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Vandals hit school again

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Winters High School was vandalized once again. And just like in previous incidents, authorities are without leads or hard evidence indicating who might have committed the acts.

Some time between the hours of 4 p.m. on June 26 and 6:40 a.m. on June 17, vandals entered the WHS campus and broke a window on the door of room G-3, the art room. Upon breaking the window, they unlocked the door and entered the classroom. Ac-

cording to a police report taken by Corporal Ramos, two computers were stolen. Desks, drawers and cabinets were rummaged through as well.

Rooms G-3 and G-2 are connected by an interior door. A computer was stolen from each room and, according to WHS staff, the vandals also made off with cameras and a projector. The estimated value of the stolen and damaged goods is \$3,500.

The vandalism comes at an especially difficult time, as WHS has al-

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EARTH Festival is annual event

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

The Winters EARTH Festival, which was celebrated for the first time earlier this year, will now officially be an annual event. The festival, which is designed to draw the community's awareness to issues having to do with the environment, will take place on the first Saturday of each June. Next year's celebration will take place on June 6.

City grant writer Dawn Van Dyke gave a

brief background of the city's EARTH Initiative at the July 1 City Council meeting. Among the first orders of business was the development of an acronym intended to guide the city in addressing their priority issues. The result was the EARTH Initiative: Energy, Agriculture, Recycling and conservation, Transportation alternatives and Habitat.

Having researched what the city had done

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City council to meet

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, July 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. All Winters residents are welcome to attend.

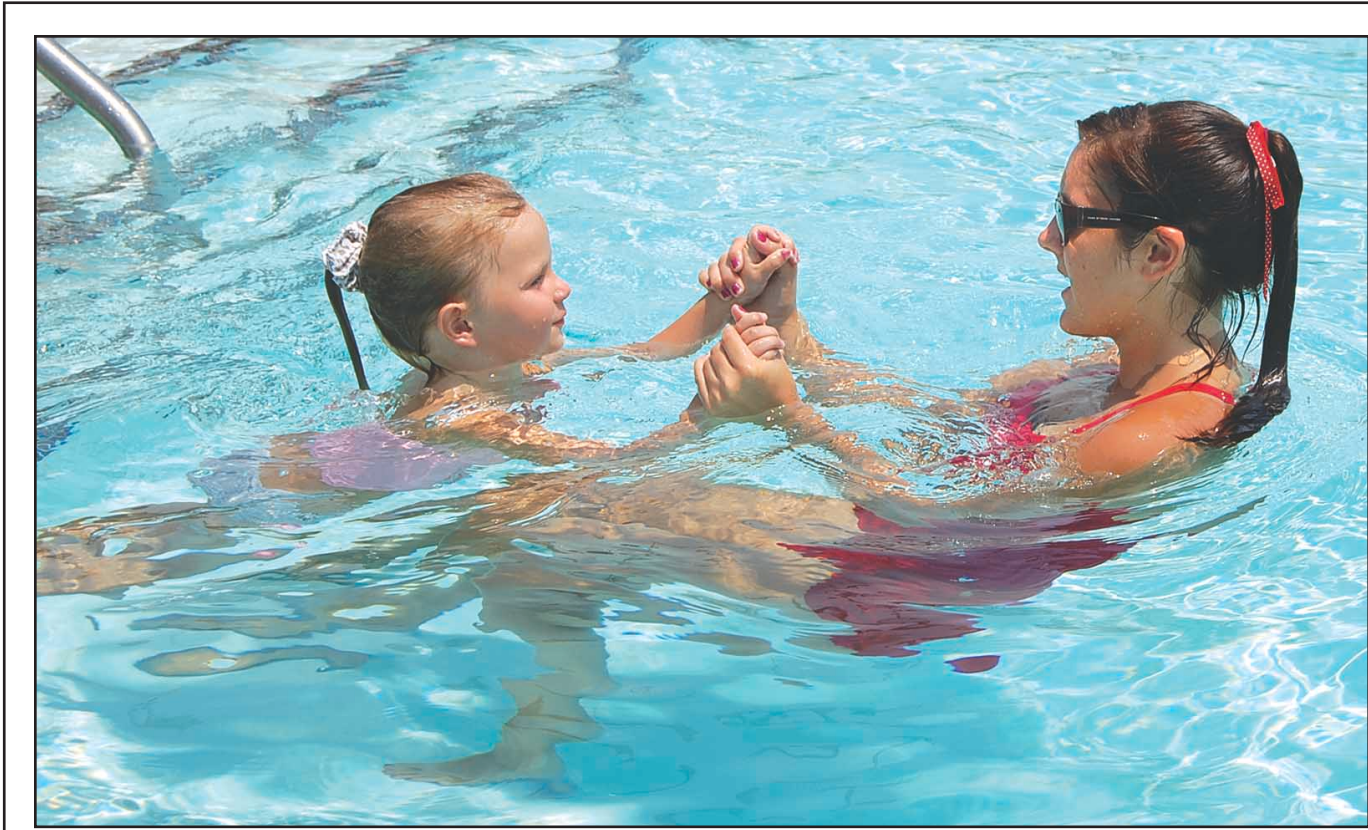
The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ Street closure of Main Street on Friday, Aug. 22 for the Earthquake Street Festival.
- ~ Swearing in of new

police officer, Niall Dolan.

- ~ Presentation to reserve police officer Jeff Green, who is resigning his position.
- ~ Selection of audit committee.
- ~ Resolution confirming delinquent utility bills.
- ~ Resolution approving

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It's cool at the pool

Photos by Debra Lo Guercio

Triple digit temperatures are no problem, if you're at the Bobbie Greenwood Swim Center. Jade Vanderpool (above) has a swimming lesson with teacher Hayley Peets. At left, Antonia Escobedo sits on the steps and gets used to the water before beginning her swimming lesson.

The pool is open daily, 2-5 p.m., for recreation swim, and on weekdays 12-1:30 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. for adult lap swim. Swim passes may be purchased at City Hall. Single passes are \$30, family passes begin at \$60, and punch cards are also available for \$10 for ten uses and \$20 for 20 uses. The last swim lesson session begins July 21 at a cost of \$25 per child. Purchase passes and sign up for swim lessons at City Hall.

A Family Fun Night is planned for Friday, July 11, 6-8 p.m., featuring swimming, food and games. Admission is \$1, and all ages are welcome.

Teen Nights at the Pool are planned on Wednesday, July 16, and Wednesday, July 30, 8-10 p.m. for youth ages 13-19. This event is sponsored by the City of Winters lifeguards and costs \$1.

For more information about pool programs, call recreation supervisor Traci Nakamura at City Hall, 795-4910.

How does she know that there's a heaven?

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

It's hard to pinpoint exactly where Winters resident Janice Martinez' story begins. It may be that it's more appropriately described as a story of several new beginnings, each of which came about through her conscious attention to seemingly coincidental life occurrences, especially in times of hardship and despair.

By allowing herself to fully understand the significance of such occurrences and reacting accordingly, her belief in God and the existence of heaven were firmly validated, developing in her a clear life purpose. She has captured her story in her recently published book, "How do I Know there is a Heaven?"



Photo by Justin Cox
Janice Martinez just had her second book published, "How Do I Know There is a Heaven?"

In the book, Martinez refers to the aforementioned coincidences as "little miracles" that she believes took place for a specific reason: to

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School board meets July 17

The Winters School Board will meet only once this month, on Thursday, July 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Walnut Room at the School District Office, located at 909 West Grant Avenue. All Winters residents are welcome to attend.

FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

GAVYN BLAINE MOORE is the newborn son of Corey and Heather Moore of Vacaville. Born on June 23, 2008 at 10:11 a.m. at Northbay Hospital in Fairfield, he weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces and was 19.75 inches long. He joins two brothers, Kyle, 11, and Dylan, 8. Maternal grandparents are Jerry and Kathy Nelson of Winters. Paternal grandparents are Marty and Debbie Moore of Vacaville.

LOGAN ANDREW ANELLO is the newborn son of Jason Anello and Alissa Clark of Winters. Born on June 26, 2008 at 3:14 p.m. at Sutter Davis Birthing Center in Davis, he weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces, and was 20.5 inches long. He joins a sister, Mikaila Rae, 17 months old. Maternal grandfather is Howard Clark of Winters. Paternal grandparents are John and Patricia Anello of Antioch. Paternal great-grandmother is Luciel Anello of Ripon.



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OBITUARIES

Elizabeth Childress

Elizabeth Childress passed away on June 21, 2008, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, at the age of 92. Born Zepha Elizabeth Rader to Harry E. and Zepha Longfellow Rader on Aug. 20, 1915, she spent her youth on their farm in El Reno, Oklahoma.

She graduated from Central State Teacher's College in Edmund, Oklahoma, where she met and married the love of her life, George Albert Childress. They were married on Dec. 11, 1937, and spent their lives as educators: he was a principal and superintendent and she was a teacher in the primary grades. After moving to Woodland, she enjoyed helping out at her sons' dental practice in Davis and serving as organist for Woodland Presbyterian Church.

Although her later years were challenging, she always bloomed with joy when her family was near, say family members, who say they will miss her quick wit, her sweet laughter, and her famous peanut butter cookies and pecan pie. They add that she gave them a dependable compass by which to guide their lives and high standards to live up to. She left an indelible mark on each of them, they say, and are better for having been loved by her.

She is survived by her five children: Ron of Lewiston, Ohio; Don (Roxann) of Sandpoint, Idaho; John (Christiane) of London, England; Jim (Lucinda) of Davis, and Margaret (Robert) of Georgetown, Texas; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; sister, Zelta Fogt, of Ohio, and cousin, Zona Byrne, of San Diego. Her life was also blessed with many other extended family members and friends who filled her life with companionship and laughter, love and joy, say family members.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1992.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 12, at 3 p.m. at Woodland Presbyterian Church, 1324 Columbia Drive, Woodland. All are welcome.

Mary Ng Gutheridge

Mary Ng Gutheridge, a longtime resident of Winters, passed away on June 21, 2008 at Vaca Valley Hosptial. Born on Feb. 27, 1936, to Go Toy and Ng Shew Ah Go, both of China, and raised in Stockton, she was 72.

She is survived by her spouse, George Morrisette; two of her sons, Stanley E. Lim and Jeffery A. Lim; and her grandchildren Allen Ray, Geno A., Gena L., Jenny, Angelina and Ashleigh, as well as many other family members.

Retired from Safeway, she enjoyed the outdoors and the company of her many friends and family. She was a generous and considerate person, say family members. She enjoyed helping others. In the last years of her life, she raised her two sons and also four of her grandchildren, who are all grown.

Arrangements were handled by the Neptune Society. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.



ELIZABETH CHILDRESS

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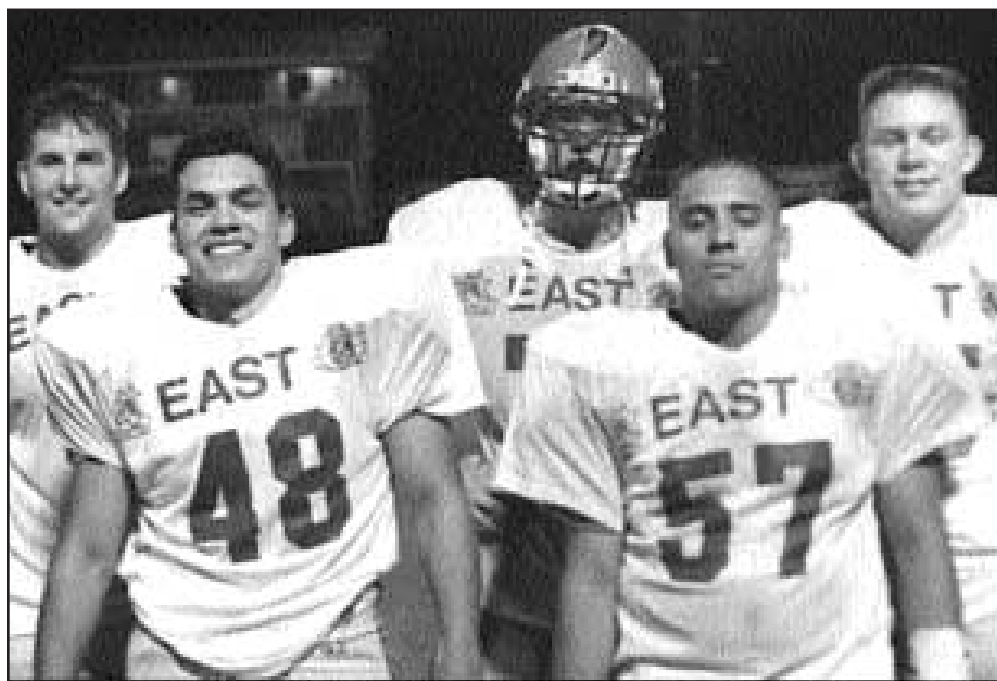


Photo by Kim Orendor

The Winters representatives in the East-West All Star Classic Charity football game in Napa in July 1995 were, from left (back) Nate Snyder, Justin Pate and Ruben Valencia; (front) Robert Fischer and Abel Garcia.

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YEARS AGO

July 24, 1958

Ten Winters boys passed the hunter safety course, taught by John H. Griffin and Richard E. Dozier. Those who passed were James Akao, Harold Anderson, Douglas W. Baldrige, George E. Lilienthal, Billy Bishop, Albert Rose, Charles Rose, Gene Rose, Michael Salmon and Bobby Stall.

Frank Martinez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martinez of the Wolfskill District, is now stationed in Munich, Germany, with the U.S. Army Engineers.

An informal meeting will be held at the Winters City Hall Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock with the city council meeting with residents of Major Vista to discuss the possible annexation of the subdivision to the city.

A building permit was issued this week by the city, to W.J. Maywood and Chris Lopez, to build a three bedroom home at 902 Hemenway Street for Mr. and Mrs. M.G. Martin.

A group of friends and relatives helped Lucien Richey, of the Wolfskill District, observe his 74th birthday anniversary on Sunday, July 13, at his home.

Joseph D. Griffin spent Tuesday in San Francisco attending a meeting of the exporting committee of the State Prune Administrative Board of which he is a member.

Mrs. Bert Coman and children returned to their home Tuesday after spending several days in San Francisco with Mrs. Coman's mother, Mrs. N.L. Vasey.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Storz and three children returned last week from a four-day vacation at Lake Tahoe.

65
YEARS AGO

July 23, 1943

According to a bulletin from quartermaster school, Camp Lee, Virginia, James Foss Moore upon completion of the intensive 12-week course for officer candidates was commissioned, July 2, a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

At a quiet but prettily appointed wedding, nuptial vows were taken Wednesday night, July 21 by Miss Marjorie Herron and T/Sgt. William F. Singleton in the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. A.M. Herron. The community and countryside congratulate this popular pair on their auspicious marriage and offer good wishes for future happiness.

Sebastian Lopes is at home on a 15-day furlough. Lopes is a radio operator and graduated last May at Sioux Falls. He is now at Hobbs Field, New Mexico.

Mrs. Georgia Scheneman, superintendent of the Baptist Sunday school directed a picnic outing Saturday afternoon and evening at Low Water Bridge. Enjoying the pleasant affair were Rev. and Mrs. J. Pruden, Mr. and Mrs. John Scheneman, A.A. Crawley, Mesdames Grover Blaylock, Carl Roeber, Beulah Allred, Elsie Weideman, Thelma Raper, Joe, Mary Lou, Barbera Ann and Patricia Crawley, Jacquelyn and Barbara Raper, Eugene Allred, Maxine, Leo and Billie Blaylock, and Carlyse Franke.

At a meeting of the farm labor committee of Yolo County, held Wednesday night in Woodland, the wage scale for unskilled farm help was set at 65 cents per hour.

100
YEARS AGO

July 22, 1893

Walter Hemenway and J.M. Goffland went into the hills, on a camping trip last Tuesday. They expect to be gone several days. Walter was armed with his camera, so that he might take some of the beautiful views unfolded to the gaze in the canyons in the hills.

George W. Chapman's horse ran away Thursday afternoon, while hitched to the buggy, and Mr. Chapman was thrown out and severely hurt. The buggy ran over him and the spring for holding the reins was driven into his thigh making a severe cut.

As will be seen by reference to the advertisement, the firm of Day & Wyatt has been changed to Day & Watson, Dr. Wyatt having sold his interest in the business to Dr. V.B. Watson of Hopland.

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YEARS AGO

July 24, 1908

Next Wednesday Cay will observe the Western Yolo Harvest Festival. Program will include band music, baseball games and barbecue dinner free to guests of the day.

Mrs. Nannie Norris and Misses Pearl and Nannie Sinclair are having a summer's outing at Twin Lakes, Santa Cruz County.

L.A. Johnson and Everett Fenley returned Sunday from an auto camping trip.

Funeral rites were held today for P.J. Doll, at the J.W. Doll home, Rev. James T. Healey, Methodist pastor officiating. Burial was under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias.

L.N. Brown and Roy Brinck attended the conference of California Fruit Exchange agents in Sacramento Monday.

Regional water, levee, and flood issues discussed at next Yolo County 101

Tim O'Halloran, general manager of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, will speak at the final summer session of County 101, which provides information on various issues of Yolo County government.

The lecture will be July 16 from 6-7:30 p.m. in the atrium training

room of the County administration building, 625 Court Street, Woodland.

The class is free to the public, but seating is limited.

For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Dotty Huber at the 3rd District County office, 666-8230 or dotty.huber@countyofyolo.org.

Weekly police report

June 28

~ 10:45 a.m., Jose Abel Serratos-Hernandez, 23, of Ceres was issued a notice to appear charging him with being an unlicensed driver and having unlawful tinted vehicle windows.

June 30

~ 4-5:30 p.m., on the 200 block of Martinez Way, an unlocked bicycle was stolen. Loss: \$70.

June 30 to July 1

~ 6 p.m. to 8:50 a.m., on the 800 block of West Grant Avenue, a 2009 registration tag was stolen from a vehicle license plate.

July 2

~ 7:38 a.m., on the 200 block of Railroad Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

~ 11:14 p.m., Jose Al-

berto Salgado, 25, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of marijuana, possessing less than an ounce of marijuana and failing to stop at a stop sign. Salgado was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult.

July 3

~ 3:17 a.m., Vincent Jonathan Vaughan, 21, of Winters was arrested for being intoxicated in public. Vaughan was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ 10:39 p.m., Armando Lizarraga, 44, of Dixon was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon on a police officer, obstructing/resisting a po-

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Training burn planned for area firefighters

On Saturday, July 12, fire fighters in Yolo County will conduct their 25th annual wild-land training burn. This is a joint exercise, for over 20 agencies, intended to increase coordination between regional fire departments. More than 25 engines and 16 water tenders are expected to be on-site with over 100 firefighters and support staff participating.

The objectives of The Yolo Burn 2008

this training event are to provide a safe training environment for firefighters, improve command and control techniques through proper use of the Incident Command System, provide command and control experience, improve wild-land firefighting skills using apparatus, tools and appliances, and improve radio communications techniques and discipline.

will begin at 6 a.m. and will end at approximately 6 p.m. at Abele Ranch on Road 95.

The event is sponsored by the Yolo County Fire Chief's Association and is hosted by the Yolo and Zamora Fire Departments with the following fire departments also participating: Ar-buckle, CAL FIRE (formerly CDF), Capay Valley, Clarksburg, Davis, Dunnigan, Elkhorn, Esparto,

Knights Landing, Madison, Robbins, Rumsey Rancheria, UC Davis, West Plain-field, W. Sacramento, Williams, Willow Oak, Winters and Wood-land, with assistance from the Yolo Emer-gency Communica-tions Agency and Yolo County.

For additional infor-mation on the Yolo Burn contact Yolo Fire Department Chief Steve Weiss at 681-3459.

VANDALS

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ready had to make bud-get cuts in response to declining enrollment and diminished state funding. Every dollar counts at this point.

Similar acts were committed last spring at the high school, as well as at Waggoner Elemen-tary School and Winters Middle School. Nobody was caught or charged for any of the crimes and security measures saw no significant changes. With both the school district and the police department op-erating on extremely tight budgets, it's hard to arrive at a realistic way to effectively curb this deeply disturbing behavior.

“This has happened three or four times this year,” says a WHS staff member. “They need cameras. How could you really catch them? It's too much for the cops to just sit and wait.”

With the aforemen-tioned budget cuts cur-rently making security cameras all but impos-sible, police will contin-ue to keep a sharp eye on all local schools. Es-pecially during summer months, when far fewer staff members and stu-dents are passing through the hallways.

As Principal George Griffin mentioned in the aftermath of the Spring vandalism spree, “These people need to understand that they're not doing any-thing to the teacher. Ba-sically they're stealing from kids, very directly. It's the same pot of mon-ey we use for them. The money paid to fix this is now not available to them. And there's just no extra money. We're already eliminating things.”

“It's completely point-less,” agrees WHS stu-dent Ryen Hirschen hofer, pointing out that this type of vandalism shows no regard for the basic needs of others. “There's nothing to it. They wouldn't want somebody stealing their things.”

Previous acts were thought to be committed by students. If that's the truth in this case, then Hirschenhofer's com-ments strike an ironic chord: By stealing from the school, they indeed are stealing from them-selves, as well as their fellow students.

To report any infor-mation pertaining to acts of theft or vandal-ism, call the police de-partment at 795-2261. To report a crime in progress, call police dispatch at 795-4561 or call 911.

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EARTH

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for the environment pri-or to the initiative, the next step was to orga-nize a series of public workshops to guide them forward. They in-vited experts in each field to give presenta-tions so that the commu-nity could fully under-stand the initiative and play an active role in its development and im-plementation.

These meetings cul-minated in the May 17 EARTH Festival, which Van Dyke described as “fairly successful.” An estimated 200 people cycled through, partici-pating in compost semi-nars and educational workshops, tasting local wines and getting fami-liar with the various ele-ments and implications that have to do with cli-mate change.

With the first-annual EARTH Festival now in the city's rear-view mir-ror, it is their goal to continue driving for-ward so that all ele-ments of the initiative are steadily addressed

and next year's festival can be made an even greater success.

“Cities and counties are being expected to address climate change in their city plans,” said Van Dyke, who is cur-rently reading through Assembly Bill 32, a law designed to mandate the reduction of green-house-gas emissions from mobile sources such as cars and trucks.

The city's immediate goal is to get a clear un-derstanding of AB 32 so that staff can then be-come a part of the Cali-fornia Climate Action Registry, which, accord-ing to City Manager John Donlevy, will al-low the city to receive a base-line energy audit. Once such base lines are established the city will be able to begin building up a strategy for reducing emissions. It will also make it easi-er for the city to pursue grant money.

“We'd like to work with the city council and the community on putting together some-thing along the lines of an environmental ele-ment in the city's Gener-

al Plan,” said Donlevy. “This is a huge under-taking. Dawn (Van Dyke) and Carol (Scian-na) have done an out-standing job so far.”

No action was taken, as the purpose of the agenda item was only to converse with the coun-cil and take recommen-dations. Councilmem-ber Cecilia Aguiar-Cur-ry seized the opportuni-ty.

“This is a really prime time to ask students to get involved,” she said. “I would encourage that we have some students be a part of this commit-tee. You could get a few high school students in-volved for their senior projects. They're our fu-ture.”

Other items

~ Aguiar-Curry will serve as the city council representative at the League of California Cities annual confer-ence. This allows the city to have one vote on matters pertaining to League policy. Coun-cilmember Tom Stone will be Curry's alter-nate.

~ The city council

unanimously approved a contract for legal ser-vices between profes-sional law corporation Meyers Nave Riback & Wilson and the City of Winters. According to Donlevy, they will work on a broad scope of is-sues that the city attor-ney does not, one exam-ple being personnel is-sues. City Attorney John Wallace backed the move, saying that he be-lieves it to be in the city's best interest. Steven P. Rudolph, of Meyers Nave worked with Winters prior to joining his current firm. In making this transi-tion, the city's goal was to retain Rudolph's ser-vices.

~ The city council unanimously approved (Anderson and Fridae were reposed due to a potential conflict of in-terest) a consultant-ser-vices agreement with Wallace Kuhl, which will prepare a geotech-nical engineering re-port on the future site of the Monticello Project. The project will take about four weeks and cost the city \$5,800.

Meeting will focus on fraud prevention

The Winters Police Department and First Northern Bank are sponsoring a public meeting to provide in-formation to local busi-nesses, clubs and non-profit organizations on guidelines to assist in preventing fraud/em-bezzlement.

The meeting is free of charge and will be held at the Winters City Hall council chambers on Wednesday, July 23, 7 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO
**BECAUSE
I SAY SO**

BEE AFRAID. BEE VERY AFRAID. Well, maybe bee not so much afraid as bee sick. Possibly dying. It's called colony collapse disorder, and it's affecting bee populations nationwide, and I realize we've got bigger problems on our minds right now, like gas prices and flaming hillsides and what that Terrorist Fist Bump really means, but we absolutely must devote some attention to small things too: honeybees. Specifically, the lack thereof.

How bad is it? According to a June 27 article in the San Francisco Chronicle, since colony collapse disorder was first noticed in 2006, a third of the bee hives in the U.S. were abandoned. Since then, the rate of the bees' disappearance is accelerating, reaching 36 percent this year.

University of Pennsylvania bee expert Maryann Frazier asked during a recent House testimony on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture, "How would our federal government respond if one out of every three cows were dying?" Indeed. The feds would be all over that. No hamburgers? No T-bones? It's a national emergency!

People, we can live without cows. We cannot survive without bees. If all the bees die, we will not be long to follow.

Although mites and disease are being studied as the cause of colony collapse disorder, there are still no answers. Bees just don't return to their hives, and their little bee carcasses are nowhere to be found. The fields and sidewalks should be sprinkled with bee carnage. But they're not. The bees are just gone.

Anybody seen the Mother Ship lately? The Haagen-Dazs company, which can't make many of its ice cream flavors without pollinated fruit, has launched an astounding website, www.helpthehoneybees.com. Besides being a work of website art and animation, it's filled with information about bees and their important place in the food chain. There's also a place on the website to donate to UC Davis and Penn State, the only two universities currently researching the bee mystery.

Besides supporting research, the Chronicle notes that Laurie Davies Adams, executive director of the non-profit organization, Pollinator Partnership, recommends that we replace 15 percent of our lawns with a patch of plants that sustain pollinators, such as salvias, mint, lavender and oregano, in an effort to support the wild honeybees.

Adams notes that if one person sets aside 15 percent of her or his lawn, it won't do much good, but if a million people do it, that's a lot of sustenance for the wild pollinator population, which includes hummingbirds, bats and butterflies. Besides, that's 15 percent less lawn to mow, and 15 percent less gas to put in the lawn mower (if you haven't already switched to electric by now).

More ideas for helping out the bee population include selecting plants that have a staggered blossoming season which provides nectar for a longer stretch of time, leaving a little shelter (like dead wood and leaf litter) for pollinators to nest and hide in, providing running water and ponds, and avoiding the use of all pesticides and herbicides.

More ideas about doing whatever we can to help support the wild bee population can be found on the Haagen-Dazs site. They have a downloadable plan to get you started, and the site is also very kid-friendly. By dragging the cursor across the screen to various trees, bushes and flowers, kids can learn how these plants need the bees to survive. Moreover, kids of all ages can learn that humans and animals need the bees to survive too.

I landscaped with plants that attracted pollinators long before it was an environmental concern, just because I like my yard to buzz and blossom with life. The bees in my area seem to love citrus and sweet basil blossoms, and they have to duke it out with the hummingbirds for blossoms in my albizia (silk) trees, which are the most God-awful messy trees on earth, and I curse them every weekend when I'm raking up piles of sticky, fallen fluff, and again in the fall when I'm raking seed pods, and year 'round when I'm pinching off thousands of little albizia seedlings that sprout wherever they fall.

However, when I'm sitting under their ample shade in the summer and look up at the hummingbirds darting here and there, and can hear the air literally buzzing with life, I don't mind the fluff and the pods. It's worth it.

So get out there and do what you can to help the honeybees. And if you need an albizia or two to get started, I can hook you up.

OUT OF OFFICE COUNTDOWN: We won't mind when Bush & Co don't return to the Whitehive in 29 weeks.



LETTERS

This is a time for leaders

Dear Editor,

This is a letter I wrote and submitted to the people who represent us in government. It could also be read as an open letter to each one of us to find the leader within ourselves.

To Senator Dianne Feinstein, Senator Barbara Boxer and Congressman Mike Thompson:

Please don't allow any laws to pass that would sacrifice our natural resources, our coasts, for oil. That's the attitude that has gotten us into this oil dependency mess in the first place. We need to focus on caring for the planet, to find ways to use renewable and sustainable energy. We need to wean ourselves from oil dependency.

If need be, in the transition from oil dependency to the implementation of a different energy source, my family would be willing use less heat, to drive less, to even live by rationing. We are willing to make sacrifices for the future. We are not willing and do not want to continue throwing money into a shrinking, climate-destroying pit of black ooze.

In the past, when this

country has sacrificed (I'm thinking of WWII) the sacrifice united the country and made it strong afterwards. Imagine where we would be if the money spent on an indiscriminate war was spent on researching and developing renewable energy sources. This country has made sacrifices before and this country can do it again.

In a way, final exams for the human race are approaching. As a species what are we going to do? Methodically plan and take action toward a new way of being in the world or hide our heads in the oil pits of extinction until the very last minute?

I guess what I'm looking for is leadership, the ability to identify a problem and to take proactive measures; to stand apart from the dazed crowd, like deer in the headlights, and to act on conviction and purpose. This is not a time to protect one's butt, to play the middle ground, to be liked by everyone. This is a time for leaders.

I have faith a leader will step forward. I hope it's you.

JEFF FALYN

They replaced our cameras

Dear Editor,

In the spring, we wrote a letter asking the community of Winters for help finding our stolen camera. Our classroom was broken into for the second time this year and we were feeling very frustrated.

We are writing this letter to express our sincere gratitude to the community of Winters. After the letter was published, we got a call from Vera Arthurs, a kind Winters community member, who wanted to donate a camera to our classroom. Wow! Then we received another camera in our teacher's box from the Breznak-Holmes family. Next, we received the exact model of camera that was stolen from our room in the mail. Mark Wilson of Winters read

our letter and ordered us a new camera. Finally, our terrific district bus driver, Dave, heard our story and donated another camera to our school.

Digital cameras are a huge benefit to our classrooms. During exciting activities/events we take pictures and then the students use the pictures to write essays and poems. They are even able to create Power Point presentations.

Because of these kind donors, we now have four teachers and many students in our school who will benefit from this technology. It is this kind of outreach that makes us proud to teach in this community.

**NAN WILLIAMS
and JOANE JUSELL**

Experience will last a lifetime

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank the Winters Rotary Club for sponsoring my participation in a leadership camp that is made available to about 145 soon-to-be seniors in Northern California. I recently returned from a week at Camp Royal and it was certainly a life changing experience.

On the bus ride to the camp, I thought about what it would be like and how this camp would help me become a better leader. I definitely underestimated what I would learn there. I learned not only how to become a better

leader, but a better follower.

Over the course of that week, something amazing happened. The people in charge of the camp and the presenters helped create an environment that made it feel like the students of the camp had known each other for months rather than days. I didn't have to worry about what others were thinking about me because they themselves didn't care what others thought about them.

The positive atmosphere made it possible for anyone to go up to

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CHARLES R. WALLACE
**A QUICK
OPINION**

AND THE WINNER IS... With all of the smoke you probably didn't notice that we are in another rainfall year. Last year's total was above average at 23.19 inches, but most of the rain came early and we didn't have a we spring.

There are optimist and pessimist among us. Jim Stack, Jr. was hoping for a wet year with a rainfall guess of 31.5 inches. The Holt family also were optimist with guess over 30 inches. Our normal standbys, the Caselli's, were expecting a drought, with Carmina bringing in the low entry with 15.25 inches of rain. I don't think Steve would admit to his father that he was hoping for light rain when he was cutting apricots on the ranch.

Paul Casson missed the mark by .14 of an inch, and since he is a subscriber, he picks up the extra \$25 bonus. His check for \$125 is in the mail, as soon as I can sell a few more papers. Tammy Anderson missed by .75 of an inch and gets a free year of the Express. Lawrence Kelley receives a free week for finishing in third place

I want to thank everyone who enters Express contests. It proves that at least some of you are reading the fine print. Our football contest should start up pretty soon with big bucks up for grab each week during the football season.

GET READY FOR SOME Main Street construction. With the Earthquake Festival plans made, the band hired and entertainment set, it is the perfect time to tear up Main Street. Actually there is not a good time to tear up Main Street, but the powers that be have decided to "upgrade" our intersections.

I'm hoping that the new bulb-outs and brick intersection turn out to be perfect and add a little bit of charm to our downtown. I'm not sure taking parking spaces in the middle of the block for a pedestrian walkway is such a good idea, but if we ever get a parking lot where the fire department now sits, people will have to cross the street someplace.

Downtown merchants haven't had the best of luck when the city decides to upgrade our streets. The last major overhaul of Main Street put several merchants out of business, forever. You can't tear up a street for months without it affecting everyone in town. This project is supposed to run on schedule and be done in a timely manner. I would have liked to see the CC Meyer Company, or whoever did the overpasses and earthquake work in Southern California. He was done in half the time and pocketed the bonus money and didn't hear one complaint about the size of his bonus.

When they tear down the Putah Creek bridge you won't hear people complain if the project is done on schedule or a little ahead of schedule, but let it be a couple of months behind and you will hear from everyone who has ever crossed our famous bridge.

With all of the construction planned in town, it could be time to remodel the Express. Have a good week.

Thanks for the lovely party

Dear Editor,

We would like to extend our deepest and sincere thank you to our children and family. On June 30, we were honored by a wonderful surprise: a 25th wedding anniversary party. June 25 was the actual day of our wedding.

To start off the celebration our granddaughters, Rose Marie and Jozlyn, and their cousin Jessica said grace before dinner. We then shared together with many family and friends great food made with loving hands. Later in the evening our son Frank performed a chant (Hawaiian tradition). Ryen, our oldest daughter, sang a beautiful song and Kristyn, our youngest, gave a

touching speech.

Our cousin Steve honored us with a song written, composed and sung by him. He made CDs for us to keep and share with our guests. Cousins Phil and Bryan DJed great music all night long, so we danced the night away.

We would like to also say thank you for all the gifts and many well wishes we received and to all who attended. Our 25th wedding anniversary we will always remember, all made possible by our children with the help of our incredible family. Our love to them all and may God continue to bless us and bless those who are less fortunate.

**ROSIE and FRANK
LUCERO**

Policy for Letters to the Editor

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

Letters may be mailed or hand-delivered to The Winters Express, 312 Railroad Avenue, Winters, CA 95694, or emailed to news@wintersexpress.com. Letters should not exceed 500 words. Do not use all capital letters.

We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

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

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

"Lots of people want to ride with you in the limo, but what you want is someone who will take the bus with you when the limo breaks down."

~ Oprah Winfrey

Breast cancer support group to meet

The Breast Cancer Network of Strength (formerly known as Y-ME National Breast Cancer Organization) will have an open door educational meeting on Monday, July 14, at 7 p.m. at the University Covenant Church, located at the corner of Mace and Alhambra in Davis. “Stop Breast Cancer: How advocates can make a difference in breast cancer treatment and research” will be the topic for the evening. Velma Lager-

strom, Mary Ann Jung and Sandy Walsh will discuss the ways they have each had an effect on breast cancer research and treatment. The program is free and open to the public. Call Network of Strength Northern California Affiliate for more information or directions, 753-3940 or toll free, (866) 616-4882. A map of the location is on the Network of Strength web site: <http://www.networkof-strength.org/northern-california>

Network of Strength meetings take place on the second Monday of each month from 7-8:30 p.m. at the University Covenant Church. Each month these meetings provide information on some aspect of breast cancer or women’s health. The meetings are not limited to breast cancer survivors, but are open and free of charge to anyone who is interested in learning more about women’s health issues.

Volunteers needed

The Winters Participation Gallery, located at 31 Main Street, needs volunteers to keep the gallery open on Thursday and Friday evenings, as well as from 3-9 p.m. on Saturday. No experience is necessary, just reliability and an interest in art. For more information, call 795-2009.

Getting married? Just had a baby? Announce it in the Express — it’s free! Call 795-4551 for assistance or send information to news@wintersexpress.com

HEAVEN

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draw her attention and guide her. On several occasions these miracles prompted her, almost inexplicably, to make some of the boldest and most lasting decisions of her life.

Since the book relays its point through the telling of her life experience, Martinez’ story is best told in a linear fashion, from start to finish. And although it might seem a bit scattered and unpredictable as it plays out, its meaning becomes crystal clear when viewed retrospectively, from the present. This is because some of her most significant changes were made for reasons she believes to be much larger than herself, even if she didn’t fully understand them at the time.

Born and raised in Vacaville, she attended UC Davis during her freshman year of college. Uncomfortable with the large classes, she decided to transfer to Chico State, from which she later graduated. She married her college boyfriend two weeks later and the two of them moved to Hayward for his job. While he worked, she attended CSU Hayward, where she obtained her teaching credential. The two of them then moved to Livermore, had three children and built a family.

And then, after 25 years in Livermore, she and her husband decided to separate — the first of many major changes to come. While Martinez was not keen on the idea of divorce, the two of them parted amicably and maintain a friendship to this day.

Martinez’ first children’s book, “Are You My Friend?”, was published around the same time. She was contentedly teaching English and Spanish and had no plans to ever remarry.

At that point, she had never been outside the country and had hardly left California. This is why her decision to take

a one-year leave of absence so she could teach in Spain (she’s 100 percent Spanish) seemed to those around her completey out of character.

“I was not an independent person at all,” she says. “Some people saw it as a mid-life crisis and others thought it was just brave. I just felt I had to, although I didn’t really know why at the time. I just knew it would work out and that God would take care of me.”

She was born Catholic and although she hadn’t vigorously shed her beliefs, hadn’t practiced actively for many years. The decision to go to Spain was stirred in her from deep within. Something told her that she needed to go, so she went.

Her plan was to live and teach in Spain for one year. She ended up staying for seven.

“It tells in the book how I met a (Spanish) gentleman 15 years older than me on an airplane,” she begins. “He just happened to be my seat companion, and for whatever reason we maintained contact. Part of the reason I stayed there so long was that I liked it so much, but it was also because I ended up marrying him.”

The two decided to move to America in the year 2000. Martinez came before her husband, who was awaiting the completion of his residency paperwork in Spain. She began looking for their new home in America. Her sister helped her by preparing a list of available houses for sale in the greater Vacaville area.

“She took me through Vacaville,” she says. “And to Woodland and Dixon. I wanted something small and comfortable and I didn’t like anything we looked at.”

Her sister had become a bit impatient by the time the two of them drove to the last city on their list, Winters.

“I knew right away that this was it. I just knew it.”

They bought the first

house they looked at and moved in shortly thereafter.

Things continued to fall perfectly in line as she immediately found a teaching job at a middle school in Dixon, her preferred age group. Her and her husband settled into Winters comfortably and began their American lives together.

And then, four years after moving to America, her husband was diagnosed with lung cancer. Doctors told them that he had six to eight months to live. He died six weeks later.

“I never prayed that he’d be cured,” she says. “I prayed that he wouldn’t suffer. And he didn’t.”

The time immediately after his death represents the time that she became firmly aware of the existence of heaven and God’s call to her. Having just lost who she believed to be her “soul mate,” she was dealing with a lack of direction and purpose.

“After his death I started really questioning my faith,” she says. “Once you actually loose the person you love and feel their last breath in your arms, death becomes something very real. You think, where is the man that was talking to me just a few hours ago? It’s very difficult to wrap your mind around. I was in despair.

“But there’s a pattern to all of this. I never would have gone back to church if he hadn’t passed away.”

Between the time of her husband’s death and the moment in which she packed away the last of his clothes, she strongly felt his influence on her surroundings. She was woken from her sleep regularly by ice-cold winds in the warm stillness of her bedroom. She once found a wall-hung painting on the middle of her floor, only to discover upon inspection that both the nail and wire were perfectly intact. Around the same time, on one sunny day in February, she found herself trans-

fixed by a beautiful rainbow while driving to work.

“I’m sure it was raining somewhere,” she says. “But it was a beautiful blue day with wispy white clouds.”

The moment stood out to her. And she allowed herself to understand its significance.

As she packed away her late husbands clothes, a small ceramic angel fell from her wall. Again, the nail and hanging apparatus were perfectly intact.

“From that moment I knew that nothing else would happen,” she says of the occurrences, unable to describe exactly how she knew, only that she did. This feeling guided her to Saint Anthony’s Parish, and ultimately into a life of faith. This book is a direct product of her chosen path in life.

“I hope this book will help others,” she says, pointing out that she doesn’t believe these events to be anything along the lines of ghosts or hauntings, just manifestations of God’s personal love. “People are afraid to tell these stories because people will say they are crazy or they’ll become vulnerable. Maybe this book will console them.”

Martinez will be donating all royalties earned to a yet-to-be-determined charity.

“I didn’t write this book for myself,” she says. “I did it as a gift to God and to share with others; to give back to God a bit of what he’s given to me, although I know I could never give back nearly enough.”

Janice Martinez is a member of Saint Anthony’s Parish in Winters. She is still awaiting her first box of freshly printed books and she plans to schedule a book signing in Winters shortly thereafter. She has a book-signing scheduled at the Avid Reader in Davis on Sept. 5.

Chamber meetings open to public

The Winters Chamber of Commerce meets on the second Friday of each month at 7 a.m. in the Chamber office, located inside the Community Center, 201 Railroad Avenue.

The next meeting is Friday, July 11.

Anyone may attend Chamber meetings. The Chamber is involved in promoting local business, as well as coordinating community functions such as the Earthquake Street Festival and the Citizen of the Year celebration.

For more information about the Chamber or to join, call 795-2329.

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Community

Hazardous waste drop-off days are July 11, 12

This month's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) drop-off days at the Yolo County Central Landfill are scheduled for July 11 and 12, from, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

HHW will be accepted from Yolo County residents only. Agricultural and infectious medical waste will not be accepted. Business hazardous waste from small quantity generators is accepted for a fee, by appointment only. Community members should call 1-800-433-5060 to schedule an appointment. Senior or disabled residents, who cannot drive, may schedule a free pick-up by calling the same number no later than July 9.

Materials that will be accepted include the following: batteries; fluorescent bulbs or tubes; used motor oil and filters; cleaning supplies; lighter fluid; antifreeze; aerosols; garden pesticides and herbicides; latex or oil based paints; solvents; poisons; electrical switches/relays; pilot light sensors; and mercury thermostats. Small electronic items, including TVs and monitors are also accepted for recycling at no cost. There is a handling fee for recycling appliances.

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

At the landfill's Reuse Center reusable items such as automotive lubricants, paints, pool chemicals, gardening products and cleaners are available for free during HHW events.

HHW events are sponsored by the Yolo County Department of Planning & Public Works, Division of Integrated Waste Management.

The August HHW drop-off day is scheduled for Aug. 8 and 9.

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

Free food will be distributed

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible Winters residents on Friday, July 21, at Yolo Housing, 62 Shams Way, from 3-5 p.m. and Friday, July 25, at First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, from noon to 1:30 p.m.

Commodities to be distributed include spaghetti, spaghetti

sauce, peanut butter, and apple or cherry/apple juice.

Participants may receive food at only one site. Eligible participants are asked to bring a bag to carry their food home.

For more information, call the Food Bank at 668-0690.

COUNCIL

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ing contract with AK and Company for services on reimbursement of state mandated cost claim.

~ Resolution approving purchase of building permit software.

~ Travel policy update.

Acting as the Community Development Agency, the council will

address the following items:

~ Consulting service agreement with Chabin Concepts to prepare Community Development Block Grant application.

~ Consulting service agreement with Kathleen Iudice and Associates for branding image development for the city.

~ Funding for sidewalk improvement.

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someone that they had never met or seen in their life and become friends with them in the

next 10 minutes. It is for these experiences that I thank you. The skills that I learned will definitely last me a lifetime.

ROBERT EMERY
Senior
Winters High School

Sharp shooters



Courtesy photo

The Rotary Club of Winters had its annual Trap Shoot on Saturday, June 21, with warm temperatures and calm skies. The event raised funds to support the club's student scholarship program. The corporate sponsors included First Northern Bank, Round Table Pizza, Lorenzo's Town & Country Market, the Winters Express and Winters Eyecare. Jason Little won the event with father Greg Little taking second and Walt Smith placing third. The team of Little and Little won the snipe shoot event.

Lake offers year-round recreation

Lake Berryessa receives approximately 1.5 million visitors every year who participate in year-round recreational activities. The lake offers a range of day-use recreation opportunities and overnight accommodations, as well as a variety of water-based activities.

Popular activities around Lake Berryessa include waterskiing, jet skiing, pleasure boating, kayaking and canoeing, hiking, bicycling, camping, picnicking, swimming, fishing, wildlife observation, and other similar activities.

The Bureau of Reclamation is working with existing concession contractors as they move forward with the removal of their facilities in preparation for the development of new and expanded recreational sites that will be available to the public.

Although certain boat launches may be closed temporarily during this transition, the Bureau of Reclamation is working with contractors to ensure boat launch capabilities are maximized at the areas which remain open throughout the season.

The Bureau of Reclamation operates recreation areas at Oak Shores, Smittle Creek,

Capell Cove Boat Launch, Olive Orchard, Eticeura, and other areas. These recreation areas offer spectacular views of the lake and are home to an abundance of wildlife. They offer day-users a variety of recreational opportunities year-round including fishing, wildlife viewing, beach activities, swimming, hiking, and picnicking.

Located approximately eight miles north of State Route 128 on Knoxville Road, Oak Shores and Smittle Creek offer more than 100 picnic sites equipped with barbecue grills. Two hand launches for non-motorized car-top boats are also available; vehicles with trailers are not allowed. Smittle Creek is located two miles north of Oak Shores, and offers a more secluded day-use experience.

Coyote Beach and Acorn Beach in the Oak Shores Day Use Area are two areas ideal for children and families. The sandy beaches offer areas closed to personal watercraft and boats. Picnic tables, barbecue grills, and restrooms are nearby.

There is also a hand launch at Foxtail Flat to enable people to launch their canoes or kayaks, and paddle around or go fishing in the many

coves and inlets along the Lake Berryessa shoreline.

Acorn Beach has group picnic sites with shade shelters for large groups or special events.

For reservations of a group site for parties of 25 or more, call the Reclamation office at (707) 966-2111.

Stroll Smittle Creek Trail to see wild flowers, birds, and wonderful lake views. The trail wanders along the shore between Coyote Knolls and Smittle Creek. The walk is 5.2 miles round-trip and offers hikers a chance to view the natural flora and fauna of the area.

Year-round fishing at Lake Berryessa is among the best in the state. There are fish to be found at all times of the year. Fish at the lake include rainbow trout, small and largemouth bass, catfish, crappie, silver salmon, and bluegill.

Fishing is permitted with a valid license on all of Lake Berryessa's public lands and waters. Free fishing access can be found at Capell Cove (along with a free boat launch), Oak Shores and Smittle Creek Day Use Areas, and at all of the dispersed lake access sites.

Chamber Mixer is Monday

The next Winters Chamber of Commerce Mixer will take place at Briggs & Co. on Monday, July 14, at 5:30 p.m. Everyone in the community is welcome to drop by. A \$5 donation is suggested at the door, and includes one free raffle ticket. The evening will include food and beverages, beer and wine, and a raffle of numerous prizes donated by various Winters businesses. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

Briggs & Co is located at 820 Railroad Avenue, and is open Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit www.briggsandco.com or call 795-9505.

Chamber Mixers are held on the second Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m., and offer an opportunity for the community to visit a business and its owner, enjoy the company of friends and neighbors, and chat with Chamber of Commerce members and directors. The Mixers are held at a different business each month.

The Winters Chamber of Commerce office is located inside the Winters Community Center, and is open daily. The Chamber meets on the second Friday of each month at 7 a.m. at the Community Center. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend Chamber meetings and find out more about getting involved with the local business community. For more information about the Chamber or to join, call 795-2329.

Booth space available

There is still booth space available at this year's Earthquake Street Festival for individuals, businesses or groups to sell food, crafts or other items, or to feature an activity or offer information.

This year's festival takes place on Friday, Aug. 22, 5-11 p.m. on downtown Main Street. Booths cost \$25 for non-profit organizations, \$50 for Chamber members and \$85 for non-members if reserved before Aug. 1. After Aug. 1, the cost goes up.

To reserve a booth space, call 795-2329.

POLICE

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lice officer and violation of a court order. Lizarraga was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

July 3-4

~ 6 p.m. to 6:23 a.m., on the 600 block of Ivy Loop, an unknown object was used to break a wing window of a vehicle. Damage: \$300.

~ 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the 600 block of Ivy Loop, two unlocked vehicles were entered and a compact disc case, compact discs and a blue tooth headset were stolen. Loss: \$1,580.

July 4

~ 11:26 p.m., Mario Ugalde Ramos, 34, of

Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08%, being an unlicensed driver, and driving a vehicle with expired registration. Ramos was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

July 4-5

~ 8 p.m. to 7:30 a.m., on the 700 block of Lupine Way, an unlocked garage was entered. Once inside, an unlocked vehicle was entered and a Sirius Satellite Radio was stolen. A statue that was taken from the backyard of the residence was used to break the vehicle windshield. Loss: \$100 plus damage to windshield.

~ 11:30 a.m. to 3:30

p.m., on the 600 block of Foxglove Circle, an unknown object was used to break a side mirror of a vehicle. Damage: \$200.

July 5

~ 1:14 a.m., Candi Ann Baxter, 34, of Vacaville was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content over .08% and for being an unlicensed driver. Baxter was also arrested on two Solano County bench warrants charging her with failing to comply with a condition of a court order on previous charges of driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license and possessing an open container of an alcoholic beverage while driving a vehicle; and failing to comply with a condition of a court order on previous charge of driving under

the influence. Baxter was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ 2:30 a.m., at Snapdragon Street and Ivy Loop, a victim attempted to mediate a verbal altercation in his neighborhood. A suspect took a swing at the victim and the victim's canine came to the victim's defense. Case closed.

~ 12:30 p.m., a found bicycle was turned over to the police department.

July 6

~ 1:41 p.m., on the 700 block of Dutton Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

~ 10:21 p.m., a 17-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for pos-

sessing stolen property, petty theft, possessing a spring blade knife with a blade over four inches, possessing less than an ounce of marijuana, riding a bicycle without a headlight during darkness, failing to wear a helmet while riding a bicycle and violating curfew. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Juvenile Hall for

incarceration.

July 7

~ 7:54 a.m., a found bicycle was turned over to the police department.

~ 11 a.m. to noon, on the 200 block of Railroad Avenue, an unlocked vehicle with the keys inside was stolen. Loss: \$23,000.

~ 11:30 a.m., a found scooter was turned over to the police department.

Entertainment

Wine tasting benefits the art gallery

Both wine connoisseurs and art lovers will experience a double pleasure on Saturday, July 19, when the Rominger West Winery and the Winters Participation Art Gallery join forces to present an evening of wine tasting while viewing a beautiful water color display. This event is scheduled for 5:30 to 8 p.m.

A Yolo County winery, Rominger West will offer samples of its popular vintages, and visitors will enjoy an exhibit of 37 original paintings by nationally known artist Susan Adams.

Founded in 2004, the Rominger West Winery is rapidly gaining an enviable reputation for its gently cultivated artisan wines and its dedication to encouraging sustainable Yolo County agriculture.

The art exhibit “Watercolor in Spirit” opened on June 7 with an all-day teaching workshop which the artist termed “Body, Mind, and Spirit — Going with the Flow.” Adams’ luminous paintings express her philosophy that watercolor should do what it does best — flow across the background medium.

Visitors to the exhibit are offered a wide variety of subjects and

styles in this watercolor display. The show pieces range from vibrant florals to pastel abstracts, from realistic character studies to evocative umbrellas in the mist. Adams describes herself as “a visual poet,” and regardless of the subjects, all paintings demonstrate her mastery of the medium.

In addition to the original works, a number of beautifully mounted prints are offered for sale. These prints are available in various sizes, and several feature Adams’ watercolors not displayed in this show.

The members of the gallery’s board of directors invite friends and patrons to visit this rewarding one woman show and to enjoy Rominger West wines. Because this event is a fund-raiser for the non-profit Winters Participation Gallery, a donation of \$10 is requested.

The wine tasting is a July 19 event, but the current watercolor exhibit will continue until July 28 at the Participation Gallery, 18 Main Street. Normal gallery hours are Thursdays, 12-4 p.m.; Fridays, 12-4 and 5-8 p.m.; Saturdays, 3-8 p.m., and Sundays, 12-3 p.m.

Village Homes Performers Circle meets Monday, July 28

Village Homes Performers Circle will meet Monday, July 28, from 7:15-9 p.m. in Davis. This free event is for performers of all levels and listeners. It is held the fourth Monday of each month except December. Performances by volunteers are from 7:15-8:15 p.m. followed by a short break. Featured acts perform from 8:30-9 p.m. The emcee will be Michael Ulrich.

This month’s featured performer is Dave McAsey. McAsey started out as a percussionist (congas) at age 13. He picked up the guitar in the 70’s, continuing to use a percussive style in

his playing, along with classical and finger-style influences from folk and blues, developing his own eclectic sound of homegrown funk/jazz/ambient tunes. His deepest influences are Peppino D’Agostino, Tim Reynolds, John Fahey, and Bolo Sete. McAsey also croons a variety of covers from John Prine to Mos Allison. He is sometimes joined by his wife, Jenna.

This is a free event. It is held at the Village Homes Community Center, 2661 Portage Bay, Davis.

For information, call 756-8232 or 753-2113.

Rowdy Kate coming to the Gazebo

The temperature is climbing. Why fight it? Enjoy a red hot show by Sacramento favorites Rowdy Kate at the Gazebo in Winters this Thursday, July 10.

Rowdy Kate came together in late 2006 and began performing traditional country music from the ‘50s, ‘60s and early ‘70s. They bring a fresh take to old-school honky-tonk classics, along with their own brand of clever country, with influences like Loretta Lynn, Hank Williams, Ray Price, Willie Nelson, and Gram Parsons. Lead singer Keri Carr also lends her fiery vocals to some high-energy Mexican corridos. The band includes Geoff Miller on electric guitar and vocals; Robert Sidwell on acoustic and baritone guitar; Larry Carr on drums and percussion; Steve Epstein on pedal steel guitar; and Dave “Duvel” Garrity on electric bass. Listen to the band at rowdykate.com. The free outdoor



Courtesy Photo

Rowdy Kate performing traditional country music from the ‘50s and 60’s will be at the Gazebo in Winters this Thursday, July 10.

concert, sponsored by Winters Friends of the Library, will run from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Rotary Park Gazebo, on Main Street at Railroad Avenue in Winters. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, invite your friends and neighbors, and enjoy a picnic on the grass. Pizza, ice cream, and soft drinks will be available for sale.

All proceeds benefit the Winters Library.

The series will continue on July 17 with The Poplollys playing country, Americana and folk; on July 24 with Little Charlie’s Caravan — Charles “Little Charlie” Baty, Bob Armstrong, and Keith Cary — playing Hot Club-style gypsy jazz a la Django Reinhardt; and finishes up

on July 31 with Hardwater playing rock, pop, and blues originals and covers.

The concerts are free; donations to benefit the library will be gratefully accepted.

For more information please call Keith or Diane Cary, 795-3173, or email kcary@dcn.org.

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Sports

Warren is Ward's Iron Warrior

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

New head varsity football coach Daniel Ward has challenged his players to step up and put in the extra effort it will take to build a winning tradition at Winters High School, and junior Steven Warren has answered that challenge. Ward has also started a new tradition for his football players by naming an Iron Warrior each week during the summer for their

extra efforts. "Steven has put more time in the weight room and doing speed training than any other player," said Ward. "His time and effort is definitely paying off. He has put on 23 pounds of muscle since last year. He has increased his bench press by 100 pounds and his squat by 150 pounds. "What's nice to see is that other players are starting to realize that they could do the same thing with some hard

Track standouts receive awards

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters High School track team received individual awards for their successful season at the teams' annual awards banquet. After leading the varsity boys team to the Warriors' first section title Terrence Johnson earned the Block W Senior Scholar Athlete Award, while Carlos

Figuroa and J.R. Selby both shared the Block W Coaches Award. For the varsity girls, Krista Blandin earned the Block W Senior Scholar Athlete Award and Emma Pfanner was given the Block W Coaches Award. Alex Evanoff was the Coaches Award winner for the JV boys team and Maya Tice was given the Coaches Award for the JV girls team.

Errors cost the Tri-County Gamblers in July 4 Tournament

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Tri-County Gamblers missed a chance of advancing into the final round of the Joe DiMaggio Fourth of July Tournament by one run. The Gamblers won their first game against Sonoma on Wednesday, July 2, won their third game on Saturday, July 5, against San Mateo, but lost their second game on Friday, July 4, to South San Francisco after giving up six runs in the sixth inning. The loss put the Gamblers in a three-way tie with South San Francisco and San Mateo forcing a tie breaker rule that allows the team that gave up the fewest amount of runs in the tournament to advance. The Gamblers gave up 13 while San Mateo

gave up 12. Tri-County ended up winning two of their three games improving their overall record to 18-4. In game one against Sonoma, the Gamblers needed eight innings to break a one to one tie. Tri-County scored their first run in the first inning and held the 1-0 lead until the top of the sixth. Sonoma scored one in the sixth before the Gamblers would score their second run in the eighth. Matt Vedo led the Gamblers batting 3 for 4 with three doubles and an RBI. Ray McIntire batted 2 for 4. Thomas Fleming batted 1 for 1, while Chris Cole batted 1 for 3 with an RBI. Cole also got the win on the mound throwing all eight innings. In game two, errors plagued the Gamblers as they gave up four un-

earned runs in the sixth inning. After trailing 2 for 4 in the top of the sixth the Gamblers allowed six runs to cross the plate and suffered a 10 to 4 loss to South San Francisco. Despite out hitting South City 10-6 the Gamblers' five errors really hurt them. "Our lack of defense really took our chance of advancing to the next round away," said coach Jerry Smith. Derek Carothers took the loss for the Gamblers. At the plate, Kaplan Smith continued to improve his batting average as he went 2 for 2. Mitchell Barsotti batted 1 for 1 with a double and an RBI. Aaron Geerts and Lane Taylor both batted 1 for 1. Cole, Alex Galvan and Stephen Carmack each went 1 for 2. McIntire batted 1 for 3, while Ian Mis-

trot went 1 for 4 with an RBI for the Gamblers. On Saturday, July 5, the Gamblers returned to the Veterans Home in Yountville for what would end up being their final game of the tournament. Tri-County totaled 11 hits

in their 5-2 victory over San Mateo. Kevin Rowell picked up the win throwing a complete game giving up two runs; just one earned on seven hits and had five strike outs. At the plate Cole led the team batting 3 for 4 with a

double and an RBI. Smith batted 2 for 3 with two RBI. McIntire batted 2 for 4. Barsotti batted 1 for 2, Vedo batted 1 for 4 with an RBI, while John Cummings and Carmack each batted 1 for 4 for the Gamblers.



Courtesy photo
The Winters Little League All Star softball team includes, from left (back) Coach Shannon Mariani, Caitlin Mazzoleni, Baylee Opperman, Madison Nicholas and Coach Paula Nichols; (front) Abbey Mariani, Adriana Jimenez, Holly Chandler, Samantha Nichols, Baylee Rippee and Taylor Hoekwater. (Not pictured, coach Michelle Nicholas.)

Softball team wins district tournament

The Winters Little League All-Stars Girls 9-10 year old softball team won the District 64 Tournament on Tuesday, July 1, in Esparto. They played Rio Vista on Saturday,

June 28, and won 13-14 with Abbey Mariani pitching 5 and three-quarter innings and Adriana Jimenez finishing the game. The team then had to play on Sunday, June

29, at 10 a.m. against Esparto with Adriana Jimenez pitching four innings to win the game 17-7. They only needed to win one more time against Esparto to win the tour-

namment on Tuesday July 1st. Abbey Mariani pitched all six innings against Esparto to win 7-1. Their next game is in Martinez on July 11 at 5:30 p.m.

Olivia Manas receives coaches award from the JV softball team

Olivia Manas was this year's Coaches

Award recipient for the Winters High School JV

softball team. Manas was given the award at the

Warriors' annual awards banquet last month.

PISANI'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Tess Hyer

Tess Hyer is this week's athlete of the week. Hyer played for the 14 and under Lady Demons competitive traveling softball team out of Davis on June 28, through June 30, in an ASA Tournament in Tahoe and helped lead her team to the tournament championship. Hyer pitched the semi-final game throwing a one hitter in a 6-0 shutout. Hyer then pitched another shutout in the championship game in a 4-0 victory. So far Hyer has thrown 15 straight shutout innings.

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Schools



ONE OF THE MANY activities during my week at Camp Royal (the Rotary leadership camp), each region had to come up with a community service project that they would carry out when they returned home. Robby Emery and I, along with the groups from Dixon and Rio Vista decided to carry out a community service project called Dark Days.

The basic idea of our project is that we want to conserve energy to compensate for everyone using their air conditioner during the summer. This week we will be going around town asking local businesses to turn off their lights for as much time as possible during their operating hours.

These “Dark Days” will take place on July 12 and 13. Private homes are also welcome to join in on our mission to conserve electricity. Between Winters, Dixon and Rio Vista, we are hoping to find at least 50 businesses that will use natural light instead of lights. Afterwards we are hoping to contact the utility company to see how much we’ve saved. Who knows, maybe this could become a routine thing during the summer?

If you are interested in joining Dark Days or have any questions at all, please contact me at jamie@onramp113.org or call 795-5030.

Little League All star team



Courtesy photo

The 2008 Winters Little League major league all star team traveled to Vacaville last week to play in the District 64, 11 & 12 year old all star tournament. They were defeated by Woodland National, 3-0, and then by Vacaville Central, 11-3. The team included, from left (front) Niko Rojas, Trevor Ray, Christian Corrales, Roger Padilla, Jake Ivory, and Mason Rodriguez; (back) coach Mitch Montgomery, Adam Martinez, Andrew Gonzalez, Henry Nicholson, Michael Bermudez, Ben Case, Ricky Riise and team manager Dave Rodriguez.

Teens holding auditions for play

By JUSTIN COX
Staff writer

Recent Winters High School graduate Andrew Fridae, with the help of his peers, is putting on a theatrical production of Oscar Wilde’s “The Importance of Being Earnest” later this summer. The group is in the process of casting for the play.

They will be holding

auditions on Sunday, July 13, at 2 p.m. at 112 Liwai Village Court (off Russell Street).

Performances will take place on Wednesday, Aug. 20, and Thursday, Aug. 21. Actors are to be between ages 13-19, as the play is to be put on entirely by teenagers. Those interested in auditioning may contact director Andrew Fridae, 795-4600.

Public hearing planned

The Yolo County Board of Education will hold a public hearing on Thursday, July 17, at 3:05 p.m. at the Yolo County Office of Education board conference room, 1280 Santa Anita Court, suite 100, in Woodland. The purpose of the public hearing will be to receive comment from parents, teachers, community members and bargaining unit leaders regarding the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools’ response to the initial proposal from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Head State classified and certificated units for 2008-09, and the initial proposal for the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools for negotiations for the Head Start classified and certificated units.



Courtesy photo

Will Pfanner is among the cast of the Tempest. The play will open on Friday, July 18, and continue through Saturday, July 19, at the city park.

The Tempest in Tahiti opens July 18

By MARY LOU LINVILL
Special to the Express

The Winters Shakespeare Workshop tropical production of Shakespeare’s “The Tempest” will open Friday, July 18, and continue the following night on Saturday, July 19, at 8 p.m. at City Park. There will be a preview performance on Thursday, July 17, at 8 p.m.

Director Russell St Clair has set this production of “The Tempest” in Elizabethan times, and the magical island in the play will be located near Tahiti. Winters’ teen actors have been rehearsing acting, Tahitian dancing, and singing skills most evenings on the park playground stage since mid June in preparation for this annual Winters Shakespeare Workshop event. The public is invited to stop by the park in Winters to watch the pro-

duction develop.

Michelle Drumright, Winters’ beloved teacher of Hawaiian/Polynesian dance, culture, and music, is teaching the cast Tahitian dance. Laura Sandage has written original music and songs for the show, which will be performed by the actors and by local musicians including Catt Hasbrook, Lucy Heines, Alyssa Oxley, and Sidney Stewart on percussion; Dwight Howard on bass and trombone, Cedar Seegar on guitar and mandolin, and Sandage on concertina, bass and percussion.

The Winters Shakespeare Workshop is a summer youth enrichment program of the Winters Friends of the Library and is open to all local teens, ages 13-19. Admission is free. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Delicious refreshments will be sold.

Nuestras Noticias



JUAN FERNANDEZ

EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

De política y cosas peores

La carrera por la presidencia de los Estados Unidos esta en el proceso de calentamiento, así como los corredores hacen ejercicios de calentamiento para una carrera, así están los candidatos McCain y Obama. Están dando los primeros pasos de calentamiento, preparándose para la carrera presidencial. En una competencia deportiva, gana el que tiene mas poder físico y se ha preparado a conciencia, pero en una competencia política, lo del poder físico, no tiene nada que ver, en una carrera política, en elecciones políticas, no siempre gana el favorito, en la política tienes que echar mano de todo lo que este a tu alcance para perjudicar al enemigo. El propósito de la carrera presidencial, es ganar, no importa como.

Y vean quien esta comenzando a jugar sucio, algunos locutores de radio, a los que les gusta sembrar odio, están empezando a atacar a Barack Obama, quieren empezar a destruir su imagen, quizá le tengan miedo, han empezado temprano el ataque, esa es su tarea, empezar poco a poco a tratar de encontrar cosas en el pasado del candidato Demócrata, para darlo a conocer, y repetirlo una y otra vez, para empezar a sembrar una semillita de preocupación y alarma.

Se quieren pasar de listos, al decir que las criticas que le hacen al candidato Demócrata, no tienen nada que ver con su raza. Una manera muy sutil de decirle a la gente que Obama, no es blanco. Y el no ser blanco, es una piedra muy grande sobre los hombros de Obama, y él lo sabe, y sabe que los grupos racista lo estarán molestando con estos comentarios.

Con la carrera apenas en sus inicios, a los dos candidatos les falta mucho por hacer, para siquiera poder llegar a los primeros 100 metros. Solamente de entrada McCain lleva un poco de delantera, ya que él empezó a hacer campaña desde marzo, mientras Obama y Clinton estaban en plena guerra. Pero al seguir ligado al presidente Bush, McCain en su carrera, seguirá arrastrando todos los errores que ha cometido bush, y si no se desprende de Bush, con la carga que tiene, no podrá conquistar la carrera por la Presidencia.

bama también anda volando bajo, después de la guerra con Clinton, quedo sin mucha energía para esta carrera, ahora tendrá que empezar de cero, tendrá que trabajar para recuperarse y alcanzar a McCain en la aventajada que se dio, ya que McCain desde marzo, fue declarado el ganador de su partido, y lo que hizo fue ver como los demócratas, se daban con todo, mientras el empezaba a recorrer el país buscando el voto de la gente. Obama tendrá que trabajar para reunificar al partido demócrata, tendrá que saber como evitar las piedras que en el camino va a encontrar.

Ya lo he dicho antes, McCain ha mostrado tener dos caras el algunos asuntos de interés al país, primero apoyo una reforma migratoria, ahora que es candidato, no dice que no la apoya, pero tampoco dice que apoyaría una reforma migratoria.

Es extraño que McCain, que fue prisionera de guerra en Vietnam por muchos años, apoye a Bush que insiste en negarles el derecho a juicio a los prisioneros que están en Guantánamo y vaya usted a saber en que otras prisiones en el mundo. McCain y sus dos caras.

Si Obama no gana esta carrera presidencial en noviembre, por lo menos tendrá su lugar en los libros, por haber sido el primer afroamericano que llega a la carrera presidencial.

Obama tiene el apoyo de los jóvenes, pero el mismo tendrá que superarse, para poder ofrecer mas, además, tiene el inconveniente de su inexperiencia en el campo internacional. El inconveniente de McCain es la edad, y también su inexperiencia en el campo internacional. Así que por lo menos en ese campo están empatados.

Si gana McCain, tenga por seguro que seguirá con la misma política de Bush, si gana McCain, se le van a quedar problemas muy grandes, y algo tendrá que hacer, porque el pueblo ya no quiere mas de lo mismo, las cosas tienen que cambiar.

¿ Dónde quedo el país, que por excelencia era un pueblo libre y sin miedo a nada?

¿ Dónde quedo aquel país mundialmente admirado? ¿ En donde esta aquel país con tres poderes independientes? ¿ En donde quedo el país en donde los derechos individuales de las personas eran sagrados? ¿ A donde nos llevo Bush?

Los dos candidatos tienen que buscarle la cuadratura al circulo, ellos saben cuales problemas son los mas graves para el país. La economía, el valor del dólar, el precio del petróleo, empleos, la guerra de Iraq, la crisis inmobiliaria, los seguros médicos, las drogas, la seguridad nacional, la inmigración, inclusive la corrupción a altos niveles.

Tenemos la esperanza que los candidatos propongan soluciones, no queremos que simplemente dejen todo como esta. Y sigan con mas de lo mismo.

Nadando en el agua



Foto por Debra Lo Guercio

Luz Victoria Escobedo y Antonia Escobedo juegan en el agua en sus clases de natación en las albercas de Bobbie Greenwood. Para mas información sobre las clases de natación llame a 795-4910. Las albercas estan disponibles durante la semana de las 2-5p.m. con sus pases de entrade que puede comprar en el City Hall.

Riesgos de salud por la exposición al humo de los incendios forestales

El humo de los incendios forestales está compuesto de una mezcla de gases y partículas microscópicas que se desprenden de la vegetación en llamas. El humo puede afectar los ojos, irritar el sistema respiratorio y agravar las afecciones de personas que padecen de enfermedades cardíacas y pulmonares crónicas.

¿Cómo saber si el humo lo está afectando? El humo puede causar: Tos, irritación de la garganta, irritación de los senos nasals, dificultad para respirar, dolor en el pecho, dolor de cabeza, irritación de los ojos, secreción nasal, exacer-

bación del asma, si padece de alguna enfermedad cardíaca o pulmonar, el humo podría empeorar sus síntomas.

Las personas que padecen de alguna enfermedad cardíaca podrían experimentar: Dolor en el pecho, palpitaciones, dificultad para respirar, y fatiga. El humo puede empeorar los síntomas de las personas que padecen de afecciones respiratorias preexistentes, tales como alergias respiratorias, asma y la enfermedad pulmonar obstructiva crónica (EPOC), en cuyo caso podrían experimentar: Dificultad para respirar

normalmente, tos seca o con flema, molestias en el pecho, sibilancia y dificultad para respirar. Cuando la concentración de humo es bastante alta, incluso las personas saludables podrían presentar algunos de los síntomas antes mencionados.

Entérese si corre algún riesgo si padece de alguna afección cardíaca o pulmonar como insuficiencia cardíaca congestiva, angina, enfermedad obstructiva pulmonar crónica, enfisema o asma, usted corre mayor riesgo de sufrir problemas de salud que una persona saludable.

Los ancianos tienen

mayor posibilidad de verse afectados por el humo, tal vez porque es más probable que padezcan de enfermedades cardíacas o pulmonares que los más jóvenes. Los niños corren mayor riesgo de salud por exposición al humo debido a que sus vías respiratorias aún están en desarrollo e inhalan más aire por libra de peso corporal que un adulto. Además, los niños tienden a realizar más actividades al aire libre.

Cuide su salud y quedesen en casa.

Esperanza para los estudiantes indocumentados

Los estudiantes indocumentados del estado están siguiendo con atención las acciones que están tomando en Sacramento, ya que parece que van a poder conseguir un tipo de ayuda financiera, que tal vez hagan posible que puedan seguir estudiando en escuelas superiores en el estado. La propuesta de ley Dream Act, fue aprobada la semana pasada, por el comité fiscal de la asamblea, y ahora solo se espera que el pleno de la asamblea la apruebe.

El senador Gil Cedillo, es el autor de esta propuesta, es el mismo senador que año con año, ha presentado la iniciativa de ley para darles licencias a los indocumentados.

La propuesta del Senador, va encaminada a ayudar a los jóvenes de California, él dice que si el estado de California invierte dinero en la educación primaria, lo más lógico es que se siguiera apoyando al estudiante a nivel universitario. Para ayudarlo a salir adelante, y al mismo tiempo ayudar a la economía del estado.

La medida que permitiría a los estudiantes in-

documentados en California optar por ciertos tipos de becas para continuar estudios en planteles de educación superior podría llegar al pleno de la Asamblea en unas cuantas semanas.

De aprobarse la propuesta, permitiría a estudiantes sin seguro social, solicitar becas internas en los sistemas universitarios UC y CSU (Universidad de California y Universidad Estatal de California, respectivamente), así como en los 109 colegios comunitarios del estado.

Se estima que alrededor de 25.000 estudiantes

indocumentados se gradúan de la secundaria cada año en California, y aunque se pueden matricular para asistir a la universidad como residentes, muchos estudiantes no pueden costear los gastos, la colegiatura anual para un estudiante del sistema UC es de unos 6.571 dólares. Los estudiantes de CSU pagan un promedio de 2.772 dólares.

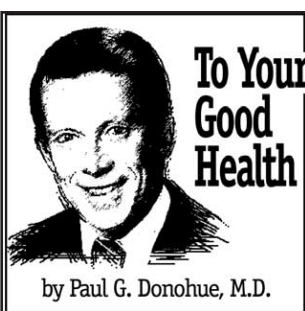
El gobernador vetó una medida similar el año pasado porque no excluía la ayuda estatal, esperaremos el resultado de esta propuesta.

Features

Arm swelling after breast cancer surgery

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Two years ago I had surgery for breast cancer, and lymph nodes were also removed during the surgery. I recently developed lymphedema and am quite upset about it. I don't think I ever read where you (or anyone else) discussed it. I didn't know what it was until I saw something about it on TV. It seems to be under control, but I must wear an arm sleeve, which I hate. Please comment on it. —J.R.

ANSWER: We have two circulatory systems. Everyone knows the blood circulatory system. Few know the lymph circulatory system. Lymph is the watery part of blood that oozes out of blood vessels and bathes all body cells and tissues. It provides nutrition and protection. Lymph vessels — similar to arteries and veins but more delicate — are open-ended affairs that suction lymph fluid and eventually return it to the circulation. On its journey back to the main circulation, lymph fluid passes through lymph nodes, which remove from it foreign material and germs. Anything that disrupts the return of fluid back to the circulation causes swelling — lymphedema. In your case, the disruption was breast surgery with removal of lymph nodes. About 15 percent of women who undergo such breast surgery develop lymphedema of the arm on the side of the removed breast. Early treatment of lymphedema prevents permanent changes from happening. Arm elevation encourages drainage out of the arm. Elastic garments squeeze lymph fluid back into the main circulation. Compression pumps are another way to mobilize the fluid. A special kind of massage, performed by a trained therapist, can effectively promote drainage of lymph fluid. It's called manual lymphatic drainage, and practicing therapists are found in about every section of the country. The National Lymphedema Network can put you in touch with such a therapist and can provide you with information on this condition. You can reach



the network at 1-800-541-3259 and on the Web at www.lymphnet.org. The booklet on edema and lymphedema provides details on both these common conditions. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 106W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery. ***

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My doctor has me taking two blood pressure medicines every day. There was a time when my pressure was quite high. Now it's normal. I take my pressure every day. I am retired, and I think that brought my pressure down. Can I safely stop one of my blood pressure medicines? —D.K.

ANSWER: It would be safe for you if your doctor thinks it is a good idea. He or she probably will, if you discuss it. When you see your doctor, bring with you a record of your blood pressures. That information will carry much weight in making the right decision. Blood pressure medicine is usually, but not always, taken for life. If people make big life changes — reduce their salt intake, exercise, lose weight, minimize life's stresses — then it is possible to decrease the dose of blood pressure medicine and sometimes to eliminate it. ***

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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My trip to the VA Clinic

The other day, I had a monthly appointment to see my doctor at the VA Mental Health Clinic at Mather Field. I really don't like going to these appointments because it breaks my heart to go into the waiting room and sit there until the doctor is ready to see me — usually an hour or so late.

There are some sad cases at that place and it really is hard on the heart just to look around the room. I wouldn't go to these appointments except that the doctor will cut off my medication if I don't. That's pretty low-down tricky if you ask me. I get them in the mail anyway — why do I have to go all the way over there?

I decided to ask Dr. Eaton why I had to come in and why she couldn't just mail my prescription so that I wouldn't take up so much of her time. She said that she had to see me physically (in person) to insure that the meds were working and that they had no adverse effects on me. In answer to that, I explained that my wife already does the observation thingy and she has done it for years now. When I first started taking VA medication I asked her to keep an eye on me and to let me know if I started dragging my feet and walking around in circles while I mumble obscenities to myself.

She explained that the VA required her to follow certain rules, so that was that. She doesn't realize what it's like in that waiting room because she just walks in, calls a name, and then leaves as quickly as she came in. I have to sit there for hours sometimes. I try to look at the floor but it's a hard thing to do when the guy sitting next to you is either crying, screaming or twitching so bad that his

chair shakes and bumps into my chair, making it shake and jump around too. I'm thinking, "This guy still thinks he's on a machine gun because every once in a while he stops shaking and pulls an invisible lever ejecting a spent round that was jammed before he goes back to shaking and twitching."

Sometimes I can't use the restroom at the clinic because some old sergeant stands at the door and expects me to GI the place spotless when I'm done. He says the restroom belongs to him. This situation, in turn, makes me jump around and twitch because I have to go to the bathroom and can't. I will sometimes sit in my chair and listen to him yelling at other patients for not flushing twice or for using too much toilet paper.

At my age I'm getting too old to be doing all those pushups for messes in the restroom that I didn't even make. Yeah, this guy might be 82 years old, but I've seen him disarm two of the VA security guards and yell at them until they started crying and low crawling until they were completely out of his AO (Area of Operation).

At one appointment Dr. Eaton wanted me to go to the VA Hospital down the street and have another doctor examine me. I was supposed to see some kind of proctologist or something. I told her, "No way, I grew up in a Catholic orphanage where some nun gave me an enema every week because it would wash out

the evil that was inside me."

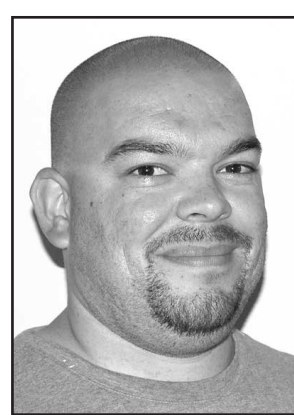
I told her that between the enemas and the beatings they gave me, my rear end was sore all the time. So sore that I would run away, living on the street and eating out of garbage cans, at the age of 9 years old. Even that didn't help because when you eat out of garbage cans you can get a hellacious case of the worms; then things get really sore.

Having said all that, she looked at me kind of funny and asked if I was having any other problems. When she says this, it usually means my appointment is about over. So I says, "Yeah, I have one problem, and it's ethical in nature." She gave me one of those "go on" kinda looks because she didn't have time to waste on my problems with ethics. I told her that I wouldn't bother her with it but it was kind of important that I work this out quickly because I didn't know how much time I had left. "OK," she said, "what is it?"

I looked at the floor as I spoke and finally said, "Do you think it would be unethical for me to nominate myself for the City of Winters Citizen of the Year?" She looked at me for a moment, took out a little yellow piece of paper, scribbled the date of my next appointment on it, handed it to me and said, "Get out of my office!"

I think I'm going to have to work it so that I'm the new best friend of the new Winters mayor. Maybe it would be smarter to go that route. After all, I didn't try to take the mayor's job away from him, did I? He might nominate me out of gratitude. I would try to be friends with the police chief, but he would probably have me taken on an elevator ride, and they don't even have an elevator.

Pleased to meet you



Name: Rudy Baylor
Occupation: HVAC Mechanic
Hobby: Woodworking
What's best about living in Winters: "I'm the Junior Warriors President."
Fun fact: Was on the 1994 California State Champions team for Winters High School.

King Crossword Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Before you adventurous Arians charge right into those new projects, take a little time to learn where you'll be going so you can avoid getting lost before you get there. TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your time is devoted to career demands through much of the week. But Venus, who rules your sign, might be planning how (and with whom) you'll spend your weekend. GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Don't be put off by the surprising turn in the way your project is developing. You've invested enough time in it to know how to make all the necessary adjustments. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The work week goes smoothly for the most part. But a week-end visit to a place in your past could hold surprises for your future, especially where romance is involved. LEO (July 23 to August 22) A sudden attack of shyness for the usually loquacious Lion could be a sign that deep down you're not sure enough about what (or whom) you had planned to talk up in public. VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Deal with that job-related problem on-site — that is, at the workplace. Avoid taking it home, where it can spoil those important personal plans you've made. LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) It's a good time to let those favorable comments about your business dealings be known to those in a position to be helpful. Don't hide your light; let it shine. SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Avoid added pressure to finish a project on deadline by steering clear of distractions. To put it somewhat poetically: Time for fun — when your tasks are done. SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might be uneasy about an offer from a longtime colleague. But before you reject it, study it. You might be surprised at what it actually contains. CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Deal firmly with a difficult family matter. It's your strength they need right now. You can show your emotions when the situation begins to ease up. AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A recent dispute with some co-workers might not have been completely resolved. But other colleagues will be only too happy to offer support of your actions. PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Let go of that Piscean pride long enough to allow someone to help you with a surprising development. That could make it easier for you to adjust to the change. BORN THIS WEEK: Your willingness to open up to possibilities is why people like you are often among our most popular political leaders.

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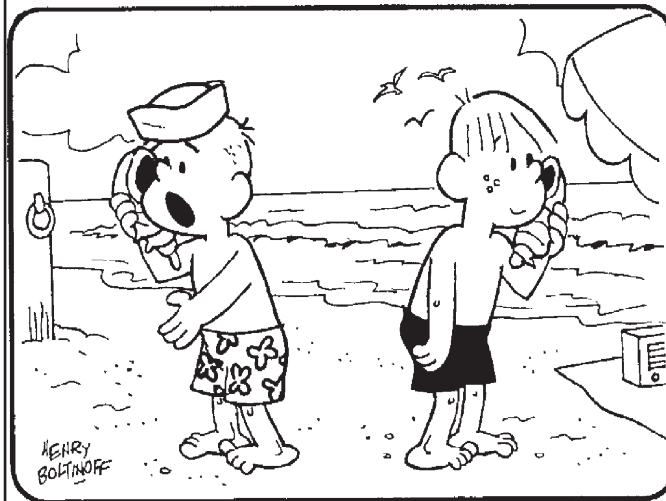
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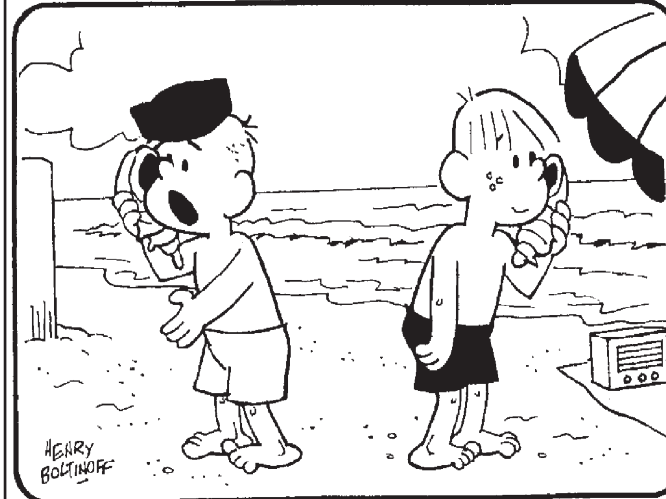
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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Ava Woodard, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-646
Fictitious Business Name
Pellet Road Media
109 Broadview Lane, Winters CA 95694
P.O. Box 12, Winters CA 95694
Timothy Robert Holmes
109 Broadview Ln, Winters, CA 95694
This business classification is: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: 6/1/08.
s/ Timothy R. Holmes
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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk
Published July 10, 17, 24, 31, 2008

Petition to Administer Estate

Harold R. Anderson (SBN 78712), Attorney at Law
15 Abbey Street
Winters, CA 95694
Attorney for Steven C. Godden, Petitioner
Superior Court of California, County of Yolo
Main Court
725 Court Street
Woodland, CA 95695
Filed, Yolo Superior Court
June 30, 2008
by S. Jensen, Deputy
Case Number PB08-132

Probate Department
Estate of: MARGUERITE LAFERN GODDEN, aka MARGUERITE L. GODDEN.
Notice of Petition to administer estate of MARGUERITE LAFERN GODDEN, aka MARGUERITE L. GODDEN
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of Marguerite Lafern Godden, aka Maguerite L. Godden.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Steven C. Godden in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo
The Petition for Probate request that Steven C. Godden be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent;s will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files and objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: 8/18/08 time: 9:00a.m.. dept: 1
Address of court: Same as noted above.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal represntative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are aperson interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for petitioner (name): Harold R. Anderson, Attorney at Law
Address: PO Box 752
Winters, CA 95694
Telephone: 530-795-3351

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L & K Enterprises
1175 Lake Blvd., #126, Davis, CA 95616
Names of Registrants
Leigh Harrington
1175 Lake Blvd., #126, Davis, CA 95616
Kevin Rosi
1175 Lake Blvd., #126, Davis, CA 95616
This business classification is: Joint Venture
Beginning Date of Business: 6/12/08.
s/ Kevin Rosi
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June 3, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberly Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-580
Fictitious Business Name
Winters Pizza Factory
108 Main St Winters CA 95694
Gabriel Ibarra 113 Broadview Ln. Winters CA 95694
This business classification is: Individual
s/ Gabriel Ibarra
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8284 Pleasants Valley Road, Winters, CA 95694,
Solano
PO Box 749 Winters, CA 95694, Yolo
William L. SPANGLER, 8284 Pleasants Valley Road, Winters, CA 95694
This business classification is: Individual
s/ Patricia Perez
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ANTILNATTE MITCHELL, Deputy Clerk
Published June 26, July 3, 10, 17 2008

Non-traditional scholarship program seeking applicants

The California Exposition & State Fair recently announced the deadline for its Step Up Positive Change Awards, a non-traditional scholarship program that will highlight significant and productive life changes made by at-risk youth. Application forms are due by Friday, July 25. Award winners will be announced and recognized on Sept. 1, during the Step Up Talent Show at the California State Fair.

“The Positive Change Awards were designed to highlight and recognize youth who are often overlooked by mainstream society,” said Norb Bartosik, Cal Expo General Manager and CEO. “Our goal is to demonstrate that every person can choose to Step Up and be positive at some point in

their lives.”

Any California resident, aged 16-25 who has made a significant and lasting life change is encouraged to apply. Ideal candidates are youth who may have been in trouble in the past but are making significant strides to improve their lives and their communities. Candidates need to be actively involved as a member, employee, or volunteer in an outreach program or non-profit organization.

A prize pool of \$1,000 has been donated by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) and will be divided among the top three winning candidates. Three individual winners will be chosen with 1st place awarded \$500, 2nd place

\$300 and 3rd place \$200. Award winners must designate an organization to receive the monetary reward.

Applications may be picked up at the California State Fair administration building, by calling 916-263-3912 or by going online to www.bigfun.org.

Step Up is a grassroots outreach program from Cal Expo which reinforces positive behavior and provides productive activities for young people. Step Up includes a hip-hop dance team, an awards program and a number of special events during the California State Fair.

The 2008 California State Fair will be held Aug. 15 to Sept. 1 at Cal Expo in Sacramento.

Free Admission to the Crocker Art Museum

Through the generous support of Bank of America, the Crocker Art Museum is offering free admission hours to visitors on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The free admission program was slated to be modified or eliminated beginning in July due to the lack of a corporate sponsor before Bank of America’s commitment.

“The Crocker is grateful to Bank of America and its commitment to the Museum and promoting the arts across the nation,” said Lial A. Jones, Museum Director. “Pro-

viding free admission hours is the best way to ensure access to everyone in the community. Last year, more than 26,000 individuals entered the Museum during Sunday Free Hours.”

“Bank of America is committed to improving access to the arts,” said Eric Stanion, Market Development Manager. “Free Admission Sundays at the Crocker Art Museum are a great resource for individuals and families who might not be able to visit otherwise.”

Bank of America has

been a long-time supporter of arts and culture nationally. The bank’s acclaimed Museums on Us program has enabled Bank of America cardholders to receive free admission at some of the finest cultural institutions for the past 11 years in select cities during the month of May. In May 2008, the program was expanded into a national, year-long program that includes the Crocker.

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Literacy tutor training workshop offered

The Yolo County Library, partnering with the Woodland Public Library Literacy Service, is sponsoring a joint tutor training workshop. The workshop will be held on Saturday, July 19, 10 a.m. to noon at the Woodland Public Library, 520 First Street in Woodland.

“We encourage Yolo County residents to share the rewards of reading by volunteering to help adult learners improve their reading skills,” said Patty Wong, Yolo County Librarian. “You truly can make a real difference. No experience is necessary, the hours are flexible and we provide all the training and materials.”

In 2005, National Center for

Education Statistics published the National Assessment of Adult Literacy. Findings state:

~ Nationally 93 million people struggle with their basic literacy skills.

~ Thirty million of these are at the lowest literacy levels—unable to read the TV Guide or an explanation of how they were selected for a jury pool—according to the report.

~ While one-third of this segment is not native English speakers, the remaining two-thirds are adults who speak English but never acquired basic reading and writing skills.

~ Utilizing the national statistics, the need in California

can be projected at 10.5 million adults who lack basic literacy skills and are in need adult basic literacy services.

In Yolo County Adult Literacy program tutors are matched with students on a one-to-one basis and tutoring space is available at each of the seven county libraries located in the communities of Davis, West Sacramento, Clarksburg, Winters, Esparto, Knights Landing and Yolo.

For more information, or to sign up for the July 19 training, call the Yolo County Library Literacy Service at 1-866-609-7303 (toll free) or e-mail heather.bratt@yolocounty.org.

Researchers need help with red fox study

Thanks to more than 250 people who reported native red fox sightings, UC Davis researchers studied 18 Central Valley dens last year, and have already begun studying 10 this year. The researchers are asking again for reports of red foxes, living or dead, in the Sacramento Valley and in the high elevations of the Sierra Nevada and Cascades mountains.

Ben Sacks, an expert in canine genetics, said that contrary to onetime scientific opinion, red foxes living in the Sacramento Valley are not an artificially introduced species that threaten local ecosystems. Instead, they are natives, and close cousins to the native Sierra Nevada red fox. (In other low-elevation parts of the state, such as the San Joaquin Valley and coastal areas, red foxes are indeed nonnative, invasive and threaten several sensitive bird species.)

Last year, Sacks and colleagues counted adults and

pups at their dens and collected fecal samples for DNA analysis. The DNA provided genetic “fingerprints” for 97 individual foxes, he said. Genetic IDs are also being established for 12 road-killed foxes. This information will help researchers estimate the numbers of red foxes inhabiting the valley. DNA matches between samples also will help researchers understand how foxes use the areas where they live and help them determine the foxes’ travel routes.

Sacks is an assistant adjunct professor in the Department of Population Health and Reproduction and the Veterinary Genetics Laboratory, both programs of the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine. He also is an assistant professor of biology at Sacramento State University. Sacks’ collaborator is Heiko Wittmer, a UC Davis population ecologist and an assistant adjunct professor in the Department of

Wildlife, Fish and Conservation Biology, in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. Their study is funded with \$312,000 from the California Department of Fish and Game.

The public can report fox sightings at <http://foxsurvey.ucdavis.edu>, and send fox photos to sacvalleyredfox@gmail.com. For more information, call Sacks, 754-9088.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE TS # CA-08-145172-JB Loan # 18100552 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/23/2002. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): DAVID RODRIGUEZ, AN UNMARRIED MAN Recorded: 6/3/2002 as Instrument No. 2002-0023325-00 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California; Date of Sale: 7/16/2008 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$193,771.71 The purported property address is: 458 Abbey Street Winters, CA 95694 Assessors Parcel No. 003-401-03-1 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: 6/21/2008 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: (800) 247-9727 Jennifer Basom, Trustee Sale Officer 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# 2782409 06/26/2008, 07/03/2008, 07/10/2008

Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE TS # CA-08-144881-JB Loan # 15486046 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/26/2005. 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 state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): RAMONA A. GONZALEZ, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Recorded: 9/30/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0049221-00 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California; Date of Sale: 7/16/2008 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$341,191.82 The purported property address is: 703 Apricot Avenue Winters, CA 95694 Assessors Parcel No. 003-342-22-1 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: 6/21/2008 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: (800) 247-9727 Jennifer Basom, Trustee Sale Officer 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# 2782617 06/26/2008, 07/03/2008, 07/10/2008