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Measure T passes

By DEBRA LO GUER-CIO
Express editor

Winters voters overwhelmingly approved a measure in the June 3 election that will modernize the Utility User's Tax language to include new technology like cell phones and satellite television. Voters approved the tax by 70 percent, with 499 people voting for Measure T and 214 voting against.

The measure reduces the current 5 percent utility tax already charged to customers to 4.75 percent, and adds a utility tax to other services that are not charging the tax. The reason for the measure is because that when the Winters utility tax measure was written in 1992, some technology that didn't exist at that time was not included. The former tax measure applied only

to gas, electric and telephone service. With the passage of Measure T, current technology, such as cable communications, Pay-Per-View programming and satellite television will be taxed.

The 1992 utility user's tax had a one-year sunset, and was intended to generate revenue for the police and fire department budgets. All the money collected from the utility user's tax goes into the city's General Fund and is earmarked specifically for that purpose.

The city council reapproved the tax in 1994, with a three-year sunset. The subsequent passage of Proposition 218 stipulated that changes in taxation can only be done by voter approval, and the utility tax was approved by Winters voters in 1998 at a rate of 5 percent

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Trustees block hiring

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

School's out, but the newer members on the Board of Trustees are still making waves. At the June 6 meeting, trustee Rob Nickelson asked to pull out a consent agenda item for discussion. The item was approval of the hire of a new facilities director to replace departing director Gary Cook. The position has changed; it now includes director of transportation as a cost saving measure. When the item came up for discussion at the end

of the long meeting, Nickelson criticized the new hire, because the candidate will be taking a pay cut from his previous position.

"This guy, coming from a bigger district, taking a \$15,000 pay cut, he's not going to be here long, in my opinion," said Nickelson. "My perception is we need a doer; we don't need a manager in the office. We can get people that are maybe \$15,000 less than what we're doing for this guy. It would buy a lot of breakfasts, or

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Council will meet on June 23

The next Winters City Council meeting has been moved from its regular date of Tuesday, June 17, to Monday,

June 23. The city council will not meet during the month of August. For more information, call City Hall, 795-4910.

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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
June 4		88	56
June 5		83	60
June 6		91	59
June 7		85	58
June 8		89	53
June 9		96	60
June 10		101	67

Rain for week: 0
Season's total: 23.19
Last year to date: 10.43
Average to June 30: 21.43

Despite outcry, trees get ax

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Following public outcry over the planned tree removal on the east side of Hemenway Street, the issue was revisited at the June 3 city council meeting. What started four years ago as a concern about creating a safe walk for students has taken a rocky and meandering path, ultimately leading last October to the decision to build a sidewalk

along Hemenway Street.

The sidewalk will run just feet from the soon-to-be-removed fruitless mulberry trees, whose roots would otherwise lift and damage the new sidewalk. The council, along with many neighbors and community members, made the difficult decision to remove all of the trees in one shot prior to the sidewalk's construction. Less invasive trees will be planted afterwards.

It was made clear at last Tuesday's council meeting that the real tree conversation took place last October. And although the community protest (especially from students) was respected by the council members, their decision was arrived at carefully.

Still, members of the community were invited to express their opinions.

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Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Doris Gray holds an armload of flowers she received in honor of her 100th birthday, which was May 30.

She's 100 years young

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

What am I going to do when I get old? That's what Doris Gray says she found herself thinking one day. She was just a youngster back then – only 85.

Doris passed the century mark on May 30, and she says she still feels the same as she did decades ago. She says she didn't really do anything special to keep on ticking, and that her cardiologist credits "good genes."

"He said I could go on for a few years more," she says.

To that, her daughter Carol Gray-Ricci adds, "I could see her thinking, 'well, is it going to be worth it.'"

"You know, I think it is," says Doris with a chuckle. "I don't feel much different than I did in my 80s. I don't have the strength I once had. You just stay inside your limitations, and everything is fine."

Although her vision has deteriorated, Doris' speech is clear and her mind even clearer. She recalls times gone past with a smile and great fondness, like childhood trips into "The City."

"When I was little, San Francisco was 'The City' to all the people around here. There was no other

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Winters olive oil wins double gold in competition

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

Kurt and Connie Balasek planted olive trees a few years ago on their idyllic Quail Canyon ranch, with the goal of making olive oil. The hundred trees are now only four feet tall, and they are producing only twenty gallons of olive oil a year, but a funny thing happened — they started winning awards.

They entered their extra virgin oil in the Yolo County Fair and won a gold award in the "Other Blends — Intermediate Intensity" category. They have planted five

varieties of olive trees (Frantoya, Lecheenos, Arbosana, Koroneiki and Oscalana), but currently they can only produce a blend of the varieties, because of the low volume. They hope to eventually produce one hundred gallons per year, and will then be able to press oil from specific varieties of olives.

Their gold award earned them entry into the California Olive Oil Council (COOC) competition at the International Restaurant Show in Las Vegas in February.

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Photo by Elliot Landes

Connie Balasek stands by one of the olive trees that won a double gold medal at the International Restaurant Show in Las Vegas last February.

Creek plans flowing, slowly

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Putah Creek flows just feet from downtown, yet accessibility in most places is nearly impossible. Not all communities are afforded such an incredible asset, yet Winters has allowed the precious waters to go virtually untapped. The development of the

Putah Creek Master Plan was discussed at the May 27 Planning Commission meeting, and while virtually all concerned parties agree that such a plan is sure to benefit the community, a variety of complex details have managed to slow its approval and execution to

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FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

NICO JAMES NOVELLO is the newborn son of Chris and Jenell Novello of Winters. Born on April 21, 2008 at Kaiser Hospital in Vallejo, he weighed 9 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 21.5 inches long. He joins a sister Téa Marie, age 3. Maternal grandparents are Debbie Hatcher of Vacaville, and Bill and Tanya Hatcher of Ada Oklahoma. Paternal grandparents are Kathy and Tom Tellez of Napa, and Tony and Glenda Novello of Reno, Nevada. Paternal great-grandmother is Frances Tellez of San Mateo.

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OBITUARIES

E. Erikka “Ricky” Nielsen

E. Erikka Nielsen passed away on May 25, 2008. Born on Jan. 14, 1930, in El Verano, she was 78 years old. She graduated from Oakland High School and went on to graduate from the College of Arts and Crafts in Oakland. She was a member of the Eastern Star and spent many years as a Martha. At the time of her death, her love for ancient cultures and art was evident from her vast collection of more than 1,000 books, which were all donated to the Winters library.

She is survived by her brother, Niels, and a niece, both of Tigard Oregon.

She was cremated and her ashes were buried at sea.

A memorial service will be held at the Winters Senior Apartments on Friday, June 13, at 3 p.m.

Amelia Delgado Hattabaugh

Amelia “Emily” Delgado Hattabaugh, 76, died on Saturday, May 31, 2008 at Woodland Memorial Hospital.

Born April 19, 1932, to Geronimo and Juanita (Hernandez) Delgado in San Gabriel, she attended area schools until moving to Yolo County where she was employed by Mariani Processing for more than 10 years until her retirement in 1998.

Survivors include her daughter, Paula Hattabaugh of Winters; sons, Rudy Hattabaugh and Ken Hattabaugh Jr. of Vacaville; grandchildren Emily Fawn and Ru Hattabaugh; sister, Susan Miranda of Woodland; brother, Rudy Delgado and wife Paula of Esparto; sisters-in-law, Teresa Manas of Winters and Hope Delgado of Esparto, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband Ken Hattabaugh Sr.; sisters, Ofelia Calderon and Florence Cobos; brothers, Abel, Gilbert and Jerry Delgado Jr.

Graveside services were held on Thursday, June 5, at Monument Hill Memorial Park.

Mary T. Ramos

Mary T. Ramos, 95, of Winters, passed away June 4, 2008 at Valley West Care Center in Williams.

Born November 7, 1912 in Marchal de Lubrin, Almaria, Spain, to Emilio and Eugenia Ramos, she was a Winters resident for 85 years and grew apricots, peaches and almonds in the Olive District until retirement in 1960.

Survivors include her son, John R. Ramos of Dunnigan, and daughter, Rosemarie Frey of Yuba City; sisters Carmen Rubio and Rose Ramos of Winters, Flora Carrillo of Sacramento and Eleanor Ramos of Davis; six grandchildren, Paula Fusaro of Woodland, Penny Williams of North Carolina, Teresa Hayes of Dixon, Johnny Ramos of Winters, Tammy Stapley of Eugene, Oregon, and Suzanne Center of Yuba City. She had 13 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by husbands Frank Ramos and Telefe George Ramos; brother Ray Ramos; and sisters Emily Restuch, Bea Ramos and Genie Hughs.

The Funeral Mass is scheduled for Friday, June 13, at 11 a.m. at St. Anthony Parish Hall, with internment to follow at the Winters Cemetery.

Lorenzo C. Lopez

Lorenzo C. Lopez passed away on June 9, 2008 in Winters. Born on Aug. 8, 1923, he was 84 years old. A visitation will be held on Monday, June 16, from 6-7 p.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church. A Rosary will be recited on Monday, June 16, at 7 p.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church. A funeral Mass will take place on Tuesday, June 17, at 11 a.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Burial will follow at the Winters Cemetery.

Weekly police report

May 24-25

~ 9 p.m. to 9 a.m., on the 300 block of Main Street, a window of an unlocked vehicle was broken and computer equipment was stolen. Loss: \$4,780.

May 31 - June 1

~ 6:30-8:45 p.m., on the 100 block of Quail Court, an unlocked vehicle was entered and a flat screen television was stolen. Loss: \$2,500

June 2

~ 3:45 p.m., a 14-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for being a minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage and drinking in public,

which occurred on May 28. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

June 2-3

~ At Fourth and Main Streets, a door was forced open to a storage building and graffiti was sprayed on buildings. Damage: \$500.

June 3

~ 11:15 a.m., a 15-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for being a minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage and drinking in public,

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YESTERYEAR



File photo

These volunteers gathered at the City Park in July, 1994, to repair the play area. From left, (front) Jonathan Harper, Bill Svozil, Helen Millon, Natasha Lopez, Kristin Svozil, Wyatt Hesemeyer, Elena Harper and Jack Vickrey; (back) Shep Harper, Kathy Millon, Julia Millon and Angie Lopez.

50
YEARS AGO

June 26, 1958

The Winters City Park Fund, of which Mrs. Joe Diaz is trustee, is richer this week by \$232.88, turned over by Robert Johnson and Milt Sharp from a recreation fund held over in the bank since 1947. Mrs. Diaz said that the money will be used toward the needed baseball backstop proposed for the park.

With the local 1958 apricot cannery harvest an estimated 90 percent complete, cannery representatives state that a probable 3,500 tons of good quality fruit will be delivered in this area.

David Caselli observed his 11th birthday anniversary on Saturday, June 21, inviting friends for dinner, baseball, cake and ice cream, at the country home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Caselli.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ramos are the parents of a 6 pound, 8 ounce, daughter, Toni Lynn, who arrived at the Yolo General Hospital, Woodland, on June 18, 1958.

65
YEARS AGO

June 25, 1943

According to Principal J.M. Clayton, Mrs. Frances Gorsuch has been chosen to fill the elementary school vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Miss Dorothy DeMello.

Mr. and Mrs. R.F. Coombs report their son Howard overseas, presumably in the South Pacific. He was at home on a brief visit before he left. Son Melvin is in Alaska at last report.

Do you have a pair of binoculars that you can loan to the Winters Observation Post? The volunteers from Winters serving the United States Army as observers, can do a better job in the defense of their country if binoculars can be secured for them. Phone 164 or 58.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Mahoney received word from their son Sgt. Malcolm Mahoney, saying that he was being transferred from Hawaii to Camp Cooke, in Southern California.

100
YEARS AGO

June 26, 1908

Graduating from the Winters Elementary School were Etta Baldwin, Gertrude Bryce, Everett Campbell, Ruth Cheatham, Marguerite Cole, Olive Daniels, Ernest Doll, Alton Edwards, Esta Hacke, Alta Ireland, Lester Ireland, Mabel McCoubrey, Edity Nash, Ramona Rippey, Bertha Ormsby, Georgia Sidwell, Johnnie Sidwell, William Sims, Pearl Sinclair and Joe Vasey.

The town board passed ordinance No. 87, imposing a business license tax in the town of Winters.

The alumni association of the Winters High School gave its tenth annual alumni reception, welcoming into its ranks five local graduates.

A fruit worker was drowned in Putah Creek just below the Stark place Tuesday afternoon, while in swimming.

Berryessa drops .55 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa dropped by .55 of a foot during the past week according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 424.39 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,312,956 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 535 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 43 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 272 acre feet of water per day during the week.

Training burn to be staged

The Winters Fire Department and Cal Fire will host a wildfire training burn from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 14, at County Road 87 and Count Road 32A. Members from the fire departments of West Plainfield, Madison, Esparto and Vacaville are expected to participate. There is no need for citizens to report smoke coming from this area at that time.

115
YEARS AGO

June 24, 1893

Griffiths and Hazelrigg have had the front of their store in the Masonic building painted a brilliant red during the week, and persons coming into town can see it from any point on Main Street without straining their eyes.

Miss Annie De Vilbiss of this place, at the commencement exercises of St. Mary's academy in Woodland, held last week, took first premium in Christian doctrine, mental arithmetic, etymology, elocution, special and general vocal music, painting and drawing; second premium in Bible history, grammar, arithmetic, geography, orthography, reading, instrumental music and plain sewing.

The races began yesterday afternoon and are well attended. The horses entered are all good ones and each race is exciting and hotly contested.



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TREES

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Winters resident Gail Wingard pointed out that the “problematic” mulberry trees can be found throughout the community.

“The high school has numerous mulberry trees,” he said. “The skate park has five, Waggoner has 18 and City Park has 17. I don’t see it as a tree that’s so undesirable.”

While the tree’s prevalence within the community was not denied, it’s clear that the city will not be planting more in the future. And, the 27 trees along Hemenway Street probably would have gone untouched had the sidewalk opportunity not arrived. The real problem lies in the invasive roots; and none of the other trees are expected to damage \$127,000 worth of brand new concrete.

Ed Carbahal, who lives across the street from where the sidewalk will be constructed, weighed in on the council’s decision.

“Thanks for last fall’s diligent effort looking at the engineering and the safety of the kids,” he said, adding that he was under the impression that the decision was a done deal.

“I understand the concerns, but if you leave partial trees (one possible option) and go to remove the others at a later time, you’ll further damage what you just installed. You can take a tree out and replace it. If something happens to a child, you can’t replace that child.”

WHS student Cat Hasbrook, who spearheaded the tree-saving effort

among high school students, also took the podium.

“Thank you guys for having me back and listening to me again,” she said, and then went on to describe one last possible option: Rubber sidewalks.

Rubber sidewalks are made from recycled California tires and are specifically designed to avert root damage. They are assembled like a puzzle in which individual pieces can be removed wherever root damage occurs. The total cost of installation and maintenance is relatively unclear, and although the option was not fully discussed at last fall’s meetings, Council member Tom Stone pointed out that he has had some exposure to the product. He noted that it is very new and would carry with it some uncertainty as far as ADA compliance.

Community member Erin Hasbrook spoke as well.

“The dynamics of these young people to come in and show enthusiasm and drive to educate themselves really deserves your respect,” she said. “I’m not sure everybody here is aware of that. These people are the future of this community and others. I hope you take the opportunity to cultivate this type of leadership and zeal.”

“Even though this was part of a decision you didn’t like,” responded council member Tom Stone to Hasbrook and the students who successfully reignited the controversy, “it’s very reassuring because this is the type of involvement we’d like to see in young people. I don’t look at this as a negative at all. I have great re-

spect.”

The other council members echoed Stone’s admiration.

“I wholeheartedly agree,” said council member Mike Martin. “I think some of the adults in this community can learn. I hope they continue to be active. We need total involvement, and that includes the youth.”

“I just don’t want to give the impression that we made our decision and that’s it,” added Stone, reiterating his respect for the attention that the issue’s been paid.

In an effort to encourage continued involvement among all concerned parties, council member Harold Anderson suggested the city create a committee in which the students and community members may participate in the selection process of the trees that will be planted alongside the new sidewalk. Donlevy plans to arrange such a committee.

The council ultimately decided to lay the tree-removal issue to rest, rather than have it formally brought back to life. The city will proceed with its plan to cut down the mulberry trees and install sidewalks on the east side of Hemenway Street, and plant new trees to replace the mulberries.

Council member Cecilia Aguiar-Curry punctuated the discussion eloquently.

“The purpose of that grant is the safety of our children,” she said. “And what we did was a really ‘green’ thing (many have suggested that the tree removal is just the opposite); creating a sidewalk will promote biking and walking around town.

“We did make a good decision. I don’t want to lose the grant. We have to get this done. The city is dying on the vine and we depend on our grants. If we don’t get the project started, we may not have the money.”

She then spoke to the students.

“Don’t sit on the sidelines, guys. There’s plenty of opportunity in our community to get involved.”

Other items

~ The Annual Levy Report was approved. The money is used to for citywide maintenance in such areas as landscaping and lighting. A public hearing was held in which nobody spoke. Councilmember Mike Martin noted that the amount of money collected does not come close to fully funding such maintenance.

~ A development agreement made to the Anderson Place Subdivision was made after a second reading was held and a public hearing (nobody spoke) took place. The development agreement will shift the dates of the project later in time so as to allow the demand for residential housing to return.

~ The zoning code, as it pertains to Rotary Park, was adjusted so as to allow for on-sale liquor establishments within 200 feet of the location. Rotary Park does not generally cater to children and is located at the heart of the downtown business district. Mayor Woody Fridae and council member Harold Anderson did not participate in the discussion due to a potential conflict of interest.

MEASURE

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with no sunset. City staff have repeatedly stated that most Winters residents will pay less tax with the passage of Measure T. If a customer’s tax is higher than \$300 per account, the city will offer that customer a refund for the difference.

Also in the June 3 election, incumbent council members Woody Fridae and Tom Stone were reelected. Both ran unopposed. Fridae received 542 votes and Stone received 511. A press release issued by the Green Party of California noted that Fridae, who currently serves as Winters’ mayor, is a member of the Green party, and he was mentioned on the list of the growing number of Green officeholders in California. However, in Winters, city council races are non-partisan, so candidates do not

run for council seats on the basis of party affiliation.

In the race for the 8th District state assembly seat, Winters voters supported Christopher Cabaldon over Mariko Yamado by a vote of 276 to 215. Countywide, however, Yamada prevailed, and won 51.66 percent of the vote to Cabaldon’s 48.34 percent.

Winters voted against Proposition 98 and for 99, as did the rest of the county and state. Both Propositions reformed eminent domain laws. Winters voted against 98 by 277 to 539 and in favor of 99 by 457 to 360.

Proposition 99 prohibits the taking of private property through eminent domain for development by another private party. Private property may only be taken through eminent domain for public use, such as roads or easements for public projects like water or sewer lines.

Entries sought for county fair flower booths

The Yolo County Fair is searching for people and organizations interested in creating flower booths for the fair. Both large booths (approximately 10 feet by 20 feet), or corner booths and small booths (approximately 10 feet by

10 feet) are available. This year’s booth theme is Disney movies titles.

The entry fee is \$25 for a large flower booth with winnings of \$350 for first place. The entry fee is \$15 for a small flower booth with premium money of \$250 for

first place. Participants should call the Fair Office Entry Department for information and enter soon while there is availability in all theme categories.

To register, or for more information, contact Jeannie Malcolm,

402-2205 or email jeannie@yolocountyfair.net.

The Yolo County Fair takes place from Aug. 13-17. This year’s theme is “Jam Packed with Fun.” Entry booklets for all categories are available at the Winters Express office.

Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO

BECAUSE I SAY SO

EVEN IF YOU'RE the most die-hard, radically Right Wing conservative curmudgeon, you must admit that history is occurring right before our eyes. Even if you'd rather carve your own heart out with a rusty spike than vote for Barack Obama, you must acknowledge the significance of his rise to the top of the Democratic party last Tuesday.

Sure, technically, history happens constantly in all sorts of ways, both good and bad, from scientific breakthroughs to the fall of the Twin Towers, but Obama's clinching of the Democratic nomination for President of the United States is different. It's one of those moments that propels our species forward. Borrowing from Neil Armstrong, Obama's victory is one (not so) small step for (hu)man, one giant (quantum) leap for (hu)mankind.

Truly, Obama's imminent nomination is a landing on the moon moment. It's something we'll tell our great-grandchildren someday: "I remember when the first black person in history was nominated for President." Better yet: "I remember when the first black person became President."

Then we'll tell those youngsters that once upon a time, people were treated differently just because of the color of their skin. And then President Obama shattered that disparity, and little by little, people of all colors began to realize that it's the content of our hearts, not the color of our skins, that really matters.

And then the great-grandkids will yawn and say, "That's great, Gramma. Can we go play on the holodeck now?"

Yes, they'll be bored with such bittersweet nostalgia, because they no longer live in a world dissected by racism and can no more relate to it than you and I can relate to getting around by horse and buggy. What a wonderful world that will be. And to think we may just be witnessing its birth right now.

Sure, I'm peering at the future through hope-colored glasses, but the thought of Obama becoming our next president is a fresh breeze of joy and promise that's dissipating the cold, gloomy fog of despair and darkness of the George W. Bush Administration. At long last, it's coming to an end!

Unless, of course, McCain wins, and then optimism, like some great cosmic groundhog, will return to its burrow for four more years.

Brrrrr. Let's not think about that. Let's think about President Obama: Wow! Little darling, it's been a long, cold lonely winter, here comes the sun, I can see clearly now the rain is gone, and whoops, there goes another rubber tree plant!

Yes, high hopes are running amok. But it sure feels nice for a change.

Even if the future isn't quite as bright as I imagine, and even if the racism disease isn't cured, we're nonetheless seeing history in the making. Future generations will study this moment in time in their U.S. History classes. This is a monumental event, and it will be in the history books. And you were here to witness it. If you can stick around for five more months, you may just witness the election of our first black president. That'll warrant a bit more ink in those history books.

Stick around longer, and you may witness events that require a whole chapter in that U.S. history book 200 years from now, because I suspect that the color of Obama's skin will be the least significant aspect of his presidency. What if, as he said in his stirring speech last Tuesday when he became the presumptive Democratic nominee, we were witnessing the precise moment when things began turning around in this country — when every American got health-care, new energy resources were developed, jobs came back home, our air and oceans started getting cleaner, and our leaders matured enough to negotiate with even our most bitter enemies; that flashpoint in time when we started engaging our minds rather than our military; when tempers between races and cultures began cooling. And so did our planet.

Why, there might even still be polar bears in 2208! It could happen! It has to start somewhere. Maybe it just did. And you and I witnessed it.

Do me a favor — cut this column out and if Obama wins, keep it with all the things you'll pass along to great-great-grandchildren you won't be around to meet. Let's see if I'm right. I want to be able to say "I told you so" 200 years from now.

Hope and optimism. Welcome back, old friends.

OUT OF OFFICE COUNTDOWN: The future starts getting brighter in 33 weeks.



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LETTERS

Power cords are friendlier

Dear Editor,

I am an owner of a travel trailer that I keep in storage when not in use or performing maintenance on it. I have been following the proposed changes to the current Municipal code that pertains to parking recreational vehicles on the city streets.

In the last article, May 15, the proposed changes included the need for permits, the maximum number of day per allowed to park a vehicle, a 72 hour limit, 1000 foot rule, no guest or visitors without permits, a new item that was added is that now power cords will be allowed.

It seems that the city of Winters wants to make it as difficult as possible to park a recreational vehicle on the city streets.

If visitors are allowed to reside in their RV for a short time while in town, they must use a generator and then not at nighttime because of the noise. How is a generator an alternative when sometimes the summer night time temperatures can be in the 80s?

Generators are not an environmentally good solution since they do pollute, are noisy and expensive to run.

Seems to me that power cords are more friendly to the neighbors than generators.

ROBERT RENNIE

We have lots of questions

Dear Editor,

As middle school students, we always have a lot of questions. And since we learned that the Winters City Council wants to cut down 27 trees on Hemenway Street, we are wondering why they are so sure cutting down trees is the best path to take. Do we really need a sidewalk that badly? Do we need one that will cut down trees? It might be the easy thing to do, but what is easy is not always right.

Does the city council know that one tree can absorb several tons of carbon dioxide over its lifetime? Just imagine what 27 can do! Trees reduce global warming and keep our ecosystem running. They also prevent erosion and provide habitat for a number of species. Global warming is destroying our planet. Animals are being lost forever, land might be under water someday and the crops we depend to live might no longer grow. Everyone needs to do their part, especially our city leaders.

Cutting down trees cuts down shade and it cuts down one of the best spots at the High School. Our schools spend lots of money building shade structures, spaces to relax and we want cool places to recover from athletics.

A few weekends ago, the City of Winters sponsored a day to educate and celebrate the Earth. The event taught us that we need to be aware of climate change and conserving our resources. Cutting down the trees on Hemenway street is the opposite of that idea. The 27 trees give us shade and they give our planet the oxygen it needs to survive. We strongly believe they should not be cut down.

THE WMS LEADERSHIP CLASS

And the award goes to

Dear Editor,

As part of the Winters EARTH event, Winters residents were given the opportunity to win prizes for having the highest and lowest energy bills. Whoever could present the highest bill would receive a free home energy audit plus \$100 to help pay for improvements, and whoever had the lowest bill would be rewarded with a \$100 cash prize in recognition of their conservation of energy.

The response was overwhelming! Yes, from the two utility bills received we have two winners! Mike and Janet Kimes were the winners for the lowest bill, and Sally Brown & Jeff Tenpas had the highest, taking away the audit and the cash.

We are hoping for a little more competition next year, so, save your January 2009 energy bill and bring it to the next Winters EARTH event. If your bill is higher than \$200 or lower than \$150 you could be a winner!

DAVID SPRINGER

Thank you for your support

Dear Editor,

To the Winters Lions Club, Yolo Masonic Lodge No. 195, Doug Baldrige committee, anonymous, First Northern Bank and Yolo Charter ACSA.

I would just like to thank you for the wonderful scholarship that you have contributed to my education. Without your generosity students like myself wouldn't be able to afford a higher education.

Thank you, for all that you have done in order to support me and our community.

Sincerely,

MATTIELYN LONG



CHARLES R. WALLACE

A QUICK OPINION

WHO NEEDS THE INTERNET? Technology is great when it works, but when it doesn't, watch out. We had a "system failure" this week. It was pretty bad as it affected all of the McNaughton Newspapers from Fairfield to Placerville.

There are rare times when the internet doesn't work, but it is usually temporary and you don't lose all of your old emails. This was one of those times when almost everything is gone. We back-up our news files as we go along, but no one seems to back up their email files. For those who receive our eXpress, don't worry, the address book in our email server is still available and you should be receiving your electronic paper on time.

The frustrating thing about computers is you can't just take them apart and fix them. When they call it the world wide web they aren't kidding. Your problem might be in your own office, or AT&T's phone lines might be down, but it might just be someone taking a lunch break in Bangladesh.

For the last six months or so I've been puttering around the back shop trying to get my museum up and running. I've been toying with the idea of a real museum and not just a collection of junk for some time. If you think the guy that is supposed to be on page 2 hasn't thrown anything away, ever, you should have met his predecessors. We have every Express from 1887 on and most of the lead type that was used to produce those papers.

Our Linotype is broken, but I'm convinced that it can be fixed. A museum once gave me an 1860 newspaper press, which I worked on until it can be hand cranked and almost usable. I'll need to have the Linotype fixed to print a real newspaper on the Country Campbell, as the press is named. It is one of those projects I'm saving for retirement.

We have been throwing a lot of junk away, including old newspapers. I might mention that I tried to sell them years ago for \$1 each and failed miserably. There was a shelf next to the ceiling holding years of papers. I think they were up there to catch the rain that was leaking through. They might have absorbed a lot of water but they really caught the dust and ceiling plaster. One of the first things we did when we had some extra money was replace the roofs. A lot of the old papers were recycled and I worried about the dust between the pages. By the time the garbage truck made it to Vacaville I'm sure the papers were clean enough for recycling. The plan is to frame some of the newspapers and put them on the walls next to old pictures of Winters.

I fired up our lead pot last week and cast a few hundred pounds of lead into 25 pound molds we call pigs, and no, I don't know why they are called that. The smell from the melting lead brought back memories from my youth, and then I remembered that we were casting lead into the 1980s.

There are plenty of lexicons in the printing field and looking them up to display in a 1950s print shop should be interesting. The small wagon, where you throw pieces of used lead, is called a hell box, and moving it is, well, you get the drift. The kid in the print shop that got all of the bad jobs is called a printers devil. Every trade must have its own vocabulary and trying to figure out the meaning of leads and slugs, furniture and quoins and keys should keep me busy for years.

There is a satisfaction that comes with working with your hands putting out a newspaper that modern computers just doesn't give you. The U.S. government made a movie about small town newspapers in 1967 to show around the world and used the Winters Express as its model. There was something about not showing it in the U.S. but we have a copy that is now on DVD. The restriction to showing the movie only outside the U.S. probably had something to do with residuals for the people in the 24 minute short. I think it will be okay to show it in my museum, most of the people in the film have passed away, and those still on the right side of the grass looked pretty good in 1967.

Have a good week, and watch out for computers.

Thank you, police officers

Dear Editor,

I would like to express my gratitude for the compassionate nature of members of our police department. Recently I was arrested for a DUI. I was only one block from home with groceries and my constant companion, my dog. Rather than leave my car to be towed and, worse, have animal control come get my dog, the officers drove my car home, took in my groceries and made sure that my dog was safely at home. To the officers involved, I would like to express my gratitude and respect.

NAME WITHHELD

THANKS . . .

I would like to thank everyone for all they did to make my 100th birthday a particularly happy one.

DORIS C. GRAHAM

See you next year students

Dear Editor,

Congratulations to all the graduates: WMS, WHS, Rominger, Wolfskill, and Waggoner I hope all your wishes and expectations come true.

Those of you going into high school, I'll miss seeing every day. I wish you good luck.

Thank you to all the parents for your cooperation all year. I know there are quite a few of you I won't see next term and I'll miss our daily wave.

Those of you that will be returning and to the new group. I look forward to seeing next term.

May each and everyone of you have a fantastic summer vacation, students and parents.

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Local color: So many fond memories of yester-Winters

By **RICK DOZIER**
Guest columnist

Some of you older Wintersites, might remember this. Looking back now, growing up in Winters was a very special thing. It seemed that life was very “Mayberry” like. We had a couple of police officers, who could be found sleeping in the only squad car we had, at the four way stop late in the evening most nights, as there wasn’t a soul about at that time of the night and no crime to speak of. No one had an issue with it either.

Everybody knew everybody, so as a kid, I couldn’t get away with anything. My mom always knew what had happened well before I got home, and would be waiting for my arrival. As she said, “I have spies everywhere”

We had one homeless person. We had “The Cat Lady,” Clara Sager, who lived on her front stoop of her house under a piece of plastic, with all her cat friends for decades, never stepping foot into her own home, but never forgot to send me a birthday card with a quarter in it every year. Thank you, Clara.

The fire horn *always* went off at 12 noon promptly, and usually

scared a couple of years off you, if you were anywhere nearby when it went off, even when you were expecting it.

Most work days, Main Street seemed to be the big magnet for all the local merchants, and farmers. They would gather for coffee at my mom and dads pharmacy/fountain, called Dozier’s Drug Store. It was in the building now occupied by the Ireland Agency. To me, it seemed like every man in town would be there, rolling dice and laughing loudly, as they rolled to see who had to pay for the coffee.

The fountain had the old style flavor to it, because it was old style! You wanted a Coke? The waitress would go put a few squirts of whatever syrup you wanted, then go pull the tap to fill the glass up with carbonated water. A couple of stirs, and there you had it.

Ice came in large blocks, so sometimes I would be given the job of breaking it up so it could be used in drinks. Nowadays they’d probably call that child endangerment. The burgers were handmade from bulk, in the back on a manual patty press. We served chips with the burgers, because my Grandmother Lura didn’t think French fries

would ever catch on.

Oh! I almost forgot. Gas was around 30 cents a gallon then. We never imagined it would ever go over \$1!

We played wherever we wanted, without parental guidance, as long as you were home by dusk for dinner. We just knew that if you did something wrong, you’d get it good when you got home. Spanking was allowed then, and a great deterrent.

School was pretty well set. You started out at the old primary school which had cool polished hardwood floors, which we endlessly slid along in our socks, during inside, rainy day recess’s, much to the dismay of the teachers. The halls had steam radiator heaters along the walls where you could warm your hands or your bum if they got cold, or dry your clothes if they got wet.

We took naps in kindergarten. You had your own cubby hole where you kept your sleeping blanket. I had Mrs. Lindeman for the grade. After making nervous wrecks out of the teachers there, you then moved on to the big boys school, Waggoner, and finally to the high school. Both moves between the schools were met by me with fear and

trepidation.

Winters had two doctors in those days, Doc Corbin, and Doc Ernie. Brothers. I think between the two, they probably delivered most all the kids in town for a number of generations. In a sense, they populated Winters, by hand. one by one. And Doc Ernie could wiggle his ears! They would come to your house and see you if you were sick. Both the doctors and my dad would get up at any time of the night and open up for you, so you could get your medical help you needed. No extra charge.

My weekly allowance was 10 cents, so if you wanted a Pepsi on a hot afternoon, you had to scrounge up the rest of the money, which wasn’t too hard. You found a few empty bottles, and went to Cody’s Package Store and turned them in to Marion Huntsman or Bill for five cents at first, then later, a whopping 10 cents apiece. That was a nice piece of change in those days.

Think about it, you could trade in three empty Pepsi bottles and get a gallon of gas! (I could go a long way on my mini bike with a gallon of gas). Or, If you were more outgoing like me, you could look down into the iron ventilation grates that spot-

ted the sidewalks along Main Street. Lots of small change had dropped in there year after year, and most shop owners would let me into their basements to dig in the droppings of gum wrappers, dirt, cigarette butts and lord only knows what else for the coins. I think that’s where I got my love of finding things with my metal detector.

The trains used to run through town alongside of Railroad Avenue during the summer to get hand loaded with apricots, as Winters at the time was called, “The Apricot Capitol of the World.” They were mostly old wood railcars, like the ones you see in museums nowadays. There were big warehouses alongside the tracks from Main Street all the way to Grant Avenue. We could hop a ride in the engine with the engineer, and get a ride across town to the turntable that was located across the street from the high school pool, and get dropped off on the other side, by Blue Anchor warehouse, or you could pace the train in a car as it rolled on north from Allendale towards Winters, right next to Allendale Road. You can still see the bridges and track bed in places if you look closely.

Winters had, by my memory, around seven gas stations, three new car dealerships, a couple of used car dealerships, a theater (which had closed by the time I remember it) a Frosty Freeze, and an A&W out by Interstate 505, a 5,10&15 cent store, a number of barbers, Cozy Corner Cafe, three grocery stores and Greenwoods Department Store, where you went to get just about anything you needed, including Santa Claus on a seasonal basis. The Greyhound bus still stopped and picked up in Winters.

Going out of town was not done that often, at least by my family. Going to Sacramento in the winter was a big deal, and sometimes required driving up past Woodland, and riding the ferry across the river, as the current causeway was not yet built and everything was flooded. It usually was an all day trip.

Enough for now. Thanks for letting me reminisce for a while

RICK DOZIER

(Express readers are invited to submit columns on any topic, serious or humorous for publication as a Local Color column. We reserve the right to edit or reject any column.)

Launch party planned for Yolo Venture Community

Yolo Venture Community will sponsor a free launch party on Monday, June 16, 4-7 p.m. at Veteran’s Memorial Hall in Davis. The community is invited to taste and toast the best of Yolo County’s entrepreneurial community. Along with networking, hors d’oeuvres and fine wine from Rominger West Winery, five high-growth company executives will share stories of how they started their companies, impart the lessons they learned and the resources they needed, and describe what they see as the next big wave in innovation for Yolo County.

The event schedule is as follows:

- ~ 4-5 p.m., wine reception.
- ~ 5-5:15 p.m., Introducing Yolo Venture Community; Chris Soderquist, general partner, Golden Capital Venture Funds.
- ~ 5:15-6:15 p.m., successful Yolo CEOs panel; moderator, Meg Arnold, director of business development and entrepreneurship, UC Davis Innovation Access. Panelists: Anthony Costello, founder; Bazu Media, Davis; John Argo, founder and president, Bloo Solar, West Sacramento; Jim Sachs, founder and CEO, Puroast, Woodland; Cameron Lewis, CEO,

VuStik, West Sacramento; Julie Morris, CFO, Marrone Innovation Organics, Davis.

~ 6:15-7 p.m., wine and hors d’oeuvres.

To attend, send an email to <http://venturecommunities.com/go/yolokickoff>

Complimentary Seminar Starts the Day

A complementary entrepreneur seminar program, “Executive Development for Startups,” will kick off the launch party from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at Veteran’s Memorial Hall, and will feature distinguished faculty from UC Davis, University of Pacific and CSU, Sacramento. Topics to be covered include:

- ~ How Entrepreneurship Can Save the Economy
- ~ Assessing Hot New Technologies for the Next Big Thing
- ~ Business Planning for Success
- ~ Financial Planning for Startups
- ~ Pitching Your Business to Angel and VC Investors

Yolo Venture Community is a joint project by UC Davis InnovationAccess, the cities of Woodland, Winters, Davis and West Sacramento, Yolo County, and the Golden Capital Network Venture Communities.

Have something to say? Send a letter to the editor to news@wintersexpress.com!

Community

Yolo County cooks outside

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

Saturday, May 31 was a big food day in Yolo County, with outdoor barbecues for several hundred people on opposite sides of the county. We managed to get to both of them, because both were not-to-be missed opportunities to enjoy great local food and wine in gorgeous outdoor settings. Both of the barbecues, while very different, reflected a sense of community and family, with people pitching in to help easy conversation with the chefs. People were celebrating the season, the place, and a sense of goodwill and camaraderie.

The first event we attended on Saturday was hosted by Berryessa Gap Winery. To celebrate the release of their 2007 wines, the winery owners put on a carne asada and oyster grill party with all the trimmings under the huge Valley Oak on top of a hill west of Winters, overlooking their vineyards and the hills beyond.

Santiago Moreno, one of the owners, had two huge grills going, two men shucking the oysters as they opened, dousing them with melted butter that had minced garlic in it, while two other men flipped thin beef steaks on the other grill. Various family members shuttled platters back and forth to the serving tables under the tree. Co-owner Corinne Martinez made sure the entire event flowed smoothly from check in at first, to the on-site

purchase of wines at the end. Co-owners Mike Anderson (also the winemaker) and Dan Martinez, poured Berryessa Gap wine for the more than 300 people who attended, some of them members of the wine club, others just interested folks who enjoy good food and wine in a spectacular setting.

Berryessa Gap's new white wine, Horseshoe White, was an excellent pairing with the barbecued oysters, while the popular reds, including their blend, 2005 Tradition, were nice and smooth with the carne asada tacos, beans and rice. All for the modest price of \$25.00 for members, \$35.00 for non-members.

Needing a bit of a rest in between the lunch and dinner events, we were sorry not to attend yet another very special event in the county, this one at Rominger West Winery, a launching of their new free monthly food and wine tastings. Illustrative of Yolo County as a growing food and wine region, Rominger West Winery is now hosting free samples of foods paired with their wines at a monthly tasting program, Saturday's from noon to 5 p.m. Fortunately, we can all attend at another time, or sample their artisan wines Monday – Saturday noon to 5 p.m. made from wine grapes showcasing the beauty of western Yolo County and the quality of the wines produced here. Mark West, co owner and winemaker, is usu-

ally there pouring and ready to answer any questions you might have.

Across the county down in the southeast corner, several hours later, 200 people from Sacramento, Yolo, Placer and Solano Counties came together for a fundraising feast down on the Delta at Clarksburg's Vino Farms to raise money for Slow Food Nation.

Star chefs from each of the four counties prepared appetizers such as apricots stuffed with pancetta, lavender and cheese and housemade sausages, which the guests sampled as they sipped local wines (many from the Clarksburg appellation) or beer, while watching the chefs grilling a whole pig and multiple legs of lamb for the feast and chatting. The four chefs, under the direction of Patrick Mulvaney of Culinary Specialists Catering in Sacramento, each prepared a signature dish for their particular course.

We all gathered around tables set under an oak grove on the ranch, and servers brought wine and bread, followed by a sumptuous salad of apricots, strawberries, and Belgian endive. Our second course was handmade ravioli with cherry tomatoes and early corn, and then the piece de résistance, platters of barbecued pork and lamb. Our own Pru Mendez, chef owner of Davis-based Tuco's Wine Market & Café supplied the dessert-Bourbon Cherry Tart

with House-Made Vanilla Ice Cream.

At the event, dubbed "Slow Down on the Delta", Slow Food Nation's Executive Director, Anya Fernald, spoke, inviting all there and the general public to help watch the planting of a spectacular vegetable garden of over 15,000 square feet which will showcase a model urban farm at the heart of the city in the lawns of Civic Center Plaza across from San Francisco City Hall on Saturday, July 12. Yolo County's Agricultural Commissioner, Rick Landon, spoke, welcoming the crowd to Yolo County and inviting them back to enjoy the agricultural bounty. Many there hadn't realized though they were on the Delta, they were in Yolo County.

The full count isn't in yet, but judging from the enthusiasm for the silent and live auction, more than \$12,000.00 was raised for Slow Food Nation, which will be held in San Francisco over Labor Day Weekend, Aug. 29-Sept. 1. Since this was a fundraiser and a four-course, sit down dinner with wines, the price was \$75.00 for Slow Food Members, \$85.00 for non-members.

There are plenty of places to go in our county for outdoor cooking and waterways, from Cache Creek, to Putah Creek and Lake Solano, to the Sacramento River and the Delta.

In the meantime, enjoy summer's outdoor life with barbecuing - and don't forget the sides.

Hot cakes!



Photo by Debra Lo Guerccio

Robbie Rubio practices her pancake cooking skills at the Winters Firehouse in preparation for the annual Fourth of July pancake breakfast. Pancakes, eggs and bacon with all the fixings will be served on Friday, July 4, from 7-10 a.m. at the Winters Firehouse, 10 Abbey Street. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the fire house or at the door. Adult tickets are \$10, children's tickets are \$5, and children 5 and under are free. Proceeds will benefit the annual Winters fireworks display. For more information, call 795-4131.

County fair entries due

The first closing date for Yolo County Fair entries is Friday, June 27, for these categories: senior baked foods, clothing, canned foods, arts, crafts and photography; and junior baked foods, clothing, canned foods, miscellaneous, ag-mechanics, art,

crafts and photography.

Entry department hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Fair Office, 1125 East Street, Woodland, CA, 95776. Entrants may mail forms. For further information, call 402-2205.

Putah Creek Committee meets

The Winters Putah Creek Committee will meet Monday, June 16 at 7 p.m. in the city council chambers at City Hall.

Discussion items include:

~ Action Committee Work Party planning.

~ Masterplan CEQA update.

~ Appointees/Chair and Co-Chair nominations.

Winters democrats to meet

The Winters Democratic Club will meet at 415 Dry Creek Lane at 7 p.m. on Tuesday June 17. All community members

are invited attend the meeting and discuss plans for party unification and plans for November.

GRAY

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place than San Francisco. When I was little, we'd go there every summer. I just loved San Francisco."

She explains that in those days, it was unthinkable for a girl or woman to go into The City without a hat and gloves.

"You just didn't do that." But, she adds, "I don't follow fashions, I set them.

Although she has lived in Winters for decades, Doris says she grew up "an Esparto girl," on a ranch two miles south of Esparto. Doris graduated from UC Berkeley in 1930 with a major in English, and minors in public speaking and music, and earned her teaching credential in 1931. She moved to Winters in 1933 after marrying Grant Gray. The couple first lived in Auburn and Esparto again before settling in Winters. He worked as a bank manager and she as a teacher in the surrounding communities.

Doris remembers teaching at the Buckeye schoolhouse and the one-room Apricot School in Winters during World War II, during the days when Japanese Americans were interned. Most of her class

was Japanese students, and after they were interned, Doris says there were only a few students left, so the Apricot School was closed.

Of the Japanese American students, Doris says, "I missed them terribly. They were an awfully nice group."

After teaching at the Buckeye and Apricot schools, Doris went on to work at Winters High School for 16 years, retiring in 1968. During that time, she taught English, French, Latin, public speaking and drama. One of her former students, Dale Brewer, who graduated in 1957, says, "She was always a good teachers. She explained everything."

Doris notes that Brewer went off to serve in the army, and after returning home, he began working for the Winters School District, so her former student became her colleague.

Besides teaching for two decades, Doris is well-known around the community for her musical skills, particularly on the organ. Although she started playing the piano at age 5, she didn't learn to play the organ until her church purchased one instead of a piano. She also played the violin in high school.

How many weddings

has Doris served as organist?

"Innumerable," she says with a smile, adding that she really enjoyed it, and would play for "anybody that wanted an organist."

When asked what has changed in Winters over the years, Doris says the important things have pretty much stayed the same. Although it's larger, and there are more houses and more people, she says "it's still friendly.

"I'm still here in my little house," she says.

As for the larger world, Doris says, "The older you get, the more you realize it doesn't

change that much. There's lots of developments, like radio and TV and that sort of thing, but you don't recognize it because you get so used to them."

Doris says she is glad for always having good doctors over the years in Winters, which certainly comes in handy for living to 100 and beyond. Besides good medical care, she says her father had the best advice for a long life: "Just keep breathing in and out."

All in all, Doris doesn't regret spending the bulk of her life in Winters, particularly because of the people in

the community.

"Winters is a good place to live. They're considerate of older people, when you think of how many older people there are here and they put up with our eccentric ways.

"I have a lot of friends in Winters. I think we're a friendly town."

Carol adds that she always thinks of Winters as a healthy town, maybe because she was very impressed the year that the Youth Day Grand Marshal and Honorary Grand Marshal were both 100 years old.

Besides Carol, Doris also had a son, Bill

Gray, former Winters postmaster, who passed away in 2003. Doris has two grandchildren, John, who lives in Rohnert Park and Joseph, who lives in Cotati. John and his wife, Linda, are the parents of Doris' three great-grandchildren, Mathew, Michael and Melinda.

Doris was born on Mary 30, 1908 in Hollister Her 100th birthday was celebrated with a family party at the home of her daughter-in-law, Mary Louise Gray, with cousins in attendance as well as 12 of Doris' friends from Esparto, who were in the Eastern Star with her.

County official outlines cautions for dealing with rabid animals

◆ Rabid bat discovered in Winters last month

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

Bats. They give some people the shivers and shakes, but they're really quite harmless creatures and are in fact beneficial to the environment as pollinators and in keeping insect populations in check. Except when you find them lying on the ground in broad daylight, as one Winters resident did on May 13. Seeing a bat during the day, particularly one that is acting sluggish or odd, can mean rabies. And that's much more of a concern than the bat itself.

The Third Street resident who found the bat last month did the right thing — she contacted animal control immediately and an officer came to collect it. Sure enough, the bat tested positive for rabies.

According to a press release issued last month by the Yolo County Health Department, of 212 animals tested for rabies in 2007, 11 tested positive and all were bats. Bruce Sarazin, director of environmental health for the Yolo County Health Department, says that the number of bats testing positive for this year isn't out of the ordinary, but they have been testing positive earlier in the year.

Sarazin emphasizes that the risk of contracting rabies isn't to be taken lightly.

"It's very serious," says Sarazin. "It's 100 percent preventable, but 100 percent deadly."

To his knowledge, there is only one person

on record that didn't get vaccinated before showing symptoms of rabies that survived the disease. In humans, the vaccine is not administered unless a person is bitten by an animal that either tested positive for rabies or by an animal that cannot be found for testing. Only a select population of people who run a high risk of exposure to the disease are vaccinated routinely for rabies, such as veterinarians and animal control officers. One of the main reasons is cost. Although rabies vaccines are usually about \$10 for dogs and cats, they can cost as much as ten times that amount for humans, says Sarazin. He had no explanation for the discrepancy in the cost of the vaccine, and added that of the human vaccine available, there is currently a shortage.

The timing of the vaccine is crucial. Sarazin says that once rabies symptoms begin, "it's too late." There is no known cure for the disease, which is fatal for both animals and people.

Any warm-blooded animal can contract the disease, which is spread through the saliva. Besides family pets and farm animals, local wild animals that commonly contract rabies include bats, possums, raccoons and skunks. Any of these wild animals that are acting strangely should be avoided and considered suspect. Unusual behavior in wild animals ranges from simply not showing a fear of humans to outright aggression.

Sarazin explains that by the time animals are showing symptoms of

rabies, they are already in the process of dying. The disease attacks their neurological system, affecting motor coordination and causing neurological pathways and organs to start shutting down. Affected animals often lose the ability to swallow which causes the common symptom of foaming at the mouth.

"They are so distressed, they will attack anything that moves around them," says Sarazin. "They are trying to protect themselves."

Unlike larger mammals, bats may not necessarily appear aggressive, just sluggish. A key sign of something amiss in a bat is for one to be seen during daylight hours at all, even if clinging to a building under a ledge. Sarazin says bats are night creatures and swarm after dusk, but never in daylight, and that a healthy bat hangs and sleeps upside down.

Although bats do not typically bite people or animals, a rabid bat might. A person can be bitten by a bat without realizing it. An example is when someone finds a dead bat in a bedroom, and doesn't suspect anything else. That's because a bat's teeth are so tiny, the bite wounds may be as small as two needle pricks. The bite might not even wake a sleeping human.

Although any mammal can contract rabies, Sarazin says it is not commonly seen in mice and rats. He suspects that these animals are likely killed by the rabid animal that bites them, which may also explain why it is rarely seen in rabbits. Insects that are known to spread blood-related

disease, like mosquitoes and ticks, thankfully cannot spread rabies, says Sarazin, nor do snakes or reptiles.

In Yolo County, when it comes to rabies, the main animals to be watchful of if acting suspiciously are local wildlife and pets. Sarazin advises everyone not to take any chances if an animal is behaving strangely and says, in particular, do not handle it. He also says anyone who has been bitten should not take their chances and hold off on calling their doctor.

"It there's a question, call and ask first. Don't wait until later. Once symptoms set in, the medical profession doesn't have a way of saving you."

If symptoms haven't set in, vaccinations are administered. Sarazin says the vaccine for humans has evolved over the years, and is no longer a set of 11 "extremely painful" injections administered through the stomach. The modern vaccine consists of five injections administered in the arm or buttock.

He emphasizes that immediacy is key in stopping the disease. The average incubation period in humans from bite to onset of symptoms is three to eight weeks.

"But it can be as little as nine days or as long as seven years," says Sarazin, explaining that the incubation period depends on the severity of the bite and its location in relation to nerves, and the distance from the bite to the brain. Early symptoms of rabies in humans include difficulties with vision, speech and motor function.

Although people aren't vaccinated for rabies as a precaution due to the expense, pets can be vaccinated at any veterinary office or clinic, and reduced-fee rabies clinics are sponsored throughout the county every year. Sarazin strongly recommends having pets vaccinated not only to prevent the disease but to possibly save the animal's life should it bite someone.

"If a dog or cat bites another dog or human, it is quarantined for 10 days. If it is still okay, it is released. If not, it is quarantined for a minimum of 30 days, and the pet owner will have to pay for that quarantine."

If the animal is exhibiting symptoms of rabies after either of those quarantines, it will be tested for rabies, which is bad news for the pet even if the test is negative. The only way to test for rabies is to euthanize the animal.

"That's a lot of heartache for us and for the owners. These are pets. They're part of the family. None of us wants to see our dog die needlessly."

For about \$10 per year, he says, "you're saving your pet's life." The same goes for indoor-only animals, such as cats. Although Sarazin says the chances of an indoor-only cat contracting rabies is "virtually zero," if a child is annoying a cat and it bites for example, the parent may insist that the animal be quarantined anyway, and the vaccine is much cheaper than the quarantine.

"People can't verify that their cat never goes outside," he says,

adding that "the health officer's responsibility is to protect the child."

Although biting is the usual way rabies is spread, Sarazin says cat scratches could pass the disease because cats frequently lick their paws, and the disease may be in their claws when they scratch. However he adds, this method of transmission, while possible, is "low risk."

At the other end of the spectrum are dogs that are allowed to run loose, or stray dogs that become wild. If a person is bitten and the dog cannot be located to verify that it has been vaccinated, the person will have to undergo rabies vaccinations. Unfortunately, although animal control issues press releases to find loose dogs that have bitten people, Sarazin says "It's rare that we find an animal from a press release." Therefore, he says, anyone who has been bitten by a stray animal should call the doctor right away because chances are the loose or stray dog won't be located.

Sarazin adds that a bite from a rabid animal and a bite from a healthy animal will not appear to be any different. There is no way to look at a bite and determine if rabies has been transmitted.

To report a potentially rabid animal or for information on upcoming rabies vaccination clinics, call Yolo County Animal Services, 668-5287. To report a potentially rabid animal after business hours, call 911. Information on rabies vaccines is also available from any veterinary office or clinic.

The annual Winters Fire Department Fourth of July Pancake Breakfast is Friday, July 4, 7-10 a.m. at the firehouse

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a trickle.

For example, if the creek will benefit from the removal of the percolation dam, but such removal would negate the community's one easily accessible swimming hole, how should the city approach the inclusion of recreational opportunities in the plan?

Or, if the Master Plan is presented as a loosely written set of goals that will be implemented individually over the next 10 or 20 years, as grant money becomes available, is it really a Master Plan? Will one action trigger the next, or will the plan hang in moments of financial limbo, leaving the project unfinished for periods of time.

In an effort to bring the creek closer to home, the City, along with the Winters Putah Creek Committee (WPCC), has done extensive scientific research and investigation as to the creek's potential.

"This is literally a compilation of people who are experts in their field," said City Manager John Donlevy, who noted that over the last few years the creek has not been paid much attention.

The plan covers the portion of the creek between the Winters Car Bridge and Highway

505. It calls for the inclusion of a looping trail that would travel from one end of the project to the other (on both sides of the creek) with a new bridge next to Highway 505, allowing the trail to form a circle. Existing overgrown blackberry bushes will be removed and replaced by native grasses and vegetation, which would support the newly formed floodplains and prevent erosion. The creek would be restored to its original path, which was compromised many years ago by the removal of gravel and the erection of the Monticello Dam. In addition to all of this, the percolation dam will be removed and a new car bridge constructed.

"It's really a visionary plan," said Donlevy, noting that the area between the car bridge and percolation dam would be the initial focal point. From that point on the time table is less rigid.

Community members provided some insight and opinions during a public hearing.

"If it's a concept, it's a great concept," said community and WPCC member Mitch Korcyl, whose backyard banks against Putah Creek. "But is it a Master Plan? I think it's a great step forward, I just wonder what the plan gets us as far as what we will have in the end. I'll accept it

if there's a plan, we just need to be sure we know what we're agreeing on."

Korcyl mentioned the possibility of projects such as the blackberry bush removal taking place, only to have the banks left barren for long periods of time while the city waits for the money to plant the new vegetation.

Also of concern was the loss of the Little Rock swimming hole, which will almost certainly take place as a result of the percolation dam removal.

"My opinion is that you do need a fishing hole and you do need a swimming hole," said community member Susan Stackhouse. "If you want to prevent disaster, I think you need to plan a spot where it's engineered and safe."

The inclusion of a swimming hole was regularly discussed at the WPCC's two community meetings, but has not been included in the plan as it's currently written. One of the cited reasons for its omission has to do with the liability that goes along with officially deeming something a swimming hole, an implication that Stackhouse claims to have researched and determined to be false.

"The liability is on the swimmer," she said. "This absolves the city of liability on the swimming end of it. It just needs to be posted."

The plan will go to the city council in the near future, with a few additions and recommendations made by the planning commission.

"You really need to build a foundation before you build a house," said Commissioner Glenn DeVries.

The recommendations made were to further define the entire plan as it relates to the phasing and prioritization of its encompassed projects. They will also further define the monetary implications of each portion of the plan, addressing both construction and maintenance costs. Lastly, they will revisit the potential for recreational opportunities such as swimming and fishing.

The commission also advised that all major issues be directed through the WPCC, whose expertise will serve as a vehicle with which to fully understand the implications of each decision.

The plan was approved unanimously with the inclusion of the above-mentioned additions. Commissioner Corinne Martinez was not present due to a possible conflict of interest.

The Winters Planning Commission meets next on Tuesday, June 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The commission meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month.

Yolo DA plans Fraud Fair

The Yolo County District Attorney's Office is sponsoring Fraud Fair 2008. Several Sacramento regional agencies are participating in recognition of National Fraud Awareness Month. The DA will hold an informational luncheon and fair on July 8 at 11:30 a.m. at the Yolo County Fairgrounds, at the Rotary barbecue area.

The DA's fraud fighting partners include the Yolo County District Attorney, Yolo County Sheriff, Davis Police Department, West Sacramento Police Department, Winters Police Department, Woodland Police Department, the California Departments of Employment Development, Motor Vehicles, Insurance, Bureau of Automotive Repair, State Contrac-

tor's License Board, and the Northern California Fraud Investigator's Association. The public is invited.

Law enforcement officers will man booths and provide information to the public on fraud schemes that impact everyone. Additionally, the California Department of Insurance will announce a special low-income automobile insurance program that will assist in getting a greater number of insured drivers on the road.

There is no charge to attend. Ludy's Barbecue will serve lunch for \$15 each. Lunch tickets must be purchased in advance by calling Shelley Abbott, 666-8309, or mail a check made payable to Yolo County to 301 Second Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

OIL

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ary, where they won a prestigious “double gold” award, as judged by a panel of distinguished chefs.

Having hit one out of the park at the beginning, the Balaseks are anxious to figure out what they did right. With their name now appearing on the best list, they’ve had calls from olive oil fanciers to buy their oil, only to tell the caller they only make enough to give to friends, not enough to sell.

“When we learned our oil had earned a gold at the COOC judging and it was going to Las Vegas,” said Connie, we didn’t even have a label. It was a sticker with the name written with a Sharpie pen.”

Kurt is an environmental engineer with a Davis firm, Connie is a teacher and they have two daughters, Alexandra and Rebecca, who enjoy helping out with the olive oil project.

They now have a very nice label, under the name Quinta do Sol (ranch of the sun), with

an image of a Portugese *moleceiro* boat used in northern Portugal for harvesting algae for fertilizer, connecting Connie’s Portugese background and the olive oil tradition in that country.

“The COOC judging pared the 43 competing oils down to 19,” said Kurt. “Those 19 went to Vegas, and there we got a double gold. Seven of the 19 were given the double gold award, and then there was a “Best of Show,” which we didn’t get.”

“What’s scary is, how do we do this again next year?” said Connie.

There are many variables, but the Balaseks did carefully note weights of the varieties going into the press.

They entered their oil in the Los Angeles County Fair judging, and are anxiously awaiting the results.

They have their olives pressed in a centrifugal press operated by Mike Madison, who grows olives and other things at his farm near Stevenson’s Bridge.

“They originally did small pressing using an automotive arbor press, which allows them to test their varietal oils

separately, rather than the blend they need to meet Madison’s minimum, 400 pounds of olives.

“We did some at our garage here just for fun,” said Kurt. “In a day and half’s hard work, with the help of a friend, we were able to produce less than one gallon of oil. It was really funny.

“Then we took 800 pounds over to Mike, and two hours later we came home with 19 gallons. He’s got this great Italian machine.”

The small amount they pressed at home did allow them to offer their varietal oils for tasting, as they did at the E.A.R.T.H. Celebration fair in Winters a few weeks ago. They started taking names at that show, in hopes of offering oil for sale next year.

There is a renaissance of artisan-quality olive oil production taking place in California and Yolo County in the past few years, with many very small operations, reminiscent of similar trends in wine making. The best oil is pressed within 24 hours of picking, and the best

results are when the picking is done by hand, to minimize bruising of the fruit.

They understand the comparison to wine grapes, but joke about the idea of breaking out a bottle of olive oil for a night’s drinking. Though liquor is quicker, this \$20 bottle lasts a lot longer, and is a better choice for getting the kids involved in production.

Asked about California producers competing with long established European producers, Balasek is upbeat.

“Most of the money coming into olive oil production in California is Spanish,” said Balasek. “With the way the euro trades against the dollar right now, California’s on sale.

“When you see a 500 ml bottle selling in Nugget for \$26, that’s who we are competing with. We are not ever going to be big enough to export. We expect to sell ours locally.”

Kurt credits UC Davis Farm Adviser Paul Vossen for single-handedly reviving the industry.

“He took a team of dis-

tinguished food people,” said Kurt, “like Darrel Corti of Corti Brothers, and others, to Europe and got them trained in their palette in a sensory class, and got them certified as olive oil tasters. They do a lot of the tasting.”

“I really like this oil,” said Kurt. “It has all the characteristics we are shooting for, because I don’t really like the harsh stuff. You want it to have some good flavor, unlike the bland washed out taste of the big brands.”

Entertainment

Annual pancake breakfast planned

The Winters Fire Department will host its annual 4th of July Pancake Breakfast on Friday, July 4 from 7-10 a.m. at the fire department, 10 Abbey Street. The menu will include pan-

cakes, eggs, bacon and all the fixings. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids, and children under six years old are free. For more information, call 795-4131.

Sunflower art on display in Davis

NAMI-Yolo's Sunflower Art Competition's art will be on display at the Davis Art Center, 1919 F Street, through June 20. A reception will be held on Friday, June 13, from 6:30-9 p.m. The Sunflower Art Competition celebrates the role which art plays in maintaining mental health, with prizes awarded in the following categories: children (under 12), teens (12-18), amateur adults, professional artists, and group installations.

The grand prize winner will have his or her work reproduced on the 2008 Seeds of Hope Sunflower Seed Cards which NAMI-Yolo sells as part of its outreach and fund raising efforts.

The Sunflower Art Reception is part of the

Davis Second Friday ArtAbout, an evening of open galleries and artists' receptions held each month in the city of Davis. Awards will be presented to artists throughout the evening with refreshments and live music adding to the mix.

For more information about the Sunflower Art Exhibit and Reception, visit www.namisanflowerers.org.

NAMI-Yolo, a chapter of NAMI, the Nation's Voice on Mental Illness, provides education, advocacy and support for people living with mental illness, their families and friends. The Sunflower Art Competition, Exhibit, and Reception are funded in part by the City of Davis Arts Contract Program.

Steelin' Dan at the Palms



Courtesy Photo

Steelin' Dan will appear at The Palms, Friday, June 20 at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$17 and can be purchased at the door or by calling 758-8058. For more information about the Palms, including directions, visit www.palmsplayhouse.com or call 795-1825.

CreekSpeak features poetry reading on regional Native Americans

Jack D. Forbes, historian, writer and professor emeritus of Native American studies and anthropology at UC Davis will read "Yololandia: Memories from the Patwin Plains" and other samples of his poetry and writings that explore the Native American experience in California. The June CreekSpeak event takes place on Thursday, June 19, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Winters Community Center.

Forbes is of Powhatan-Renape, Delaware-Lenape and other background. He helped found the Native American Studies programs at UC Davis and D-Q University, an indigenous university.

Forbes is a poet, fiction writer, and has been a guest lecturer throughout the world. He has authored and edited many books, including "Red Blood: A Novel," "Columbus and Other Cannibals," "Only Approved Indians," "Apache, Navaho and Spaniard," "Africans and Native Americans," and "Native Americans of California and Nevada." His most recent book, "The American Discovery of Europe," investigates the voyages of America's native peoples to the European continent before Columbus's 1492 arrival in the "New World."

A selection of Forbes' books, including "The American Discovery of

Europe," will be available for purchase and signing after the reading.

CreekSpeak takes place the third Thursday of each month from May to October. Upcoming talks will include the Putah Creek Nest Box Trail, linking native species with human activity, and many others. CreekSpeak is sponsored by the Putah Creek Council, the City of Winters, the Putah

Creek Discovery Corridor Cooperative, and the UC Davis John Muir Institute of the Environment.

More information, a printable flyer and driving directions are on the Putah Creek Council website, www.putahcreekcouncil.org. For more information, contact Dawn Calciano, 795-3006; dawn@putahcreekcouncil.org.

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'Wine and Dine' in downtown Vacaville

The Downtown Vacaville Business Improvement District is hosting its "Art, Wine & Dine" event on Saturday, June 14 from 4-8 p.m. The event will be along Main, Merchant, and Parker Streets and in Town Square. This event will feature wine tastings from local and regional wineries along with musical entertainment in Town Square and on Merchant Street.

Jazz Avenue kicks things off at 4 p.m. followed by Tony Bataska and then the Grace Woods Trio. Ryan Lendt and Stefan Barboza will be featured on Merchant Street. Many of Vacaville downtown's 25 restaurants will be hosting dinner specials that evening and featuring their special wines as well.

For more information, visit www.downtownvacaville.com or 707-451-2100.



Coming up

**Friday, June 13 - Country Joe McDonald
Saturday, June 14 - Dale Watson I See Hawks in L.A. & The Loose Acoustic Trio
CD Release show**

See the rest of our schedule online at palmsplayhouse.com

Sports

Pool opens

The summer pool season opened on Saturday, May 31 and will run through Aug. 10 at the Bobbie Greenwood Swim Center.

Beginning this year swimmers can no longer pay a one-time admission at the gate. All recreation and lap swimmers must purchase a pass or punch card at City Hall. Single passes are \$30, with an additional \$10 per person charge for extra swimmers. A pass for a family of four is \$60, with an additional \$10 charge for each extra person. Punch cards are \$10 for ten uses and \$20 for 20 uses.

The following programs will be offered:

- ~ Winters Swim Team, weekdays, 8 a.m. to noon.
- ~ Swimming lessons, weekdays, 12:30-1 p.m., 1:15-1:45 p.m. and 5:15-5:45 p.m. Sessions will take place from June 9-20, June 23 to July 4, July 7-18 and July 21 to Aug. 1. For more information, call 795-4910, extension 102.

- ~ Recreation swim, daily, 2-5 p.m. Swimmers must have pass or punch card; daily admission will no longer be accepted.

- ~ Adult lap swim, weekdays, 12-1:30 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. Swimmers must have pass or punch card; daily admission will no longer be accepted.



Courtesy photo

The 2008 Winters Warriors varsity softball team includes, from left (back), assistant coach Don Calvert, Mattielyn Long, head coach Dan Kolda, Caitlin Calvert and assistant coach Mike Kaldo; (middle) Jessica Graham, Chelsea Corrales, Tess Hyer and Keeley Nickelson; (front) Nicole

Softball puts four on All League Team

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters Warriors softball team turned things around this season as they ended the

year with a 10-12 overall record and fourth in the Butte View League with a 4-6 record. In May the Lady Warriors held their annual banquet and had first year coach Dan Kolda recognize individuals

for their success and accomplishments.

The Warriors placed four players on the Butte View League All League team with Caitlin Calvert and Jessica Graham making the first

team all league. Freshman Tess Hyer and junior Nicole Trost were named honorable mention all league. Graham was also named the team MVP. Mattielyn Long earned the Senior Schol-

ar Athlete Award and was given the teams Most Inspirational Award. Chelsea Corrales was given the Coaches Award and Rebecca Salas was given the Most Improved Award.

Docents needed for the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area school program

Yolo Basin Foundation provides a training program for docents several times each year. Once a volunteer attends the training, they have the opportunity to shadow an expe-

rienced docent to get experience with different activities, and they can take on an activity by themselves only when they are ready. Yolo Basin Foundation volunteers are offered

numerous special field trips for fun and enrichment, and they complete the school year with a volunteer recognition party every June.

For more information

about becoming a docent, contact Sarah Ross, volunteer coordinator, Yolo Basin Foundation; phone 757-4828 or email sross@yolobasin.org.

PISANI'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Ray McIntire

Ray McIntire, the all league junior shortstop for the Winters Warriors and now the shortstop for the Gamblers summer league baseball team is this week's Winters Express athlete of the week. In the first six games for the Gamblers McIntire batted 9 for 16 with six runs scored for an average of .563. McIntire also is 1-0 on the mound. "Ray has been hitting the ball really well," said coach Jerry Smith. "He also is doing a great job on the mound for us."

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Schools

More results from the Spring Show

By MALLORY DUNN
Special to the Express

Following are the Yolo County Spring Show results, continued from the May 20 edition of the Express:

~ Chaney Coman earned a blue ribbon in Decorated Visor, Halloween Yard Sign, Candy Corn Pumpkin, La Catrina Shrine, Dia de los Muertos banner, Vintage Jewelry on Christmas Tree she also earned Outstanding Achievement and best of Division on her Christmas tree. She earned a blue ribbon on her domino necklace, and a painted wood gift box.

~ Samantha Nichols earned a blue ribbon in Candy Corn Pumpkin, La Catrina Shrine, Dia de los Muertos banner, Vintage Jewelry Christmas tree, Domino Necklace, and Painted Wood Gift Box.

~ Elizabeth Allen

earned a blue ribbon in the Black and White Photo division, Rocketry Showmanship, Cave Display, Snicker Doodles, Rocketry Display, Pinewood Derby Car, and Color Drawing. She also earned and red ribbon in Color Photo, and Knitted Purse.

~ Katie Allen earned a blue ribbon and Outstanding Achievement on a Quilt. She also earned a Best of Division on her black sweater. She received a second place on her blue sweater.

~ Jerrett Frank earned a blue ribbon in Aero Space and open rocketry display. He also earned a blue ribbon in Natural Sciences Geology Display, a third place in Archery Showmanship and Shooting for the 11 year old division.



JEREMIAH LLOYD JOHNSON

Johnson to graduate with honors

Jeremiah Lloyd Johnson will graduate cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from UC Davis at commencement exercises planned for Saturday, June 14, at 9 a.m. at the Pavilion at ARC. He is the son of Jeff and Cindy Johnson of Winters.

Ramos earns Masters degree

Adriane Ramos completed the Masters of Arts in Education Program at San Jose State University with a focus in Administration and Supervision. She is currently a reading first grant specialist at a San Jose Elementary School. Adriane is the daughter of Tom and Phyllis Ramos.

Vickrey graduates from Penn State

Jack Warren Vickrey received his bachelor of science degree in agri-business management and supply chain management from Pennsylvania State University on Saturday, May 17. He is the son of John and Sandy Vickrey of Winters.

CONGRATS GRADS!

Students visit another place, another time

By MELISSA NITZKOWSKI
Special to the Express

Many people have gone on trips to other places. We took a trip back in time. Thirty-two students from Shirley Rominger Intermediate School and about a dozen parents traveled to 1863 on May 1-2 to experience a day in the life of a Civil War soldier.

It all started when we boarded the yellow “train” as Lieutenant Woody Fridae called it. (We all had to get in the spirit of the times by not acknowledging such things as busses or other things that did not exist back then.) When we arrived at Tiburon, we all had to get our backpacks and provisions for our ride on the ferry. And then, we shoved off, across the mile-long Raccoon Strait to Angel Island in the middle of San Francisco Bay. All the soldiers wondered, as we rode on the upper deck, smelling the, cool, salty air, “what are we getting into?”

Once we were lined up in our squads, we were addressed by Major Andrews who swore us in as members of Lincoln’s army. What was our mission? We were to guard the bay as gold was being shipped out the golden gate to support the war.

Then we ate to get our energy up, little did we know, we would need it. All too soon, it was time do some real work.

First, we learned how to fire muskets. The soldiers in my squad and I learned how to present arms, stand at attention, and parade rest with our weapons. We also learned how to march shoulder to shoulder with our muskets.

We went on to learn another mandatory thing that soldiers needed to do: flag signaling. We used Morse code. We soldiers had to turn the flag to one side for a dot, and another for a dash.

Our squad then scrambled up a hill to the bake house to help make part of our pay, a loaf of bread. (The other part was \$13 a month) We had to make regular bread and braided bread.

After that, we went on a hike using compasses. We saw amazing things, like the bay and the state rock.

Finally, we forced our weary legs down to the kitchen to help make the salad for supper. Two soldiers, including me, were ordered to go hand wash the dishes. Fortunately, other soldiers had already made the stew, and the bake house had our loaves in the oven for our dinner that night.

Tired and worn out, we ate our supper, we got our eating utensils, and shoveled down our meat stew, bread, and salad into our mouths like there was no tomorrow. We went outside and washed our dishes. and then began discussing our night hike up to Mount Livermore. The hike was a total of 14 miles, although on the way down it only seemed like two miles. When we got back from our tiring hike we got to enjoy dessert, which was apple crisp. We didn’t get to just have our dessert we had to earn it.

Finally, we got some rest and relaxation down at the beach.

We got into our squads and started a night hike to the top of Mt. Livermore. It was four miles up and four miles down. The hike up seemed to last forever, and when we finally got to the top, we had a perfect view of San Francisco and the lights from San Francisco were just glittering. After the long hike up, the hike down seemed like nothing.

When all the soldiers finally got down, we ate a dessert of apple crisp and merrily drank hot chocolate and then got changed into a navy sweat suit and fell asleep on our beds, (wooden tables.)

Our squad got awakened at one thirty in the morning for our night watch. Groups of two were sent outside to patrol the building with muskets. The group would walk to one side to check for raccoons and then walk by the bay to look for “confederates.” The group would patrol for fifteen minutes then come in and let another group take over the patrol.

If you were inside, you would have to keep the stove going so that you could pop popcorn, and make sure the lanterns kept burning. You could also read comments from other soldiers by the light of the lanterns. At 3 a.m., we were finally allowed to crawl into the warmth of our sleeping bag.

We were awakened by a very loud bugle at 6 a.m. We ran up to the outhouse to get dressed and then packed up our things and ate a delicious breakfast of scrambled eggs and bacon.

We learned how to fire a cannon. It takes a six person crew to load and prepare the cannon for firing.



Courtesy photo
Hailey Lane, kneeling, and Connor McGrath, are learning how to load an antique musket.

They gave us names, like “Dry Sponge,” “Wet Sponge” and “Worm.” Worm is the person who puts this thing like a giant cork screw down the barrel to make sure there was nothing left over from the previous firing. I’m glad I was not the “Worm!”

After all that hiking, the mile walk back to the ferry was nothing. We boarded the ferry, after getting our discharge papers.

When we got home, we ran to our family with open arms and tears in our eyes. It was good to be home.

ROTARY CLUB OF WINTERS STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Emma Pfanner



Emma Pfanner was recognized as a Student of the Month at a recent Rotary luncheon. She was nominated by her art teacher, Kate Humphrey. Mrs. Humphrey recognized Emma for her artistic talent, but also for her independence, self-motivation, and generous spirit in the classroom. Mrs. Humphrey said that Emma has “a willingness to accept direction graciously while still having the courage to follow her heart.”



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something. With that big a pay cut, he's not going to be here long, so we'll be doing this all over again."

Superintendent Dale Mitchell said the salary is part of the conditions of appointment that the board had approved, and it doesn't spell out the salary, but rather the location of this position in the district salary schedule, as defined by column and step. This is true with all district positions, with the exception of the superintendent.

"The salary for this position is at the lowest step," said Mitchell. "As to the information about the individual, it is a personnel matter and cannot be discussed in public."

"I'm amazed we ended up picking up somebody who is that far to the extreme," said trustee Matt Brickey. "You wouldn't hire somebody at McDonalds for ten dollars per hour. I don't understand hiring somebody at top pay."

"It wasn't the top pay," said Mitchell. "The conditions of employment allow for placement at Step C."

"We had applicants;" said trustee Mary Jo Rodolfa, "you pick the best, you make him an offer, he says he's interested in working here, do you pass up your best person guessing he won't stay?"

Mitchell said there

had been two sets of interviews after the paper evaluation. All six candidates showed up and three finalists were chosen. Mitchell did two rounds of reference checks on the finalists.

"I just feel we were overpaying at this point," said Nickelson.

"We are saving over what we were paying because we combined the two positions," said Rodolfa, "and we're asking this person to take on two positions."

In response to a question from trustee Rodney Orosco, Mitchell said the board could offer the candidate a lower amount.

With trustees Dale Hyde and Tom Harding absent, a majority of four members was required to approve the appointment. Nickelson and Brickey voted no to the three yes votes of the remaining members, and the hire was not approved.

"It's an interesting concept to make personnel selections based on longevity, rather than qualifications," said trustee president Jay Shepherd. "It doesn't bespeak a district that is trying to make changes for the better. I want the best person for the job, and if I get 110 percent out of him for the time being, that's fine with me."

Earlier in the same meeting, newer trustees Nickelson and Brickey joined forces to cancel a proposed governance training. Governance trainings are usually

conducted when a board takes on a number of new members. The training is done by a consultant from the state school board office, in this case for a cost of \$1,800.

"It would be a good opportunity for us discuss how we conduct these meetings," said Rodolfa.

"I'm for it in concept," said Nickelson, "but here we don't have enough money to feed the kids breakfast. At this point right now, I would be against it, just for the \$1,800 and the state of our district. It's \$1800. Can we get it for free?"

"I go along with Rob," said Brickey, "I think the \$1,800 is a waste of money. I think we all know how we feel, we disagree on stuff but I think that's healthy. Sometimes it may get a little uncomfortable, but it brings out a lot of information. I don't see where sitting with someone for \$1,800 is going to serve anything."

"I don't think that training would make us all agree on everything," said Rodolfa. "But it is good to have a framework of how we are going to conduct business."

The board voted to not pursue the idea, because it would require buy in from all members. Shepherd noted that all district staff are required to take ongoing training.

"Jay, we get trained in life very day," said

Nickelson.

Student Teachers

At the previous meeting, a number of student teachers and supporters objected to the superintendent's decision to end student teaching at the two schools in Program Improvement (underperforming according to the No Child Left Behind Act), Waggoner and the middle school. This item was brought back as an agenda item for this meeting.

The superintendent explained in the packet that the change was made so professional teachers would be doing all of the teaching.

Brickey objected to getting rid of the entire program and recommended improving the program.

"I think we need a little more leadership instead of just kyboshing the whole program," said Brickey. I think there's a big lack of leadership. It's a perfect opportunity to step in and tune it up."

"I think this is not an area the board should get involved in, it's micromanaging," said Rodolfa.

"I don't see how getting rid of student teachers from a great university like UC Davis is going to improve the numbers on the STAR test," said Nickelson. "I don't buy that at all. Training for the future is part of the educational system. I don't follow the logic."

Asked by Orosco how

he made the decision, Mitchell said it was based on his visits to classrooms and discussions with the Waggoner principal.

"I think by targeting the program improvement schools," said Orosco, "Dr. Mitchell is trying to ensure we are doing everything we can to try and improve those schools. Sometimes we have to make hard decisions."

"One of the consistent complaints I get from parents," said Shepherd, "is when they thought they were getting a certain teacher and instead got a student teacher. I get pretty vocal complaints about that. How are we doing a good job of training teachers if they are in a program improvement school?"

"The board's role is to tell them where to go, and it is the administration's job to figure out how to get there. We've told them to get this school out of PI. If we then say, no, no, no that's the wrong strategy, then how can we

evaluate what they do?"

Nickelson moved to undo the student teacher elimination at Waggoner and the middle school.

"It seems to me in viewing this board," said Brickey in support of Nickelson, "it's been stagnant, unwilling to change, doing the same thing over and over."

"I'm not going to let you insult me like that," said Orosco.

"Some change has got to take place," said Brickey. "Eliminating five student teachers is not a very bold change. The student teachers are a positive thing for the schools and they bring no harm."

"This board has worked to move us out of improvement, and I don't think it has been stagnant," said Orosco. "I don't think you've taken a close enough look."

Nickelson and Brickey voted in favor and the motion did not carry.

The next school board meeting is June 19, at 6:30 p.m., at the school district office.

POLICE

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which occurred on May 28. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

~ 11:34 p.m., at Shams Way and Owings Court, an officer assisted a Yolo County Deputy Sheriff in making contact with a parolee.

June 4

~ 11:24 a.m., on the 1000 block of Suffolk Court, an officer responded to an audible alarm. A garage door was found open. The residence was cleared and the door secured.

~ 2:30-7 p.m., on the 1000 block of Eisenhower Avenue, a porch umbrella was stolen. Loss: \$70.

~ 6:10 p.m., a found bicycle was turned over to the police department.

June 5

~ 1:21 a.m., Raul Garcia, 30, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08%, failing to stop at a stop sign and having an obscured rear license plate. Garcia was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

~ 2:54 a.m., on the 300 block of First Street, an officer assisted a citizen in contacting a Yolo County Deputy Sheriff regarding an alleged rape that occurred in the county.

June 6

~ 11:57 a.m., a 16-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for being a minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage and drinking in public, which occurred on May 28. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

June 7

~ 1:35 a.m., on the first block of Main Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The

business was found secure.

~ 5:37 a.m., Faustino Ayala Lopez, 54, of Winters was traveling southbound on Taylor Street and came to a stop at the stop sign at Taylor Street and McArthur Avenue. As Lopez continued southbound on Taylor Street, the vehicle turned slightly to the right and collided into the rear of a legally parked vehicle owned by Sharnae McMichael.

~ 6:30 p.m., on the 100 block of Grant Avenue, a victim was hit and kicked by suspect, which occurred during the last week of May. Investigation continues.

~ 9 p.m., a Winters resident reported a domestic violence that occurred in Stockton. The initial information was documented and the case is being forwarded to the Stockton Police Department for follow-up.

June 8

~ 10 p.m., on Owings Court, an officer assisted a Yolo County Deputy Sheriff with contacting a suspect for being in possession of stolen property.

~ 10:54 p.m., on the 700 block of Main Street, a rock was thrown at a front window of a residence and broke it.

~ 11:38 p.m., on the 300 block of Main Street, an air gun was shot at a vehicle window, shattering it. Damage: \$200.

June 8-9

~ 6-7 a.m., on the 700 block of East Main Street, a rear driver's side window of a vehicle was broken out with an unknown object. Damage: \$500-1,000.

~ 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., on the 300 block of East Main Street, a rear passenger window of a vehicle was broken out with an unknown object. Damage: \$500.

June 9

~ 12:44 a.m., on the 100 block of Grant Avenue, a classroom window was broken with an unknown object. Damage: \$250.

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EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

Sombras del pasado

Barack Obama fue el ganador de las primarias del Partido Demócrata, la pregunta obligada es ¿Están lo Estados Unidos listos para ser gobernados por un afroamericano?

En los juegos olímpicos de 1968, que se celebraron en la ciudad de México, dos atletas afroamericanos, ganaron medallas en la carrera de 200 metros y subieron al podio de ciudad universitaria, para recibir sus medallas, su modo de celebrar fue el de levantar los puños, con guantes negros, en protesta por la discriminación racial que había en Estados Unidos. El comité olímpico internacional los expulso de los juegos olímpicos, pasando por alto el principio de hermandad que se supone existen en estas competencias. Además, los atletas a su regreso a Estados Unidos, fueron relegados.

Era el año en que el Movimiento de los Derechos civiles estaba dando muchos “problemas” al gobierno americano. Se vivían protestas por la segregación racial, Martin Luther King fue asesinado en abril de ese año. Por esos años se fundo el partido de las panteras negras, una organización que operaba como una autodefensa ante las agresiones raciales, las demandas que en aquel tiempo reclamaban sus partidarios, el día de hoy serían demandas muy legítimas, pero en aquellos años, simplemente estaban fuera de lugar, debido a los conservadores segregacionistas de la sociedad. Las demandas eran libertad, trabajo, no mas opresión, una vivienda digna, educación, salud y justicia.

La marginación y segregación continúan en este país, este país que históricamente siempre se ha proclamado como defensor mundial de la libertad y de los derechos humanos, pero en la practica somos como la mayoría de muchos países, no practicamos estos principios, ni aun a veces con los propios ciudadanos. Y al igual que como ahora, el racismo, la discriminación y la xenofobia de la sociedad estadounidense eran alimentadas por una campaña en medios de comunicación, en la que se sostenía que las Panteras Negras estaban en guerra contra los blancos.

El racismo sigue existiendo aquí, a pesar de que el día de hoy, los afroamericanos gozan hoy de derechos políticos y sociales que eran impensables hasta hace unas décadas –una muestra de ello es que un integrante de ese sector de la población, Barack Obama, como candidato del partido Demócrata, tiene posibilidades de llegar a la Casa Blanca, en noviembre próximo. Pero en muchas regiones de Estados Unidos siguen dándose las muestras de repudio, no solo hacia los afroamericanos, sino ahora hasta los hispanos también la llevamos. Si hoy volvieran a subir al podio aquellos dos atletas. Juzgo que volverían a levantar el puño con los guantes negros, porque aquellas cosas por las que protestaron, aun no cambian.

El racismo ha tomado una nueva cara en el siglo 21, y esa es la del anti inmigrante, el individuo nacionalista que coloca una bandera enfrente de la casa cuando tiene vecino que no es norteamericano, el que considera que la presencia de personas del Tercer Mundo en el país pone en peligro los valores americanos.

La lucha por los derechos civiles se llevo a cabo para defender a los afroamericanos, los cuales son americanos. Ahora los inmigrantes son las nuevas víctimas, a las que se les puede segregar lentamente, mas si se trata de personas indocumentadas.

En el año 2000 una organización llamada Project USA, dirigida por un individuo llamado Craig Nelson, inició una campaña contra la inmigración señalando al inmigrante (legal o ilegal) como el responsable de los problemas del país. Esta campaña no tuvo el impacto que los organizadores buscaban.

Ahora la nueva campaña promovida por fox y cnn, el objetivo es promover el odio racial. Las quejas en contra de los indocumentados, se parecen mucho a aquellas de los años sesenta. “defender nuestros valores”, “proteger nuestras familias de personas incivilizadas”, “están usufructuando el beneficio del pago nuestros impuestos”, etc.

Un alemán o un francés ilegales, son tratados como víctimas de la rigidez del sistema de migración, por los medios de comunicación, no fuera mexicano, por lo que dirían sería “ es problema que las leyes inmigratorias tienen que resolver”.

Esperamos que la lucha de Martin Luther King y de Rosa Parks, tenga frutos, y no solo se quede su recuerdo en nombres de escuelas y calles, ¿Barack Obama, llegara hasta la Casa Blanca? Va a ser un camino muy difícil para él, en su lucha por la presidencia de Estados Unidos, se va a enfrentar a personas segregacionistas, personas conservadoras, lo van a acompañar las sombras del pasado, si Barack Obama consigue ser Presidente de los Estados Unidos, la lucha de los activistas de los derechos civiles de los sesenta, y el asesinato de Martin Luther King, habrán valido la pena.

Permisos de construcción en Winters

La ciudad de Winters estará ofreciendo un taller gratuito para informarle sobre los permisos que necesita tener, cuando necesite realizar algún proyecto o reparación en su hogar. La fecha es el

sábado 14 de junio, de las 9:30 de la mañana hasta el mediodía. Este taller le informara y le ayudara a ahorrar tiempo y dinero, en su próximo proyecto. Recuerde que si va a comenzar algún trabajo,

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La registracion es gratis,

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Petróleo en las nubes

Con los precios del barril de petróleo por las nubes, la pregunta que todos nos hacemos es ¿porque sigue subiendo el precio? En primer lugar el estar el precio de petróleo tan alto, es malo para cualquier economía, pero sobre todo para nuestros bolsillos en particular. Sigue siendo un gran reto paro los economistas y expertos explicar porque tan caro el crudo, pero nadie nos da una respuesta sencilla y clara, pero todos tienen explicaciones e hipótesis. La explicación de mayor peso parece ser China sigue insaciable pidiendo mas y más petróleo, China sé esta convirtiendo en una potencia mundial, no nos extrañe que en cinco o diez años este al nivel económico de los Estados Unidos.

La OPEP ha declarado que no ven razones que justifiquen un incremento de la producción. Además, los biocombustibles que parecía que podían substituir al petróleo en algunos casos han sido acusados de incrementar el precio de los alimentos y de la desaparición de la Amazo-

nia, lo que ha acabado con muchas de las políticas de substitución. Más demanda sin más producción lleva a incrementos de precio.

Otros expertos dicen que la idea generalizada en los Mercados que el precio del petróleo va a llegar a los \$200 por barril ha incrementado las inversiones especulativas, lo que está incrementando el precio de manera artificial, no por razones reales. Eso es una burbuja financiera y no va a tardar en explotar. Los Alemanes parecen estar bastante convencidos.

Estamos ante una crisis energética que está empujando los precios al alza o ante una Nueva demostración de que los Mercados ni entienden de Economía, ni les importa un comino si la susodicha Economía se va al pozo, como resultado de su búsqueda del beneficio. Uno de los dos argumentos es cierto, ¿pero cual? ¿Y los que lo defienden saben de Economía o es pura suerte.

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Head cook wanted for upscale sandwich shop in Winters. Must be self-motivated, creative, mature, responsible, customer-service oriented person who is looking for a long-term position. Food service experience required. Full time. Must be 18 or over and available for most weekend shifts. Pay based on experience and availability. Apply in person, fax resume to 530-795-2303 or send resume to Steady Eddy's Coffee House, 5 East Main St., Winters, CA 95694.

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Help Wanted

Commercial Cabinet Shop. Looking for exp'd. installer for European cabinets. Must have clean DL. 428-1647 ask for Nicole.

Driver California Wine Tours & Evans Airporter Hiring dedicated drivers for limousines & buses. Exc. opportunities, flexible hrs. Class B w/P A+, will train. 707-265-4302

Help Wanted

HAIRSTYLIST Rental available for Unique Hair Salon, Vacaville. Call (707)448-6593

Administrative Asst. F/T, Mon.-Fri, occ. Sat., Exp'd in multi-phone lines & Microsoft. Multi-tasker in a fast pace environment. Apply in person:M-F, 9am-4pm @Clark Pest Control, 811 Eubanks Dr.Vacaville, or online at www.clarkpest.com 3tp

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FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER May 20, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberly Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-535
Fictitious Business Name
M +P Farms
124 W. Woodland Ave Woodland CA 95695
Patricia Perez 124 W. Woodland Ave Woodland, CA 95695
This business classification is: Individual
s/ Patricia Perez
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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER May 19, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Liz Mahovich, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-521
Fictitious Business Name
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9914 Main Street, Zamora, CA 95698
P.O. Box 461, Zamora, CA 95698
Jorge Veldez Jr., P.O. Box 461 Zamora, CA 95698
This business classification is: Individual
s/ Jorge Veldez Jr.
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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Liz Mahovich, Deputy Clerk
Published June 12, 19, 26, July 3, 2008

Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Winters City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 23, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, California. Purpose of the Public Hearing is consider adoption of City of Winters Resolution 2008-23, Adopting the Winters Putah Creek Nature Park Master Plan. An information summary is as follows:

Applicant: City of Winters and the Solano Water Agency

Description of the Project: Proposed Winters Putah Creek Nature Park Master Plan provides the vision for the restoration and enhancement of the Putah Creek corridor between the Winters Car Bridge and Highway 505. The plan includes creek realignment to restore natural flows, invasive plant removal, bank slope modification/restoration, native plant restoration/revegetation, removal of the collapsed percolation dam, and looped upper and lower trail systems which will provide additional public access and recreational amenities. In order to proceed with the project the following City approvals are needed: Adoption of the Winters Putah Creek Nature Park Master Plan.

Project Location: Putah Creek Corridor between the Winters Car Bridge and Highway 505 bounded by Putah Creek Road to the south and the southern urbanized edge of Winters to the north.

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 City Clerk Nanci Mills at (530) 795-4910, ext. 101. 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 Planning Commission 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_council.htm

Dated: June 10, 2008
s/ John C. Wallace, City Attorney
City of Winters

Published June 12, 2008

Notice of Public Hearing

ORDINANCE NO. 2007-04
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTERS
AMENDING CHAPTER 10.16 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Winters City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 23, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, California. Purpose of the Public Hearing is consider introduction and adoption of City of Winters Ordinance No. 2007-04, An Ordinance of the City of Winters Amending Chapter 10.16 of the Municipal Code Pertaining to Stopping, Standing, and Parking.

The ordinance is summarized, pursuant to the California Government Code, as follows:

This ordinance will amend the parking provisions in Chapter 10.16 of the Winters Municipal Code. The ordinance prohibits the parking of vehicles or recreational vehicles on any City Street or Alley for more than a consecutive seventy-two (72) hour period. The ordinance prohibits the parking of an unattached trailer on any City Street or Alleyway. The ordinance prohibits the habitation in any vehicle, recreational vehicle, or unattached trailer. The ordinance establishes a permit procedure, allowing for the temporary stopping, parking or standing of vehicles or recreational vehicles up to a maximum of 36 total days per calendar year. The ordinance establishes a permit procedure to the temporary habitation or occupancy of a vehicle, recreational vehicle, or unattached trailer, up to 14 days per calendar year. Permits may be issued by the Chief of Police, who may establish conditions related to the permit issuance. This ordinance is scheduled to be adopted June 23, 2008, and to take effect July 23, 2008.

Copies of the proposed ordinance are on file with the Winters City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, California. Written comments may be submitted at the hearing or by prior submission to the Winters City Clerk, and oral comments may be made at the hearing. All interested citizens are invited to attend.

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 proceedings, please contact City Clerk Nanci Mills at (530) 795-4910, ext. 101. Please make your request as early as possible and at least one full business day before the start of the hearing.

Dated: June 10, 2008
s/ John C. Wallace, City Attorney
City of Winters
Published June 12, 2008

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER June 9, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Liz Mahovich, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-601
Fictitious Business Name
Agua Fina & Ice
747 East Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Jose Trejo, 1328 Harley Drive, Woodland, CA 95695
This business classification is: Individual
s/ Jose Trejo
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Fictitious Business Name

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FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberly Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-556
Fictitious Business Name
Affordable Electric
Affordable Electric Services
5237 Poplar Road, Vacaville, CA 95687
Michael R. Giovacohiri, 5237 Poplar Road, Vacaville, CA 95687
This business classification is: Individual
s/ Michael R. Giovacohiri
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Published June 12, 19, 26, July 3, 2008

Notice of Public Hearing

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-09
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTERS
AMENDING CHAPTER 17.96 OF THE ZONING CODE PERTAINING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR ON-SALE LIQUOR ESTABLISHMENTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Winters City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 23, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, California. Purpose of the Public Hearing is consider introduction and adoption of City of Winters Ordinance No. 2008-09, An Ordinance of the City of Winters Amending Chapter 17.96 of the Zoning Code Pertaining to Requirements for On-Sale Liquor Establishments.

The ordinance is summarized, pursuant to the California Government Code, as follows:

This ordinance will amend the parking provisions in Chapter 17.96 of the Winters Municipal Code. The ordinance prohibits on-sale liquor establishments from operating within 200 feet from public parks while operating in the City's Central Business District. This amendment excludes Rotary Park from the prohibition. This ordinance is scheduled to be adopted June 23, 2008, and to take effect July 23, 2008.

Copies of the proposed ordinance are on file with the Winters City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, California. Written comments may be submitted at the hearing or by prior submission to the Winters City Clerk, and oral comments may be made at the hearing. All interested citizens are invited to attend.

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 proceedings, please contact City Clerk Nanci Mills at (530) 795-4910, ext. 101. Please make your request as early as possible and at least one full business day before the start of the hearing.

Dated: June 10, 2008
s/ John C. Wallace, City Attorney
City of Winters

Published June 12, 2008

Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Winters City Council, 318 First Street (Council Chambers), Winters, California, on Monday, June 23, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. The hearing concerns the Anderson Place Development, a proposed development of the property at 723 Railroad Avenue, Winters, California (APN 3-322-20), approximately 2.13 acres. The Developers are G Street San Bernardino, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, and Eva Ilona Brzeski and/or their successor(s) in interest. Purpose of the public hearing is to consider adoption of a City Ordinance, Ordinance 2008-08, Amending the current Anderson Place Development Agreement.

The proposed ordinance is summarized, pursuant to California Government Code Section 36933c, as follows: This ordinance will amend the City's Development Agreement ("DA") with the Developer in the following respects: 1. The term of the DA will be extended to December 31, 2016;

2. Errors in reference to the Winters Municipal Code are corrected;

3. Standard provisions regarding waivers, signatures, and severability are added;

4. Developers are granted more discretion as to the time when Development is to proceed with development;

5. The ate of valuation of park land for dedication purposes is changed from the date of recordation to within 6 months of filing of the final map, due to the anticipated extended delay;

6. A change in the Community Development Agency obligation. This will be addressed by the Community Development Agency at a future date;

7. A clarification with regard to the new water well, to bring the requirement into consistency with other approved development projects.

All citizens are invited to attend the hearing or, in lieu of attendance, may present written input to the Winters City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, California by 5 p.m. on June 23, 2008.

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 proceedings, please contact City Clerk Nanci Mills at (530) 795-4910, ext. 101. Please make your request as early as possible and at least one full business day before the start of the hearing.

Dated: June 10, 2008
s/ John C. Wallace, City Attorney
City of Winters
Published June 12, 2008

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER May 27, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-558
Fictitious Business Name
Monley Cronin, Inc. Dba CM Concrete
419 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Monley Cronin, Inc., 419 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95694
This business classification is: Corporation
s/ Patrick C. Monley
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Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TTD No.: 20070063352387 Loan No.: 18552612 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 04-18-2006 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 07-02-2008 at 12:00 P.M., TITLE TRUST DEED SERVICE COMPANY, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 04-25-2006, as Instrument No. 2006-0016118-00, in book //, page //, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA, executed by DUSTIN PETRILLO, AN UNMARRIED MAN WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) at AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE WEST SACRAMENTO CA All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, and State described as: APN No.: 030-382-05-1 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 409 NIEMANN STREET WINTERS CA 95694 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale of property will be made in "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$416,962.76 The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. IF AVAILABLE, THE EXPECTED OPENING BID MAY BE OBTAINED BY CALLING THE FOLLOWING TELEPHONE NUMBER or (818) 871-1919. Date: 05-30-2008 TITLE TRUST DEED SERVICE COMPANY, AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE Address: Malibu Canyon Business Park, 26679 W. Agoura Rd., Suite 225, Calabasas, CA 91302 Phone: 818-871-1900 We are assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing. AS-AP# 2781069 06/12/2008, 06/19/2008, 06/26/2008

Notice of Trustee Sale

Trustee's Sale Number: 08-00748-3 Loan No. 0022453781 Title Order No. 41-01968-I Notice of Trustee's Sale YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED October 19, 2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On July 2, 2008, at Twelve Forty-Five PM (12:45 PM), At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA, Fidelity National Title Company, as duly appointed trustee, will sell, at public auction to the highest bidder, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described property situated in Yolo County, California: 901E Grant Ave., Winters, CA 95694 – APN(s) 038-050-29-1. The Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said Sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to pay the remaining unpaid balance of the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust (together with any modifications thereto), executed by Pete Manas and Dawn Manas, husband and wife as joint tenants, as trustor, and recorded November 6, 2006, as Instrument Number 22006-0043576-00 in Book N/A Page N/A in the office of the Yolo County Recorder. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$653,971.67 provided, however, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances, fees and any additional sums due under the terms of the Note will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. Dated as of: June 12, 2008 Fidelity National Title Company, Trustee 209 Kearny Street, 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94108 (415) 263-4300 By: Tamara Banez, Authorized Signature Sale Information can be obtained on line at www.priorityposting.com automated sales information please call 714-573-1965 P419041 6/12, 6/19, 06/26/2008

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FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER June 3, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberly Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-581
Fictitious Business Name
Bullseye Leak Detection
3314 Breton Ave Davis, CA 95616
PO BOX 73114 Davis, CA 95617
Daniel Spatz, 3314 Breton Ave Davis, CA 95616
Fredrick P Spatz, 716 Yettner Ave French Camp, CA 95616
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s/ Daniel Spatz
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Read the legals, they are good for you.

Notice of Trustee Sale

Trustee Sale No.: 20080134003015 Title Order No.: 1154189 FHA/VA/PMI No.: NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 7/15/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDex West, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 07/27/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0036321-00 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California. Executed By: Francisco Del Toro, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check/cash equivalent or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). Date of Sale: 7/2/2008 Time of Sale: 12:45 PM Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Street Address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 821 Taylor Street Winters, CA 95694 APN#: 003-466-10-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$299,104.39. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. For Trustee Sale Information Please Call: Priority Posting & Publication 17501 Irvine Blvd., Suite One Tustin, CA 92780 714-573-1965 www.priorityposting.com NDex West, LLC as Authorized Agent Dated: 6/6/2008 NDex West, LLC may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. P415536 6/12, 6/19, 06/26/2008

Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-15880 Title Order No. 3642759 Investor/Insurer No. 110486572 APN No. 003-273-02-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 03/25/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by KEVIN LEE COBB AND DIANA E COBB, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 03/25/2005 and recorded 04/07/05, as Instrument No. 2005-0015851-00, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 07/03/2008 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: 211 ROSA AVENUE, WINTERS, CA, 95694. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. 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 \$306,045.62. 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: 06/07/2008 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# 2774588 06/12/2008, 06/19/2008, 06/26/2008

Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S No. 11360504 APN: 003-466-03-1 TRA: LOAN NO: Xxxxxx4410 REF: Gaines, James IMPORTANT! NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED October 06, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On July 01, 2008, at 09:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded October 13, 2005, as Inst. No. 2005-0051353-00 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, executed by James Gaines and Maria Gaines, Husband And Wife, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state: At the rear (north) entrance to the city hall building 1110 West Capitol Avenue West Sacramento, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: Completely described in said deed of trust The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 717 Taylor Street Winters CA 95694 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$326,223.29. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. For sales information: Mon-Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (619) 590-1221. Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: May 27, 2008 Trustee Sale Officer: Thelma B Cabacungan. (R-181663 06/05/08, 06/12/08, 06/19/08)

Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS # CA-08-139774-NF Loan # 3061077123 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/15/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charge thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): TIMOTHY DALE DEXTER and VANESSA ANGELINA DEXTER, HUSBAND AND WIFE Recorded: 12/21/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0063158-00 in book xxx, page xxx of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California; Date of Sale: 7/2/2008 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$392,320.12 The purported property address is: 1012 HILL VIEW LN WINTERS CA WINTERS, CA 95694 Assessors Parcel No. 003-501-21-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 6/8/2008 Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 714-259-7850 or Login to: www.fidelityasap.com Reinstatement Line: 619-645-7711 x3704 s/ Erik Rasanen, If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 2770755 06/12/2008, 06/19/2008, 06/26/2008

