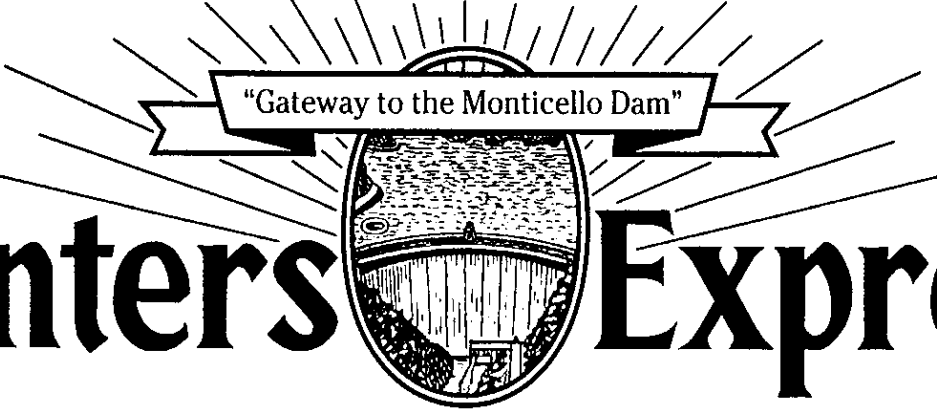


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Cross is state Homecoming Queen

By JAMIE ANDERSEN
Express correspondent

Amy Cross, senior at Winters High, recently participated in a Statewide Scholarship Competition, and won. After winning Homecoming Queen in October, Cross was given a brochure about the America's Homecoming Queen pageant. She wasn't really sure what it was all about, but decided to give it a shot anyways.

"I applied for the scholarship simply because of the "why not?" factor," said Cross. "Any kind of scholarship is helpful and the contest was like nothing I had ever experienced before, so I decided to try it."

Cross was one of 30 girls chosen to compete in the state level, which took place April 5 and 6 in Fullerton.

This competition, which is called America's Homecoming Queen, might sound like a beauty pageant, but it's not. On the pamphlet the program states, "The purpose of the organization is to promote education and community service for high

school homecoming queens in all fifty states."

The competition consisted of an essay, formal wear and an interview. Those who were chosen to be in the top ten also had to answer a question on stage. This is very unlike a beauty pageant because there was no talent or swimwear portion.

"The formal wear contest was actually the most nerve-racking part for me," said Cross. "Walking down a runway in high heels and a floor-length gown hasn't exactly been a hobby of mine, so I was extra careful about where I put my feet down on the stage and the steps going up to it."

Even though she might have felt unsure, she did well enough to convince the judges that she should advance.

"Each and every one of the young women that I met at the contest was incredible," said Cross. "Sure, they were all accomplished and intelligent individuals, but their loveable and fun personalities far outshined their resumes.



Courtesy photo

See **CROSS** on page A-3 Winters High School senior Amy Cross is California's Homecoming Queen.

Vandals strike at elementary, middle, high school campuses

PBy JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Last month Winters was hit by a deeply saddening wave of vandalism. And while the fact that the vandalism took place at all should be enough to draw community attention, it's the nature of the acts that is most disturbing.

Three of the city's four schools were defaced by a breed of vandalism rooted solely in the desire to destroy, coupled most likely with a lack of supervision and a bit of springtime boredom. While the schools have been financially affected to some degree, it's the probability that the damage was inflicted by cur-

rent students that has left staff and faculty members most disappointed.

Playground swings at Wagoner Elementary School were sliced in half, children's books were cut into pieces and obscenities were drawn across classroom marker boards. The screens were removed from almost all classes, seven of

which were successfully entered. One of the rooms broken into was the nurse's office, where a box of used syringes was stolen.

It's hard to get into the mindset of a person who steals a box of used syringes. Not that arriving at a justifiable use for

See **VANDALS** on page A-7

Sparks visits Winters after months in Central America

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

Gigi Sparks is in Steady Eddy's, looking lean and tan, showing a hand embroidered sash and jacket, given to her as a gift for her months of work with the K'iche people in Guatemala.

"This is no casual thing, it took two years to make, and these designs tell their entire history," said Sparks, a Winters resident.

She is taking a physical and emotional pit stop, seven months into her multi-year, around-the-world spiritual journey.

"I was so afraid," said Sparks of her preparation for her journey, "afraid of getting sick, traveling alone, leaving everything I knew. And the first month was really hard. My gosh, I didn't know the language, I was so homesick, so challenged."

Her first stop was in Guatemala. After a few weeks of studying Spanish and touring, Sparks went to live with an indigenous Mayan family she met, in their mountain village. Though she didn't know the local Mam language, she rented a house in their village and started a school, teaching English and art to the village children.

"I made friends for life. I became part of the family, was invited to everything. I got to go to strange indigenous rituals. I lived in the middle of a maize field, so I got to watch the harvest, and lived on maize."

She moved after a month to live with the K'iche' people, Guatemala's largest indigenous tribe. She lived in a birders' hut in Selephin, near Lake Izabel, Guatemala's

See **GIGI** on page A-10



Photo by Elliot Landes

Gigi Sparks models a jacket she was given by the K'iche Mayan people she worked with in Guatemala. The jacket took two years to make. The embroidered symbols tell the tribe's history. While working with the Ngobe people of Panama, she trekked two days to visit a famous tribal healer, and he hand-carved this wooden bowl for her.

FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

JACOB ANDREW SKAGGS is the newborn son of Matthew and Victoria Skaggs of Fr. Walton Beach, Florida. Born on April 14, 2008 at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida, he weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces. He joins a sister, Danielle, 2. Maternal grandparents are Wayne and Marianne Walker of Vacaville. Paternal grandparents are Steven and Marilyn Skaggs of Winters.

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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 30		76	44
May 1		73	50
May 2		83	49
May 3		78	48
May 4		84	51
May 5		83	54
May 6		89	51

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OBITUARIES

Thomas Raymond Stone

Thomas Raymond Stone, 80, passed away quietly at Kaiser Hospital in Sacramento on May 3, 2008. He was born in Oswego, New York on Jan. 13, 1928, and resided in Oswego until leaving to serve in the United State Coast Guard. Upon his return from the Coast Guard, he spent most of the next decade working for his father at the family-owned Stone's Candy Shop.

He married the former Karolyn Gurney, and they were joined in what seemed like no time at all by four children. On Nov. 1, 1965, they packed everything into the largest and most unwieldy haywagon-type U-Haul trailer ever built, loaded the kids into the station wagon in front, and moved to California via the southern states route. After a brief stop in Roseville, they settled in Carmichael in 1967.

Mr. Stone worked for many years for, and retired from, Pacific Bell. He was a dedicated and active member of Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church, and enjoyed watching baseball, football, and westerns on TV.

He leaves behind his son and daughter-in-law, Tom and Carol McMasters-Stone, of Winters; daughter and son-in-law, Ellen and Curt Schhoonover of North Highlands; son, Bill Stone, of Carmichael; and daughter Marty Fetterley, of Carmichael; seven grandchildren, Heather Baldasano, Zach Fetterley, Chris Schoonover, and Tommy, Matt, Meghan and Dillon Stone; step-granddaughter Erin.

He is also survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Bob and Jeanne Stone, of Oswego, New York; sister and brother-in-law, Ed and Irene Dziura, of Whitesboro, New York; brother and sister-in-law, Bill and Rita Stone, of Manlius, New York; 21 nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Karolyn.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, in Carmichael, on Thursday, May 8.

YESTERYEAR



File photo by Debra LoGuercio

The November 1994 Circle of Singers include, from left, (back) Fred Ransdell, Dwight Howard, Paul Holmes, Mike Kimes, Kari Williams and Randy Stevens; (second row) Pinky Dahn, Linda Roth, Patty Marer, Dee Chee, Melecia Ramos, Jennifer Cullivan and Will Roth; (third row) Gayle Matteson, Carroll Sloper, accompanist Debi Bowen, Laurie Patton, and Gloria Marion; (front) Kathy Pranke, director Theresa Foster, Amber Foster, Bill Martin and Teri Stevens. Not pictured, Kathy Michals, Al Vallecillo, Patty Falkenberg, Shirley Scullin and Doreen Puccio.

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YEARS AGO

May 22, 1958

Miss Helen Faye Kiepe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kiepe, has been named valedictorian of the Winters High School Class of 1958. Miss Yasuko Takahashi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Takahashi, was named salutatorian of the class.

The Winters Post 242, American Legion, is making plans for Memorial Day services to be held in the Winters Cemetery on May 30.

The first Winters apricots left for the east last night as about 50 boxes of seedlings, grown on the Goddard ranch, west of town, were packed by the Mendelssohn-Zeller Company at the Valley Farmers Co-op shed here.

A million dollar appropriation to carry on work on the main canal of Monticello Dam so that Solano farmers and city residents can use water from the project at the earliest possible date was urged last week in Washington, D.C. by Rep. John F. Baldwin.

Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Rominger are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Miss Joan Marie Rominger, to Daniel Martinez.

Janet Martin has been elected by the students of Winters High School to hold the office of student body president for the 1958-59 school year.

Art Chaboya, Winters High School coach, has resigned his position to take a position at Watsonville. John Kammerer, assistant coach, has been named to succeed Chaboya as head coach and city recreation director.

The Winters Boat Club will hold a water ski carnival on Lake Berryessa Sunday, with Seven or eight ski races scheduled. The event will be held in Wragg Canyon, starting at 10 a.m.

65
YEARS AGO

May 21, 1943

The first eastern shipment of apricots, 40 crates, was sent on May 17 by Hagblade & Margueleas, and from the Carl Holmes packing house. The fruit was grown in the foothills on the Solano side by Campos & Son.

Construction on the new temporary high school will probably start soon after school closing. Plans have been approved and call for bids has been released.

Mr. and Mrs. James McCoe are this week announcing the engagement of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Charles E. Graf, son of Postmaster and Mrs. Charles Graf.

Herbert Connor Jr. who was inducted last week was sent to Kernans, Utah, for pre-flight training as a aviation cadet.

Sgt. George C. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson of Winters, and wife Carmel, visited here Thursday and Friday on an eleven day furlough. He is stationed in Greenville, PA.

Welland J. Naismith was elected Tuesday as chairman of the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, to succeed the late W. O. Russell.

E.R. Crum and L.J. Wehrman attended the meeting of the Solano County Associated Farmers, Monday night at the Nut Tree resort.

The National Housing Authority has authorized the construction of 75 dwellings at Suisun-Fairfield and 50 at Vacaville. Houses are needed for airport employees at Suisun. The Suisun airport is south of Vacaville.

100
YEARS AGO

May 22, 1908

The first apricots of the season left Winters May 13. They were from the orchard of W.D. Snodgrass and were shipped to Boston by Earl Fruit Co. They were Pringles, and a week earlier than the first shipment last year.

Mrs. Goerge Connor of St. Helena is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.N. B. Wyatt.

Charles D. Bentley is staying at his father's home, as the latter is in poor health and in need of care.

Under the direction of Miss Alice Wood, Mrs. W.A. Young and Miss Alma Sims, the lower grades of the grammar school will entertain in the Opera House tonight.

Thomas Vasey, Evelyn and Joe returned from a visit to the city and fleet, Sunday night.

An ordinance was published in this issue establishing a board of health of five persons, one a practicing physician, and their duties prescribed.

Born Sunday, May 17, to Mr. and Mrs. James Chapman, a 9 pound boy.

Berryessa drops .38 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa dropped by .38 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 6,869acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 427.06 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,360,727 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 390 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 46 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 232acre feet of water per day during the week.

Miss Maude G. Ayer, who has guided the destinies of the primary department of the Winters public school for the past two terms, took her departure for Oakland last Tuesday. From there she will go east about the first of June, visiting G.E. Shanklin and wife in Missouri, the Columbian fair in Chicago, and her old home in Canada.

The Winters-Putah Canyon road is now in good repair. The workmen and scrapers are working on the old State road that runs through Wragg Canyon.

F. N. Wertner shipped two ten-pound boxes of Pringle apricots to Porter Bros. Company, Chicago, on Tuesday last. This is the first shipment of this fruit from California for the season of 1893, and places Mr. Wertner in the lead.

Berdie Spencer, teacher at Apricot School, reports that the term ended May 11, and that Miss Mary Reisbeck passed a very successful examination for graduation.

Weekly police report

April 14

~ On the 1000 block of Hemenway Street, a cellular telephone was stolen. Loss: \$240.

April 25

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

April 26

~ Winters Police Department Officer Urquhart was driving an on-duty emergency vehicle eastbound on State Route 128, approaching East Street. The officer was dispatched to Round Table Pizza in response to several subjects who were intoxicated and harassing the assistant manager. As officers were en route, dispatch advised them that the suspects were leaving in a white, four-door Chevrolet pickup that was pulling a blue and white boat. As Urquhart passed East Street, he saw a truck pulling a boat facing north on East Street that was waiting to turn onto State Route 128. Urquhart directed his attention to the truck pulling the boat to see if it was the suspect vehicle. While he was looking at the possible suspect vehicle, two vehicles stopped in the roadway behind a third vehicle that was waiting to turn left onto Walnut Avenue. Urquhart did not see the vehicles stopped in the roadway in front of him and col-

lided into the rear of a vehicle driven by Jessie Mae Preston, 18, of Vacaville. The collision pushed Preston's vehicle forward, colliding with a vehicle driven by Arnold Valerio, 36, of Oakland, pushing Valerio's vehicle forward and colliding into a vehicle driven by Crescencio Mejia, 42, of Winters. Valerio complained of neck and back pain and was transported by AMR.

April 30

~ A 17-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for making threats with the intent to terrorize, battery and vandalism. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Juvenile Hall for incarceration.

~ At Shams Way and Owings Drive, an officer assisted a Yolo County Sheriff's deputy with a call of brandishing a firearm.

~ On the 700 block of Ivy Court, eggs were thrown at several vehicles.

~ On the 200 block of First Street, an unlocked bicycle was stolen. Loss: \$170.

May 1

~ Jereome David Epling, 26, of Davis was issued a notice to appear for drinking an alcoholic beverage in public.

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Solano Planning Commission schedules General Plan hearing

The Solano County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the 2008 Draft Solano County General Plan. The hearing will be held in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Administration Center, 1st Floor, 675 Texas Street, Fairfield at 7p.m. on May 15, 2008.

Interested persons may appear and be heard. If you challenge the proposed consideration in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Any person wishing to comment and/or review this information may do so at the Solano County Department of Resource management, Planning Division, County Administration Center, 675 Texas Street, Suite 5500, Fairfield. For more information on the 2008 Draft Solano County General Plan and Drafty EIR visit www.solanocountygeneralplan.net.

Veterans will be honored

May is Veterans Appreciation Month, which takes on special significance as the U.S. has troops in combat in Iraq and Afghanistan. Many soldiers have lost their lives and many are returning injured. The Veterans Service Office is pursuing benefits for these returning troops and their dependents.

During the month of May, there are several activities scheduled to honor and celebrate veterans. On Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 11091 will conduct their program at the Winters Cemetery at 10 a.m. This Post will also have a ceremony at 11:30 a.m. at the Cottonwood Cemetery, located between Winters and Madison on State Road 128.

For more information about this event or any others planned during the month of May, call John Sexton, 795-0751.

Artists sought

The Downtown Vacaville Business Improvement District seeks “fine arts” artists for its first of two “Art & Wine Strolls” on Saturday, May 17, 4-8 p.m. in the Downtown area.

Any fine artists who would like to share their works with visitors as they enjoy the event can call Margie Vasconcelos, (707) 446-7014.

For more information visit www.downtownvacaville.com or call (707) 451-2100.

CROSS

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The good character that radiated from these ladies was both inspiring and humbling.”

From here, Cross will compete at the national level for the title of America’s Homecoming Queen, which will take place the first week of August in Anaheim. All 50 states will be represented at this contest. The national competition will be very similar

to the state level, but Cross will also make a speech and enter into the optional video contest, where she will portray her school and community. The national contest will be held at the Disneyland Hotel, so hopefully between rehearsals and the contest, Cross will get to spend some time in Disneyland.

Besides the scholarship contest, Cross has been very busy this year. She has spent a lot of time working on her

speech for the FFA Prepared Public Speaking contest, and at the state contest, placed fifth. She has also kept busy with school, homework, senior project, ASB publicity editor, and FFA president.

After graduation, Cross plans to attend Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois and major in Broadcast Journalism and Political Science. She is the son of Dee and Brian Cross of Winters.

CONFLICT

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agenda.

“I work for the city,” said Rodolfa, “and I don’t see anything wrong with educating members that don’t understand the conflict of interest policy. Because it’s not a violation.”

“When I read it this evening,” said Brickey, “if you get monetary gain from it...”

“And I don’t,” said Rodolfa.

“You get paid by the city, don’t you?” asked Brickey.

“We don’t make any decisions as a member of that body,” answered Rodolfa, “but we really can’t continue this discussion — it would be a violation of the Brown Act.”

When Trustee Chair Jay Shepherd tried to stop the conversation, Brickey said “Point of order — she just discussed it with me so you can’t end the conversation. She butted in.”

“Can we get an agenda item on this?” asked member Rob Nickelson.

“Thanks to you for bringing us back to that,” said Shepherd. “Is there board interest in bringing this forward? The three newer members, David Hyde, Nickelson and Brickey, raised their hands.

“It obviously matters,” said Shepherd. “Yes, there is board interest.”

The testiness appeared to reflect a growing rift between newer members and veterans Shepherd and Rodolfa.

Brickey then asked for the superintendent evaluation currently underway to include three board members, as is traditional, instead of two (Shepherd and Rodolfa), as is this case this year.

Shepherd answered that the time to make the change should have been before the review started.

“We’re on a timeline with this evaluation,” said Shepherd, “and there are time issues with contract renewal and other issues.”

“It’s being brought up right now,” said Brickey.

Hyde, Brickey and Nickelson supported discussing the subject, and it will be put on a future agenda.

Later in the meeting

the tension continued, during discussion of governance — a review of how the board conducted the meeting.

“I’d like to say,” said Rodolfa, “I was asked a question whether I was compensated for my job, so I was not butting in. Usually when asked a question, a person is given the right to answer. I have no objection to agendizing the question of conflict of interest, but it would have been better to first ask the superintendent whether this was a conflict of interest.

Referring to the evaluation subcommittee, Rodolfa said, “I don’t think you understand what the subcommittee does, so we should have had a discussion of what it does. I’m suspect as to what the motivation was tonight.”

“Don’t worry about telling everyone else they need to get educated,” replied Brickey. “You’re working for the city, you’re getting paid by the city, you’re on the board, you’re representing the city manager and you’re representing the school board. I would say that’s a pretty clear conflict of interest. It doesn’t take any books to read to figure that out.”

Shepherd tried to stop the conversation veering into discussion of conflict of interest.

To Shepherd, Brickey said, “I’m trying to talk about something, and you’re quick to cut me off and lay out the rules. The Brown Act falls for using Robert’s Rules of Order, and Robert’s Rules say the chair shall not restrict the discussion to the point of controlling the conversation. The ultimate decision lies with this board, and you can’t let that be run by just two people.”

“I fully believe in the Brown Act,” said Shepherd, “and it says that our constituents have a right to know and watch us discuss the actions we take. We can’t start discussing stuff when we haven’t told the people we are discussing it. Your question is if I’ve cut you off. I say no, we will discuss it and we will have to agendize it. I’m not here to limit discussion.”

“That’s the feeling I get,” said Brickey. “To me it doesn’t look very good to have one person represent the city and the school board at the

same meeting.”

Nickelson suggested having a regular agenda item, asking for new items for the agenda.

Mitchell said he’d look into the rules for agendas and get back to the board members.

“Items with sufficient interest should make it onto the agenda,” said Mitchell.

“What’s sufficient,” said Nickelson, “that’s the question.”

“Let me get the by-laws and we’ll have that information,” said Mitchell.

“Why didn’t we have that when we started?” asked Brickey.

Rodolfa reacted with a dismissive sigh, and Hyde objected to her body language with “That’s not helping.”

“I’m sorry,” said Rodolfa.

“I’m accused of having a sarcastic wit,” said Nickelson, objecting to Rodolfa’s gesture, “and I bite my tongue and try to look respectful.”

“I apologize,” said Rodolfa. “Rob, you’re absolutely right, and to tell you the truth, I have sat here for 10 and half years, and I’ve been pretty damn professional. It’s hard sometimes, always maintaining a professional demeanor, when you feel you have people attacking your integrity. I have a problem with that.”

“The information is in the governance handbook that you do have,” said Mitchell. “The biggest challenge we all have is the ability to have differences of opinion and to communicate those differences without being adversarial and confrontive, and respecting those differences also. In the governance rules, one of the norms is respect and dignity characterized in reaction. It is a very good ideal. It is an ideal this board and members have striven to fulfill.”

Mitchell finished his remark with thanks to board members for giving him warning of issues to be brought up at meetings, so he can prepare for questions that arise.

The next school board meeting will take place on Thursday May 14, at 6:30 p.m., at the district office at 909 West Grant Avenue. Meetings include an opportunity for members of the public to speak on subjects not on the agenda.

Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

SO, I'M WATCHING A RECENT Today Show interview with Barack and Michelle Obama, and find myself thinking, "I really like her. She'd make a great First Lady." Michelle is direct, articulate, witty and smart. And she clearly loves and admires her husband — for real, not just for polling points. She often reaches over and touches him, and he responds comfortably, warmly. Body language speaks volumes. There's genuine affection between them, and it says a lot about a person when the one who knows you best not only loves you, but likes you.

Contrast that to the stiff, wooden body language between Bill and Hillary Clinton. Wonder how long they practiced to make it look like they actually enjoy hugging each other. As for John and Cindy McCain, they rarely seem to touch at all. If John leaned in to give her a peck on the cheek, she'd probably balk and say, "Watch the hair! Don't smudge the lipstick!" No wonder he's so grumpy. He can't get no satisfaction.

As for Michelle, it wasn't the first time she impressed me. Like in a recent news segment featuring the Obamas sitting at some picnic tables with local folks, just chatting. No moderators, no fancy lighting or staged crowds, just chit-chat. Although clearly a fiery woman who speaks her mind when necessary, Michelle also seems down to earth and approachable. Unpretentious. Funny. Friendly. Someone you'd like having live next door.

So, I played with that fantasy for awhile. What if the remaining Presidential candidates and spouses moved in next door?

I can easily imagine having the Obamas over for a backyard barbecue, enjoying some Sangria, chatting into the wee hours on a hot summer night. Christmas parties? They'd definitely be on the guest list. And if life was kicking me around, I'd wander next door in my leopard jammies and fuzzy slippers, and pour my heart out to Michelle over a cup of coffee.

And Barack? If I needed help programming the DVD player or moving a bookcase, he'd drop what he was doing and come right over in his basketball sweats, I just know it.

Yes, the Obamas get two thumbs up.

If the McCains moved in next door, I envision John as pleasant enough, in a crusty, curmudgeonly sort of way. You might have a cordial exchange now and then, and think maybe he's not so bad after all, but the first time you throw a rowdy backyard pool party, he'd be calling the cops at 10:01 p.m. sharp, complaining about the noise. On a Saturday night! He'd be a drag to invite to a party and an even bigger drag not to invite to a party.

As for Cindy, I can't imagine in my wildest dreams we'd be friends. She's too uptight, too perfectly coiffed and dressed, and seems about as cuddly as a porcupine. And she's scary. Her eyes look like lasers. We'd view each other as aliens. I'd see her as an icy, judgmental, controlling Neo-Fascist Right Wing psycho hose-beast, and she'd be convinced that I'm a tree-hugging, tofu-eating radical hippie lesbian practicing witchcraft in the backyard.

I'd venture to say that she and I would avoid making eye contact should we come home from work at the same time, me on my old pink bike and her in her hulking, gas-guzzling Lincoln Navigator adorned with "I Support the Troops" ribbons, not grasping the irony therein.

Bottom line, with the McCains as neighbors, everyone on the street would celebrate when they moved out.

Then there's the Clintons. They fall somewhere in between the Obamas and the McCains. Hillary would be okay as a neighbor, but someone you'd feel obligated to invite to a party. And you know she's gonna show up with a Celine Dion CD and white zin. What a dork. And those pantsuits. Dude. It's a party. Get some jeans.

Bill, on the other hand, well, that's why you keep inviting the Clintons over. Bubba's the life of every party, even though he drinks crap beer and you have to keep an eye on him if your daughter's home from college. And you just know he ogles you through a knot-hole in the fence when you're sunbathing. But you don't object because, truth be told, you kinda like it. And he knows it. The dog. And if he actually hit on you? Well, could you blame him?

So, who would you want living next door? Think about that, because we'll be living with them for a long time.

OUT OF OFFICE COUNTDOWN: The current neighbors move out in 37 weeks! Let's throw a party!



LETTERS

What a Youth Day it was

Dear Editor,

What a Youth Day! The Youth Day Committee deserves a great big hand for a job superbly done. With thousands of visitors to Winters, this committee of volunteers pulled off a great family day. They must be mentioned, because hard work like this cannot go unnoticed.

The 2008 Youth Day Committee consisted of Tom and Carol Stone, Chris and Roy Jones, Jackie Tanner, Kathy Donlevy, Amber and Kathy Sebastian and our newest member, Kathy Cowan. I did a few things too. Thank you to all of our sponsors who donated to this year's celebration. Without their support, Youth Day would be a fading memory.

I would like to thank some of the people who made the 72nd Youth Day Parade a big success. This was one of the largest parades in many years. My parade marshals are my saviors. Most of the volunteers have helped me with the parade for many, many years and I am truly grateful for the help. These great people are Jay Shepherd, Julie Roberts-Kane, Bruce Guelden, Steve and Carmina Caselli, and Don and Cheryl Rheuby. Dale Stephens not only came out to help with putting out barricades (he was out in the morning before I was!) but ran the parade's 5th division. Our friend Jack Bogue came in all the way from Grass Valley to help Dale marshal as well. It's a very hard job and all these people made things run like a well oiled machine.

Thank you goes out to the Winters Express for the fine coverage throughout the year; to Mariani Nut Company for supplying our flatbeds; to Curves for the use of their power for our reviewing stand; to all who donated their cars to carry our dignitaries; to the ladies at City Hall for all the help and support; and to the fantastic Winters City crews for helping with

everything from barricades to cleaning the horse trailer parking lot at Cody and Main. A special thanks to Katie Goudie for singing the National Anthem at both reviewing stands, and to Sean Snow for all the help with barricades and parade set-up. Sarah Neil also was a big help at the Kiddie Parade.

A loving thank you goes out to my family. My wife Kathy, the assistant parade chairman, is as big a part of Youth Day as I am and her help and support are undying. She checked in every entry by herself on Youth Day morning. My daughters, Lauren, who was my right hand this year doing just about everything to help me keep up with my deadlines; Amber who was this year's Kiddie Parade chairman and City Clerk and Katie, all around helper, were always there to help their dad when needed and did a great job. My brother Gil announced his 36th parade this year at City Hall with his usual great delivery and enthusiasm. My mother, Marge has been there as "secretary" since I became chairman in 1983 and her collating skills are unmatched. I love you all, and thank you for the help.

Well, with another Youth Day under the belt, we look forward to next year's celebration. The 2009 Winters Youth Day Parade has been selected as the host parade for the California State Horseman's Association Championship Parade. The 73rd Youth Day Parade will feature the usual entries plus some of the top horse riders in the state of California. This is quite the honor for Youth Day and we will be asking for help in the coming months. Now, it's time to put away the 2008 stuff and gear up for 2009. Looks like we have an exciting year ahead of us.

**MIKE SEBASTIAN
Youth Day
Parade Chairman**

Welcomes clean, sober house

Dear Editor,

As a registered nurse with over 30 years working in the field of substance abuse, I have strong convictions re: a community based group home.

I would welcome neighbors of the caliber of someone working on the 12 Steps of recovery, rather than some of the neighborhoods I've

lived in the past.

Sober houses do not blast rock music at all hours, rev cars and motor cycles out front, or scream and curse at their children.

John Neil would be an excellent and responsible manager, and I assure the citizens of Winters they have nothing to fear.

EDIE MURPHY RNBS

Reward for lowest energy bill

Dear Editor

Are you crying in your beer about your high PG&E bills? Or are you gloating that yours is way lower than your neighbors? If so, come

to the Winters E.A.R.T.H. event on Saturday, May 17, and prove it.

Bring your January

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CHARLES R. WALLACE

A QUICK OPINION

WHO WRITES THIS STUFF? When it comes to communicating with the public, something has gone terribly wrong with our city staff. This is an agenda item for last Tuesday's meeting. Does anyone have a clue as to what our council is going to vote on: *Joint City Council/ Community Development Agency Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution 2008-12, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Winters Making Certain Findings Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 33445 and Resolution 2008-13, A Resolution of the Winters Community Development Agency Making Findings Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 33445 and Authorizing Certain Other Related Matters Regarding the Use of Tax Allocation Bond Funding for Construction of the Public Safety Facility (Joint Police/Fire Station) (pp 83-91)*

If I understand that the council, acting as our redevelopment agency, wants to spend redevelopment money on the new fire/police facility. It shouldn't be that hard to write something in a language everyone could understand. But maybe that's the point.

WINTERS GOES GREEN. Maybe we have turned the corner on getting people to think about the environment and energy. Having the price of gas closer to \$5 a gallon than \$3 isn't hurting the cause one bit.

There have been environmentalists and scientists crying the sky is falling for years without too many people paying attention. Now that the fish population is in trouble, a major drought in Australia is affecting the price of wheat/corn around the world and farmers are growing corn for fuel and not animals, people are starting to ask questions and demand solutions.

There is a group of people in Winters who are pursuing a new event highlighting E.A.R.T.H., Energy, Agriculture, Recycling, Transportation, Habitat. The event will be held at Rotary Park on Saturday, May 17, starting at 10 a.m.

If you have questions about solar energy, fuel efficient cars, composting, regional transportation or how city folks interact with agriculture, this is the place to find answers. I'm hoping for more people than booths, but one problem with new events is getting them off the ground. This could be an annual gathering where people share their experiences and try to learn more about solving energy and habitat problems.

I've been preaching about photovoltaic, PV, (energy from the sun) for years, especially since I installed solar panels on the Winters Express. If you want to hear about solar panels, you can find out on May 17. On a personal note, I just got my electric bill for the entire year and it was \$220. This from a company that used to get billed over \$750 just last July. Am I a believer? You bet.

Winters has been talking a good game when it comes to solar electricity, demanding that new residential construction be at least 50 percent PV, but there doesn't seem to be any teeth in the rules. The city is looking at putting in a large array of solar panels to run the waste water treatment plant, and if that happens, Winters will be known as a solar city. I'm still looking for a better slogan than "Gateway to the Monticello Dam."

Turning green wouldn't be the worst thing Winters can do. We could have Credence Clearwater Revival's Green River playing 24-7 on Main Street. Next thing you know we'll be using electric cars to drive out of town and hydrogen to get back.

Our world is changing. Mark May 17 on your calendar and see what you can do to make a difference. While you're visiting, sample some local food and watch as kids play games on the grass. Remember to recycle your paper plate when you're leaving.

Have a good week.

"One of the secrets of life
is to make stepping stones
out of stumbling blocks."
~ -- Jack Penn

THANKS . . .

The family of Mary M. Perez wishes to express our most sincere appreciation to our relatives and many friends during mom's illness. Your care and concern was very heart warming and comforting.

Thank you for the many gifts of food, masses, cards, donation to charities in her memory at the time of her passing on April 2, 2008. Your kind hearted expressions of sympathy will always be remembered by her family.

We wish to thank the following for all their care and concern during mom's illness and passing on April 2, 2008. Father Chuck, Father Humberto, Dawn, Barbara Thomas, and members of St. Anthony's Altar Society and community. God Bless Each of you.

**WITH LOVE,
LORIN AND GLORIA WARREN AND FAMILIES
MONTE AND JEANETTE MOLINA AND FAMILY**

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PG&E bill to the event and if you have the highest bill you will receive a free energy audit by professionals from the Davis Energy Group, plus \$100 from the city to help you pay for home energy improvements. If yours is the lowest, you can earn \$100 by sharing your secrets with the rest of Winters.

Stay tuned for more about the Winters E.A.R.T.H. event in the next issue of the Express, or by going to the city web page at www.cityofwinters.org.

DAVID SPRINGER

Needs support for cancer marathon

Dear Editor,

After growing up in the town of Winters, I know the true meaning of community. Growing up in Winters gave me opportunities that I would not have gotten elsewhere, and for that I am eternally grateful.

After graduating in 2002 from Winters High School I attended UC Davis where I earned my B.A. in sociology and communications. Currently, I am pursuing my masters of science in criminal justice at California State University, Sacramento, and training for my very 1st marathon of 26.2 miles.

On June 1, 2008 I will be running the Rock-n-Roll Marathon in San Diego California to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, a non-profit organization benefiting cancer victims and survivors. In order for me to run all 26.2 miles I have to raise \$3,200 by May 16. This is where I ask for help from the community that I grew up in.

Donations can be given by credit card/debit card by visiting my website: <http://www.active.com/donate/tntsac/tntsacBVigil>, or if you

feel more comfortable sending a check made payable to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS) please address it to: Brandi Vigil, 9225 Vancouver Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826.

As of right now, I have approximately \$1,500 dollars and will be having one more fund-raiser. This means I am exactly halfway to my fund-raising minimum. I know for some money is tight, but any amount donated is greatly appreciated.

You can track my progress at my website, and look forward to my progress as I continue to train daily for the big event. During my marathon I will also have the opportunity to wear wristbands in honor of cancer victims or survivors. If there is an individual you would like me to make and wear a wristband for during my marathon, please let me know and I would be honored.

Thank you all so much for your support as I challenge myself and help others. Every time I think I cannot finish another mile or I just want to give up, I think of all those who have endured so much more pain than me... and that alone keeps my feet moving.

BRANDI VIGIL

Senior Project was enriching

Dear Editor,

Each year, the seniors at WHS have the task of completing a project of their choice as a graduation requirement. On April 30, we all had our presentation and I passed, successfully. So I will be graduating with the class of 2008.

I decided to do my project on something I knew would benefit me in the future. After many options, I finally knew what I was going to do. My project was to research social work, which would help me determine if it was a career I wanted to pursue;

also to raise money to go on a Mission Trip to Nicaragua.

My product was a book with some of the information I researched, volunteer work that I did, and different fund-raisers I had to earn money for my mission trip. I had the opportunity to volunteer at Mission Solano Rescue Center and helped give away gifts on Christmas. I also had the privilege of interviewing an actual social worker, and visiting Healthy Partnership to meet clients who are recovering from substance abuse problems.

Some of the fund-raisers I had were a bake sale, tamale sale, goodie bags, sold pizza and Valentine's day dinner, along with others.

Through my project, I gained independence and confidence. It wasn't easy, but it was definitely worth doing. To future seniors, I recommend they do their project on something that will help them in the future. Now I can confidently say that social work is a career I'm going to pursue, whether it's in an office setting or traveling around the world on mission trips.

After completing my presentation and fulfilling other requirements I'm ready to graduate, but the only problem is that I still haven't raised enough money to go to Nicaragua. The total cost was originally \$1,759 but that's not including the shots that I need and medication I have to take before going on the trip. I still plan on doing as many fund-raisers as possible to raise more money, because I'm determined to go and provide support physically, emotionally and spiritually to the people of Nicaragua.

What I'm asking is that if there is anyone who would generously donate any money to help me go on my trip, I would greatly appreciate it.

THANK YOU, SILVIA GARCIA

Senior project was successful

Dear Editor,

I want to thank the community for their support in my endeavor to raise money for lung cancer research as a part of my senior project. I am so glad to live in a community that is so supportive.

The Youth Day booth and fundraiser raffle were very successful in terms of raising money for lung cancer research as well as raising lung cancer awareness. I was fortunate enough to collect almost 40 prizes from the generous donors, primarily in Winters, but also in Solano County. Through donations and the fundraiser raffle, I raised over \$1000 for my senior project.

I truly enjoyed visiting with everyone that was able to come and visit me at the HR Selby Lung Cancer Foundation booth on Youth Day. I hope to make this raffle an annual event so I hope to see everyone again in about a year.

I would also like to once again thank all of the local businesses that supported me in this project: Ace Hardware, B&D Geerts Construction, Bella Boutique, Berryessa Sporting Goods, The Buckhorn, Close Quarters Salon, Eagle Drug, El Pueblo, Linton's Screen Printing & More, Pizza Factory, Round Table Pizza, Steady Eddy's, Subway, Tomat's, Velo City and Warrior Video. I will certainly do my part, and I ask you to please do what you can, to support these local businesses as they have demonstrated their commitment to local endeavors such as my senior project.

JR SELBY

Help needed

Dear Editor,

The fifth graders at Shirley Rominger Intermediate School will travel back in time to ex-

perience our annual Pioneer Days on May 20-22. We are looking for community volunteers to help with craft/activity stations throughout the day. Volunteers do not need special skills. We have instructions that go along with every activity.

Please contact JoAnn May, 795-4153, if you are interested and can work for a couple hours on any of those days.

FIFTH GRADE CLASS Shirley Rominger Intermediate School

Thanks for taking good care of me

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank my Senior Lunch friends who came to my aid when I collapsed in the community center parking lot a couple of weeks ago.

The fire department and ambulance responded very quickly and took very good care of me.

Thank you to those who made sure my little granddaughter was well taken care of until her mom came to get her.

I would also like to thank Sutter Davis Hospital emergency department and the hospital for taking such good care of me while I was there.

We in Winters are very lucky to have such good emergency teams and such a fine hospital.

Last but not least, I would like to thank my

good friends who have been calling me making sure that I am doing okay.

I love all of you.

CAROL WHITE

Supports Yamada

Dear Editor,

Mariko Yamada grew up in a working-class neighborhood in Denver, and she and all her siblings graduated from Manual High School. Her father had been interned at a detention camp during WWII and afterwards supported his family as a landscape gardener. She has been non-partisan chair of the Yolo County Board of Supervisors; she earned a master's degree in social work and is a strong supporter of the dignity of labor.

She has the endorsement of the California Nurses Association, California Professional Firefighters, and California Teachers Association. Mariko has voted consistently to prevent development in flood-prone areas and has fought for green energy.

I hope you will vote June 3 for her in her bid to be the Democratic nominee for our Assembly District #8 in the state legislature.

She is a good listener, and will work for fairness and due process in an open, representative government.

JOHN C. CHENDO

Community learns about mosquito control

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The local agency fighting mosquitoes is the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District, which sponsored a workshop at the Community Center on Tuesday, April 29. The agency, which is funded by property taxes, is the largest of its kind in the state. It's an impressive organization, with as many as 75 employees working the June to September peak season.

It helps that UC Davis is strong in entomology, including the work of Winters resident Gregory Lanzaro, director of the UC Davis Vector Genetics Lab.

Part of the reason for the district's size is bad news — this region is just a great place for mosquitoes and other disease carrying bugs, known as "vectors."

Assistant Manager Gary Goodman counts off the reasons this area works for the bugs we don't like: a lot of agriculture, wetlands, and a lot of people.

"We've got nice warm weather, a large population, lots of water and irrigation — we're a mosquito paradise. The world's gotten smaller, with people traveling more, and it means new diseases can come here. And we have the right kinds of mosquitoes here, the types that can carry malaria or West Nile. So we want to help people be diligent about prevention techniques."

Disease is the driver behind vector control, but the advent of West Nile has moved the districts' work to the front page. One district board member is Winters' own Marie Heilman, who suffered greatly from encephalitis caused by a bout of West Nile virus two years ago. She has permanent hearing and eyesight damage from the experience, as well as other brain-related injuries. She has dedicated herself to informing the public of the seriousness of the disease and the fact that it can threaten people of all ages. She was surprised when asked to

be on the board, because she does not have a background in vector control, but was told by Goodman, "no - with your experience, we need you more than anyone."

The West Nile virus is here to stay, according to Goodman. The virus replicates and amplifies by mosquitoes infecting birds, and other mosquitoes picking up the virus from birds. Dead birds are a sign of the virus, and a couple have already been spotted in Yolo County, earlier than last year. Goodman tells of twenty girl scouts who contracted malaria in the 1950s on a camping trip, from mosquitoes that picked up the disease from a Korean war veteran who had a relapse of malaria he contracted in Korea.

Once you learn to call them vectors, you can start using the term "IPM," or integrated pest management. This is the system for attacking the problem on all fronts at once. At one of the districts' tables, agency biologists showed the lab work

they used to sample bugs from nine traps maintained in the two counties and identify species of mosquitoes and the viruses they are carrying.

Another department works on environmental management. A manager showed one of the tools — a plastic pipe culvert for draining water through beaver dams and still allowing the beavers to continue their dam building. Another device is gel beads that go into the urns people use for flowers in cemeteries, so the urns do not become breeding pools. The proliferation of foreclosed homes in the Sacramento area, with pools not maintained, is another huge problem.

Another department maintains 24 breeding ponds near the district's headquarters in Elk Grove to produce 1.6 million fish per year that feed on mosquito larvae. It is the largest operation of its kind in the country. The fish are then taken to numerous sites throughout the two

counties where there is standing water.

The largest share of the seasonal work force is occupied with the old fashioned method — chemical spraying. That's the politically controversial (especially in Davis) method the district uses when the lower impact techniques don't do the job. It is highly effective.

Public outreach is a big part of the district's activities, talking to schools and Rotary Clubs, working with farmers to promote practices that reduce breeding habitat, providing information so doctors are able to spot mosquito-borne diseases, and educating the public on using repellent, dressing with long sleeves, avoiding dawn and dusk high activity periods outdoors, and maintaining window screens.

The district has an impressive wealth of printed and internet material available and they can be reached through the district's web site, at <http://fight-thebite.net>.

Senior Citizens Club news

By MARGE SEBASTIAN
Special to the Express

Our April meeting/potluck was held Wednesday, April 9, at the Community Center.

Thank you to Sheri Del Toro for donating a turkey for our potluck and thank you to Marie Heilman for cooking it. Also, a big thanks to those of you who brought drawing gifts and food to share.

Due to a broken microphone, we did not have a regular meeting because it would be hard to hear what was being said, so instead we had our potluck and visited afterwards.

Our May meeting/potluck will be on Wednesday, May 14. The June meeting will be our last meeting until October.

VANDALS

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the stolen goods would legitimize the theft in any way, but at least it would make it easier to comprehend. Principal Suzen Holtemann contacted authorities and cautioned them to delicately handle all garbage to avoid coming into contact with the dangerous property. The police came to the school and took a report as well.

"It's just plain vandalism," says Holtemann. "There were valuable things that they didn't take."

The most valuable item stolen at Waggoner Elementary School was a camera, along with some money earned at a book fair. For the most part however, the main intent seemed to be destruction. Those who entered the rooms also overturned desks, cut up books and broke children's back-pack hooks.

It's important to remember that the above-mentioned swings, desks and back-

pack hooks are used by children between five and eight years old. These children are young and innocent to the idea that such acts could ever take place at their school.

"We tried to make things look normal for the kids," says Holtemann. "We took care of them right away. We didn't want them to get frightened."

Winters Middle School Principal Pam Scheeline spent Saturday, April 19, working with a group of volunteers to clean up and get some work done at her campus.

In the early morning hours of the following day (same day as the Waggoner incident), the school's security alarm was set off. When police arrived at the scene they were greeted by freshly shattered windows and damage similar to that of Waggoner. It's believed that both schools were hit on the same night.

"It was so nice to get the work done," says Scheeline of the volunteer workday that took place just hours before

the vandalism. "And then we have this happen the same day."

The intruders broke the music room window and went directly to the guitars (located in the back). Most of their work was confined to this portion of the room and limited to tagging and damaging the instruments. The damage was discovered when, during school, students removed the guitars from their cases so they could be used in class.

The middle school is offering a \$100 reward for information that would lead to an arrest.

"We want to send a clear message that this is not okay," says Scheeline. "We're all responsible for our school. We work hard to make it a great place. We have limited resources and, when something like this happens, it's just a shame."

Scheeline deeply wants to believe that middle school students were not responsible, but knows the possibility can't be ruled out.

Winters High School

has been vandalized multiple times this year and has been hit by far the hardest in terms of financial loss.

"Over the course of this year we've had five computers stolen," says Principal George Griffin.

Three of the computers were stolen from the F Wing of the high school on Friday April 11, about a week before the other two schools were hit. Windows were broken and computers were removed from three separate rooms. The school is in the process of replacing the broken windows. Replacement of computers will follow as soon as possible.

"People need to understand that they're not doing anything to the teacher," says Griffin. "Basically they're stealing from kids, very directly. It's the same pot of money we use for them. The money paid to fix this is now not available to them."

Griffin notes that such financial losses will have a very negative effect, especially

going into next year.

"It's horrible," he says. "There's just no extra money. We're already eliminating things."

All three schools are disappointed by the recent events, especially if they were carried out by their own students. Whether or not they were is unknown, but the schools have encouraged the community to pay close attention in their neighborhoods and to actively become a part of the solution. They'd also like to see parents make an effort to more closely monitor their children, especially late at night.

"It seems likely that it's young people," says Griffin. "It's not a very sophisticated process. They're not terrible sophisticated in what they choose to steal. And sometimes it's just broken windows, unrelated to theft."

High school student Iris Guzman sees the acts as rude and in no way funny. She's particularly bothered by what happened at Waggoner.

"They're little kids who didn't do anything," she says. "It's just rude."

"That's not a good way to be a role model," adds Rosendo Garcia. "It's messed up."

Scheeline, along with the other site administrators, struggles to understand the mentality of someone who destroys simply for the sake of destruction. When she watches her students wander from class to class during the school day, she feels nothing but love and admiration for what she sees.

When she learns that a group of nameless people have defaced something she so deeply cares for, she's forced to try to understand what cannot be understood: shattered windows, upturned desks and victimized students; the shameful results of senseless vandalism.

Anybody with information regarding the recent acts at any of the three schools may contact the Winters Police Department at 795-2261.

Community



SARAH M. WITHNELL

Withnell graduates from basic training

Air Force Airman Sarah M. Withnell has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. During the six weeks of training, she studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

She is the granddaughter of Thelma Brennan of Winters, and is a 2007 graduate of Winters High School.

Vigil running in marathon

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Winters High School graduate Brandi Vigil went on to double major at UC Davis and is in graduate school at Sacramento State, studying criminal justice. Amidst all of this, she has decided to lend herself to a great cause.

Vigil is training for the Rock-n-Roll full marathon, which takes place in San Diego on June 1. She will run the 26.2 miles to raise money for the Leukemia Lymphoma Society, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping survivors and victims of all blood cancers.

“I always like to challenge myself,” she says of her decision to take on the challenge.

Her goal is to raise \$3,200 by May 16. Having been active in Winters, she hopes to gain support from the locals.

This is Vigil’s first marathon. She will be a member of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society’s Team in Training. Funds raised will help fight leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin lymphoma and myeloma. She says it will be a challenge, but those for whom she will be running have suffered far more.

Anyone who would like Vigil to run in honor of someone close to them by wearing a wristband in the marathon can send her their information.

To reach Vigil or contribute to her cause, call 902-4371 or visit her marathon website, <http://www.active.com/donate/tntsac/tntsacbvigil>.

Topping the A-List



Courtesy photo

The votes are in, and Briggs & Co has been named the Best Art Gallery in the Sacramento region in the recent “A-List” competition, sponsored by KCRA-Channel 3. Gallery owner Shaunie Briggs puts some finishing touches on her metal sculpture. Briggs & Co is located at 820 Railroad Avenue, and features original artwork and gifts, and frequently hosts art shows, musical events and gatherings. It is open Wednesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The phone number is 795-9505.

City storm drainage master plan updated

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

The ratio of job-producing businesses in Winters compared to residential housing is currently not balanced. That’s why, as the city begins to define their goals for the relatively undeveloped land at the north end of town, they’ve made it their goal to prioritize commercial development. Prior to making any such determinations however, their task was to address a variety of issues having to do with flood control, as the above-mentioned area is prone to such problems. While no formal adoptions were made, the city council received a presentation and discussed the City’s plans at the April 30 meeting.

City Contract Planner Heidi Tschudin gave a brief overview of the situation, noting that the City’s general plan, which was adopted in 1992, “has served you very well. No amendments have been made.”

She explained that a significant portion of Winters falls under the flood-overlay zone. Before any growth may happen in this northern portion of town, a comprehensive solution must be reached. They have since identified such a solution and updated the 1992 Storm Drainage Master Plan, in turn opening the area to future development.

Last May, the council

directed the City to continue over the last remaining hurdle, which had to do with environmental analysis and SEQA documentation. The plan is strategically written to prioritize the development job-producing projects, especially in the southern portion of the area, which is less susceptible to flooding.

“The priority is to start bumping up jobs,” said Tschudin. “Because you’ve already bumped up housing.”

According to the plan, residential housing could only go in if it’s balanced by the addition of commercial development, to the point that the disparate proportion of the two becomes more balanced. And if residential development does happen to go in, priority will be given to developments that are either contiguous to existing developments, consistent with general plan and zoning land-use designations or provide critical roadway connections.

“Many roads are not complete,” said Tschudin of Winters streets “So people have to go way out of the way, causing worse traffic.”

Residential will not be allowed north of Moody Slough until the job-to-housing ratio is balanced.

Council member Harold Anderson questioned the verbiage of a portion of the document that explicitly prioritized low-income housing, prompting the

council to make a slight change to the document.

“Residential projects which advance the City’s goals and policies for affordable housing shall have priority,” read the newly reworked sentence.

Also discussed was the Flood Overlay Area Storm Drainage Development Impact Fee Nexus Study, which will establish a fee system. It was not formally adopted at the meeting and will be revised.

“Depending on what zone you’re in the fee will vary,” said City Engineer Nick Ponticello.

The issue was approved unanimously, (with Fridae, who arrived late, abstaining). Staff will circulate the approved negative declaration for public review and comment and will soon be reviewed by the planning commission, who will then bring a recommendation to the council.

“This puts a framework in place only to the extent that it meets the needs of the community,” said Tschudin. “It opens it but limits it.”

“For the most part it’s a really big project,” said City Manager John Donlevy. “But it’s pretty simple. All we’re talking is infrastructure here.”

Creek Speak features Winters’ back yard

Creek Speak is returning for six months from May to October. Join the Putah Creek Council to further explore the Putah Creek watershed and surrounding areas, and learn about the creatures that live along Putah Creek, how clean the water is, and how the creek was formed.

The series features Winters’ back yard, Putah Creek, through a series of free community presentations on the third Thursday of each month. The talks will be held at the Winters Community Center, 201 Railroad Avenue. Each presentation will run approximately one hour, from 7-8:30 p.m., with time for questions following the presentation.

On Thursday May 15, John Anderson of Hedgerow Farms will talk about sustainable agriculture, wildlife friendly farming, and what you can do for habitat in your backyard. John will share his knowledge of native grasses and give a talk highlighting the work of Hedgerow Farms over the past 25 years.

The program is spon-

sored by the Putah Creek Council, Putah Creek Discovery Corridor Cooperative, City of Winters, and UC Davis John Muir Institute of the Environment for the exciting continuation of the Creek Speak series. Upcoming talks will include the Putah Creek Nest Box Trail, linking native species with human activity, and many other topics.

The May 15 Creek Speak talk is also a kickoff for Celebrate E.A.R.T.H., Winters Goes Green, the City of Winters’ environmental celebration on Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Rotary Park.

Event organizers want to draw attention to this serious issue by bringing a message of hope and change — sharing ideas for how the community and each individual can help make a difference. All are welcome to come and find out how the City of Winters is going green.

More information is available on the Putah Creek Council website, www.putahcreekcouncil.org, or contact Dawn Calciano (530) 795-3006; dawn@putahcreekcouncil.org.

GIGI

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largest lake, and the site of a well known wildlife refuge. She went there originally to visit the refuge. A guide there told her of the many local social problems, and she decided to stay and help. The population in the area is entirely Indian.

“You have to take a “chicken” bus to get there,” said Sparks, “and the busses are robbed all the time, so it’s very scary to get there. The people are very private, and don’t like to be photographed. It was very beautiful. We’d see boa constrictors and fer-de-lance snakes while walking around there. There were jaguars there, and howler monkeys keep you up all night. The people were very poor, lived entirely on maize, and so did I. There was no refrigeration. Food and matches went bad in the dampness.

“It was hard — you had a mosquito net around your bed, and things got in your bed all the time — enormous cockroaches and snakes.

“While I was there in Selephin, I thought I had a cold. The mosquitos there were really bad, they were silent and huge, and bit you right through your clothes.

Traveling to see the Mayan ruins of Tikal, Sparks’ illness worsened. A doctor there told her she just had a cold. While visiting the Mayan ruins, she passed out, and woke up in a hospital with a diagnosis of dengue fever. Dengue is a mosquito borne virus becoming an epidemic in recent years, in the tropics. Sparks is grateful to a few women tourists she met the day before, who were with her when she collapsed and took care of her during her stay in a hospital near Tikal.

After three months in Guatemala, Sparks moved on to her next country — Panama. After a short culture shock spell in the bright lights of big, sexy, Panama City, she headed west, to join the Ngobe native people of the Ngobe-Bugle Comarca Indigena

(reservation) in the western Atlantic Panama, near the border with Costa Rica.

Before she left the U.S., she contacted a volunteer group called Medo, that works to help tribes in the region. The group was founded by an Ngobe man that visited the U.S. for a year and studied community development.

“He returned to his home,” said Sparks, “and realized how little they had — they didn’t even have the basics. I worked for him for about three months. I’ve been gone seven months now, but it seems like five years.”

The route to the comarca was an ordeal, cramped in a 4x4 truck with a dozen expressionless Ngobe locals in colorful native dress, all staring at Gigi, riding a washboard road that often was not really a road at all. The people’s animals were in there too, dogs and chickens kept in plastic bags, without air holes.

“They weren’t very clean,” said Sparks, “and I’ve never been in close contact with people that couldn’t bathe very often. I later learned that they don’t show facial expressions much because of poor teeth.

“The women looked to be 12 or 13 years old with children, the life looked really hard and they didn’t seem friendly. Many didn’t speak Spanish. I was entering another world. This is one of the most extreme places in Central and South America.”

The Ngobe live in hamlets in the mountains, do not interact much with people outside the comarca, and are a quiet presence in Panama society. They have no written language.

“There was little information on them,” said Sparks, “no pictures of their crafts, and no tourists go there. The only people there were a few sad Peace Corps workers, so far apart I rarely saw them. I was the only volunteer there.

“The people live 12 to 18 in a hut, and there was no place for me — it was a struggle to find a place to live.

“I thought Guatemala

was hard, but I really wasn’t prepared for how strong I would have to be to live in such a place. Often there was no food. People lived on yucca and taro root. There was no refrigeration, no clean water, no fruit, no green vegetables. Nothing to buy, no tiendas, no snacks.

“I ate wasp larvae, I learned to accept local customs, and show nothing on my face. I learned I had to graciously accept what they offered me, whatever it was, and I had to eat it, even if it’s going to give me parasites and make me really sick.

I had anemia twice, I had parasites, I had severe dehydration twice and had to go to the hospital, and I had giardia.

She eventually learned to protect her health by stocking meds and Gatorade for emergencies, despite the ten hour walk to get to the village to connect with the outside world. She made the walk frequently. She brought a water purification system, and later on an anonymous donor from Winters sent her a replacement filter that almost didn’t make it out of the Panama postal system. She boiled water for two months, learning the Ngobe method of cooking fires made with minimal wood.

She became a respected person in the community, in part because she was educated and they were not. She had basic knowledge we take for granted: — first aid, knowing when things aren’t clean, preparing healthy food. She developed programs and held community meetings to educate people on public health issues, water hygiene, child care and

treatment for parasites.

Asked about teaching in the Ngobe language, Sparks says the language is simple, and she was able to learn much of it in a month. Most of the men speak Spanish and can help translate.

Also while in the comarca, Sparks gave classes on preventing death after childbirth, working from David Werner’s text “Where There Are No Doctors.” She was able to bring parasite medicine into the community to treat children, many of which suffered from various parasite borne diseases.

Despite all, she fell in love with the place, the forest of bananas and palms, the red earth landscape dotted with sisal huts, and the incredible night sky.

She was able to explain a lunar eclipse to the Ngobe in their language as it took place, and it was the first time they had heard the explanation.

Looking for ways to help, she discovered a source of many deaths in the community — the river crossing. The current bridge is a small tree laid across a robust river with rapids.

While Sparks was there, six children fell off the bridge and died. Panama is unwilling to build the bridge needed, because of the remote location.

Sparks has made raising money to build a walking suspension bridge her personal project, and has started fund raising through her travel blog, where a number of readers have offered to help with the project.

Sparks blog (at <http://blogs.boot-small.com/gigirtw/>) has become popular, with over 2000 readers a

week, including an elementary school in Virginia. The kids have adopted the bridge as a fund raising project.

“I made lifetime friends there,” said Sparks, “and I actually didn’t want to leave, though it was so hard.”

On May 6, Sparks flies to Europe where her plans include work in a Buddhist monastery in England and a 500 mile walk of the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage route. Her itinerary will take her through visits in Europe for a few months, followed by a few months in India working with aid projects, and then onward further around the world.

Library steering committee to meet

The next Winters Library steering committee meeting has been changed to Monday, May 12, 6-8 p.m. at the Winters School District office, 909 West Grant Avenue. Agenda items include a meeting with Michael E. Moore from Millennium Advantage, and discussion of the upcoming capital campaign. For more information, call 666-8005.

Mother’s Day is Sunday, May 11

Entertainment

Celebrate E.A.R.T.H. May 17 at Rotary Park

By DAWN VAN DYKE
Special to the Express

Join the citizens of Winters as they Celebrate E.A.R.T.H. at an early summer gathering on East Main Street and Rotary Park. The fun starts at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 17, and lasts until 4 p.m. Spend the day enjoying local wine and food, learn about agriculture and habitat preservation, find out how to conserve energy and resources. Share ideas about how to reverse climate change. Kids can enjoy performances by Earthcapades, build bird feeders and watch children's theater performances.

Bring a picnic lunch, stop and have lunch at one of Winters' great local restaurants, or sample some of the local products that will be available throughout the day. Visit Putah Creek, take a walk across the historic Railroad Trestle Bridge, visit some of the local businesses and find out how the City of Winters is going green.

The Celebrate E.A.R.T.H. — Winters Goes Green event will feature activities and information about each of the five distinctive areas: Energy, Agriculture, Recycling and conservation, Transportation Alternatives and Habitat (E.A.R.T.H.).

Many organizations will have booth space at the event, including Yolo Land & Cattle (honey, bay leaves), Berryessa Gap Vineyard, Nichelini Winery, UC Davis Meat Lab (sausage sandwiches), Quinta do Sol (olive oil and sweetbreads), Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF), Yolo Wool Mill, Nevermore Farm (sustainably grown almonds), Dixon Ridge Farm (organic walnuts), The Pepper Peddler (sustainably produced coffee), Solano Resource Conservation

District, Audubon, Tuleyome, PG&E, Solarecity Electric, Talbott Solar, West Coast Equipment, Waste Management, Hedgerow Farms, University Honda, Lithia Toyota, Dupratt Ford and Yolo County Transportation District.

Celebrate E.A.R.T.H. — Winters Goes Green is aimed at bringing people together to address the issue of climate change through a celebration of possibilities. The event organizers want to draw attention to this serious issue by bringing a message of hope and change — sharing ideas for how the community as a whole and each individual can help make a difference. A forum will be held in the Community Center from 11 a.m. to noon, where members of the Yolo County Climate Change Coalition will ask for feedback from community members.

Bring your January energy bill: the highest energy bill will receive a free energy audit from Davis Energy Group, plus \$100 to help pay for energy improvement projects. The lowest energy bill will receive \$100.

Visitors are encouraged to ride their bikes, ride the bus (see the Yolobus route schedule at <http://www.yolobus.com/m3.html>) or walk.

Parking will be available on Railroad Avenue and on the east side of the Rotary Park parking lot. This is a green event. Visitors are also encouraged to use biodegradable and recyclable products wherever possible.

For more information, contact Elliot Landes, elliot.landés@cityofwinters.org; Dawn Van Dyke, dawn.vandyke@cityofwinters.org, 795-4910 extension 108; or Carol Scianna, carol.scianna@cityofwinters.org, 795-4910 extension 115.

Annual Epicurean Esprit will benefit 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.

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. While more active seniors can have lunch at

the local senior center, Meals on Wheels volunteers deliver meals to seniors unable to leave their homes. Supportive services, such as Meals on Wheels help seniors maintain independence. Meals on Wheels provides a nutritious, well balance meal and reassurance that a vital need is being met.

Tickets 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.

Where's Jack?



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Garage so cluttered you can't find your Jack-o'-lantern? Clear out some space by participating in the annual Winters Community Garage Sale (aka The Annual Garage Sale of the Rich and Famous), planned for Saturday, May 10. Houses all along Main Street, from Second Street to beyond City Park will have front lawns and driveways lined with all sorts of treasures beginning at 8 a.m. To participate in the annual garage sale, call Bruce Guelden, 795-4919. Spaces are still available at City Park, and residents of Abbey and Russell streets are especially encouraged to participate.

Berryessa backroads featured

The Lake Berryessa Chamber of Commerce and the Spanish Flat Village Merchants present their first Napa Valley Back-Roads Spring Fling on Saturday, May 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The event will include arts, crafts, food, wine, raffles, entertainment, and free bocce lessons. Free maps and information about Lake Berryessa will also be available.

Visitors to the lake as well as local residents can start with a pancake

breakfast at the Berryessa Senior Center, 4380 Spanish Flat Loop Road, from 8-11 a.m. They can then head around the corner to the Spanish Flat Village Center, 4370 Knoxville Road, for the Spring Fling festivities.

Visitors can picnic or hike, and the lakeside resorts will be open for water sports.

For more information on the Napa Valley Back-Roads Spring Fling visit www.Lake-BerryessaNews.com.

May events planned

By ANN M. EVANS and
GEORGEANNE BRENNAN
Special to the Express

~ Capay Valley Mothers' Day Country Garden Tour, Sunday, May 11, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Self-guided visit to 11 gardens throughout the Capay Valley from Esparto to Rumsey. What a wonderful way to spend Mothers Day — visiting the beautiful gardens of the Capay Valley. Come join in the delight of spring flowers, strolling through many of the valleys' finest gardens. See how California native flowers and shrubs are integrated into beautiful gardens. Talk to the gardeners themselves and learn their secrets of their success.

Featured this year will be the Tabor Ranch Event Center Gardens (perhaps you can pick up some Taber Ranch Olive Oil while you're there — it's worth it) and the David and Ann Shearing Gardens at Gold Oak Farm. Box lunches will be available at the Guinda Grange, along with heirloom roses. Tickets are \$10 for adults, children free. Proceeds to benefit the Will Baker Memorial Garden.

Tickets are available at Capay Valley Vision in Esparto, Redwood Barn Nursery and the Davis Art Center in Davis, and Steady Eddy's in Winters. For more information, call

Dru Rivers of Full Belly Farm, 796-3464

~ First Fruits Celebration, May 18, 2-4 p.m., Glide Memorial Ranch, 3655 Russell Road, Davis. \$35, adults; \$10, children under 12. Presented by Yolo County Ag Futures Alliance. Walk, ride your bike, or drive to Glide Ranch and enjoy an outdoor celebration of the first local fruits of the season. Entertainment, wine and olive oil tastings will also be featured. Proceeds will support the Yolo County Ag Futures Alliance in continuing its work.

For more information: www.agfuturesalliance.com, 756-8518, extension 34.

~ 8th Annual Dinner Under the Winkler Vine, Saturday May 17, 4:30 p.m., UC Davis, under the Winkler Vine out past the University Airport in the UC Davis research vineyard. Tickets can be purchased for \$175 each online, or by sending a check to: Davis Enology and Viticulture Organization, c/o Department of Viticulture and Enology, One Shields Ave, Davis, Ca 95616. Advance ticket sales only. For more information contact

Scott Frost, (951) 847-6708 or at devowinkler@gmail.com or <http://wineserver.ucdavis.edu/devo/>

The menu includes five courses each paired with wine.

POLICE

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~ Adriana Reyes, 44, of Winters was booked and released on a District Attorney letter charging her with inflicting corporal injury on the parent of defendant's child.
~ A 12-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana and possessing tobacco products. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released

to a parent on a notice to appear.

May 2-3

~ On the 300 block of Railroad Avenue, an area rug was stolen from in front of a business. Loss: \$800.

May 3

~ Jason Kane Hodgson, 29, of Antioch was issued a notice to appear for being and unlicensed driver and driving at an unsafe speed.
~ Ricardo Ponce-Magana, 19, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and fol-

lowing too closely.

~ Urith Lopez, 35, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

~ Eber Isai Jacobo-Martinez, 21, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having unlawful tinted vehicle windows.

~ A 17-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08%, driving at an unsafe speed and being an unlicensed driver. The ju-

venile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear to a sober adult.

May 3

~ On the 1000 block of Taft Court, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

~ Eduardo Ramirez, 19, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08% and making an unsafe turn. Ramirez was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a no-

tice to appear.

May 4

~ Eduardo Sanchez-Ramirez, 23, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

~ A 16-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for petty theft and violation of probation. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a guardian on a notice to appear.

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

~ John Creamer, 45, of Winters was arrested for possessing controlled substance paraphernalia and violating probation. Creamer was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

May 5

~ Jose Luis Mendez Guillen, 21, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

~ On Owings Drive, an officer assisted Yolo County Sheriff's deputies with a physical fight.

Sports

Track team members put in good performances

By WOODY FRIDAE
Special to the Express

The Winters Warriors Track team traveled to Sutter on Wednesday, April 23, 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 fare as well as in recent meets, but individual participants made good performances. In the boys’ JV 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.

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 JV 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 JV girls 400 meter, once again Maya Tice took first with a time of 1:10.0. For the JV boys 400 meter, Alex Evanoff ran the lap in 1:01.0 and took a second place finish.

In the varsity girls 400 meter, Helene Martinsen 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 400 meter, 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 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 girls, Karissa Sais came in at 15.1 and Tatiana Carrillo finished at 16.1.

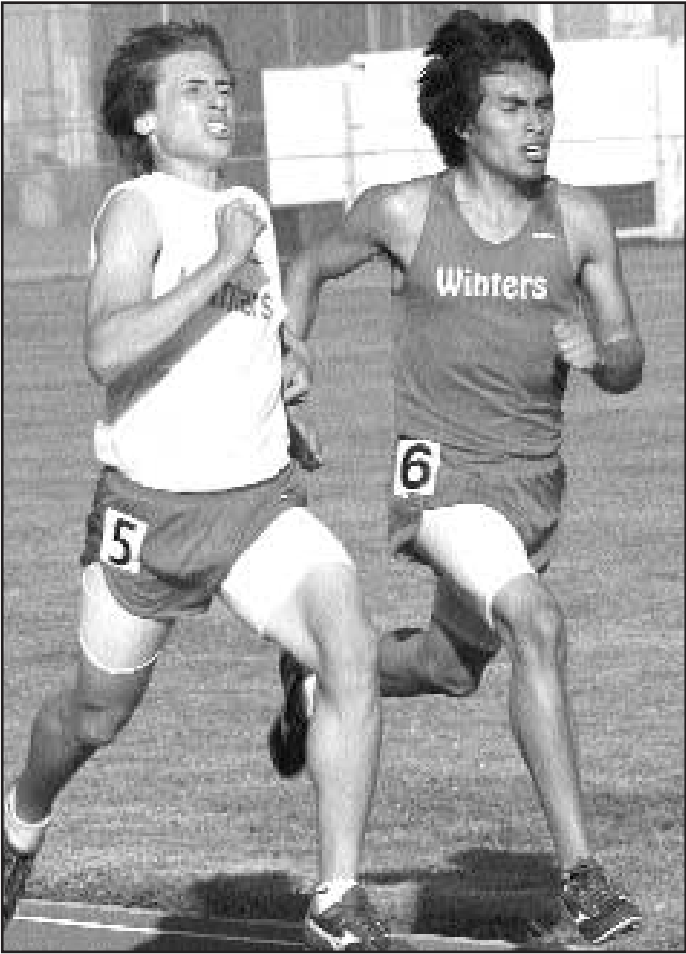
For the varsity girls 800, Jessica Sharp took a first with a run of 2:40.0.

In the JV 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 800 meter 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.



Courtesy Photo
Dylan Cliche goes up and over the high jump bar in a recent track meet for the Winters Warriors.



Courtesy Photo
T.J Johnston and Carlos Figueroa race for the finish line in a recent track meet in Wheatland.

**GO
WARRIORS!**

Warriors claim title again

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors varsity baseball team had no desire of sharing the Butte View League championship with anyone, especially Sutter. So on Tuesday, April 29, they made sure that they controlled the situation by shutting out the Gridley Bulldogs 15-0 and claiming the 2008 league championship with a 9-1 record.

The Warriors didn’t wait for late inning heroics like they have done throughout the season, and they didn’t fade out and give up their lead. They simply scored 11 runs in the first inning, three in the third and one more in the fourth.

Their defense played solid behind the pitching of Kevin Rowell and finished what they had started as they improved their overall record to 19-4 and a number one seed in the Northern Section Division II playoffs.

On the mound, Rowell threw all five innings giving up no runs on four hits while striking out six batters. At the plate, the Warriors were just as impressive

as they batted .500 as a team totaling 10 hits with 13 RBI. Kyle Tobler led the Warriors batting 2 for 3 with four RBI, a double and a run scored. Zach Higgins batted 2 for 3 with two doubles, two RBI and two runs scored.

Ray McIntire batted 2 for 3 with three runs scored. Rowell batted 2 for 3 with two runs scored and a double. Alex Huizar batted 1 for 1 with a run scored. Kaplan Smith batted 1 for 1 with an RBI. Aaron Geerts batted 1 for 3 with a run scored and an RBI. John Cummings had three RBI and a run scored. Bryan Case had an RBI, while Ramon Bermudez, Jeronimo Aguilar and Wesley Kraitnz all scored a run for the Warriors.

The Warriors will have the number one seed throughout the playoffs and will host all of their games at Winters High School. The first round will start on Friday, May 9, at 4 p.m. As per CIF rules, all games will have a gate charge of \$4 for adults and \$3 for seniors, children and students with student body cards.

Lady Warriors beat the Bulldogs

The Winters varsity softball team ended their regular season on a high note as they defeated the visiting Gridley Bulldogs on Tuesday, April 29, by a score of 3-2. The Warriors improved their league record to 4-6 and their overall record to 10-12.

Freshman Tess Hyer had a big day for the Lady Warriors on the field and at the plate. She threw a complete game, striking out a sea-

son high 15 batters with just two walks, two runs scored on two hits.

At the plate Hyer helped herself out as she led the team batting 3 for 3 with an RBI. Caitlin Calvert batted 2 for 3 with an RBI. Nichole Trost and Jessica Graham each batted 1 for 3 with a run scored. Rebecca Salas had an RBI, while Brittanie Hedrick scored a run for the Warriors.

EXPRESS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



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Jessica Sharp

Jessica Sharp, a junior on the Winters High School track team, is this week’s Winters Express Athlete of the Week. In her first year of the program Sharp is currently ranked number one in the 3200 meters in the Butte View League and in Division II in the northern section. With a time of 12:09.14, Sharp is also ranked number seven in the Northern Section overall. In the 1600 meters Sharp’s time of 5:43.86 ranks her number two in Division II.

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Schools

Students, staff encouraged to walk, bike to school next week

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

The seasons have turned and the weather is once again beautiful. How perfect then that next week (May 12-16), Winters will be officially holding “walk or bike to school” week. The week-long event will preclude the May 17 festival, Celebrate E.A.R.T.H. — Winters Goes Green, an outdoor festival that includes food, music and family-friendly activities at Rotary Park and downtown Winters from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

International Walk to School in the USA sponsors a Bike and Walk to School Week in October of each year, citing that both walking and biking help to protect both physical and environmental health.

According to their organizers, 10 percent of all children walk or bike to school regularly and only 25 percent of those who live within a mile of their school walk. With childhood obesity rates climbing, walking to school represents a convenient and useful way to exercise regularly.

Having children walk to school also works to protect the environment in that it reduces emissions by keeping cars off the road. In a town the size of Winters, where most des-



Photo by Justin Cox

Waggoner students and staff are all to walk or ride their bikes to school next week, May 12-16, to get into the spirit of the city's Celebrate E.A.R.T.H. — Winters Goes Green festival, planned for Saturday May 17 at Rotary Park. From right are (front) Daniel Hausler, Amy Pizano, Anthony Jimenez and Devon Muldong; (back) Waggoner student assistant Patricia Muldong.

tinations are within walking distance, next week may serve as a great opportunity to give the walk or ride a try. It may have lasting positive effects on your routine or schedule, and in turn, your health.

Not only are the pollutants released by automobiles harmful to the environment, they are also harmful to children, whose respiratory sys-

tems are not yet fully developed and take more air into their lungs. Breathing polluted air can aggravate asthma and other acute respiratory problems.

When walking to school, parents and students should choose a route with minimal traffic. It is important that children wear their helmets, ride safely and allow for the

extra time added to their commute. Bicyclists are asked to obey traffic signs and signals and to ride against traffic. Parents are strongly encouraged to help their children participate in a way that is safe and beneficial to all.

For more information call City Hall at 795-4910 or visit www.walktoschool.org.

Huizar competes in National Collegiate Livestock Judging contests

By KASEY LETTUNICH
Special to the Express

Jorge Luis Huizar of Winters has successfully competed at nationwide livestock judging contests during the 2007-2008 season while attending Redlands Community College in El Reno, Oklahoma.

Huizar traveled to such places as Denver, Colorado, and Kansas City, Missouri, and has represented RCC at Tulsa State Fair, State Fair of Texas, Louisiana State Fair, New Mexico State Fair, and other competitions. While competing, he was the

high individual in the Novice Division at the New Mexico State Fair, seventh high individual in Novice at State Fair of Texas, and third high individual in Novice at

Texas Tech Mock Contest and the Tri-State Fair, where he was also high individual in Reasons and Swine.

“As members of the RCC livestock judging

team, students have the opportunity to travel to some of the premier livestock shows in the nation and make life-

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JAMIE ANDERSEN
WHAT'S UP
AT WHS?



Teenagers need jobs too

Being a teenager is an expensive thing. If you're a teen whose parents don't give you money for every little thing, then you know exactly what I'm talking about. We like to go to the movies, go out to eat and shop, and don't forget those expensive dances like prom and winter formal. This doesn't even count those of us who paid for cars and are paying for gas. (When gas hits \$4.50, I will seriously consider riding my horse to school.) So how do we pay for all of this? Well, we need a job.

I heard on a talk radio show earlier today that it is getting harder and harder for teens to find work. Some stores are raising their minimum hiring age to 17 or 18, and if you're below 15 you can pretty much forget it. As far as retail goes, you can't work a register until you're 18, so you get to refold and restock the shelves.

I went around Christmas time to go and find a job in Vacaville for the Christmas shopping season. I looked up on a Website how to write a resume, typed one up, and got it printed out on professional-looking paper. Then, with careful planning, I chose the right outfit that would portray a professional look that would still fit into the style of store I was applying to. Its sounds crazy, but I regret that I didn't bring different outfits for when I went into Pacsun then the outfit I wore to Old Navy and Borders. First impressions are very important — lesson learned.

My mom and I spent the entire afternoon driving around Vacaville and dropping off resumes. Unfortunately, if you aren't 18, there are a lot of jobs you can't have. I didn't come away with a job that trip, but I definitely learned some things about applying:

1) Write up a resume- there are a lot of great sites that can help you with the process, not to mention that Microsoft Word has a Resume Wizard that walks you through the process.

2) Be ready with information of references- almost all applications ask for references, so be sure to have at least three names with phone numbers and possibly even addresses.

3) Know the store you are applying to. If you are applying to a retail store, you should know what they sell. When I applied to Pacsun they asked me to name three brands they sold without looking around. If I had never shopped at Pacsun before, I would have been in big trouble.

4) Don't give up. It can be really tricky to find a job, and according to the talk show I heard, it's getting harder.

If you don't feel like applying for a traditional job in the retail or food industries, there are plenty of other jobs teenagers can hold. Babysitting is a great job that can give you plenty of extra spending money. You could put up fliers in the nursery school or Waggoner to get the word out. You could also start your own business based on what you really love to do. You could tutor, house-sit, pet-sit, or umpire baseball games.

Summer is a great time to find a job because you don't have to worry about juggling school work with your job. If you are planning to find a summer job, get on it, because many employers are hiring right now.

What's 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
- ~ May 29: Last day of school, graduation and finals for Periods 7,3.

Riding academy to hold open house

The City of Davis Parks & Recreation Department and Sterling Riding Academy will hold an open house on Saturday, June 7, 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Sterling Riding Academy, 22444 County Road 102, Woodland. Visitors can tour the facilities, meet the staff, and have questions answered. There will be a riding demonstration, and potential participants will learn about the camp's expectations and hear the barn rules.

Staff from the Riding

Academy and the City of Davis will be there. Parents will learn what their children need to bring to Summer Horse Camp and when to see them ride.

Although youth already enrolled in Horse Camp are not required to attend, camp organizers strongly recommend

it. Parents can stop by if their children are already signed up for Summer Horse Camp or if they have ever considered signing up a child a summer or school-year horse class.

For more information, call the City of Davis Community Services Department, 757-5626.

Math textbooks available for review

The Winters Joint Unified School District is proposing to adopt the McDougal Littel Math: Course 1 and 2 and Algebra I textbooks for use at the Winters Middle School (grades 6-8) during the coming school years. These texts are available for review at the Winters branch of the Yolo County Library, 201 First Street, 795-4955.

ROTARY CLUB OF WINTERS STUDENT OF THE MONTH Stephanie Ivory



George Griffin presented Stephanie Ivory with her Student of the Month plaque. Molly Goldbar nominated Stephanie who is an 'assistant' editor of this year's Poppy Yearbook. Molly wrote, "Stephanie is an outstanding student who goes above and beyond her duties with each assignment. Stephanie was in charge of book sales and advertisement sales this year. She sent out letters to the community requesting sponsorship, made numerous phone calls and follow up calls, and kept a very exact accounting of all sales. Stephanie worked outside of class time on numerous occasions and even made visits to businesses during her lunch and after school. She was a joy to work with, always with a smile on her face, and an amazing willingness to help out. She surely deserved the title Student of the Month!"

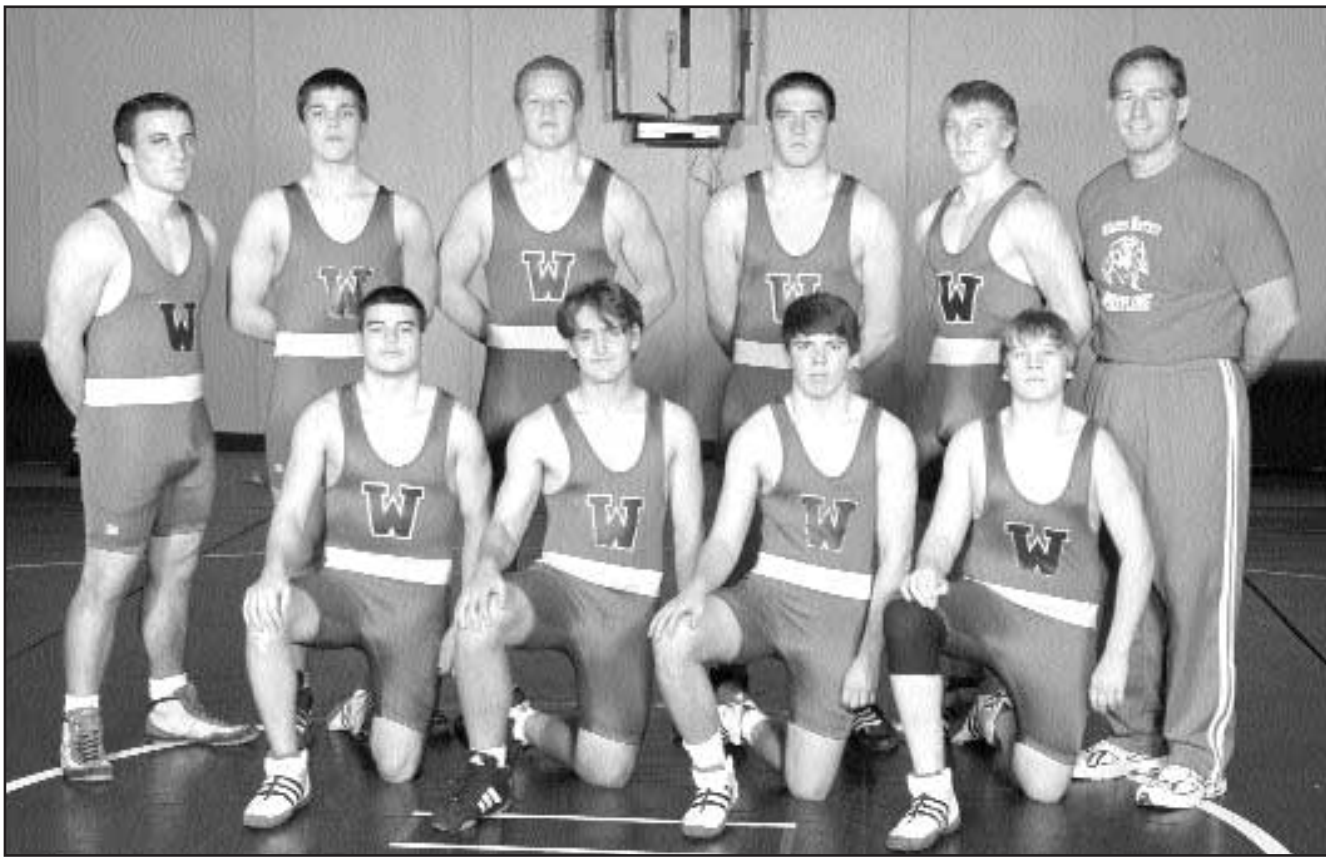


Rotary Club of Winters
Meets every Thursday, 12:15 p.m.
Buckhorn Restaurant
2 Main Street, Winters

The Rotary Club of Winters
would like to thank everyone who
made this year's Pan cake
Breakfast one of the best ever

See you next year, if not before

Wrestling Champs



Courtesy photo

Jesse James Hellinger was named the MVP of the Butte View League at the league wrestling championships on Feb. 9, and Brandon White made the All League Team after winning his weight division. They were awarded their All League patches at the team's annual awards ceremony. Cody Linton received the Coaches Award. The Winters High School wrestling team includes, from left (back) Billy Rotenkolber, Joey Souza, Taylor Brickey, Brandon White, Jesse Hellinger and coach Tim Hausler; (front), Stephen Pine, Burt Masem, Chris Calderon and Cody Linton.

HUIZAR

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long connections with leaders in the agriculture industry," said Dr. Clay Elliott, RCC livestock judging team coach. "Students learn to identify quality livestock based upon key criteria, including structure, muscling, and reproductive soundness. Judges also practice their communication skills by perfecting the art of preparing oral reasons. At RCC, livestock judges are given the tools they need to be successful at both judging competitions and in the classroom."

RCC is located approximately 30 minutes west of Oklahoma City, and is home to one of the state's largest agriculture programs. RCC's three campuses include amenities such as high tech computer labs, three indoor arenas, and state of the art production agriculture facilities. Students can earn an Associate of Science Degree, with options in animal science, general agriculture, farm and ranch management, and agriculture communications.

Besides participating on the Livestock Judging Team, Huizar has been a dedicated member of the RCC Aggie Club. The Aggie Club is a Student Organization whose main goal is to promote western heritage through activities involving competition and participation in agriculture-related events. RCC's Aggie Club assists at local fairs and has many fundraisers to contribute towards their scholarship program and their end of year trip.

"Attending Redlands Community College has been an amazing experience so far!" said Huizar. "Coming to college all the way from California has been tough for me, as well as my family and friends, but for the most part, we stay really busy so it keeps me from getting homesick. It has helped me meet many new people."

Upon graduation from RCC, Huizar plans to attend Texas A&M University or Oklahoma State University and major in animal science or agriculture education. He has an ultimate career goal of becoming an agriculture teacher and establishing a well known club pig operation.

For more information regarding RCC's agriculture programs, contact Amanda Evert, Division Director of Agriculture and Equine Sciences, (405) 422-1422.

British soccer camp to be held in Winters

A leading youth soccer company, Challenger Sports, will hold one of their nationwide British soccer training camps in Winters during for the week of July 14-18 at Shirley Rominger Intermediate School.

The camp will run Monday through Friday, and each child will be coached by a member of Challenger's British coaching staff flown to the USA exclusively to work on these programs. This camp is just one of 2,000 that Challenger Sports are running throughout the US and Canada for a record breaking 91,000 boys and girls of all ages.

The Challenger Coaching staff believes that teaching silky soccer skills is only a part of the process of educating young athletes. The coaches will also take time out of the busy weekly schedule to teach lessons on respect, responsibility, integrity, sportsmanship and leadership through the "Champions of Character Program" and discuss

how these core values relate to soccer, family and school life.

Challenger will also introduce a new element to the young athletes on health and nutrition. Challenger has created a fun and interactive way to help the campers learn how important it is to eat a balanced diet. Campers will design and draw their own healthy sandwich, selecting a balance of ingredients from each of the food groups.

British Soccer camp sessions are offered for the following ages: First Kicks, 9-10 a.m., ages 3-4, \$60; Mini Soccer, 10 a.m. to noon, ages 5-6, \$85; Half Day, 9 a.m. to noon, ages 6-14, \$100; Half Day, 1-4 p.m., ages 6-14, \$100.

Teams are also welcome to attend and receive a week of focused instruction to prepare them for the fall season.

Each camper will receive a camp T-shirt, soccer ball, player evaluation and end of camp gift. In addition, any child who signs up online at least 45 days prior to

camp will receive a genuine British Soccer replica jersey (value \$30)

To sign up for the camp, visit www.challenger-sports.com or contact Traci Nakamura at City Hall, 795-4910

Challenger's British Soccer Camps have been running in the US for over 20 years. In addition to coaching youth players throughout the country, Challenger also provide year round club trainers, run European Soccer Tours, hold soccer tournaments and now manufacture and sell their own brand of soccer apparel/uniforms.

To find out more about Challenger Sports visit their web site www.challengersports.com or email jkent@challenger-sports.com.

Biase plays ball in Bay area

Anthony Biase, grandson of Betty Ann Biase, ran in the cleat marks of the best players in the world Saturday, April 26, when his baseball team, Casa Grande Gauchos of Petaluma played at McAfee Coliseum, home of the Oakland A's. The Gauchos were part of a three-game fundraising afternoon hosted by the A's Community Fund in conjunction with De La Salle High School of Concord.

The annual Dave Stewart/ Oakland A's High School Baseball Showdown event is designed to promote youth interaction and exposure to baseball, highlight high school baseball and raise money for Oakland and East Bay inner-city youth baseball programs.

The first game pitted the Aptos Mariners against the Santa Cruz Cardinals, the second game the Casa Grande Gauchos played against the Alameda Hornets and the third game the De LaSalle Spartans of Concord played against the St. Mary's Rams of Stockton.

Although his team lost to Alameda 3-0, senior left fielder, Anthony, was awarded MVP of the game between the Casa Grande Gauchos and the Alameda Hornets.

Attending the game were Anthony's parents, Sam and Anne Biase of Petaluma, his grandparents, Chet and Mary Stephens of Novato, Betty Ann Biase of Winters, his uncle Jim Stephens of Novato and his aunt, Patti Gottlieb of Roseville.

Cooley named Player of the Year

Natalie Cooley, a 2006 Winters High School graduate, was recently named the Player of the Year for the Solano College women's basketball team, following a vote by her teammates.

Cooley just finished her sophomore season with the Falcons and helped lead the team to a Bay Valley Conference championship.

She also received the Falcon Award for her academic excellence and was an academic All-Conference selection.

Cooley will take her talents to the next level, as she has signed to finish her career at William Jessup University in Rocklin. William Jessup is a NAIA Division II school.

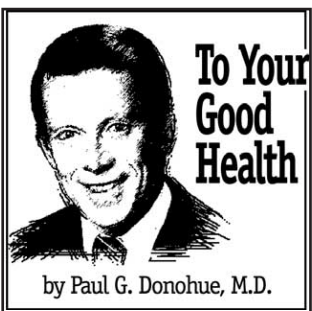
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Fibroids are Noncancerous growths of the Uterus

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I had stomach pain for two weeks and finally had an ultrasound of my abdomen. Nothing bad was found, except for a fibroid in my uterus. The doctor said this had nothing to do with my pain. He must be right, because the pain went away. Do I need to pursue the fibroid thing any further? The doctor never said I should. — L.C.

ANSWER: Fibroids are benign (not cancerous) growths of the uterine muscle. The uterus is a muscular sac with a specialized lining for the support of a developing fetus. Fibroids are very prevalent. Forty percent to 50 percent of women over the age of 35 have one or more of them. Their cause is baffling. Genes have some role, because they run in families. Hormones influence their growth. As evidence of that, they enlarge during pregnancy and usually regress after menopause, when estrogen production wanes. Most often, fibroids are incidental findings that need no attention. I'm putting your fibroid in that category. Troublesome fibroids can lead to heavy menstrual periods. Sometimes they're the source of pelvic pain. Large fibroids pressing on the bladder give rise to frequent urination. Large fibroids also can complicate pregnancy, depending on their size and location. Extremely rarely are they implicated in infertility. You should let your gynecologist know that a fibroid was discovered, but you don't need to take any more action than that. The fibroid booklet discusses this common condition in detail. Readers who would like a copy can obtain one by writing: Dr. Donohue — No.1106W, 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 have a tremendous itch problem. If I rub the skin on my arms just a little, it will itch for quite a while. After I take a



shower, I itch for an hour or more. When I get hot and perspire, I itch. I would appreciate your help. — H.B.

ANSWER: Water (especially hot water), heat, sweat, a light touch to the skin and emotional stress can bring about a release of body chemicals like histamine that make the skin itch. This doesn't happen to everyone, but it happens to enough that it's a relatively common problem. Antihistamines might bring you relief, but be careful: Some are sedating. Some illnesses cause itching. Diabetes, liver disease, thyroid problems, kidney failure, cancers like lymphomas and the blood disorder polycythemia are itch makers. Your doctor can investigate any of these that might apply to you. The biggest cause of itching is dry skin. Take only lukewarm showers or cool baths. Immediately after washing, apply a moisturizer. Don't wear woolen clothes.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have been taking the expensive drug Lipitor for nine years. When can I expect to see a generic Lipitor on the market? — G.L.

ANSWER: The patent on Lipitor (atorvastatin) expires in 2010. Lipitor is one of the statin drugs, the widely prescribed medicines for the lowering of cholesterol.

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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Some are only concerned about Armageddon

As some people would have it, Armageddon is right around the corner. Ask any Jehovah's Witness who happens to knock at your door whether this is true or not. They went out on a limb and said 1975 was when Armageddon would take place, and when it didn't, they lost a large chunk of their membership (losses recouped later through ongoing intensive recruitment efforts).

Many people think end of the world cults are part of a lunatic fringe comparable to something like astrology. A few decades ago it was revealed that the First Lady, Nancy Reagan, was consulting the stars and that her influence over her husband the President put a cloud over his decision making.

Barack Obama has been attacked for his association with Jeremiah Wright, a fiery gospel preacher who has said things a lot of ordinary people don't want to hear. In a similar vein, John McCain has been found to have crawled in bed with an anti-Catholic bigot by the name of John Hagee, who runs a Texas based organization called "Christians United for Israel" that thinks Israel is some sort of Biblical Fulfillment, including being the location of the battle of Armageddon that is supposed to take place on the plains of Megiddo. McCain gets little flak for this. Jeremiah Wright may be far out in left field but Hagee is beyond the outfield itself — way out in the peanut gallery.

I was in Israel recently on a group pilgrimage and we went to most of the important religious locations crucial to Christianity. I almost felt I was in some kind of evangelical theme park. Just about everywhere we went, John Hagee's disciples were tagging along in large buses, even pulling off baptisms in the River Jordan when we happened to drop by there. But to Megiddo (in Northern Israel) we did not go. I didn't even think to raise the subject, nor did anyone that was in our group.

The idea of a final battle in Israel between Satan and Jesus Christ is to me a wacky idea that's off the charts. So is the notion of the Rapture, a theory that people are going to be plucked right from what they are doing and be taken directly to heaven. Let's

YOU HEARD IT HERE FIRST

ROBERT FISCHER



hope none of these chosen are at the controls of a passenger plane or a big rig on the freeway once this supposedly happens.

I at one time had an astrologer friend who refused to go outside because the moon was in Taurus. Some Jehovah's Witnesses are reported to have put off having dental work done or refused to become parents because of impending doom soon to be fulfilled as part of a prophetic destiny God has in store for them. Bolts of celestial lighting do happen, but the chances of one killing anyone of us are about as slim as winning the Powerball lottery in Indiana.

As I see it, we could be about to put our hand on the stove burner over a place called Iran simply because some unlevel-headed people believe the Middle East has to be the locale of God's final showdown with his main adversary. Iran's Mahmoud Amadinejad, has lately been making some provocative statements about Israel, including one where he declared he wants to wipe that country off the map, and another when he proclaimed Israel was "a dirty microbe." Amadinejad's comments in conjunction with some evidence Iran is working on a nuclear power project makes the call for a "preemptive strike" heard among some political figures. Senator Joe Lieberman, Al Gore's vice presidential running mate in 2000, has already called for this type of punitive action. I have no doubt such plans are on the drawing boards of our military planners as well as on the part of Israel's armed forces, which we unconditionally finance and support.

Our beef with Iran goes back to 1979 when they seized our embassy there and took all its members hostage. A year later Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein got the green light from us to launch a war of retribution against Iran that lasted eight years and cost horrific countless casualties on both sides.

I get the uncomfortable feeling that the current

war in Iraq was concocted by Israel. Saddam was not a direct threat to the United States but he was one to Israel. Like with Iran today, an Iraqi nuclear program had been in progress (later destroyed by a unilateral Israeli "preemptive strike") and another threat to Israel is on the radar screen that they'd like us to handle for them. We don't need our foreign affairs being directed by a tiny semi theocratic country that has nuclear weapons itself or by people in our government who think the Book of Revelation in the Bible is the only one worth reading.

Hillary Clinton has gone on record recently as saying Iran would face massive retaliation if it ever laid a hand on Israel. Barack Obama, as far as I know, hasn't weighed in on the subject much but had Israel firsters coming at him like bats out of hell because he allegedly professed some sympathy for the plight of the Palestinians before the presidential race got underway. (McCain is a hopeless case on this matter.)

We need the voice of moderation here and not people enthralled by the wrath of God. Amadinejad gets severe criticism for his off the wall statements that no one knows are serious or just opportunist political posturing. We need to pay attention to hints thrown out by our candidates regarding our "strategic ally" Israel and the "great Satan" Iran. A nuclear standoff could be the result due to looking at the Middle East through the rose colored lenses of Biblical soothsayers.

Cool heads prevailed during the Cuban Missile Crisis and they should presently in the Middle East also. Leave the Book of Revelation to our homegrown ayatollahs who would like to direct our government policies and send us down the abyss to hell if we let them do so.

Pleased to meet you



Name: Shelly Martinez
Occupation: Vice President of Martinez Ranchers Inc.
Hobby: Showing horses
What's best about living in Winters: "It's a farming community."
Fun fact: Qualified for the reining horse championship in 2007.

King Crossword

Solution time: 21 mins.

GURU	SIB	BIBS
OPEN	TIE	ESAU
BIFF	TAIRE	DALE
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ROUE	RUE	
TALL	TALE	GLOW
IKKE	ARGUE	LIE
MAMA	YARDS	SALE
ORB	PROPY	
LINEAR	PHY	THON
ALAN	HALE	TAME
NADA	SEA	LUST
EYES	PIN	ELKS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You've set a fast pace for yourself. But as you approach your goal, you might want to slow down a bit in order to take time to reassess your situation and make changes while you can.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Patience continues to be a virtue for the Divine Bovine. So as eager as you might be to get things moving, remember that time is on your side. Make good use of it.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) There's a wee bit of uncertainty in the early part of the week. But things clear up as more facts come to light. Spend quality time this weekend with family and friends.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An old friend's return could open new possibilities for both of you. But don't let yourself be rushed into anything. There could be some factors you haven't yet explored.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This week offers a challenge you're raring to take on. And while eager to get started, do so slowly so that you can focus those sharp Cat's Eyes on every detail.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Put your skepticism aside and listen to advice from colleagues who've been where you are now. What they say could be helpful as you get closer to a decision.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A family matter might again require your reassuring touch. Handle it, as always, with kindness and fairness, even if some of your kin prove to be especially difficult.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your ability to tackle even the most intricate details of a project is likely to impress some very important people. A relative shares news later this week.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The Archer's aim might be focused on the big picture this week, but don't overlook checking for those details you might have missed.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might feel awkward asking for assistance, but who would refuse the charming Goat's request? Do it, then go ahead and enjoy a musical weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Pour some cold water on that simmering misunderstanding before it boils over. The sooner things settle, the sooner you can move ahead with your plans.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're in a highly productive period, which you feel can go on forever. But you could be courting exhaustion. Take time out to relax and restore your energies.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can combine a sense of adventure with a penchant for practicality. Have you considered a travel-related field?

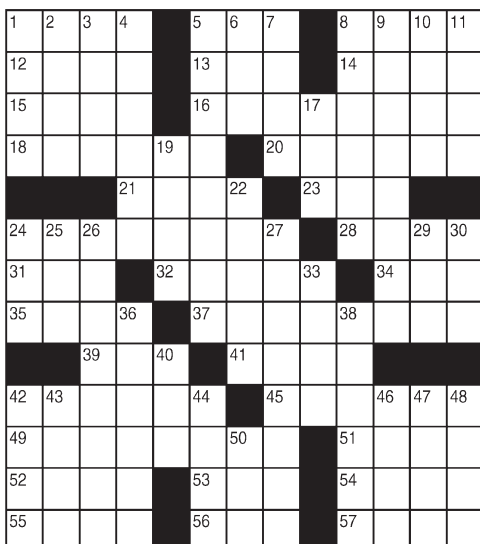
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ACROSS

- 1 Mentor
5 Bro or sis
8 Chest protectors?
12 Candid
13 Dead heat
14 Jacob's brother
15 "Death of a Salesman" son
16 Terrier variety
18 Just know
20 Ran up the phone bill
21 Libertine
23 Regret
24 Yarn
28 Radiate
31 Eisenhower
32 Battle verbally

- 34 Golf ball's position
35 Porridge-making bear
37 Get-rid-of-junk event
39 Sphere
41 Took the bus
42 One-dimensional
45 Monty — (ready to fight)
49 Portrayer of Gilligan's skipper
51 Domesticated
52 Zilch, in
Xochimilco
53 Caribbean, for one



DOWN

- 1 Mongolian desert
2 — arms (ready to fight)
3 Plundered
4 Spread out, as a flag
5 Sculptures
6 Square root of IX
7 Titanic
54 Craving
55 Sight-seers?
56 Brooch
57 BPOE members
58 destroyer
Chinch
Columbus' sponsor
Hay bundle
Took to court
Listener
Tittle
"Pomp and Circumstance" composer
Allen or Conway
Alias abbr.
Summertime beverage
From the Continent
Lubricate
30 Tiny
33 Vortex
36 Sports venues
38 Colonize
40 "Humbug!"
42 Diane or Nathan
43 "Now — me down to sleep"
44 Grate
46 Burglar's booty
47 Russian city
48 Trawler gear
50 Floral neckwear

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Boy's hat is different. 2. Picture has been added. 3. Blinds are missing. 4. Man's shirt has a stripe. 5. Desk papers are missing. 6. Boy's sweater has a stripe.

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Nuestras Noticias



JUAN FERNANDEZ

EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

Feliz día de la Madre

La importancia del papel de la madre en el hogar queda claramente descrita en el siguiente anuncio que fue publicado en el periódico de Winters. Se solicita urgentemente un ama de casa, para este puesto la solicitante debe ser capaz de llevar a cabo y coordinar las siguientes funciones: Acompañante, Consejera, Directora, Administradora, Agente de Compras, Maestra, Enfermera, Cocinera, Nutricionista, Decoradora, Limpiadora, Chofer, Niñera, Trabajadora Social, Psicóloga, Organizadora, etc.

Los requisitos: La solicitante debe tener una automotivacion ilimitada y el mas fuerte sentido de responsabilidad si quiere tener éxito en este trabajo, debe ser independiente y con iniciativa, capaz de trabajar aisladamente y sin supervisión. Ser eficiente en el manejo de personas de todas las edades y apta para trabajar en condiciones de estrés durante largos periodos, si fuere necesario. También debe contar con flexibilidad suficiente para hacer un sinnúmero de tareas al mismo tiempo, sin cansarse y con la adaptabilidad para manejarse sin confusión, ni protesta, en los distinto cambios dentro del desarrollo de la vida de la familia, incluyendo emergencias y crisis serias.

Debe ser capaz de atender todo asunto, con gente de todo tipo, incluyendo el mal carácter masculino, burócratas, maestros de escuelas, médicos, dentistas, trabajadores, comerciantes, suegras, adolescentes y niños. Ha de ser competente con los oficios arriba mencionados, sana creativa y extrovertida, para alentar y ayudar al desarrollo físico y social de la familia. Debe tener imaginación, sensibilidad, calor, amor, y comprensión, ya que será la responsable, además de concebir, parir, amamantar y cuidar la familia, de su bienestar mental, emocional y espiritual.

Horario de trabajo: Todo el tiempo que permanezca despierta, así como turnos de veinticuatro horas cuando sea necesario.

Salario: Ningún salario o sueldo. El gasto será negociado de vez en cuando y deberá presentar una contabilidad cuidadosa, y tal vez se le puede requerir a la solicitante que consiga un segundo empleo, para ayudar al sostenimiento del hogar.

Beneficios: Ningún descanso ni vacación garantizada, ni siquiera por enfermedad, maternidad o largo servicio (no hay jubilación, seguro de vida, ni seguro de accidentes). Tampoco se ofrece compensación alguna, aun cuando haya tiempo extra. Favor de enviar la solicitud a la brevedad posible, aplican restricciones. FELIZ DIA DE LAS MADRES.

Ser Madre

POR ISABEL ALLENDE

Por culpa del azar o de un desliz, cualquier mujer puede convertirse en madre. Dios la ha dotado a mansalva del “instinto maternal” con la finalidad de preservar la especie. Si no fuera por eso, lo que ella haría al ver a esa criatura minúscula, arrugada y chillona, sería arrojarla a la basura. Pero gracias al “instinto maternal” la mira embobada, la encuentra preciosa y se dispone a cuidarla gratis hasta que cumpla por lo menos 21 años.

Ser madre es considerar que es mucho más noble sonar narices y lavar pañales, que terminar los estudios, triunfar en una carrera o mantenerse delgada. Es ejercer la vocación sin descanso, siempre con la cantaleta de que se laven los dientes, se acuesten temprano, saquen buenas notas, no fumen, tomen leche...

Es preocuparse de las vacunas, la limpieza de las orejas, los estudios, las palabrotas, los novios y las novias; sin ofenderse cuando la mandan a callar o le tiran la puerta en las narices, porque no están en nada. Es quedarse desvelada es-

perando que vuelva la hija de la fiesta y, cuando llega hacerse la dormida para no fastidiar.

Es temblar cuando el hijo aprende a manejar, anda en moto, se afeita, se enamora, presenta exámenes o le sacan las amígdalas. Es llorar cuando ve a los niños contentos y apretar los dientes y sonreír cuando los ve sufriendo. Es servir de niñera, maestra, chofer, cocinera, lavandera, médico, policía, confesor y mecánico, sin cobrar sueldo alguno.

Es entregar su amor y su tiempo sin esperar que se lo agradezcan. Es decir, que “son cosas de la edad” cuando la mandan al carrizo. Madre es alguien que nos quiere y nos cuida todos los días de su vida y que llora de emoción porque uno se acuerda de ella una vez al año: el Día de la Madre.

El peor defecto que tienen las madres es que se mueren antes de que uno alcance a retribuirles parte de lo que han hecho. Lo dejan a uno desvalido, culpable e irremisiblemente huérfano. Por suerte hay una sola. Porque nadie aguantaría el dolor de perderla dos veces.”

Seguimos invitando

El programa “Toma mi mano” sigue invitando a los padres de familia para que asistan a las platicas que se están llevando a cabo los miércoles de 7 a 8 P.M., seguimos esperando mas participación de los padres, este programa es presentado por la clínica de salud de Winters, para ayudar a la comunidad hispana. La Dra. Wendy Walker Davis al ver las necesidades tan grandes que tienen las familias hispanas para sobresalir con éxito en una sociedad bilingüe, penso en crear un programa que ayudara no solo a los niños en edad escolar, sino también a sus padres, para que ellos a su vez puedan apoyar a niños con problemas de comportamiento o aprendizaje. La Dra. Wendy Davis es Psicóloga muy preparada y tiene mucha experiencia trabajando con familias.

La Dra. Davis con la ayuda de Alma Rodarte (que esta haciendo su servicio de trabajo social en este proyecto), enfatizan la importancia que tiene la participación de la familia en el aprendizaje y participación de los niños. Alma Rodarte por experiencia propia, sabe que llegar a este país e ir a la

escuela sin saber ingles es muy difícil. Y lo que es aún más difícil es que los padres tampoco puedan ayudar a los niños por no saber ingles; siendo este también un problema para comunicarse con los maestros.

Sabemos que el idioma puede ser un gran problema para salir adelante, pero al igual que Alma Rodarte, muchos otros han logrado sus metas gracias a que siempre tuvieron una familia unida, en donde se dio apoyo y amor durante el proceso de su desarrollo escolar y en los años más difíciles, desde la niñez hasta la adolescencia.

“Toma mi mano” ofrece servicios psicológicos a niños que tengan problemas de comportamiento y/o aprendizaje, y a padres que piensen que se pueden beneficiar de los cursos para padres. Estos cursos enseñan técnicas en como ayudar a sus hijos y guías en como educarlos. Las clases se están teniendo todos los miércoles de 7 a 8 p.m., en el 310 Main St (antes fue Head Star). Los cursos son gratuitos y todos están invitados. Se ofrece cuidado de niños.

Un dia de campo en Lynch Canyon

Los voluntarios Doris Klein y Gerardo Bueno estarán guiando un tour, gratis, para personas que hablan español e ingles en la localidad de Lych Canyon el día 10 de Mayo de 9:00 a 11:00 de la mañana. Nuestros voluntarios van a trabajar juntos para compartir con el resto del grupo sus conocimientos sobre plantas y aves presentes en los 1,039 acres con los que cuenta este parque, el cual se localiza a un

costado de la autopista I-80 en las colinas cerca de Vallejo.

Este evento es una excelente oportunidad para las familias y personas que disfrutan de caminatas pausadas al aire libre y también para aprender sobre la historia, diversidad de vida silvestre, e importancia de la presencia del ganado, en éste grandioso rancho.

Doris y Gerardo estarán esperando a los in-

teresados en esta caminata en el estacionamiento que se encuentra en la entrada del parque un poco antes de las 9:00am.

Como información adicional ésta caminata es tan solo una actividad de las más de una docena de eventos disponibles para todo el publico en general, los días 10 y 11 de Mayo donde estaremos “Celebrando la Naturaleza y explorando Lynch Canyon”. Se recomienda llevar agua, bloqueador

solar y calzado cómodo y apropiado para caminar.

Te invitamos a que visites nuestra pagina en Internet www.solanolandtrust.org o llámanos al teléfono 707-432-0150 ext. 200 para mayores informes sobre este u otros eventos y también para conocer sobre otros espacios al aire libre con los que cuenta Solano Land Trust en particular o el Condado de Solano.

Esperanza que los políticos encuentren el balance

Vivimos en un gran país, en donde muchas veces, a los problemas de la sociedad no se le encuentra un balance para resolverlos, somos un país que nos gusta irnos a los extremos, si hablamos de temperatura, en el invierno hace tanto frío que hasta se congelan hasta los lagos, y si hablamos de calor, podemos pensar en lo caluroso del desierto de mohave, este año se esta hablando de sequía, y cuando llueve mucho sufrimos de inundaciones, si ahondamos un poco en lo religioso, también somos extremistas, extremistas religiosos, y extremistas ateos, tenemos muchos santos, pero también tenemos muchos demonios, y no estoy hablando de políticos.

En el mundo muchos países saben que los Estados Unidos son un país que siempre esta dispuesto a ayudar a los países que sufren catástrofes naturales, como terremotos o inundaciones. Pero aquí en casa también nos distinguimos porque

tenemos muchos conservadores intransigentes, que no les nace ayudar al necesitado. Aquí conviven los pacifistas, y los que quieren reducir la humanidad. Como los que favorecen el aborto.

Unos quieren un Estado que gobierne la sociedad y otros una sociedad que gobierne el Estado.

Los extremos en esta sociedad hacen que acciones que parecen normales en algunas partes del país, en otras sean prohibidas. Hay ciudades de este país donde está prohibido totalmente el consumo de alcohol, y otras donde emborracharse parece ser una prerrogativa constitucional.

Tenemos los grupos que están en favor de la vida, que alegan que la mujer no debería de practicarse el aborto, en ninguna circunstancia, y como contra parte tenemos los grupos que favorecen el aborto, alegando que la mujer es libre de hacer con su cuerpo lo que quiera. Y ante esta situación, no hay bal-

ance, no hay punto medio que satisfaga a los dos grupos.

Si tratamos de encontrar un balance en las escuelas publicas, no lo vamos a tener, en primer lugar muchas escuelas publicas son todo, menos lugares para enseñar a los niños, muchos alumnos van vestidos con pantalones por el suelo, y las muchachas cada ves se visten menos, los que se oponen a estos vestidos están en el otro extremo, ya que ellos quisieran que todo mundo asistiera a la escuela de traje y corbata.

Podemos enumerar mas ejemplos en donde los extremos prevalecen sobre el punto medio de las cosas, todo esto nos da como resultado un país dividido, en donde los conservadores están en un rincón, y los liberales están en el rincón opuesto. La gente pobre vive alejada de la rica, y los ricos se separan de los pobres para que estos no los alcancen. Los afroamericanos viven en su sociedad, la gente blanca vive en su

mundo, y nosotros los inmigrantes tratamos de reproducir nuestro país en nuestro barrio, y así vivimos todos, cada cual en su mundo, cada cual en su sociedad.

Tenemos la esperanza que los políticos encuentren el balance en el gobierno, porque en lo que va de gobierno de Bush, los extremistas se han hecho mas, han aumentado los conservadores, los ricos se han hecho más ricos, y los pobres seguimos sufriendo para sobrellevar los extremos en donde nos ha puesto Bush, ojalá el nuevo gobierno haga las cosas diferentes a como las han hecho los conservadores, pero estoy seguro que aun con un nuevo gobierno este país seguirá sin encontrar el balance en la sociedad, simplemente porque los dos partidos políticos son completamente diferentes y opuestos, o sea, que no conocen de puntos medios, sino solo los extremos.

¿ Gastarlo o Ahorrarlo?

Es una buena pregunta, ¿Vas a ahorrar o vas a gastar el dinero que nos esta regalando el gobierno de Bush?, Bueno los cheques han empezado a llegar. El Departamento del Tesoro comenzó a depositar en las cuentas de los bancos desde la semana pasada, los cheques que la administración de Bush espera que le inyecte fuerza a la débil economía de estos días.

El IRS había dicho inicialmente que empezaría el programa en mayo, pero pudo comenzar unos días antes gracias a un sistema de computadoras que puede procesar los pagos con más eficacia. Los cheques del gobierno en papel empezarán a emitirse el 9 de mayo, una semana antes de lo anunciado previamente.

Las reducciones fiscales, que se espera lleguen a unos 130 millones de familias, van de los 600 dólares para los solteros a los 1.200 dólares para los matrimonios, más 300 dólares para niños menores de 17 años que cumplan ciertos requisitos que pide el programa.

Tanto los depósitos directos como los cheques en papel están siendo procesados con base en los últimos dos dígitos del número del Seguro Social de los

contribuyentes. A las personas que reciban depósitos directos, las que tengan un número de Seguridad Social que termine del 00 al 20, ya recibieron su dinero el pasado viernes, las cuentas con números que terminen del 21 al 75 recibirán sus depósitos directos el 9 de mayo y aquéllos con números del 76 al 99 los obtendrán el 16 de mayo.

Muchos economistas creen que Estados Unidos ha caído en recesión, pero el presidente George W. Bush puso en duda esa apreciación la semana pasada, al decir que él creía que era un periodo de crecimiento más lento, que recibiría un impulso con los cheques del paquete de estímulo.

Los demócratas, sin embargo, al subrayar los crecientes despidos mientras la economía se debilita, afirman que es necesario hacer más. Están presionando por un segundo paquete de estímulos que incluiría ampliar las prestaciones por desempleo durante otras 13 semanas, aumentar las prestaciones para ayuda alimentaria y destinar miles de millones de dólares más a proyectos de construcción, como caminos y puentes.

Gran venta de garage sale este sábado

La Venta anual de garage sales para la Ciudad de Winters será tenida este sábado, 10 de mayo, a las 8a.m. Cubre las calles de Main St. empesando en la calle de 2nd St. y continuára varios bloques más allá del parque de Winters. Para participar llame a Bruce Guelden a 795-4919. Ahi espacios disponibles en el Parque.

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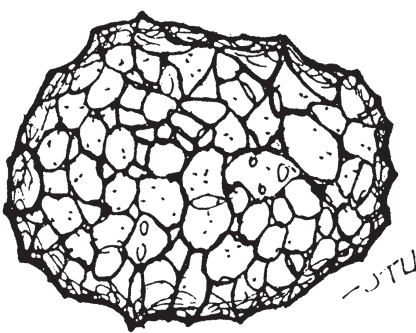
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Public Lien Sale

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to satisfy a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Section 21700 of the Bus. and Prof. Code Section 2328 of the UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the Civil Code. The undersigned will sell at Public Sale by Competitive Bidding on the 20th day of May, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. on the premises where said property has been stored and which is located at Beamer Street Storage 1572 E. Beamer St., Woodland, CA 95776 and which consists of misc. personal property, household, garage and yard items and misc. boxes (contents unknown) sale will begin at Beamer Street Storage. All items sold as is, where is and must be removed by 5:00 p.m. or make arrangements with the office. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. Terms and inspection prior to sale. Beamer Street Storage Unit# 364-Barbara Henley, 76-Gwen Cramsie, 362-Susan Willis, 132-Sugey Gonzales, 81-Michel Williams, 170-Sonya Bennett, 54-Gerald Neto, 85-Priscilla Threadgill, 11-Priscilla Threadgill, 27-Roland Methot Forrest O'Brien, Auctioneer, Bond #00104533207 s/Casey Stone Published May 8 & 15, 2008

Public Notice

Solano County Water Agency
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project Title: Pickerel Floodplain Restoration
Project Location: Downstream of Putah Diversion Dam, near City of Winters
Project Description:
The purpose of the Pickerel Project is to restore functional floodplain elevation to the north bank of Putah Creek for 800 feet downstream of Putah Diversion Dam. This area was heavily infested with arundo prior to 2002 when control operations began. For decades arundo obstructed flow causing sediment to accumulate on the floodplain. The arundo is now substantially controlled, but the effect of sediment accumulation still exists. The edge of the floodplain is now 118 feet above sea level compared with the water surface elevation of 109 feet. The 9 feet of floodplain height above the water surface inhibits floodplain function and prevents the natural establishment of native vegetation by seed drop because depth to ground water exceeds the growth rate at which seedlings can establish before the heat of summer.

The sediment that is removed from the floodplain would be used to fill the edge of the north bank on existing high ground that is out of the active channel. An existing high flow channel would be undisturbed. An upper terrace including an existing row of cottonwood trees would be left undisturbed except for weed removal and planting of native vegetation.

The project features a rock weir above an island in the channel that will serve as a gravel retaining structure for salmon spawning habitat. A hundred (100) cubic yards of 3-inch minus gravel will be placed upstream of the rock weir. The weir and gravel bed will serve as a crossing during construction and afterward as a low flow crossing for maintenance of the north bank. In the winter months the gravel bed will enhance salmon spawning habitat.

Review Period:
Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines adopted by the Solano County Water Agency, a proposed Negative Declaration on the above named project has been prepared. Final adoption of the Negative Declaration will be considered at the June 12, 2008, Agency Board of Directors meeting. Any comments or appeals to this action may be made to the Agency in writing at any time prior to said Board meeting, or verbally during said Board meeting. The Board of Directors meeting will be held at the address below. Documents are available for review at the address below.

Solano County Water Agency
508 Elmira Road
Vacaville, CA 95687
Published May 8, 2008

Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-03425 Title Order No. 3595400 Investor/Insurer No. - APN No. 003-473-06-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/25/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by MICHAEL SANCHEZ, AND ALICIA SERRATO, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 05/25/2006 and recorded 06/02/06, as Instrument No. 2006-0021749-00, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 05/29/2008 at 12:00PM, At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1030 ROOSEVELT AVE, WINTERS, CA, 956941539. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$37,411.77. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 05/01/2008 RECONTRUST COMPANY 1757 TAPO CANYON ROAD, SVW-88 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 2741532 05/08/2008, 05/15/2008, 05/22/2008

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FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
April 18, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-420
Fictitious Business Name
Affordable Auto Sales
1025 Dreyer St #6 West Sacramento CA 95691
Vitaliy Maznik 4301 Tyrone Wy Carmichael CA 95691
Business Classification: Individual s/ Vitaliy Maznik
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
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March 27, 2008
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Elizabeth Sumner, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 741-08
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9253 JOHNSON RD, WINTERS CA 95694 SOLANO
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MANDEEP BHULLAR, 39900 BLANCO RD, APT. 25, FREMONT CA 94538
PRACHEE RAJIVANSHI, 39900 BLANCO RD, APT. 25, FREMONT, CA 94538
This business classification is: A general partnership s/ Mandeep Bhullar, Prachee Rajivanshi
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State of California, County of SOLANO
CHARLES LOMELI County Clerk/Recorder
Elizabeth Sumner, Deputy Clerk
Published May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008

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
April 25, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-448
Fictitious Business Name
Thread Terrier Embroidery
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
This business classification is: A general partnership s/ Ann Wendland, Mary E. Bayley
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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy Clerk
Published May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008

Notice of 30-Day Comment Period

NOTICE TO INTERESTED STAKEHOLDERS, Yolo County Department of Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health is making a document available for public review, the 2nd Performance Contract Amendment Request (Augmentation), on the Internet at <http://www.yolocounty.org/Index.aspx?page=993> and is posted at www.namiiyolo.org; by request at the reference desk of all public libraries in Yolo County; and at county mental health clinics in Woodland, Davis and West Sacramento. The 30-day public comment period will end at 12:00 pm (noon) on Thursday, May 29, 2008. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Joan Beesley, Mental Health Services Act Program Manager at 530-666-8547. Par asistencia en Español llame a Carmela Luna al (530) 666-8632 or 916-375-6350. Published May 8, 2008

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice of Public Hearing To Take Action of Proposed Amendment to Chapter 17.96 of the Zoning Code Pertaining to Requirements for On-Sale Liquor Establishments
Description of the Project: Section 17.96.030(a) of the City of Winters Zoning Code provides that "on-sale liquor establishments" must be separated by a minimum distance of 200 feet from certain consideration points, such as public parks, while operating within the City's Central Business District. City staff recommended amending Section 17.96.030(a) of the Zoning Code to exclude Rotary Park, which is located within the City's Central Business District, from the minimum 200-foot separation requirement. The City of Winters Planning Commission conducted a noticed public hearing on this amendment to Zoning Code Section 17.96.030(a) on April 22, 2008, and has recommended approval of the amendment. The proposed amendment to Section 17.96.030(a) of the Zoning Code is consistent with the goals, policies, and objectives of the City of Winters General Plan.
Project Location: Rotary Park, southeast corner of Railroad and East Main Street, Winters, CA
Environmental Determination: The proposed amendment to Section 17.96.030(a) has been reviewed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3).
Public Hearing: A public hearing will be held to consider action on the project on Tuesday, May 20, 2008 before the City Council. This meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers located on the first floor of City Hall at 318 First Street, Winters, California.
In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in these hearings, please contact Cas Ellena at (530) 795-4910, ext. 105. Please make your request as early as possible and at least one-full business day before the start of the hearing.

The City does not transcribe its hearings. If you wish to obtain a verbatim record of the proceedings, you must arrange for attendance by a court reporter or for some other means of recordation. Such arrangements will be at your sole expense.

If you wish to challenge the action taken on this matter in court, the challenge may be limited to raising only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council prior to the public hearing.

Availability of Documents: The project file is available for public review at the Community Development Department, Winters City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694. Copies of the Staff Report will be available on the City's website at http://cityofwinters.org/administrative/admin_boards.htm For more information regarding this project, please contact Cas Ellena at (530) 795-4910, extension 105. Published May 8, 2008

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FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 28, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
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
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 10, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
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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Isabel Becerra, Deputy Clerk
Published 4/17, 4/24, & May 1, 8, 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 filing 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 a person 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 Emerville CA 94608
Telephone: (510) 653-3878
Published May 1, 8, 15, 2008

Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-05112 Title Order No. 3595390 Investor/Insurer No. - APN No. 003-171-04-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 02/15/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by EVELYN M. GUERRERO, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, dated 02/15/2006 and recorded 02/28/06, as Instrument No. 2006-0008003-00, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 05/29/2008 at 12:00PM, At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 434 EDWARDS STREET, WINTERS, CA, 956941824. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$333,109.66. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 05/01/2008 RECONTRUST COMPANY 1757 TAPO CANYON ROAD, SVW-88 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 2741381 05/08/2008, 05/15/2008, 05/22/2008

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
Published May 1, 8, 15, 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
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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Liz Mahovich, Deputy Clerk
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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
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