



Winters Express

Nature park project begins

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

After years of planning and controversy, Rich Marovich, Putah Creek streamkeeper, expects the last detail of the last permit to arrive any day, allowing contractors to demolish and remove the perc (percolation) dam located in the Winters stretch of Putah Creek. His team started vegetation removal in a broad area along the south side of creek two weeks ago, creating a large open area that was once dense brambles.

The dam removal process kicks off reconstruction of the Winters Putah Creek Nature



Photo by Elliot Landes

Brush has already been cleared along Putah Creek, as the construction of the Putah Creek Nature Park gets underway. One of the first steps will be the removal of the percolation dam.

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Photo by Elliot Landes

Dr. Rebecca Gillespie is the new Winters Superintendent of Schools, replacing Dale Mitchell, who resigned in August 2008. Pat Lewis filled in as interim superintendent since that time.

Gillespie hits the ground running

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

Dr. Rebecca Gillespie, the new superintendent for the Winters Joint Unified School District, is excited to be here, but she acknowledges this is a tough time to take on the position. Every school district in the state is reeling from cuts mandated by the dysfunctional state government in its response to the financial crisis, but in Winters that hardship will be added to multiple years of declining revenue due to ongoing drops in enrollment.

It's not much of a silver lining, but the district has learned how to cut costs, and one of Gillespie's first executive actions comes from that playbook. She authorized the team of middle school principal Pam Scheeline and assis-

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FUTURE SUBSCRIBER

JOSEPH JEDIDIAH HAWKINS, JR., is the newborn son of Sasha and Jed Hawkins of Winters. Born August 29, 2009, at Kaiser Hospital in Vallejo, he weighed 6 pounds and 7 ounces. He joins brother Christian Cushman and sister Alexia Larsen. Maternal grandparents are Jerry Cushman of Vacaville and the late Jeanie Cushman. Paternal grandparents are Marianne Hawkins of Winters and Ted Hawkins of Richmond. Maternal great-grandmother is Ellie Boehrer of Brentwood.

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Weather readings are taken at 9 a.m. daily, covering the previous 24 hour period.

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
Aug. 26		94	55
Aug. 27		96	54
Aug. 28		100	62
Aug. 29		105	69
Aug. 30		106	73
Aug. 31		101	57
Sept. 1		96	59

Rain for week: 0

Season's total: Trace

Rainfall season is July 1 through June 30

Included in this week's issue are advertising inserts from:
Lorenzo's Market, IGA,
Tractor Supply Co.,
Pacific Ace Hardware

(Supplements are sent to Winters, Woodland, Davis, Capay Valley, Dixon, Vacaville and Fairfield.)



Shake, rattle and rock

Photo by Joe DeAngelo

Ashley Shaw (left) shook up the audience at the Earthquake Street Festival on Friday, Aug. 28, and won first place in the very first Winters Has Talent competition, with this three-part Tahitian dance performance. The annual Earthquake Street Festival is one of the largest fund-raisers for the Winters Chamber of Commerce, which sponsors the event.

Photo by Debra DeAngelo
Local youth band Self Centered rocked downtown Main Street until the windows rattled at the 2009 Earthquake Street Festival last week. Letting both the tunes and hair fly are guitarist/vocalist Ellis White (below, left) and guitarist Jimi Guerrero.



KARLA KNABKE

Knabke's many years of service celebrated

By MOLLY DAVIS
Staff writer

After 24 years, Winters will have to say goodbye and farewell to a longtime institution: Karla Knabke, local librarian.

Knabke has decided to retire just before the new library opens, signifying a changing of the guards. Due partly to budgetary cuts, and partly due to a desire to travel and read more books, Knabke's last day at the Winters branch of the Yolo County Library was Aug. 27.

As the new library on Railroad Avenue prepares to open, the tiny public library on the corner of First and Russell streets is less one knowledgeable librarian. And to celebrate her 24 years of service, fellow librarians Toni Mendieta, Sara Ferguson and Lisa Nalbene put on a reception for Knabke, complete with punch, baked goods and loyal readers, reluctant

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Weekly police report

Aug. 7
~ 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 1200 block of Alameda Avenue, a victim received a telephone call that was a scam. The caller advised the victim that he won the Global International Sweepstakes and asked him to wire \$250 via Western Union and then he could receive his winnings. The victim did not wire the money.

Aug. 18
~ Time unknown, 300 block of Main Street, entry was gained to a residence and a television was stolen. Loss: \$1,000.

Aug. 24
~ 3:50 a.m., 200 block of East Baker Street, an unlocked vehicle was entered and an attempt was made to steal the vehicle stereo. The victim heard his dogs barking, looked out his front window and saw someone inside his vehicle. The dogs scared the person, who jumped into a dark colored four-door vehicle and fled the scene.
~ 8:39 p.m., 800 block of Taylor Street, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

Aug. 25
~ 11:17 p.m., Owings Drive, officers assisted Yolo County Sheriff's deputies with a large fight.

Aug. 26
~ 11:15 a.m., a found bicycle was turned over to the police department.
~ 2:30 p.m., a found set of keys was turned over to the police department.

Aug. 28
~ 2:55 p.m., 200 block of First Street, an unlocked bicycle was stolen. Loss: \$200.
~ 3:10 p.m., Derek Lee Rasmussen, 22, a transient, was arrested for annoying and/or molesting a child under 18 years of age and violating parole. Rasmussen was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.
~ 6:37 pm - Jose Santiago Vazquez, 43, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

Aug. 29
~ 12:09 a.m., Ruben Aguayo Jauregui, 53, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and failing to dim high beam headlights.
~ 1:02 a.m., Arnulfo Camacho, 24, of Sacramento was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08%, driving with a sus-

pending/revoked driver's license and failing to have the vehicle headlights illuminated during darkness. Camacho was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

~ 1:20 a.m., Vincent John Silveira, 28, of Sacramento was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08% and carrying a loaded firearm. Silveira was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ 1:32 a.m., Eric Scott Panzich, 22, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana.

~ 2:25 a.m., a 17-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a notice to appear for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana, possessing tobacco products and violating curfew.

~ 3:33 p.m., 300 block of Niemann Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The residence was found secure.

~ 7:23 p.m., Benjamin Edgar Rathbone-Webber, 25, of Davis was arrested for using a cellular telephone while driving and driving under the influence of alcohol (awaiting results of blood alcohol content). Rathbone-Webber was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ 10:10 p.m., 100 block of Wolfskill Street, headlights, tail lamps and mirrors were broken on two parked vehicles. Investigation continues.

~ 10:51 p.m., 800 block of Dutton Street, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

~ 10:58 p.m., 900 block of Southdown Court, a rock was thrown through the front window of a residence. Estimated damage: \$1,500.

~ 11:43 p.m., Joseph Donald Francis Bertinoia, 20, of Winters was arrested for making threats with the intent to terrorize, being intoxicated in public and vandalism. Bertinoia was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

Aug. 30
~ 8:29 p.m., 200 block of First Street, an officer assisted the Woodland Police Department by detaining a suspect who was wanted by their department for robbery and assault with a deadly weapon.

Two teens arrested in fight

By LAUREN KEENE
McNaughton Newspapers

A fight outside a Winters area housing complex led to the arrests of

two teens on vandalism and battery charges on Tuesday, Aug. 26, Yolo County sheriff's officials said.

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YESTERYEAR



File photo by Debra Ramos
Students in Julie Curry's tap dance classes are to perform in the "Keeping the Rhythm Alive," at the Veterans Memorial Center in Davis, on June 11, 1995. From left are (front) Vasey Coman, Kelli Mariani and Kaely Romney; (back) Quincy Harris, Alexis Van Dyke, Devin Vickrey and Abby Arons.

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YEARS AGO

September 24, 1959

A federal district court jury in San Francisco yesterday ruled that Ernie Goetze, former Monticello rancher, was entitled to \$325,000 for 2,847 acres taken by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation for the Solano Project. The government had offered Goetze \$224,265 for the land inundated by Lake Berryessa.

A total of 2.63 inches of rain was recorded in a 48-hour period last weekend, causing severe damage to some crops in the area, particularly tomatoes.

A large number of Winters people, including city officials and ranchers who pump water from the Putah Creek Cone, are expected to attend a hearing in Sacramento tomorrow, called by the State Water Rights Board. The board has called the hearing and challenged the city to show cause why its water rights to Putah Creek should not be revoked.

The ninth birthday anniversary of Kenneth MacKenzie was observed Monday afternoon with a birthday party at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K.I. MacKenzie. Enjoying the affair were the honoree and Charley Wallace, Timmy Ireland, David Storz, Stanley Kato, Joe Ramos, Mickey Gordon, Rickie Canafax, Dick Crum and Kenny Kato.

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YEARS AGO

September 22, 1944

The freshman class at Winters High School chose Jack Graf as president. In the sophomore class, Don Rominger, president; junior class, Marion Cecil, president; and senior class, Howard Kiefer, president.

Mrs. M.H. Moore has accepted a position as clerk in the California Market. Miss Marie Carbahal is filling the bookkeeper's position left vacant by the resignation of Miss Martha Pezzatti.

A "blessed event" shower was given Friday in the home of Mrs. Howard Hansen, honoring Mesdames W. Lloyd Adams, Edwin Neel, Vernon Jeffery and Gunard Johnson. Hostesses were the Methodist Ladies Social Club, and with several other guests, the group numbered 20.

A letter from T/4 Arthur Ish this week, informs his folks that he is now in England. Arthur is with an Engineering Co. and previously was stationed at a camp in Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Perkins returned home Sunday night from their honeymoon outing, which was spent at Emerald Bay in the Tahoe area. The newlyweds have reportedly purchased from Mrs. August Sears the cottage at the corner of Second and Baker streets (the late Mrs. Charles Hall home).

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YEARS AGO

September 24, 1909

Mr. Charles K. Murray and Miss Jennie Pederson were united in marriage in San Francisco on Sept. 19, 1909.

Mrs. E. Udell and Miss Mae Graham returned from a trip throughout the Northwest.

Officers for the newly formed business man's club were F.M. Wyatt, Dr. F.W. Anderson, F.C. Hemenway, and the following directors were named: T.D. Parker, J. Rummelsburg, T.H. Fenley and E.E. Baker.

C.E. Gregory is the latest Winters enthusiast to purchase an auto. He has a four-cylinder Maxwell.

Baker and Wainwright put their new Stoddard-Dayton on the stage line Monday. The car is certainly a classy one.

Miss Hazel Fletcher leaves this week for San Francisco where she will attend the San Francisco normal.

Berryessa drops .54 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa dropped by .54 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 8,588 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 410.21 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,032,918 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 450 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 42 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam.

Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 210 acre feet of water per day during the week.

Correction

In last week's Express, it was incorrectly reported that POW/MIA Recognition Day is on Sept. 5. The correct date is Sept. 18. We apologize for any inconvenience this error may have caused.

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YEARS AGO

September 22, 1894

The families of J.B. Griffin, Sam Taylor and H.C. Goodyear started for Morgan Valley, Lake County, last Monday on a hunting expedition and for a few days recreation.

The county clerk has set the total value of the taxable property in the Winters High School District at \$1,389,646 and it is apportioned as follows: Winters district, \$607,071, Buckeye district, \$490,115, and Apri-cot district, \$294,460.

Hart H. North, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George North of Winters, has been nominated for Assemblyman from the Fiftieth District by the Republicans of Alameda County.

G.W. Chapman received two blooded sheep on Tuesday evening's express. They were from the East, and the expressage of them out here was \$50.

Limited permit granted to Winters Healthcare Foundation

By **MOLLY DAVIS**
City editor

The Winters Planning Commission met recently to debate two conditional use permits, regarding the Winters Healthcare Foundation's administrative offices, and installation of three additional antennas to an existing wireless tower, and to discuss an informational item regarding the city's parking lot across from City Hall.

The first item, a conditional use permit for the administrative offices of the Winters Healthcare Foundation, now located at the Winters Church of Christ at 310 Main Street, was discussed minus Wade Cowan and Corrine Martinez, who stepped down due to conflicts of interest.

The Foundation has been using the church for some time now, ever since 2007, when the Putah Creek Café expanded their restaurant, requiring the Foundation to move its administrative offices. The Church of Christ offered their space to the Foundation during the week, and according to the staff report, in a letter dated in December 2007, the church regards the Foundation as part of its ministry. The Foundation, for its part, regards the location as temporary, for a maximum of five years, as it finds a permanent location.

Since the church is not zoned for business uses, the Foundation requires a conditional use permit, as Community Development Director Nelia Dyer explained.

However, the commission did not let this item slide so easily. New commissioner Phillip Meisch raised a concern about setting a precedent for businesses in locations not zoned for such uses. He asked Dyer if the applicant, represented by Chris Kelsch, would be amenable to a shorter time frame, such as three years.

"That is an excellent point," commented Dyer. "We need to make sure that we're not setting a precedent... We need to set this right."

Speaking for the Foundation, Kelsch said, "Sure, I'd be amenable to it, granted we have the funding," adding that five years is the longest the Foundation plans on staying, because it allows them to find enough funds.

Chairman Pierre Neu asked, "Is there any reason why this couldn't be set up for a three or five year review?"

Dyer agreed that it would be a good idea to review the permit sooner, but Vice-Chairman Glenn DeVries was still concerned, saying that he thought the appli-

cant was "begging for forgiveness, not asking for permission," to which Dyer responded that staff still recommended the permit, with the recommendation from the commission to have a shorter time period and review.

Kelsch tried to alleviate the commission's fears.

"Our intent has always been to work with the city. I can definitely work with something like a three year permit," said Kelsch, admitting that if the commission says "no, you say no, and we have to pack up and leave."

However, Kelsch appealed to the commission when he said, "We feel like we're adding something to the community."

Finally, after some serious consideration as to a possible precedent being set, the commission, minus two members, unanimously approved the permit, with a three year review, rather than a five year review.

Next, the commission discussed a conditional use permit for the installation of three additional antennas on an existing wireless communications tower, located at Roads 88 and 32A, for AT&T Mobility.

Jennifer Walker, representing AT&T, explained that the company was just "upgrading equipment - trying to keep up with technology and our customer base."

Chairman Neu asked, "Will the tower be there for the next 20 years?"

"Yes. Once we've got a tower up, we like to keep it there," replied Walker.

The permit was unanimously approved.

Finally, City Manager John Donlevy spoke to the commission about the proposed parking lot at First and Abbey streets, across from City Hall. Although funding is slim now, due to state cuts, the city plans on moving forward with the parking lot.

Explaining that there are aspects of the parking lot that are not required to come before the commission, the city staff wants to keep the commission abreast of the proposed project.

The building on the site will have to be removed, but as many trees as possible that exist on the site will be maintained and kept in place.

"I can't tell you that it's going to be the flashiest project," said Donlevy, but it will serve the purpose to provide parking not only to city employees, but downtown patrons as well.

The planning commission will meet again on Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 7:30 p.m., in the council chambers at City Hall.

saulted by two suspects who accused them of being members of a rival gang, Williams said. After the alleged assault, the suspects reportedly broke the victims' car windows with baseball bats.

Officers detained two suspects: a 14-year-old boy arrested on suspicion of battery, vandalism and conspiracy, and a 16-year-old boy arrested on vandalism and probation violation charges, Williams said. Both were lodged at Yolo County Juvenile Hall.

Neither victim required medical attention, Williams said.

Still searching



Photo by Elliot Landes

A team of FBI agents and Winters police officers searched the back yard at 208 First Street for evidence related to the disappearance of Leticia Ramos on Tuesday morning, Sept. 1. The alley between Main and Russells Streets was closed with crime tape while the search was conducted. No evidence was discovered, and no arrests were made. Ramos was last seen on April 12. Her husband, Felipe Hernandez, was arrested for first-degree murder on May 28, even though Ramos' body has not been found. His murder trial was scheduled to begin on Monday, Aug. 31, but was postponed until November. Anyone with information about the case can call the Winters Police Department, 795-2261.

Attempted murder, robbery suspect arrested in Winters

By **LAUREN KEENE**
McNaughton Newspapers

An arrest has been made in connection with a robbery and attempted murder that occurred Saturday morning in Woodland, the Woodland Police Department announced on Monday, Aug. 31.

Juan Carlos Palacios, 21, was arrested shortly after 8:30 p.m. Sunday in Winters, where local police responded to reports of an argument stemming from a vehicle accident on First Street, Woodland police Sergeant Heath Parsons said.

Palacios, who had been identified as a suspect in the robbery and attempted murder, was turned over to Woodland police officers. The Woodland resident was then transported to the Yolo County Jail.

Police believe Palacios is the person who robbed another man at the Big Lots! store at Court and

West streets.

The incident occurred at about 7:40 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 29, at the Woodland discount store.

Witnesses reported that the 23-year-old victim was robbed of money, then tried to stop the suspect from fleeing by grabbing the vehicle steering wheel through the driver-side window.

The suspect held onto the victim and dragged him with the vehicle for about a mile to Court Street and Ashley Avenue before letting go, police said.

The victim, a Santa Ana resident who has been working in Woodland, had abrasions throughout his body and was taken to the UC Davis Medical Center in Sacramento for treatment.

Police continue to seek information about the incident and can be reached at 666-2411 or 661-7800. Callers may remain anonymous.

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Iris sale will benefit new library

Iris lovers, mark your calendar for Sept. 13. The Winters Friends of the Library will host a bearded iris sale to raise funds for the new Winters Library, which is scheduled to open on Nov. 14. This special sale will be held at the Winters Farmers Market Craft Sale, 8 a.m. to noon, at the WFoL booth.

The iris selections are a full range of colors. The rhizomes, grown in Yolo County, were donated by former Yolo County Supervisor Frank Seiferman and family. Prices are \$2 per rhizome or \$15 for 20. Mystery rhizomes are \$1 each. Customers should bring their own bags and marking pens.

For more information, call Charlotte Kimball, 795 0615.

The Express office
will be closed on
Monday, Sept. 7,
for Labor Day. The
early submission
deadline is noon on
Friday, Sept. 4.

FIGHT

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The incident was reported at 11:15 p.m. in the area of Owings Court, at the Yolo Housing complex on Russell Boulevard east of Winters.

"It was reported that juveniles were involved in a physical altercation, and there was also vandalism of several vehicles," sheriffs Capt. Rich Williams said. Sheriff's deputies responded to the scene, along with Winters police and California Highway Patrol officers.

Two victims at the scene reported being as-

Opinion

LETTERS

In search of carnitas cooks

Dear Editor:

The City of Winters Hispanic Advisory Committee invites the community to Rotary Park on Sunday, Sept. 27, from 2-8 p.m. for a day of family fun and delicious food. It's all part of the Festival de la Comunidad/Community Festival, featuring the second annual Carnitas Cook-off from 2-4 p.m. Teams will vie for the \$300 First Prize, \$150 People's Choice award and festival-wide prize for Best Decorated Booth.

Come out and taste the different carnitas recipes and cast a vote for your favorite. Enjoy some local performers, different varieties of music and children's activities.

This event would not be possible without our sponsors. This year's sponsors include: Button & Turkovich, Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Cache Creek Casino Resort/Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, First Northern Bank, John & Karla Knabke, Lester Farms, Mariani Foundation, Rotary Club, St. Anthony Parish, Valerie Whitworth and Yolo Federal Credit Union. Without the support of these generous sponsors, this event would not be possible.

We are still looking for sponsors and Carnitas Cook-off teams. If you'd like to sponsor the event or a specific team with your \$300 donation, contact Mary Jo Rodolfa, 795-4910, extension 111, or Dawn Van Dyke, 795-4910, extension 108.

Don't forget to come out to Rotary Park on Sunday, Sept. 27, from 2-8 p.m. to celebrate the Winters community.

WINTERS HISPANIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Healthcare event should be lots of fun

Dear Editor,

I would like to invite all of Winters and our extended community to a fun evening of free food, live music, lively conversation and information about the Healthcare reform issues that our country is facing.

This is not a town hall meeting. It is an evening of enjoyment. The Winters Democratic club is sponsoring this party at The Palms on Sept. 4 from 6:30-9 p.m. or thereabouts to support the kind of reform that Winters has been in the forefront of (see National News about the innovative Winters Health Clinic).

There will be finger food provided, a no-host bar, and the best musicians anywhere. If you attended a Democratic event last year you know how much fun they are.

We will also have a letter writing station to encourage informing our legislators how we feel about health care reform, and local leaders will be present to share their understanding. This should be a fun and informative evening.

Come out and dance yourself into good health.

See you there.

CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ

Tournament will benefit Youth Day

Dear Editor,

The Winters Youth Day Committee is gearing up for the annual Youth Day Golf Tournament to be held at the Wild Wings Golf Course in Woodland on Sunday, Oct. 11. The four-person scramble tournament is the major fund-raiser for the 74th Winters Youth Day Celebration in April 2010 and is always a great day for fun and competition.

The cost is \$65 per person, which includes a cart per group, 18 holes of golf and an awards dinner following the tournament at the Winters Community Center. For more information go to the Youth Day website,

www.wintersyouthday.com or contact Chris Jones, 795-3279.

Come out and enjoy some great golf and help get Youth Day 2010 started.

MIKE SEBASTIAN
Youth Day Committee

Help needed at home games

Dear Editor,

The Winters High School Football concessions stand is the junior class fund-raiser each year. Our first home game is Sept. 11 — only a few days away. Getting ready for the season, we have found that we are in need of a few things and would like help from the community to get us ready for the year.

Our barbecue is on its last leg, so we are looking for donations of barbecues that work well. We are also in need of several 50-100 foot extension cords, three chafing dishes, four to six calculators and several large ice chests (We will happily accept loaners of any of these items for the season clearly marked with owner's name).

Also, our concession trailer needs some TLC. The sink doesn't work and we would be very grateful if someone could fix it for us.

The concession stand is ran by the junior class students and their parents, so please help us out by letting me know when you can work the concession stand.

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CHARLES R. WALLACE

A QUICK OPINION

OLD FRIENDS GETTING OLDER. Lately I've been spending too much time dwelling on getting old. I'm not sure what is causing my thoughts to wonder, but attending Bob Graf's 65th birthday bash didn't help much. He may look 65 but I remember him as a high school friend of my brother Polk's. Forever 25 is the way I like to think of friends and myself. Every once in a while I catch a glimpse of myself in the mirror and am shocked at the old guy looking back.

Bob's wife, Joanna, throws an almost annual whiffleball tournament to celebrate his birthday. It is always a good time with plenty of old Winters residents in attendance. Looking around the party you realize just how many Grafs there are. Luckily most of them moved away from town or we'd have to change the name from Winters to Grafsville.

There are more children attending every year. Sherri and Laura were attending a bridal shower for Mandy, my future daughter-in-law, in Boise, so Rance, the grandkids and I headed for Stockton. I'll admit that I'm biased, but Jenna and Brett are as cute as they come. I've already started keeping my eye out for future grand-sons-in-laws and grand-daughters-in-laws. There were plenty of good candidates at the party. Rance just chuckled and didn't take me seriously when I talked about future in-laws, but give him a few years and he'll start paying attention to whom the kids play with. He did enjoy the whiffleball games and hit a lot of homers. Unfortunately, he wasn't on my team.

I see Bob's daughters, Peaches, Katie, and Anna a few times a year, and it is always a pleasure to see them interact with their relatives and friends during the games. There will come a day when I'll be sitting on the sidelines watching instead of trying not to embarrass myself at the plate, but that time hasn't arrived. I was successful this year with a stacked team that went undefeated and took home the gold medal. Having Spider Thomas' son, Jason, on the team didn't hurt, along with two of Bob Brian's sons turned the day into a home run derby. I was the weak link, but did manage to hit one out.

The highlight of the day was when Miah Barrera hit a home run receiving a standing ovation from the crowd and loud cheers from the opposing team. Did I mention that she was on my team? The birthday boy seemed to be having a good time, but I think it was his grandchildren that put the biggest smile on his face.

Not a bad way to end the summer break. Have a good week.

Some Frank talk at the Clown Hall Meetings on healthcare

I may be the voice of one crying in the wilderness, but here goes... Maybe government-sponsored health insurance isn't the best plan. I realize that train has already left the station and is chugging down the track, and I'm just standing at the station waving, but it's a pity that national healthcare has been equated with insurance coverage.

Rather than pouring money into another insurance plan, how about pouring it into community health clinics, like our Winters Healthcare Foundation? Bring doctors on board as government employees, and let patients pay with sliding scale fees as they can afford.

By taking insurance companies out of the healthcare loop, doctors would no longer be tools of the HMO system, and could make decisions based on their own medical expertise, rather than on what the insurance companies will and won't cover. If the government also covered doctors' malpractice insurance, clinic employee salaries and monthly expenses, like rent and utilities, doctors could get out of the business of running a business, and just be doctors. Lower expenses would mean lower charges for a visit

with the doctor.

Our little healthcare clinic here in Winters is a jewel, as is the physician there, Dr. William Davis, and both could serve as a template for clinics nationwide. I admit, I'm a bit biased, because Davis' approach to medicine reminds me of my own parents, who were both physicians, and were perfectly content with allowing patients to pay their bills in fish, eggs, and vegetables from their garden. They weren't in it for the profit. They were in it for the people.

You see, boys and girls, once upon a time, medicine wasn't all about the money. It's a bygone era, but you can see glimpses of it in Dr. Davis and the Winters Healthcare clinic. If we gave the medical industry an HMO-ectomy, maybe we could resurrect that personal, homestyle medical care. I know, just my own little fantasy, and government-sponsored insurance has chugged even further down the track in the time it took me to write this. So, government-sponsored insurance it will be.

Unlike some of the folks raising a ruckus at the Clown Hall Meetings on healthcare, I'm not too worried about the possibility of nationalized healthcare/insurance. In the end, it probably won't



DEBRA DeANGELO
BECAUSE I SAY SO

be as wonderful as the Democrats say, nor as disastrous as the Republicans fear, but somewhere in between. And if you don't like it, it's no big deal. It's not mandatory, it's an option. Don't like it? Stick with the healthcare coverage you've already got.

As for all these wing-nuts foaming at the mouth about the government making their medical decisions instead of their doctors, I have news for you: your doctor is already forced to play Mother May I with the insurance companies before doing anything much more complicated than taking your blood pressure.

I am aggravated every time my doctors tell me that she or he must get approval from my insurance company before proceeding with a treatment. It's outrageous that some paper-pusher with relatively zero medical expertise has the power to grant or deny medical treatment deemed necessary by a doctor.

As for all this nonsense about "death panels," I have more news

for the wing-nuts. We already have death panels. They're called insurance companies! Even as we speak, some single mother of three is being denied treatment for breast cancer because her insurance company has analyzed the cost-benefit ratio and determined that Case #7456789 might hurt the company's bottom line. Treatment denied. She can appeal it of course, over the next six months, assuming she lives that long.

Insurance companies aren't in it for the good of humanity. They are businesses, and like every business, their goal is to make money. Money spent on patients is less money in their pockets. At least government-backed health insurance would be a non-profit entity, theoretically, and sick people wouldn't just be figures on a spreadsheet. And if there is profit involved, I'd rather my money go to my country than some insurance company CEO's bonus package.

As I watch coverage of the Clown Hall Meetings (as much as I can

without shrieking) I keep wondering who brought the busload of loony tunes to the front steps and turned them loose on unsuspecting senators and congressman. They appear to be from the same mental ward as those folks waving birth certificates around and insisting that our President is a secret Socialist Muslim alien born in Kenya. (Like any of them could spell Socialism, let alone define it.)

At one recent Clown Hall, Congressman Barney Frank was confronted by one such loon, holding up a picture of Obama with a Hitler moustache and demanding to know why Frank supports Obama's Nazi policies. In light of the fact that Frank is Jewish, his response was exceedingly gentle: "On what planet do you spend most of your time?... You stand there with a picture of the President defaced to look like Hitler and compare the effort to increase healthcare to the Nazis... It is a tribute to the First Amendment that this kind of vile contemptible nonsense is so freely propagated. Trying to have a conversation with you would be like trying to argue with a dining room table — I have no interest in doing it."

I think I have a new hero.

Letters policy

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is noon on Mondays for publication that week. When Monday is a holiday, as it will be on Sept. 7, the deadline is noon on the prior Friday. The submission deadline for the Sept. 10 edition will be noon on Friday, Sept. 4.

Letters may be mailed or hand-delivered to The Winters Express, 312 Railroad Avenue, Winters, CA 95694, or emailed to news@wintersexpress.com.

Letters should not exceed 500 words. Do not use all capital letters.

We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters must be legibly signed by the writer, or if emailed, must indicate the writer's name. We may withhold writer's 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 only.

PARK

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Park. Using over a million dollars in grant funding, the project will reshape the contours of the Winters public creek lands, from the car bridge to I505. The project will change the form of the creek to encourage gravel build up from Dry Creek flows, in hopes of restoring the fish population, which depends on gravel beds for spawning. Low terraces will allow the creek to foster the success of native vegetation during flood periods, which will in turn promote bird populations. The park will have wide paved trails on the high banks as well as narrower paths close to the stream bed, and may eventually have a pedestrian bridge crossing near I 505 that will make the park trail into a loop.

While Marovich's primary goal is to restore the streambed and promote the health of wildlife in the corridor, the city looks forward to the creation of an attractive and accessible city park.

The broad flat shape of the creek near the perc dam is the result of various human modifications over many years. The project will reshape the form of the creek to produce the more natural shape streams take on when not impacted by human intervention. The new shape will have a narrow meandering channel coursing through low flat terraces. The channel will be moved southward, creating greater park area on the Winters side.

The process started in 2002, when Marovich used grant money from the CalFed Watershed program to do a series of focus studies, including one on the Winters portion of the creek. Three of the other sites

are on private properties, and there Marovich has built projects with grant funding, including rock vanes and weirs to contour the water flows, and realignment of the channel at the site where Dry Creek comes into Putah Creek.

The perc dam was built in the 1930s and held slots for boards to create a seasonal pool that would recharge the aquifer that joins that part of the creek, as well as providing water in dry years for fruit drying operations. The structure's abutments failed during high flows of 1951 and 1952, after which the dam was no longer used. The structure has collapsed further since that time.

The presence of the dam across the creek caused the shape of the creek to change from its natural form, particularly during times of high flows. Human activity has modified the shape in other ways as well. Naturally occurring gravels have been mined and some of the gravel was used for levees for the sewer aeration ponds that used to be Winters' sewer treatment plant. The deep pool below the perc dam is evidence of gravel removal, says Marovich.

"Even in 1955, the gravel was right up against the base of the perc dam," said Marovich. There was almost no pool then."

While consultant geomorphologists agreed on the need to remove the dam as the first step in any restoration, Marovich assumed it would never happen because of the cost. Then, in 2006, came an award from the River Parkway Program, originally funded by Prop. 50 in 2002. The grant application succeeded in part because of the proximity to the city and the fact of it being a declared nature park. The pro-

gram was directed at cities with river frontages, with the goal of undoing industrial development and restoring streams to their natural state.

"We proposed various projects all down the creek," said Marovich, of a group that included City of Davis, Winters, Yolo Parks and Solano Parks. "Of all those projects, removal of the perc dam was the one they were willing to fund. With that first round, we kind of had our foot in the door."

Marovich considers this a marquee project, that will increase the city's chances of winning grants in subsequent rounds of funding from River Parkway, enabling the next phases of the restoration.

"In 2008 we got an award to realign the channel from the car bridge to the perc dam," said Marovich. "So now we have really two overlapping projects happening concurrently. The purpose of the realignment is to do work like we did at the Dry Creek confluence, actually creating a new form for the channel."

Marovich says the Dry Creek course realignment, necessitated in part by the collapse of margins along Putah Creek Road, was hugely successful, even after being tested by very high flows last January. The Winters realignment project will include filling in a good part of the channel, diverting the flow in order to design pools and meanders, and then letting the creek take over the formation of its natural shape. This phase of the project will not begin until next year, after planning and environmental approvals are done.

(This is the first of a two-part story on the Winters Putah Creek Park project. Part 2 will run next week.)

and our goals, to work closely with the community to support valued programs with resources and volunteerism.

We would like to thank the following businesses for their willingness to host our fund-raiser during the month of August: Abbey House Inn, ARC Guitar, Berryessa Vet Services, Camile's Hair Salon, Chuy's Taqueria, Clayground, Cloth Carousel, Cody's, Custom Cleaners, Eagle Drug, El Pueblo Market and Deli, Kountry Kitchen, Lester Farms Bakery, Lorenzo's Town and Country Market, Main Event Barber, Ocean Restaurant, Pacific Ace Hardware, Pisani's Auto Parts, Pizza Factory, Round Table Pizza, Steady Eddy's, Subway, The Treehouse, VeloCity Bicycle Center, Warrior Video, Winters Eye Care and Winters True Value Hardware.

We would also like to thank the following volunteers for their dedication and hard work on this fundraiser: Bobby Riise, Bobby Rodriguez, Carol Scianna, Dan Maguire, Denise Cottrell, Diane Lis, Janet Andersen and Jodi Davis. As an organization, we are honored to serve the community of Winters and we look forward to continued success working together for our schools.

JOIE WATSON
Winters Education
Foundation

As a new organization we are still reaching out to the community in an effort to introduce our mission, to raise funds to support education at Winters Public Schools,

Don't see your letter?
We ran out of room!
Look for your letter
in next week's Express!



Photo by Pierre Stephens

The Winters Democratic Club is having a Health Care Rally at The Palms on Friday Sept. 4, 6:30-9 p.m., From left are club members Jack Graf, Cynthia Rodriguez, Libby Marubayashi, Carol Holdstock, Marge Graf and Dick Holdstock.

Healthcare rally planned

To kick off Labor Day weekend, the West Yolo (Winters) Democratic Club is sponsoring a free Health Care Reform Supporters Rally at The Palms on Friday, Sept. 4, at 6:30 p.m.

The rally is neither a forum nor a discussion. It is a rally to show that health care reform has a great deal of support in our area, says Dick Holdstock, one of the event's coordinators.

The Winters Democratic Club has endorsed the public insurance option. The members believe that it is essential to ensure access to health care in rural areas by providing a reimbursement increase to primary care physicians practicing in these communities and expanding telemedicine services to

make specialized care available for patients in underserved areas.

The free event includes speakers, live music, dancing, finger food and a no-host bar.

Speakers include Assemblywomen Mariko Yamada; Chair of the Democratic Party Progressive Caucus, Karen Benal; CSEA field Director, Rose Roach; and Yolo United spokesman, Tom Cronin, and Dr. William Davis.

There will be plenty of opportunity to sign petitions and write letters to decision makers.

Music will be provided by Barry Melton with the Yolo Freedom Singers, and dancing to the Bill Scholar Blues Band. All supporters of healthcare reform are invited to attend.

Breast cancer support group meets in Davis

Dr. Scott Christensen will present "Updates on Breast Cancer Treatment" at the Network of Strength Open Door educational meeting Monday, Sept. 14, at 7 p.m. at the University Covenant Church, 315 Mace Boulevard in Davis.

Network of Strength Educational Open Door meetings are held on the second Monday of each month from 7-8:30 p.m. at the University Covenant Church. Each month these meetings provide information on some aspect of breast cancer or women's health.

Call Network of Strength Northern California Affiliate for information or directions, 530-753-3940.

LETTERS

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Please work as many games as you can.

Our home games are Sept. 11 and 25, and Oct. 2, 16 and 30. We need eight to twelve junior class parents on each shift. We have three shifts this year, 3:30-6:30 p.m., 5:30- 8:30 p.m., and 8:30 until we are all cleaned up. Each shift needs one or two parents to barbecue hot-dogs and hamburgers, and one parent to drive to get Round Table Pizza. We also need one or two parents with a pick-up truck on the first and last shifts.

The football concessions stand is the largest fundraiser the junior class has and we look forward to your support. To help, call me at 795-3302 or 304-4365

DAWN STEWART
Concession Chair

Project Cinderella begins at WHS

Dear Editor,

Winters High School is kicking off a new program called Project Cinderella. This special project is designed to give every girl the opportunity to be a prom princess.

We are in challenging times and we want to make prom possible and affordable for anyone that wants to go. Most formal dresses are only worn once. It would be nice if Winters High School girls helped the environment and their pocketbooks by recycling used dresses.

JILL SHUGART

A huge thanks to supporters

Dear Editor,

The Winters Education Foundation would like to send out a huge thank-you to the Winters Chamber of Commerce, the Winters business community and some very dedicated volunteers for their help and support of our first ever Add-A-Dollar-Campaign.

This campaign has been a success in more than one way. First, funds were collected at multiple businesses around town as generous folks added an extra dollar to their purchases and second, lots of people asked questions about the Winters Education Foundation.

As a new organization we are still reaching out to the community in an effort to introduce our mission, to raise funds to support education at Winters Public Schools,

Community



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

The stage at The Palms was decorated to resemble as closely as possible the stage at the Winters Opera House when the first Winters horticultural symposium was held in 1897. The 2009 version of the day-long event included a field trip, lunch, a symposium and wine tasting on Wednesday, Aug. 26. Speakers included, from left, Joann Larkey, Stan Tufts, Joe Martinez, Craig McNamara, Russ Lester, Woody Fridae, Dr. Mallikarjuna Aradhya, Dr. Ted DeJong, Martin Mariani, Carolyn DeBuse and Richard Rominger.

Swine flu meeting planned in Winters

The Yolo County Health Department will hold a community meeting on Thursday, Sept. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in Spanish and at 7 p.m. in English at the Winters Community Center to discuss H1N1 Influenza (swine flu) and how community members can prepare and protect themselves from this virus. Anyone seeking information on Swine flu prevention is welcome to attend.

Recently an Esparto woman died after contracting the virus. Hers

is the first confirmed death in Yolo County to the H1N1 virus.

For more information on Novel H1N1 Influenza, visit www.yolocounty.org.

Additional community meetings are scheduled on Sept. 9 in Knights Landing, Sept. 10 in Madison, Sept. 14 in Zamora, and Sept. 17 in Esparto. Call the Yolo County Health Department, 666-8645, for more information.

Symposium celebrates local agriculture

By MOLLY DAVIS
Staff writer

As many local farmers know, Winters is blessed with some of the most fertile soil around, producing a wide variety of fruits, vegetables and nuts for local, and not-so-local consumers. But this is nothing new — farmers have taken advantage of this for well over a century.

Moreover, these farmers have taken what they've learned about the soil, and shared that information with each other for years, starting with Winters' first agricultural symposium, held in the Opera House on December 3, 1897.

And recently, a group of local farmers, scientists and historians celebrated the town's rich agricultural heritage by holding another symposium, dedicated to honoring the legend of John Reid Wolfskill, one of Winters' first settlers and farmers.

Held on Aug. 26, a bright Wednesday afternoon, the symposium began with a tour of the Wolfskill farm, out on Putah Creek Road, which long ago, starting with 100 acres, was bequeathed to UC Davis by Wolfskill's daughter, Frances Wolfskill Wilson, to preserve the legacy of her father and advance farming technologies and agricultural knowledge.

Dr. Ted DeJong, UC Davis Pomologist and Faculty Chair at the Wolfskill Experimental Orchards, led a tour group around the grounds, pointing out the various stone fruit and nut trees on the property. He also gave a brief history of Wolfskill, augmented by historian and author Joann Larkey, who described Wolfskill as the "father of the fruit industry in this area."

Born in Kentucky in 1804, Wolfskill moved

west, working for his brother in Southern California, before moving to "Alta California," as this area was then known, after hearing about the fertile land to be had. He settled in Winters in 1842, developing land on both sides of Putah Creek. At one time, Wolfskill's land totaled more than 17,000 acres, according to DeJong.

One of the many interesting aspects of the tour was a majestic pecan tree, more than likely planted by Wolfskill himself. Also, Wolfskill's original olive trees still line the driveway leading up to the main house, which now is used by a full-time caretaker and by the farm's staff.

Larkey noted that the original Victorian mansion, overseen by Wolfskill's daughter, was patterned after a famous San Franciscan hotel. Unfortunately, the mansion burned down in 1953, and was replaced with a simpler farmhouse.

Following the walking tour, participants hopped on some flatbeds hauled by tractors, to tour the rest of the grounds. Riders learned about the USDA's germplasm repositories located on the grounds from Carolyn DeBuse, Orchard Systems Farm Advisor for Solano and Yolo Counties.

Technically referred to as clones of perennial crops, the germplasm repositories are like the Noah's Ark of fruits and nuts — numbers of different species of stone fruit and nut trees are preserved for future use and study in a living museum. About 80 acres are maintained for various collections.

The Wolfskill experimental farm is one of very few germplasm repositories in the nation. According to DeBuse, the grounds are

open to the public as part of the "living museum."

"The program has international importance," explained DeBuse. "It's our future," adding that the species could have characteristics that could cure a number of diseases and other issues.

After being treated to a delicious lunch at the Buckhorn Restaurant, attendees went across the street to The Palms, located in the same Opera House as the very first symposium, to hear from a number of agricultural experts, ranging from university scientists to local farmers.

Former Director of the California Department of Food and Agriculture Richard Rominger moderated the discussion, which included Larkey, DeJong and DeBuse, as well as Dr. Mallikarjuna Aradhya, Director of the USDA Clonal Germplasm Repository, Stan Tufts from Tufts Ranch, Joe Martinez from Martinez Ranches and Solano County Farm Bureau president, Martin Mariani from Mariani Nut Company, Craig McNamara from Sierra Orchards and the Center for Land Based Learning, and Russ Lester from Dixon Ridge Farms.

While DeJong, DeBuse and Aradhya gave presentations that summed up the university and the Wolfskill Experimental Farm's stand on local agriculture, particularly the cooperative extension, Tufts and Martinez spoke more personally about their mentors and what farming means to them.

"I really want to emphasize the gold nugget we have in our backyard," said Martinez.

Meanwhile, Mariani, McNamara and Lester discussed changes to agriculture and its future.

McNamara explained what his Center for Land Based Learning seeks to do, and how important it is to introduce children and teens to farming and agriculture.

"Our youth is very disconnected to the land," he said, adding that the center allows for many different projects for young farmers.

One of the underlying themes, however, was that food does not just sprout out of the ground or fall off trees. Rather, it is subjected to a number of processes that serve to make each product the best it can be.

Local farmers and university specialists alike work to find the best ways to produce quality food. Some of the processes in which the food are subjected to could take more than 20 years to perfect, and are overseen by generations of farmers and scientists.

The experimental farm is a "very valuable resource to growers," DeBuse commented.

Summing the symposium up, Rominger mentioned Ag Vision 2030; an idea of what agriculture can look like in several decades. The thought is for better health and well being, a healthier planet and thriving communities, much like what the farmers, particularly Wolfskill, envisioned in the past.

To celebrate Winters' rich agricultural heritage, a reception was held at the Winters Gallery for the Arts, where a number of historical pictures of Winters, Winters pioneers and the agricultural industry were on display. Proceeds from the symposium were dedicated to the exhibit.

For more information on John Wolfskill, visit www.wintersexpress.com/historicwinters.



Photo by Joe DeAngelo

Carolyn DeBuse, orchard systems farm advisor for Solano and Yolo Counties, gives a talk on the symposium field trip.

Wolfskills in Winters



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Family members of John Reid Wolfskill attended the Winters Horticultural Symposium on Wednesday, Aug. 26. From left are (front) Dick Harris, Vera Harris, Nancy Cochran, Ransome Reynolds, Chris Rose and Anne Barmby; (back) Lenore Harris, Karen Peterson, David Harris and Dan Harris. Wolfskill’s contribution to local agriculture and his significance to Winters history were featured in the day-long symposium, which included a field trip to the UC Davis Experimental Farm on Putah Creek Road in Winters, lunch at The Buckhorn, a symposium at The Palms and wine-tasting at the Winters Center for the Arts.

Laughy celebrates 95th birthday with daughters

Winters resident Rhoda Laughy spent her 95th birthday on July 25 at a party hosted by her five daughters, Joan and Maureen of Minnesota, Garnet of Idaho, Carol of Arkansas, and Kathy of Winters.

Local family and friends gathered at St. Anthony Center for an afternoon of fun and food. Among those coming from out of town were her sister Marge of Campbell with her grandson and family; sister Eileen of Crescent City; niece Gerry and daughter of Folsom; and granddaughter Gwen surprised everyone with her visit from Colorado.

Laughy was born in Drayton, North Dakota in 1914 and lived over 60 years in Minnesota before moving to California in 1976.

She moved to Idaho for 13 years but returned to live in Winters four years ago.



Courtesy photo

Rhoda Laughy of Winters celebrated her 95th birthday with daughters Joan Undahl of Oak Island, Minnesota, Maureen Laughy of Golden Valley, Minnesota, Garnet Smith of Lewiston, Idaho, Carol Mattison of Fairbanks, Alaska and Kathryn Pranke of Winters.

She and husband John, who died in 1979, have seven grandchildren, and nine great

grandchildren so far, and a great, great grandchild due in September. Laughy attributes her

longevity and optimism to faith and “keeping one foot in front of the other.”

KNABKE

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to say goodbye.

But on a happy note, Knabke and her husband, John, a local farmer, will have the time to travel around the country, and possibly the world. Her two sons are grown now, and able to hold down the fort as their parents see the world. Moreover, Knabke will have more time to devote to reading mysteries, her particular favorite.

Dispelling common

beliefs, librarians do not have a lot of time to read on the job. Instead, Knabke reminisced about not only checking out items and helping readers find certain books and resources, but also helping students with homework and research projects. She was particularly proud of the time she helped two high school students from Mexico with their homework, pointing out that rather than just rush them through their assignment, she helped them with their research and

with learning the library system.

“The best part has been the wonderful people,” Knabke smiled, adding, “It’s been a rewarding job.”

Winters has not seen the last of its familiar librarian, though. She’s ready to lend a hand to the opening of the new library, and to substitute when local libraries need an extra resource.

But in the meantime, readers might be able to find Knabke in her favorite part of the library - the mysteries section.

Five generations



Courtesy photo

A recent family get-together at the great-grandmother's home in Yuba City was in honor of the birth of the family’s fifth generation, Izzabella Kaylee Tafoya of Woodland. Standing back row are great-grandmother-Sharon Meinberg (left) of Yuba City and grandmother-Veronica Presler of Woodland; sitting baby’s mother Amanda Tafoya (left) of Woodland and great-great-grandmother Florence McLaughlin, 90, of Winters holding baby Izzabella.

Household Hazardous Waste drop-off days Sept. 11 and 12

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) drop-off days will take place at the Yolo County Central Landfill on Sept. 11 and 12, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Materials that will be accepted include: batteries, fluorescent bulbs or tubes, used motor oil and filters, cleaning supplies, lighter fluid, antifreeze, aerosols, garden pesticides and herbicides, latex or oil based paints, solvents, poisons, electrical switches/relays, pilot light sensors, and mercury thermostats.

Small electronic items, including TVs and monitors are also accepted for recycling at no cost. There is a handling fee for recycling appliances.

During regular business hours, beyond

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

For more information, call 666 8729 or visit: www.yolocounty.org.

Getting married? Just had a baby?
Earned a college degree?
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Entertainment

Next Art Walk planned for Sept. 5

The Winters Art Walk will be held Saturday, Sept. 5. Karena Schmitendorf, a talented contemporary painter/mixed media artist who has worked in Winters for several years, is the featured artist in this month's Walk. An opening reception of her work will be held at Lamoreux Gallery from noon to 4 p.m.

The Clayground will exhibit new thrown work by Rebecca Bresnick Holmes and new sculptural tiles by Shannon Moore. The new City of Winters Visitor Center is now open at 11 East Main Street and will display paintings by local artists and Steady Eddy's will host a show by Winters resident Woody Fridae.

Wine tasting will start at 4:30 p.m. at Berryessa Gap's Tasting Room.

The Winters Center for the Arts will be closed temporarily during their move to a new location. It should reopen later this fall.

~ Deborah Lamoreux Studio/Gallery (9 East Main Street, 400-6747) specializes in photographs and paintings

by Deborah Lamoreux and will feature work by Karena Schmitendorf. Gallery hours are by appointment, or by chance Thursday, Friday and Saturday, noon to 4 p.m.

~ The Clayground (7 East Main Street, Studio 7B, 902-0863, www.clayground.biz) is exhibiting work by Shannon Moore-Jervis and Rebecca Bresnick Holmes, and also has a storefront gallery, retail shop and classes. The Clayground is open for the Art Walk from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and its usual hours are Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and by appointment.

~ Steady Eddy's Coffee House & Juice Bar (5 East Main Street, 795-3588) will exhibit work by Woody Fridae and is open for the Art Walk from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Its usual hours are Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; Fridays, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturdays, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sundays, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

~ Berryessa Gap Vineyards (15 Main Street,

795-3201, www.berryessagap.com) is exhibiting paintings by regional artists and is open during the Art Walk for wine tasting from 4:30-8:30 p.m. Regular hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 4:30-8:30 p.m. or by appointment.

~ Cloth Carousel (9 Main Street, 795-2580) will exhibit art quilts by Cloth Carousel instructors and is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. for the Art Walk. Regular hours are Mondays through Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

~ The City of Winters Visitor Center (11 Main Street) is open for the Art Walk from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

~ Cody's Deli (314 Railroad Avenue, 795-2283) is exhibiting landscapes by local artists in photographs and watercolor and will be open for the Art Walk from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Regular deli hours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Fridays, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Lovely Eliza to rendezvous at The Palms



Courtesy photo

One of The Palms' favorites, Eliza Gilkyson, will return for an evening of beautiful melodies on Thursday, October 8, at 8 p.m. Known for her transcendent poetry and gorgeous voice, Gilkyson is one of the country's top singer-songwriters. Tickets for the show are \$22.

Booth applications available for Festival de la Comunidad

Booth applications are now available for the third annual Festival de la Comunidad, which will be held on Sunday, Sept. 27, from 2-8 p.m. at Rotary Park in Winters.

The festival features family-friendly activities, music, food and the second annual Carnitas Cook-off competition. The first place team will receive a \$300 cash prize. The People's

Choice winner will receive \$150. Cooking begins at 9 a.m. Anyone interested in putting together a team for the Cook-off may pick up an application at City Hall or on the City of Winters website.

Community groups, non-profit groups and vendors may also submit applications to participate in the event. Please note that all food vendors must have a valid

health department permit, which may be obtained at the Yolo County Health Department, 137 N Cottonwood Street, Suite 2400 in Woodland, or by calling 666-8646. Booth applications are available at City Hall or on the City of Winters website.

All booths, except Carnitas Cook-off booths, are invited to provide a child-friendly activity such as fishing, a lol-

lipop pull, crafts or musical chairs.

Applications for all booths must be returned to City Hall by 5 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 11.

For more information about the Festival de la Comunidad, contact Dawn Van Dyke 795-4910 ext. 108, Mary Jo Rodolfa 795-4910 ext. 111 or visit the website at www.city-ofwinters.org.

Writing workshop will benefit local learning center

On Sunday, Sept. 20, the Center For Land-Based Learning is hosting the fifth event in its series of "Author Gatherings" at the Farm on Putah Creek in Winters. Past authors have included John Scharffenberger, Michael Pollan, David "Mas" Masumoto, and Alice Waters. Mas Masumoto is once again visiting the Farm to talk about his latest book, "Wisdom of the Last Farmer: Harvesting Legacies from the Land."

David "Mas" Masumoto is an organic peach and grape farmer and author of *Epitaph for a Peach* (1995), *Letters to the Valley*, *A Harvest of Memories* (2004), *Four Seasons in Five Senses*, *Things Worth Savoring* (2003) and *Harvest Son and Planting Roots in American Soil* (1998).

His new book, "Wisdom of the Last Farmer: Harvesting Legacies from the Land" (Free Press Aug. 4) is touted as an "eloquent and moving memoir".

The day with Masumoto will begin with a very special writing workshop taught by the author for anyone wanting to sharpen their skills writing about nature, food, farming, or just how to write so your reader will become more involved in what you are trying to convey. Masumoto is unique in the way he describes his life on the farm and the "fruits" of his labor. His skill of framing a sentence into a sensory event for the reader is nothing short of poetic genius. The workshop will begin at 11 a.m., last 2 hours (lunch included), will be limited to

only 20 people and will cost \$50 per person. Masumoto will take you through a series of lessons and exercises in an intense and intimate small group learning experience.

If you are not able to get a reservation for the workshop, you can still enjoy visiting with the author by attending a public reading and book signing of his recently published book. In addition to talking about his book, Masumoto will lead a general discussion concerning sustainable food and farming. This event will be held from 2-5 p.m. and will include a light snack. The cost to attend this event is \$10 per person and his book will be available for purchase.

For more information about the author, visit www.masumoto.com.

The Farm on Putah Creek is located at 5265 Putah Creek Road, Winters. For more information about the Center and its mission to help educate and guide students to become future farmers and stewards of our land and for directions visit www.landbasedlearning.org.

To reserve a place for you at the farm to enjoy a "Day with David Mas Masumoto" email info@landbasedlearning.org or call 795-1520. This event is a fundraiser for the Center for Land-Based Learning and is fully tax-deductible. Masumoto is gracefully donating his workshop fees and a portion of his book sales to the Center and to their exciting educational programs.

Auditions scheduled for 'Cinderella'

The Winters Theatre Company will hold auditions for the Roger and Hammerstein musical "Cinderella" on Monday, Sept. 21, and Wednesday, Sept. 23, from 7-9 p.m. The auditions will be held at the Winters Community Center, 201 Railroad Avenue.

Performance dates will be Nov. 20, 21, 27-29, and Dec. 4-6. Friday and Saturday performances will begin at 7 p.m., Sunday performances will begin

at 2 p.m. Prospective cast members should bring a prepared song and monologue, though neither is required to audition. Learning a simple dance will be a part of the audition.

People ages 9 and up are welcome to audition, though children 18 and under will need parent permission to participate.

For further information, call Linda Glick, 795-3683.

YoloArts to celebrate California Arts Day in Woodland

YoloArts will be celebrating California Arts Day on Oct. 2 at Gallery 625 and the atrium of the Erwin Meier Administration Building, 625 Court Street in Woodland. The event, in its second year, will begin at 3:30 p.m. and run through 9:30 p.m. Art demonstrations, interactive art, music and a fundraising 'art harvest' will be featured during this celebration of art for all ages.

California Arts Day in Yolo County begins at 3:30 p.m. with the opening of the Crocker Art Museum's Art Ark. While this educational trailer was created for school children, it is fun for all

ages.

Beginning at 5:30 p.m., Art Farm will feature food, wine, and the opportunity to "harvest" a piece of original Yolo County art.

Tickets to the event for wine and food only are \$10 each. Proceeds from the "art harvest" will

benefit YoloArts and the Yolo Land Trust.

For additional information on the second annual YoloArts California

Arts Day and to purchase tickets for the Art Farm fundraiser, visit www.yoloarts.org, or call 406-4844.



Coming up

Thursday, Sept. 3 - Paul Oscher
Friday, Sept. 11 - The Mother Hips
Saturday, Sept. 12 - Sal Valentino
Saturday, Sept. 26 - Bill Tapia
Thursday, Oct. 8 - Eliza Gilkyson

GILLESPIE

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tant principal Sandra Ayon to take on directing Shirley Rominger Intermediate School as well as the middle school, because Rominger principal Kate Helfrich had to take a leave of absence. The move is expected to save the district \$100,000 this year, a significant amount in the budget battle.

“It became apparent to me,” said Gillespie, “that not only were they very able to assume that shared role, but they were enthusiastic about it. We didn’t have the luxury of time, but in no way was that a second choice. We had right in front of us a very effective, very powerful solution to that leadership void at Rominger. What thrilled me was their level of excitement. And they’re doing a great job.”

She supports Schee-

line and Ayon’s plan to make the two schools see themselves as a cohesive group.

“One of the things we want to work on in this district is continuity and cohesiveness,” said Gillespie. “Having them there as leaders of both schools for now, takes us along that path.”

Gillespie’s goal is to create continuity between those schools and the other schools in the system as well. This change was also a way for the district to show a willingness to make cuts at the top, while many cuts have been made throughout the district.

“I knew before I got here that many cuts have been made district-wide, at the district office, maintenance and operations. Everybody had taken their hit. This was a way to step up and show — though we’re certainly not top heavy — everybody’s kind of doing their part.

“The key was not compromising the instructional program. Because of the quality of the people and their depth of knowledge and the kind of people they are, that was not going to be an issue, so there would be no lag time.”

Gillespie, who wants to be called Becci, has had a varied career, including teaching in urban schools in San Diego, and more recently, serving as principal-superintendent of a small K-8 rural school in Pleasant Grove, California. In addition, she recently completed an 18-month program for school business officers.

“It’s a great culmination,” said Gillespie of the Winters placement, “of all my previous experiences, because I’ve been in all of the different combinations; rural, suburban, more urban, elementary, secondary. This was such a great opportunity to bring all those experi-

ences together. It just made a lot of sense to me.

She takes the reins from Superintendent Pat Lewis, who was hired on an interim basis after the resignation of Superintendent Dale Mitchell, who served in Winters for five years. She learned of the position in Winters through the consultants hired by the Winters district to conduct the job search last year. She visited the district and felt the placement was a “perfect match,” a sentiment also expressed by members of the Winters district who visited her school and talked to her staff in Pleasant Grove.

“There’s a certain amount of confidence that comes with those experiences. I’ve met a lot of these similar kinds of challenges, though each situation is unique. Having skinned my knees a few times in the past, I’d like to think that I’ve learned a few things along the way.”

Monday, September 7 is Labor Day.
The Express office will be closed.

Due to the Labor Day holiday on Monday, the pickup days for garbage and green waste will be one day later next week.

Sports

Winters Water Warriors celebrate successful season

By ANIETTA TICE
Special to the Express

The Winters Water Warriors (a.k.a. Winters Swim Team) held its annual post-season awards ceremony on Aug. 19 at the Community Center. All swimmers received their medals and ribbons from the Golden Valley League Championships meet, which was held at the Bobbie Greenwood Community Pool on July 25 and 26.

Maya Tice was presented her three first place medals, two second place medals, and one fourth place medal that she earned from the Meet of Champions held in Woodland on Aug. 1 and 2. She was also the high point champion in her age group.

Bobbie Greenwood recognized the following swimmers for helping with the newest and youngest members of the swim team this summer: Brittanie Hedrick, Clinton Freed, Rachel Myers, Megan Jurado, Ashley Shaw, Nick Muldong, Justin Nitzkowski, Kevin Lane, and Zach Williams.

Record break certificates were awarded to Maya Tice who earned a new record in the 15-18 girls 50 yard butterfly, Tyler Berg who earned a new record in the 15-18 boys 50 yard butterfly, and the relay team of Morgan Fjord, Jameson Shugart, Tyler Berg, Clinton Freed that earned a new record in the 15-18 boys 200 yard medley relay.

Younger swimmers were also given special awards for showing improvement and enthusiasm over the summer. Clinton Freed recognized Allyson Freckmann and Joel Barrera; Cheyenne Powell awarded Cara Baker and Easton Rivera; and Cheyenne Burrall awarded Darian Lopez and Rylie Schroeder.

Coaches' awards were presented to deserving swimmers. Coach Kevin Chester awarded Kevin Lane with the Most Improved Award, and Coach Sarah Hernandez recognized Casey Cox as Most Improved swim-

mer. Most Valuable Swimmer awards were given to Ivett Arellano from Coach Kevin and to Devon Muldong from Coach Sarah.

The special Water Warrior Awards were awarded to two swimmers who showed great attitude, team work, and love for swimming. These awards were presented to James Barbarick from Coach Kevin and to Jules Jiminez from Coach Sarah. Coach Kevin presented the Coach's Award to Morgan Fjord, and Coach Sarah presented her Coach's Award to Ashley Drummond.



Photo by Anietta Tice

2009 record breakers on the Winters Swim Team included, from left, Maya Tice, Morgan Fjord, Clinton Freed and Tyler Berg (Not pictured, Jameson Shugart).

Swim team starts season at relays

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors swim team will start their season on Thursday, Sept. 3, at the Red Bluff Relays. All events will be in a relay format.

"We won't be able to gage any individual events but it is a good meet for us," said coach Kevin Chester. The Warriors will travel to Oroville on Wednesday, Sept. 9, for their next meet and will host their first meet at Winters High School on Wednesday, Sept. 23.

The Warriors will try to defend their Butte View League titles in both the boys and girls but know that it is going to be a challenge after losing a strong senior class last year.



Photo Lucy Arellano

Winters Swim Team coach Kevin Chester congratulates Most Valuable Swimmer Ivett Arellano.

Volleyball teams ready to hit courts

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Lady Warriors will be on the court Thursday, Sept. 3, in St. Helena and will host their first game at Young Gymnasium on Tuesday, Sept. 8. Winters placed

fourth in the Butte View League last year with a 4-6 league record. The Warriors finished the season with an overall record of 9-11 under the direction of coach Mari-bell Chavez.

This year Chavez will have to fill the rolls of

eight seniors that graduated last year. Needless to say, the varsity team will have to overcome inexperience after losing eight out of 11 players, but the Warriors have been working hard and are ready to play.

Volunteers sought for athletic homework club

Winters High School athletics coaching staff and parents are forming a Homework Club for student athletes.

Coaches and parents have seen many students become ineligible to play sports due to poor grades. They believe homework is a key to success in school and have set a goal of helping every student athlete make grades this year.

Parent volunteers are needed to make sure the

homework club is a success. Students are also encouraged to volunteer and help out their classmates.

During the fall quarter, the club will meet on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 7-7:50 a.m., beginning the third week of

August. Homework Club chairperson Karryn Doyle will be creating a master calendar for the months of August, September and October.

There are many students who need help with homework and the

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Warriors ready for rematch with Esparto

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors football teams are ready for their season opener with Esparto on Friday, Sept. 4. Winters will travel in their first week. Last year, the varsity team won 29-

13, coming from behind in the second half to do it.

The JV team has a score to settle after losing a disappointing game to the Spartans by the score of 20-14. The JV game will kick off at 5:30 p.m., while the varsity will follow at 7:30 p.m.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL WINTERS HIGH SCHOOL ALL-SPORTS BOOSTER CLUB

TRI-TIP DINNER

WINTERS COMMUNITY CENTER

201 Railroad Avenue

Wednesday, September 16, 2009

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Dinner includes: Tri-tip, beans, salad, roll & dessert

\$12.00/adults -- \$6.00/children

PISANI'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Tyler Berg



Tyler Berg, a senior on the Winters High School swim team, is this week's athlete of the week. As the Warriors prepare for their upcoming season Berg has been a team leader and has stood out according to coach Kevin Chester.

"Tyler is a great team leader," said Chester. "He is a very hard worker, he has come to every morning practice and afternoon practice and he gets his teammates to come to the morning practices. He has been a great example."

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Schools

Students honored with belt promotions



Courtesy photo
The latest belt promotions at Javier Martial Arts included Juan Garcia, above left, and Luis Uribe, both promoted to yellow belt.

Courtesy photo
The latest belt promotions at Javier Martial Arts included Wes Bryan, below left, and Johnathan Gustafson, both promoted to yellow belt.



School board meets Thursday

The Winters School Board will meet on Thursday, Sept. 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the Walnut Room at the school district office, 909 West Grant Avenue. The agenda includes:

- ~ Recognition of Winters High School ag teachers and FFA Advisors Kent Benson and Donnie Whitworth.
- ~ Communication and reports.
- ~ English / Language Arts Adoption update.
- ~ Enrollment update.
- ~ Consent agenda (minutes, warrants, etc.)
- ~ Informal Review of Governance Team's Performance.
- ~ Closed session regarding public employee(s) discipline/dismissal/release.
- ~ Reconvene to open session to report any action taken.

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group would like to have volunteers available at every session—even if they can only stay for half of an hour.

Organizers would also like to form evening and weekend sessions if enough volunteers are available.

Donations are also being sought for the Homework Club. Monetary do-

nations will be used to purchase snacks and drinks for the students and volunteers. Donations of water, juice and sports drinks are also welcome. Checks may be made out to Homework Club and all donations are tax deductible.

Anyone who is willing to volunteer a little time helping student athletes complete their homework is asked to contact Doyle, 795-0971 or rkvn-doyle@sbcglobal.net.

Competition features environmental arts education

The Davis Art Center, in partnership with Roseville-based non-profit reCREATE, is inaugurating a new family-friendly event this fall that will celebrate California Arts Day while promoting recycling and encouraging creative artistry. The "Junk 2 Genius" Team Art Competition will take place on Oct. 2 from 4:30-8:30 p.m. at the Davis Art Center, 1919 F Street, Davis.

In this fun and spirited event, teams of artisan gladiators will compete for the coveted "Trophy du Trash" in a timed "sculpt-off" using recycled materials. Each team will receive a box of similar items and race against the clock to create their own unique work of art. To add to the general merriment, contestants are encouraged to wear costumes made from used materials — the wackier the better.

When the closing bell sounds, a panel of judges will critique the final green giants and name the winning team. (Spectators can have their say by voting for the People's Choice Award.) In addition to the trophy, the winners will have bragging rights — until they're called

upon to defend their title next year.

reCREATE Executive Director Donna Sangwin brought the "Junk 2 Genius" idea to the Davis Art Center after seeing a reuse organization in Portland have a similar fundraiser.

"It looked like a great deal of fun," she says. "And Davis seemed like the perfect place to have an event that focuses on conservation, rethinking trash and encouraging creativity for kids and adults."

The festivities will also include art projects for kids using a variety of cast-off materials, a hat-making contest for all ages, and a silent auction of gently used purses filled with mystery items along with tools, sports stuff and gadgets for men — plus food, beer, wine and music.

Sangwin's organization runs a creative reuse education program that diverts clean reusable waste for use in the arts. The group collects materials from regional businesses, manufacturers and residents and redistributes them through arts education programs in local schools and in a Cre-

ative Reuse Store in Roseville.

From 9 am to 3 pm on Oct. 2, reCREATE will be in residence at the Art Center to bring its environmental arts education program to Davis schoolchildren in grades K-8. The hour-long program includes a lesson on Reduce, Reuse and Recycle, with specific examples that students can apply to their own lives to become responsible environmental citizens. Next they'll put these principles into action by selecting unusual and non-traditional scrap materials, letting their imaginations soar, and building their own original artworks — demonstrating for themselves that waste can be reused creatively and effectively.

There is no charge for admission to the "Junk 2 Genius" Art Competition. Tickets may be purchased at the event for art activities, food and drinks. All proceeds will be shared between the Davis Art Center and reCREATE.

For more information about field trips, the art competition, or volunteering to help out at the event, call Davis Art

Center Publicity Manager, Melanie Glover, 756-4100. Learn more about California Arts Day events at <http://cac.ca.gov/artsday/>.

Study seeking young participants

Researchers from the University of California, Davis are conducting a study concerning developmental differences in attention. They are looking for children ages 8-9 and 11-12 without emotional, physical, or cognitive disabilities to participate. The child's first language must be English and they must be reading at a grade appropriate reading level.

This study involves one two-hour university visit for the caretaker and child. Children will be asked to do a few simple tasks on the computer involving words, shapes, and numbers. Free parking is provided.

Benefits for eligible participants include \$15 and a toy for completing the study.

For more information, contact the Developmental Research Center, University of California, Davis, (866) 822-4806.

All growth is a leap in the dark,
a spontaneous unpremeditated act
without the benefit of experience.
~ Henry Miller

Spanish expressions



Courtesy photo
Irene Goya Tweedt is pictured holding a copy of The Winters Express at the top of Spain's Monte Igueldo overlooking San Sebastian on her recent trip there in July.



Courtesy photo
The Winters Express crossed the Mediterranean Sea from Barcelona, Spain to Rome, Italy in June 2009. Four Winter High graduates who completed four years of Spanish with Polita Gonzales made the excursion. From left are (back) Keeley Nickelson, Robby Emery, Jamie Andersen, Polita Gonzales, Leonor Gimenez (their tour director) Aaron Geerts and (front) Tracy Nickelson.



Courtesy photo
Ozzy Arce (right) took a copy of his favorite newspaper along when he visited former Winters AFS student Giorgio Ippolito (left) in front of the Duomo di Milano in Milan, Italy. Arce studied abroad in Barcelona, Spain, in July and August, but he took a weekend trip to visit Giorgio in Italy.

Red Cross offering CPR, First Aid classes

The American Red Cross of Yolo County is offering the following classes for the month of September 2009:

Adult CPR/AED: Saturday, Sept. 5, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Wednesday, Sept. 9, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Tuesday, Sept. 15, 6-10 p.m.; Wednesday, Sept. 23, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 26, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Adult CPR/AED &

First Aid: Wednesday, Sept. 9, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, Sept. 23, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Adult, Child, & Infant CPR/AED: Saturday, Sept. 5, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, Sept. 15 and 17, 6-10 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 26, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Adult, Child, Infant CPR/AED plus First Aid: Saturday, Sept. 5, 9

a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, Sept. 15 and 17, 6-10 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 26, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

These classes take place at 120 Court Street in Woodland. For more information, call the Red Cross of Yolo County, 662-4669. Registration may also be done online at www.yc-arc.org.

Class of '69 seeking classmates

The Winters High School Class of 1969 is holding its 40th reunion Sept. 12 and the event's organizers are seeking the addresses of former classmates. If you know the whereabouts of any of the following 1969 graduates, please call Richard Pitts, 795-2866.

Missing classmates are: Mary Barnett, Neta Curtis, Charlie Devlin, Tom Devlin, Dennis Devlin, Linda Johnson, Marilyn Mitchell, Kirk Williams, Larry Elliott and Kathy Elliott.

The Winters High Schools Class of 1969's reunion will be held Sept. 12 at John and Sandy Tufts Vickrey's residence, 27632 Carmelo Way, Winters. El Pueblo is catering a Mexican dinner.

Tickets are \$30 per person. Checks for the reunion can be made payable to Class of 1969 and mailed c/o Richard Pitts, 212 Lenis Avenue, Winters, 95694.

Organizers request that classmates respond with a check by Sept. 8.

The Winters Farmers Market Crafts Faire is Sunday, Sept. 13, 8 a.m. to noon at Rotary Park

Features

Leg pain when walking suggests artery disease

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Please discuss peripheral artery disease. I think I have it. I get calf pain when I walk. I have seen the ads on TV where a woman and her grandson discuss this. The boy asks her if she has it. She says she doesn't know. That's where I am. I don't know, but I think I might. — N.O.



ANSWER: Peripheral artery disease, PAD, also called peripheral vascular disease, means that arteries in the legs — the periphery — are clogged and leg muscles aren't getting enough blood. The proof comes from walking. People with PAD get leg pain when they walk a certain distance, and they can tell you almost to the inch when the pain will start. The pain leaves when they take a rest, but returns after they have resumed walking.

The site of pain depends on where the blockage occurs. Pain in the buttock or thigh indicates a blockage high in the leg arteries. Pain in the calf comes from a block from mid thigh to knee, and pain in the foot comes from a lower blockage.

PAD is a common malady. Five percent of men and 2.5 percent of women over 60 have it, even though some have no symptoms.

A doctor can make the diagnosis in the office. If there's an obstruction to blood flow in the leg arteries, the pulses at the ankle and on the top of the foot will be weak. Many doctors are equipped to take the ankle blood pressure. The blood pressure at the ankle should be the same as the blood pressure in the arm. If it's much less, that indicates an obstruction to blood flow in the leg artery.

People with PAD often have CAD, coronary artery disease. The same process that clogs leg arteries also clogs heart arteries. You must see your doctor. He can check the status of your leg arteries, and he can check the status of your heart arteries. There are medicines for both conditions, as well as recommendations for diet changes and exercise.

The booklet on pe-

ripheral vascular disease treats this topic in great depth. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 109W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My husband is on blood pressure and cholesterol-lowering medicine. He is now trying herbal medicines ordered from a catalog. I understand that when you are on medicines, you should consult your doctor before making changes or discontinuing them.

My husband says that he is going to stop all medicines. He is 57. I always thought blood-pressure medicine was for life. What is the truth? — P.

ANSWER: The truth is that stopping medicines without consulting the doctor is foolhardy. Some people can get off blood-pressure medicine by adhering to a strict, low-salt diet, losing weight and exercising. And some people can get off cholesterol medicine by adopting a low-fat — especially low-saturated-fat — diet. Giving up medicines blindly is asking for trouble, as is substituting unproven remedies.

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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A trillion dollars doesn't go far in Zimbabwe

I recently sent Debra a 10 trillion dollar bill just to let her know I wanted to write a piece on inflation. It was really a ten trillion dollar note — real money — but in Zimbabwe dollars, not ours.

Zimbabwe currently has the world's worst inflation rate, 213 million percent. The landlocked African nation started out at independence in 1980 with their dollar being worth more than ours and now people there are using them for toilet paper.

Old metal coins that weren't melted down are saved for throwing at the president whenever he dares to make a public appearance. Instead of saving, people invest in food and resell it a few days later for several times what they paid for it. As soon as the government puts out a higher denomination bill, the need for a larger one is already present. What's after a trillion? That's something to ask a math expert.

The idea of inflation seems to be identified a lot with Argentina. In 1985 they issued the Austral, which was worth 1,000 old pesos argentinos. In a few years a new peso argentino was introduced which was worth 10,000 australes, meaning that 10 million old pesos were really worth a new one.

When inflation gets bad enough they just chop off a few zeros and call the money something else. When the Mexican peso got to 2,000 to the dollar a decade or more ago, they cut the last three zeros and called it the new peso. The once mighty peso is back to its old glory of about 13 to the dollar now, about what it was when it was at a fixed rate to the dollar in the '50s and for 20



years or more afterward.

I remember transiting Mexico in 1974 and stopping in Tapachula, a city near Guatemala, for a cash advance on my BankAmericard. In either a Banamex or a Bancomer, it was like pulling teeth getting a thousand pesos out of them, but at that time it was still a large sum of money. I got to McAllen Texas after paying for gas, meals, bribes and hotels along the way for several people.

A few years later I crossed the border gate near Chula Vista, down south from San Diego, got me another 1,000 pesos and all I could buy with that amount of Mexican money was cab fare to downtown Tijuana and back with no money left over for souvenirs.

Same thing with Costa Rica. In 2005 on my first visit there, it was 415 Costa Rican Colones to the dollar. The following year, 500. The next year pushing 600. Don't know where it is now. They pay 29% for short term preferred personal bank loans and that's considered a bargain rate.

As I write this on Aug. 25, the news is reporting that the estimate of our federal deficit for the next 10 years is being revised to 9 trillion dollars, all of it being borrowed with interest due on it. By that time, interest payments alone may use up all of our government's income, and we may have to borrow more money just to keep paying the interest.

World interest rates

are something out of our control, just like the falling price of oil once caught Mexico unprepared. I remember being in such a situation myself in the '90s with debt payments exceeding my monthly income that even excessive overtime couldn't remedy.

If one wants to know what inflation feels like, ask someone who is old enough to recall the years immediately after World War II or during Jimmy Carter's stint as president. Or ask a Mexican who lived through the peso crisis in the 1980s. Or an Argentine or Zimbabwean if you can find one that fled the terror.

Inflation benefits some people who can pay off debts with cheaper money or those who have COLA (cost of living adjustments) figured into their wages or retirement salaries. The big question is whether to spend any savings now while it will still buy something or simply watch its value melt down like a snowball in hell later. It's a crapshoot. Some say buy stocks now while they are still undervalued, others say buy gold or rare coins or even antiques or collector's cars. Or as they do in Zimbabwe... buy cans of beans until someone gets hungry enough to part with their life's savings for a spoonful.

I don't know how it's all going to end. It's going to be a wild ride and we need to have our seatbelts on tight.



Pleased to meet you



Name: Ivonne Soto

Occupation: Student

Hobby:

Hanging out with friends and family, and going shopping.

What's best about living in Winters:

It's small and safe, and you know everyone.

Fun fact:

Loves the color pink!

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINBURG

Find at least six differences between panels

Let's see how many of you can find the differences between these two panels.

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Weaponry

5 Morocco

8 Island Pacific locale

12 Apollo's predecessor

13 Hephaestus' tools

14 Obnoxiously proper one

15 Gilpin of "Fanny"

16 Available in "never" work

18 Jaundiced

20 Croupy

22 Lennon's lady

23 Judge Lance

24 "Fat nuts!"

27 Admin stored

32 Dos Passos

33 I told you so!

34 Mauna

35 Uncommunal

38 Requests

39 Clout

40 Knock 'em dead

42 Disgracing

43 Cantankerous

49 Big rig

50 Spring mo.

52 Ho bonny

53 Tennant

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6 "I'll be Caesar!"

7 Tide power

8 Narcotic

9 Mutton

10 Mound

11 Unrefractive

19 Perfuming

21 Disemboweling

24 "— Gang"

25 Work with

26 Gothic city

28 Opposite

29 After-tax

30 "A mouse"

31 "— Capital"

35 Cuts a deal

37 Massachusetts

38 Storefront campy

41 On the other hand

42 Unrepaired

43 Gait or manner

44 Poet

45 Jewish month

46 Bulldogs' roars

51 Ce deux

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) It might not be wise to pursue goals involving others, unless you can stop impulsively rejecting new ideas. Either open your mind or wait until next week, when this "ornery" mood passes.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time for the Bovine to be creative and practical for yourself and your surroundings. Shop wisely, not impulsively, and keep your Bull's eye focused on quality, not quantity.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You should feel more confident about moving ahead with plans that had to be delayed by an unexpected turn of events. Also, family matters might need more time than first anticipated.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Be considerate of others as you move into a new area in your professional life. Take time to meet people and discuss mutual goals. The more you get to know each other, the better.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Creating a fuss could get your ideas noticed quickly. But it would be best to present your case, and then wait for a reaction to follow in due course, rather than try to force it to happen.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Unkept promises might cause plans to go awry this week. You can either grumble about people "letting you down" or find a way to make the best of it and move on. The choice is yours.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Putting off making a commitment early in the week could be a good move. Best to act when you know you're making an informed decision. Expect more facts to emerge by the week's end.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A recent act of kindness on your part could take on special meaning this week. Also, look for signs of upcoming changes in both your personal and professional relationships.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Many of the tougher communication barriers between you and others in the workplace or at home could begin breaking down this week. Expect some surprises to emerge.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your "tough love" attitude toward someone you care for could be misunderstood. Try to be less judgmental and show more consideration in the way you relate to that person.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An unexpected workplace challenge could be daunting. But take what you know (and you know more than you realize) and apply it to the problem, and you should see positive results.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Recent relationship changes for both single and paired Pisces continue to influence much of your week. Keep your focus on developing the positive aspects as you move along.

BORN THIS WEEK: You set your goals with assurance and influence others to follow suit. You would be an excellent philosopher and teacher.

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Nuestras Noticias



La reforma de salud, camino difícil

En un país democrático como lo es este en donde vivimos, la mayoría vota para elegir a unos pocos, que son los que nos van a gobernar, y si estos que nos van a guiar para todos tener una mejor vida, no hacen su trabajo bien, entonces los que los elegimos, o sea una mayoría, tenemos que esperar un buen rato para que se resuelvan nuestros problemas, y cuando a alguno de nuestros gobernantes se le ocurre buscar algo para el beneficio de las mayorías, entonces se tiene que enfrentar a un sistema que se resiste a cambiar, y así estamos con el proyecto a la reforma de salud.

Lo que están haciendo las grandes compañías farmacéuticas y las aseguradoras medicas con todo el poder y el dinero que tienen, nos están diciendo, tratando de convencernos de los problemas del sistema de salud, no se pueden resolver ahora y que hay que dilatarlos para una fecha sin fecha. Es tan fuerte el poder de convicción de los que nos gobiernan, que hace que la mayoría se convenzan de que eso y no otra cosa es la real democracia: el gobierno de los pocos, con los pocos y para los pocos.

Cuando Bill Clinton ganó las elecciones y asumió el poder en su primer mandato, lo hizo, ofertando que era necesario transformar el sistema de salud del país y esto por dos razones: primero, porque era muy costoso, y segundo, por ineficiente en servir a las mayorías. En 1993 cuando Clinton presentó sus propuestas de reformas de salud al Congreso, los poderes del negocio de la medicina se levantaron en armas y produjeron una tormenta política tan fuerte, que al Presidente no le quedó otra alternativa que rendirse y echar para atrás las reformas. ¿Será este el mismo camino que el proyecto de Obama va a seguir?

En el gobierno de Bush el tema de la salud ni siquiera se menciono, ¿y saben porque? Porque el gobierno de bush dio mano libre a la política del libre mercado y el alejamiento de las manos del estado como elemento regulador, lo que estaba en consonancia con los intereses del negocio de la salud. Hablar de reformas por parte del gobierno era contraproducente. Durante el mandato de Bush los precios de las medicinas y el costo de las aseguradoras médicas se incrementaron notablemente.

Durante su campaña Obama prometió reformar el sistema de salud, ya que el aumento de los costos en las medicinas y el que mas de más de 40 millones de norteamericanos no contemos con servicios de de salud, lo hizo una necesidad, así que estas dos razones son más que suficientes para que se pusiera atención política al problema. En ese sentido, tiene validez la posición del Presidente de que no podemos dilatar una solución para cuando el problema se haga más grave y cuando las aguas nos lleguen al cuello.

Pero los sectores que controlan el negocio, como las grandes corporaciones de seguros y la industria farmacéutica, piensan todo lo contrario. Para éstos el negocio funciona bien y no hay razones para cambiarlo aún cuando los datos revelan, que tenemos el sistema de salud más caro y más ineficiente entre las naciones desarrolladas. Para solo poner un ejemplo, se estima que los costos burocráticos, es decir, lo que se gasta en papeles y en el intercambio de informaciones entre los diversos proveedores de servicios, se elevan a un 18%. Eso significa que gastamos 18 centavos de cada dólar en asuntos que nada tienen que ver con la salud del paciente.

Ante el hecho de que no hay razones económicas para justificar una vía contraria a las reformas propuestas por el Presidente, los sectores que controlan el negocio y por supuesto la ultraderecha, han dirigido sus ataques apelando a razones puramente políticas, diciendo que lo que se esconde detrás de las reformas del sector de la salud, es una trama para el gobierno tomar el control del sistema y socializarlo.

Esa es la razón por la que han lanzado gentes a las calles, claro con soporte de los medios, a vociferar que estamos ante un socialismo, a sabiendas de que ese sistema se lo llevó hace mucho la historia y también, de que eso es un imposible que se logre en este país. También se han oído voces bien fuertes en los medios, calificando, cosa increíble pero cierta, al plan de Obama de fascista. El plan le ha funcionado a perfección, hasta tal punto que no son pocos los que hoy pronostican que el plan del Presidente sufra cuchilla de muerte en los salones del Congreso. Si esto sucede es culpa también, como ha sucedido en los últimos años, de que los Demócratas nunca saben lo que buscan aún cuando el pueblo con el voto le entregó el control total del gobierno y ahora no saben qué hacer con él. Con amigos como esos, Obama no necesita más enemigos a sus propuestas de reformas.

Información sobre el virus H1N1

El departamento de salud del condado de Yolo va a tener una reunión de información sobre el virus H1N1, la reunión se llevara a cabo en el centro comunitario de Winters , hoy jueves 3 de septiembre a las 6:30 en español, y a la 7pm, en ingles. El departamento de salud dará información sobre lo que es el virus H1N1, y en como podemos prepararnos y protegernos.

Los síntomas del nuevo virus de la influenza H1N1 en las personas, son similares a los síntomas de la influenza regular de la temporada e incluyen fiebre, tos, dolor de garganta, nariz tapada y congestión, dolor de cuerpo, dolor de cabeza, escalofrío y fatiga. Ciertas personas también han reportado diarrea y vómito asociados con el nuevo virus de la influenza H1N1.

Este virus se propaga de persona a persona en casi la misma forma en que se propaga el virus de la influenza regular de la temporada; generalmente cuando usted tose o estornuda. Las gotitas diminutas de la tos o del estornudo de una persona infectada se mueven a través del aire y si usted las respi-

ra, podría enfermarse.

Estos gérmenes también pueden propagarse cuando una persona toca las gotitas diminutas de tos o estornudo que se han depositado en superficies como la de un escritorio y después esta persona se toca sus ojos, boca o nariz antes de lavarse las manos.

Las recomendaciones del Departamento de Salud Pública para Prevención y Cuidado son: Como hasta este momento no hay vacuna para este nuevo virus de la influenza (H1N1). Debido a que es un nuevo virus, la vacuna para la influenza de la temporada no lo protege contra el virus. Cada día tome los pasos siguientes para proteger su salud y ayudar a prevenir la propagación del virus.

Hay bastantes acciones de sentido común que usted pude tomar para prevenir la propagación de la influenza y otras enfermedades. Siempre es una buena idea hacer regularmente lo siguiente: Cada mañana revise a todos los miembros de su familia y especialmente a los niños en edad escolar, para ver si tienen síntomas como de influenza.

Fundación para la educación en Winters

La fundación para educación en Winters, es una nueva organización no lucrativa compuesta de padres, abuelos, miembros de la comunidad, y maestros, todos voluntarios, quienes quieren apoyar a los estudiantes, y a las escuelas de Winters.

La misión es apoyar la excelencia en las escuelas de Winters, recaudando fondos y usarlos en programas escolares en nuestro distrito y promover oportunidades equitativas entre nuestras escuelas en Winters.

La educación de nuestros niños esta en riesgo, se esta reduciendo el apoyo económico del estado, lo cual se traduce en mas cortes para los programas escolares.

Algunos de los recortes que se han hecho últimamente incluyen: eliminar la ayuda con la lectura, despedir maestras y ayudantes de maestras, personal y conserjes, cerrar ciertas escuelas, terminar programas deportivos, además ahora los maestros tienen más estudiantes por salón de clases.

La educación de nuestros jóvenes no puede esperar hasta que el estado de California se recupere económicamente.

Trabajando juntos, podemos ayudar a conservarla calidad de nuestras escuelas y asegurar una educación publica de alta calidad

para nuestros niños.

La fundación recauda dinero en nuestra comunidad para ayudar a nuestras escuelas públicas, cubriendo las necesidades de todos los niños.

Actualmente la fundación esta llevando a cabo la campaña una manzana ala día, cada dólar ayudara.

La fundación guardara cada dólar hasta que sepamos como saldrá el presupuesto estatal y conocer las necesidades primarias del distrito escolar.

Les pedimos que animen a sus vecinos y amigos a apuntarse y hacer la promesa de ayudar, quizá su patrón pueda, ayudar también.

Mande su donación a WEF. P.O. Box 1047, Winters, CA 95694.

Lávese las manos con agua y jabón regularmente, especialmente después de toser o estornudar. Los limpiadores para mano a base de alcohol por lo menos con un 60% de alcohol, son también efectivos.

Cúbrase la boca y nariz con un pañuelo desechable siempre que tosa o estornude y bote el pañuelo desechable en la basura. Si no tiene un pañuelo desechable, tosa o estornude en la dobladura de su brazo sin usar sus manos.

Mantenga limpias las áreas comunes como los mostradores de la cocina, baños, agarraderas de puertas, juguetes, teléfonos y otros artículos del hogar. Permita que el aire fresco circule en su casa o en su trabajo abriendo ventanas y puertas.

Si tiene fiebre de 100° F o mayor y tos, dolor de garganta, escurrimiento de nariz o nariz tapada, llame a su doctor o proveedor de cuidado de salud. Su doctor podría darle una cita para verlo y evaluar su enfermedad. Si usted tiene síntomas como de influenza y necesita ir a una cita médica, use una máscara quirúrgica o cúbrase la boca y nariz

con un pañuelo desechable al toser o estornudar; después bote el pañuelo desechable en la basura. Asegúrese de lavar sus manos minuciosamente y bastante seguido.

Usted debe quedarse en casa por lo menos 7 días después que aparezcan los primeros síntomas de influenza y hasta que no tenga ningún síntoma; cualquiera que sea el período más largo. Mientras esté enfermo considere usar una máscara quirúrgica en casa y lávese las manos frecuentemente para no propagar el virus a otras personas. Si se siente enfermo y no tiene fiebre, es mejor quedarse en casa y no ir al trabajo o escuela; descansar bastante; y tomar bastantes líquidos. Si sus síntomas empeoran llame a su doctor o proveedor médico. Mientras la persona esté enferma, no permita visitantes en su casa.

Además de esta junta de información en Winters, se tendrán también en septiembre 9, en Knights Landing, septiembre 10 en Madison, septiembre 14 en Zamora y en septiembre 17 en Esparto.

La nueva publicidad

Ahora algunas tiendas están usando un nuevo sistema de publicidad para atraer la atención de los consumidores, los primeros que usaron este sistema fueron los preparadores de impuestos, contrataron a jóvenes para que sostuvieran un cartel anunciando sus negocios, los pusieron en la calle en donde moviendo el cartel invitaban a la gente para que entrara en la oficina.

Eso es solo en temporada de impuestos. Pero ahora encontramos jóvenes con carteles anunciando desde pizzas hasta mueblerías, no dejando de mencionar los negocios en donde lavan carros, las tiendas de ropa,

etc.

Esto parece ser más efectivo que comprar comerciales en los medios de comunicación, y además es muy barato, claro que el pago es el mínimo, por unas cuantas horas, tienen que aguantar el calor, tener mucha paciencia, y soportar a uno que otro idiota que les gritan.

Pese a todos los avances de la tecnología, de la publicidad, y de las opciones que existen en medios (prensa, radio, televisión, cine, revistas, internet, twitters y sabe más qué), parece que la tendencia de los negocios locales es más tradicionalista.

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RVs

'96 Four Winds 29 ft. 4-99" in. Wide Body. Handicap lift, levelers, one owner. \$10,000. (707)422-0461 31-4tp

Autos for Sale

98 Olds Intrigue 4-dr., current tags, new tires, runs exc. \$1800 obo #2724 (707)469-8044 30-4tp

Autos for Sale

'86 Ford Ranger 4wd Ext. cab, 5-spd. Runs excellent, shell. \$1500 obo #6765 (707)469-8044 28-4tp

Autos for Sale

'00 Camry CE, 5-spd., AC, PS, All power, CD, clean in & out, smogged, great on gas, new tires/oil. \$4,900 obo DLR 707 628-6966, 280-6816 27-4tp

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STRANGE BUT TRUE
By Samantha Weaver
• It was Canadian actor and comedian Leslie Nielsen who made the following sage observation: "Doing nothing is very hard to do ... you never know when you're finished."
• A 22-year-old man who was trying to board a flight in Cairo, Egypt, bound for Saudi Arabia was recently stopped by security officers when the X-ray of his hand luggage showed some strange results. It seems that the man was attempting to transport 250 baby crocodiles and — wait for it — a live cobra. (Animal lovers will be pleased to learn that the creatures were not harmed; they were turned over to the Cairo Zoo.)
• In Thailand, it is illegal to step on any of that nation's currency.
• Researchers in Greece who recently completed a study on napping found that men who nap at least three times a week were at a 37 percent lower risk for heart-related death. So now you have an excuse to do what you want to do anyway.
• If you've ever had to navigate the transportation systems throughout Walt Disney World in Florida, you might not be surprised to learn that the theme park complex covers 47 square miles. To put the figure in perspective, that's twice the size of Manhattan Island.
• It's possible for a nectarine tree to grow from a peach pit, and vice versa.

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Autos for Sale

'96 Dodge Neon 4-dr., Runs exc., Rims. \$1450 obo.... #4087 (707)469-8044 31-4tp

Autos for Sale

'06 Chevy Uplander LS Minivan. Low Miles! 40K mi. \$8995 #S7224 Solano Auto Outlet Corner of N. Texas & Travis. (707)427-2277 31-4tp

Autos for Sale

1997 BMW 528i, rare 5 speed manual, original owner, 90K miles, many extras. asking \$5,450. Call 530-902-7556 31-1tp

Autos for Sale

'94 Toyota Tercel Stick shift, rims, runs excellent! \$900 obo.... #0211 (707)469-8044 30-4tp

Autos for Sale

91 Honda Accord only \$450! Impounds!! For listings call 800-749-4260 x7412 29-3tp

Autos for Sale

'00 Civic LX, auto, 4-dr., AC, smog. Great on gas, 44mpg; WOW! 107k mi. New oil, brakes, etc. \$5,600 obo #011476 DLR 707-628-6966, 280-6816 29-3tp

Autos for Sale

'96 Ford Taurus GL 62k mi. One Owner #S0450. \$2995 Solano Auto Outlet Corner of N. Texas & Travis. (707)427-2277 29-3tp

Autos for Sale

'05 Altima 2.5S, auto, sports package, 95k mi., new tires/oil/brakes. Great on gas, dark blue. \$7,900 obo DLR 707-280-6816, 628-6966 28-4tp

Storage Lien Sale

There will be a lien sale at Winters Self Storage (W.S.S.), 807 Railroad Ave, Winters CA 95694 on SEPTEMBER 15, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. This sale is authorized by Chapter 10, commencing with sect.21700 of the Calif. Business and Professionals Code. All items are sold on an "as is" basis without warranty or guarantee for Cash only. We reserve the right to reject any or all offers. Purchased items must be removed from W.S.S. immediately following the sale. The following is a general description of the items to be sold: TIRES, MIRROR, BOOK SHELVES, TOOLS, TOOL BOXES, ROLL AROUND TOOL CHEST, SKIS, SCALE, BIKE, CHAIRS, SHELVES, METAL BOXES, NEON SIGN, BOXES, TUBS, WOOD CABINET, SLED, BOXES OF MISC. HOUSEHOLD ITEMS: A-13, Tom, R. Thompson. Auctioneer Bond #0342850. Published: September 3, 10, 2009.

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER August 3, 2009
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2009-761
Fictitious Business Name
ASTRinet
1112 Chestnut Ln., Davis, CA 95616
Name of Registrant
Evan S Gray
1112 Chestnut Ln., Davis, CA 95616
This business classification is: Individual
s/Evan S Gray
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 09-0046366 Title Order No. 4086154 Investor/Insurer No. 136123099 APN No. 030-371-04-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/02/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by HECTOR ALFONSO GUERRERO, AN UNMARRIED MAN, dated 05/02/2006 and recorded 05/19/06, as Instrument No. 2006-0019884-00, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 09/10/2009 at 12:00PM, At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA. 95691 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **207 SUFFOLK PLACE, WINTERS, CA, 956942208.**
The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$393,786.29. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 07/15/2009 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399
By: - Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 3221110 08/20/2009, 08/27/2009, 09/03/2009

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August 18, 2009

FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK

Liz Mahovich, Deputy

FBN NUMBER 2009-816

Fictitious Business Name

The Trading Post Back Shop
16938 Yolo Ave., Esparto, CA 95627
P.O. Box 125, Esparto, CA 95627

Name of Registrant

Bruce N Eary

P.O. Box 125, Esparto, CA 95627

This business classification is: Individual

s/Bruce N Eary

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Isabel Becerra, Deputy

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Fictitious Business Name

Seller's Choice Remarketing

2755 Feather Place, Davis Ca 95616

Name of Registrant

David Cougevan

2755 Feather Place, Davis, Ca 95616

This business classification is: Individual

s/David Cougevan

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If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: 8/17/2009 Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidellityasap.com Reinstatement Line: (877) 998-4357 Quality Loan Service, Corp. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 3229421 08/27/2009, 09/03/2009, 09/10/2009

Notice of Public Hearing

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

WINTERS JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

There will be a public hearing at the regular Board meeting of October 1, 2009, to be held at the Winters Joint Unified School District Office, 909 W. Grant Avenue, beginning at 6:30 p.m. regarding the sufficiency of textbooks for instructional materials. The Williams Act mandates that school district governing boards certify compliance with Education Code Section 60119 by holding a public hearing stating that each pupil in the district has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials in specific subjects consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum frameworks adopted by the State Board of Education. Published September 3, 10, 2009

Trustee's Sale

Trustee Sale No.: 20070134011881 Title Order No.: 1149367 FHA/VA/PMI No.: NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 02/06/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDex West, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 02/14/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0006142-00 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California. Executed By: MISAEL BAUTISTA MANGANA AND JOEL DEL RIO, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check/cash equivalent or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). Date of Sale: 09/16/2009 Time of Sale: 12:45 PM Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Street Address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **203 ANDERSON AVENUE WINTERS, CA 95694** APN#: 003-276-10-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$413,585.35. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. For Trustee Sale Information Please Call: Priority Posting & Publication 17501 Irvine Blvd., Suite One Tustin, CA 92780 714-573-1965 www.priorityposting.com NDex West, LLC as Authorized Agent Dated: 08/24/2009 NDex West, LLC may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. P607790 8/27, 9/3, 09/10/2009

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 1213840-10 APN: 049-490-14-1 TRA: 063078 LOAN NO: Xxxxx3826 REF: Santana, Reynaldo IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED February 15, 2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On September 22, 2009, at 9:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded February 24, 2006, as Inst. No. 2006-0007574-00 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, executed by Reynaldo Santana and Guadalupe M Santana 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: **16834 Sebastian Way Esparto CA 95627** 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: \$526,577.11. 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. Regarding the property that is the subject of this notice of sale, the "mortgage loan servicer" as defined in civil code § 2923.53(k)(3), declares that it has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to civil code section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date this notice of sale is recorded. the time frame for giving a notice of sale specified in civil code section 2923.52 subdivision (a) does not apply to this notice of sale pursuant to civil code sections 2923.52. California Declaration I, John Kennedy, of America's Servicing Company ("Mortgage Loan Servicer"), declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the following is true and correct: The Mortgage Loan Services has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the accompanying Notice of Sale is filed. AND/OR The timeframe for giving Notice of Sale specified in subdivision (a) of Civil Code Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. Date and Place: 07/03/2009 Fort Mill, South Carolina Name of Signor: John Kennedy Title and/or Position VP Communication. 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: August 19, 2009. (R-253906 08/27/09, 09/03/09, 09/10/09)

Trustee's Sale

TSG No.: 4127196 TS No.: 20099017101150 FHA/VA/PMI No.: NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/28/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 09/22/2009 at 09:00 AM, FIRST AMERICAN LOANSTAR TRUSTEE SERVICES, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 12/01/2006, as Instrument No.2006-0047295-00, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA. Executed by: JOHN TWEEDT, IRENE GOYA TWEEDT, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 003-402-02-1 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **464 MAIN 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 made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$335,437.91. 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. First AmericanLoanstar Trustee Services 3 First American Way Santa Ana, CA 92707 Original document signed by Authorized Agent FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 619-590-1221 Date: 08/20/2009 FIRST AMERICAN LOANSTAR TRUSTEE SERVICES MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.Requirements of SB1137 have been met pursuant to the Notice of Sale Declaration of record. The beneficiary or servicing agent declares that it has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporations a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the Notice of Sale is filed and/or The timeframe for giving Notice of Sale specified in subdivision (s) of California Civil Code Section 2923.52 applies and has been provided or the loan is exempt from the requirements. Authorized Signature: Chet Sconyers 08/27/09, 09/03/09, 09/10/09 R-254383

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS # CA-09-249814-CL YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 3/1/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): JESUS MARTINEZ, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Recorded: 3/8/2007 as Instrument No. 2007-0008735-00 in book -, page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California; Date of Sale: 9/16/2009 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA. 95691 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$433,345.50 The purported property address is: **204 RED BUD LN WINTERS, CA 95694** Assessors Parcel No. 038-204-06-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, please refer to the referenced legal description for property location. In the event no common address or common designation of the property is provided herein directions to the location of the property may be obtained within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale by sending a written request to Aurora Loan Services 327 South Inverness Drive Englewood CO 80112. Pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: [1] The mortgage loan servicer has not obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; [2] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does apply to this notice of sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: 8/19/2009 Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidellityasap.com Reinstatement Line: 619-645-7711 Quality Loan Service, Corp. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 3233704 08/27/2009, 09/03/2009, 09/10/2009

Notice to ContractorsSECTION 00100
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

1. Sealed proposals will be received by the City Engineer, City of Winters, 318 First St., Winters, California until **Thursday, September 17, 2009 at 2:00 pm** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud, for performing work in accordance with plans and specifications, therefore as follows:

**City of Winters, CA
I-505/ Gateway Utilities, Phase 1
Project No. 021-09.01**

2. Bids are required for the entire work as described below.

Construction of approximately 1137 feet of a new domestic water main, 1019 feet of new gravity sewer main including manholes, and 1143 feet of new sewer force main. All pipe systems to be installed in a parallel and within the same undeveloped road right-of-way.

3. Plans and specifications may be examined at the: City of Winters Public Works Department office in City Hall at 318 First St., Winters, CA or Ponticello Enterprises Consulting Engineers office at 1216 Fortna Avenue in Woodland, CA Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained through PlanWell Enterprise™ at www.planwell.com or by contacting Brownie's Digital Imaging at (916) 443-1322. The City of Winters Construction Specifications (September 2003) may be obtained on the City of Winters website at http://www.cityofwinters.org/public_works/public_forms.htm.

4. No bid will be considered unless it is made on the blank forms incorporated in the Contract Document, and unless it is accompanied by a Proposal Guarantee in the form of cash, bid bond, or certified check, or a cashier's check made payable to the City of Winters in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid amount. Each bidder must be licensed as required by law.

5. Each proposal shall be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing the title of the work and the name of the bidder.

6. Bidders are hereby notified that pursuant to Section 1770 et seq. of the Labor Code of the State of California, the Director of Industrial Relations of the State of California has ascertained the general prevailing rate of hourly wages and rates for legal holidays and overtime work in the locality where this work is to be performed, for each craft or type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract which will be awarded the successful bidder. The prevailing rates are available at the State of California, Department of Industrial Relations website http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/PWD/.

7. Submittal of a signed bid shall be evidence that the bidder has obtained this information and that the bid is based on any changes contained therein.

8. It shall be mandatory upon the bidder to whom the contract is awarded, and upon any subcontractor under him, to pay not less than the said specified rates to all laborers, workers, and mechanics employed by them in the execution of the contract. 9. Notice is hereby given that all bidders may be required to furnish a sworn statement of their financial responsibility, technical ability and experience before award is made to any particular bidder.

10. The successful bidder will be required to furnish two surety bonds: one for Faithful Performance and the other for Labor and Materials. Each bond is to be executed in a sum equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price. Bonds shall be secured from a surety company acceptable to the City of Winters. The successful bidder will be required to obtain a business license from the City of Winters and pay related fees.

11. The City of Winters reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities or minor irregularities in a bid.

12. No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof.

13. The Engineer's estimate of probable construction cost is: \$350,000.

DATE: August 1, 2009

s/Nanci Mills, City Clerk

Published September 3, 2009

**Read the legals,
they are good for you.**

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 09-0050743 Title Order No. 4103675 Investor/Insurer No. 153203408 APN No. 003-461-05-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/21/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by FRANK NIETO, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE & SEPARATE PROPERTY, dated 11/21/2006 and recorded 12/01/06, as Instrument No. 2006-0047266-00, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 09/23/2009 at 12:00PM, At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA. 95691 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **824 JACKSON ST, WINTERS, CA, 95694-1502.** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$328,137.70. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 08/16/2009 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: - Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. ASAP# 3240409 09/03/2009, 09/10/2009, 09/17/2009

Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINTERS ON PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE START TIME OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Winters will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 15, 2009, at 7:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the City Council Chambers located at the City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, California, to consider a proposed change to the start time of regular City Council meetings.

Interested persons may obtain copies of the staff report and any other information pertaining thereto at the City Clerk's Department at the City of Winters, City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, California. between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, exclusive of holidays. Copies of the staff report will also be available on the City's website at www.cityofwinters.org.

Interested persons may submit written comments addressed to Nanci Mills, City of Winters, 318 First Street, Winters, California, 95694 or nanci.mills@cityofwinters.org prior to the hour of 5:00 p.m. on September 15, 2009.

In compliance with the American with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in these hearings, please contact Nanci Mills at (530) 795-4910 ext 101. Please make your request as early as possible and at least one-full business day before the start of the hearing. The City does not transcribe its hearings. If you wish to obtain a verbatim record of the proceedings, you must arrange for attendance by a court reporter or for some other means of recordation. Such arrangements will be at your sole expense.

At the time and place noted above, all persons interested in the above matters may appear and be heard.

DATED: August 19, 2009.

CITY OF WINTERS

Nanci Mills, City Clerk

Published September 3, 2009

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. GM-190085-C Loan No. 0359392268 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 8/15/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by the duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. TRUSTOR:WADE D. WILLIAMS, AN UNMARRIED MAN Recorded 8/23/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0033098-00 in Book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, Date of Sale:9/10/2009 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, California Property Address is purported to be: **424 EDWARDS STREET WINTERS, CA 95694** APN #: 003-171-20-1 The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is \$426,874.19, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: [1] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; [2] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. Date: 8/18/2009 ETS Services, LLC 2255 North Ontario Street, Suite 400 Burbank, California 91504-3120 Sale Line: 714-730-2727 Sunil Jayasinha, TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER ASAP# 3203872 08/20/2009, 08/27/2009, 09/03/2009

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 09-0046366 Title Order No. 4086154 Investor/Insurer No. 136123099 APN No. 030-371-04-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/02/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by HECTOR ALFONSO GUERRERO, AN UNMARRIED MAN, dated 05/02/2006 and recorded 05/19/06, as Instrument No. 2006-0019884-00, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 09/10/2009 at 12:00PM, At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA. 95691 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **207 SUFFOLK PLACE, WINTERS, CA, 956942208.** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$393,786.29. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. DATED: 07/15/2009 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY,