



Winters Express

What to cut?

◆ School board eyes programs, staff positions for chopping block

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The school board held a workshop on Thursday, Jan. 22, with one item to discuss: What cuts to make in school budgets, because of the state's proposed mid-year cuts. The paralyzed state government has failed to agree on revising its budget in anticipation of a staggering \$41 million shortfall, but as time goes by, more specific information for school districts has emerged.

The Winters School Board needs to make tough choices now, without awaiting a decision from Sacramento because by March 15, the district will have to

send out layoff notices.

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger is planning to make 55 percent of the cuts apply to schools, even though education is only 40 percent of the state budget. What's more, the state will be delaying the actual payments by a few months, in a system of deferrals that may become permanent.

Winters Superintendent of Schools Pat Lewis' report assumes the state will cut per-student funding by \$319, but it will be applied to the entire 2008/09 year, making the cut \$612, or 9.68 percent. Additional cuts next year are expected to be 2.51 percent, making an accumulated drop of 16.17 percent over 2007/2008, or \$1074 per student.

All of this is on the

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Input sought on superintendent

The Winters School Board is in the process of selecting a new district superintendent, following the resignation of Dale Mitchell last year. Community input is sought about the desired characteristics of a new superintendent, which will be used in the recruitment and selection process.

The school district has contracted with consultants Jake Abbott

and Walt Buster of Leadership Associates, which will be paid \$22,500 to gather input and advise the school board on the selection process. They will be in Winters on Wednesday, Feb. 4.

Individual input from community members (parents, employees and anyone interested in the school district) is

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One killed in crash

An 18-year-old Winters man was killed Saturday evening after his car hit a tree at high speed on Putah Creek Road, west of McNeil Road, according to a CHP press release.

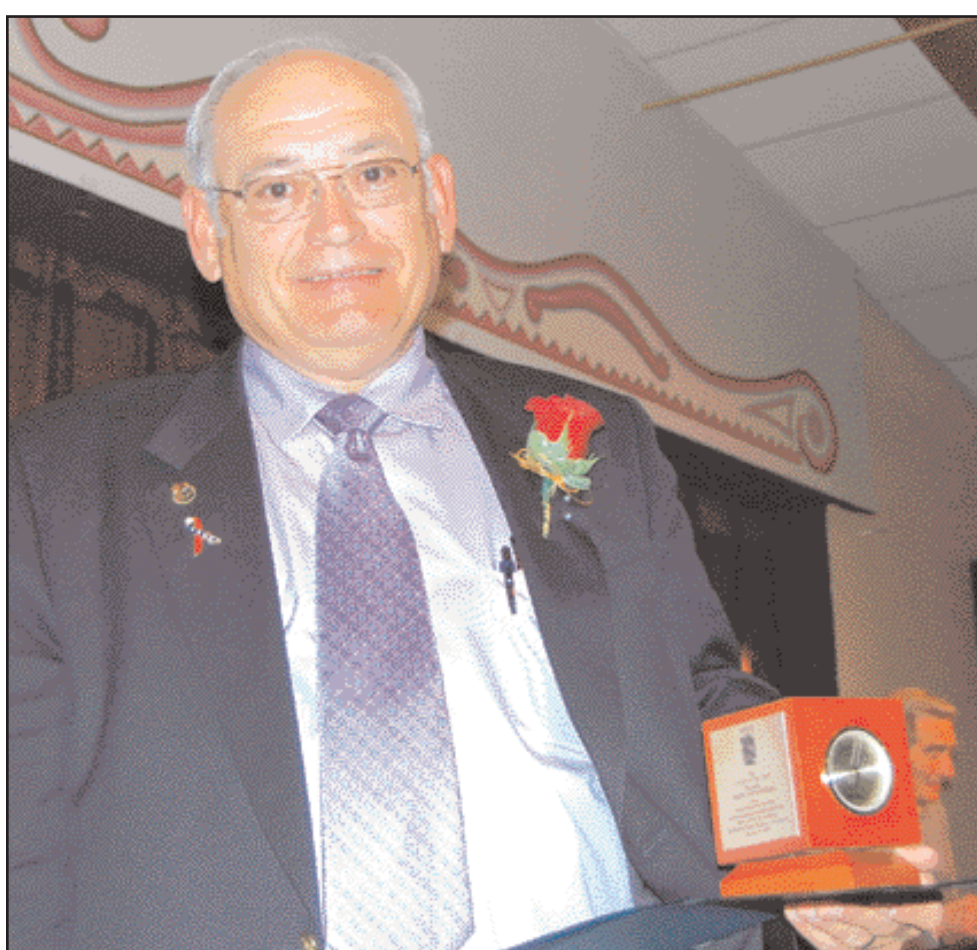
The impact of the tree caused his 2001 Honda to be torn almost in half before it struck a second tree. The time of the

collision is unknown, but a witness who came upon the scene called 911 at about 6:30 p.m.

The man was identified as Oscar Angulo and was declared dead at the scene.

According to the CHP, Angulo was not wearing a seat belt and may have consumed alcohol prior to the accident.

Outstanding



Photos by Debra Lo Guercio

The Winters Chamber of Commerce celebrated its outstanding citizens at its Year in Review event, held on Saturday, Jan. 24, at the Community Center. Receiving awards were 2008 Citizen of the Year, Joe Martinez (above), holding the official Citizen of the Year gift, and, from left (left), Senior Citizen of the Year John Sexton, Theodore Winters Award recipient Marie Heilman, and Shaunie and Michael Briggs, owners of the Business of the Year, Briggs & Co. All were honored by city and state representatives.

Utility fees may rise

By MOLLY DAVIS
City editor

Amid national excitement and local enthusiasm, the Winters City Council met on Tuesday, Jan. 20, — the evening of the presidential inauguration — for its regularly scheduled meeting. The council met early for its executive session, and then in open session at 7:30 p.m., in an attempt to allow council members, city staff and audience members to attend the local inaugural ball at The Palms. It was evident that council members were eager to keep the meeting flowing so citizens could enjoy the night's festivities. Mayor Michael Martin requested that public comments be kept to a maximum of three minutes.

"We're still polite in this community," he explained.

Howard Hupe spoke to the council about the upcoming Amgen bicycle tour, and its positive impact on the community. He said Winters is a good spot to view the race, and encouraged businesses to open on the day the race goes through Winters, which should be around noon on Sunday, Feb. 15.

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County, city reps to meet Thursday

A "2X2" meeting of county and city officials will take place on Thursday, Jan. 29, at 4 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, 318 First Street. Mayor Mike Martin and Winters City Council member Harold Anderson will meet with Yolo County Supervisors Matt Rexroad and Duane Chamberlain. Winters City Manager John Donlevy and County Administrator Sharon Jensen will also participate.

The 2X2 committee was created to promote intergovernmental communication between the City of Winters and the County of Yolo on issues of mutual interest. This committee is not empowered to

make decisions on behalf of the entities its members represent; it has been established for information purposes only. All interested residents are welcome to attend.

The agenda includes:

- ~ Public comment. The public may address the committee on matters not listed on the agenda. Comment will be accepted for matters listed on the agenda at the time that matter is discussed. (Time for public comment may be limited.)

- ~ Introductions.
- ~ Approval of Agenda.
- ~ Emergency Communications. (Council)

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City council to meet Tuesday

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The agenda includes the swearing-in of police officer Matthew Martin and a presentation by Wes Mercado of Southwest Water, Inc.

Give her a whirl



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Jacqueline Avellar (right) gives Theresa Sackett a spin on the dance floor at the local Inaugural Ball held at The Palms on Tuesday, Jan. 20, to celebrate the inauguration of President Barack Obama.

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Weekly police report

Jan. 2-3
~ 8 p.m. to 8:21 a.m., on the first block of Edwards Street, a vehicle window was smashed to gain entry to the vehicle and electronic equipment was stolen. Loss and damage: \$700.

Jan. 6-7
~ 5:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., on the first block of East Main Street, entrance was made to a locked vehicle and electronic equipment was stolen. Loss: \$3,500; damage to vehicle: \$4,000.

~ 11:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m., on the first block of East Main Street, a vehicle window was smashed to gain entry to the vehicle and electronic equipment was stolen. Loss and damage: \$468.

Jan. 13-15
~ 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., on the 100 block of East Baker Street, forcible entry was gained to a locked vehicle and electronic equipment and miscellaneous vehicle parts were stolen. Loss: \$300.

Jan. 14
~ 1:21 p.m., on the 200 block of Grant Avenue, officers responded to a request for a welfare check at a residence, as there had been some unusual behavior. The resident was not home and the residence appeared normal.

Jan. 16
~ 7 p.m., on the 600 block of Ivy Loop, a license plate was stolen from a vehicle.

Jan. 16-19
~ 4:10:59 p.m., on the 500 block of Niemann Street, a office window of a school was broken. Estimated damage: \$500.

Jan. 17
~ 5:04 a.m., Samantha Kristine Waldron, 18, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08% and failing to use a turn signal. Waldron was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

Jan. 19
~ 2:58 a.m., on the 400 block of Anderson Avenue, a school classroom window was broken with a rock. Entry was made into the classroom and it was ransacked. Property was not stolen. Estimated damage: \$500.

~ 9-9:05 p.m., on the 200 block of Railroad Avenue, an unlocked bicycle was stolen. Loss: \$100.

Jan. 20
~ 5:17-5:45 p.m., on the first block of Main Street, an officer responded to three audible alarm calls. It was determined the alarm was activated accidentally.

~ 8 p.m. to 8:52 a.m., on the 300 block of Baker Street, forcible entry was gained to a locked vehicle and a GPS and laptop computer were stolen. Loss: \$800.

~ 11:04 p.m., Fabricio Sanchez Tellez, 29, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver, failing to dim headlights and failing to provide proof of insurance.

Jan. 22
~ 9:09 a.m., a citizen reported a lost passport.

~ 8:49 p.m., Sabino Noyola-Nunez, 32, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and driving an unregistered vehicle.

Jan. 22-23
~ 3:30 p.m. to 8 a.m., on the 900 block of Valley Oak Drive, a vehicle window was broken to gain entry to a vehicle and electronic items were stolen. Loss and damage: \$1,950.

Jan. 23
~ Noon, a vehicle owned by Jeri G. Hansen of Winters was parked in a parking space in the parking lot located at 3 Grant Avenue. An unknown driver of a vehicle attempted to park next to Hansen's vehicle and collided into the rear of the vehicle. The unknown driver fled the scene.

~ 10:14 p.m., a 17-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for possessing a narcotic controlled substance, possessing a controlled substance, possessing less than an ounce of marijuana and being a minor in possession of alcohol. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a parent on a notice to appear.

~ 10:39 p.m., at State Route 128 and County Road 86, an officer assisted the Yolo County Sheriff's Department with a roll-over traffic collision.

Jan. 23-24
~ 11 p.m. to 5:50 a.m., on the 200 block of Abbey Street, a utility trailer was stolen. Loss: \$2,000.

Jan. 24
~ 1:34 a.m., Ryan Anthony Martinez, 25, of Winters was arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with violation of probation and failing to appear for jail time on previous charges of driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08%. Martinez was also arrested on an outstanding Solano County bench warrant charging him with failure to appear on previous charges of driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08% and reckless driving. Martinez was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail.

~ 8:29 a.m., a found bicycle was turned over to the police department.

~ 10:29 p.m., at County Road 89 and County Road 27, an officer assisted the Yolo County Sheriff's Department with perimeter check during a vehicle pursuit. The California Highway Patrol ended the pursuit by stopping the vehicle.

Jan. 25
~ 4:38 a.m., on the 300 block of Railroad Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

~ 6:52 p.m., on the 300 block of Railroad Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

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File photo
Joe Martinez, of Winters, who was elected in October, 1968 as National Vice President of the Future Farmers of America, left, is shown here in March, 1969 in a visit to New York as the national officers of FFA toured 17 cities. Joe is pictured here from atop the Allied Chemical Tower, overlooking Times Square. On the right is G.C. Mattiesen, vice president of Allied Chemical's Agricultural Division.

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YEARS AGO

February 19, 1959

The heaviest rain of the season Sunday and early Monday morning dumped 3.50 inches of rain here during a 24-hour period, turning streets into lakes, and flooding several business houses on Railroad Avenue. Winters Food Center, Frisbee Motor Sales and Manuel's Super Service all had water in their establishments.

Ed Horton, project engineer for the Solano Project, said yesterday that water storage behind Monticello Dam would reach the million acre foot mark either last night or early this morning. At 8 o'clock yesterday morning Lake Berryessa contained 982,000 acre feet.

At the city council meeting Tuesday night, Councilman Ernie Young made a request of the other council members that the city's business be discussed at regular council meetings and not on the telephone or on the street corner.

Every moment is a golden one for him who has the vision to recognize it as such. ~ Henry Miller

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YEARS AGO

February 18, 1944

Pfc. Tony Martin had a week's furlough visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin, returning Tuesday to his station at Ft. Jackson, South Carolina.

Lt. James E. and Mrs. Rollins arrived Sunday from Shreveport, Louisiana, and visited five days with relatives in Monticello and Winters.

Coming out on top in the hotly contested race was Ruth Baker, now "Sweetheart of Winters High."

Rev. Lee Sadler plans to leave the first of the week for a two weeks vacation and study period in a Berkeley Divinity school.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ish and daughters of Sacramento were Sunday guests with his sister, Mrs. H.A. Young. The occasion was the observance of Janet Young's birthday, Sunday, who spent the weekend at home.

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YEARS AGO

February 19, 1909

Rainfall to date, 27.16 inches. Everyone is anxious to have the rain cease falling.

On Thursday evening, Feb. 11, Mrs. C.A. Kettlewell was the recipient of a very pleasant Valentine party.

A landslide 100 feet long and 40 feet wide fell across Pleasants Valley grade at the bluff Monday.

According to the ideas expressed at the joint meeting of the citizens with the Improvement Club, walnut trees are to be planted on Main Street from between First and Second streets. Once these trees are self-sustaining, more will be planted until all the streets of town are lined with thrifty shade trees.

A s s e m b l y m a n Lawrence Wilson has introduced a bill to the State Assembly for a practical drainage of the tulle lands west of Sacramento into Suisun Bay.

Berryessa drops .05 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa dropped by .05 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 831 acre feet of water, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 413.37 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,123,507 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 25 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 31 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 22 acre feet of water per day during the week.

Embroiderers Guild to meet

The Valley Oak Chapter of the Embroiderers Guild of America will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 5, at the Alternative Recreation Center, 1111 Anderson Road in Davis. Sue March will teach a small beading project. Most materials will be provided for a \$3 kit fee, but a three-inch covered hoop is needed, and a box or tray for the beads.

For further information call 756-0380.

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YEARS AGO

February 17, 1894

Born in Winters, February 10, 1894, to the wife of J.B. Ruggles, a daughter.

Kelly Briggs returned on Thursday from a visit to the Mid-Winter Fair.

William Sims and daughter, Miss Nora, went to San Francisco last Monday morning to visit the Mid-Winter Fair.

The public schools, it is now thought, will close about the last of April, giving us an eight month's term.

Walter Hemenway has done a land office business this week, taking "celestial" pictures.

At the regular session of Winters Lodge No. 65, A.O.U.W., held last Monday evening, Rev. H.C. Culton was elected representative to the Grand Lodge, which will meet in San Jose in April.



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heels of almost yearly cuts made in the Winters School District because of declining enrollment, which includes the current year as well as six of the last eight years. There is no mitigation for this in the governor's plans, even though it is a problem for over half of the state's schools.

The ongoing reductions are taxing the district, and creating stress with staff and parents. The low hanging fruit has been picked by now, and the fruit on the middle branches as well. Each year's list of likely reductiona favors choices that were unacceptable the previous year.

The governor will be loosening many funding restrictions, helping the district to minimize the impact of the cuts.

All of the above results in a reduction of revenue to the district of \$771,720; add to that \$125,510 because of this year's declining enrollment, for a total of \$897,230.

Reduced staffing because of declining enrollment — three Full Time Equivalent (FTE) positions — will save \$180,000. Another \$82,254 will be saved by not having to match deferred maintenance, one of the freedoms added by the governor. Another \$212,716 will come from a reserve prudently set up in anticipation of declining enrollment, and another \$157,742 to come from a one-time reserve. With all this, the planned shortfall was reduced to \$264,518 of needed cuts, an amount similar to what has been cut in a number of recent years because of declining enrollment.

Lewis presented the list of proposed cuts, the product of much work by school district staff. The most recommended programs targeted for reductions include:

- 1) Reduce the board from seven to five members, saving \$6,326.
- 2) Assign high school teachers to teach seven out of eight periods instead of six, saving 3.33 FTE, or \$200,000.
- 3) Increase the class size goal to 28:1, saving \$94,278 (1.57 FTE) or 30:1, saving \$264,078 (4.4 FTE).
- 4) Eliminate some clerk, nurse and psychologist hours for a program no longer supported by Medi-Cal funding, saving \$58,746.
- 5) Reduce Wolfskill Continuation High School counseling by combining the position with that of administrator, saving \$36,877.
- 6) Combine administration at the high school (WHS), Independent Study and Wolfskill, eliminating Teacher on Assignment, saving \$36,877.
- 7) Reduce the middle school (WMS) library technician's hours, saving \$9,571.
- 8) Combine administration of WMS and Shirley Rominger Intermediate School (SRIS), saving \$100,942, by eliminating a principal position.
- 9) Reduce the counselor position at Wolfskill by .5 FTE, saving \$30,000.
- 10) Reduce counseling at all sites by 10 percent, saving \$30,000.
- 11) Reduce counselor at elementary level, saving \$30,000.
- 12) Reduce the data analyst position by .20 FTE, saving \$10,000.
- 13) Reduce clerical services to the 2005/2006 level, saving \$39,270.
- 14) Reduce noon supervisors at WMS, sav-

ing \$5,900.

15) Reduce groundskeeper and maintenance positions to save \$32,282.

16) Reduce discretionary block grants by five percent, to save \$7,500.

17) Reduce general operating expenses to save \$15,000.

18) Use Vehicle Replacement funds to purchase a van, costing more at first but providing savings later.

Ten more items were listed, but they were not as highly recommended.

Lewis emphasized the need for a final board decision at the March 5 meeting, so layoff notices for teachers and other certified staff could start by March 15. Staff is currently trying to find out how many employees are not returning anyway, because it affects the calculations. The staff will bring an updated list to the Feb. 19 meeting for discussion.

The workshop went through the proposals, getting comments from trustees and the five people attending the meeting.

For item Number 2, there was discussion of whether the item was negotiable. The extra period includes meetings with senior project seniors, and there was discussion of whether the projects are that time-consuming.

"It's been a nice luxury," said trustee chair Mary Jo Rodolfa of the extra period, "and for me, that's the crux of the matter. You can still do senior project, but in a different manner. We have to be very realistic."

Of Number 3, which would require negotiation, Lewis said, "It would be nice if we could reach our number without changing class size. One of the nice things about Winters that helps retain teachers is the smaller class size. One thing begets another."

"If you do go that direction, from 27 to 28 (students to teachers)," said trustee Jay Shepherd, "and at some future date you want to come back, you're going to have to find that money."

He also mentioned the equity issue with the younger grades, because K-3 are held at 20 students by the Class Size Reduction Program.

"This would be devastating," said teacher Dave Paratore of Number 4's reductions for nurse and psychologist hours. "This would be awful. And we can't get enough time with the psychologist we have now. It's insane. This would be debilitating to our whole system."

"Going from a seven member board to a five member board doesn't hurt the kids; adding five periods for senior project doesn't hurt the kids," said trustee Stephanie Atherton. "Eliminating the nurse does."

This theme would be supported by a number of board members through the discussion of what to cut. Later, trustee Rodney Orosco would ask to move past items 7-11, because they all come closer to affecting the students directly.

Discussing Number 5, Lewis said Wolfskill Continuation High School has a full-time counselor and the high school has two; reducing the position to .5 at the 41 student Wolfskill program would still give them a much higher ratio per student.

"Wolfskill has made a lot of improvements over the past three years," said Wolfskill

teacher Matt Moran, "and that includes attendance, which means ADA is increased. You might want to look at what the attendance was four years ago. Having an administrator on site that is a trained administrator has really helped our attendance. We are about to be WASC accredited. The morale is high. We have something that's working."

Lewis explained item Number 8 as having an assistant principal at SRIS and a principal at WMS, eliminating a principal position.

Shepherd said he was concerned about changing the administrations because Pam Scheeline at the middle school is interim principal, and it is not known who the next principal will be at that site.

Later, Shepherd asked what would happen if the data analyst position were to go away. That position would be reduced in item Number 12.

"I almost had heart failure there, when he said 'go away,'" said Emilie Simmons, whose various jobs include analyzing and reporting on academic progress. "I don't know how we would plot STAR testing, do data for the sites, prepare writing assessments and manuals. You would be paying me, if I'm still employed with you, to count test booklets and deliver them. It would be very difficult, in my opinion, Jay."

Cutting funding for extracurricular funding by making it self-supporting was on the list of cuts less favored, bringing a comment from teacher JoAnn May.

"You see teachers in here asking you not to hurt our programs," said May, "But you

rarely see a community member in here saying, 'Let's keep this, because we really like it.' If we did cut a program like freshman sports, I've noticed there are a few teams that have very few players. Maybe there's a way to just have a varsity team, or one coach for both teams by combining practices.

"If we struck at those things, the community might come in and have some creative ideas. We put this in the paper, and nobody's here, and they're going to come when we talk about Senior Project."

"If we say we're going to cut sports," said Rodolfa, "I guarantee you they'll come."

"Well maybe they'll have some ideas that will help," said May, "that won't cut back on programs that help kids read."

Other items on the less favored list included permanently reducing salary schedules by one percent district-wide, cutting teacher stipends, reducing administrator workdays (five less for principals and two less for assistant principals), and reducing teacher workdays.

"At the next meeting we will refine this list," said Lewis, "so it will be an action item the following meeting, because that gives people the chance to know what we are talking

about."

The board members were informally polled, each giving a different list of items they would cut. The items getting the most votes were eliminating or reducing extra curricular funding, as well as numbers 1, 2, 4, 12, 13, 15, 17, 18.

The next meeting, planned for Feb. 5, will have an informational discussion of a refined list of the choices with an opportunity for public comment. Action will be taken at the Feb. 19 meeting, with decisions about layoffs for certificated staff on March 5. Meetings will take place at the Walnut Room at the district office at 909 West Grant Avenue, at 6:30 p.m.

Opinion



DEBRA LO QUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

IREFUSED TO BELIEVE IT until I saw it with my own eyes. But it's true. Mervyn's is really gone. I went by the Vacaville store a couple weeks back, and the store was dark, the parking lot abandoned. Sure, they ran ads about their chain closing, and final clearances and whatnot, but I figured Mervyn's would ultimately rise from the ashes of financial doom and be good as new. But no, that bird is cooked.

The death of Mervyn's is one more hearse lining up in the funeral procession of corporate corpses: Circuit City, Shoe Pavilion, Linens 'n Things, Mother's Cookies... all gone. Not just in bankruptcy - gone. Finished. Kaput. Shoe Pavilion and Linens 'n Things, eh. Replaced easily enough, as long as Best Buy, Famous Footware and Bed Bath & Beyond are still around.

Mother's Cookies - now, that one stung. They went belly up last fall, but in the midst of multiple bank collapses and the U.S. auto industry in danger of the same, Mother's Cookies just faded quietly into history.

What's the big deal about Mother's Cookies? Here's what: They made those pink and white frosted animal cookies! Those are, hands down, my favorite guilty little pleasure - chock full of chemicals and food dye and sugar and fat, and there is just no substitute! No more pink and white animal cookies? This is a tragedy, I tell you!

And now Mervyn's. A true shopper's staple. It wasn't fancy, but it was always reliable. If you needed some jeans, or socks or PJs in a hurry and didn't have time to search all afternoon, or needed a nice gift without having to break out the MasterCard, Mervyn's was the spot.

About 90 percent of all the clothing my children ever wore came from Mervyn's. The clothing stood up to the playground and finger painting and baseball practice, and all the other abuses kids inflict on their duds, and held up until the kids grew out of it. Which, of course, is only a matter of months. But still, within that matter of months, little T-shirts and overalls might get washed about a hundred times. And the stuff from Mervyn's never fell apart. Or broke the bank.

And Mervyn's had the Levi's I like best. And the bath towels. And flannel sheets. Now I have to find a new place for all that stuff. It's like going to search for a new best friend.

Grumble, grumble, grumble.

At least there's still Gottschaulk's, right? Maybe not. According to some recent news reports, Gottschaulk's is also teetering on the edge of bankruptcy. Lord knows, I've done my part to keep them afloat, all to no avail! Ditto for Cost Plus, right next door, which I hear is in trouble too.

When will it end? When there's only Wal-Mart left standing? You think they'll keep their low prices when they're the only game in town? One by one, our choices as consumers are disappearing. The beauty of our American economy is its diversity, both in product and price. I don't know about you, but I rather like reading the newspaper inserts and having some choices about which department store has the best deals on throw pillows or summer sandals.

And, speaking of newspaper inserts - advertising is what keeps this very newspaper in your hands. It's all connected! As businesses fail, newspapers follow. You didn't think subscriptions paid the bills, did you? It's all about the advertising, baby. No businesses means no advertising. No advertising means no newspapers. It's all connected.

If things don't turn around, I foresee within my own lifetime, print newspapers will be things of the past, just like typewriters, 8-tracks and the milkman. Remember them? Life without newspapers would just be, well, sad. Sure, there's still the internet, but getting your news online just isn't the same. You can't get that wonderful newsprinty smell that blends so well with morning coffee from CNN.com.

Don't get me wrong, the Express is still holding its own. Other businesses in town haven't been so lucky. Like a microcosm of what's happening on a national scale is happening here in Winters. Local businesses are hanging on by their fingernails, and some just let go over the last year and closed their doors.

While we're waiting for the Obama administration to come up with a miracle stimulus cure, if you have the means to show our local merchants and restaurants a little love, do so. I challenge everyone to visit a local business this week and drop a dollar or two, even if it's just for a cup of coffee or some light bulbs or a birthday card. And if you need sandals, throw pillows and sheets, well, you still have to go out of town for those. And maybe buy those things from one of those struggling businesses before all we have left is WalMart.

ON A LOCAL NOTE: Consider the irony of two stories on our front page: One is about proposed school district budget cuts that threaten programs and staff positions. The other is about the consultants that are being paid \$22,500 to gather input that could easily be gotten for free. Cut the consultants first, for cryin' out loud!



LETTERS

Thanks for music donations

Dear Editor:

The students and I are once more humbled by the generous outpouring of community support. Our local inauguration party collected donations for the middle school music program at the door. Organizers and musicians worked for free so that

all the money could be given to the program.

Obama in his inauguration speech asked us to embody the spirit of service. This is clearly evident in Winters.

On behalf of the school, the music boosters and all the students this touches, thank you.

LYNNE SECRIST

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We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters must be legibly signed by the writer, or if

emailed, must indicate the writer's name.

We may withhold writers' names from publication upon request if there is a legitimate reason, such as fear of reprisal or retribution. We reserve the right to determine legitimacy.

Letters submitted anonymously will not be printed.

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.



CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

SICK OR JUST OLD? I'm lucky I don't get sick very often; I'm not a very good patient. There are lots of sick people walking around town, and I've joined their ranks. Last week, while trying to get the paper out, I kept feeling worse and worse. By Monday night I was sleeping in the guest room, hacking and keeping myself awake. Tuesday morning I phone for a doctor and got a late afternoon appointment. After walking back from Dorothy's funeral, I knew something was wrong.

It is a different feeling when you see a doctor and you're really sick. The receptionist always asks you how you're feeling. This time she just sort of stared and said the doctor will be right with you. The stand-in doctor took my temperature, listened to my heart and breathing, stepped back and said, "I think you have pneumonia." I was thinking, "Good, at least I'm not dying." She prescribed some antibiotics, an inhaler with some kind of miracle drug and sent me downstairs for some x-rays.

I was worried about making it back to town by 6 o'clock, but Gary was waiting at Eagle Drug and left the drugs on the counter and then backed away. I picked up a digital thermometer just to be on the safe side, and went back to work. Luckily it was a small paper, and Debra and Molly were almost done by the time I got back to the office.

I read the instructions on the inhaler and gave it a shot. It froze my tongue, but my throat quit hurting and I could breathe again. When telling this story to Dennis, the dentist, he told me to rinse my mouth after using an inhaler. "It will eat your tongue and teeth." I liked breathing, but I haven't used it too often, just in case it didn't freeze my tongue, but was just was eating it away.

The drugs must be working, it has been two weeks since my sinuses closed up and I started coughing. I'm back to sleeping in my own room, sleeping through the night, and gaining weight. Back to normal, I guess. My permanent tenant is now coughing and giving me dirty looks. I was thinking that it was okay if she's sick, I still have plenty of drugs left over that she can have. I don't think she would find that funny.

THE GUY ON PAGE 2 is now in the front window. If you've been walking the streets of Winters, looking for something to do, you might have noticed old newspapers in our front window. The Guy that is supposed to be on Page 2 has been putting old papers on display for a few days at a time. The sun will ruin them if left out too long. They are pretty interesting, to say the least. From World War II to earthquakes there is quite a range of subject matter. He has been displaying old papers in the Buckhorn for years, but he must have found a new box or two in his office. If you get bored, need a little exercise or just like to remember the past, stop by and see what he puts up next.

PLUMBING, PART II. My new hand-capped bathroom quit working last week. I wasn't feeling up to fixing any major problem, but when your tenants want to know what is going on, you need to do something. I showed them the way to the other bathroom and grabbed a small plumbing snake. It went right through the toilet, down the drain line and hit something about 20 feet away. I should add that this bathroom is next to the alley, where the city's line is 10 foot deep.

When I was working on the new bathroom, a builder looked down the 4-inch iron pipe, and commented, "that line will never back up." Where was he last week? I waited for the weekend, poured some toxic acid down the drain and waited. The next day I pulled the toilet, bought a bigger hand snake and pushed it 20 feet to the end, where it stopped with a click.

By Monday I was ready to give up. I called a plumber, asked him to bring a real snake, and hung up. He arrived, glad I had already pulled the toilet, set up his snake and went to work. I watched him as he pushed his snake in about 20 feet and it stopped. I went out in the alley and lifted up the sewer cover. I want to say I jumped at the sight of a snake, but I just sort of laughed and yelled for him to stop.

Looking down at the sewer line, you could see where our line ends, about 4 feet below the alley. You could also see something that looked like a stuffed animal peeking out of the drain line. A few more efforts with a bigger bit on the end of his snake and we were home free. It was like a champagne cork popping when the auger finally made it through.

It is amazing how good I felt after I re-installed the toilet, cleaned the floor and took down the out of order sign. Maybe it is because I'm not hacking up stuff that looked like it belonged in the toilet.

Have a good week.

"It is an unfortunate human failing that a full pocketbook often groans more loudly than an empty stomach."

~ Franklin D. Roosevelt

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Martin concurred with Hupe's thoughts, saying, "I think this is very important for the community."

The council moved on to the first discussion item, the second reading and public hearing for the development agreement for the Callahan Estates housing project. Kate Kelly, contract planner, told council that there had been no changes since the first reading. Similarly, she introduced the second discussion item, the second reading and public hearing for the development agreement for the Hudson-Ogando housing project. Both items were approved unanimously without any public comments.

Kelly also talked about a credit and reimbursement agreement between the city and Winters Investors for water well number seven. Kelly described the well as "crucial," explaining that the city will complete work on the well and then credit Winters Investors on a unit by unit basis. This was also approved unanimously.

Shelly Gunby, the city's director of financial management, introduced a proposal to increase water and sewer rates, and an eventual switch to metered water readings throughout the city. She told the council that notices about the increases were sent to all citizens who received a water bill.

The goal of this resolution is that eventually the entire city will be metered for their water use, thereby making people aware of their water usage and balancing out total water usage citywide. According to Gunby, a good number of people would save money by switching to a metered plan. However, this initial resolution did not approve the switch to meters; rather, it allowed for Gunby and staff to continue researching ways to move the city to a more balanced plan.

Mayor Pro Tem Woody Fridae agreed with Gunby's findings, saying

that switching to meters is "about justice — paying for what you use," and then explaining, "In this state, in this world, we need to be cognizant of our consumption and lack of fresh water."

Not everyone was on board with the resolution, though. Winters resident Gale Wingard noted that the resolution had "a lot of discrepancies," and suggested that the council install a committee with different income levels.

Martin acknowledged Wingard's concerns, noting that "I would hope that we would get better information out to the public" regarding the differences in rates.

The council ultimately approved the resolution with a 3-1 vote, with Fridae absent, having left early, and council member Harold Anderson voting no.

Following the water rate discussion, the council begrudgingly approved the allocation of a redevelopment tax for the Education Revenue Augmentation Fund, in the amount of \$160,731. Gunby explained that failure to pay this fee would exclude the city from being able to work on new projects or expand existing projects.

The council then met as the Community Development Agency, and approved a lease agreement at 11 Main Street, allowing the city to have a location to market the "Winters Brand."

The agency also approved a consultant services agreement with Rick Engineering Company to begin work on phase two of the downtown streetscape, which would include improvements at First and Main Streets, and in the middle of Main Street, at the pedestrian cross. City Manager John Donlevy noted that the price had been reduced from \$90,000 to \$55,000 for the improvements.

The council then adjourned in memory of Dorothy Chapman, the mother of the late mayor, Robert Chapman, who passed away on Jan. 9. The council will meet again on Tuesday, Feb. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

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~ Industrial uses in ag zones. (City)

~ Sphere area to County Road 31. (City)

~ Board/Council comments.

~ Set date for next meeting in April.

For more information call City Hall, 796-4910.

Dancin' with dad



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Meghan Maguire danced with her dad, Dan, at the local inaugural ball, held on Tuesday, Jan. 20, at The Palms to celebrate the inauguration of President Barack Obama.

State budget crisis halts conservation projects

The Yolo County Resource Conservation District (RCD) Board of Directors announced last week that it will reduce RCD staff time by 50 percent due to the state's freeze on payments for conservation grants funded by voter-approved Proposition 40 and 50 bonds.

The Yolo County RCD has recently received a "stop work" order for over 65 percent of its current programs, impacting over \$ 3.2 million in total grant contracts. Resource Conservation Districts throughout the state are being affected by the funding freeze.

For more information about the how the payment suspensions are impacting conservation programs statewide, visit <http://stopworkimpact.ning.com>.

Serving his country



Courtesy photo

David Jimenez, son of Berta and Antonio Jimenez of Winters, graduated from basic training in the U.S. Army on Jan. 6. He is stationed in Missouri. He is a 1997 graduate of Winters High School and a 1999 graduate of Heald College.



HELGA McMENOMY

Happy 75th Birthday Mom, Sis, Grandma, Great-grandma! Love, Richard, Shelly, Laureen, Linda, Bill and Kathy. Many, many more to come! Congrats!

MEETING

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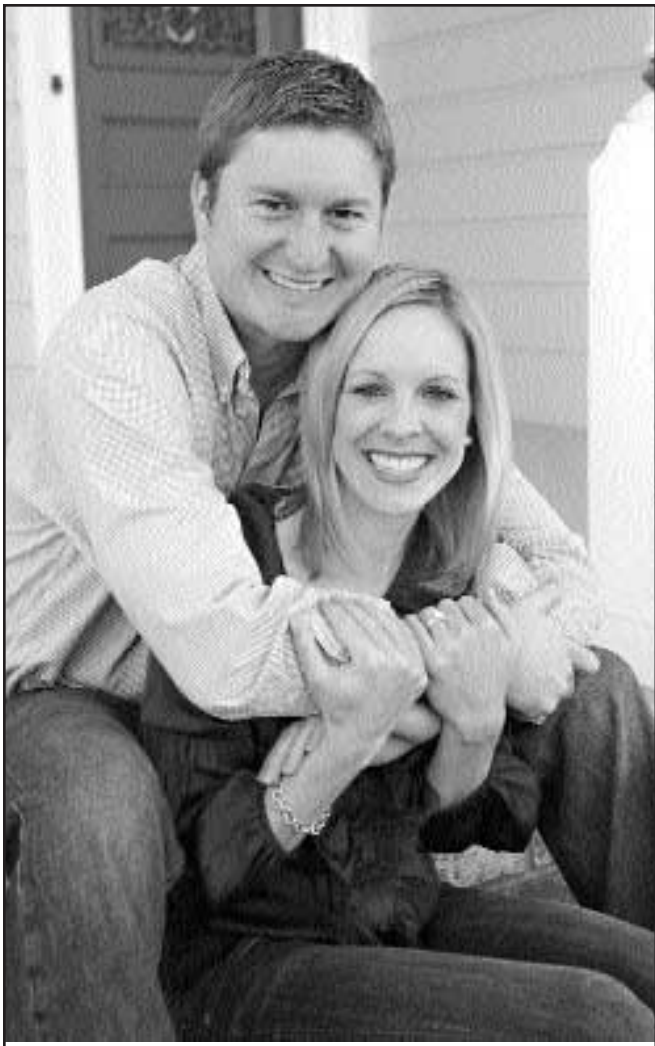
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~ Road 31/Covell conditions. (City)

~ General Plan study area - southeastern quadrant of I-505 and Russell Boulevard.

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Community



JOSEPH LOMBARD III and MEGAN MARIANI

Mariani, Lombard to marry

Jack Mariani and Linda Mariani of Winters are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Megan Virginia Mariani, to Joseph Anthony Lombard III, son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Lombard Jr. of Gloucester, Virginia.

The bride-to-be is a 1998 graduate of Winters High School and a 2002 graduate of Randolph Macon College (Ashland, Virginia) and is the fitness director at The Westwood Club.

The groom-to-be is a 1998 graduate of Randolph Macon College and is a bond trader at Davenport & Company.

A September wedding is planned.

Friends of the Library to meet

All interested community members are invited to the annual meeting of Winters Friends of the Library on Monday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m., in the community room at the Winters Library, 201 First Street.

There will be a brief business meeting with a review of accomplishments in 2008, plans for 2009, and election of officers. The slate of officers for 2009 is: co-presidents, Lisa Nalbhone and Tom Neely; vice presi-

dent 1, Linda Springer; vice president 2, Dale Stephens; treasurer, Jeff TenPas; secretary, Diane Cary; members at large, Linn Myer and Mary Lou Linvill.

Following the business meeting there will be an informal social hour with refreshments.

Winters Friends of the Library is a volunteer support group whose purpose is to promote literacy, foster a love of reading, and reach out to encourage involve-

ment in the library and its programs. WFOL raises money for the library and provides cultural and educational programs. Members support the library by paying dues and volunteering their time. New members and volunteers are always welcome.

For more information, contact Sally Brown, SallyPRA@compuserve.com or 795-3617.

Hispanic group to meet

The City of Winters Hispanic Advisory Committee will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 3, at 6 p.m. in the conference room at City Hall, 318 First Street. The agenda includes: After School program report; Estate Planning information night; preparations for 2009 Festival de la Comunidad/Community Festival; presentation to city council; fundraising efforts.

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Workshop features estate planning, wills, trusts

The City of Winters Hispanic Advisory Committee is sponsoring a public service workshop to provide information on estate planning and related topics to community members. Everyone is invited to attend.

“Estate Planning” will be presented in Spanish and English on Monday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. in the city council chambers at City Hall, 318 First Street.

“It’s an issue that everyone will have to face and proper planning can be a tremendous help to you and your family members,” says Dawn Van Dyke, city grant writer.

Topics of discussion will include answers to the following questions:

What is a will? What is Estate Planning? What is Probate? What are Powers of Attorney?

Estate planning can help determine how assets will be managed for your benefit during your lifetime, how they will be distributed after your lifetime, how custody of minor children will be determined, and how and how your personal care and health decisions will be made.

“Estate planning is not just for the wealthy; information from this workshop will be useful to those in all walks of life,” says Van Dyke.

For more information, contact Mary Jo Rodolfa, 795-4910, extension 111, or Dawn Van Dyke, 795-4910, extension 108.

Having a ball raising funds for music program



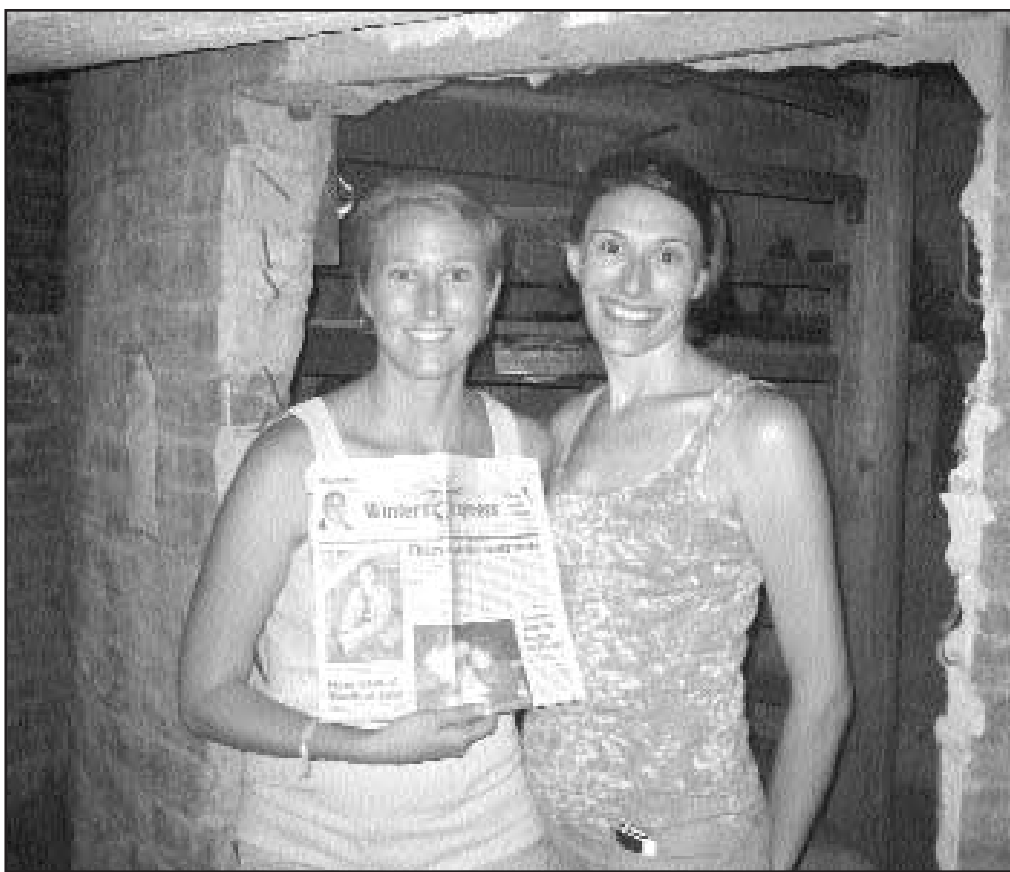
Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Winters Democratic Club members handed all the money in the cash box to Winters Middle School music teacher Lynne Secrist at the local Inaugural Ball, held on Tuesday, Jan. 20, at The Palms to celebrate the inauguration of President Barack Obama. Donations at the door were given to the middle school to help replace stolen instruments. From left are Winters Democratic Club members Cynthia Rodriguez, Jacqueline Avellar, Dick Holdstock, Secrist and Susan Stackhouse.

They didn't forget to Express themselves

Courtesy photo

Amber Foster and Niki Breznock remembered to take their Winters Express to Mondoza, Argentina, where they recently visited the oldest winery in the region. They are standing in one of the winery's old fermentation tanks.



Volunteers help clean up Lake Berryessa shoreline

By LYNNETTE WIRTH
Bureau of Reclamation

The Bureau of Reclamation, in partnership with Berryessa Trails and Conservation, Pleasure Cove Marina, Markley Cove Resort and the Solano County Water Agency, hosted a clean-up at Lake Berryessa on Monday, Jan. 19. More than 50 volunteers spent the morning collecting trash and debris from the lake's shoreline in response to then-President Elect Barack Obama's call to Americans to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by participating in a National Day of Service on the Jan. 19 King Holiday. More than 12,100 service projects took place across the country in response to the President's "call to service."

Volunteers were led by Reclamation staff and members of Berryessa Trails and Conservation. The majority were shuttled on boats provided by Pleasure Cove Marina to lo-

cations along the shoreline and in coves to collect trash and debris while the remainder of the volunteers cleaned up recreation trails and shoreline around the southern end of the lake. As they worked, the volunteers were treated to sightings of deer and local waterfowl such as grebe and coots.

After the volunteers had filled dumpsters with boatloads of trash and debris, they enjoyed a barbecue lunch provided by the Solano County Water Agency, and Reclamation staff answered the volunteers' questions about the lake, local wildlife, and recreation programs and opportunities.

For additional information or to learn about future volunteer events at Lake Berryessa, visit the Lake Berryessa website, at www.usbr.gov/mp/ccao/field_offices/lake_berryessa/index.html or call Jason Jordan, (707) 966-2111, extension 143.

Help needed delivering meals

The Winters Meals on Wheels program needs drivers to deliver lunches one time per week to local homebound elderly residents. The time

commitment is less than an hour each week.

To find out more about helping out local seniors, call Sherry Del Toro, 795-4241.

INPUT

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desired. People may meet as individuals, in small groups, or in an open forum. Input may also be offered by fax, letter or email; telephone calls can also be arranged.

Individual and small group appointments will be held in the school district office, 909 West Grant Avenue, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 4. To arrange an appointment, call Laura Smith, 795-6112.

To attend and participate in an open forum, where your ideas will be heard and you may hear about the process, no appointment is necessary. The open forum will be held at the school district office in the Walnut Room from 7-8:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 4.

If you are unable to meet personally with the school board's advisors, you may send a fax to (949) 461-9119 or an email to leadershipassociates@cox.net, or call Jake Abbott or Walt Buster, (949) 461-9119.

Entertainment

‘Art of the Bicycle’ exhibition to be held for Amgen tour

“Art of the Bicycle,” an exhibition in conjunction with the City of Davis and the 2009 Amgen Tour of California, will be on display through Feb. 22, with an opening reception scheduled from 1-3 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 15, at the John Natsoulas Gallery and Center for the Arts, 521 First Street in Davis.

The John Natsoulas Center of the Arts will be presenting the exhibition, reception and after party for the Amgen Tour Road Race. Race presenter AEG announced through a series of press conferences throughout the state that this year’s race has been expanded. The 2009 route includes stops in 16 host cities over the course of nine days, from Feb. 14-22.

Already considered cycling’s most important

and successful road race in the U.S., the event’s fourth running will be expanded to cover more than 800 miles. Traveling almost the entire length of California, the race begins in the state’s capital, Sacramento, with the official start in Davis. The event ends in San Diego County, with a finish in Escondido on Feb. 22.

Davis, known as “the most bike-friendly town in California,” will host a world-class exhibition of bicycle themed art with more than 20 internationally known artists participating at the John Natsoulas Gallery and Center for the Arts. The Amgen Tour will begin on Feb. 15, at 12 p.m. in Davis, while the after-party and reception will be held at the Gallery, open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Feb. 15.

Crab feed to benefit local youth, community service

The East Sacramento-Midtown Kiwanis Club will be hosting its third annual Crab Feed on Friday, Feb. 6, at the Dante Club in Sacramento. Tickets are now on sale for this fun-filled event to benefit local youth and other community service projects.

The evening begins at 6 p.m. with cocktails and hors d’oeuvres. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and will feature all-you-can-eat crab and pasta. DJ dancing, a silent auction and a raffle will immediately follow dinner until 11 p.m. The Dante Club is located at 2330 Fair Oaks Boulevard in Sacramento.

Proceeds from the crab feed will go towards the local Kiwanis Club’s 2009 community service programming. Projects include, but are not limited to, support of the Kiwanis Family House, meal preparation at a women’s shelter, elementary school literacy projects and youth leadership programs at local high schools and at Sac State.

Tickets are \$45 each or \$425 for a table of ten. Call (916) 215-1460 to reserve your tickets or for more information. Seats are limited and tickets will not be sold at the door.

Sausage extravaganza planned

Come and join Yolo County farmers, sausage makers, chefs, and winemakers to celebrate and taste the county’s heritage of farmstead sausage-making, followed by lunch at Woodland’s Tazzina Bistro on Saturday, Feb. 7, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at a fundraiser for the Yolo Land Trust, cosponsored by Slow Food Yolo.

You’ll be welcomed by Paul Muller, partner in Full Belly Farms, and other Yolo Land Trust board members, with a blood orange mimosa. Then settle in for a presentation by 5th generation farmer Bruce Rominger, on the history of the Rominger family sausage making traditions with original historic photos.

Tony Gruska, popular local chef and caterer of Monticello Bistro, will be cooking and pairing Capay Valley organic winter greens with sausages for tasting.

When all is done, sit down together for a lunch inspired by local winter fare — savory salad of roasted winter vegetables, Davis Food Co-op sausages, and creamy polenta by Chef/Proprietor Rebecca Reichardt. Lunch will be paired with Rominger West wines.

Tickets are \$100 for Slow Food or Yolo Land Trust members, \$110 general public. Tickets will be available at the door.

For more information contact: Judy Boshoven, 662-1110, or by email at judy@yololandtrust.org.

Eaglesmith soars into The Palms



Courtesy photo

Musician Fred Eaglesmith will perform at The Palms on Friday, Jan. 30, at 8:30 p.m. His music has been described as a blend of hard honky-tonk balanced with rock and roll and early 1960s country. An award-winning artist, he is also known for his illuminating storytelling and comedic skills.

‘Somebody Loves You, Mr. Hatch’ opens in Davis

The Davis Musical Theatre Company, Storybook Theatre will present “Somebody Loves You, Mr. Hatch,” Feb. 1-15, at the Hoblit Performing Arts Center, 607 Pena Drive in Davis.

It’s Valentine’s Day and lonely Mr. Hatch has received a special package with a note saying ‘Somebody loves you’ — but who could that somebody be? As Mr. Hatch helps out about town, wondering who his secret admirer could be, he and his neighbors

come to know the importance of friendship and community, and Mr. Hatch has a big surprise.

This one-act musical for audiences of all ages will be performed Sundays, Feb. 1 and 15 at 2:15 p.m., and Saturdays, Feb. 7 and 14 at 11:15 a.m. and 2:15 p.m.

Tickets are \$7 for all ages and include refreshments and Valentine’s crafts in the lobby immediately following the show. For tickets visit www.dmtc.org or call 756-3682.

Watercolors featured at Vacaville Gallery

The Vacaville Art League and Gallery presents a sampling of the works of Ken Potter, a professional artist for 61 years, with a focus on watercolor and printmaking. An opening reception is planned on Saturday, Jan. 31, from 7-9 p.m., and is open to the public. The show runs through Feb. 27.

The show includes watercolors spanning from 1947 to 2008, some done on location in Morocco, or while bicycling and hitch-hiking in Europe, as well as scenes from across America, and life in Paris, Florence and Rio de Janeiro and San Francisco.

The artist’s career sketch is in Who’s Who in America, Who’s Who in American Art and www.californiawatercolor.com. The artist will autograph books and reproductions available at the reception.

Also featured at the gallery is a show called “Reflections,” featuring works by Vacaville Art League members.

The gallery is located at 718 E. Monte Vista Avenue in Vacaville. Gallery hours are Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 12-4 p.m.; Wednesday, 12-7 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is free.

Winters

Chamber of Commerce

CHAMBER NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

Chamber celebrates outstanding citizens

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

The Winters Chamber of Commerce held its annual Year in Review celebration on Saturday, Jan. 24, at the Winters Community Center. Honorees included Citizen of the Year, Joe Martinez; Business of the Year, Briggs & Co.; Senior Citizen of the Year, John Sexton; and Theodore Winters Award winner, Marie Heilman. In addition to formal introductions and recognition, Mayor Mike Martin presented each honoree with a proclamation from the Winters City Council, as well as expressed personal words of appreciation for each one.

Martinez was additionally lauded for his tireless work promoting the needs of farmers and agriculture by former state senator Jim Nielson, who is also a personal friend of Martinez. Nielson presented Martinez with a formal proclamation from the state assembly.

There were a few oddities during the event, however. Just as Dr. William Davis was expected to come on stage and speak on behalf of Martinez for his work supporting the Winters Healthcare Center, a member of the audience collapsed and Davis immediately rushed to her side. Unbeknownst to Martinez, who was delivering his acceptance speech, Davis remained at the woman's side for the duration of the speech.

As if that wasn't enough upset for one speech, a man in the audience suddenly approached the front of the room and began yelling at Martinez as he spoke. Within moments, several members of the audience got up and firmly escorted the man from the room. Martinez

never missed a beat and continued with his speech.

Aside from these two ripples in the Citizen of the Year's acceptance speech, the remainder of the evening went smoothly. The event was catered by Cody's Deli, which prepared a meal of tri-tip, mushroom ravioli in a creamy cheese sauce, and roasted vegetables. Chamber president Nancy Meyer updated the audience on various things the Chamber is working on, such efforts with the city and Winters Healthcare Foundation to bring a farmer's market to Winters this spring, as well as a regional quilt show, planned for June 26 and 27, with direction from Cloth Carousel owner Jan Vawart. She also thanked executive director Tom Stone for his work with the Chamber over the last year, which he did as a volunteer. The entire evening was gracefully emceed by Howard and Germaine Hupe.

One of the formalities of the evening included the swearing in of the 2009 Chamber board of directors, which includes Meyer, vice president Dan Maguire, treasurer Salli Becker, secretary Chris Jones and directors Valerie Whitworth, Linn Myer, Myke Berna, Charles Wallace and Debra Lo Guercio. Stone also was sworn in for the upcoming year. Chamber director Dave Fleming was not present for the official swearing in, and will be sworn in at a later time.

Upcoming events

- ~ Monday, Feb. 9, Chamber Mixer, 5:30 p.m. at El Pueblo.
- ~ Friday, Feb. 13, Chamber meeting, 7 a.m., Community Center.
- ~ Monday, March 9, Chamber Mixer, 5:30 p.m. at Edward Jones.

And the winner is...

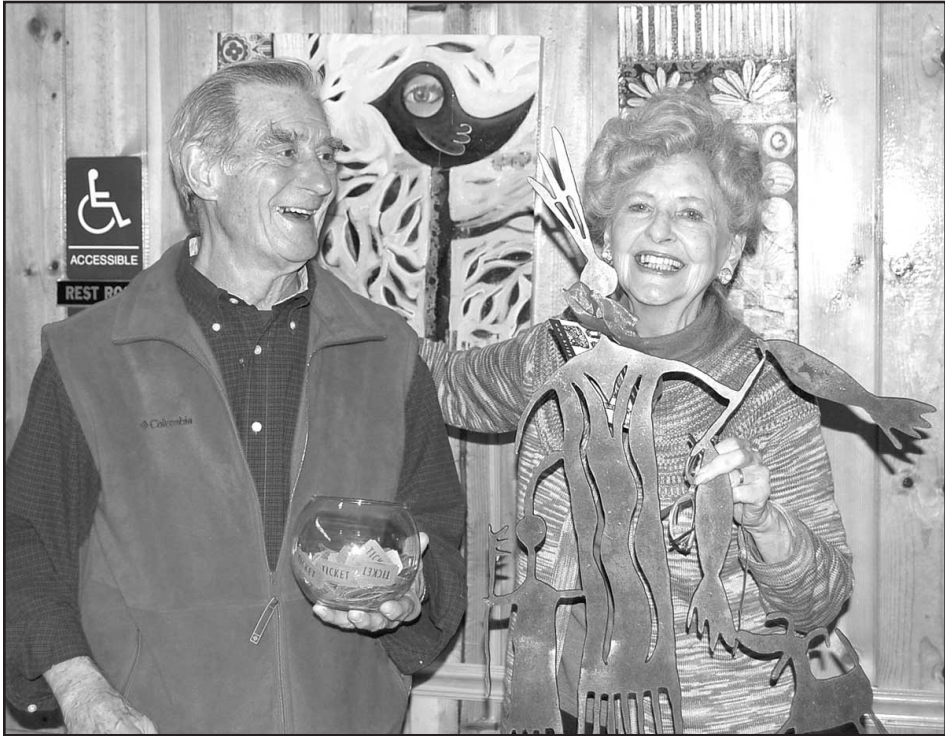


Photo by Molly Davis

Howard Hupe (left), a member of the Winters Chamber of Commerce board of directors, drew his own wife's name as the winner at the Feb. 12 Chamber Mixer, held in the newly expanded Putah Creek Cafe. Germaine won a handmade sculpture from Briggs & Co. Chamber Mixers take place on the second Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at various businesses throughout town, giving everyone a chance to stop by and see what the businesses have to offer. For a suggested \$5 entry fee, there is food, beverages and a raffle, and plenty of socializing. All are welcome.

Chamber dues help fund:

- Paid staff for the Chamber office
- A variety of community projects and events

Chamber membership includes:

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Sports

Warriors host Sutter on the mat

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors wrestling team continues to work hard and compete wherever they go. On Saturday, Jan. 17, the Warriors traveled to Lincoln to compete in the Fuller Tournament.

“It was a very competitive tournament,” said coach Tim Hausler.

Winters standout Jesse Hellinger lost his first match of the season to another top state ranked wrestler in a close 6-4 match and finished the tournament in second place. Hellinger didn’t have to wait long though to get his redemption.

After going through his Wheatland opponent on Wednesday, Jan. 21, in a dual meet, Hellinger met back up with the wrestler that beat him in Lincoln at the Asics Foothill Tournament in Sacramento. Hellinger turned the tables and defeated his opponent to win the tournament.

Billy Rotenkolber went 2-2 in the Lin-

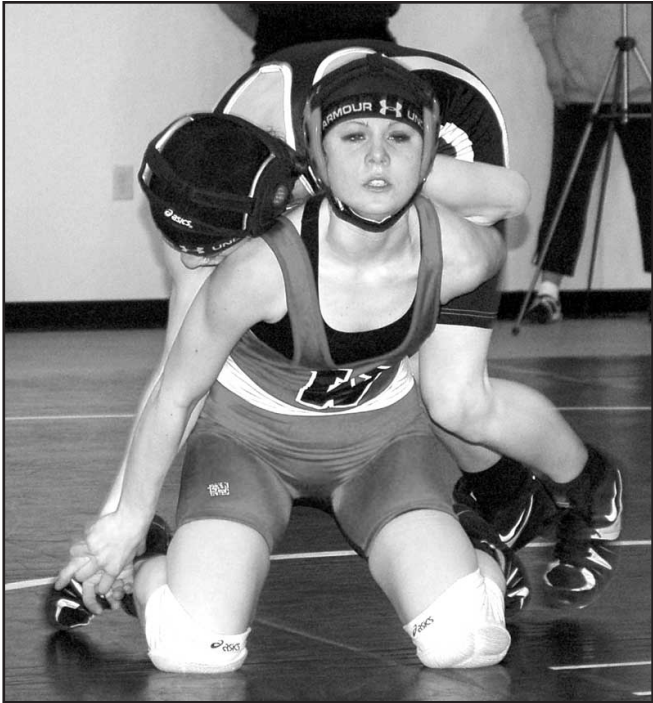


Photo by Eric Lucero
Catherine Hasbrook tries to counter a move against a Wheatland wrestler on Wednesday, January 21, at Shirley Rominger School.

coln Tournament. Cody Linton went 3-1 in Lincoln and had to stop because of an injury. Linton then won 15-0 against his Wheatland opponent and placed fourth in the Asics tournament with a 6-4 record. Joe Souza went 2-2 in Lincoln, pinned his Wheatland opponent and went 1-3 in the Asics Tournament.

Chris Calderon

placed third in Lincoln, pinned his Wheatland opponent and went 2-1 in the Asics Tournament. Trevor Wright did well in Lincoln going 3-2, while Jackson Waldron was 1-2 in Lincoln.

The Warriors will host Sutter in a dual meet on Wednesday, Jan. 28, at the Shirley Rominger Intermediate School.

Lady Warriors basketball wins two on the road

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters varsity girls’ basketball team had a big week last week as they won two league games on the road. The Warriors traveled to Wheatland on Tuesday, Jan. 20, and came home with a 39-32 victory over the Pirates. Winters fell behind 25-21 at the half, but held the Pirates to just four points in the third and four in the fourth.

“We did a good job on defense in the second

half said coach Matt Cooley. “We held them to just seven points total.”

Chelsea Corrales led the Warriors with 14 points. Ashlynn Neil scored 9 points. Taryn Jones scored 8 points, Megan Avellar scored 6 and Olivia Wingard made 2 points.

On Friday, the Warriors picked up another road victory, this time in Sutter. The Warriors led from the start and never looked back as they out scored the Huskies in every period and finished with a 49-30 victory.

ry. “Megan and Amy Avellar made the first three shots of the game,” said Cooley. Chelsea connected on four three point shots, while Taryn and Ashlynn did a great job on defense and on the boards.”

Corrales led the Warriors with a big scoring night with 18 points. Amy Avellar scored 8 points, Megan Avellar and Neil each scored 7, Wingard had 4, Jones scored 3 and Brittanie Hedrick added 2 points for the Warriors.

Fox leads JV to league win

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors JV girls’ basketball team lost to Wheatland on Tuesday, Jan. 20, but turned things around on Friday, Jan. 22, in Sutter as they came home with a 36-33 victory for their first Butte View League win.

Against Wheatland, the Warriors had a hard time keeping up with the

Pirates from the start and lost 57-32. Taylor Fox led Winters with 20 points, Haley Tobler scored 6 points, while Katie Clark and Sarah Selby each put in 2 points for the Warriors.

On Friday, the Lady Warriors had a much better bus ride home as they defeated the Sutter Huskies 36-33. Winters led 10-6 in the first period but were down one at the half 16-15.

The Warriors lost ground in the third, trailing 24-22 but had a strong performance in the fourth period out scoring the Huskies 14-9 for the come from behind victory. Fox, once again led the Warriors with 18 points. Tobler scored 8 points, while Clark and Ilene Reynoso each put in 5 for the Warriors. The Warriors improved their overall record to 3-7.

More sports on **B-8**

Lady Warriors net 1-0 victory

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors girls’ soccer team won one and lost one last week. On Tuesday, Jan. 20, the Warriors hosted the Sutter Huskies at Shirley Rominger School and lost 4-1 after holding on to a 1-1 halftime score. Mallory Creamer scored the Warriors’ only goal.

Creamer passed the ball to Danielle Murphy in the Warriors’ second game of the week on Thursday, Jan. 22, on the road against Orland. Murphy put the ball in the net for the only score of the game as the Warriors picked up a 1-0 victory over the Trojans.

Warriors down Sutter on the soccer field

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors boys’ soccer team took it to the visiting Sutter Huskies on Tuesday, Jan. 20, with a 5-2 Butte View League victory. The Warriors scored three goals in the first half to hold a 3-2 lead, and then put two more in the second half.

Fernando Cervantes led the Warriors, scoring two goals and had one assist. Rodrigo Salas and Orlando Rodriguez each scored a goal and had an assist. David Damey scored the Warriors other goal and Omar Herrera had an assist for the Warriors. Goal tender Jesus Manuel Loza had four saves to help keep the

Huskies off the board.

The Warriors traveled to Orland on Thursday, Jan. 22, and had to settle for a 1-1 tie. The Warriors held a 1-0 lead at the half but gave one up in the second half. Dagoberto Fierros scored the Warriors’ only goal off an assist by Rodriguez. Loza had five saves for the Warriors.

Tobler named All State Punter

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

Kyle Tobler, a senior on the Winters High School varsity football team, was recently named to the Maxpreps and CalHi Sports Division III first team All State Football Team as a punter. Tobler also made the Northern Section first team and was named to the Davis Enterprise All Area first team as an all purpose player.

Quoted in Maxpreps, “Tobler did just about everything for Winters, including punting. An all-Northern Section first team pick, Tobler was one of the leading punters in the state with a 43.4 average that included 16 kicks inside the 20 and long punts of 75, 66 and 64 yards. His 58-yarder against Las Plumas was a Northern Section record and was the longest field goal in the state this year.”

PISANI’S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Lilian Boisrame

Lilian Boisrame, a senior on the Winters High School girls’ soccer team, is this week’s athlete of the week. Boisrame has been playing for the Warriors for four years.

“Lilian is my starting sweeper and played an amazing game against Las Plumas last Tuesday,” said coach Donna Burnette. “She is very focused, works hard all the time and does a great job running the defense.”

Now Offering Wheel Alignment

Schools

Ready, set, work!



Courtesy photo

Winters High School students who recently finished the Work Ready program, include, from left, (back) Robert Emery, Alyssa Oxley, Jamie Anderson, Justin Rominger, Aaron Geerts and Jessica Sharp; (front) Raven Castro, Kristen Rheyby, Lilian Boisrame, Ray McIntire, Amy Avellar and Megan Avellar. (Not pictured, Emma Pfanner, Tacy Rodriguez, Keeley Nickelson and Thomas Sears.)

ACT test registration now open

The next ACT achievement test will be administered on April 4. Students who wish to take the college admission and placement exam must register by Feb. 27. Late registration takes

See **ACT** on page B-8

Grief support group offered for children

Grief is a process affecting mind, body and spirit. It does not affect everyone in the same way. Children, in particular, grieve differently than adults. The Yolo Hospice Stepping Stones program is specially designed to help children through grief.

This grief peer group will be held once a week for 10 weeks beginning Wednesday, Feb. 18, 3:30-4:45 p.m., and aims to support and comfort grieving children ages 8-12. It will be held weekly beginning Wednesday, February 18, 2009 from 3:30-4:45 p.m.

Call 758-5566 for more information

Nuestras Noticias



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EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

Muchas expectativas

Al asumir Barack Obama la presidencia de los Estados Unidos, fuimos testigos de un hecho histórico, y no precisamente porque El Presidente Obama sea afroamericano, sino mas bien por las circunstancias históricas actuales. Sin lugar a dudas Obama es una persona muy inteligente, en su campaña por la presidencia, entendió la manera de presentarse a los votantes americanos, al punto tal que se hablo poco del racismo, y se voto por el hombre. Para Obama lo más importante no fue el color de su piel, sino sus propuestas políticas a los graves problemas de la nación.

En Estados Unidos y en el resto del mundo, el cambio de poder aquí fue celebrado con muchas esperanzas, se tienen puestas las esperanzas en un hombre muy joven, que nos asegura que el futuro será mejor.

No es posible creer que ahora Obama vive en la Casa Blanca, que fue construida en gran parte por esclavos negros, hace más de 200 años, y eso es una clara muestra de progreso. Y aunque seguimos lidiando con el racismo y la discriminación en el país, la lección de Obama a todos los niños norteamericanos es que si él pudo, cualquiera puede también.

Recuerdo cuando Fox gano la presidencia en México, acabo con más de 70 años de tiranía en México, México entero lo celebro, y cuando Fox salió a reconocer su victoria, la gente le gritaba: “No nos falles.” El problema es que la gente esperaba que Fox cambiara y borrara de un plumazo la historia nefasta del gobierno del PRI, pero eso no sucedió, y aunque Fox no dejo contentos a muchos, por lo menos cambio la historia en México.

Con Obama sucede algo parecido, pero aquí las expectativas son a nivel mundial, no sabemos cuanto tiempo va a pasar para que la gente se de cuenta de que Obama no va a poder resolver todos los problemas que estamos enfrentando. Lo mejor es que dejamos atrás al peor presidente en la historia de los Estados Unidos. Porque Bush deja un terrible legado: un ataque terrorista que lo tomó por sorpresa, la promesa incumplida de capturar a Osama bin Laden, una guerra en Irak que comenzó con mentiras, la peor recesión económica en 8 décadas, la triste imagen de un gobierno que permitió la tortura, la incapacidad de un líder que no supo cómo rescatar a los suyos tras el paso del huracán Katrina, y la era más antiinmigrante que ha tenido Estados Unidos, basado en el número de redadas y deportados.

Para enfrentar los retos de este país, necesitamos un líder con ideas frescas y diferentes, con energía para enderezar el rumbo del país, un líder que ofrezca una esperanza, Obama parece reunir los requisitos. Estados Unidos necesita reagrupar sus fuerzas para recuperar la economía. La ética del trabajo que ha sido el motor que ha conducido a esta nación a lo que es, necesita dinamizarse otra vez. Obama también ofrece la esperanza de impulsar esa tarea.

Las palabras de Obama en su discurso de juramentación fueron claras al enfatizar, que las fuerzas para impulsar el futuro de Estados Unidos están en la unidad de todos los componentes étnicos que conforman la nación. Obama siempre ha interpretado que Estados Unidos no es blanca o negra o amarilla, sino que es todo eso a la vez. Eso quedó expresado en el espontáneo mar humano que se congregó alrededor del Capitolio para participar en la juramentación.

Nunca antes Estados Unidos había dado un testimonio de solidaridad entre sus grupos como sucedió cuando tomo posesión de la Presidencia. Oabama parecer ser el líder que nos llevara a un mejor futuro, pero no espere-mos mucho en poco tiempo, el camino va a ser muy largo.

Se pide la opinión de la comunidad tema: la búsqueda de un superintendente

La Mesa Directiva del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Winters estará seleccionando un nuevo superintendente para el distrito. Se desea la opinión e ideas de la comunidad sobre las características deseadas para seleccionar esta persona. La Mesa Directiva está solicitando su opinión o ideas a la siguiente pregunta: ¿Cuales serían las mejores cualidades personales y profesionales para el próximo superintendente de nuestro Distrito Escolar

Unificado de Winters?

Jake Abbott y Walt Buster de Leadership Associates fueron elegidos para aconsejar a la Mesa Directiva en este proceso tan importante. Ellos estarán en nuestro distrito el miércoles, 4 de febrero, 2009.

Se le pide la opinión a los miembros de la comunidad (Padres, empleados y otros interesados en nuestro distrito). La gente puede reunirse como individual, en grupos pequeños o en un Foro Abierto. Su opinión o ideas también

se pueden dar a través de fax, carta o correo electrónico, también puede hacer un arreglo para tener una conversación directa por teléfono.

Las citas individuales y de grupos pequeños serán en la Oficina del Distrito, 909 W. Grant Avenue, entre 8:30 a.m. y 5 p.m. el miércoles, 4 de febrero, 2009. Para hacer una cita, por favor llámeme a Laura Smith al 795-6112.

No es necesario tener una cita para asistir y participar en el Foro

Abierto donde usted podrá expresar su opinión e ideas y oír sobre el proceso. El Foro Abierto será en la Oficina del Distrito (Walnut Room) de 7 a 8:15 p.m. el miércoles, 4 de febrero.

Si no puede reunirse personalmente con los consejeros de la Mesa Directiva, usted puede mandar un fax al (949) 461-9119 o un correo electrónico a leadershipassociates@cox.net. Para hablar por teléfono con Jake Abbott o con Walt Buster, puede llamar al (949) 461-9119.

La temporada del impuesto es casi aquí

Un Número de Identificación Individual del Contribuyente (ITIN), es un número tributario procesador otorgado por el Servicio de Impuestos Internos (IRS). Es un número de nueve dígitos que siempre empieza con el número 9 e incluye un 7 u 8 como el cuarto dígito, ejemplo: 9XX-7X-XXXX. El IRS otorga los ITIN a individuos quienes requieren un número de identificación para fines tributarios en los Estados Unidos pero no tienen ni son elegibles para obtener un Número de Seguro Social (SSN) de la Administración del Seguro Social (SSA).

Los ITIN se emiten sin importar el estado migratorio porque tanto residentes como extranjeros pudieran tener obligaciones tributarias de presentar declaraciones y pagos de impuestos bajo el Código Tributario del IRS. Para recibir un ITIN, individuos tienen que tener el requisito y presentar una declaración federal de impuestos, a menos que reúnan alguna excepción.

Los ITIN son para reportes tributarios solamente, y no pretenden servir ningún otro propósito. Un ITIN no concede derechos de trabajar en los Estados Unidos ni concede al poseedor beneficios del Seguro Social ni el Crédito Por Ingreso del Trabajo (EITC). Los ITIN no son identifi-

cación válida fuera del sistema tributario. El IRS otorga los ITIN con el fin de ayudar a individuos cumplir con las leyes tributarias de los Estados Unidos, y para proveer una manera eficaz de procesar y contabilizar declaraciones y pagos de los que no son elegibles para Números de Seguro Social.

El IRS otorga los ITIN a extranjeros y otros que tienen un requisito de reporte tributario o de presentar una declaración y no califican para un SSN. Un extranjero que no es residente y no califica para un SSN, quien tiene un requisito de presentar una declaración federal de impuestos solo para reclamar un reembolso bajo las provisiones de algún acuerdo con EE.UU, necesita un ITIN. Los individuos que necesitan un ITIN incluyen: Extranjeros no-residentes que necesitan presentar una declaración federal de impuestos y no son elegibles por un SSN

Extranjeros residentes (según el número de días presentes en EE.UU) presentando una declaración federal y no son elegibles por un SSN: Dependiente o cónyuge de un ciudadano /a o extranjero /a residente, y dependiente o cónyuge de extranjero /a no-residente con visa.

Si usted no tiene un SSN y no es elegible

para obtener un SSN, pero tiene un requisito de proveer un número federal de identificación o presentar una declaración federal de impuestos, tendrá que aplicar por un ITIN. Por ley, un extranjero no puede obtener un número ITIN y número de Seguro Social a la vez. El IRS procesa declaraciones que contienen ya sea un ITIN o un número de Seguro Social. El IRS ya no procesa, ni acepta declaraciones con la anotación “SSA205c,” o la frase “applied for,” “NRA,” o con espacios en blanco.

Los ITIN no son válidos para identificación fuera del sistema tributario. Siendo que los ITIN son estrictamente para el proceso tributario, el IRS no aplica el mismo criterio de otras agencias que proveen certificaciones legítimas de identidad. A individuos que solicitan un ITIN no se les requiere aplicar en persona y el IRS no certifica más a fondo los documentos de identidad. Los ITIN no comprueban identidad fuera del sistema tributario federal, y no deben ser ofrecidos ni aceptados como identificación para propósitos que no sean tributarios.

Los números ITIN sirven solamente para propósitos del impuesto federal. El obtener un ITIN no cambia su estatus migratorio ni le otorga el derecho a trabajar

en los Estados Unidos. Algunos departamentos estatales de vehículos de motor están aceptando los Números de Identificación Personal del Contribuyente (ITIN's) emitidos por el IRS, como prueba de identificación para las licencias de conducir estatales, sugiriéndonos emitir este recordatorio – los ITIN's no son válidos para la identificación fuera del sistema contributivo. El Servicio de Impuestos Internos emite ITIN's solamente con el propósito de permitirles aquellas personas que no califican para los números del Seguro Social, que puedan presentar la declaración de impuesto. .

El IRS les pide a los solicitantes de ITIN que provean prueba de documentos de identidad, el IRS acepta los documentos sin validar su autenticidad con las agencias emisoras o llevando a cabo investigaciones del solicitante. No se les exige a los solicitantes que comparezcan personalmente y terceras personas pueden someter las aplicaciones y pueden proporcionar la documentación en nombre de otras personas. El IRS no verifica el estatus migratorio del aplicante, el código de rentas internas clasifica a los extranjeros basados en su presencia física (residente o no residente), no su estado legal en este país.

Pasaporte solo a ciudadanos

Bajo ninguna circunstancia intente solicitar un pasaporte estadounidense, si usted no es ciudadano americano, por nacimiento o naturalización.

Se han tenido casos de fraude con los pasaportes americanos, cuando la persona que no es ciudadana, intenta hacerse pasar por otra que si lo es para obtener un pasaporte.

Las autoridades están muy pendientes y tienen estrategias para descubrir este tipo de fraude.

El fraude de pas-

aporte constituye un delito federal y la persona que intente hacerlo y sea descubierta recibirá un fuerte castigo. Que incluye la cárcel y la deportación.

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Los servicios de medios no son libres

Constantemente vivimos bombardeados de ofertas para adquirir productos que deseamos o que simplemente no deseamos tanto pero que por ser “gratis” captan de inmediato nuestra atención, dejándonos caer en el juego de ventas de la empresa promotora. Son comunes a través de medios impresos, televisión, radio e Internet los constantes llamados a probar productos por un período de treinta días completamente gratis o a cambio de la devolución de su dinero. En especial vemos promociones para adquirir píldoras para adelgazar, suscripciones a gimnasios, revistas, libros, CD's de música, servicios de Internet, etc. la final todos buscan lo mismo: lograr que el cliente se quede con el producto o servi-

cio y pague por este.

Determinar con claridad cuál es el lapso de tiempo para cancelar el trato antes de que tenga que devolverse el producto o antes de que comiences a recibir facturas de cobro o te empiecen a descontar los pagos de tu tarjeta de crédito (luego de haber otorgado la información de tu tarjeta voluntariamente para tal fin).

Y cómo debes hacer para cancelar el trato: a través de un número de teléfono (conocer cuál es ese número de antemano); a través de e-mail (cuál es esa dirección de e-mail); o a través de la correspondencia (debes recibir el talón que tienes que enviar con la cancelación); o cualquier otro método de cancelación.

También es bien importante que conozcas la procedencia de la

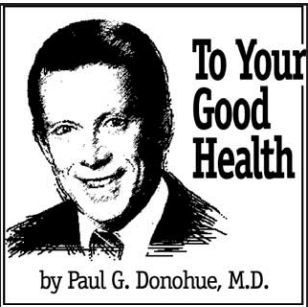
compañía que está haciendo la promoción, en especial si eres tú el que ha sido contactado por teléfono para ofrecerte alguna de estas ofertas.

Existe el peligro de que si te contactan por teléfono pueda ser un fraude, o peor, estén tratando de obtener datos personales para cometer robo de identidad, así que ten mucho cuidado con la información que des, o para tu tranquilidad no aceptes ese tipo de llamadas y pídeles que no te llamen más o simplemente cuélgales. También es aconsejable que te suscribas al servicio del registro Do Not Call (No Llame) a través de www.donotcall.com y así evitarás por completo las llamadas de telemercadeo.

Features

Aneurysms can cause strokes in early ages

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: When my brother was 47, he died of a stroke caused by bleeding in his brain. He was fine one minute, and the next he was in a coma. An autopsy showed he had had an aneurysm that ruptured. I have four other brothers and three sisters. Should we all be checked for an aneurysm? I am now 66. —W.C.



printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

ANSWER: An aneurysm is a weak spot on an artery wall. It looks like a blister. Aneurysms can develop on any artery, but they are mostly found on the aorta and on brain arteries. Should the aneurysm break, bleeding can be catastrophic.

Ruptured brain aneurysms account for 10 percent of strokes, and frequently they occur in younger people, ones not thought to be at risk of a stroke. The story is much like your brother's. A person, apparently in good health, complains of having the worst headache ever. Then he might lapse into unconsciousness briefly. He might have a seizure. The mortality of a ruptured brain aneurysm is high, more than 50 percent.

First-degree relatives of a person who had a brain aneurysm have an increased risk of also having one, but the risk is relatively small, about 1 percent to 4.7 percent. A first-degree relative is a parent, brother, sister or child. The best way to detect a brain aneurysm is a special kind of scan called magnetic resonance angiography. It's a magnetic resonance imaging — MRI — scan with dye injected into the arteries to outline any aneurysm. Most authorities don't recommend screening first-degree relatives, because their risk is small and the procedure carries an equally small danger.

The booklet on stroke explains this common and sometimes crippling condition. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 902W, 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

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I recently read that nausea and gas are symptoms of pancreatic cancer. I have both. Could I have pancreatic cancer? I am 79. —E.B.

ANSWER: Pancreatic cancer's average age of onset is 65. The risk of coming down with it increases with age. About 34,000 new cases of it occur yearly in the United States. It is the fourth leading cause of cancer deaths.

What makes pancreatic cancer such a peril is its lack of signs and symptoms in its early stages. Symptoms, when they do arise, include loss of appetite, a drop in weight, stomach discomfort or pain, nausea and a sensation of fullness after taking only a few bites of food. As the cancer grows, it blocks the drainage of bile, and the skin and whites of the eyes turn yellow.

Your symptoms are common to many things, and pancreatic cancer is not high on the list. However, I have learned one thing about medicine: When a person brings up a diagnosis, I can't dismiss it, no matter how remote the chances of having it are. See your doctor. You and I will sleep better if you do.

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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Need to see the forest and the trees

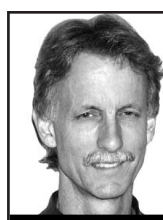
The U.S. government's torture of detainees in the "war on terror" can be traced directly to a Feb. 7, 2002, memo signed by President George W. Bush.

This was conclusion #1 of the recently released final report of the Senate Armed Services Committee Inquiry into the Treatment of Detainees in U.S. Custody. Thanks primarily to this document, debate concerning one of the most shameful aspects of the "war on terror" has entered the mainstream debate after years on the edges of public discourse.

Torture, however, is only one of the crimes associated with the "war on terror." A few prominent examples of other crimes waiting to be "sourced" are: extraordinary rendition, illegal detention, loss of habeas corpus, abuse and murder of civilians in Iraq and elsewhere, and the creation of millions of impoverished refugees.

With these crimes, the need to find the origin is every bit as imperative as with torture. But we don't need to ask the Senate Armed Services Committee to initiate 18-month investigations for each of these as well. The question of responsibility for these and all other war crimes, including torture, was answered over 60 years ago at Nuremberg when high-ranking Nazis were brought to account for their atrocities in World War II.

On Sept. 30, 1946, Sir Geoffrey Lawrence, president of the International Military Tribunal, read the judgment of the first Nuremberg trial, which included these memorable words: "To initiate a war of aggression, therefore, is not only an international crime; it is



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WAY DOWN THERE

the supreme international crime differing only from other war crimes in that it contains within itself the accumulated evil of the whole."

Torture, rendition, loss of liberties, unnecessary death and destruction are just some of the trees. Aggression is the forest. And there can be no doubt that President George W. Bush and members of his inner circle have committed "the supreme international crime."

The invasion of Iraq is the clearest example of American aggression associated with the "war on terror." The invasion — launched on March 19, 2003 — violated the Nuremberg Charter (Article VI(a)), as well as the United Nations Charter (Article 2, Sec. 4 and Article 39) and U.N. Security Council Resolution #1441.

In addition, since "Operation Iraqi Freedom" violated both the Nuremberg Charter and the U.N. Charter — treaties signed and ratified by the U.S. government — the invasion also violated Article VI, Clause 2 (the Supremacy Clause) of the U.S. Constitution.

To many Americans — and to the great majority of the rest of humanity — it couldn't be more clear: starting an unprovoked war is an outrage, both legally and morally. It is nothing short of mass murder. It cries out for prosecution, for justice, for accountability — no matter how powerful the aggressors are.

With the Senate Armed

Services Committee report, we have taken the first steps towards assigning responsibility for torture. However if we ignore or marginalize the more fundamental crime of aggression, we risk accepting the unfortunate contemporary American assumption that aggressive war is a legitimate and useful tool of foreign policy — when employed by the U.S. President.

Until this assumption is unequivocally banished, it is likely that future U.S. administrations will repeat this "supreme" crime, further ensuring that torture and other war crimes which flow from aggression will be repeated as well.

It's good that the debate on accountability for torture finally has entered the mainstream. But the principles of accountability and rule of law do not end with a Senate committee report. We should be discussing the possibility of arresting and prosecuting George W. Bush and all others responsible for the unprovoked invasion of Iraq.

The search for the source of war crimes should be followed to its logical conclusion. It's time we saw the forest as well as the trees.

(This column was first published on Consortium-News.com. Former Winters resident Peter Dyer is a freelance journalist. He and his wife relocated to New Zealand in 2004. He can be reached at p.dyer@inspire.net.nz)

Pleased to meet you



Name: Javier Sanchez

Occupation: A junior at

Winters High School

Hobby: Watching

television

What's best about living

in Winters: "I like the

people, they're nice."

Fun fact: He is good at

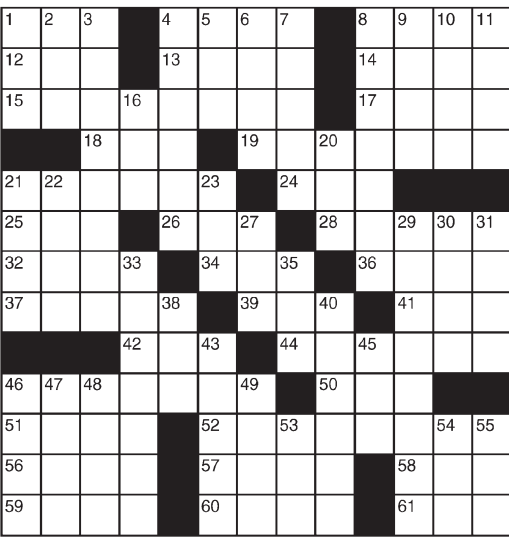
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32 Give temporarily
34 "Married ... With Children" mother
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50 Zodiac cat
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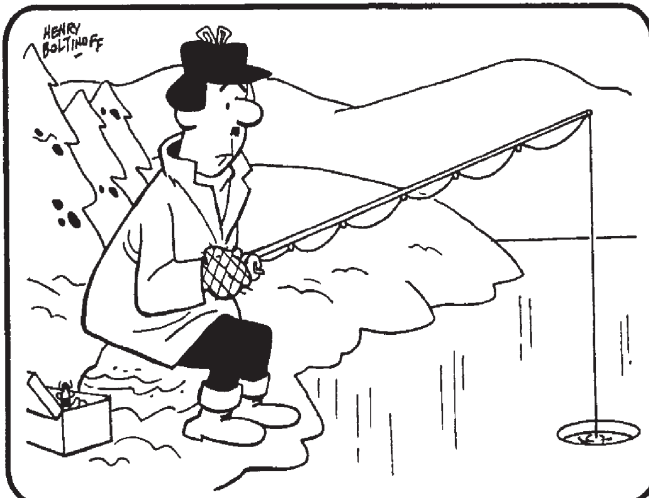


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2 Chinese path
3 Developing an attachment?
4 Usage
5 Lennon's lady
6 Techno-date books
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8 Germ-free
9 Attempt
10 Mexican money
11 Charon's river
16 Potent stick
20 "—"
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21 Nonsense
22 Sandwich cookie
23 Young seal
27 Obtain
29 Kept tabs on
30 Takeout request
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33 Some go for the gold
35 Roscoe
38 Bill's partner
40 1974 Dolly Parton hit
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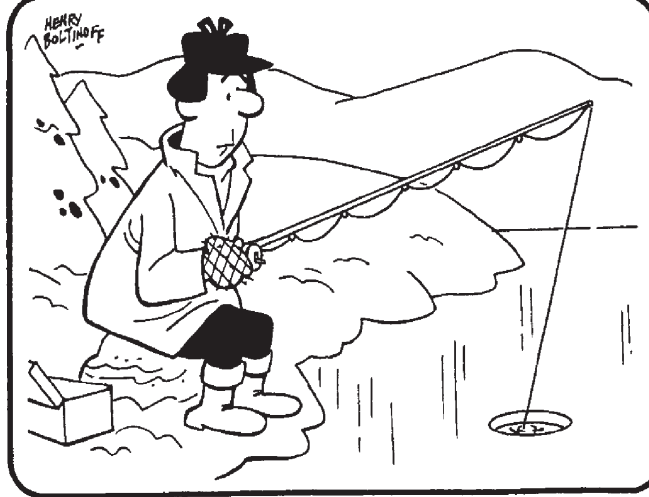
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



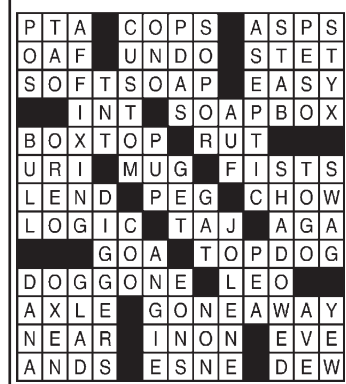
Differences: 1. Hat is all black. 2. Mustache is missing. 3. Fishing hole is moved. 4. Tackle is gone from box. 5. Boots are higher. 6. Tree is missing.

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King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Taking some time out of your usually busy social life could be just what you need to help you focus on putting those finishing touches on your plans for a possible career change.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A misunderstanding about a colleague's suggestions could create a delay in moving on with your proposal. But by week's end, all the confusing points should finally be cleared up.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might feel overwhelmed by all the tasks you suddenly have to take care of. But just say the magic word—help!—and you'll soon find others rushing to offer much-needed assistance.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Finishing a current project ahead of schedule leaves you free to deal with other upcoming situations, including a possible workplace change, as well as a demanding personal matter.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Turn that fine-tuned feline sensitivity radar up to high to help uncover any facts that could influence a decision you might be preparing to make. Devote the weekend to family activities.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A state of confusion is soon cleared up with explanations from the responsible parties. Don't waste time chastising anyone. Instead, move forward with your plans.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might feel obligated to help work out a dispute between family members. But this is one of those times when you should step aside and let them work out their problems on their own.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your ability to resolve an on-the-job problem without leaving too many ruffled feathers earns you kudos from co-workers. You also impress major decision-makers at your workplace.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Newly made and long-held friendships merge well, with possibly one exception. Take time to listen to the dissenter's explanations. You could learn something important.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Be prepared to be flexible about your current travel plans. Although you don't have to take them, at least consider suggestions from the experts in the travel business.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A problem with a recent financial transaction could lead to more problems later on unless you resolve it immediately. Get all the proof you need to support your position.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Daydreaming makes it difficult to stay focused on what you need to do. But reality sets in by midweek, and you manage to get everything done in time for a relaxing weekend.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your ability to reach out to those in need of spiritual comfort makes you a much-revered, much-loved person in your community.

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Published: Jan. 29 & Feb. 5, 2009.

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
January 15, 2009
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Kristina A. Hunt, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2009-049
Street Address
Elite HR Logistics, Inc.
921 Jefferson Blvd., West Sacramento, CA95691
Full Name and address
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This business classification is: Corporation
s/Desiree Caldwell
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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
January 21, 2009
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Ava Woodard, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2009-063
American Pacific Mortgage
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s/David Mack
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Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
TRUSTEE'S SALE # 08-2093-CA LOAN NO. 1044601482 TITLE ORDER # 37005572 APN NUMBER: 030-220-09-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11-09-2005. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. ON 02-19-2009 AT 12:00PM, ROBERT E. WEISS INCORPORATED as the duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to deed of trust recorded 11-14-2005, book , page , instrument 2005-0056856-00 of official records in the office of the recorder of YOLO county, California, executed by: PETER ALSBURY, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Trustor, FIRST FRANKLIN A DIVISION OF NAT. CITY BANK OF IN, as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION SALE TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Place of sale: AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said deed of trust in the property situated in said county, California describing the land therein: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 105 NIEMANN STREET WINTERS, CA 95694 The undersigned trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said not(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the trustee and of the trusts created by said deed of trust, to wit: Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$964,235.65 (ESTIMATED) ACCRUED INTEREST AND ADDITIONAL ADVANCES, IF ANY, WILL INCREASE THIS FIGURE PRIOR TO SALE The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a Written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said notice of default and election to sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. DATE: JANUARY 20, 2009 ROBERT E. WEISS INCORPORATED, AS TRUSTEE ATTN: FORECLOSURE DEPARTMENT 920 VILLAGE OAKS DRIVE COVINA CA 91724 (626)967-4302 FOR SALE INFORMATION: WWW.FIDELITYASAP.COM OR 714) 730-2727 CRIS A KLINGERMAN, ESQ. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 2974374 01/29/2009, 02/05/2009, 02/12/2009

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
December 31, 2008
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2008-1233
Allegiance Mixed Martial Arts
505 Main Street, Woodland, CA95695
Names of Registrant: David E. Hagon
814 Walker, St., Woodland, CA95776
This business classification is: Individual
s/David E. Hagon
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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
January 8, 2009
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2009-024
Chuy's Taqueria #2
1260 Lake Blvd. Ste. #103, Davis, CA95616
Names of Registrant: Maria Salazar/Juan M. Salazar
P.O. Box 686, Dixon, CA95620
This business classification is: Husband and Wife
s/Maria Salazar
Beginning Date of Business, 1/8/2009.
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Published Jan. 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 2009

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name

FILED Yolo Superior Court
Jan. 06, 2009
By S. Jensen, Deputy
Case Number: PT09-15
Superior Court of California, County of Yolo
725 Court Street
Woodland, CA95695

Petition of Ramona Nunez for change of name

Order to show cause for change of name

To all interested persons:
Ramona Nunez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name Osvaldo Nunez Avina, to proposed name Osvaldo Nunez-Avina.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Date: March 11, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Dept. 15.
The address of the court is 1100 Main Street, Ste. 300, Woodland, CA95695

Date: January 6, 2009
Samuel T. McAdam
Judge of the Superior Court
Published Jan. 22 29, Feb. 5, 12, 2009

Notice of Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
T.S NO. 1176542-02 APN: 003-422-07-1 TRA: LOAN NO: XXXXXX3197 REF: Lee, Brian IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED August 16, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. ON **February 10, 2009**, at 09:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded August 23, 2005, as Inst. No. 2005004139200 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, executed by Brian Lee and Beth Lee Husband And Wife, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank At the rear (north) entrance to the city hall building 1110 West Capitol Avenue West Sacramento, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: **Completely described in said deed of trust** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1013 Hemenway St Winters CA 95694 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$330,050.26. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. **Trustee Sale No. 1176542-02 Loan No. XXXXXX3197 As indicated below, Wachovia Mortgage, FSB, made the following efforts to contact the borrower, but contact was not made. Use of autodialer to contact borrower, manually dialed calls to the borrower, mailed correspondence to the borrower containing a toll free number for Wachovia Mortgage, FSB, and regarding the delinquency. Mailed brochure to the borrower regarding options to avoid foreclosure.** For sales information: Mon-Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (619) 590-1221. Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: December 31, 2008. (R-215045 01/15/09, 01/22/09, 01/29/09)

Notice of Adoption of Ordinance

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-13
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINTERS ADOPTING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE CALLAHAN ESTATES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Winters City Council on January 20, 2009 adopted City of Winters Ordinance No. 2008-13, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Winters Adopting a First Amendment to the Development Agreement for the Callahan Estates.

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

This ordinance amends the Development Agreement executed April 5, 2005 by the City of Winters and Winters Investors, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company ("The Developer") concerning property within the boundaries of the City of Winters commonly known as the Callahan Property (Yolo County APN 030-220-22). This Amendment inter alia, extends the time for performance under the Development Agreement to 2016, and includes various safeguards to secure the economic performance by Developer of the agreement. This ordinance was adopted January 20, 2009, and will take effect February 8, 2009.

Copies of the adopted ordinance are on file with the Winters City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, California.

Dated: January 27, 2009
/s/ John C. Wallace, City Attorney
City of Winters

Published January 29, 2009

Notice of Adoption of Ordinance

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-15
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINTERS ADOPTING A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE WINTERS HIGHLANDS SUBDIVISION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Winters City Council on January 20, 2009 adopted City of Winters Ordinance No. 2008-15, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Winters Adopting a Second Amendment to the Development Agreement for the Winters Highlands Subdivision.

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

This ordinance amends the Development Agreement executed May 25, 2006, and amended December 21, 2006, by the City of Winters and GBH-Winters Highlands, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company ("The Developer") concerning property within the boundaries of the City of Winters commonly known as the Winters Highlands Property (Yolo County APNs 030-220-17, 030-220-19, and 030-220-33). This Amendment inter alia, extends the time for performance under the Development Agreement to 2016, and includes various safeguards to secure the economic performance by Developer of the agreement. This ordinance was adopted January 6, 2009, and will take effect February 5, 2009.

Copies of the adopted ordinance are on file with the Winters City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, California.

Dated: January 27, 2009
/s/ John C. Wallace, City Attorney
City of Winters

Published January 29, 2009

Notice of Adoption of Ordinance

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-14
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINTERS ADOPTING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE HUDSON-OGANDO SUBDIVISION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Winters City Council on January 20, 2009 adopted City of Winters Ordinance No. 2008-14, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Winters Adopting a First Amendment to the Development Agreement for the Hudson-Ogando Subdivision.

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

This ordinance amends the Development Agreement executed December 19, 2005 by the City of Winters and Winters Investors, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company ("The Developer") concerning property within the boundaries of the City of Winters commonly known as the Hudson-Ogando Property (Yolo County APNs 030-439-29, 030-430-13). This Amendment inter alia, extends the time for performance under the Development Agreement to 2016, and includes various safeguards to secure the economic performance by Developer of the agreement. This ordinance was adopted January 20, 2009, and will take effect February 8, 2009.

Copies of the adopted ordinance are on file with the Winters City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, California.

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Warriors place six players on All Area Team

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Winters Warriors varsity football team put six players on the

All Area Football Team put out by the Davis Enterprise. Making the first team were senior running back Max Mariani, seniors Aaron

Geerts and Kyle Tobler as All Purpose players, sophomore Jesus Quirarte as an offensive lineman and sophomore Zach Higgins as a

defensive end/out side linebacker. Junior Jesse Reneaux made honorable mention as a offensive and defensive lineman.

JV boys let Pirates steal one

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Winters JV boys' basketball team let one get away last week as they hosted the Wheatland Pirates on Tuesday, Jan. 20, and lost 45-42. The game was tied at 32-32 to start the fourth period but the Warriors relied on the outside shot late in the game and they just weren't falling in.

"We didn't get many points on the inside and they got too many," said coach Tom Crisp. "They had 22 offensive rebounds. The outside shot, which is normally a strength for our team, was a weakness in this game. We were 3 for 27 on three-point attempts."

"We didn't shoot well from the perimeter and didn't do a good job of getting the ball inside."

"Down the stretch we had some good looks at the basket, but the shots just didn't fall," Crisp added. "Because our perimeter shots were not falling, we needed to compensate by getting the ball inside, rebounding better, and playing better defense, but we didn't execute quite well enough for the victory."

Sam Newman led the Warriors with 10 points. Mariani and John Botro each scored eight points. Niko Doyle and Skyler Geerts each scored six

points, while Juan Tovar had four points for the Warriors.

After losing their first league game of the season the Warriors got right back into the winning mode on Friday, Jan. 22, with a 62-55 victory over visiting Sutter.

"Fortunately our shooting eye came back and we were able to outscore our opponents," said Crisp. "Defensively, we gave up too many lay-ups when our help defense didn't rotate over quickly enough. Skyler did a great job posting up against their zone defense in the second half and that is something we should be able to utilize more often."

Doyle led the Warriors with 18 points and hit four 3-pointers. Geerts turned things around in the second half instead of relying on the outside shot; he took it inside and made some big plays and ended the game with 15 points. Botro had 11 points. Mariani and Tovar each scored 6 points. Newman scored 4 points and Kevin Hyde had 2 points for the Warriors.

Winters takes home medals



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At the BASKA Martial Arts tournament, held in Vallejo on Saturday, Jan. 17, three students from Javier Martial Arts in Winters were awarded medals in the Kata Division. From left are Matthew Holmes, Tim Mazzoleni and Walker Witzman.

ACT

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place from Feb. 28 to March 13 for an extra fee. Students may register online at www.actstudent.org, or pick up registration forms from high school counseling offices.

The cost is \$31 for the traditional ACT test and \$46 for the ACT Plus Writing. Students should determine whether colleges and universities they are considering require the optional writing score. A list of schools that require the writing test can be found at www.actstudent.org/writing. ACT scores are accepted by all four-year colleges and universities across the United States.

The ACT, a curriculum-based achievement exam, consists of tests in English, mathematics, reading and science, and takes about three hours. The ACT Plus Writing requires an additional 30 minutes to complete. Unlike other tests, students are not penalized for guessing and answering all the questions on each section. In fact, it is beneficial to students to answer all questions.

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