resolution regarding committing CDBG program income to the Almondwood Apartment ac-

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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
March 19		78	45
March 20		75	44
March 21		72	41
March 22		73	45
March 23		81	41
March 24		80	46
March 25		79	53

Rain for week: 0

Season's total: 23.10

Last year to date: 8.44

Average to March 25: 19.69

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OBITUARIES

Samuel Kirk Sanders

Samuel Kirk Sanders of Dunnigan passed away in Vallejo on March 17, 2008, following a brief illness. Born on Jan. 27, 1960, in Whitesburg, Kentucky, he was 48 years old. He was employed in the City of Winters Public Works department for one year, and enjoyed spending time with his five granddaughters, riding his motorcycle, attending rock concerts, and having fun with family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy; daughter, Hayley O'Neil of Winters; son, Eric Gordon of Winters; grandchildren, Kayla, Kari, Kelli and Kaitlyn O'Neil, and Taylor Gordon; sister and brother-in-law Mishael and Steve Segovia of Trona and sister Marcia Hall of Whitesburg, Kentucky; brothers and sisters in law Tim and Becky Sanders, Wendall and Stacy Sanders of Box Elder, South Dakota, Steve Sanders of Bristol, Tennessee and Kent and Karen Sanders of Whitesburg, Kentucky.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ethel Sanders and William Bruce Sanders, grandparents Thomas and Lola Sanders, and great-grandparents Sam and Pollyann Sergent.

Funeral services were held on March 21 at McCune's Garden Chapel in Vacaville. Pastor Scott Yamato officiated. Burial took place at the Winters Cemetery.

Weekly police report

March 9

~ Armando P. Guzman, 20, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08%, driving at an unsafe speed, and being an unlicensed driver. Guzman was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

March 10

~ Philip Breckenridge, 23, of Winters was arrested for being intoxicated in public. Breckenridge was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ On the 900 block of East Grant Avenue, a 2008 license tab was stolen from a vehicle license plate. Loss: \$10.

~ On the 300 block of Railroad Avenue, as a vehicle drove by a business, a passenger in the vehicle discharged an air soft gun. A plastic pellet hit a patron inside the business.

March 16-17

~ On the 1100 block of Hoover Street, a license plate and 2008 sticker was stolen from a vehicle. Loss: \$10.

March 17

~ Janis Faye Hawkins, 45, of Richmond was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license, driving a vehicle with expired registration and failing to provide proof of insurance.

~ On the 300 block of Baker Street, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

~ On the 700 block of Valley Oak Drive, property was stolen from an unlocked residence. Loss: \$600.

March 18

~ Brandy Mora, 25, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an

unlicensed driver, driving at an unsafe speed, driving a vehicle with expired registration, and failing to provide proof of insurance.

~ Robert Thomas Thompson, 55, of Vacaville was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08%. Thompson was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

March 19

~ Antonio Guzman Ramirez, 21, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license and driving at an unsafe speed.

~ On the first block of East Main Street, cohabitating suspects had a verbal domestic dispute that escalated to a physical altercation. The case is being forwarded to the District Attorney for complaint.

March 19-20

~ On the 400 block of Dry Creek Lane, a catalytic converter was cut off of a vehicle. Loss: \$1,000.

~ On the 400 block of Cottage Circle, forcible entry was gained to a vehicle and property was stolen. Loss: \$600.

~ On the 100 block of Wolfskill Street, a catalytic converter was cut off of a vehicle. Loss: \$200.

~ On Cottage Circle and Anderson Avenue, a vehicle was broken into and property was stolen. Loss: \$400.

~ On the first block of Anderson Avenue, a vehicle was broken into and property was stolen. Loss: \$200.

~ On the 300 block of Creekside Way, forcible entry was gained to a vehicle and property was stolen. Loss: \$345.

March 20

~ A 13-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a no-

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YESTERYEAR



File photo
In December 1962, Oliver Stith, right, is shown above receiving a plaque from George Conway, of San Francisco, left, manager of emergency road service for the California State Automobile Association, for being with the association since 1922. The firm of W.W. Stith and Son had been an official garage of the association for 40 years. Oliver's father, William W. Stith, was awarded the contract in 1922. Oliver became service manager in 1934 and took over the ownership of the business in 1954.

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YEARS AGO

April 10, 1958

George Conard, local employee of the U.S. Post Office, has been named as rural mail carrier for Winters. The position has been vacant since Tom Fox retired the first of the year.

In Tuesday's election, all three incumbent councilmen were reelected, with Mayor James West and councilmen E.A. Young and Wayne Sharp all being returned to the council for four year terms.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brinck, Jr., of Winters, are the parents of a daughter, born at the Yolo General Hospital, Woodland, April 4, 1958.

The Winters Farm Bureau will honor members of the California Scholastic Federation at a dinner to be held next Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Buckhorn Dining Room. J.L. McClish, president of the Winters Farm Center, will serve as master of ceremonies at the dinner.

Mrs. Robert E. Campbell was elected president of the Winters Fortnightly Club for the 1958-59 term of office at the annual election held Tuesday afternoon.

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YEARS AGO

April 9, 1943

The E.W. Fenley hardware business has taken fresh stimulus this week in the move from the hotel corner to the new quarters across the street, the recent purchase of Fenley from the National Bank.

A.J. Bertholet reports the sale of six lots, extending from Abbay to Edwards Street, west of the Meyer blacksmith shop, to Mello Fernandez. The lots belonged to the estate of the late Prospero Bertholet, brother of A.J.

Some help has arrived at the Labor Camp which is to work at the Guayule Rubber Farm, southeast of town. The management is assembling help to put in the rubber plants.

Construction on the new observation tower is progressing quite rapidly with platform laid, bracing completed and stairway to the first landing.

Pvt. Chris Martinez has written to his parents from Camp McCain, Mississippi. He is in the weapons platoon in light machine gun crew.

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Berryessa drops .10 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa dropped by .10 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 1,827 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 429.34 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,402,106 acre

feet of water.

The SID is diverting 285 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 26 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 145 acre feet of water per day during the week.

Honoring our Japanese-American WWII Veterans

The Davis Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6949 in conjunction with Supervisor Mariko Yamada is attempting to contact our Japanese-American World War II veterans to honor them at the VFW's Memorial Day Ceremony at the Davis Cemetery May 26.

Supervisor Yamada and Yolo County Veterans Service Officer Ted Puntillo are reaching out to the Japanese-American community to help them identify these very brave soldiers who fought for our freedom in WWII. These dedicated young men were sent off to fight in Europe and in the Pacific Theater while their families were put into ten wartime relocation camps throughout the United States. They had an extra element of stress added to their military duties as their family homes and

businesses were taken and their parents and siblings were incarcerated.

Given all of this, they still fought our enemies bravely and were identified as one of our most effective and highly decorated military units of WWII. Most of them were assigned to the 442nd and 100th Infantry. We feel it is high time that we honored these individuals who gave so much to preserve our way of life. We have identified several of these veterans and are looking for others who could attend our ceremony at 10 a.m., May 26 at the Davis Cemetery. Anyone who is interested or knows any of these brave veterans or members of their families, please contact Mariko Yamada at 666-8624 or Ted Puntillo at 406-4850, or via email at district4@yolocounty.org

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YEARS AGO

April 10, 1908

Mrs. Geo. Windsor, sister of Mrs. Wm. Emery, from Mc Cloud, is visiting relatives and friends here.

Dr. C.H. Fairchild returned Thursday from a two weeks' vacation into the northern part of the State, Oregon and Washington.

Rev. S.M. Harriman, aged 93, passed to his rest and reward Tuesday. "Father" Harriman, a veteran Baptist preacher came to Buckeye in 1861, preaching in the church that was moved into town in 1875.

The first green peas for the season to be shipped from Winters were sent to San Francisco, Thursday, by Levi Hockett. Time was when large quantities of early vegetables, in fact the earliest were shipped from this district.

J.L. Harlan and Elmer Armfield were in San Francisco last week, where Harlan purchased a Maxwell runabout through the Armfield agency.

Shortly after 10 o'clock Thursday the alarm of fire was given, and immediately flames were seen issuing from the windows of the Nortz building on Railroad Avenue. The usual crowd soon gathered, and with buckets went earnestly to work carrying water. The hose cart was promptly on hand, but, unfortunately, there was no steam in the water works engine, and before steam could be raised the entire building and contents the were destroyed.

William Wolfskill and H.C. Goodyear went up in Miller Canyon trout fishing last Saturday and were rewarded by catching 53 fish.

One lesson should be learned by members of the Legislature, and that is to keep women out of the Capitol, says the Galt Gazette. Hard headed old Senator Campbell of Solano County, voiced this matter four years ago in the sentence that the presence of giddy girls in legislative capacities was demoralizing.



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Seeking this year's Youth Day Grand Marshal

The Winters Youth Day Committee is accepting nominations for this year's Youth Day Grand Marshal until Friday, March 28. The Grand Marshal will lead the 72nd Youth Day Parade down Main Street on Saturday April 26.

Grand Marshals are selected for their dedication to Winters through their community service and service to others. There is no age limit and all nominations will be taken into consideration.

Send letters of nomination to: Youth Day Grand Marshal, P.O. Box 807, Winters, CA 95694, or email to mjkasebastian@aol.com.

CREEK

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Donlevy, explaining that staff would simply like the council to assess the plan before moving forward with the environmental review.

“We’d like to integrate the creek with the community,” said Senior Landscape Architect/Planner Cheryl Sullivan. “Historically it’s been very important, but it’s very difficult to access.”

The plan will create easy access through a series of foot and bike trails. With the channel narrowed and the water flowing freely, the Winters Nature Park is expected to serve as a prime recreational venue and vital educational opportunity for outdoor science camps and after-school programs.

“Access to nature is good for both spiritual and emotional health,” said Cunningham.

The plan also calls for the removal of the percolation dam and the revegetation of the park with beneficial native plants and grasses.

In its initial phases, the plan referred to a “swimming hole.” The term has since been removed from all documents save for one graphic design. While many of the features used to describe the swimming area have remained in the plan, the official name has been removed so as to avoid potential liability issues. Stone suggested that the council make a policy decision to remove that last reference. The council

agreed and passed the plan unanimously with that slight modification.

Donlevy made clear that the nature park will ultimately become “a bit of a construction project.” He pointed out that the removal of invasive plants, grading of banks, alignment of canal and construction of the new car bridge will require a great deal of work.

“You have to break some eggs to make an omelet,” he said. “The construction will be dramatic.

“It’s a very visionary plan. If we put our mind to it, we can make it happen.”

Dry Creek realignment

Dry Creek has eroded close to 20 feet since the construction of the Monticello Dam. Its banks have become very steep, increasing the velocity of the water and subjecting it to erosion. Rich Marovich, Streamkeeper, gave a presentation in regard to the creek bank stabilization and the planting of native plants and grasses.

“These grasses are our best defense against erosion,” said Marovich. “These areas are rapidly filling with native vegetation.”

Willows that were planted in the area currently stand around 11 feet tall and are expected to see steady growth in the coming years. Volunteers recently planted 1,500 native grass plugs during one three-hour session. When these grasses take hold, they will protect even the steepest of banks from

further erosion.

Dry Creek runs along the back end of many local houses, meaning some of the land expected to be a part of the bank stabilization is privately owned.

“Do you have contact with the residents that live with their back up to Dry Creek?” asked Council member Cecilia Aguiar-Curry.

“We have a mailing list provided by the city,” responded Marovich, noting that nobody’s land will be affected without expressed permission.

Other items

~ The 2008 Winters High School Academic Decathlon team was recognized for their recent county victory.

“It’s one of those great things we get to celebrate,” said Mayor Fridae. “We’ve always come close to Davis, but we never beat them until last year.”

~ Vallejo HOG (Harley Owners Group) will bring its 16th annual Vernal Equinox Ride through Winters on March 30. Related festivities will take place on East Main Street between Elliot Street and Railroad Avenue.

~ Dennis Kilkenny received a Certificate of Appreciation for the work he has done with the Winters Putah Creek Committee.

“Dennis was one of the first to draw attention to the value of Putah Creek to the community,” said Streamkeeper Rich Marovich. “His legacy will live on through what he’s taught me.”

Give blood, get pizza

On Monday, March 31, the Winters community will host a BloodSource blood drive. Everyone who participates will receive a coupon for a free personal one-topping pizza from Round Table Pizza.

The drive will take place at the Winters Community Center, 201 Railroad Avenue from 3-7 p.m.

Donating blood is safe, easy and takes about an

hour. Donors must weigh at least 110 pounds, be at least 17 years old (16 with a parent’s consent) and be generally healthy. There is no upper age limit for blood donations.

BloodSource was established in 1948 as a not-for-profit community blood bank.

For more information, call (800) 995-4420, extension 11009 or visit www.bloodsource.org.

The deadline to nominate the Youth Day Grand Marshal is Friday, March 28

Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

SO, IT APPEARS THERE will be no do-over selection in Michigan or Florida. Thank heavens logic and fairness prevailed. Maybe there's hope for the Democratic National Committee yet (emphasis on "maybe").

With the Obama-Clinton race razor-close, suddenly every delegate is gold. However, because Florida and Michigan defied the DNC and held their elections ahead of schedule, their delegates didn't count. Florida and Michigan were warned about the consequences in advance and they proceeded anyway. Now they're whining about how it's down-right un-American that their votes won't count.

Oh boo hoo. It's no one's fault but their own. They broke the rules. Allowing a do-over is unfair to all the states that followed the rules. Why don't these people understand rules? Haven't they ever played Little League before?

Meanwhile, Hillary What's-In-It-For-Me Clinton leaped to the defense of voters in Florida and Michigan and lobbied for do-over elections, solely because it's to her own benefit. She won Florida, and technically won the Michigan primary, even though she was the only candidate on the ballot. Why? Because the other candidates agreed to stay off the Michigan ballot because it broke the DNC rules. Clinton also agreed to this. In writing. And then put her name on the ballot anyway.

The clear and obvious reason Clinton supported do-over primaries is because she stood a good chance of winning the delegates. Had Barack Obama led in those states, she would've screamed bloody murder about do-overs. Her transparency was even more audacious when she stood before the camera last week and criticized Obama for not demanding do-over elections as she has. (Silly Obama, he thought that the agreed-upon rules should be followed. What a chump.) Meanwhile, 12 wealthy Clinton supporters offered to foot the whole bill for Michigan. Nothing fishy there.

First off, it isn't up to Obama (or Clinton, for that matter) to make the do-over decision. It's up to the DNC to decide if it will accept such elections, and up to the two states involved to weigh out the cost-benefit of staging a rushed, last-minute election, the validity of which will surely come into question, particularly in Florida, which doesn't exactly have a great track record for getting things right even under optimal circumstances.

So. I sit back and consider what I've observed about Clinton. Blatant disingenuousness, combined with a Sybil-esque personality that came to its zenith in that scolding, schoolmarm-ish "Shame on you, Barack Obama" tirade. And I doubt whether I could support such an individual, let alone trust her. Which brings up Clinton's "Who do you want answering the phone at 3 a.m." commercial."

I'm not sure that I want such a disingenuous, unpredictable person answering that phone at any time of day. Moreover, what's up with all this "experience" Clinton keeps boasting about? The sum total of her 3 a.m. red telephone "experience" is sleeping next to the person answering it.

Well, we assume she was. We're talking about Bubba here. Who knows where he was actually sleeping. Maybe the red phone is cordless.

Be that as it may... being married to someone doesn't qualify you to do his or her job. If you think it does, next time you need a quadruple bypass, just tell your cardiologist to let his wife handle it. Hell, let the dog do it, if merely spending time by someone's side and following him or her around somehow bestows knowledge and expertise by osmosis.

(Note to my cats: Next week, you guys write my column. Hillary says you're qualified.)

Clinton's self-professed "experience" includes helping to bring peace to Ireland during her husband's administration. An Irish official described her claim as "a wee bit silly." Yes, Clinton was there — as the First Lady, attending luncheons and shaking hands. Not making policy.

Clinton also touts her peace-keeping role in Kosovo. Once again, her role was as First Lady, and her participation was more along the lines of a USO goodwill performance, that included singer Sheryl Crow and the comedian Sinbad, who, as far as I know, have not been key players in international relations.

And her recollection of the landing for this "peace-keeping mission"? Running on the tarmac to escape sniper fire? Gee, she sure doesn't look like she's running in the videotape of that event. And the scariest thing on the tarmac is a little Bosnian girl in pigtails, who kisses her on the cheek. This is her big "experience" with dangerous situations? Do you know what kind of a field day John McCain, a former Vietnam POW, is going to have with this come November?

Bottom line, Clinton isn't just disingenuous, she's delusional. Which brings us back to that 3 a.m. phone call. Who do we want answering it? Thank you, Hillary, for handing John McCain the perfect campaign commercial on a silver platter.

I know who I want answering that phone. The guy who plays by the rules, and showed the best judgment in the first place by opposing the war. Go Obama.

OUT OF OFFICE COUNTDOWN: 43 weeks until someone else can answer the red phone.



LETTERS

Police attention misdirected

Dear Editor,

I would like to express my dismay at the total lack of respect on the part of our local police department towards their community. Please let me explain...

In the four years that I have lived here, my friends and I have been pulled over for the following reasons:

1. The right brake light was brighter than the left. The officer told me that somebody might think I had my blinker on.

2. The ball hitch on the back of the truck was obstructing the license plate. I have never heard of anybody ever getting pulled over for that. How about when you're towing a boat? What are you supposed to do with the ball hitch?

3. Visually clocked at 10 miles over the speed limit. Sorry, but that one stumped me. Most police officers will clock you with radar or pace you while they are driving behind you. Not visually clock you from a side street.

4. While walking with his bike, my son was given a warning for not having his helmet on.

5. Twice I was given a

warning about my motor home being parked on the street, although neither time had it been there for 24 hours. How am I supposed to load and unload it before and after a trip? I'm pretty sure I'm allowed 72 hours before it needs to be moved.

Here's my point. Where are the police when my house and cars are being vandalized, or my neighbors work equipment is getting stolen, or when the drunk driver almost hits someone that was walking out of a high school football game?

I realize that the police can't be everywhere all the time, but I think their attention has been misplaced. What's important to me as a taxpayer is the safety of my home and neighborhood. (Not to mention that this is also a great attribute to potential homebuyers.)

How about patrolling our neighborhoods for vandals and thieves instead of making my neighbors, friends and children the public enemy? We have done nothing that warrants that kind of intervention.

**TODD and MICHELLE
ALAMEDA**

Keep praying gays can't marry

Dear Editor,

Proposition 22, which reads "Only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California" passed in the year 2000 by the overwhelming majority of 61.4 percent to 38.6 percent. Now, the state Supreme Court has before it the issue of whether or not that body will overturn Proposi-

tion 22. How could the will of the people be so callously disregarded? I am sure all California Christians are praying the court leaves well enough alone.

Homosexual people, even though a minority, are very vocal. But we, the majority, can become heard and will have our voices heard.

JANE A. BARREDO

Thanks, healthcare foundation

Dear Editor,

We are fortunate to have Winters Healthcare Foundation in our town. I have a life-threatening disease and they have cared for me for over

three months.

Thank you, Dr. Davis and staff. Without you, I would not be here. Your compassion and love for your patients shows.

PATTY ROCCA

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CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

YOU'RE TOO OLD. It was kind of a joke when I joined AARP when I turned 50, but I liked the discount when I traveled. I've only been carded once and that is when I rented a car for a week and asked for the AARP discount. I guess when the discount is over 30 dollars they want to make sure you're entitled to receive it.

Over the years we've run public service announcements or stories about bone marrow transplants and the need for donors. You have to make an appointment and pay to be on the bone marrow transplant list and I've just never put in the effort to get it done.

There have been a couple of people in the area that need bone marrow transplants and every time I plan on signing up, but something comes up or I just don't get around to it. You can't sign up at our local blood drive, which doesn't help.

A friend of my permanent tenant needs a transplant and we were talking about going over to Sacramento and signing up. All it takes is a DNA swab and a check and they'll put you on a national data bank of want to be donors and leukemia patients. Last month there was an article in the Express about Patty Bogle needing a bone marrow transplant and her family's winery, Bogle Vineyards in Clarksburg, was going to pay the \$52 per person for the registry.

Sherri and I went to a donation site at the Yolo County Fairgrounds. There were lots of people, lots of food and plenty of people there to help you sign in. As I was reading the large print sign at the front desk, it said that you had to be in good health and under 55 years of age. I looked at the young lady behind the table and told her I was 57. "Sorry, you're too old." Those might not have been her exact words, but it's close. Sherri just sort of laughed as she filled out the paperwork and stood in line for her cotton swabs.

I don't know the percentage of people who get called after they sign up, but it can't be large. Only about 30 percent of family members match up, and they share the same bloodline.

Regrets are something that should be avoided at all cost, and I regret not signing up to be a bone marrow donor. As I was looking up information for this column I went to the national Marrow Donor Program, www.marrow.org, and noticed that the age requirement was between 18 and 60. I'm now signed up, but I did have to pay the \$52 register fee myself. It may be the best \$52 that I've ever spent.

Can you imagine what it would be like to save someone's life? Sign up to be a donor. Trust me on this, it will make you feel better.

Have a good week.

Earth Day projects are planned

Dear Editor,

Forty-eight of our beautiful state parks are currently slated for closure due to state budget cuts. The 11th annual Earth Day Restoration and Cleanup event will be held Saturday, April 19. The program was developed to encourage a day of action that would engage Californians in caring for our state's natural resources. Now, more than ever, state parks need our help.

The Earth Day Restoration and Cleanup event provides much-needed funding and volunteer muscle to help make long overdue park improvements. Community volunteers of all ages are needed for projects including planting native species, restoring habitat and trails and cleaning up beaches and waterways. It's a wonderful opportunity for your

readers to give back to the community and also learn about the variety of ways to protect and preserve parklands year-round.

Since the Earth Day program began, more than \$1 million has been provided in grant funding, and 60,000 volunteers have contributed more than 160,000 volunteer hours to the enhancement of their parks.

The California State Parks Foundation is the only independent non-profit membership organization dedicated to protecting our parklands from chronic underfunding, staffing shortages and ill-conceived planning projects that use our precious parklands as the path of least resistance for toll roads, casinos and rail lines.

**KRISTI BRAKKEN
CSPF Earth Day Project**

Policy for Letters to the Editor

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

Letters may be mailed or hand-delivered to The Winters Express, 312 Railroad Avenue, Winters, CA 95694, or emailed to news@wintersexpress.com.

Letters should not exceed 500 words. Do not use all capital letters.

We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters must be legibly signed by the writer. However, we may withhold writers' names from publication if there is a legitimate reason, such as fear of reprisal.

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.

POLICE

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tice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having unlawful tinted vehicle windows.

~ Marcos DelToro Sanchez, 19, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and failing to wear a seatbelt.

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

~ Judith Yvonne Foster, 43, of Vacaville was stopped on westbound Grant Avenue waiting to make a left turn onto East Street. An unknown driver of a vehicle was stopped on eastbound Grant Avenue and was waiting to make a left turn in front of Foster's vehicle. Margarito Diaz Alvarez, 21, of Winters was traveling westbound and was approaching the unknown driver of a vehicle that was stopped in the middle of the roadway. Alvarez attempted to pass the unknown driver on the paved portion of Grant Avenue. At the same time, Foster made a left turn onto East Street causing Alvarez' vehicle to collide into the front passenger side of Foster's vehicle. The unknown driver made a safe and legal turn and did not contribute to the collision.

~ Robert James Heberle, 28, of Dixon was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license, having an inoperable tail light and having an open container of an alcoholic beverage.

~ On the 300 block of Edwards Street, parties were involved in a verbal altercation.

March 21

~ Manuel Jauregui, 45, of Winters was arrested for possessing methamphetamine, transporting methamphetamine, possessing drug use paraphernalia and violation of probation. Jauregui was also arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with failing to appear for jail time on a previous charge of two counts of driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license. Jauregui was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ A 17-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a notice to appear for being intoxicated in public and violation of probation.

March 21-22

~ On the 400 block of Niemann Street, forcible entry was gained to a building and property was stolen. Unknown amount of loss at this time.

March 22

~ Martin Villagomez, Jr., 24, of Vacaville was arrested on two outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrants charging him with violation of probation on a previous charge of burglary and violation of probation on a previous charge of driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license. Villagomez was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ On the 300 block of Creekside Way, an officer responded to an audible residential alarm. The residence was found secure.

March 23

~ Cole Young Summers, 25, of Winters was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon, vandalism and fighting in public. Summers was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

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

~ Rex Anthony Moffett, 43, of Vacaville was traveling southbound on Walnut Lane and came to a stop at the stop sign on Walnut Lane at Grant Avenue. Salomon Sandoval Mejia, 19, of Winters was traveling southbound on Walnut Lane. Mejia came to the intersection of Walnut Lane and Grant Avenue and attempted to come to a stop. Mejia was unable to come to a complete stop and hit the rear of Moffett's vehicle.

Grand prize

Courtesy photo

What team will earn the right to have its name added to the list of champions on this trophy as the Winters Quiz Show Champions and \$300 in prize money? Find out on Thursday, April 3, at 7 p.m. at the Community Center, at the fifth annual Quiz Show sponsored by the Winters Friends of the Library. Pre-registration can be done up until Friday, March 28, for \$100 a team at the library, or you can register the night of the event for \$125. For more information call Rebecca Fridae at 795-4600. The trophy was designed by Jeff Hessemeyer.

Community

Winters effort brings clean water to Tanzania

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Tim Caro and Monique Borgerhoff Mulder, UC Davis professors and Winters residents, spent some time in town last week after 10 months in Tanzania, where they have been on sabbatical helping with a project that will supply clean well water.

Living in a little house in a little village, they have seen the successful completion of five water wells and are currently testing the safety and quality of the water. Both spoke briefly of their ex-

perience at the March 20 Winters Rotary meeting.

“Living there makes you realize how less well off so many people are,” said Caro, emphasizing the importance of such efforts in impoverished places.

Winters Rotary has volunteered to help fund the project. Each well costs \$11,000, 95 percent of which is covered by World Bank. The remaining five percent must be covered by the village itself. Rotary has agreed to cover half of that five percent for each well, five of which have been constructed to date.

The total Rotary contribution amounts to \$6,000, with \$4,000 coming from one large donation. Caro and Borgerhoff Mulder are proud of Rotary’s involvement as well as the project’s overall success.

“There is every indication that the wells will be fine,” said Borgerhoff Mulder. “I am confident they will.”

With this phase of construction at a temporary stand still and more Rotary money left in the pot, remaining funds will go to the improvement and expansion of schools.

“The villages would like to build dormitories for girls,” said Borgerhoff Mulder, explaining that the number one cause for student drop outs in Africa is pregnancy.

Caro and Borgerhoff Mulder will complete their sabbatical and return to Winters in Sept. 2009.

“We really appreciate what you guys have done,” said Caro to the crowd of fellow Rotarians. “We’re there for the long haul, and we know you guys are too.”

GALLERY

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ly does. With the defining lines of the art world wide open, she is playing with a few creative ideas. One is to hold an art show that includes the preparation of local foods and wines, both of which often require a great deal of artistic touch. With photos and paintings hung on the walls and artistic pottery on the tables, no sense would be left unstimulated. This is just one of many of Ray’s budding ideas.

One of the Gallery’s paramount goals is to provide support to the high school art program. As a non-profit organization, they have given multiple scholarships and stipends to students so as to guide them forward artistically. Current high school student Nicole Seanz is just one example of such contributions. She will be holding a WHS art show as part of her senior project on Sunday April 13 from 4-6 p.m. at the Participation Gallery.

“Because of the budget cuts, schools are losing art and music classes,” says Ray. “It’s a huge shame.”

The Gallery hopes to make these withering artistic outlets more accessible to students at the high school.

“The art programs are always the first to be hit,” says Whitworth, who served on the school board for eight years. “This is a movement to fund and help their art program. It’s a wonderful program and we need to support it in every way that we can.”

With the Gallery’s goals well stated and kept in steady motion by passionate board members like Whitworth and Doud, it is now time to effectively spread the word. Thanks to the Buck Grant, which the Gallery received last fall, that opportunity has arrived in the form of Robin Ray.

Ray moved out of her hometown when she was 18 years old and instantly began a career in radio. Focusing mostly on elements of marketing, she was responsible for the promotion and organization of large concerts as well as public relations. She found the job exciting for a long time, but as the industry began to tighten up and many of the fun parts were squeezed out, her interest faded. She moved on and later took a marketing job with a Colorado-based company called the Integer Group, hop-

ing for a revival of the excitement she had previously known.

“It was literally the most boring job of my life,” she says. “I felt like was still in radio.”

Behind the scenes, she had been contemplating starting her own pet-sitting business. She has a deep love for animals that goes far beyond her professional life. With a great deal of confidence in her abilities, she knew she was capable of making the leap. Still, she hesitated.

“Then, one day I asked my boss to let me off work early,” she says. “And I drove straight to the City of Davis and got a busi-

ness license. I didn’t even think about it.”

She currently owns and operates Davis Pet Nanny (featured in the March 13 edition of the Express) and writes the Puparazzi section for Davis Live Magazine, which is available online. With her creative ideas freed up and running wild, she is extremely excited to lend her abilities to the Gallery.

Robin Ray can be reached at (916) 837-6832. For more information regarding the Gallery or to register for a class, call Valerie Whitworth at 795-0608 or 795-2009. Registration will soon be

available online as well.

Some upcoming events are:

~ “Cartooning as an Art Form,” Instructed by Robert Armstrong. This is a six-week course for students 15 years and older. It will take place on Mondays from 5:30-7 p.m. Registration fee is \$70 with materials included.

~ “Painting with Chalk Pastels,” Instructed by Diana Jahns. Six hours of construction open to beginners and accomplished artists 16 years and older. Saturday May 17 from 10-4:30 p.m. with a half-hour lunch break. Registration fee is \$65 with materials included.

Youth Day Fun Run planned

Before the Youth Day parade rolls down Main Street on April 26 and City Park comes to life with excited children, a 5 kilometer “Fun Run” will take place at the high school track.

The event, which will have a 7 a.m. sign-in time and a 7:30 a.m. start, is called “Keeping a Healthy Pace On Life.” It is sponsored by the Winters Healthcare Foundation, Inc. and costs \$15 per person, \$25 per couple, and \$10 for children. Walkers and strollers are welcome. All participants will receive a T-shirt.

For more information, call John or Jean, 795-0597.

Anyone who has any information concerning misconduct on the part of **Rev. Gerardo Beltran**, who served at St. Anthony’s Church in Winters from 1991-1992, is encouraged to contact Capital City Investigations at (916) 447-7009 or (916) 730-1148.

Rev. Beltran was charged with four counts of child molestation by the Sacramento District Attorney in 1992. He fled this country and has recently been arrested in Mexico and will be extradited back to Sacramento.

Youth Day
takes place on
Saturday, April 26

Schools

After school program is growing up

◆ Free for students on school lunch programs

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Winters began its after school program last fall with just a handful of participants. It's now attended by over 130 students between kindergarten and 8th grade, with more spaces still available. The program runs daily until 6 p.m. and includes bus transportation throughout town and to Yolo Housing.

Its goal is to provide a successful and engaging program that enhances children both educationally and socially in a way that is physically and mentally safe. This will in turn benefit the community.

Students participate daily in a variety of activities that include educational enrichment, literacy, nutrition and recreation. The desired result is an improvement in both academic and social skills as well as confidence. They aim to accomplish these goals while having fun.

Students have recently gone on field trips to STARS bowling alley and Cloud 9 Jumps. In the coming months they will participate in the Earth Day Team Competition Games, which will focus on "earth friendly" topics. They will also have a booth at Youth Day and take a trip to Scandia.

The program is free for students who receive free or reduced price lunches. One need only bring their certificate of qualification to City Hall for admission. For those who are not on such programs, it costs \$100 per month, or \$5 per day.

Site administrators from each school spoke at the March 18 city council meeting. All three reported great successes and spoke passionately about the progress of the program. Victoria Mosier, of Winters Middle School, spoke to the creativity required in engaging the maturing chil-



Photo by Justin Cox

The Winters After-School program held an Easter Egg hunt at Waggoner Elementary School on Friday March 21; one of many events put on by the program this year. The program is also held daily at Shirley Rominger Intermediate and Winters Middle School. Waggoner student Angel Tunstall holds his eggs high while two other students search for their own.

dren at WMS.

"They don't always want to be there," she said in describing the mindset of the involved age group. "They tell their friends they're forced to come. So we try to make it comfortable."

They recently purchased a Wii video game system and have dressed the room with bean bags and carpets to make it a more relaxing place to be. They know that as difficult as it can be to engage children on the verge of adulthood, it's also very important. Those years can be pivotal in defining a child's future. And the few hours between the end of a child's school day and a

parent's arrival from work can potentially lead to trouble.

The program works to engage the children during after-school hours in a way that better prepares them for what they will be faced with in the classroom. Enrollment spikes each time students receive their grades, and in almost all cases, those grades spike as well.

"We had one 4th grader in danger of retention that ended up completing 100 percent of the course work," said Sasha Anderson, site administrator for Shirley Rominger.

"I can tell you from a teacher's point of view,"

said Mayor Woody Fridae. "That the kinds of things you guys are doing have been squeezed out of the curriculum. We really appreciate everything you do. You make it much more likely that we can succeed as teachers to those very same students."

The program started as the result of a state-funded grant and thanks to what City Manager John Donlevy described as "a Herculean effort, has become a real diamond in our organization."

For information about the program, contact Nanci Mills or Nancy Gonnella at City Hall: 795-4910.

quirements. I would hate to be part of a board that dumbed down the graduation requirements. The state exam was required because of complaints that students couldn't read their own diplomas.

"We're not changing the graduation requirements at all," said Nickelson. "People always say the business community is asking for these standardized tests. I work in the business community, and I don't get that feedback at all."

Nickelson moved using a 95 percent standard for participating in the ceremony, without requiring passing the exit exam. Hyde seconded the motion.

"So you're really dropping the bar," said trustee Rodney Orosco. The motion does not lower the graduation requirements, answered Nickelson.

Student board member Julia Millon said it would take away from graduation to know that students participated without having met requirements. She exercised her preferential vote against the motion. The motion did not pass, with Hyde, Brickey and Nickelson voting in favor.

Orosco moved option A, which calls for no exceptions. The motion carried, with Hyde, Brickey and Nickelson voting against.



AFTER RECENTLY taking the SATs, I realized that I was well on my way on the journey to college. This time of year is a stressful time for juniors as we start to prepare for college. As one of my friends put it, "It's the beginning of the rest of our lives." This is also the time when the seniors begin to hear from the colleges they applied to. It's both exciting and stressful for them to wait and hear where they have been accepted. For those of you who are just starting to think about college, hopefully I can lend some insight about what I have learned so far.

There are three important tests that I plan to take. First is the SAT's, which is probably the most known of the three. People have many different ways of getting ready for the SAT's, but here's what I did. I took them for the first time in March, just to see where I was in the college spectrum. The week before the test I started to read the book I had bought and I was really glad I did. I learned that they score the test in a different way, and it completely changed how I approached the test. I learned that if you answer a multiple-choice question wrong, you lose part of a point, but if you don't answer the question at all, you just get a zero. Because they score the test this way, if you get to a question where you have no clue what the answer is, they recommend you should skip it instead of making a random guess. To study for this test there are tons of resources available. I bought a big old book and downloaded some songs with vocabulary words in it, but there are also classes you can take and many other ways to study.

The next test is the ACT. The ACT is another college admission test that is accepted at all colleges in the US. It tests English, math, reading, and science. There is also a writing portion. This is different from the SAT because the SAT only tests writing, math, and reading comprehension. I have heard that some people who struggle with the testing style of the SAT do much better on the ACT, and visa versa. Through my experiences, I've learned that colleges will look at whichever test you score better on. I have been advised to take both.

The final test is the SAT II: Subject Tests. It was recommended that you take in June when the subject is likely still fresh in your memory. These tests are not required everywhere, but some colleges do require them. They are to demonstrate your mastery of a certain subject. The five general areas of testing are English, history and social studies, languages, math, and sciences. Colleges use these tests for college admissions and course placements, and combined with your high school course schedule, colleges can get a pretty good idea of what kind of student you are.

Those are the three important tests that have been recommended to me to be taken as a junior. I have also been told that you can take the tests multiple times, and that colleges will look at only your best score. However, tests are not the only important preparation. Many juniors are also busy going to and exploring different college campuses. It's nice to look at the pictures online, but if you get a chance, go visit them! It's so different to actually walk around campus and get a feel for the vibe, and I think it's really important in choosing. You're not just choosing the place where you want to learn, you're choosing a home for the next four or five years. To make sure that you're making the right choice, visit as many as you can! I have taken a few trips to go visit colleges and it's not only good to check out the campuses, but its really fun too!

With all of that said, I hope you feel a little more informed. It's all a little overwhelming, and it's definitely an adventure. Happy college hunting!

WHAT'S COMING UP...

- ~ Mar 27th- last chance to make your tile for the Interact project!
- ~ Apr 2nd- WHS Open House
- ~ Apr 7th-Apr 11th- Spring Break!
- ~ Apr 16th- End of GP #5

TRUSTEES

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Marcella Heredia spoke in favor of retaining the current policy.

"My colleagues and I have always emphasized the importance of earning a high school diploma," said Heredia. "We get at least fifty phone calls a year from employers asking to verify graduation. Allowing students that haven't met all the requirements puts too much of an emphasis on the ceremony, and not the actual diploma. Graduation is why we are in education. If the emphasis is going to be put on the ceremony and not on the diploma, then we should eliminate the ceremony, and save the district hundreds of dollars."

High School Principal George Griffin said the current policy is a long standing one that he wholly supports.

"I, like Marcella," said Griffin, "believe that our job is to focus students on the diploma. I have worked in other places where that was not the policy, and what sometimes results is students that could have completed requirements but did not, because, in their youthful exuberance, they felt they'd met the requirements because they were seen on the stage with tassel and

mortarboard. It's not till years later, when they are applying for a job, they discover the error of their ways. I encourage you to maintain the current policy."

Trustee Rob Nickelson asked if there was an exception for students that missed weeks of class during illness. Nickelson had researched neighboring school districts, and said most of the districts allowed participation if the student had achieved 95 percent of the requirements.

Referring to the incident last year, Nickelson said, "I knew this girl, and I thought, this girl should walk."

"What does it hurt for this minimal number of kids," said Nickelson, "to let them have their day, if they are close. I think that benefits the community. I would like to see some modifications on this issue."

Trustee David Hyde noted the superintendent's "option C," which allowed students to participate if they made use of every intervention and took the CAHSEE at each opportunity. "It looks to me like this is a student that's really trying," said Hyde.

"I have a number of problems with this," said trustee Mary Jo Rodolfa. "The math in the exit exam is at an eighth grade level and the language arts is at a ninth

grade level. Our students leaving after twelfth grade that can't do math at the eighth grade level really shouldn't have that diploma. That ceremony is saying they've earned that diploma. I really don't like the idea of lowering the bar. Walking across the stage is a real motivation factor."

Trustee Matt Brickey said having passing grades but not passing the CAHSEE may indicate a testing problem.

"Kids are not all the same," said Brickey. "For some kids it's a struggle, and for some, that might be their high point. To deprive them of that — that's what I'm looking at. I see option C as a way to have a little compassion and sensitivity."

Trustee Jay Shepherd said he takes pride in the graduation ceremony.

"Rob, you mention the Dixon graduation ceremony," said Shepherd. "They consider it a successful ceremony if the kids don't set themselves on fire. It's a joke, and this may be one of the reasons, Our kids take a great deal of pride in walking across the stage. This is a ceremony that has meaning. I'm with Marcella, if we are going to say it has no meaning, then let's do away with it all together. You're doing a disservice to those kids that have met the re-

Everyone reads the Express



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

U.S. Congressman Mike Thompson visited Winters on Tuesday, March 25, and toured the town on the local Winters bus with an entourage of local officials. He stopped by City Hall, the high school yearbook class, the downtown area and, of course, the Winters Express office. Thompson represents the 1st Congressional District, which includes Winters.

NATURE

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Falyn has been the coordinator of the hikes since the program began four years ago, and says participation keeps growing steadily. Most of the hikes start filling up as soon as the schedule is announced. Within that schedule, Falyn and Dawkins offered hikes specifically for children and toddlers twice a year. These hikes became so popular that Falyn and Dawkins decided to expand the children’s schedule this year.

The couple writes all the stories for the hikes themselves, and besides meeting a cast of colorful characters, some of the stories have themes, like “How flowers got their colors” or invite children into the Animal Circle Club. They are hoping to compile all the stories into scripts that are easy to follow, and publish them in a book so that anyone anywhere can recreate them where they live and involve children with their local environment.

“They’re not complex plots,” explains Dawkins. “The kids have a totally fun experience, but there’s always some little problem they get to solve, so they become heroes.”

“Through that, they are being exposed to an age-appropriate environmental issue and becoming more in touch with the natural world,” adds Falyn.

“By doing, they discover more about the natural world,” says Dawkins. “We try to connect them to the natural world in such a way that they get really excited about taking care of the world. You can make a lifelong difference when you connect a child to nature.”

Another goal of the Nature’s Theater program is to help children become more aware of their environment. For example, they learn to recognize the changing seasons by observing falling leaves and the appearance of seeds and flowers.

Although the Nature’s Theater program takes place at Stebbins Cold Canyon, Dawkins and

Falyn are creating a special story and hike right here in town, in conjunction with the April 5 Winters Walk. Since one of the highlights of the next Winters Walk is plein air painting, Dawkins and Falyn are incorporating “air” into the story. Like the regular Nature’s Theater program, there is no charge to attend. Children and parents can meet at the gazebo in Rotary park at 2 p.m., and from there Falyn and Dawkins will lead them down into the Putah Creek Nature Park for the story and hike.

Falyn agreed to bring the program into town after attending a recent Chamber of Commerce meeting, where board members lobbied him to participate in the next Winters Walk. It didn’t take much pressure. After discussing the idea with Dawkins, he says “We said ‘yes’ immediately!” Falyn likes the idea of getting involved because he wants to help promote what Winters has: “All these great resources — Stebbins Cold Canyon is a resource to Winters that’s close to town, as are the Putah Creek Nature Park and Lake Solano.”

Dawkins adds that she hopes to help local children appreciate the natural world that they have right in their own backyard and learn about “the incredible theater that nature is, and tapping into that.”

Besides the April 5 Winters Walk hike, Nature’s Theater offers the following upcoming hikes at Stebbins Cold Canyon:

Schedule

- ~ March 28: Winter Won’t Go, 9-11 a.m., ages 4-8.
- ~ April 6: Animal Circle Club, 9-11 a.m. ages 6-10.
- ~ April 12: Naming Day With Mother Nature, 9-11 a.m., ages 6-10.
- ~ April 13: Animal Circle Club, 9-11 a.m., ages 4-8.
- ~ May 4: How the Flowers Got Their Colors, 9-11 a.m., ages 4-8.
- ~ May 18: Mother Nature and the Toddlers, 9-11 a.m., ages 1-4.
- ~ June 8: The Spirit of Water, 9-11 a.m., ages 6-10.

To sign up for any of these hikes, send an email to Falyn: jfalyn@ucdavis.edu.

Nuestras Noticias



JUAN FERNANDEZ

EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

Aniversario costoso

A partir de enero del año 2003 la decisión estaba tomada: Bush decidió la guerra contra Iraq bajo la doble hipótesis de que Saddam Hussein tenía armas masivas de destrucción y estaba vinculado a Osama Bin Laden y Al-Qaeda cuya responsabilidad, en el ataque a las torres gemelas, era indiscutible. Los inspectores de la ONU, con Hans Blix a su cabeza, nunca lo ratificaron. Era falso. Los halcones del Pentágono con Paul Wolfowitz y Richard Perle con Donald Rumsfeld, Ellos, con Dick Cheney, cercaban, día a día, a Colin Powell para que, como secretario de Estado, ratificara sus posiciones en la tribuna de la ONU. Dudoso, prudente, nunca convencido, Powell, finalmente, cedió.

El 20 de marzo de 2003, sin ninguna prueba sobre las armas de destrucción masiva (el gobierno de EU reconoció después que no existían) y, menos aún, sobre la vinculación con Al-Qaeda, se iniciaba el ataque militar contra Iraq. El 9 de abril se rendía Bagdad y el día 14 Bush anunciaba el fin de la operación militar para el 1 de mayo. Estados Unidos tuvo 122 muertos y los ingleses 33. Victoria total. Quedaba, sólo, la resistencia popular mucho más fuerte que Saddam que como todos los tiranos no representan a los pueblos.

Esa resistencia se ha revelado invulnerable al desaliento. El New York Times del 14 de marzo, casi exactamente a los cinco años de los primeros misiles sobre Bagdad, anunciaba la muerte del soldado USA 3 mil 968. La tragedia de Iraq se centra en el desastre económico que Bush deja como herencia con el dólar cubierto de sospecha y el oro cubierto de gloria y de ruina.

Este quinto aniversario de la invasión en Iraq marca el debate en Estados Unidos y el mundo, crece la controversia por el cada vez mayor presupuesto del Pentágono y sus secuelas de largo plazo sobre la economía. El pentágono esta solicitando mas de 500 mil millones de dólares para el año 2009, este presupuesto es solo para gastos de operación de las fuerzas armadas.

Desde que asumió el cargo en 2001, el presidente George W. Bush ha incrementado el presupuesto a la milicia regular estadounidense en 30%, de nuevo, sin contar el costo de las guerras emprendidas. El año pasado, el desembolso completo militar y antiterrorista de Estados Unidos excedió los 600 mil millones de dólares. Se puede esperar que el gasto total en asuntos militares del próximo año será aún mayor. Ajustada la inflación, el gasto militar estadounidense ha alcanzado su nivel más alto desde la Segunda Guerra Mundial.

¿Hay un límite para este derroche? Estados Unidos está destinando más dinero para defensa hoy de lo que usó durante la guerra contra Hitler o en la guerra fría. La administración Bush parece creer que las amenazas militares son ahora más graves. La economía de EU va hacia la recesión; los nubarrones se posan sobre sus sistemas de pensiones y de salud y su presupuesto militar puede no tener siquiera sentido en términos estratégicos. Estados Unidos por sí sólo cuenta con cerca de 50% del gasto militar en el mundo, lo cual no tiene precedentes históricos en nación alguna.

Lo irónico es que los enemigos de Estados Unidos no son otros países, sino grupos de personas diseminados en diferentes países, contra los cuales las armas nucleares y los portaaviones son inútiles. Sería menos caro y más enriquecedor para EU detener el conflicto palestino-israelí, y respetar los principios morales que recomienda a otros países. Bonito aniversario Señor Bush.

Locutores de derecha

Cuando usted sintoniza un programa de “talk show” en la radio en el idioma ingles, se encontrara con el mismo locutor, bueno casi el mismo. Bueno en realidad no son los mismos, tienen diferentes nombres, pero al oír sus comentarios todos suenan iguales, idénticos. Todos parecen tener una consigna: Los inmigrantes ilegales (sobre todo de México) son la peor tragedia que le pudo ocurrir a Estados Unidos. Punto.

Las ondas radiales en Estados Unidos están dominadas por locutores de tres tendencias: Derecha, extrema-derecha y ultra-derecha. La mayoría están cortados por la misma tijera.

Tome estos ejemplos como una muestra de lo que le estoy diciendo, en una estación, un tipo exigía la deportación total de los inmigrantes. De todos, sin excepción.

En otra, otro locutor llamaba a quitarles la ciudadanía a los hijos de inmigrantes indocumentados. Y hasta residentes legales. En otra más, un locutor se burlaba de las marchas que hacen los inmigrantes. En una cuarta, un tipo pedía a la gente a denunciar ilegales que “le quitan el trabajo a los ciudadanos americanos”.

Lamentablemente no solo son los locutores, sino que hasta las mismas personas que oyen la radio, también están convencidas de todo lo que les dicen estos locutores, a veces son peores. Si el auditorio sólo encuentra un sólo sabor en la radio, termina por gustarle. Y muchos americanos se creen estos ataques contra todos los inmigrantes como la verdad absoluta.

En estos programas de “Talk Show” no hay matices. Todo es bueno vs. malo. Blanco vs. negro. Patriota vs. Traidor.

Los locutores “respaldan” sus afirmaciones

con “estudios”, “estadísticas” y “encuestas” que parece que les dan la razón: “Según tal o cual estudio, el 70% de los americanos no quieren más inmigrantes”, dicen. El problema es que sólo mencionan “estudios” de una sola tendencia: Anti-inmigrante. Nunca se mencionan otros estudios que refutan lo que los conservadores dicen. Ni siquiera para equilibrar.

Los nombres de estos locutores son muy conocidos en Estados Unidos: Rush Limbaugh, Bill O'Reilly, Sean Hannity, Michael Savage y muchos más. Amen de los comentaristas que tienen programas de derecha en la televisión, como Lou Dobbs en CNN o Ann Coulter en Fox News.

Ahora los que dominan la opinión pública en la radio son los conservadores anti-inmigrantes. ¿Porqué las grandes cadenas de radio aceptan esta clase de puntos de vista, sin variarle? Simple y sencillamente: Por dinero.

Y estos comentaristas tienen asegurado su éxito entre los americanos, porque explotan uno de los sentimientos más básicos del ser humano: El miedo.

Sobre todo el miedo a los que no son como “ellos”. Los que no se ven como ellos. Los que no hablan como ellos. Los que no asisten a sus iglesias.

Los “Otros”. No todos los americanos son de derecha, ni anti-inmigrantes. Pero existe un grupo muy fuerte de conservadores que sí. Generalmente tienen más dinero que los inmigrantes. Y son buen negocio para los anunciantes de la radio.

Los políticos en Washington seguirán aprobando leyes contra los inmigrantes, debido al poder que tienen los conservadores.

Cuidado con las estafas

POR NELDY HERRERA

Si alguna vez te sentiste tentado por un anuncio que decía: “Podemos salvar su casa. Garantizado”; o quizá: “Tenemos contactos especiales en varios bancos que pueden acelerar la aprobación de casos como el suyo”... ten cuidado. Puedes estar a un paso de ser la próxima víctima de un estafador, según un informe de la Comisión Federal de Comercio (Federal Trade Commission, FTC).

Muchas de las empresas de rescate de ejecuciones hipotecarias o compañías que ofrecen asistencia para evitar embargos, están al acecho de las familias que se encuentran desesperadas por el miedo a la posibilidad de perder su casa al incumplir con los pagos de sus hipotecas.

En algunos casos buscan a sus víctimas estratégicamente, los defraudadores consultan las listas oficiales que se hacen públicas, en las que identifican a los propietarios que están cerca de un foreclosure. Estas firmas, prometen ayudarte y “rescatar tu vivienda”, pero en realidad lo que hacen es mentirte y estafarte. “El objetivo de estos estafadores es obtener ganancias rápidamente cobrando cargos o las cuotas de tu hipoteca sin pasarle lo cobrado al prestador. Algunas veces, te engañan y se apropian de tu vivienda. Cuando ya es demasiado tarde para salvar tu casa, toman la propiedad o se tragan el monto del valor neto acumulado (equity).

Lo primero que te preguntan al comunicarte con ellos, es por el medio que te enteraste de sus servicios o el nombre de la persona que te localizó. Una vez, que les proporcionas tus datos más generales, te transfieren con un “asesor”, esta persona te hace algunas cuestiones acerca de tu asunto y te platica como van a proceder para ayudarte.

Durante este lapso, te dicen en repetidas ocasiones que no “te preocupes”, que ellos están para ayudarte, pero que tienen que actuar cuanto antes para ganar tiempo e impedir así el foreclosure. Te garantizan que durante el proceso (que por cierto, ellos harán por ti negociando tu deuda con el banco) tú seguirás viviendo tranquilamente durante por lo menos dos años en la casa o seguirás alquilándola sin mayor conflicto.

Los requisitos que te piden para llevar los trámites y detener el embargo son: El último comunicado hipotecario que recibiste, tu número de seguro social y una copia de tu licencia de manejo. La cantidad que tienes que pagar, depende del precio de tu vivien-

da. Cuando finaliza la consulta, te piden tu número telefónico y te dicen que se comunicarán en el transcurso del mismo día contigo para terminar de afinar los detalles. Te recuerdan que ellos “no son estafadores” y que tu dinero está seguro, pues cuentan “con un departamento legal especializado”.

Cuidado con lo que firmas: “Te harán creer que estás firmando los documentos de un préstamo nuevo para ponerte al día con tu hipoteca. Cuando sin saberlo te han hecho firmar los papeles para traspasar el título de propiedad de tu casa cediéndola a nombre de un estafador oportunista a cambio de un supuesto préstamo de rescate”.

Es fácil caer en las trampas que estas compañías elaboran, por eso es importante que siempre hables directamente con tu prestador y abogado, aunque no sea lo más sencillo, sin lugar a dudas es lo más seguro.

Otro sistema recurrente empleado por los defraudadores consiste en la oferta de conseguir un comprador a tu casa, con la condición de que firmes una escritura a su nombre y te mudes de la vivienda. El estafador te promete que cuando venda la casa lo primero que hará es darte un monto por la misma.

“Una vez que le transfieres la escritura, lo que en realidad hace el estafador es alquilar tu casa y meterse el dinero en el bolsillo, mientras que la entidad de préstamo prosigue con la ejecución hipotecaria. Finalmente, terminas perdiendo tu casa y, además, quedas como responsable de la hipoteca impaga. Esto sucede porque el hecho de transferir una escritura no tiene nada que ver con la transferencia de tu obligación hipotecaria”. Señala la Comisión federal encargada de la protección al consumidor.

No te dejes engañar por los estafadores. Si estás buscando ayuda para impedir un foreclosure, evita las firmas poco confiables que te buscan misteriosamente para ayudarte, sin que hayas pedido su auxilio. No confíes en los que te piden dinero por adelantado y pretenden que firmes documentos sin un abogado presente, además, sospecha de quien te dice que por una suma de dinero se encargará de todos tus problemas hipotecarios.

Si piensas que has sido víctima de un fraude hipotecario la FTC te recomienda que recurras a ellos o que te dirijas con otras entidades que pueden orientarte como la oficina local de Better Business Bureau o el fiscal de tu Estado.

40 años después nuestros hispanoamericanos an progresado

Desde el año 1968 mucho ha cambiado para los hispanoamericanos. Hace 40 años, los hispanos constaban menos del 4% de la población de Estados Unidos; hoy el porcentaje ha llegado al 15% y sigue creciendo.

En aquel entonces, éramos casi invisibles fuera del sudoeste y uno que otro grupo en otras partes del país. Hoy, los latinos comprenden el grupo étnico minoritario más grande y con mayor crecimiento electoral de Estados Unidos. Hace 40 años, más del 80% de los hispanos abandonó sus estudios, quizás un cuarto era propietario de su vivienda y había sólo un puñado de funcionarios electos latinos en toda la nación. Desde entonces, la tasa de abandono de los estudios ha bajado a la mitad, cerca del 50% de las familias latinas es dueño de su vivienda, y hay más de cinco mil funcionarios electos hispanos.

En 1968, el Consejo Nacional de La Raza (NCLR) fue creado con una meta: fortalecer a Estados Unidos mediante el avance de las familias latinas. El NCLR ha recibido

este reconocimiento por lo que, en conjunto con cerca de 300 organizaciones comunitarias que forman parte de nuestra Red de Afiliadas, continuamos luchando por lograr la igualdad de oportunidades en muchas áreas.

La educación.— El NCLR apoya a cien escuelas comunitarias que atienden a casi 25 mil estudiantes anualmente. Propiedad de viviendas.— Desde 1997, la red de propietarios del NCLR ha proporcionado consejo a cerca de 145 mil familias y ha ayudado a más de 23 mil familias latinas a comprar su propia casa. Head Start, — El NCLR, por mucho tiempo, ha abogado porque este importante programa de educación preescolar sea más accesible a los niños hispanos, quienes después de décadas de cifras bajas de inscripción, han logrado ahora alcanzar la paridad en asistencia con sus semejantes no hispanos. En 2005, el Congreso aumentó el financiamiento de Head Start en 35 millones de dólares para extender el acceso a los hijos de trabajadores agrícolas. La salud.— El NCLR ha ayudado a construir clínicas de

salud y a capacitar a los educadores de salud sin título médico; en 2006, estas clínicas y los educadores proporcionaron cuidados y prevención de enfermedades a cerca de 100 mil personas. La ciudadanía.— Nuestras afiliadas trabajan para ayudar a los inmigrantes hispanos a integrarse completamente a la sociedad estadounidense al proporcionarles acceso a clases de inglés y de civismo, y ofrecerles ayuda con los trámites para hacerse ciudadanos y registrarse para votar.

Aunque hemos progresado mucho como comunidad y como nación en los últimos 40 años, todavía nos queda trabajo por hacer para realizar nuestra visión de un país en el que todos tengamos las mismas oportunidades de alcanzar el sueño americano. A pesar de la lucha que los fundadores del NCLR hicieron para llamar la atención cuatro décadas atrás, a menudo los latinos reciben hoy el tipo de atención que no necesitan.

Por ejemplo, aunque los hispanoamericanos hemos servido a nuestro país con orgullo a través de toda nuestra historia, y a pesar

de seguir luchando y muriéndonos en Iraq y Afganistán hoy, hay algunos que cuestionan nuestra lealtad, mientras que otros nos denominan una amenaza.

Pero nosotros no permitiremos que estas fuerzas negativas nos desvíen de nuestro trabajo por mejorar las oportunidades para los hispanoamericanos. Así de sencillo—si los estudiantes latinos no tienen éxito en la escuela, nuestro propio sistema educativo tampoco podrá ser exitoso—. Si las familias latinas no tienen asegurado un nivel adecuado de estabilidad financiera y de ahorro, nuestro país tampoco prosperará económicamente.

Si los hispanos no están totalmente integrados en la sociedad general, esta nación no alcanzará la cohesión social que se requiere de la democracia multirracial más grande del mundo. En los 40 años por venir, una cosa es clara: el futuro de la comunidad latina es el futuro de esta nación. Trabajemos juntos para hacer que ese futuro sea brillante para cada uno de nosotros. Colaboración de Janet Murguía.

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Entertainment

‘Our Town’ coming to our town

By JESSICCA HAPWORTH-ELDRIDGE
Special to the Express

The students in the Winters High School drama Department are eagerly awaiting the premiere of their play “Our Town, Winters.” The performance dates are March 28 and 29, with show times at 7:30 p.m., admission is \$7 general.

The play begins in Winters, in the early 1900’s. Two houses are present while the stage manager, played by Catherine Hasbrook, introduces the town.

The Gibb Family and the Webb Family are getting ready for school before the stage manager interviews citizens for in-



Courtesy photo

Jaina Frank, Jessica Graham, and Cheyenne Powell portray three Winters ladies in 1901 Winters in the WHS production of “Our Town Winters” opening next weekend, March 28 and 29 at 7:30 in the Winters Community Center. Call 220-2487 for more information.

formation.

Emily Webb and George Gibbs are the protagonists in this play and foster affection for

each other throughout life and death. Weddings and funerals are present in this play as it follows the cycle of life.

The Harleys are coming!



Photo by Justin Cox

Vallejo HOG (Harley Owners Group) will be in Winters on March 30 for their 16th Annual Vernal Equinox ride. Three HOG members attended the March 18 city council meeting. From left to right: Mayor Fridae, Dallas, No Drama and Bearce.

Buckhorn helps Little League



Photo by Justin Cox

On the evening of Monday March 31, the Buckhorn will donate 15 percent of gross sales directly to Winters Little League. Show your support by making reservations as soon as possible, or stop by and have a drink and an appetizer in the bar. Back row, from left to right: John Rodriguez, Baylee Opperman and Chris Polston, General Manager at the Buckhorn. Front row: Dominic Rodriguez, Gary Molina and Mason Schroeder.

Youth Day will be on
April 26 at City Park!

Radio-control planes fly above water

The Woodland Davis Aeromodelers is inviting the public to come see radio-control airplanes take off and land on water. The event takes place Saturday March 28 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday March 29 from 9

a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Mavis Henson Field, located at 20179 County Road 102, between County Roads 25 and 27.

See many different types of sea planes, like a Piper Cub on floats, take off and land on water.

See them do aerobatic maneuvers. You must see it to believe it. Admission and parking is free. For more information visit www.wdarc.org or phone Forrest Barton at 662-6324.

New comedy series begins in Davis

Neil Simon’s inimitable comic style shines through in “Laughter On The 23rd Floor,” a hilarious story based on his time on the writing staff on the classic 1950s television variety show, Your Show Of Shows. Simon succeeds brilliantly in recapturing the mayhem and non-stop gags of the writers and their boss. (Parental guidance suggested, contains strong language)

As television begins expanding out of the cities and into rural areas, NBC begins pressuring its number one show, the jewel of television comedy, the Max Prince Show to make the show more appealing to these new viewers.

Performances are March 28 and 29, and April 4 and 5 at 8:15 p.m., and March 29 and 30, and April 5 and 6 at 2:15 p.m. Tickets are \$10, and are available for online ordering at www.dmtc.org.

Chamber calendar

Sunday, March 30

16th Annual
Vernal Equinox
Motorcycle Ride
Downtown
Main Street

Saturday, April 5

Winters Walk
12-6 p.m.
Downtown
businesses

Friday, April 11

Chamber Board
of Directors
Meeting
7 a.m.
Winters
Community Center

Monday, April 14

Chamber Mixer
5:30 p.m.
Berryessa Gap

Saturday, April 26

Youth Day

It's easy
to join the
Winters
Chamber
of Commerce!
Just call
795-2329!

Chamber gets involved with Winters Walk

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

The Winters Walk (formerly known as the Art Walk) will hopefully get a much-needed shot in the arm, now that the Winters Chamber of Commerce formally decided to give some direction to the monthly event, which has gone without an official coordinator for months. At the March 14 Chamber meeting, board member Valerie Whitworth volunteered to head a committee to generate ideas for the Winters Walk and to help get the event back on track with an expanded focus of including not just art galleries, but all Winters businesses that are interested in participating.

Whitworth announced that the committee will meet weekly until the Winters Walk is running a bit more smoothly. The next Winters Walk takes place on Saturday, April 5, and will feature a plein air art event and show.

The Chamber also got a chance to hear about the variety of hikes currently being offered at Stebbins Cold Canyon at the March 14 meeting. Jeff Falyn, who coordinates the hike program for UC Davis, attended the meeting and exchanged ideas with board members about how the hike program and the Winters business community could work together in a mutually beneficial way.

Designing and paying for an official Welcome to Winters banner was also agreed upon at the meeting. The large banner can be used for all sorts of events, such as the Earthquake Street Festival and bike races, to add some hometown spirit to the events as well as draw attention to them.

Other topics of discussion included the relocation of the Chamber office from the Community Center to a more prominent location downtown, the possibility of lighting the

Winters sign on Grant Avenue near the Chevron station, and also a formal welcome to Tom Stone, who will be serving as the Chamber director on a volunteer basis.

It was also formally announced that Chamber executive assistant Katie Whitmarsh is resigning soon, and her position will need to be filled. A job opening will be listed in the Winters Express.

The next Chamber meeting takes place on Friday, April 11, at 7 a.m. in the Community Center. Anyone interested in the local business community is welcome to attend. The public is also invited to the next Chamber Mixer, which is scheduled for Monday, April 14, at 5:30 p.m. at the Berryessa Gap tasting room on Main Street.

For more information about the Chamber or to join, call 795-2329, or visit the website: www.wintersechamber.com.

Plein Air painting festival will ‘Paint the Town’

Plein air painters are invited to paint the town... and the beautiful scenery in and around Winters from Wednesday through Saturday, April 2-5. This year, the inaugural Winters plein air festival, “Paint the Town,” will celebrate all that

this lovely area has to offer. Briggs & Co. will host a gala artist reception on April 5 from 6-9 p.m., featuring the work created during the festival. All paintings must be painted “plein air” during the festival and of areas within a 10-mile radius of Winters.

All paintings submitted will be offered for sale at prices set by the artist.

Artists can register in advance by emailing info@briggsandco.com or by calling 795-9505. Event information is available at www.briggsandco.com.

Spotlight on...



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Jesus Salazar is the owner of Chuy's Taqueria, located at 208 Railroad Avenue. Chuy's serves a variety of Mexican food, seven days a week: Tuesday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sundays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Chuy's will soon be opening a newly remodeled additional dining room adjacent to their current dining room to make room for even more customers. The phone number is 795-9811.

Chamber dues help fund:

Paid staff for the Chamber office

Sponsorship of local events

Listing in WInters Business Directory

Chamber membership includes:

Listing on the Chamber website:

www.winterschamber.com

Eligibility for health insurance

with Western Health Advantage

For more information about
the Winters Chamber of Commerce
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Sports

JV boys still dominating

◆ **Romero blasts one over left field fence**

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Winters Warriors JV baseball team continued to dominate their opponents as they picked up two more wins last week. The Warriors started league play on Tuesday, March 18, against Wheatland and won 10-0 after going into the fifth with the score 0-0. “We got off to another slow start,” said coach Daniel Ward. “But the bats finally came around by the end of the sixth. Max Van Dyke threw a great game again and was one out away from a no-hitter.” Van Dyke allowed just one hit with five strikeouts and no walks.

At the plate Cody Romero led the Warriors batting 2 for 2. “Cody was our leading hitter all season last year and is starting to get hot again at the right time,” said Ward. Sebastian Mahnke batted 2 for 3 with two doubles and a RBI. Russell Romero batted 2 for 4 with a double and an RBI. Van Dyke batted 2 for 4 as well with an RBI. Kevin Hyde batted 1 for 1. John Rowell batted 1 for 2. Vince Doyle batted 1 for 4 with a triple and an RBI, while Joe McIntire batted 1 for 4 with an RBI.

The Warriors took on visiting Orland on Friday, March 21, in another Butte View League game and this time didn’t wait until the later innings to start swinging the bats. Winters scored early and often on their way to a 24-1 victory over the Trojans. “We got on them early and stayed on them,” Ward said.

“We were patient at the plate with nine walks but also swung the bats very well with 14 hits. Everyone played and everyone got a hit which was exciting,” Ward added.

Russell Romero led the Warriors attack with an early homerun and ended the game batting 2 for 2 with a homerun and five RBI. “He is absolutely amazing right now,” Ward said. “He is batting .615 and every time he is up he hits something hard. I don’t know if I have ever seen a kid as locked in as he is.” Cody Romero had another big day at the plate as well batting 2 for 4 with 2 RBI. McIntire batted 2 for 5 with three RBI. Jared Ney, Joshua Meyers and Kyle Karlen each batted 1 for 1 with an RBI. Hyde batted 1 for 1. Juan Tovar batted 1 for 2 with an RBI. Max Barbosa batted 1 for 3 with a double and a RBI, while Doyle batted 1 for 4 with a double and three RBI.

Ney threw the first three innings for the Warriors giving up three hits, had five strikeouts and just one walk. McIntire pitched one inning and gave up no hits and struck out two, while Meyers threw one inning giving up no hits and struck out one batter for the Warriors.

“We are swinging the bats better than any team I have ever seen right now,” said Ward. In the last six games we have scored 98 runs (16 per game) and we are hitting over .400 as a team during that span. We have already scored more runs and have more extra base hits than we did all of last year.”

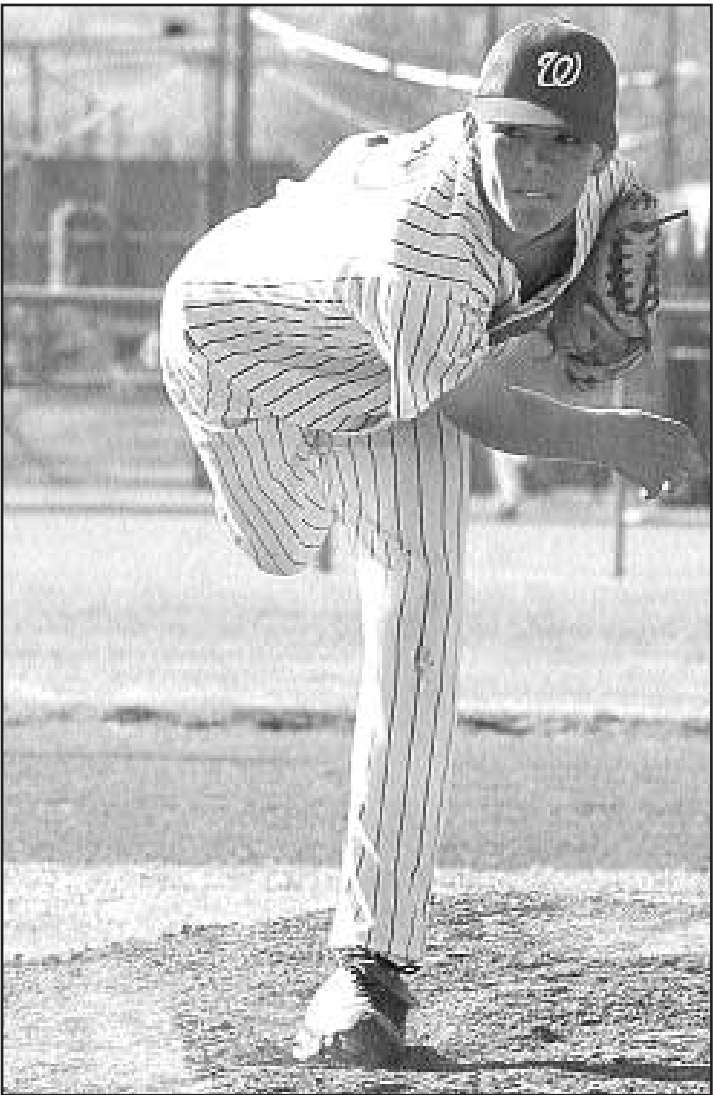


Photo by Eric Lucero
Jared Ney throws a strike to an Orland batter during a Winters Warriors JV Butte View League.



Photo by Eric Lucero
The Winters High School JV baseball catcher Joe McIntire frames a pitch as the umpire calls a strike during the Warriors Butte View League victory over visiting Orland on Friday, March 21.

Huizar’s home run sparks Warriors bats

◆ **Warriors win streak at five**

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Winters Warriors opened their 2008 Butte View League season with a 7-1 victory over the Wheatland Pirates on Tuesday, March 18, in Wheatland. Winters scored three runs in the first, two in the second and two more in the sixth behind nine total hits to pick up their fourth consecutive victory and improve their overall

record to 6-3.

On the mound Kevin Rowell picked up the win giving up one run on five and had four strikeouts. “Kevin threw a good game,” said coach Jeff Ingles. “He had good control and great command of his pitches. He had to throw some extra pitches due to some errors behind him but he had a good day.”

At the plate Kaplan Smith continued to hit the ball well as he went 3 for 3 on the day, with a triple, two RBI and two runs scored. “Kap did a

good job at the plate,” Ingles said. He is starting to hit the ball pretty solid. Rowell helped himself out at the plate batting 2 for 4 with two runs scored. Zach Higgins also batted 2 for 4 with a run scored. Cody Campos batted 1 for 1 with a run scored and a RBI. Kyle Tobler batted 1 for 3 with an RBI, while Ray McIntire scored a run for the Warriors stealing home.

“I knew we could steal home on their pitcher,” said Ingles. “I just need-

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WHS competes in the North State Invitational

By **Woody Fridae**

The Winters Track Team competed among a huge field at Chico North State Invitational last week. With only five girls competing in this event, several girls made notable performances.

Maya Tice, in a typically smart and strong effort, in the 400 meter took 5th with a time of 107.5. In the 4x400 relay, the team of Maya Tice, Taylor Hamilton, Hannah Long, Sarah Rominger made a nice all-around effort and took 6th, with a time of 4:58.0.

In the boys’ competition, Riki Lucero and Cody Svozil made brilliant runs in the 800 and 1600 meter races. Lucero took 2nd with a time of 2:10.3 and Svozil took 4th with a time of 2:15.0. Again, in the 1600 meter, Lucero and Svozil both posted personal best runs by large margins. Lucero placed 2nd with a 4:59.0 and Svozil, trailed by one second and took 3rd, with a time of 5:00.1. Both boys appear to be positioning themselves for dominance in the league and division this year.

In the Triple Jump Riki Lucero made an amazing early season effort and took 1st place posting a jump of 37 ft. 3in.

The team of Lucero, Svozil, Alex Evanoff, and Steven Warren placed first. It was capped off when they placed first in the 4X400 with a time of 3:53.1 (a wonderful way

to cap a great day).

In the 100 meter, Steven Warren made a great performance in a very competitive field, coming in at 11.0, 4th place.

In the shot put Thomas Damon made a toss of 36-0 and Elliott Herrera made a shot of 30-11, both great early-season efforts. In the discus, three Winters boys made great throws. Burt Masem made a huge personal best of 81-0, Damon threw 87-0 and Herrera threw 86-9.

Three Winters athletes made great marks in the high jump, given the cold weather and windy conditions. Dylan Cliché, David Damey, and Nik Sorvari all made successful jumps at 4-10.

Making a nice early season mark that should drop quickly in later meets, Marcus Carrasco ran a 48.7 in the 300 hurdles.

Turning in great early season efforts were Nik Sorvari, Sam Newman, and David Damey in the 100 hurdles. Newman and Damey also made fine runs in the 300 hurdles. They all figure to contribute significantly to the team cause once league starts.

Two other runners showed promise. Alex Evanoff made a great early season mark that was nearly a four second improvement from last week’s meet at Rio Vista, turning the 400 in 58.0 seconds. Jose Torres ran a gutty and smart race 1:02.0.

EXPRESS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



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Tess Hyer

Tess Hyer, a freshman on the Winters Warriors varsity softball team is this week’s athlete of the week. In the Warriors last five games the rookie has batted 7 for 15 for a .467 average scored three runs and had two RBI, a double and a triple. Hyer also played a game for the JV team and batted 3 for 4 with a double and three RBI and struck out 13 batters on the mound. “Tess has made a big impact on the varsity team,” said coach Dan Kaldo. “Her versatility has allowed us to use her in different positions in the infield to fill vulnerable gaps. She has excelled at second base and stepped up to be a fine shortstop when needed as well. She also has joined the pitching staff and has the leading ERA.

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JV girls having tough time at the plate

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters JV softball team hosted the Willows Honkers on Tuesday, March 11, and had a tough time keeping up with the Honkers. The Warriors suffered an 11-0 loss. Olivia Manas threw all five innings for the Warriors and had one strike out. Maci Lloyd batted 1 for 1 and Anna Campos batted 1 for 2 for the Warriors only hits. On Friday, March 14, the Warriors played St. Helena and played a better game but still lost 9-4. Tess Hyer came down from the varsity to play with the Warriors and led the team at the plate and on the mound. Hyer struck out 13 batters in six innings and

batted 3 for 4 with a double and three RBI. Courtney Corrales batted 2 for 4 with a double and an RBI. Campos, Katie Clark, Zulema Mora and Tyler Pearce all went 1 for 4, while Mora had a double for the Warriors. Winters traveled to Wheatland for their first league game of the season and came home with a 12-0 loss to the Pirates. Manas threw all four innings for the Warriors and had two strike outs but didn't have much help at the plate as the Warriors had just three hits. Pearce batted 1 for 2, while Corrales and Campos each went 1 for 3 for the Warriors.



Photo by Eric Lucero
Courtney Corrales gets ready to receive a pitch during a recent Warriors JV softball game.

Taking over the field



Photo by Eric Lucero
Vince Doyle hits a fly ball to right field on Friday, March 21, during the JV Warriors blowout victory over visiting Orland.

Officer's raise funds for Special Olympics

On Thursday, March 27, officers from the Solano Area office of the California Highway Patrol will be at Applebee's restaurant on Green Valley Road in Fairfield as part of the "Tip A Cop" program intended to raise funds for the Special Olympics. The event will take place from 6-9 p.m. and will serve as a prelude the Special Olympics Torch Run through Solano County. The Torch Run will pass through on June 2 and 3 with the opening ceremonies held at U.C. Berkeley on June 6.

Go
Warriors!

Graham, Trost find the fence

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Lady Warriors had a tough time on the road last week as they traveled to Wheatland for their league opener and suffered an 11-1 loss to the Pirates. Winters totaled just four hits with freshman Tess Hyer hitting one of them with a double. Hyer Batted 1 for 2 for the Warriors. Jessica Graham and Nichole Trost also batted 1 for 2 and Bttitanie Hedrick batted 1 for 3 for the Warriors. Caitlin Calvert got the start on the mound and took the loss as she threw the first two innings giving up four runs on five hits. Graham threw four innings giving up seven runs on seven hits. On Friday, March 21, the Warriors turned things around as they hosted Orland and took advantage of home field advantage with a 10-0 shutout over the Trojans. Winters scored runs in every inning from seven different players.

In 25 at bats the Warriors totaled 10 runs, 10 hits, 10 RBI and had two homeruns from Graham and Trost. Trost led the Warriors batting 2 for 3 with three RBI and a run scored off her first homerun of the season. Graham also had a big hit with a home run while batting 1 for 4 with two RBI and a run scored. Calvert batted 2 for 3 with a double and a RBI. Mattielyn Long also batted 2 for 3 with a RBI. Rebecca Salas batted 1 for 1 with a run scored. Hyer batted 1 for 2 with 2 runs scored. Hedrick batted 1 for 4 with two RBI and a run scored. Chelsea Corrales had a RBI and three runs scored, while Olivia Wingard scored a run for the Warriors. Calvert picked up the win for the Warriors throwing all five innings giving up no runs on three hits, with six strikeouts and just one walk.

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ed someone on third that had a clue of what was going on. So as soon as Ray got there he was going. Ray got a big jump and the pitcher saw him too late and tried to step off after he started his motion and balked." On Friday, March 22, the Warriors hosted the Orland Trojans for their second Butte View League game and picked up another impressive victory with a 13-3 win. Winters trailed 3-1 in the top of the fourth before Alex Huizar lead off the bottom of the inning with a homerun over the right field fence. That shot seemed to spark the Warriors as they went on to take the led with three more runs in the fourth. After shutting down the Trojans in the top of the fifth the Warriors came out and scored nine more runs to end the game on a mercy rule and a 13-3 victory. Huizar ended up 2 for 2 on the day with a home-run, an RBI and three runs scored. McIntire had the big day at the plate though, batting 4 for 5 with 4 RBI and a run scored. Bryan Case also batted 2 for 2 for the Warriors and had two RBI. Aaron Geerts batted 2 for 3 with two runs scored and an RBI. Campos batted 2 for 4 with two doubles and three RBI. Smith batted 1 for 4 with an RBI.

Ramon Bermudez and Rowell each scored two runs and had an RBI. Toler scored three runs for the Warriors, while John Cummings scored one run for the Warriors. Smith picked up the win for the Warriors allowing just two earned runs on five hits, had five strikeouts and no walks.

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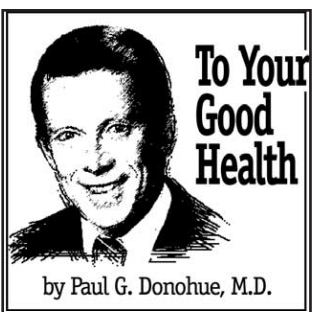
Aluminum linked with Alzheimer's Disease?

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have heard that aluminum, found in many deodorants, is harmful and can contribute to the development of Alzheimer's disease. Is there any truth to this? Every morning when I put on my deodorant, I think about it. — M.R.

ANSWER: Aluminum is one of the most plentiful metals on earth, and it's impossible to avoid coming in contact with it. It's in many commonly used items — food, water, cookware and a number of antiperspirants. It's also true that aluminum has been found in the brain of some Alzheimer's patients. For that reason, a few have raised the possible association of aluminum with Alzheimer's disease. This matter has been battled about for more than 25 years. Competent investigators have examined the evidence for an association, but no strong proof has been established. Most scientists believe that the tangles of two brain proteins called tau and amyloid (an unusual body product) are the more likely contributors to Alzheimer's disease. Personally, I do not worry about aluminum. I don't think you need to either. The booklet on Alzheimer's disease discusses this tragic illness in depth. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 903W, 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: Would you comment on the tattoo craze? Tattoos are seen more frequently these days, and it's hard to imagine that this is a healthy trend. Besides the possibility of infections, what are other undesirable effects? Can they be removed? — N.G.

ANSWER: Close to a quarter of people between the ages of 18 and 50 have at least one tattoo. Why? Self-expression, patriotism (flags), peer pressure, affiliation with certain groups, a testimonial of affection and rebellion are some reasons, and some people find them



quite attractive. People have had themselves tattooed for thousands of years. Complications actually are rather rare. Allergic reactions are possible, and they can take place up to 17 years after getting the tattoo. Disfiguring scars sometimes result. Yellow colors can incite a reaction from sunlight. Tattoos can be removed. Small ones can be cut off. Larger ones can also be cut off, but removal has to take place in stages. A laser can be used to erase tattoos. A series of treatments is necessary, and often a faint outline of the tattoo remains or a scar forms. Tattoo removal is expensive, something a prospective tattooee should consider. ***

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Nowadays there is such a to-do about gluten sensitivity and celiac disease. Which comes first? — F.G.

ANSWER: Gluten sensitivity and celiac disease are different names for the same condition. Gluten is a protein found in wheat, barley and rye. People with a sensitivity to gluten develop an inability to absorb nutrients, causing diarrhea and weight loss. Gluten acts like a poison to their digestive tracts. Treatment is avoidance of those grains and gluten.

You can call the illness celiac disease, gluten sensitivity, gluten enteropathy or sprue — whichever strikes your fancy. ***

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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Be careful what you say to a writer

A few years ago I got up one morning and made a cup of tea in my favorite mug — a gift from a friend who had moved to Taos, New Mexico. It was a large mug with a cluster of purplish-red grapes painted roughly all over it. It gave me great pleasure to drink from it. I had been planning on writing that day and the thought occurred to me to write a poem thanking Jane (not her real name). With my mug of lapsang souchong tea at hand, I sat down at my desk and began to write a poem of thanks in the form of a letter.

The words flowed out. I had noticed that this particular mug was always very hot to touch when it came out of the microwave. That got my scientific brain to thinking — why was that? The explanation that tumbled onto the page was not only scientific but was also a metaphor for a love relationship that had soured but had some bittersweet overtones remaining.

That was exactly what had happened between Jane and Gwen (also not a real name), who was also a friend of mine. I channeled them as I was writing this poem. Of course I didn't know if the thoughts in the poem accurately reflected their ideas about the broken relationship.

I was, and still am, particularly fond of this poem. There are several reasons for this. First, it is always a pleasure when the words come easily because it so seldom happens. Second, the whole poem is an extended metaphor comparing a love relationship to a mug, in a completely unusual way, involving science, of all things. Third, although the poem does not rhyme



MARGARET BURNS

MIDNIGHT OIL

at the end of lines, there are many "slant" rhymes (words that come close to rhyming) and words that rhyme within the lines. So the poem has a musical feel to it. Fourth, the story feels true.

I didn't think much more about it until I decided to try to publish some of my poems. I put four or five poems together, including this one, now titled "Dear Jane," and sent them off to a well-respected feminist journal called Calyx. A few months later I got a letter saying that they were holding Dear Jane and were considering publishing it in their next issue. Wow! A national publication!

Wait a minute! What if my friends saw it? Would they think I had made public a private aspect of their lives? The probability that my friends would see it was low but I decided to show them the poem so they would not be surprised if they saw it in print. I called each of them and told them how the poem came about and that it might be published.

"Jane" was flattered and thought the poem was quite good. "Gwen" sounded somewhat disgruntled though she didn't say anything specifically negative to me. I thought the irritation was because I had inadvertently captured the essence of their relationship. Perhaps I had stepped over the privacy boundary that we each draw around ourselves. It became a non-issue when the journal decid-

ed not to publish the poem.

This issue — who owns your story — is the central theme in a play done by the Winters Theatre Company a few years ago. An older writer mentors a younger one. During the course of their growing friendship, the older woman, Ruth, tells the younger, Lisa, the story of her life including a romantic relationship with a famous New York poet. Lisa uses this material as the basis of her highly successful second novel. I played Ruth and Joanie Bryant played Lisa in "Collected Stories," directed by Linda Glick.

The treachery is revealed in a scene where Lisa does a reading of her new book at the 92nd Street YMCA, a popular literary site in New York City. Unbeknownst to Lisa, Ruth is in the audience and hears the exact words she used to tell Lisa her story. Lisa stole not only her story, but plagiarized Ruth's words, as well. The final scene is the crux of the argument about who owns what story. Ruth totally rejects Lisa, once her protégé. Ruth should have known better, after all, Lisa was first and foremost a writer.

In writing this column last week, I decided to talk to both "Jane" and "Gwen" about their feelings about the poem at the time. Had I been correct in my understanding of their reactions to the poem? I was surprised. Neither of them thought I was describing their relationship. They thought I was expressing my own passion for Jane!

The moral of the story: Be wary of what you tell a writer, you never can tell what will show up in print. The writer also needs to be wary of what she puts on the printed page.

Pleased to meet you



Name: Jessica Graham
Occupation: Senior at Winters High School.
Hobby: softball
What's best about living in Winters: "It's small and cozy."
Fun fact: I have two pet mice and an evil bird.

— King Crossword — Answers

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Congratulations, Lamb. This is the week to finish your project and then bask in your well-earned approval. (And if you like, you can also say "bah" to all those detractors.) TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The bold Bovine could find a new opportunity too intriguing to be ignored. But don't charge into it. Go slowly so you see how things develop as you get more involved. GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might try to soften your stand on that important issue. A little more flexibility could actually get you what you're looking for. A new friend enters the picture midweek. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your inner voice is on the mark when it advises you to tackle that family problem now! The sooner you're able to come to terms with it, the better it will be for everyone. LEO (July 23 to August 22) Someone reveals important news about a longtime associate. But before you decide how to deal with this information, make sure it's reliable, and not simply self-serving. VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Some intensive soul-searching early in the week can help you reach a decision by week's end that should please both you and the other person involved. Good luck.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) The possibility of a career change is intriguing. Learn more about what it can offer and what it cannot. Weigh everything carefully. And ask questions. SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Work is your priority this week as you try to make up for lost time. Expect help from someone who cares about you. Things take a welcome turn by the weekend. SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A health problem causes some anxiety early in the week. But prompt medical attention soon eases everyone's concerns. Enjoy an arts-filled weekend.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) As much as you might resent it, a changing situation could require you to adjust your plans accordingly. The good news: An associate agrees to cooperate. AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) That old problem is finally resolved, just in time for you to take on a new work-related project. This one could be the super door-opener you've been looking for.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) The early part of the week presents some difficult hurdles. But once you get over them, you can start to focus on matters that are more important to you. BORN THIS WEEK: You are respected for your honesty and your dedication to doing the right thing, no matter how difficult that might be.

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- 6 Irving or Grant
- 9 Choose
- 12 Wahine's welcome
- 13 Pigeon's sound
- 14 Actor McBride
- 15 Libyan money
- 16 Hide
- 18 Pollen-producing organ
- 20 Kiln
- 21 Jackie's second mate
- 23 With it
- 24 De Mille or Moorehead
- 25 Unuttered "alas"
- 27 Wild West transport
- 29 Overlook
- 31 It may be lead or grease
- 35 Anorak
- 37 Heavy reading?
- 38 Theme
- 41 Mine car contents
- 43 Gripe repeatedly
- 44 See 20-Across
- 45 Odium
- 47 Set
- 49 Rendering dumbfounded
- 52 Smack

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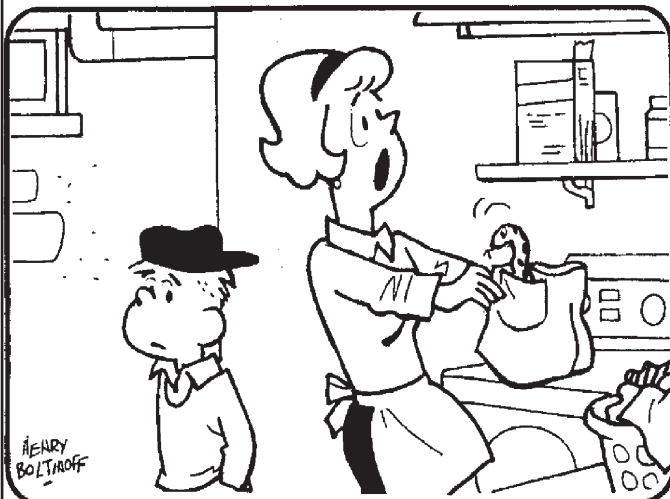
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- 3 Give over (to)
- 4 Just one of those things?
- 5 Jessica Parker or Michelle Gellar
- 6 Take
- 7 Werewolf's inspiration
- 8 Thither
- 9 Lindbergh's view
- 10 Aspect
- 11 Pinball infractions
- 17 Appealing to the mind
- 19 Skinflint
- 21 "— saying, ..."
- 22 Semi, e.g.
- 24 Time of your life?
- 26 Optimistic
- 28 Here and there?
- 30 U.K. fliers
- 32 Appropriate
- 33 "— Little Teapot"
- 34 Journey segment
- 36 Eucalyptus eaters
- 38 Starbucks flavor
- 39 Egg-shaped
- 40 Bivouac array
- 42 Obliterate
- 45 Physicist Otto
- 46 Basin accessory
- 48 Green (Pref.)
- 50 Greek consonants
- 51 Obtain

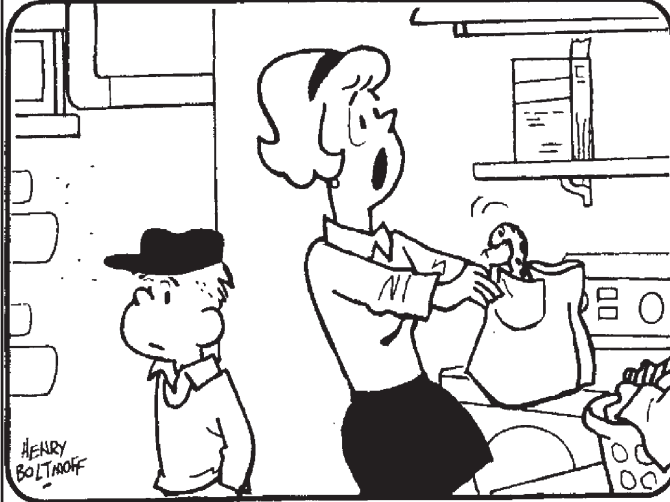
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HOCUS-FOCUS

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Apron is missing. 2. Boy's cap is turned forward. 3. Shorts are longer. 4. Items are missing from shelf. 5. There are more wall bricks. 6. Pipe is lower on wall.

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Winters City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers
318 First Street
Tuesday, April 1, 2008
7:30 p.m.
AGENDA

PLEASE NOTE – The numerical order of items on this agenda is for convenience of reference. Items may be taken out of order upon request of the Mayor or Councilmembers. Public comments time may be limited and speakers will be asked to state their name.

Roll Call
Pledge of Allegiance
Approval of Agenda

PUBLIC COMMENTS
At this time, any member of the public may address the City Council on matters, which are not listed on this agenda. Citizens should reserve their comments for matter listed on this agenda at the time the item is considered by the Council. An exception is made for members of the public for whom it would create a hardship to stay until their item is heard. Those individuals may address the item after the public has spoken on issues that are not listed on the agenda. Presentations may be limited to accommodate all speakers within the time available. Public comments may also be continued to later in the meeting should the time allotted for public comment expire.

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A. Minutes of a Special City Council Meeting held on March 11, 2008, and the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Winters City Council held on March 18, 2008
B. Final Acceptance – State Route 128 & I-505 North-bound Ramp Signal Project No. 05-02
C. Application for Youth Day Parade Permit, Request for Youth Day Street Closure, and Request for Donation of \$2,500 on an Annual Basis
D. Proclamation Declaring April 13 – April 19, 2008 as "The Week of the Young Child," requested by the Yolo County Child Care Planning Council
E. Adopt Resolution 2008-10, Declaring Public Nuisance on Specified Parcels

PRESENTATIONS
Proclamation to YCCA Representative Declaring April 2008 as Child Abuse Prevention Month

DISCUSSION ITEMS
1. Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)
2. Authorization to pay application fee to PG&E for California Solar Initiative reservation.
3. Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance 2008-06, Amending Chapter 2 of the Winters Municipal Code to Authorize Compensation for Planning Commissioners
4. Adopt Resolution 2008-11, Committing CDBG Program Income to the Almondwood Apartment Acquisition and Rehabilitation Project.
5. Consultant Services Agreement with Kathryn Kelly

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

1. Revised Scope of Work and Project Cost for Downtown Improvement Project – Phase I

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s/ Teresa A. Kisamore
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Luis Reyes Jr. 813 Taylor St., Winters CA 95694
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132 S. Gonzalez
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Signed Casey Stone
Published March 20, 27, 2008

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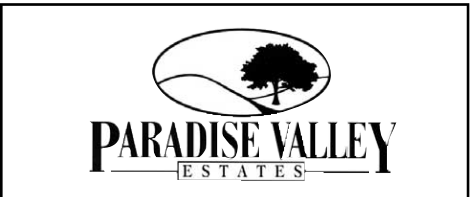
Notice of Trustee Sale

TSG No.: 3537065 TS No.: 20079125600842 FHA/VA/PMI No.: Notice Of Trustee's Sale YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 5/5/2006 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 4/2/2008 at 10:30 am First American Loanstar Trustee Services, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 05/12/2006, as Instrument No. 200600060442, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Solano County, State of California. Executed by: Anne Patton, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check/cash equivalent or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) At the Santa Clara Street entrance to the City Hall at 555 Santa Clara Street, Vallejo, CA 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: As more fully described in the above mentioned Deed of Trust APN# 0103-230-070 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 9124 Boyce Road , 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 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 said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, 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. 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 \$542,292.24 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. Date: 3/13/2008 First American Title Insurance Company First American LoanStar Trustee Services 3 First American Way Santa Ana, CA 92707 First American Loanstar Trustee Services may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Original document signed by Authorized Agent Ch Sconyers – For Trustee's Sale Information Please Call (714) 573-1965
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s/ David T. Runk, VMD/ Dina N. Allison, DVM
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
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