

A sweet, charming Youth Day



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

This year's Sweetthunk and Sweetheart were Cody Campos (left) and Ari Ruiz.

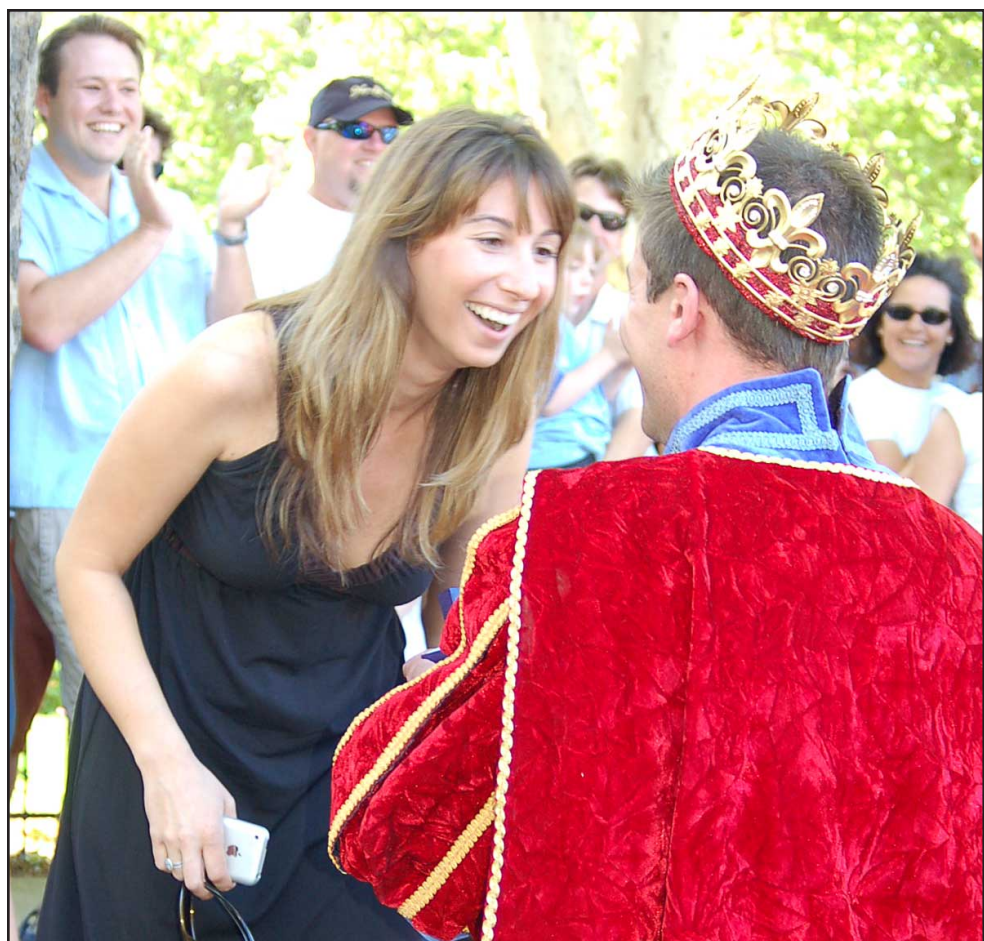


Photo by Charles Wallace

Emarie Chervinskas' Prince Charming (Nick Van Galio) proposes on bended knee after emerging from a float in the Youth Day parade. Although caught by surprise, Chervinskas said "yes," amid applause, cheers and tears from onlookers.

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

If you've seen one Youth Day, you've seen them all — plenty of pancakes, lots of sunshine and smiles, a bright, bouncy parade, and more fun, family and friends than City Park can hold — and this year's Youth Day was no exception. Except maybe for one: for possibly the first time in Youth Day parade history, a creative young man made a marriage proposal from a float in the parade.

It likely seemed like any other Youth Day parade for Emarie Chervinskas, 28, when a "horse" pulled a tall, thin cardboard castle up in front of her. They stopped, a jester emerged from behind the castle and rolled out a red carpet, and out of the castle emerged Prince Charming, also known to Chervinskas as her boyfriend, Nick Van Galio.

Van Galio walked up to Chervinskas, got down on one knee and proposed to the astonished Chervinskas, who of course, said "Yes!" Van Galio's friends (the two halves of the horse) stood up, one holding a "yes" sign and the other a "no" sign. When Chervinskas gave her answer, the "Yes!" sign went up amid cheers and applause, and according to Chervinskas' mother, Melanie Pickrel, people who didn't even know the couple were crying. Anyone who missed this Youth Day first can catch it on YouTube — search for "Emarie and Nick get engaged."

Other than that happy, romantic twist, Youth Day was everything that everyone always looks forward to, beginning with opening ceremonies on Friday, April 25. Parade Chairman

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Rotary Park no longer a park

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Rotary Park is located next to the Community Center at the intersection of Main Street and Railroad Avenue. It is a city-owned grassy area with a gazebo at its center. While currently classified by the city as a park, it is more commonly used as a host site for concerts and festivals than as a recreation area for children. Under this classification however, it is subject to a set of rules designed to ensure the safety of children by limiting certain types of development in surrounding areas. At its April 22 meeting, the Winters Planning Commission discussed the possibility of altering the classification so as to more appropriately encompass its actual function within the community.

According to the city's zoning code, no on-sale liquor establishments are allowed within the Central Business District within a distance of 200 feet from a public park. With Rotary Park so centrally located, along with the absence

of play areas such as jungle gyms and swing sets, it was city staff's recommendation that the classification be changed.

"The intent was to keep kids from being exposed to alcoholic beverages," said Contract Planner Jeff Fisher, noting that the above-mentioned area is not often used by children. "Rotary Park should not be considered a park in the traditional sense of the word."

The planning commission voted unanimously to approve the plan, with Chairman Albert Vallecillo and Commissioner Corinne Martinez stepping down due to a conflict of interest and Commissioner Glenn De Vries not present.

"Does this restrict us to do certain things because we're saying explicitly that this is not a park?" asked Councilmember Joseph Trantomana.

Donlevy informed him that the area would receive a new classification (possibly town square), and that little

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Bridge dedication will honor Chapman

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The official dedication of the renovated 1906 steel railway bridge across Putah Creek will take place on Saturday, May 10, at 10 a.m. at the north end of the bridge, behind the Community Center. The bridge was renovated in 2007 and named in memory of J. Robert Chapman, who served the city in public office for 21 years, including 14 years as mayor. Chapman passed away on Aug. 9, 2005.

The steel Pratt Truss railway bridge was built in 1906, replacing the wood rail and wagon bridge located at the same site. Construction of the original wood bridge in 1875 effectively started the town of Winters, as citizens of the nearby town of Buckeye relocated to the newly created rail crossing of Putah Creek.

In 1977, Southern Pacific donated the bridge and a 60 foot right-of-way on either side of

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Winters Rotarians do relief work in Nogales

By WOODY FRIDAE
Special to the Express

Sam Donlevy, an eighth grader at Winters Middle School, could have gone with his mom and sister to see an American Idol taping in Hollywood. Khachonyot "Big" Yaempradit, an exchange student living with the Fridae family, might have gone to New York City over vacation, one experience on his life's "bucket list."

Jaime Anderson could have been hanging out with her friends, and enjoying a much-needed, week-long break from a demanding year as a college-bound junior at Winters High School. And Andrew Fridae, a senior at WHS, might have spent Spring Break flying to Bennington, Vermont to see if that college town meets his expectations for col-

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Photo by Woody Fridae

Jamie Anderson (sitting) and Andrew Fridae finish detailing the basketball court at the "Casa Misericordia."

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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
April 23	T	69	47
April 24	T	68	38
April 25		75	45
April 26		84	55
April 27		93	58
April 28		95	55
April 29		92	52

Rain for week: Trace

Season's total: 23.10

Last year to date: 10.13

Average to April 29: 20.63

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OBITUARIES

Ila Lucille Lopez

Lucille Lopez passed away peacefully at home with her family on April 24, 2008 at the age of 80. She was born in Vallejo to Clifford and Ila Meagher on March 27, 1928. She grew up in the Monticello Valley and graduated from Winters High School as the salutatorian. She was married to her husband, Pete, for 62 years. She loved to be with her family, and get on her Honda and check on her cattle. She was in the cattle business all her life.

She is survived by her husband, Pete Lopez; son, Howard Lopez and wife, Bonnie; daughter, Candy Hatanaka and husband, David; grandsons, Kevin Lopez and wife, Donna, Anthony Lopez and fiancée Michelle Redmond, Wayne Hatanaka and Russell Hatanaka; great-grandchildren Michael Lopez and Annaelise Hatanaka, all from the Esparto Area.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Cliff Meagher, Jr.

A graveside service will be held on Thursday, May 1, at the Capay Cemetary.

YESTERYEAR



File photo by Debra LoGuercio

The winners of the lip sync contest held at the city park on the 1994 Winters Youth Day were, from left, Jennifer Morse, Lynn Sanders, and Amy Ladd.

Berryessa drops .42 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa dropped by .42 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 7,591 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 427.44 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,367,590 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 430 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 160 acre feet of water per day during the week.

Weekly fire report for April

April 21

~ Medical aid 400 block of Morgan Street, medical alarm activation.

~ Medical aid 200 block of Railroad Avenue, unconscious female.

~ Vehicle accident 200 block of West Grant Avenue.

April 22

~ Medical aid first block of Baker Street,

hip injury.

~ Medical air, corner of Grant and Railroad, back pain.

April 24

~ Vehicle accident Russell Boulevard and Carmelo Way.

April 25

~ Medical aid Southbound I 505 quarter mile west of Highway 128, unknown medical problem.

~Fire alarm 100 block of East Baker,

~ Medical aid 100 block of Orchard Lane, difficulty breathing.

April 26

~ Medical aid 1000 block of Roosevelt, unconscious female.

~ Vehicle accident Grant Avenue and Walnut Lane.

~ Medical aid 800 block of Lincoln Street, unconscious male.

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YEARS AGO

May 15, 1958

Thomas P. Stowers, manager of the Diamond-Gardner Company lumber yard here for the past six years, has been named manager of the company's yard at Fairfield, and will take over his new position on June 1.

The Winters Lions Club will hold its annual barbecue at the Winters City Park May 26 at 7p.m. Joe Diaz is picnic chairman and will be assisted by Wayne Ireland and Frank Ramos.

Mother's Day guests of Mrs. Rose Partain were her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Colar of Sacramento and her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Partain of San Jose.

The Winters High School Warriors varsity baseball team hammered out a 10 to 0 win over Clarksburg Monday on the local field behind a six-hit pitching performance by John Martinez.

Members of the Mariner's Club of the Pioneer Presbyterian Church and their families enjoyed a wiener roast at the Napa Valley Ranch Club Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Don Frisbee and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Clark were hosts and hostesses for the evening.

Mrs. Robert Becker was elected president of Winters American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 242, at last Wednesday night's meeting.

Mrs. D.H. McCoy has been named to the board of directors of the Yolo County Tuberculosis and Health Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Vasey spent Mother's Day in Berkeley with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Nash San Martin.

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YEARS AGO

May 14, 1943

Herbert Connor Jr. left Wednesday a.m. for Salt Lake City where he will be in Air Corps service.

Dr. H.G. Potter, after a year's service in the U.S. Army Medical Corps has been promoted to a captaincy.

Word from Melvin Coombs is that he is still in Alaska.

Pvt. Albert G. Ichtertz who is stationed at the Western Signal Corps Training Center at Camp Kohler, California, has been promoted to the grade of corporal.

James Barker in U.S. Air service, stationed in Visalia, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barker on Mother's Day.

Laverne Baker in Air Corps service at Salt Lake has written that he will receive his stripe tomorrow, that will rate him at 1st. Class Private.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Cattermole of Berkeley spent Mother's Day with Mrs. Mary Mardis and Rice Brothers.

Miss Mae Holmes of Dos Palos and Oscar Holmes Jr. of Stanford were Sunday visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Holmes.

J.F. Ormiston of Ukiah is in town looking after his property interests and enjoying a visit at the Mrs. Ella Ormiston home.

Mrs. M. Moore and children were Saturday motorists to St. Helena where they visited relatives.

115
YEARS AGO

May 13, 1893

The Winters Driving Club will give two day's racing, over the Winters Race track, on Friday and Saturday, June 23 and 24.

Among the names of the graduates from the Hastings College of Law, University of California, we notice that of Hart J. North. He passed the bar examination last May, but kept up his studies in the college after admission to the bar, and has now graduated with honors.

The Express is informed that a move is being made here to organize and incorporate a company to develop and operate the iron mines located in Napa County near Knoxville. The company will be composed mostly of Winters men. The ore after being mined will be brought here by teams and shipped below for reduction.

Principal Crane has announced that the following scholars will graduate from the Winters Grammar School this year: Josie Schuster, Clara Best, Minne Babcock, Stella Frey, Lucy Rucker, Mary Ritchie, Essie Morrison, Edna Rust, Nannie Hayes, Mabel Jeans,, Mary McArthur, Fannie Cooper, Lee Campbell, Alex Ritchie, Ed Hansen, Chas. Moody, Elmer Humphrey, John Burrows and Arthur Cooper.

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Weekly police report for April

April 16

~ On the 200 block of Almeria Place, a vehicle was broken into and an iPod was stolen. Loss: \$300.

April 18-20

~ On the 400 block of Anderson Avenue, two classrooms were entered and ransacked. There was no property reported stolen.

April 20

~ At State Route 128 and County Road 87, an officer assisted the California Highway Patrol with a single vehicle rollover traffic accident.

~ On the 100 block of Broadview Lane, a victim received electronic death threats from an unknown suspect.

April 21

~ Jose Emilio Figueroa, 19, of Winters was driving eastbound on Grant Avenue. As he drove past Hemenway Street, he looked to his left at the football field. He did not realize he was so close to a parked vehicle owned by Brenda Michelson of Winters and sideswiped the vehicle.

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

April 23

~ On Myrtle Drive, an officer assisted a Yolo County Sheriff Deputy with a 911 hang-up call. It was determined a juvenile

was playing with the telephone.

April 24-25

~ On the 400 block of Edwards Street, a vehicle was broken into and a laptop was stolen. Loss: \$2,500.

~ On the 800 block of West Grant Avenue, an unlocked bicycle was stolen. Loss: \$800.

April 25

~ A set of found keys were turned over to the police department.

~ Raul Jose Duran, 27, of Winters was arrested for being intoxicated in public and violation of parole. Duran was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ On the 400 block of Main Street, an opened garage was entered and batteries were stolen. Loss: \$340.

~ Jeffrey Glenn Childress, 65, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08%. Childress was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

April 26

~ Miguel Angel Guzman Garcia, 24, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and failing to provide

vide proof of insurance.

~ On the 200 block of Red Bud Lane, an unlocked vehicle was entered and ransacked. There was no property reported stolen.

~ A 16-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a notice to appear for being a minor in possession of alcohol.

April 27

~ Derek Boyd Soucie, 23, of Vacaville was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08% and driving at an unsafe speed. Soucie was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

~ Abraham Michelle Lugo-Martinez, 21, of Sunnyvale was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having an audible stereo heard from over 50 feet.

~ A 16-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for being a minor in possession of alcohol, being intoxicated in public and violating probation. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

April 28

~ Guillermo Figueroa, 49, of Winters was booked and released on a District

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ROTARY

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lege next year.

But no. These four Winters students joined 11 other Winters Rotarians to go to Mexico during Spring Break. Not Cozumel, Cancun, nor Isla Mujeres on the Caribbean Sea. Not Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlán, nor La Paz on the Sea of Cortez. There wasn't a body of water in sight, unless you call their 10,000 liter rain water collection project a "body of water." No, they went to the noisy and dusty, rough and tumble border city of Nogales just across from Southern Arizona.

This year's program was spearheaded by Woody Fridae, the Rotary Club of Winters International Services Chairman; Cecil Padilla, a frequent Rotary international project participant; and Mike Kimes, a well-known, retired former owner of Kimes Ace Hardware. They worked over the course of approximately six months to develop a humanitarian aid project to spread the goodwill of the Winters Club.

The Rotary Club of Winters took up the effort to make a difference for the poor and disadvantaged children of Nogales two years ago when Padilla, Mike and Janet Kimes, and Woody Fridae and his son Andrew made a trip two years ago. On that visit, the "Casa de la Misericordia" (House of Mercy) was a place children could get a free meal, help with school work, or just have a place to go when their parents were at work or just not around.

It was built on a hill-top in a south-east "barrio" of Nogales amid a spiderweb of narrow dirt roads, strewn with cinder block and corrugated tin houses, all of which were are perched on lots terraced with used tires, stacked like so many round, rubber landscaping blocks. There is no city water or sewage. The loud speaker announces in the distance "agua, agua, agua" from time to time when the water truck makes its run up the hills.

During that trip, the group helped fix up bathrooms, put up basketball backboards, and spruce up the facility by painting. Mike and Janet Kimes were so taken with the project and the rugged beauty of Southern Arizona, they decided to buy a condominium unit in

Green Valley, 15 miles south of Tucson. They have enjoyed a "home away from home" while offering a jumping-off point for the visiting Rotarians who come in from Winters to go work on at the Casa in Nogales.

This year, those five members were joined by local optometrist, Dr. Ed Anderson, his wife Janet, their daughter Jaime, and Diane Kisner, Janet's mother; John Donlevy and his son Sam; Roy Jones, Bev Warner, Rebecca Fridae, and the Fridaes' AFS exchange student "Big." These 15 members all took time out of their busy lives to learn more about another culture and help a group in need.

The 15 member work crew found a very different situation from the previous visit. The Casa is currently running programs to teach young people work skills and is interviewing to find appropriate families for their aid programs. It also serves as a playground for children of all ages. It is also gearing up for a children's summer program where the staff will provide child care for children from infants through grammar school age children.

The Winters crew found a facility that had some programs that were functioning well, and many others that were not. The Casa and its parent organization "Border Links" were undergoing some radical changes. The Executive Director of the Border Links, Delle McCormick, met with the volunteers and said that they wanted to go from being seen as a "hand out" to a "hand up."

"The major change we are trying to bring about is making this program sustainable," McCormick said.

It will be more of a cooperative program in the future. Children are being more closely interviewed so that the neediest ones are accepted into the program. The school is putting in a community garden so that the food will not be as dependent on donations. The parents of children who do get accepted to the program will have to come in four days a year to work on the garden, and be expected to take part in four days of training in nutrition, health, and child rearing.

The Winters Rotarians spent much of their time rebuilding some shade structures that



Photo by Woody Fridae

The Winters work team enjoys the shade of one of the structures they repaired, from left, Woody Fridae, Cecil Padilla, Roy Jones, John Donlevy, Sam Donlevy, Rebecca Fridae, Mike Kimes, Diane Kisner (front), Beverly Warner, Ed Anderson, Janet Anderson, Jamie Anderson (front), Khachonyot "Big" Yaempradit and Andrew Fridae.

are needed in order to grow a successful garden in the hot Mexican sun. Roy Jones, husband of Rotary member Chris Jones, was a key member in the success of this part of the project. He planned for an irrigation system and brought down on the plane to Tucson a pump and pressure tank for the rain water collection system. As soon as he got there, Bev Warner and Woody Fridae set out to a plumbing supply store to negotiate the intricacies of translating into Spanish, Roy's knowledge of plumbing for the appropriate needed parts to make the irrigation project complete.

The younger team members, Jamie Anderson, Andrew Fridae, Sam Donlevy and "Big" took on the project of repainting the backboards and painting the lines on the basketball court. As soon as the paint was dry on the basketball court it was busy with groups of kids shooting hoops on the new court.

One of the highlights for many of the volunteers was the opportunity to interact with the locals. Many Nogales children were thrilled to be given an opportunity to help paint the shade structure after it was repaired. There were others who enjoyed playing catch or a card game with some of the Winters group. Many from the Winters work team noted that these children, who had so little, were all happy and seemingly healthy.

"The sounds of the neighborhood were an important part of the reality [there]," said John Donlevy. "The radios, loud speakers, people talking and kids playing brought home the reality that this was a place people really lived! And did I mention the dogs barking, and car horns all night?"

The Winters team also took time on this visit, to learn much about the conditions that make Nogales such a poverty-stricken place. Many see the border city as a jumping-off point to the US and as a desperate, last hope for a brighter future. They take all their hopes and resources, and make the long and usually dangerous trip up from southern Mexico or Central America to one of these border cities in an attempt at crossing into the US and a more prosperous life. Nearly all of them end up caught in the hot, cactus-strewn environment of southern Arizona and then brought back by the border patrol to a city like Nogales and dumped at the "Mariposa" tent. The tent is a point just inside the Mexican border where an average of 200 border crossers are dropped off daily.

These are the lucky ones. Many of the border crossers become victims of preying "coyotes," kidnapped by human traffickers, or are injured or worse from exposure to harsh desert conditions. The

ones who do survive end up at the "Mariposa" tent without money, often having their documentation stolen, and not a clue as to what to do next or how to get back to their homes. This impact to the city resources is profound, and severely affects its ability to provide services to the rest of the city's 300,000 inhabitants.

Borderlinks is an organization that, on one hand, gives direct help to the young, disadvantaged, and homeless of Nogales while, on the other hand, sets out to educate people on both sides of the border about the complex and very profound problems of having so many deportees affecting a struggling city like Nogales.

The experience for the Winters group proved to be a moving one for all 15 members. Some were moved most by the desperate culture of those trying to migrate. Others were gratified by the team work of the work crew. And still others were encouraged by their own ability to make a small difference in others' lives.

"This was an experience of a lifetime," said Ed Anderson, who is now looking into the idea of returning on a subsequent trip and set-

ting up eye screening next time. "Actually seeing and living in the environment that these people live in day in and day out, is very powerful. It gives me an appreciation of what I have as an American citizen."

Bev Warner saw hope.

"Kids are kids, no matter where you meet them — curious, open, wanting to engage. [The] human spirit brings people together in community — industrious people, building from whatever materials are available."

Janet Anderson summed it up.

"The trip ended up to be a great balance of working, learning and interacting with our own group and with others."

This project is one of many projects done by the Rotary Club of Winters. Other international service projects include building water wells in Tanzania and participation in Rotary's Polio Plus program to end the disease worldwide. Locally, Rotary is the largest scholarship organization benefiting Winters High School. The club also promotes a literacy program at Waggoner School and spends over \$20,000 annually on local, community based projects.

POLICE

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Attorney letter charging him with being under the influence of toluene and hydrocarbons.

~ Richard Douglas Seelye, 36, of Dixon was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license. Seelye was also arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with violation of probation on previous charge of being in possession of a controlled substance. Seelye was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

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Opinion



DEBRA LO QUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

AND MY JOURNEY THROUGH email hell continues. Just as my last column made link, one of our techies called to inform me that there's a secret code that can be typed into our email settings to bypass AT&T's insistence that we upgrade to an internet browser that isn't powered by hamsters on exercise wheels, and all my problems would be solved. Sure enough, he walked me through it over the phone, I typed in a few words, a few numbers, and bingo — I had email again.

Amazing. The techie explained that they'd used this secret code before to fix the email of the Grand Poobah of McNaughton Newspapers, the Big Guy in charge of the whole shebang, in whose presence mere employees such as myself tremble and avert their eyes. When He squawks, people listen. Apparently when He had this very same issue as I — being unable to send or receive email because of a prehistoric internet browser — a solution was found.

Which means a solution existed all along. And the techies chose to let me twist pathetically in the wind, all for the sheer entertainment value.

As I said before... sadists.

Bottom line, you can once again email me at debra@wintersexpress.com to tell me how much you love my columns, and those who send the "Jane, you ignorant slut" rebuttals, informing me that if I had a PhD in astrophysics and had spent 10 years in Papua New Guinea studying the breeding habits of belching tree frogs as does every *other* person in the U.S. — *duh* — that I wouldn't write such ridiculous blather, well, you folks can continue as always and write letters to the editor.

Well, that's what the Davis armchair critics write. Hate mail from Fairfield tends to fall along the lines of "You don't support the troops!" and "Jesus doesn't love you!"

Winters readers? They don't have the time or patience to bother with email. They just lean their heads out of their SUVs as they drive by me while I'm walking down the sidewalk and holler, "Your column sucked this week!"

Remind me again... Why did I leave a lovely, stable job at the Yolo County Department of Social Services to embark on a career in which the financial benefits are on par with those that involve saying "You want fries with that, Ma'am?" all day, and oft times the "feedback" from said career makes it feel nearly as pleasant as stabbing knitting needles repeatedly through your temples? I think I finally get it. Suddenly, it all makes sense: I'm a masochist. No wonder the techies love me so much!

Lest you think I'm exaggerating about the joys of my job, let me tell you a little story that, oddly enough, The Boss (not the Grand Poobah, I mean the guy on the other side of this page, AKA the bane of my existence) also enjoys telling.

It was a cold, dark night, way back in '95, back in the days when in addition to being the editor, columnist, head photographer, front desk receptionist, obituary writer, layout specialist, complaint department and occasional housekeeper, I was also the staff reporter. For \$5 an hour less than I was making at the County! I'm not just a masochist, I'm retarded!

In those days, I had to cover the city council meetings and go back and write the story the same night, after which time the Express would go to press. Some nights were very late, and finishing well past midnight was the norm.

This particular night, not only was it an excruciatingly long and mind-numbing meeting, something like a two hour debate about the pros and cons of half-inch sewer laterals, I also had a whopper of a bellyache. It felt like wolverines were gnawing their way out of my abdomen. But I had to finish my story. There was The Boss, grumbling about my pokiness and playing computer Solitaire, while I (quite literally) feverishly typed with one hand and held my stomach with the other. At one point, through the delirious haze of agony, I murmured, "I don't think I can finish." He responded with his standard reply, "Life's tough." And then grumbled, "Type faster."

About six hours later, I was laying in an operating room, having my bursting appendix removed.

The Boss thinks this story is immensely amusing. Me... not so much.

But 13 years later, I'm still here at the Express. Which confirms what the techies have known all along: I enjoy pain.

OUT OF OFFICE COUNTDOWN: The pain will end in 38 weeks, right after the Bushectomy.



LETTERS

Trying to give back

Dear Editor,

After reading last week's letters with great interest, a response seems to be in order. First off, we are not a "company" about to bring hordes of miscreants into Winters, to pillage and burn our neighborhood. Instead, we are two active members of this community who, by fortune, have been offered a home to use as a sober living space for those in the recovery process trying to rebuild their lives.

After serving as director of a long term residential recovery center here in Yolo County, I have made a choice to use that experience on a local level. Mr. Kellison also served there as a staff member and together we bring over 20 years of successful recovery to the table.

One of the hurdles a recovering addict or alcoholic has to clear in the first few years is finding an affordable environment free of drugs and alcohol where they can begin to practice their new living skills. Most sober living households emphasize the group approach to solving many of the problems faced in that process. "One helping another to remain sober" is not just a phrase taken lightly, but also a proven way to regain the spiritual and moral tools to become contributing members of a community.

What we propose is part of the solution to the problem of living clean and sober. When

returning to the same toxic surroundings and people from where many of the substance abusers come, the return in many cases leads to the continuing circle of relapse. Those accepted will have strong criteria to maintain: attendance at 12 step and/or faith based support of continuous sobriety, along with employment or other income to augment their independence and continued growth will also be required.

No one with violent or abusive criminal records will be accepted, and those who may have minor office probations to complete will be required to meet all terms of those programs. The house will have one resident with long-term sobriety as senior member, and will be checked on a daily basis by one of us personally.

By this time, most communities and families across this country have been impacted by substance abuse. Individual and community action has historically worked where well-intentioned agencies fell short. We are just two men already established and known in the area who are trying to give back some of the blessings recovery has brought to our lives. We are willing to meet with anyone who has concerns, input or wants to support our efforts. We also plan on applications from local residents or family taking first priority.

JOHN NEIL
LEE KELLISON

Clean, sober living is beautiful

Dear Editor,

We are writing regarding the sober living home on Hoover Street. First, we would like to thank John Neil for having the vision to help people who are in recovery find a decent place to live and to also help keep our neighborhood free from those who are not living a clean and sober life.

We live in the Hoover Street neighborhood and we would much rather have a sober living home as our neighbor than some of the folks who live around us and clearly have issues with drugs and/or alcohol. We watch some of these people drive in front of our home where our children play and it is very scary because we know they are driving under the influence, not to mention their very questionable visitors.

Regarding worrying about felons, thieves, and other criminal problems, you should have been worried a long time ago. The police reports verify that these problems already exist. There are homes in this neighborhood that have literally wreaked havoc in the past and some still do. These problems are not new to this area or our community.

For the neighbors who

have questions about having a sober living home in this neighborhood, please talk to John. We are sure he would not hesitate to answer any questions you have about how this home is going to be managed. But let us share a secret with you: There are several of these homes in the neighborhood already. And ours is one of them. We are people or families who have made a choice to change the way we were living before. Many of us are part of the 12-step or other recovery program, and we are committed to living life without drugs or alcohol. We have basketball hoops in front of our homes, and bikes and skateboards in our front yard. We have children who play outside too. We go about our day, taking care of business like everyone else.

So let's just sit back and see how this sober living home unfolds. We are completely confident that John Neil will manage this home with a close eye and, who knows, maybe the residents can even help some of our already questionable neighbors and share the beauty of living clean and sober with them.

NAME WITHHELD



CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

THE BEST YOUTH DAY EVER? It's getting to be a cliché, but didn't this year rate right up there with the best Youth Days ever? When was the last time you saw a prince charming step out of a castle and propose to a princess? And yes, she did say yes.

There were 813 paid breakfasts served at the Community Center which is the most I've seen in my short stint as a Rotarian. The sausage was the best ever, and the eggs, pancakes, potatoes, fruit and drinks weren't bad either. Rotary does a great job if I do say so myself. If you think barbequing 170 pounds of link sausage is a piece of cake, think again. Sarah Kimes stepped in for her father and grandfather to help out. She was a fast study and by the second 10 pound batch she was an expert.

Matt Kimes had the best line about a club made up of business owners trying to become workers. "You have to get your children to do the work or nothing would get done." Not exactly true, but it's close. Just getting to the Community Center by 5 a.m. was tricky. I'm not used to getting up at 4 a.m., and as I was heading for the Community Center, out of habit, I almost turned toward the golf course. Where else would you be going on a weekend in the dark.

Getting back to Prince Charming. Most of the town knew what was going to happen, maybe not all of the details, but we were waiting for the big event. Afterwards I told Emarie that a yes gets her into the Winters Express, a no would have made the Associated Press wire service worldwide. She didn't think that was funny, nor did her mother.

There have been better years getting the kids involved, but I'm not sure there is a solution to fixing the busy schedules of high school students. The school floats looked like someone put some effort into them with the sophomore class float looking great and taking the grand prize. When a float goes by and makes you smile, that is a successful parade.

My granddaughter, Jenna, witnessed her first Youth Day, as did my grandson, Brett, although Brett slept through all of the parade and most of the afternoon. He was saving up his energy to stay awake into the night. Jenna was impressed with the horses and Shriners' go-carts. I was impressed with all of the bands, especially with the size of the Winters contingents.

After helping to take down the beer booth at the park, I made it home by 5:30 p.m. As I was sitting in my easy chair, Sherri asked if I was going out again. I usually head back to the downtown and drift around to see if there are people I'd like to see, but over the past couple of years the only people out are younger than my children. I was asleep by 9, awake at 10, asleep at midnight and awake at 5 a.m.

Laura and our grandchildren left on Sunday and it was amazing how quiet our home became. For a moment I almost missed the noise, but I realized it was the clutter and activity I missed, not the sound of a two month and a two year old. They are cute by the way.

Have a good week.

Thanks for help with our float

Dear Editor:

We Did It! Thank you, thank you, thank you! Many thanks go out to: the St. Anthony Altar Society who donated funds for supplies, Santiago Moreno and Dan Martinez of Berryessa Gap Winery for use of their trailer, Berryessa Gap Winery and Stan Tufts of Tufts' Packing Shed for the space to build and store our float, Bernie Boring for building our cross and donating materials, Rex Alvera for donating the chicken wire, Oscar Barraza for donating

paint, to Lance and Gina Linville of Valley Floors for donating car pet, Colleen Tufts, who was my right hand, and Carwin Brice for driving our float in the parade.

Thank you to the many helping hands that made the flowers to put on the float. And finally, thank you to our youth, Father Chuck and Father Humberto who rode or accompanied our float to represent St. Anthony Church in the parade. I saw Jesus. Thank you.

ROSIE LUCERO

Thank you, Rosie, for your hard work

St. Anthony Parish would like to extend a huge thank you to Rosie Lucero for all of her time and energy that she spent designing and coordinating our beautiful float. It would not have been possible

without Rosie's creativity and hard work. Thank you, Rosie, and everyone who joined her on the safari to successfully building a first place float.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH

Vote 'yes' on Measure T, less taxes

Dear Editor,

Vote "yes" on Measure T to reduce taxes and to maintain essential city services. Measure T reduces our existing Utility User's Tax on electricity, natural gas and telephone services, which will save

businesses and residents money each month. Under Measure T, the tax rate will be lowered from the current 5 percent to the new reduced rate of 4.75 percent. It also estab-

See **MEASURE T** on A-10

Thank you for all your support

Dear Editor,

Youth Day was another great success for the sophomore class. We were able to build an amazing float with support from the community. On behalf of the Class of 2010, we'd like to thank the people who made our award-winning float possible: Jim and Shirley Hyer, Rob and Sharon Warren, Lorin and Gloria Warren, Kim and Dave Hyer, Susan and Tony DeLao, Robin

Rotenkolber, Pete and Dawn Manas, Don and Susan Kreun, Judy Berg, Martinez Orchards, Tru-Value Hardware, Pacific ACE Hardware, Valley Floors and all the dedicated sophomore class advisors and students who helped us win.

Thanks for all your generous support!

STEVEN WARREN,
JUSTIN HYER and OLIVIA
MANAS
Sophomore class officers

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Mike Sebastian honored the Youth Day Grand Marshal, Karen Benson Neil, and the Honorary Grand Marshal, Kathy Skaggs, with appreciation and official plaques. The Educator of the Year Award was presented to Winters High School teacher Diane Grimmard.

The Youth Day officials were introduced, including Mayor Sarah Warren, Junior City Councilwoman Megan Avellar, Sophomore City Councilman Steven Warren, City Clerk Amber Sebastian, City Treasurer Araceli Hernandez, Judge Justin Hyer, Police Chief Carina Quezada, Fire Chief Riki Lucero, City Manager Raven Castro, Chamber of Commerce President Sarah Neil, Community Services Director Ashley Wiser and City Attorney Lillian Boisrame.

Next came the talent show, featuring a range of young talent, from dancers to singers to musical groups. In the end, the judges selected the youth band Green River, featuring Joey Sanders, Steven Lanfranco and Nick Hawley, for the first place award. The band played “Crossfields of Gold.”

The Sweetheart and Sweetthunk were announced, with the honors going to Ari Ruiz and Cody Campos. Other contestants included Sarah Warren, Amy Cross and Rebecca Salas, and Joey Sanders, TJ Johnson and Derek Riley. The princesses and princes were Sarah Twomey, Zoe Adams and Karissa Sais, and David Damey, Justin Hyer and Ray MacIntire.

The 72nd, Annual Youth Day began early the following morning, with the traditional Rotary Pancake Breakfast at the Community Center, followed by the Kiddie Parade. As the local members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars marched the American, California and VFW flag down Main Street and paused in front of the judges stand, former Winters resident and budding professional singer Katie Goudie sang a sweet and plaintive rendition of The Star Spangled Banner.

Following rounds of cheers and applause for Goudie’s performance, the Main Parade was on its way, with booming bands, flashy floats and dazzling dancers, lined on both sides by smiling, waving onlookers. The parade featured all the usual favorites, from Shriners on go-carts to Moms on Mopeds (dressed as crocodiles on a Crocodile Rock), the wacky UC Davis Aggie Band-uh, vintage automobiles, tractors and firetrucks, baton twirlers, prancing horses, Youth Day officials, local dignitaries and the always popular Winters Friends of the Library who put on a Surfin’ Safari for this year’s parade.

Competition for the Sweepstake Award was fierce on this Safari to Success (this year’s Youth Day theme), and in the end, the Winters High School Class of 2010 came out on top for their float featuring youth dressed like zebras, giraffes and lions, with the “I Just Can’t Wait to be King” song from the Disney movie, “The Lion King” playing in the background. For their finale, the “lions” raised up a lion cub “King” for the judges, just like the characters



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Calissa Grinbergs flutters along in the Youth Day Kiddie Parade . She and her family won a first place trophy.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Lizette Bermudez and Nataly Hernandez drive their fluffly lion car in the Youth Day Kiddie Parade.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Sally Brown goes on a Surfin’ Safari with the Winters Friends of the Library in the Youth Day Main Parade.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Gina Linville and her son, Pierce, enjoy the big, bouncy air slide at City Park on Youth Day.

Winters Walk planned for Saturday downtown

The next Winters Walk takes place on Saturday, May 2. Winters Walks happen on the first Saturday of every month, 12-6 p.m., in downtown Winters and other local participat-

ing businesses. Local art galleries will be open featuring a variety of artwork, as well as local businesses.

The Winters Chamber of Commerce is helping to pump up interest in

the Winters Walks, encouraging Winters residents to take a walk or bike ride downtown and visit local businesses, and take some time to appreciate their hometown.

Community

City council meets Tuesday

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, May 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ Resolution preliminarily approving the Engineer's Annual Levy Report, and declaring its intention to levy and collect annual assessments and providing notice of hearings for the City Wide Maintenance Assessment District, Fiscal Year 2008-09.
- ~ Authorization to

amend the professional services contract with ZSI Incorporated in the amount of \$23,860 for design of renovation plans for the East Street Sewer Pump Station Motor Control Centers.

- ~ Approval of contract with Foresight Consulting for the preparation of a water and sewer rate analysis.
- ~ Joint city council/Community Development Agency public hearing authorizing use of Redevel-

opment tax allocation bond funds for construction of the Public Safety Facility (police and fire).

- ~ Conduct a public hearing and introduce ordinance amending Chapter 10.16 of the Municipal Code pertaining to stopping, standing and parking.
- ~ Amending the City of Winters 2007-08 adopted operating budget.
- ~ Solar power purchase agreement.
- ~ Budget workshop.

Yolo County Grand Juror candidates sought

Applications are now being accepted for Yolo County Grand Jury service. Each July 1, the Yolo Superior Court impanels 19 grand jurors. The court seeks applications from citizens representing a broad cross-section of Yolo County.

The primary civil function of the grand jury, acting as an entirely independent body, is to review the operations of city and county government as well as other tax supported agencies and special districts. The grand jury also investigates complaints from private citizens, local government officials or government employees. Based on the reviews and investigations, the grand jury publishes its findings and may recommend constructive action to improve the quality and effectiveness of local government.

If selected, the term of service is a period of one year, from July 1 through June 30. Juror candidates should be committed to serving the entire year. The average time commitment is approximately 25-40 hours per month.

Generally, two grand jury meetings are conducted per month, usually in the evening. Additional committee meetings may sometimes be scheduled during business hours.

There are two training opportunities soon after the new term begins. A half-day session is held in Woodland and a two-day seminar, sponsored by the California Grand Juror's Association takes place in the Sacramento area.

Applications should be submitted by May 16. For a grand jury application, write to Jury Services, 725 Court Street, Room 303, Woodland, CA 95695; call 406-6828; or go online to www.yolo.courts.ca.gov.

Distemper discovered in Yolo County dogs

The Yolo County Animal Shelter identified its first definitive case of canine distemper in April. The diseased dog came from the community and the shelter is attempting to keep it from spreading back into the community.

Distemper is an airborne single-stranded RNA virus that affects dogs. There is no danger to other pet animals or to humans, however, it has been known to be carried by raccoons. It often begins with a cough or runny nose, resembling kennel cough, but instead of getting better, distemper, which has a four to six week incubation period, progresses to an illness that invades multiple body symptoms.

This disease is preventable if dog are vaccinated for distemper, part of the DHPP vaccine commonly recommended by veterinarians. Vaccinations usually cost

from \$10-63.

The diseased dog at the shelter was first diagnosed with kennel cough, due to the symptoms found by Animal Services veterinary staff and lab work done by UC Davis Veterinary School. Within the last few weeks, symptoms have increased and the disease spread to other dogs in the Animal Shelter. Once the disease was diagnosed in the shelter, a task force was established to look for solutions. The task force includes veterinarians from the UC Davis Shelter Medicine Program, along with staff and volunteers of the Animal Shelter. The 72 dogs in the shelter have been quarantined into risk populations and are undergoing testing to determine any level of risk.

"We're fortunate to have one of the few shelters in California that has

a veterinary staff on the premises, and to have the services of UC Davis veterinarians, along with a dedicated Animal Services staff to quickly contain and eliminate this outbreak and to soon bring the shelter back to a normal status," said Sheriff Ed Prieto.

Yolo County Animal Services is unable to receive any dogs from the public for the next two weeks. In case of an emergency, contact the shelter, 668-5287, for further instructions. This will allow the shelter ample time to manage the current canine population. In addition, the shelter will be temporarily closing the night deposit boxes.

For more information, call the contact Yolo County Sheriff's Department, Animal Services Section, 668-5287.

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Days planned

This month's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) drop-off days will take place at the Yolo County Central Landfill on May 9 and 10, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

HHW will be accepted from Yolo County residents only. Agricultural and infectious medical waste will not be accepted. Business hazardous waste from small quantity generators is accepted for a fee, by appointment only. Call (800) 433-5060 to schedule an appointment. Senior or disabled residents who cannot drive may schedule a free pickup by calling (800) 433-5060 no later than May 7.

Materials that will be accepted include: batteries, fluorescent bulbs or tubes, used motor oil and filters, cleaning supplies, lighter fluid, antifreeze, aerosols (no empties), garden pesticides and herbicides, latex or oil based paints, solvents, poisons, electrical switches/relays,

pilot light sensors, and mercury thermostats. Small electronic items, including TVs and monitors, are also accepted for recycling at no cost. Please be advised that there is a handling fee for recycling appliances.

During regular business hours, beyond HHW events, the Yolo County Central Landfill accepts the following items for recycling or reuse: household batteries, printer cartridges, wall-mounted thermostats, electronic devices (e-waste) with a circuit board (i.e., VCRs, cell phones, telephones, printers, radios, computers, monitors, TVs), latex paint, used motor oil and filters, diesel fuel, diesel oil, non-chlorinated power steering fluid, differential clutch fluid, transmission fluid, hydraulic fluid, kerosene, auto batteries, paper, cardboard, bottles, and cans.

At the landfill's Reuse

Center reusable items such as automotive lubricants, paints, pool chemicals, gardening products and cleaners are available for free during HHW events.

HHW events are sponsored by the Yolo County Department of Planning & Public Works, Division of Integrated Waste Management. The next HHW drop-off days are scheduled for June 13 and 14.

For more information on HHW events, call 666-8729 or visit: www.yolo-county.org.

Another responsibility of the grand jury is to consider criminal indictments based on evidence presented.

Eligibility requirements for grand jury service are:

- ~ You must be a citizen of the United States;
- ~ You must be 18 years of age or older;
- ~ You have been a resident of Yolo County for at least one year before selection;
- ~ You are in possession of your natural faculties, of ordinary intelligence, of sound judgment and fair character;
- ~ You possess sufficient knowledge of the English language;
- ~ You are not currently serving as a trial juror in any court of this state;
- ~ You have not been discharged as a grand juror in any court of this state within one year;
- ~ You have not been convicted of malfeasance in office or any felony or other high crime;
- ~ You are not serving as an elected public officer.

The county considers grand jury service to be important work and a considerable responsibility, as well as an exciting opportunity to serve the community and learn more about local government. It can be an incredibly rewarding and satisfy-

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in the movie and apparently won their hearts, as well as their votes.

Before the parade was even over, activity began stirring at City Park. The annual horseshoe tournament was soon underway and continued all afternoon, flanked by a packed Winters Chamber of Commerce beer garden. Meanwhile, youngsters bounced away the afternoon in a variety of big, bright bounce houses on the Little League field and enjoyed all sorts of free carnival games and activities. Over under the shade, crowds gathered round to hear the Youth Day talent show winner, Green River, show them what a first-place band sounds like. The Halau Hula O Lei Hali’a hula dancers performed Hawaiian and Tahitian numbers, and the afternoon wrapped up with the lip sync contest. Volunteers John Clifford and Debbie Carrion coordinated the entertainment at the park, as they have done for several years.

As the official Youth Day activities ended in the park, many tired and happy people finished a picture-perfect day with barbecues and parties, or celebrating at their favorite downtown waterhole, and the rest just went home and started recuperating for next year.

Main Parade Results

~ Sweepstakes Award, \$200, Winters High School Class of 2010 (sophomore class).

Floats

~ 1st., High School Float , \$100, Winters High Class of 2010 (sophomore class).
~ 2nd., High School Float, \$50, Winters High Class of 2009 (junior class)
~ 1st, Other Schools Float, \$100, Winters Parent Nursery School
~ 1st, Church Float, \$100, St. Anthony’s Catholic Church
~ 1st, Out of Town Float, \$100, Yolo Shrine Club Calliope, Woodland
~ 1st, Commercial Float, \$100, First Northern Bank

Marching units

~ 1st, Senior Marching Unit, \$100, Catholic School Senior Majorettes, Sacramento
~ 2nd, Senior March-

ing Unit, \$100, Napa Pepperettes Sr. Baton Corps.

~ 1st, Junior Marching Unit, \$100, Catholic School Majorettes (Jr. High Group), Sacramento
~ 2nd, Junior Marching Unit, Ribbon, Napa Pepperettes Junior Baton Corps, Napa
~ 1st, Solo Majorette, \$100, Casey Irving, Sacramento

Bands

~ 1st, High School Band, \$150, Winters High School Band
~ 1st, Junior High Band, \$150, Winters Middle School Band
~ 1st, Other Bands, \$150, Cal Aggie Marching Band-uh, UC Davis

Color Guards

~ 1st, Senior Color Guard, Trophy, Winters VFW Post 11091
~ 1st, Junior Color Guard, Trophy, Winters Middle School Color Guard
~ 1st, Military Color Guard, Trophy, Yolo Post 77 American Legion, Woodland

Fire trucks

~ 1st, Antique, Trophy, Vacaville Fire District Seagrave
~ 2nd, Antique, Ribbon, 1940 Buffalo Fire Truck, Winters Fire Dept.
~ 1st, Contemporary, Trophy, Winters Fire Department Grass 26
~ 2nd, Contemporary, Ribbon, Winters Fire Department Water 26

Autos

~ 1st, Decorated Auto, Trophy, The ARK (Assisted Riding Klub)
~ 2nd, Decorated Auto, Ribbon, (tie) Job’s Daughters Bethel 260; KUIC Radio Van
~ 1st, Custom Auto, Trophy, California Corvette Cruisers Club, Vacaville
~ 2nd, Custom Auto, Ribbon, 1956 Ford Panel Truck, Joe Latona, Vacaville
~ 1st, Classic Auto, Trophy, 1946 Packard, Ben and Mai Lucero, Winters
~ 2nd, Classic Auto, Ribbon, 1969 Z-28 Camaro, Martin Rivas, Winters

Novelty

~ 1st, Novelty Vehicle, Trophy, Moms on Mopeds
~ 2nd, Novelty Vehicle, Ribbon, 1926 Model T Ford, Jerry Schwab, Vacaville
~ 1st, Novelty Marching Unit, Trophy, Winters Friends of the Library

~ 2nd, Novelty Marching Unit, Ribbon, City of Winters After School Program

~ 1st, Tractor, Trophy, Solano Sodbusters, Robert Jackson

~ 2nd, Tractor, Ribbon, Norman Shontz, Dixon

Horses

(First place winners receive trophies, second place winners receive ribbons.)

~ Senior Sweepstakes Award, \$100, Wild Horse Wranglers Color Guard, Vacaville

~ Junior Sweepstakes Award, \$100, Lopez Ranch Riders, Winters

~ Pooper Scoopers, \$100 and Trophy, Emily Donlevy and Lilly Manas, Winters

~ 1st, Charro Mounted Group, Asociacion Charros of Capay Valley
~ 2nd, Charro Mounted Group, Los Caporales Charros, Woodland

~ 1st, Mounted Color Guard, Wild Horse Wranglers Color Guard, Vacaville

~ 1st, Novelty Fiesta Mounted Group, Wild Horse Wranglers Mounted Group

~ 2nd, Novelty Fiesta Mounted Group, Lopez Ranch Riders, Winters

~ 1st, Fancy Dressed Western Lady, Cathy Kleinhenz, Vacaville

~ 1st, Sheriff’s Posse, Solano County Sheriff’s Posse

~ 1st, Horse Drawn Vehicle, Ride and Shine Pony Rides, Winters

Kiddie Parade Results

Sweepstakes Award, All Grannie’s Children

Decorated bikes

~ 1st, Carlos Mejia; 2nd, Pierce Linville; 3rd, Isabella Lares

Wagon

~ 1st, Troy Grinbergs; 2nd, Eddie Shimmon and Josh Engle; 3rd, Anabel and Maribel Lares

Pets

~ 1st, Lily Bach and Lauren Bach, Faith Skinner, Grace Skinner

Groups

~ 1st, First Adventures Childcare; 2nd, Winters Preschool Center; 3rd, Peyton and Landon Humphrey

Mini-Float

~ 1st, All Grannie’s Children; 2nd, Diego and Isaac Rodriguez; 3rd, Darian, Marcus, Isaac and Mikayla Lopez

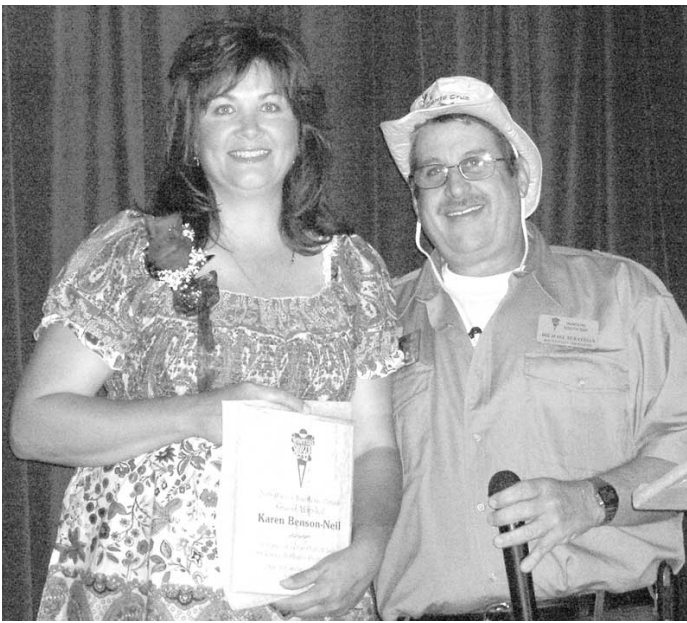


Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Parade Chairman Mike Sebastian (right) formally honors Karen Benson Neil as this year’s Youth Day Grand Marshal.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Youth Day Honorary Grand Marshal Kathy Skaggs throws candy to the kids along the Main Parade route.

Swing for the Clinic Friday

You don’t have to play golf to participate in the Winters Healthcare Foundation Sixth Annual “Swing for the Clinics” fund-raiser. An evening of fun and fine dining begins at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, May 10, at the Yolo Fliers Club, with tournament awards and no-host cocktails followed by a three-course dinner with wine provided by Berryessa Gap Winery. Cost for the dinner is only \$45 per person.

Auctioneer Joe Gates will open the bidding with luxurious vacations in Cabo San Lucas and Laguna Beach. Among other bidding items are a winery tasting and tour at R. H. Phillips, dinner for ten catered by Cody’s, a beautiful hand made quilt and a gorgeous shawl knitted by Mrs. Dorothy Davis.

For more information or tickets, call 795-4377.



Photo by Charles Wallace

Dawn Van Dyke takes a toss in the Youth Day Horseshoe Tournament.

The annual Community Garage Sale takes place on Saturday, May 10 along Main Street

Call 795-4919 for more information

Getting married? Just had a baby?

Announce it in the Express — it’s free!

Call 795-4551 for assistance or send information to news@wintersexpress.com

Sweepstakes winner



Photo by Charles Wallace

The Winters High School Class of 2010 (the sophomore class) won the Sweepstakes Award in the Youth Day Parade on Saturday, April 26. The float features youth in a variety of animal costumes, as well as a mountain upon which “lions” held up the new “King,” as the theme song to Disney’s “The Lion King” played in the background.

Supervisor Thomson to speak at ALS fund-raiser

In acknowledgment of ALS Awareness Month, Yolo County Supervisor Helen Thomson, will be a guest speaker at the First Annual Mother’s Day Tea for Hope on Saturday, May 10, 2-4 p.m. at a private residence in Carmichael. The event is sponsored by the ALS Association, Greater Sacramento Chapter, which provides services and resources to ALS patients and their families in 24 northern California counties, including Yolo.

Seating is limited so reservations are advised by the Chapter. For reservations, tickets or more information, contacting the ALS Chapter Office at (916) 979-9265 or online at www.alssac.org. Tickets are \$50 per person for an afternoon tea and luncheon. A raffle will also be held featuring items donated by local merchants throughout the Chapter territory.

According to the ALS Association, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) most commonly known as “Lou Gehrig’s Disease” is a progressive, neuromuscular disease that attacks the nerve cells and pathways in the brain and spinal cord. It affects more than 5,000 Americans every year. Its cause and cure are unknown.

The mission of the ALS Association, Greater Sacramento Chapter is to lead the fight for a cure and treat ALS through global cutting-edge research, and to empower people with Lou Gehrig’s disease and their families to live fuller lives by providing them with compassionate care and support.

Everyone is invited to join with the ALS Association in its fight against ALS by attending this event or making a tax deductible donation. All proceeds from the event will go to the ALS Association, Greater Sacramento Chapter to continue critical programs such as the monthly support group meetings, respite care program, in-home care reimbursement program, equipment loan closet, and more.



Courtesy Photo

The members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Winters received new leadership. A new Woodland Stake Presidency was announced on March 9 at the church's semi-annual stake conference. Corey Cuvelier was named stake president, John D. Stone, first counselor and Russell Spring, second counselor.

New local leaders named for the church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

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The Stake Presidency will watch over and assist the bishopric of the local Winters Ward (congregation), Bishop Steve Oliver and his two counselors, David Hudson and David Knight. The Winters Ward encompasses nearly the entire western half of Yolo county including the communities of Winters, Dunnigan, Esparto, and those in Capay Valley.

As part of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' volunteer clergy, Cuvelier, Spring, and Stone will continue their full time careers as they shepherd the affairs of the church in this area. The three men gladly add the demands of serving in this way to their busy lives.

"It's our role to nurture and support the spiritual strength of the individuals and families within our stake," said Cuvelier. "The blessing of being able to serve others certainly outweighs any sacrifices we make."

Along with strengthening the members, Cuvelier feels it is important to reach out to the community. As the new stake president, Cuvelier encourages members to join with their neighbors of all religions in service of their community.

"Many of our members have enjoyed being part of interfaith experiences, such as serving meals to those in need through the Woodland Ecumenical Ministries and acting as drivers for the Interfaith Winter Rotating Shelter in Davis. It is so rewarding to work shoulder-to-shoulder with others of all faiths and cultures in serving together. We not only want to strengthen the members of the church, but to strengthen the communities in which we live, so that all of us can be better neighbors and citizens."

The members of the Winters Ward, along with those of St. Anthony Catholic Church, and Pioneer Presbyterian Church, donate their time to staff the Helping Hands community

clothes closet. Helping Hands is located behind Saint Anthony's social hall at the corner of Grant and Main.

Each of the three new leaders comes from a different community within the Woodland Stake. Cuvelier, who moved to Davis five years ago, is a regional manager for Shell Oil Company. He and his wife, Wendi, have four sons: Cameron, 12, Kyle, 9, Ryan, 6, and Braden, 2. Cuvelier has been active in various youth boards and is a coach for the Davis Legacy Soccer Club. Prior to serving in the stake presidency, Cuvelier was bishop of a local Davis ward.

John D. Stone, the stake's new first counselor, has lived in Dixon for 20 years. He is the father of nine children between the ages of ten and 29 and the grandfather of five. He and his wife Becky still have two children living at home, John, 16 and Trevor, 10. A sales manager for Dependable Heating and Air Conditioning for 21 years, Stone spends much of his free time in scouting and coaching youth basketball. He has most recently served as leader of the Dixon congregation, and said, "I have enjoyed serving the members of the Dixon ward as their Bishop and now look forward to serving different congregations of members in Woodland, Winters, Davis and my home town Dixon."

Russell Spring, second counselor in the new stake presidency, has lived in Woodland since 1992 and works in commercial insurance. He and his wife Carey have two sons, Brian, 23 and Kevin, 20. Spring has worked with the Woodland Ecumenical Ministries for eight years, serving as the organization's vice president for the past two years. About his new position of service in the church he said, "I'm humbled by this new calling and am looking forward to meeting and getting to know all the members of the stake."

There are nearly 3,000 members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints within the eight congregations of the Woodland Stake, with some six million in the United States and nearly 14 million worldwide. Members of the Winters Ward meet at the church at 435 Anderson Avenue. Three wards gather in the meeting house at Elmwood and 8th street in Davis. One ward serves Dixon and meets at 305 North Lincoln. In Woodland, one ward meets at 1405 Cottonwood and two congregations come together to worship at the 850 Pioneer Avenue building (one English-speaking and the other Spanish-speaking).



Surfin' and snoozin'

Photos by Debra Lo Guercio

Linda Johnson (above) helps keep the rhythm going in the Winters Friends of the Library Surfin' Safari marching band in the Youth Day Main Parade. The WFOl won first place in the Novelty Marching Unit. At left, all the activity was too much for twin sisters Maggie and Cassie Valdez, who will turn 2 in July. By mid-afternoon, both were sound asleep in the park, despite the noise from a rock and roll band, a horseshoe tournament and a large noisy crowd.

Y-Me addresses lymphedema

"Lymphedema: Treatment and Risk Reduction" will be the subject of the Y-ME Open Door meeting on Monday, May 12 at 7 p.m. at the University Covenant Church, 315 Mace Boulevard in Davis. Marilyn Miller will de-

scribe what lymphedema is, discuss ways to reduce the risk of getting lymphedema and discuss the recommended treatment for it.

Call Y-ME Northern California Affiliate for information or directions, 753-3940.

Ride your bike for humanity

Habitat for Humanity will be holding its second annual "Ride for Humanity" Bike-O-Thon on Sunday, June 1st. Registration for the event begins at 8 a.m. that day. Riders will meet at Veteran's Memorial Center Community Park in Davis.

The event consists of a 32-mile bike ride from Davis to Winters and back to Davis. At the half-way point in Winters, there will be live music, free food, and prizes for all registered participants. The cost is \$35 for non-students, \$20 for children 16 and under and \$30 for students.

All proceeds go to Habitat for Humanity of Yolo County. Additionally, the UC Davis chapter will be getting a portion of the money raised and will be using it to help the chapter achieve its goal of funding an entire Habitat house on behalf of the students of UC Davis. You may register at ride.ucdhabitat.com.

Habitat for Humanity at the University of California, Davis is a newly established campus chapter in its second year of existence.

For more information, go online and visit ride.ucdhabitat.com. Registration is now open and people of all ages are welcome to participate.

PARK

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to nothing would restrict them as a result.

Guelden made the keen observation that while the purpose of the conversation was to discuss whether or not liquor should be served within 200 feet of the park, wine has been served regularly at the Community Center on Fridays and Saturdays.

No one spoke during the public hearing on the matter.

Anderson Place

In 2007 the Winters City Council approved plans to build the Anderson Place Project: 28 multi-family units and nine office suites located at 723 Railroad Avenue, at the corner of Railroad Avenue and Anderson Place. Also approved was the project's Development Agreement (DA), which set a five-year term limit for the project to be built.

With the residential housing market currently sagging, the city is in the process of amending many of the DAs that were written during the housing boom that preceded the recent fall. The Anderson Place Project is the first of such amendments. The planning commission's task at the April 22 meeting was to amend the DA and make a recommendation to the City Council.

"Anybody who's seen me in this room before knows we've been working for a really long time to get this project off the ground," said property owner Eva Brzeski. "It's basically been our life getting this project going. Nobody wishes more than we do that we could do this now, but we can't."

In December of 2007 Brzeski submitted a Conditional Use Permit to convert the vacant 27,000 square foot warehouse on the site into a boat and recreational vehicle storage facility until the housing market improves and construction can begin.

While the general feeling toward the pro-

ject itself among the commissioners was generally positive, one commissioner called into question the manner in which the DA was revised, suggesting that it could set the precedent that all DAs receive the same relaxed treatment, devaluing the written term limit.

"The original language said that it doesn't matter what the economic climate is," said Martinez. "I want to make sure we're not establishing a precedent we regret five years from now."

The original DA called for a five-year term limit from the time it was signed, whereas the amended one instead specifies a date (2016).

"So, we'll set a specific date on each individual DA as opposed to defaulting to a standard," said Martinez in a conversation with Kate Kelly, who pointed out that the number of years attached to the DAs varies from project to project.

"Negotiation is on a case-by-case basis," she said, explaining that the Anderson Place project is actually one of the more simple DAs compared to what the commission will see in the near future.

The council voted 4-1 in favor of the amendment, with Martinez voting against it. De Vries was not present.

"If the city were to hold it to the developer to the point that it doesn't work out for anybody, it doesn't make any sense," said Guelden.

"It's better to keep what we can get than give it all up," added commissioner Wade Cowan.

"We're very committed to the project. We really want to be a part of where Winters is going with its downtown. We want to be a part of that. As soon as it feels viable, we're going to move forward. We're not going to wait it out."

Only Brzeski spoke during the public hearing on the item.

Abbey Street

The Monticello pro-

ject, a two-story development to be built along Railroad Avenue between Main and Abbey Streets, represents the city's most important infill development site. In an effort to avoid dedicating much of the valuable space to parking, they have proposed a slight vacation of East Abbey so as to shift parking from within the site onto the street.

The vacation would extend the Monticello building partially into the street and turn the portion of East Abbey between Railroad and Elliot Streets into a one-way street with angled parking spaces. The vacation will allow for those parked within the site to make a left from within the development site onto Abbey, ultimately onto Railroad.

"It will allow ingress and egress at the intersection," said Donlevy, pointing out that the remainder of the street will serve essentially as a parking lot, somewhat closed off by the vacation of the building.

Guelden questioned staff as to how tight the turns would become once the project is complete.

"They are standard, 12-foot lanes," responded Donlevy. "Twenty-foot wide streets were recommended, and we're exceeding that (24 feet total)."

"I think it will help with flow around the Monticello Project," said Cowan. "And it will help with parking. I think it'll be a good thing."

"This is a pretty serious change that'll happen," said Donlevy, noting that as the downtown continues to develop (sites such as the 10-acre Mariani property) circulation of the downtown streets may continue to see changes.

No one spoke during the public hearing for this item.

The planning commission meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The next meeting takes place on Tuesday, May 27.

Dog blood donors needed for UC Davis Veterinary Blood Bank

The new UC Davis Veterinary Blood Bank is still in need of dogs from the surrounding area to serve as blood donors and encourages pet owners to consider enrolling their dogs. The blood bank collects, processes and stores canine blood needed for transfusions to treat a variety of conditions in dogs ranging from surgical complications to kidney failure. Since it opened in

February, the blood bank has screened 78 dogs and enrolled 18 of those as donors.

All visits to the blood bank for screening and blood donation are free.

In order to be blood bank donors, dogs must be 1 to 8 years old; weigh at least 55 pounds; be current on their flea, tick and heartworm preventive medications; and have never been pregnant or

had puppies. To make regular donation practical, the dogs and their owners must live within 100 miles of UC Davis.

Pet owners interested in having their dog screened for donation can get more information or set up an appointment by calling the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital, 752-1393, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or by e-mailing caninebloodbank@gmail.com.

MEASURE T

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lishes an annual taxation cap of \$300 per household.

Currently cable television users pay no Utility User's Tax. That is because the city treats the cable's franchise fee (5 percent) as a payment instead of the tax. The tax will not affect this treatment of cable users. Measure T does provide, to the extent allowable, for a 4.75 percent tax on satellite television to equalize the franchise fee paid by cable television.

Measure T will also make other important changes to ensure our Utility User's Tax remains legally compliant:

(1) It will modernize the utility tax to comply with recent changes in federal law regarding telecommunication services;

(2) It will prohibit the utility tax from being increased without voter approval; and

(3) It will ensure that all taxpayers are treated equally.

Our Utility User's Tax helps pay for basic city

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BRIDGE

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Putah Creek to the City of Winters, for the use of visitors on foot and bicycle. Along with this gift, Southern Pacific sold a land parcel to the city for construction of the Winters Community

Center in 1980.

In 2006 the City of Winters undertook the successful rehabilitation of the formerly dilapidated railroad bridge, now reborn for crossing and viewing of Putah Creek by strollers and cyclists.

The dedication will include the unveiling of

a new marker at the north end of the bridge. The marker is a stone plaque, engraved with text and an image by artist Jeff Hesemeyer. The plaque will be mounted on a stand built by Hesemeyer, designed in the style of the bridge's iron truss work.

New office, phone number for Yolo Land Trust

The Yolo Land Trust has a new office in Woodland at 1059 Court Street, Suite 217. Their new phone and fax number is 662-1100.

The Yolo Land Trust is a private, non-profit corporation founded over 20 years ago by farmers, community leaders and conserva-

tionists dedicated to protecting the farm, open space and habitat lands of Yolo Count, protecting their land for future generations.

Entertainment

Swing for the Clinic Fund-raiser



Photo by Rose Marie Hendrix
Winters Healthcare Foundation board member Jessica Kilkenney and Olivia Martin, dental assistant at the Foundation's Main Street dental clinic, get a look at the menu for the three-course dinner following the Sixth Annual Swing for the Clinic fund-raiser, planned for Friday, May 2, at 6:30 p.m. at the Yolo Flier's Club. Non-golfers can still participate in the fund-raiser by attending the dinner, which costs \$45 per person. The event features an auction for a variety of prizes, plus Berryessa Gap wine. For tickets or more information, call 795-4377.

Tickets still available for Heart of the Home tour

Tickets are still available for this Saturday's Heart of the Home Kitchen Tour, featuring three homes in Winters. This year's tour, benefiting the American Red Cross of Yolo County, will run 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Seven homes with new, remodeled or restored kitchens and living areas will be open in the towns of Winters, Woodland and Davis. The homes include styles such as contemporary, Spanish, rustic and even "green."

The three Winters homes on the tour are Vicki and Tom Jacobs, 30690 The Horseshoe; Sandy and John Vickrey, 27632 Carmelo Way;

and Maggie Burns and Roy Bellhorn, 28500 Alta Vista Drive.

There will be food and wine at all of the above homes. A shuttle stop for the Burns-Bellhorn home will be at the home of Joyce and Wally Neeley, 29091 County Road 87. At the Neeley home, coffee will be served courtesy of Steady Eddy's Coffee House, and pastries will be available also from Putah Creek Cafe.

Other homes on the 2008 tour this year are: Liz and Doug Malinoff, 1505 Gateway Court, Davis; Monique and Rick Moniz, 2911 Coho Place, Davis (a "green" home); Pamela Peter-

son and Andy Hendrickx, 26130 County Road 97; Bobbie and Bob Kittredge, 1502 West Street, Woodland.

The Heart of the Home Kitchen Tour benefits the free disaster programs offered by the local American Red Cross. The Red Cross is located at 120 Court Street, Woodland.

Tickets are \$25 each and can be purchased online at www.yc-arc.org. Ticket outlets in Winters are at Pacific Hardware, 35 Main Street, or Winters City Hall, 311 First Street. Call the American Red Cross of Yolo County, 662-4669, for more information.

Fiesta Mayo planned in Esparto

Capay Valley Regional Farmers Market participants and enthusiasts are invited to the Farmers Market Fiesta Mayo on Saturday, May 10, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Esparto Community Park, located on Yolo Avenue. This Market Fest celebration will include piñatas for the kids and music by The Dropped Roses (back by popular demand), as

well as health screenings, produce, craft and other food booths. In addition to the 2nd Saturday Market Fests, a Farmers' Market is offered every Saturday morning at the Esparto

Community Park.

For more information or to have a booth, call the CVRFM office, 787-3319. Products for sampling must be clean, covered and distributed in a sanitary manner.

Annual Epicurean Esprit benefits Meals on Wheels

It's time, once again, for the Epicurean Esprit, "A taste of Yolo County's Finest Wine and Cuisine". This year the event will be hosted by Friends of Meals on Wheels at the home of Jim and Terry Heidrick in Woodland on Thursday, May 22, 6-9 p.m. It will feature a variety of area restaurants, caterers, wineries and beverage distributors. The Epicurean Esprit offers generous samplings from prime rib to pie, cabernet to coffee in a fun,

relaxing atmosphere. There will also be a silent auction with a variety of items to bid on.

This event is the primary fund raiser each year for Meals on Wheels which is run by the Elderly Nutrition Program. The Elderly Nutrition Program depends on the support of the community for fund raising and donations and looks forward to this year being as successful as the past. While more active seniors can have lunch at

the local senior center, dedicated volunteers deliver meals to seniors unable to leave their homes.

The delicate health problems that come with advanced age prevents some seniors from taking care of basic needs, including cooking a well balanced meal. Supportive services, such as Meals on Wheels, go a long way in maintaining independence for those seniors. Meals on Wheels offers not only a nutritious, well bal-

ance meal, but reassurance that one very vital need is being met.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at the following locations: in Woodland at The Gifted Penguin, 716-A Main Street, or National Town & Valley Property, 296 West Main Street; in Davis at Flower Company, 239 G Street; or by calling National Town & Valley Property, 662-5404, or the Elderly Nutrition Program, 662-7035.

Birds are singing in the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area

Bird song abounds in the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area now as many species announce their territories or attempt to attract mates. Members of the public are invited to participate in an early-morning guided tour of the wildlife area, led by Yolo Basin Foundation docents Gene Trapp and Jo Ellen Ryan on Saturday May 10 from 8-11 a.m.

The tour leaders will help visitors identify birds by sound as well as sight. The distinctive scolding of the tiny Marsh Wren is a common sound in the wetlands. This little bird is extremely territorial and takes all threats to its space seriously.

All interested tour participants will meet at 8 a.m. in Parking Lot A (the first parking lot with the large notice

board) in the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area, at the west end of the Yolo Causeway bridge. No reservations are required. Participants should bring their own binoculars, water (no potable water on site), insect repellent and field guide. Docents will have spotting scopes to enhance wildlife viewing. This is a driving tour on gravel roads with several stops and short walks. Further directions to reach the tour are available on the Yolo Basin Foundation website at www.yolobasin.org.

A \$5 donation is suggested from all trip participants. Children under 12 and members of the Yolo Basin Foundation are free. For more information please call Sarah Ross at 757-4828 or visit the Yolo Basin

Foundation website at www.yolobasin.org. Yolo Basin is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the appreciation

and stewardship of wetlands and wildlife through education and innovative partnerships.

Sports

Geerts ties it, Higgins wins it in the sixth

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Warriors had another test of character on Tuesday, April 22, when they hosted Las Plumas High School for a critical Butte View League match up. After trailing 3-2 going into the bottom of the sixth, the Warriors had another come from behind victory with a sixth inning rally.

The rally started with Kyle Tobler being hit by a pitch, followed by Bryan Case who hit a single. Aaron Geerts then came through with a game-tying RBI double with Higgins driving in the winning run right after to make it a 4-3 lead. The Warriors then held the Thunderbirds scoreless in the seventh for their 16th straight victory. With Sutter losing to Wheatland, the Warriors have clinched at least a share of the league title and have taken sole possession of first place with an 8-0 record.

At the plate Geerts led the Warriors as he has done the whole second half of the season with his league leading average of .650 by batting 2 for 3 with a double and one RBI. Tobler batted 1 for 2 with two runs scored. Kevin Rowell, who follows Geerts at the second spot of league leaders with a batting average of .593 batted 1 for 2. Ray McIntire batted 1 for 3 with one RBI. Case batted 1 for 3. Higgins scored a run and had one RBI, while Alex Huizar scored a run for the Warriors.

Higgins also got the start on the mound for the Warriors as he threw the first three innings giving up three runs, two earned on four hits. McIntire threw the last four innings for the win giving up no runs on seven hits.

On Friday, April 25,

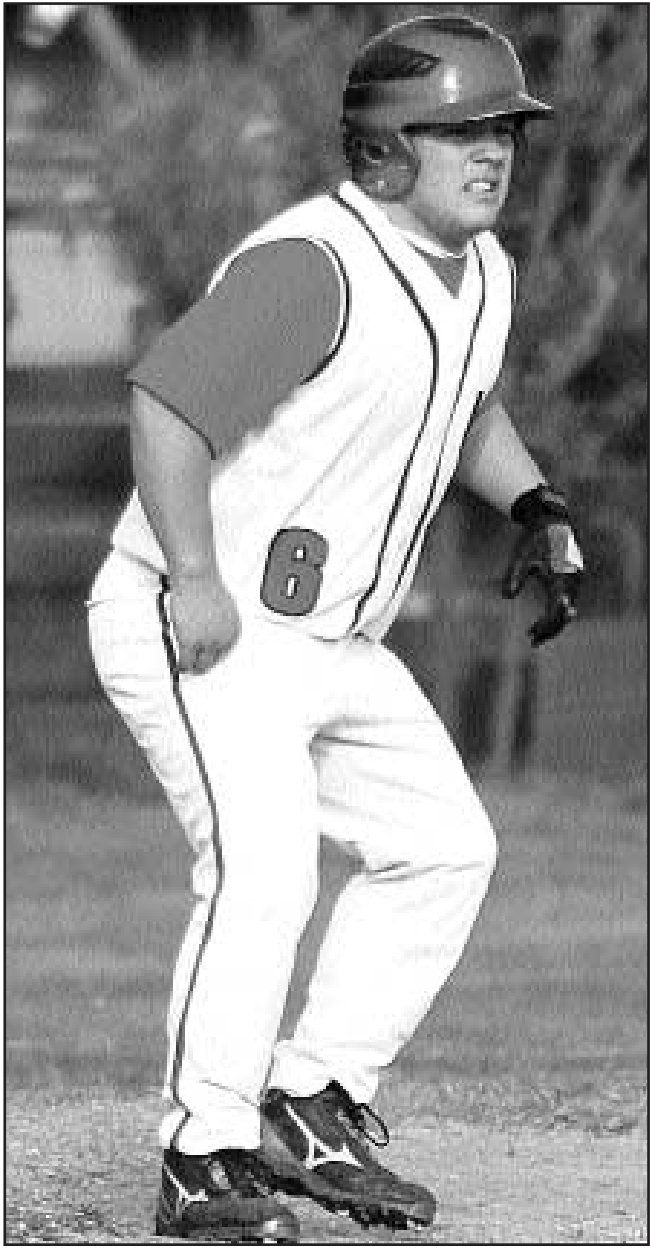


Photo by Eric Lucero
Cody Campos takes a lead off third base during a recent varsity baseball game at Winters High School.

the Warriors 16-game win streak came to an end as they lost their first league game to Sutter in extra innings. Winters jumped out to a 4-1 lead and held it until the sixth inning when the Huskies scored three runs to tie it up. Both teams went scoreless through the seventh and the eighth innings before Sutter crossed the plate in the ninth for a 5-4 victory. The Warriors still hold a one game lead over the Huskies with an 8-1 league record with one game remaining.

Rowell started on the

mound for the Warriors and threw eight innings before being replaced by McIntire. Rowell gave up four runs on eight hits with six strikeouts. McIntire threw one inning and gave up one unearned run on one hit.

At the plate Geerts continued to lead the Warriors as he batted 2 for 3 with two RBI and a run scored. Rowell batted 1 for 3, Cummings batted 1 for 4, and Higgins went 1 for 5, while Tobler, Cody Campos and McIntire each scored a run for the Warriors.

Track team competes in two big meets last week

On Wednesday April 23, the Winters Warriors Track team traveled to Sutter for a meet with Sutter and Orland. On Saturday, April 26, the “Meet of Champions” was held in Sacramento.

In Sutter, the team did not fair as well as in recent meets, but individual participants made good performances. In the boys’ Junior Varsity mile, Riki Lucero came in first with a fine run of 4:59, Cody Svozil second at 5:22, and Tyrone Johnson third for Winters at 7:05.

In the Varsity boys mile, Carlos Figueroa, came in first at 5:02, Robby Emery posted 5:48, Derek Riley came in at 5:50 and Joe Sais finished at 6:40.

For the Varsity girls mile, Jessica Sharp finished first at 5:56, Krista Blandin ran 6:46, and Julia Millon finished at 7:08. For the varsity girls’ team 100m Hurdles, Catherine Hasbrook ran in 19.3 and Emma Pfanner finished at 21.1.

For the Junior Varsity Boys 110 meter Hurdles, Nik Sorvari ran a 19.2, David Damey came in at 19.9 and Sam Newman ran 20.6. In the Varsity Boys 110 Hurdles, Ryan Hofstrand continued a series of firsts with a run of 16.3, Cody Shafer at 17.9 took third, and Brent Bell took fourth with a time of 18.0. Jules Damey 19.4 and Jesse Hellenger ran a 19.7

For the Junior Varsity Girls 400’meter, once again Maya Tice took first with a time of 1:10.0. For the Junior Varsity Boys 400 meter, Alex Evanoff ran the lap in 1:01.0 and took a second place finish.

In the Varsity Girls

400M, Helene Martin- sen ran 1:14 and took first, and Alyssa Oxley was the next WHS finisher with a time of 1:17.9 and Krista Blandin was next with a time of 1:18.9. Ingrid Guevarra ran the lap in 1:24.4, Elena Harper in 1:28.6, Lauren Atherton in 1:35.0 and Anja Sperling with a time of 1:35.3.

In the Varsity Boys’ 400m, Davis Adams scored a personal best with a time of 58.5, Jayson Garcia just behind with 59.2 and Chris Patton just eight tenths back with an even minutes.

For the JV Girls’ discus, Sierra Kreun tossed 52’8”, and for the JV Boys’ discus, Elliott Herrera threw 80’7”. In the Varsity Girls’ discus, Katie Anstead threw a distance of 90’0”.

In the Varsity Shot Put, Elliott Herrera tossed a distance of 30’4 for the boys, while Katie Anstead threw a distance of 30’6” for the girls.

In the JV 100 for the girls, Taylor Hamilton took first with a time of 14.0. In the 100 yard dash for JV boys, Billy Rotenkolber ran an 11.0, Tony Brever just behind at 11.1, Jared Ramos with 12.3, and Tyler Tufts finishing at 15.1.

In the 100 yard event for Varsity Boys, Steven Warren took 2nd with an 11.9 and Miguel Del Rio finished at 12.4. In the 100 yard event for Varsity Grils, Karissa Sais came in at 15.1 and Tiana Carrillo finished at 16.1. For the Varsity Girls 800, Jessica Sharp took a first with a run of 2:40.0.

In the Junior Varsity Boys 800, Riki Lucero came in first at 2:10.5 and Cody Svozil took second with a time of 2:18.7.

In the Varsity Boys 800, TJ took first with a time of 2:06.5 and Carlos Figueroa took second with 2:08.8. Chris Patton came in at 2:33, Derek Riley at 2:39.0.8, and Kachonyot Yaempradit finished at 2:55.0.

For the Sacramento “Meet of Champions,” held on Saturday (featuring representatives from almost 140 Northern California schools), Terrence Johnson finished in the top 20 with a run in the 800M of 2:01.9, which was a personal record for him. Despite falling, Cody Shafer clocked 45.1 in the 300 hurdles. The top 27 athletes in each event were invited to participate. This is first time in recent history that WHS had invitees.

Lady Warriors lose two in league

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Lady Warriors lost a close game to Las Plumas on Tuesday, April 22, by a score of 3-0. The Warriors played a good defensive game behind the arm of freshman pitcher Tess Hyer, who threw a complete game giving up three

runs on nine hits while striking out eight batters. But the Warriors totaled just three hits with sophomore Brittanie Hedrick leading

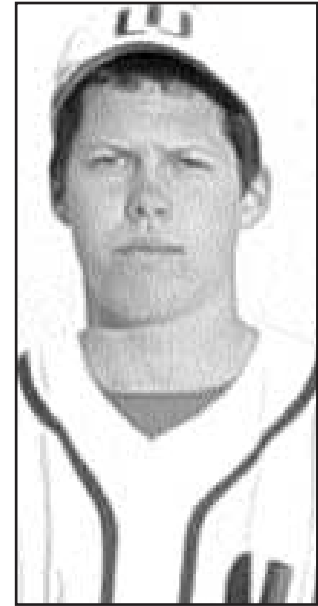
the way. Hedrick batted 2 for 3 and Hyer batted 1 for 2 for the Warriors only hits.

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EXPRESS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



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Aaron Geerts

Aaron Geerts, a junior on the Winters High School varsity baseball team is this week’s Winters Express athlete of the week. Last week Geerts batted 4 for 6 with three RBI, a run scored and hit the game tying double against Las Plumas. Geerts not only leads the Warriors in hitting, he currently leads the league with a .652 league average and leads the league in on-base percentage with a .714 average.

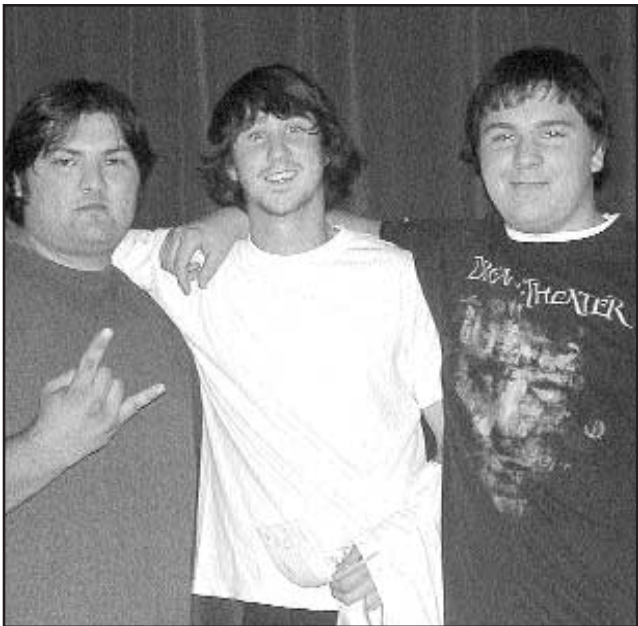
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Schools

Yay Youth Day!



Photo by Debra LoGuercio
Dianne Grimard, Winters High School teacher was recognized as the Educator of the Year at the Opening Ceremonies, which was held at the Community Center on Friday, April 25.



Courtesy Photo
The Green River band (from left Steven Lanfranco, Joey Sanders, and Nick Hawley) were this years Talent Show winners at the Opening Ceremonies on Friday, April 25.



Photo by Charles Wallace
Chris Patton, part of the Winters High School band, matches in the Youth Day Parade on Saturday, April 26.

Applications for After School Program available

Registration for the City of Winters After School Program for the 2008-09 school year will begin on Monday, May 5. Packets are available at City Hall in the city clerk's office on weekdays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Packets are available year-round.

The program features supervised recreation and help with homework for students at Waggoner Elementary School, Shirley Rominger Intermediate School and Winters Middle School. It runs immediately after the

regular school day on weekdays, until 6 p.m. A snack is also offered, as well as enrichment activities, such as dance, music and field trips. The program is free for students with free or reduced lunches. For students who do not qualify for free or reduced lunches, the fee is \$100 for one child, and goes down to \$80 for a second child and \$60 for a third or more children.

For more information, call Nancy Gonella at City Hall, 795-4910, extension 109.

May events planned at Waggoner Elementary School

The following events are planned during the month of May at Waggoner Elementary School:

- ~ Erin Dealey author visit: Friday, May 2, St. Antony's Parish Hall, 9 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. A book signing will follow each presentation.
- ~ PTA Book Fair: Monday, May 5 is Teacher Preview Day at the Waggoner School library. The Book Fair will be open for classroom visits on Tuesday, May 6, 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.; Wednesday, May 7, 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.; Thursday, May 8, and Friday, May 9, 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., and during Open House, 5-7:30 p.m.
- ~ Waggoner Elementary School Open House: Wednesday, May 7, 5:30-7 p.m.
- ~ Robin Gamper Farm Day: Wednesday, May 14, 8:45-11:30 a.m. The event is sponsored by Mariani Nut Company and the Winters PTA. Visitors must sign in at the front office when visiting Waggoner Elementary School during school hours.

School board meets Thursday

The Winters School Board will meet on Thursday, May 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the Walnut Room at the school district office, 909 West Grant Avenue. The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ Recognition of Winters Middle School students Elias Lane and Ilene Reynoso.
- ~ Recognition of Winters Middle School parent Kim Wright.
- ~ Communication and reports.
- ~ Public input regarding non-agenda items.

Action items

- ~ Curriculum Steering Committee recommendations.
- ~ Wednesday minimum days for 2007-08 school year.
- ~ School Staff Development Buy Back Day results for 2007-08 school year.
- ~ Resolution regarding budget revision to the General Fund #01, Child Development Fund #12, Cafeteria Fund #13, Deferred Maintenance Fund #14, Capital Facilities Fund #25, Redevelopment Agency/Health and Safety Fund #26, and Special Reserve Fund #40.
- ~ Second period of attendance (July 1, 2007 through April 15, 2008).
- ~ Eighth month ADA — 2007-08.
- ~ Consent agenda (minutes, warrants, etc.)
- ~ Informal review of Governance Team's performance.
- ~ Adjourn to closed session to discuss student admission case No. 07/08-13.
- ~ Reconvene to open session to discuss action taken in closed session.

JAMIE ANDERSEN WHAT'S UP AT WHS?



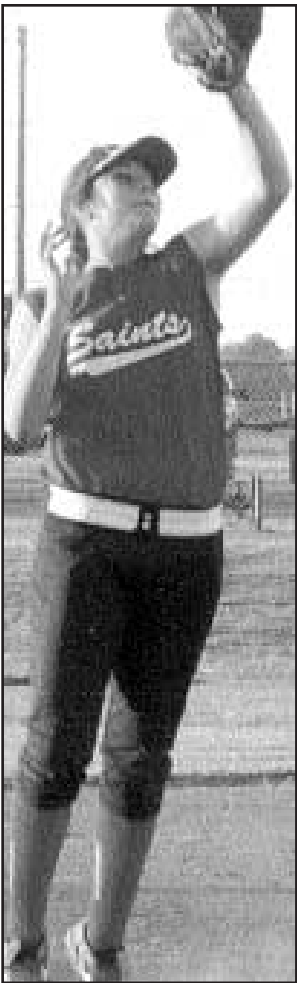
Six ways to stay in shape this summer

It seems to me like there's so much in the media right now about obesity, and why shouldn't there be? America is getting fatter and fatter as we speak! A recent study found that in teenagers, ages 11-15, lack of exercise was the main contributor to obesity. During the summer it can be pretty easy to fall into a lazy routine, but the summer will be much more exciting if you get out and do something! Here in Winters, it seems like there isn't much to offer, but for all of you teens out there wondering what to do this summer, here are some ideas:

1. The Winters Community Swim Team is a great way to get some exercise. It costs only around \$30 dollars per person for the whole summer. The coaches are great and it's a great way to get in shape if you have a school sport coming up in the fall.
 2. Curves is a gym located on Main Street and they have a special deal for \$10 per month for high school students. If you like the idea of going to a gym, then this is the option for you. As far as working out goes, I think it's always more fun with a friend. That way you have someone to be competitive with, and someone to complain with about how sore you are the next day!
 3. Winters Master's Swim program is another great way to stay in shape. This is a group of adults and teenagers that are a little more serious about swimming. There are a lot of experienced swimmers that participate in the program, but the work-outs could be changed to fit your ability. The cost is \$30 a month. The program is very flexible and after you have paid you can go as frequently or as little as you like. Practices are offered in the evenings on work days and afternoons on the weekends. If you're looking for a challenge, this might be your summer work-out plan.
 4. The WHS track is always open for people to go run on. If you have enough self-discipline, this could be a great option. You could also get a group of friends and go play soccer on the field or tennis on the courts. And after you spend most of the day playing around in the heat, Cody's ice cream isn't too far away.
 5. The Winters pool is open 7 days a week during the summer and it costs practically nothing to get in. Even splashing around with your friends can give you some great exercise, especially if you walk to the pool and back! Not to mention it's a really great way to stay cool when the temperature starts to hit in the 110s.
 6. Of course, if you can't find anything that interests you in Winters, there's always Vacaville, Davis, Dixon, or Woodland. You can check out their summer recreation programs and see if there's anything that interests you. Summer is a great time to try something new, and you never know, you might just find something that you're really passionate about!
- I was pretty surprised to see all of the options that we have in little Winters. It may seem like fun camping out in front of the couch all summer, but there's just so much out there besides the Hills on MTV. I can't wait for summer and getting to do all of the things that I want to do. If you decide to come by the pool, I'll see you there!
- Coming up...
- ~ May 10- Prom
 - ~ May 26- Memorial Day Holiday
 - ~ May 27- Finals for Periods 1,2,4
 - ~ May 28- Finals for Periods 5,6,8
 - ~ Finals for Periods 7 and 3
 - ~ May 29- Last Day of School
 - ~ May 29- High School Graduation

Great Catch!

Courtesy photo
Ashlynn Neil makes a nice play on a line drive in a game recently played in Elk Grove. Neil was playing for a fourteen and under travel team out of Natomas. The Saints, a team selected of top players from Natomas, Woodland, Rocklin, Esparto, Elk Grove and Winters, has gotten off to a great start, winning a tournament championship along with two second place finishes. The Saints were recently chosen to play in the World Series Qualifier held in Reno, Nevada. Neil is in the top three stats including home runs, RBIs and hits, also playing solid defense at third base and left field.



JV boys suffer two tough losses

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Winters High School JV baseball team lost two games last week starting on Tuesday, April 22, against Las Plumas, 5-4.

“This was the most frustrating loss of the year,” said coach Daniel Ward. “We started out with a 3-0 lead in the first, didn’t give up an earned run and still lost by one. We make too many errors in big situations. We made four errors and they made us pay for every one of them.”

Jared Ney threw the first four innings for the Warriors giving up five runs, none earned on five hits, two strikeouts and one walk.

“This was the best game Jared has pitched all season,” Ward said. “We just didn’t play defense for him.”

Max Van Dyke threw the last three innings giving up no runs, one walk and had two strikeouts.

At the plate, Russell Romero led the Warriors batting 2 for 3 with an RBI. Joe McIntire batted 2 for 4 and Vince Doyle batted 1 for 3 with a double and an RBI.

On Friday, April 25, the Warriors lost a tough one to Sutter in extra innings again by the score of 5-4. Once again the Warriors got off to good start taking an early lead but let it slip away.

“This game was our season in a nutshell. We get off to an early lead and then as soon as something bad happens whether it is an error, a bad call or a walk everyone gets tight and just shuts down, said Ward.

Doyle got the start on the mound for the Warriors as he threw the first five innings giving up two runs, just one earned on two hits and had two strikeouts.

“It was Vince’s 1st

start of the year,” Ward explained. “He really wanted the ball. He has been bugging me all year so I decided to put the ball in someone’s hand that actually wanted it.

“He pitched great it was one of the best pitching performances all year. He only gave up 1 earned run and it was a solo homerun. Van Dyke came in for the last two innings giving up three runs, but just one earned on two hits and struck out one.

“Max pitched well like always but we just could not play defense for him. We played scared and timid and waited for them to catch up. We play without confidence. We have not had a clutch hit all year and we do not make other teams pay for their mistakes.

“This is our fourth loss in league and all four of our losses have been by one run and all four games are games that we should have won. It is sad but the best team in league is going to come in third place.”

Ney batted 1 for 2 to lead the Warriors. Doyle and McIntire both went 1 for 3, while Cody Romero batted 1 for 4 with a homerun for the Warriors.

Fight the Bite calendar contest

In an effort to educate and inform our community about mosquitoes and West Nile virus, the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District will host it’s Spring 2008 Fight the Bite Design a Calendar Page Contest for Sacramento and Yolo County students in grades K-12. Students are encouraged to express their creativity and create a calendar page that promotes the Fight the Bite theme and inspires our community to practice any or all of the 7D’s of Mosquito Prevention. Through the students’ involvement in the contests, the District hopes to continue educating and improving their knowledge about mosquitoes and keeping safe from West Nile virus.

Students will be divided into three grade categories: K-3, 4-8 and 9-12. Calendar pages will be based on the following criteria: creativity, originality and the ability to effectively communicate one or more of the District D’s of prevention. Winners in each division will be determined by a panel of judges and posted online by June 6. Winners will receive cash prizes in the following amount: 1st place will receive \$150, 2nd place \$75, and 3rd place \$50. A total of nine prizes will be awarded. The winning entries will also be made into a calendar and used in other District ads or materials.

Contests entries must be received by 3 p.m. on Friday, May 16. Entries

may be mailed or delivered to the following: Fight the Bite Calendar Contest, Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District, 8631 Bond Rd. Elk Grove, Ca. 95624. Official entry forms are available at Fight-TheBite.net, or request to have one mailed to you by calling (800)429-1022.

The Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District provides year round mosquito and vector control services. The main goal for the District is to keep the public healthy by preventing the transmission of diseases and improving the quality of life for residents.

Here are the district’s 7 Ds of mosquito prevention:

~ Drain any standing water that may produce mosquitoes.

~ Dawn and Dusk are times to avoid being outdoors.

~ Dress appropriately by wearing long sleeves and pants when outside.

~ Defend yourself against mosquitoes by using an effective insect repellent, such as DEET, Picaridin or Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus. Make sure you follow label directions!

~ Door and window screens should be in good working condition.

~ District personnel are also available to address any mosquito problem you may be experiencing by calling (800)429-1022 or visiting the District online at FighttheBite.net

Shriners offer free treatment

The Yolo County Shrine Club will conduct the 2nd Annual Dick Fallbeck Memorial Screening Clinic on Saturday, May 10 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the new Woodland Health Care Clinic, 632 West Gibson, Woodland.

Children will be screened for curvature of spine, limb abnormalities, growth/development problems, club foot, dislocated hip, Scoliosis, Cerebral Palsy, cleft lip or palate, absent hands/fingers, fractures, burns/burn scar revisions, head injuries and sport injuries to bone, muscles or tendons. Children will also be screened for: Myelodysplasia, short legs, Rickets, Legg Perthes Disease, Osteogenesis Imperfecta or Brittle Bone Dis-

ease and a variety of other neuromuscular diseases.

Any child up to the age of 18 who is currently suffering from one of these severe conditions is urged to attend. Individuals wishing more information may call Paul Rowe at 668-9190 or Jerry Scott 662-8543.

SOFTBALL

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On Friday, April 25, the Warriors had a

tough time handling Sutter as they suffered a 10-0 loss to the Huskies. The Husky pitchers combined to throw a no-hitter against the Warriors.

Base hit



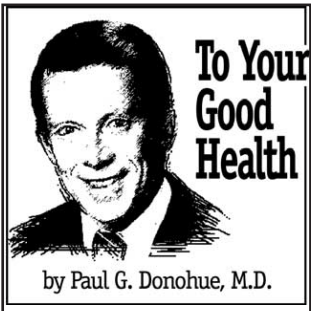
Photo by Eric Lucero
Chelsea Corrales gets a base hit during a recent varsity softball game.

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Features

Correcting the laxative habit

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: This question is one I cannot ask my family physician. I take about 15 laxatives a day — all at once — and have been doing so for about two years. I feel I am really doing myself harm, but I can't seem to wean myself from them. Your thoughts are appreciated. — A.B.



ANSWER: You're going to need your family doctor's input in getting you over the laxative habit. The doctor isn't going to recoil in disgust or swoon on hearing this. He or she has heard the same story many times. The dangers of laxatives have been overstated in the past, but taking 15 a day is a bit much for anyone's colon. There are four general classes of laxatives. I don't know which you're taking, so I'll spend a moment on each. Osmotic laxatives pull water into undigested food. MiraLax, Cephulac, Enulose and milk of magnesia belong in this class. They have few side effects. If your stools are loose and voluminous, you can lose minerals like potassium. That applies to all laxatives. Bulking laxatives attract water into the food residue too. Metamucil, Citrucel and psyllium are such laxatives. So is fiber. And fiber can safely replace the 15 laxative pills you take. As you decrease the number of your laxative pills, increase the amount of fiber you eat. Do this slowly; too much fiber gives you gas and bloating. Drink more fluid than you usually do. Fruits, vegetables and whole grains are fiber sources. We're supposed to get around 25 grams a day. An apple with skin has 4.7 grams; a carrot, 4 grams; 1 ounce of All-Bran cereal, 14 grams; 6 prunes, 8 grams; a cup of baked beans, 9 grams. If all 15 of your pills are bulking agents, you're not in deep trouble at all. Stool softeners act like soap to promote the mixing of food and fluids. They keep stools moist and soft. Colace is an example. Stool softeners don't get people into dire straits.

Stimulant laxatives irritate the colon wall and cause it to contract more forcefully. If taken in large amounts, they have the potential to disturb colon action, but the colon can return to normal when a person eventually gets off them. Senokot and Cascara are stimulant laxatives. Do tell your doctor, who can work with you to get you over your laxative habit. The booklet on constipation and laxatives treats this topic in depth. To order a copy, write: Dr. Donohue — No. 504W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 67 and have high blood pressure, high cholesterol and arthritic knees. Walking was my favorite exercise, but knee pain now prevents that. What exercise would be best for my knees? — R.C.

ANSWER: Swimming would be the ideal exercise. Even if you don't know how, 67 is not too old to learn. You also could do water aerobics — exercising in the water. Water provides buoyancy that protects your knees.

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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Finding what's meaningful and true

I've been worried that with all of the weird stories that I have been sending to the Winters Express that I will soon end up in the "Criminals and Creeps" section of the Readers Digest. With this in mind, I came up with a brilliant idea: I will write about something meaningful and true for a change.

OK, I got to this point alright, but then I had to figure out what exactly is meaningful and true; certainly nothing I've ever written about before. I went into search mode. I searched all the way back to when I was seven years old and I could find only one thing that I could consider meaningful and true. In December of 1968 I volunteered to enter into the United States Army. I can't write about that or I will definitely end up in anger management and I'd still show up in "Criminals and Creeps."

Suddenly, like a bolt of lightning, it dawned on me that if I am to write about something meaningful and true, the subject of the article has to be someone other than me. I must look elsewhere. I went into search mode again. I began my search at home because that's where I am. For a while now there has been a buzz around here about something that I know little about. My son Joey was working on his "Senior Project." I tried talking with him about his project but have you ever tried to talk to a wall that is moving at the speed of light? It is not an easy thing to do.

Joey's "Senior Project" was to put on a "Rock-A-Thon" for the benefit of the "Make-a-Wish" foundation. In truth, this project was quite an undertaking and he prepared for months, making



DONALD K. SANDERS
THE WAY I SEE THINGS

phone calls, filling out applications to foundations, looking for a mentor for advice and guidance, and juggling everything to stay within the guidelines of both the high school and the Make-A Wish Foundation. Joey turned to the Catholic Church for a place to hold his Rock-A-Thon project, and they agreed to let him use St. Anthony's Parish Hall at Main Street and Grant. The Catholic Church kindly consented to let Joey hold his Rock-A-Thon on the afternoon of April 12.

Joey also found a mentor in Troy Waldron, whom he has known for most of his high school life. I've never met the man, but I do know that he has been of invaluable service to my son and I thank him for that. I know it was not easy for him to undertake such a difficult and time-consuming quest. I only hope that he had a good pair of ear plugs because these kids really rock. I'm a bit jealous of Mr. Waldron because he gets to be the mentor and all I get is the "speed of light wall thingy." Actually, I appreciate everything he does for this "Senior Project," so rock on, Mr. Waldron, and thank you very much!

I like the whole idea of "Senior Projects" because it is something extraordinary. I gives the kids an opportunity to initiate and carry through with something that is bigger than themselves; something more worldly than they have ever experienced. We

have Mr. Griffin, principal of Winters High School, to thank for all of this, for he brought the idea home to Winters after attending the California League of High School Officials Conference in 1995-1996.

The program was first implemented in 1999 and requires each participating student to spend 50 hours on an approved project that will result in a significant learning experience. In the past, students have gotten pilot's licenses, learned to make quilts and put together photographic presentations. It doesn't surprise me that my son chose a complex and difficult project to make a little money for charity, and I am so proud of him.

He had four bands lined up for the concert: Stenna and The Poison Apples, Vanity Shall Reap, Tripolar, and the Green River Band. All proceeds went to the "Make-A-Wish" foundation. So, in the end, I did find something good enough to be labeled "worthy and true" to write about, and I have found that it takes people that are worthy and true to make things like this happen.

One more thing: Thank you, Principal Griffin, for your insightful ability to recognize programs that are good and true, your efforts and hard work in behalf of our children, and for being the man that you are. You have the appreciation of the citizens of Winters, even if you did have to discipline half of our children.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Don't waste your time and energy fretting over remarks you consider unnecessary or unkind. Best advice: Ignore them, and just keep doing your usual good job.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Getting that new perspective on a workplace situation could lead to a solution everyone will accept. Meanwhile, make time to keep up with your creative pursuits.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Those changes you planned to implement in early summer might need to be reassessed. But don't make any moves until you've discussed this with someone you trust.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your aspects favor harmony, making this a good time to work out problems in relationships — whether personal or professional, big or small. An old friend comes back.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) While you're still riding that high-powered beam, you might begin to lose focus by week's end. Could be you'll need to do a little cat-napping to restore your spent energies.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An unexpected development creates a lot of excitement. Where it takes you is your decision. Check out the possibilities, then decide if you want to go with it or not.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Although your supporters help you squash an unfair claim against you, don't let this go unchallenged. You need to learn more about the motives of those behind it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) There are still some tasks to clear up by midweek. Then you can welcome the new month on a high note. A friend brings surprising but very welcome news.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might want to change your plans before they're set in cement. Consider advice from colleagues. But remember that, ultimately, it's your choice.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A difficult situation is working itself out. Lingering problems should be resolved by week's end, allowing the Goat to enjoy a calmer, less stressful period.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Be careful not to move so quickly that you miss possible warning signs that could upset your plans. Slow down. Your supporters will continue to stand by you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your generosity in sharing your time and wisdom with others leads to an intriguing development that could have you considering some interesting choices.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of influencing people to be and do their best. You would make an excellent teacher.

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THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE
Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.
1 TIMOTHY 4:12
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Pleased to meet you
Name: Michael Paschoal
Occupation: Hotel Management
Hobby: Working out and watching Notre Dame Football games.
What's best about living in Winters: "Festivals like Youth Day and Earthquake."
Fun fact: I haven't had a haircut in five months. Is still going strong.

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.
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Nuestras Noticias



JUAN FERNANDEZ

EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

Casas a su alcance

El pasado miércoles 23 de abril, se llevo a cabo una junta de información relacionada con la construcción de casas de bajos ingresos en Winters. La reunión fue presentada por Dan Maguire, encargado del programa de casas para la ciudad de Winters. Dan Maguire reconoció el trabajo que ha estado llevando a cabo PICO, la organización que en Winters ha logrado la realización de algunos programas en beneficio de la comunidad. Reconoció el trabajo y dedicación que el comité de casas ha puesto en este programa, el comité esta encabezado por Brian Heller Deleon, Crescencio Mejía, Alfonso Salas, Guillermina Cuevas, Miguel Vasquez y Enrique Uribe.

El alcalde de Winters Woody Fridae menciono que por medio del consejo hispano que tiene la ciudad, los hispanos hemos expresado nuestras necesidades principales como residentes de Winters, y la vivienda es una de ellas, además, como hispanos en este pueblo, nos preocupa nuestra juventud, y nos preocupa el trato que nos da la policía, Fridae menciono que el problema de la vivienda es de gran interés para la ciudad, y esa preocupación es lo que llevo a trabajar y programar esta reunión.

En Winters tenemos dos tipos de viviendas que son económicamente accesibles, las viviendas de renta, como los 34 apartamentos de la nueva sección Winters 2, que ya han sido ocupados, y el otro tipo son las casas, por ley cuando se construyen nuevas casas en Winters, un 15% de las casas que deben ser accesibles para las personas con un ingreso bajo. La ciudad de Winters esta muy comprometida para ayudar a conseguir casas accesibles para la comunidad.

El ingreso de la familia es la base para poder calificar en este programa, la ciudad cuenta, además, con el programa en donde el futuro propietario, participa en la construcción de su propia casa.

Dan Maguire dijo que desafortunadamente debido al problema de las viviendas, por ahora no hay planes para construir en Winters, estamos como en la mayoría de las ciudades, esperando que la situación inmobiliaria empiece a cambiar. La ciudad entiende la frustración de las personas que han vivido aquí por 20 o más años, y que no han podido comprar una casa. La ciudad de Winters cuenta con un

comité que estudia las posibilidades de casas accesibles, el concejal Anderson trabaja con el comité de planeación de la ciudad, y Cecilia Aguiar Curry trabaja con el comité de PICO. Además, la ciudad ofrece incentivos financieros a las empresas constructoras para motivarlos a iniciar sus proyectos.

Mientras tanto la ciudad ofrecerá clases para las personas que quieran comprar casa por primera vez. El propósito de las clases es prepararlos primeramente para comprar una casa, entendiendo como se desarrolla el proceso al comprar una casa, en estas clases aprenderán también como manejar su dinero, entenderán como funciona el sistema de crédito en este país, aprenderán las bases para saber cual préstamo les conviene, aprenderán como comprar una casa.

La ciudad de Winters esta pidiendo como requisito que asistas a este programa para poder inscribirte en el programa de viviendas de la ciudad. Las clases se van a ofrecer en español, se les extenderá un certificado que avalara que han completado el curso que consiste de ocho horas. Durante este periodo en donde no se construirá nada, esperamos que la mayoría de las personas interesadas en comprar casa, puedan tomar el curso, así cuando los constructores empiecen a construir, la gente ya este lista con los requisitos.

La ciudad esta buscando los mecanismos legales de crear una lotería para las casas, quiere tener un sistema que les dé puntos a las personas que vivan o trabajen aquí en Winters, con esto se trata de dar preferencia a los residentes de Winters.

La ciudad de Winters tiene como requisito pedir el 3% de anticipo al comprador, y en realidad es difícil ahorrar de \$2500 a \$10 000 para el anticipo de la casa. La ciudad de Winters esta trabajando para conseguir un subsidio del Federal Home Loan Bank de San Francisco. Si se tiene éxito con este subsidio, por cada dólar que la persona ponga en una cuenta de ahorros para el anticipo de la casa, el gobierno federal pondrá tres dólares a la cuenta, pero el requisito para participar es que la persona debe de haber completado las clases. Además, la agencia de renovación de la ciudad esta trabajando para establecer un programa que dará \$2 000 a las personas que compren casa por medio del programa de la ciudad.

Ritmo Latino Dance Club

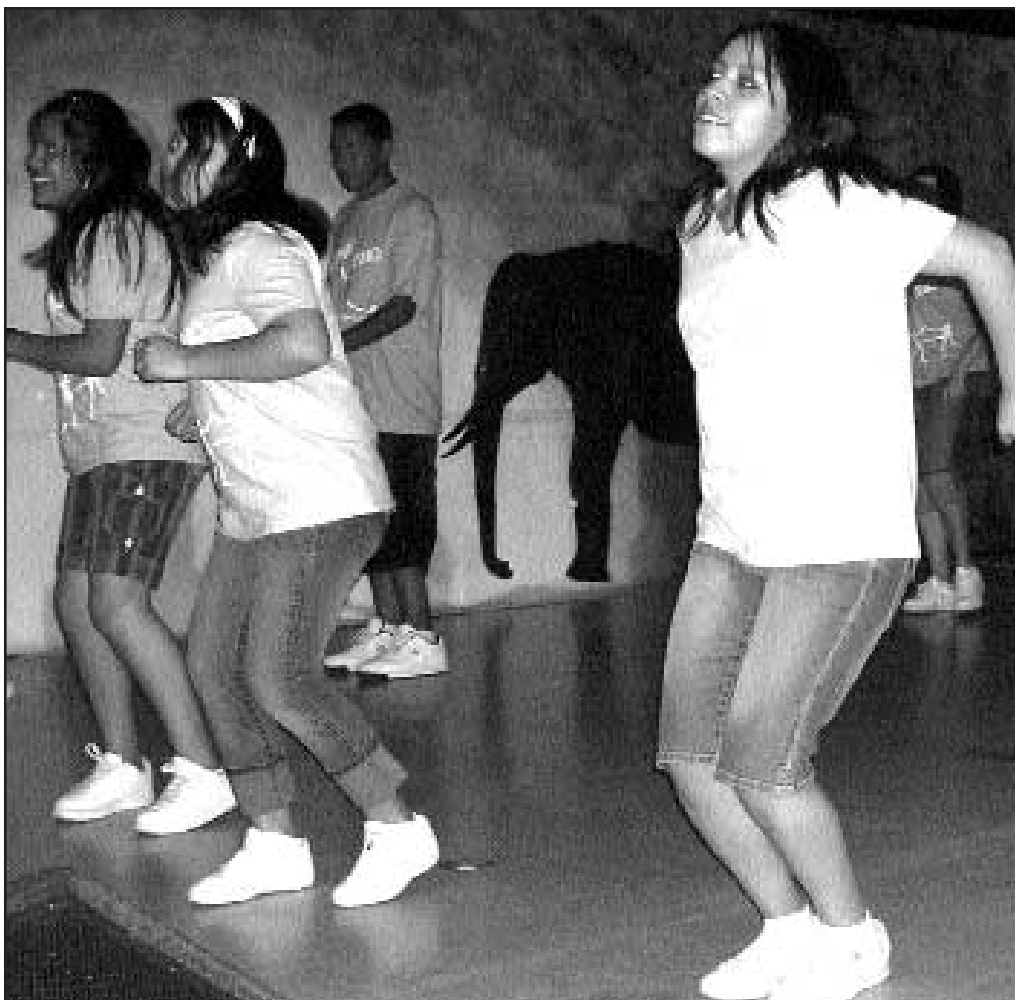


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Lourdes Curicita una de las participantes de "Ritmo Latino Dance Club" de Winters High School, presento un baile en la ceremonia de talentos el Viernes, 25 de abril en el centro de la comunidad.

Los Charros del desfile



Foto por Charley Wallace
Los Charros de Capay Valley desfilaron en el desfile de Youth Day el Sabado, 26 de abril. Los Charros resibieron primer lugar como el mejor grupo de caballos con charros montados.

Facilidades de préstamo a estudiantes

La cámara de representantes dio luz verde a un proyecto que va a beneficiar a los estudiantes que van a pedir dinero prestado para costearse sus estudios de la universidad, les va a otorgar mas beneficios y protección. Esta medida se aprobó pensando en la situación económica por la que esta atravesando el país, lo que se busca es protegerlos de las crisis de crédito que sé esta experimentando a lo largo y ancho de los Estados Unidos.

Algunas instituciones debido a la crisis de crédito que hay en el país, esta teniendo dificultades para participar en los programas federales de presta-

mos estudiantiles. La medida incrementa en 2.000 dólares el límite anual de los préstamos que otorgan los programas federales para los estudiantes que cursan programas de licenciatura o de posgrado. También amplía el plazo en el que los padres de familia pueden comenzar a cancelar su deuda con el Gobierno en el programa de préstamos "Plus", de manera que puedan iniciar los pagos hasta seis meses después de la graduación de sus hijos.

La medida permitirá que no obstante que las familias tengan problemas con las hipotecas, puedan de todas maneras solicitar

préstamos a través del programa "Plus". Tanto demócratas como republicanos del Comité de Educación de la Cámara de Representantes coincidieron en que el proyecto de ley es un salvavidas para familias que, aun en medio de una crisis económica, esperan que sus hijos obtengan una educación universitaria. Esta legislación garantiza a todo estudiante que los fondos federales continuarán a su disposición sin importar lo que ocurra con la economía estadounidense. El Senado tiene todavía que aprobar esta mediada.

Cinco de mayo

Cuando llegamos a Estados Unidos nos damos cuenta que el cinco de mayo es mas celebrado aquí que en México. Y muchos no entendemos la razón por la que se le da tanto realce a este día, que inclusive muchos americanos piensan que este día es el día de la independencia de México. Y entonces ¿Porqué se celebra más el Cinco de mayo en Estados Unidos, y no en México?

Año con año vemos como el cinco de mayo gana mucha popularidad entre la misma gente anglosajona, lo podemos atribuir al hecho que muchas regiones en los Estados Unidos están cambiando con la llegada de mas gente, la explosión demográfica esta teniendo un gran impacto aun en el ambiente cultural de este país. Esta fecha empezó a celebrarse en los años sesenta y setenta, debido creo en gran medida a que en esa época Estados Unidos era más condescendiente con los países vecinos, especialmente en cuanto al tema de migración. La gente lo miraba y lo quiere ver como un puente que une dos culturas totalmente diferentes, pero que actualmente son dos culturas que se quiera o no, están relacionadas entre sí por muchas cosas en común. Otra de las causas de la celebración de este día, se atribuye también al movimiento activista que tuvo lugar en los años sesenta, los líderes chicanos lo tomaron como un ejemplo, y fue una manera de demostrar el orgullo de los México-americanos.

¿Qué paso realmente el cinco de mayo? La historia no dice que el cinco de mayo de 1862, en la ciudad de Puebla de los Angeles, el ejercito de México, logro derrotar al ejercito francés, que en esos tiempos era el más poderoso del mundo. Esta victoria con el paso de los años se ve como una victoria enorme para los Estados Unidos, y para nosotros los inmigrantes, la razón es que la batalla fue dirigida por el general Ignacio Zaragoza, que nació en Texas, y con ello viene a ser el primer símbolo de los americanos y de los mexicanos. En esos años Estados Unidos tenia su guerra civil, y de no ser por la victoria del cinco de mayo, tal ves ni Estados Unidos existiría como nación, ya que según los que saben de historia, la intención de Francia era conquistar México y poner una base en América para proveer armas y apoyo al ejército de los Estados Confederados y esclavistas del sur, que luchaban por separarse de estados del norte, antiesclavistas.

Si hubiera ganado Francia, hubiera apoyado a la confederación, y hubieran formado su propio país. Estados como Texas, Florida, Georgia y Virginia serían esclavistas, y seguramente habrían ampliado su imperio hacia México.

Pero la victoria del cinco de mayo, aplazo los planes de Francia, aplazo su intención de invadir México por un año, y al final nos conquistaron, pero para esas fechas la guerra civil de Estados Unidos estaba acabando, con Abraham Lincoln al frente del ejercito americano, se pudo abolir la esclavitud, y se mantuvieron unidos los estados del norte y del sur.

Así que el cinco de mayo seguirá siendo la fiesta más americana de las celebraciones mexicanas, ya que gracias a la victoria del cinco de mayo, los Estados Unidos siguen existiendo como país.

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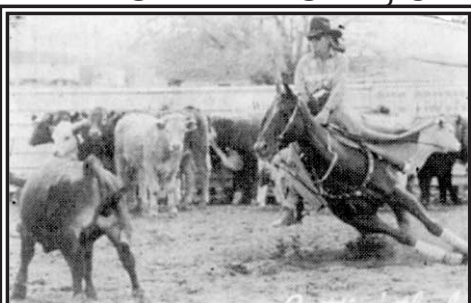


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Notice of completion- Impact Report

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NOTICE OF COMPLETION, AVAILABILITY & PUBLIC HEARING
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
2008 SOLANO COUNTY GENERAL PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Solano has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the 2008 Draft Solano County General Plan. This environmental impact report (EIR) evaluates the broad-scale impacts of the 2008 Solano County General Plan Update (2008 Draft General Plan). The 2008 Draft General Plan EIR is a program EIR under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (State CEQA Guidelines) (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15000 et seq. [14 CCR 15000 et seq.]). A program EIR "may be prepared on a series of actions that can be characterized as one large project and are related in connection with the issuance of rules, regulations, plans, or other general criteria to govern the conduct of a continuing program" (State CEQA Guidelines Section 15168[a][3]). In this case, the program EIR will address the 2008 Draft General Plan, which is the proposed project. This program EIR considers a series of actions needed to achieve the implementation of the 2008 Draft General Plan. Environmental review in compliance with CEQA (Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.) is required as part of the County's consideration of the 2008 Draft General Plan. This DEIR includes an evaluation of 15 primary environmental resource areas, as well as other CEQA-mandated sections, as presented below: Land use, Air quality, Noise, Transportation and circulation, Hydrology and water resources, Biological resources, Geology and soils, Agricultural resources, Public services and utilities, Cultural and paleontological resources, Aesthetic resources, Energy, Hazards and hazardous materials, Recreation, Climate change. The County of Solano is the Lead Agency in the preparation of the EIR. The EIR examines all of the potentially significant environmental effects of the project, and alternatives and/or mitigation measures to reduce or avoid those significant impacts. The Draft EIR concludes that there could be significant adverse environmental effects for the 2008 Draft Solano County General Plan. Mitigation measures are identified to reduce some of these impacts to a less-than-significant levels; exceptions are identifying in the report. The Draft EIR is being published for a 45-day public review and comment period that begins on April 18, 2008 and ends on June 2, 2008. A Final EIR will be prepared to respond to comments received during the review period and will be presented for public comment at a future date. The Board of Supervisors must certify the EIR as a complete, accurate, and objective analysis prior to taking action on the 2008 Solano County General Plan at a date to be specified. We welcome your views on the adequacy and completeness of the Draft EIR. If you represent a public agency, please provide information that is germane to your statutory responsibilities as they may be affected by this project. Responsible and trustee agencies will need to use the EIR prepared by the County when considering adoption of the 2008 Solano County General Plan. If you decide to challenge the action of the County in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at or prior to the final public hearing on the 2008 Solano County General Plan. Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your comments must be received by the County prior to the close of the 45 day review period, which is 5:00 p.m. on June 2, 2008. The Solano County Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to review the Draft EIR and receive public comments at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 15, 2008, at the Solano County Board of Supervisors Board Room, 675 Texas Street, 1st Floor, Fairfield, California. Please submit any requests for a CD disk copy of the Draft EIR, your written comments, including the name, address and telephone number of a contact person to: Jim Louie, Sr. Planner, Solano County Department of Resource Management, 675 Texas Street, Suite 5500, Fairfield, CA 94533 (707) 784-6765. Copies of the Draft EIR can be reviewed at the Department of Resource Management at the above address beginning on April 18, 2008. Additional copies can be reviewed at all public libraries in Dixon, Rio Vista, Vacaville, Fairfield, Suisun City, Benicia and Vallejo and on the internet website at www.solanocountygeneralplan.net. PUBLISHED May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008

Notice of Petition to Probate

Janet L. Dobrovolsky, Esq. (SBN 87287), Attorneys
Kathy K. Moon, Esq. (SBN 230274)
2000 Powell Street, Suite 1605
Emeryville, CA 94608
Superior Court of California, County of Yolo
Main Court
725 Court Street
Woodland, CA 95695
Probate Department
Estate of: ARTHUR ROBINSON, JR.
Notice of Petition to administer estate of ARTHUR ROBINSON, JR.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: James F. Robinson in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo
The Petition for Probate request that JAMES F. ROBINSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files and objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: 5/22/08 time: 9:00a.m. dept: 1
Address of court: Same as noted above.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filling claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are aperson interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for petitioner (name): Kathy K. Moon
Address: 2000 Powell Street, Suite 1605 Emeryville CA 94608
Telephone: (510) 653-3878

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April 18, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-420
Fictitious Business Name
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Vitaliy Maznik 4301 Tyrone Wy Carmichael CA 95691
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39900 BLANCOW RD, WINTERS CA, 95694
MANDEEP BHULLAR, 39900 BLANCOW RD, APT. 25, FREMONT CA 94538
PRACHEE RAJIVANSHI, 39900 BLANCOW RD, APT. 25, FREMONT, CA 94538
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15720 State Hwy 16 Capay, CA 95607
Ann Wendland 15720 State Hwy 16 Capay, CA 95607
Mary E. Bayley 2983 Greenview Dr, Castro Valley CA 94546
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s/ Ann Wendland, Mary E. Bayley
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Kimberli Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-349
Fictitious Business Name
Davis Commercial Properties
429 F Street, Suite 8 Davis CA 95616
BV64, Inc. 429 F Street, Suite 8 Davis CA 95616
This business classification is: A Corporation
s/ Michael Bisch
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Notice of Application for change in ownership for alcoholic beverage license

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE
Date of filing application: April 18, 2008
To whom it may concern:
The name(s) of the applicant(s) is/are:
IBARRATORRES GABRIEL
The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at:
108 MAIN ST.
WINTERS, CA 95694-1931
Type of license(s) applied for:
41-ON-SALE BEER AND WINE-EATING PLACE
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Fictitious Business Name

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FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
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FBN NUMBER 2008-267
Fictitious Business Name
Organizing for Everyone
4735 Cowell Blvd. #33 Davis, CA 95618
417 Mace Blvd. #J PMB #134 Davis, CA 95618
Kymberli Drake-Martinez 4735 Cowell Blvd. #33 Davis CA 95618
This business classification is: An Individual
s/ Kymberli Drake-Martinez
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Fictitious Business Name
The Cohn Company - TCC
629 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
Mailing Address
P.O. Box 280, Davis, CA 95617
Ronald Cohn, 515 Hermosa Pl., Davis, CA 95616
This business classification is: An Individual
s/ Ronald Cohn
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Fictitious Business Name
DR Handyman Service
352nd Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Dan Ramos, 352nd Street, Woodland, CA 95695
This business classification is: An Individual
s/ Dan Ramos
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Liz Mahovich, Deputy Clerk
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Notice of Application to sell alcoholic beverages

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
Date of filing application: April 18, 2008
To whom it may concern:
The name(s) of the applicant(s) is/are:
Hopefull LLC
The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage control to sell alcoholic beverages at:
192 E Grant Ave.,
Winters, CA 95694-1780
Published April 24, May 1, 8, 2008

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 27, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-339
Fictitious Business Name
Alternative Cleaning Service
24909 County Rd. 29 Winters CA 95694-9014
Candee Briggs, 24909 County Rd. 29 Winters CA 95694-9014
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s/ Candee Briggs
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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Isabel Becerra, Deputy Clerk
Published 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 2008

Notice of Petition to administer

McDonough Holland & Allen PC, Attorneys
Donald C. Poole, ESQ. (SBN: 042348)
Penelope R. Brown, ESQ. (SBN: 217861)
555 Capitol Mall, 9th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814
Superior Court of California, County of Solano
600 Union Avenue
Fairfield, CA 94533
Hall of Justice
Assigned to Judge Scott L. Kays for all purposes
Estate of: Mario Santos Sengo also known as Mario S. Sengo and as Mario Sengo
Notice of Petition to administer estate of Mario Santos Sengo
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files and objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: 5/13/08 time: 8:30p.m. dept: 16
Address of court: Same as noted above.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
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Attorney for petitioner (name): McDonough Holland & Allen PC Donald C. Poole, Esq. and Penelope R. Brown, Esq.
Address: 555 Capitol Mall, 9th Floor Sacramento CA 95814
Published April 17, 24, May 1, 2008

Notice of Trustee Sale

Trustee Sale No. 2007-CA004909 Loan No. SS10016
Title Order No. T708993 Sales Line: 714-573-1965
Notice of Trustee's Sale YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/18/2007. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 5/15/2008 at 12:45 PM areNare Inc. as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 06/04/2007, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument 2007-0020040-00 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, executed by: Roderick W. Baker, Trustee of the Roderick W. Baker 2006 Revocable Living Trust, with power of sale, as Trustor, Brilena, Inc. as to an undivided 6.6666% interest, Michael Bumbaca and Adele Bumbaca husband and wife as joint tenants as to an undivided 16.6667% interest, William A. Lerner and Carol L. Lerner, husband and wife as joint tenants as to an undivided 16.6667% interest, Gary F. Furlong and Kristin A. Furlong, trustees of the Furlong Family Trust dated March 18, 2001 as to an undivided 33.3333% interest, Barry Blue, Trustee of the Barry Blue Charitable Remainder Unitrust as to an undivided 26.6667% interest, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA
Legal Description: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$172,785.78 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 618 1st Street, Winters, CA 95694 APN Number: 003-152-04-01 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". Date: 4/10/2008 areNare Inc., as said Trustee by R.E.F.S. INC., a California Corporation Elizabeth Berber, Vice President areNare Inc. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. R.E.F.S. Inc. 9070 Irvine Center Drive, Suite 120 Irvine, CA 92618 (949) 474-7337 (949) 752-7337 (fax) P395104 2/4 5/1, 05/08/2008

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 10, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-266
Fictitious Business Name
Websites by Cindi
4735 Cowell Blvd. #33 Davis, CA 95618
417 Mace Blvd. #J PMB #134 Davis, CA 95618
Cindi Drake-Martinez 4735 Cowell Blvd #33, Davis CA 95618
This business classification is: An Individual
s/ Cindi Drake-Martinez
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Liz Mahovich, Deputy Clerk
Published 4/17, 4/24, & May 1, 8, 2008

Abandonment of Use of Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
April 17, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2004-281
Fictitious Business Name
Salon 451
451 First St. Woodland CA 95694
The fictitious business name was originally filed in Yolo County on 3/17/04 and assigned FBN Number 2004-281 is being **ABANDONED** by
Antoinette Hilliard
25416 County Rd. 25 Esparto CA 95627
The business was conducted by an Individual
s/ Antoinette Hilliard
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Isabel Becerra, Deputy Clerk
Published 4/24, & May 1, 8, 15, 2008

Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's Sale No. 05-FMG-53346 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 8/15/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On May 15, 2008, at 12:00 PM, AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, in the City of WEST SACRAMENTO, County of YOLO, State of CALIFORNIA, REGIONAL SERVICE CORPORATION, a California corporation, as duly appointed Trustee under that certain Deed of Trust executed by JUAN TORRES, A SINGLE MAN, as Trustors, recorded on 8/26/2005, as Instrument No. 2005-0042402-00, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA, under the power of sale therein contained. WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, for cash, or cashier's check (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States) without warranty express or implied as to title, use, possession or encumbrances, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it as such Trustee, in and to the following described property situated in the aforesaid County and State, to-wit: TAX PARCEL NO. 49-446-21 From information which the Trustee deems reliable, but for which Trustee makes no representation or warranty, the street address or other common designation of the above described property is purported to be 17835 TUTT STREET MADISON, CA 95653. Said property is being sold for the purpose of paying the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust, including fees and expenses of Sale. The total amount of the unpaid principal balance, interest thereon, together with reasonably estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Trustee's Sale is \$287,568.58. Dated: 4/18/2008 REGIONAL SERVICE CORPORATION, Trustee By: ANNA EGDORF, AUTHORIZED AGENT Agent for Trustee: AGENCY SALES AND POSTING 15661 Red Hill Avenue, #200 Tustin, CA 92780 Telephone Number: (800) 542-2550 Sale Information: (714) 259-7850 or <http://www.trustee.com> ASAP# 2735905
04/24/2008, 05/01/2008, 05/08/2008

Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No: B350353 CA Unit Code: B Loan No: 1001705749/MARTINEZ Min No: 100024200017057494 AP #1: 003-450-01-1 AHMSI DEFAULT SERVICES, INC., as duly appointed Trustee under the following described Deed of Trust WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (in the forms which are lawful tender in the United States) and/or the cashier's, certified or other checks specified in Civil Code Section 2924h (payable in full at the time of sale to T.D. Service Company) all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property hereinafter described: Trustor: AURELIA MARTINEZ, MANUEL MARTINEZ Recorded May 15, 2007 as Instr. No. 2007-0017670-00 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County; CALIFORNIA, pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded January 16, 2008 as Instr. No. 2008-1318 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County CALIFORNIA. Said Deed of Trust describes the following property: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED MAY 2, 2007. 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. 101 QUAIL COURT, WINTERS, CA 95694 ("If a street address or common designation of property is shown above, no warranty is given as to its completeness or correctness.") Said Sale of property will be made in "as is" condition without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest as in said note provided, advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. Said sale will be held on: MAY 14, 2008, at 10:00 A.M. "AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA At the time of the initial publication of this notice, the total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the above described Deed of Trust and estimated costs, expenses, and advances is \$372,351.19. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. Date: April 17, 2008 AHMSI DEFAULT SERVICES, INC. as said trustee, by T.D. Service Company, as agent CRYSTAL ESPINOZA, ASSISTANT SECRETARY T.D. SERVICE COMPANY 1820 E. FIRST ST., SUITE 210, P.O. BOX 11988 SANTA ANA, CA 92711-1988 We are appointing the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If available, the expected opening bid and/or postponement information may be obtained by calling the following telephone number(s) on the day before the sale: (714) 480-5690 or you may access sales information at www.ascentex.com/websales. TAC# 779443C PUB: 04/24/08, 05/01/08, 05/08/08

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