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Holiday ballet returns

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Phyllis McCalla (left) works on a quilt at Cloth Carousel, and Gail Casson is ready to help. Cloth Carousel is this year's Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year.



Photo by Debra DeAngelo
Jan Bawart owns Cloth Carousel, the 2009 Business of the year, which will be formally honored at the annual Chamber of Commerce Year in Review, planned for Saturday, Jan. 23, at the Winters Community Center. Tickets are \$35 per person, available in advance only. Call 795-2329 for tickets.

CLOTH CAROUSEL IS BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

Quilt it and they will come. That's what Cloth Carousel owner Jan Bawart learned last June, when hundreds of people flocked to downtown Winters — many from out of town on their first visit here — to attend the Outdoor Quilt and Textile Art Festival. Bawart envisioned and coordinated the very successful event, and it is one of the reasons Cloth Carousel was named Business of the Year by the Winters Chamber of Commerce.

On the day of the festival, colorful and intricate quilts were hung from towering racks along Main Street, Rotary Park and inside the Community Center, and booths featuring handmade jewelry, scarves and dolls dotted Rotary Park. If the first

year was any indication, the quilt festival will be a regional favorite for years to come.

Bawart took over Cloth Carousel from Laurie Sengo about four years ago, never missing a beat. The shop at 9 Main Street features a vast selection of quilting fabrics, as well as a complete selection of quilting supplies and notions. Amongst quilting enthusiasts, Cloth Carousel is widely known. Every first Saturday of the month, the shop is bustling with loyal "Block of the Month" fans, who can end up making an entire quilt for only \$5 if they complete their work.

Gail Casson, quilting instructor at Cloth Carousel, explains that the Block of the Month activity begins in February. Quilters purchase the ma-

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Community Center, pool on city budget chopping block

◆ Special council meeting on Dec. 10 focuses on hard budget decisions

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The city's financial picture is going from bad to worse, and City Manager John Donlevy wants the council to make some choices. In a staff report he has posted on the city's web site, he outlines the drastic choices available to heal a \$500,000 shortfall. The third in a series of city council workshops will take place Thursday.

After a couple of years of deficits in the \$300,000 range, the perfect storm of bad news is

getting worse instead of abating. Having mismanaged itself into a seemingly annual \$20 billion shortfall, the State of California is expected to continue its practice of taking away funds from local governments.

On top of that, the various revenue sources for the city's General Fund keep declining.

"Most of this has been caused," said Donlevy, "by things that have just cascaded down. In the past two years, the economy has absolutely fallen flat. We have not had a balanced budget for the past two years. We were eating into reserves."

"Over the past 12

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Arrow to nowhere will be relocated

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The consent agenda is for non-controversial items, but one item on the Dec. 1 city council consent agenda sparked interest. City staff was seeking council approval to accept as final the widening and improvements made along Grant Avenue by Teichert Construction.

"The misdirected sign out there," asked council member Harold An-

derson of City Manager John Donlevy, "What's happening with that?"

He was referring to an arrow that directs turning from the new lane into East Street, which was blocked off as part of the same construction project. The item was moved to the regular agenda.

"The only way to get that off will be to go out there and grind it off," said Donlevy. "CalTrans

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Novel H1N1 (Swine Flu) vaccination clinic planned on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 4-7 p.m. at the Winters Community Center (See page A-10 for details)

Chestnuts barbecuing on an open fire



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Yves Boisrame roasted chestnuts on an open fire, albeit in a barbecue, at the corner of Railroad and Main during the annual community Christmas tree lighting on Dec. 5.

Irish Pub to close

By DERA DeANGELO
Express editor

It was Winters' own "Cheers" — the little pub where everybody knows your name. Come January, it will be only a fond memory unless owners Suzy Bonin and Valerie Garay can find a new spot.

Bonin said last week that her landlords, Joe and Karen Ogando, have terminated her monthly rental agreement at 200 Railroad Avenue, where she and Garay have owned and operated the business since 1996. Bonin declined to make any further comment about the closure.

"We are too emotion-

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

WEATHER

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

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
Dec. 2		66	34
Dec. 3		66	32
Dec. 4		65	31
Dec. 5		61	37
Dec. 6		57	30
Dec. 7	.12	55	33
Dec. 8		48	24

Rain for week: .12

Season's total: 4.86

Last year to date: 2.55

Average to Dec. 8: 5.09

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Weekly police report

Nov. 25-30
~ 4-8 a.m., 100 block of Grant Avenue, a school bench was broken and two classroom windows were broken. Damage: \$750.

Nov. 26-30
~ Time unknown, 400 block of Niemann Street, victim's cell phone was taken by a person who later returned it.
~ Time unknown, 100 block of Westwood Court, an unknown suspect opened several mailboxes, looked through the mail and may have taken some mail.

Nov. 28
~ 11:30 a.m., Susan Mary Bonin of Winters parked her vehicle in front of 200 Railroad Ave. Bonin later noticed the front of her vehicle had been hit by an unknown vehicle that fled the scene.

Nov. 30
~ 12:39 p.m., 500 block of Manzanita Way, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.
~ 5 p.m., 200 block of Red Bud Lane, officers assisted in recovering a child from an uncooperative parent.

Nov. 30 to Dec. 5
~ 9 p.m. to 9:30 a.m., 1000 block of Washington Avenue, spray paint was used to write graffiti on a brick fence. Damage: \$400.

Dec. 1
~ Time unknown, 600 block of Snapdragon Court, two vehicle tires were punctured. Amount of damage is unknown.
~ 12:12 p.m., 200 block of E. Main Street, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.
~ 2 p.m., a 16-year-old

Winters juvenile was arrested on charges of forgery and passing worthless checks. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a parent on a notice to appear.

~ 10:54 p.m., County Roads 89 and 29A, an officer assisted a Yolo County Sheriff Deputy with a felony car stop of a possible home invasion suspect.

Dec. 1-2
~ 9 p.m. to 8 a.m., 600 block of Snapdragon Lane, two vehicle tires were slashed. Damage: \$200.

Dec. 4
~ 8-10 p.m., 100 block of Broadview Lane, an unlocked bicycle was stolen from a residential driveway. Loss: \$300.

Dec. 4-5
~ 9 p.m. to 8:45 a.m., 200 block of Grant Avenue, a vehicle side window was broken to gain entry to a vehicle. A laptop, sunglasses, checkbook and other miscellaneous items were stolen. Loss: \$1,060.

Dec. 5
~ 3:18 a.m., 400 block of Abbey Street, suspect kicked victim's car causing damage. Amount of damage is unknown.

~ 3:05 p.m., a 16-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver, failing to stop at a stop sign and failing to provide proof of insurance.

~ 10:38 p.m., a 17-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a notice to appear for violating curfew, riding a bicycle during darkness without a light and riding a bicycle without a helmet.

Grief retreats planned for Christian women

Non-denominational grief and trauma retreats for Christian women are coming soon to Northern California. Rosalinda Rabago of Woodland was recently named the West Coast Coordinator for Living Water Christian Retreats. These specialized retreats were designed by women for women. Rabago is a member of the Grace and New Hope Ministries and is collaborating with many others including Martha Fiori of Winters

to bring grief and trauma retreats especially for Christian women to the Northern California area. The first grief retreat will be held Jan. 8 and 9 in the Sacramento area. The deadline for registration is Dec. 15. All believers in Jesus Christ are welcome.

For more information, call Rosalinda, 554-8122, or visit www.livingwaterchristianretreats.org. Grief retreats cost \$147 plus \$15 material fee, for a total of \$162. Limited scholarships are available.

Bereavement group offered

Yolo Hospice offers a free drop-in bereavement group for adults to explore and work through grief. People in any stage of grief are welcome. Pre-registration is not necessary.

The group meets on

the first and third Tuesdays of the month from 10-11 a.m. at Yolo Hospice, 1909 Galileo Court, Suite A in Davis.

Call Yolo Hospice, Bereavement Services, 758-5566, or (800) 491-7711 for more information.

YESTERYEAR



File photo

One of the all-time great Winters High School football teams, above, was coached by Jack Mermod. The 1954 Warriors took the league championship. After losing a practice game to Benicia, the team defeated St. Helena, Vacaville, Clarksburg, Dixon, Davis, Courtland and Esparto. The squad consisted of, front row, left to right: Ray Johnson, Louis Invernon, Wayne Watterson, George Wren, Lawrence Joerger, Barry Bellport and Bill Pugh. Second row: Dee Harper, John Perez, Mike Carbahal, Richard Rojo, Sam Biasi, Lorin Warren, Dale Corbett, Frank Ramos, Kenny Nakai and Ival Barton. Third row: coach Jack Mermod, John Gonzales, Roger Johnson, Bob Islip, Byron Hartzog, Dick Snow, Bobby Nakai, Noburo Takahashi, assistant coach Art Chaboya and manager Joe Martinez.

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YEARS AGO

December 24, 1959

In the annual community Christmas decorations contest for best decorated outdoor tree went to Bob Young; best outdoor display, A.G. Anderson; best window, Clifton Perkins; best door display, Joe D. Griffin, and best business window, Valley Almond Growers.

Mrs. Leo Herrala has been named chairwoman of the 1960 polio drive for funds which will start Jan. 1, and continue through the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Clark of Winters are the parents of a daughter, born in Yolo General Hospital in Woodland on Dec. 16, 1959.

The Winters High School basketball teams swept a doubleheader from Kelseyville here Friday night, the varsity winning 72 to 55, and the B team winning 96 to 50. James (Spider) Thomas scored 42 points to pace the B team.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hiramatsu and children Ronnie, Dennie and Julie will spend Christmas Day in Sacramento to at-

tend a family dinner party at the home of Mrs. Hiramatsu's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Nishikawa.

Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Zimmerman will spend Christmas Eve and Christmas Day in Sacramento with their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Zimmerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Olander, daughters Christine and Paula, will leave this evening for Stockton, to enjoy Christmas and a few days visit with Mrs. Olander's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ross.

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YEARS AGO

December 22, 1944

The liquor package establishment on Railroad Avenue reopened yesterday under the management of W.E. Cody. Charley Travis and R. L. "Pop" Lindsay will aid Mr. Cody in serving the public.

Jack Mermod, Navy Aviation machinist mate, 2nd class, arrived home Saturday night for holiday leave. Jack has been gone since July 1942. This is his first visit home.

Lt. j.g. George and Mrs. Crum of San Diego and Miss Martha Crum of

Berkeley will be holiday guests with Mr. and Mrs. E.R. Crum.

Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Anderson and children have taken up residence in the Main Street cottage recently vacated by Dr. Babbins and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Kidder and daughters Mary Lou and Glenda joined a family dinner party Saturday with relatives in Fairfield.

Rowena Elaine Martino, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martino, entertained a group of schoolmates Tuesday, Dec. 12, the occasion, the small hostess' birthday.

G.E. Merchant and A.L. Martin were among the re-elected directors of the Yolo County Farm Labors Association at the meeting in Woodland last Thursday.

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YEARS AGO

December 24, 1909

The lodges of Knights of Pythias and the Pythian Sisters will hold joint

installation Jan. 6.

Dr. F.R. Fairchild and wife are in New York, arriving from England last week.

Herb Young is home from veterinary college to spend the holidays.

The California Fruit Exchange has received \$2,200 for a carload of grapes shipped to Chicago.

There were about 30 couples of dancers at the dance club's first party Saturday night.

Miss Elsie Brinck arrived home Saturday from Berkeley to spend the college holiday.

Winters is proud of the new Beecher-Folz restaurant and dining room of the Empire Hotel.

Mr. Linnet has sold his town property to A.P. Pleasants.

War with Japan could not possibly make as many cripples as rheumatism does every year. Ballard's Snow Lini-ment cures all aches and pains.

Lake Berryessa's level is down .13 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa fell by .13 of a foot during the past week, with a reduction in storage of 2,023 acre feet of water, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 407.09 feet above sea level, with storage

computed at 983,887 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 65 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 26 acre feet of water per day during the week.

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LETTERS

Budget cuts will impact everyone

On Thursday, Dec. 10, at 6:30 p.m., the Winters City Council will hold a special meeting and workshop in the council chambers at City Hall to review the city budget and consider ways to address the city's financial situation. I would like to invite residents to either attend the meeting or watch on cable television.

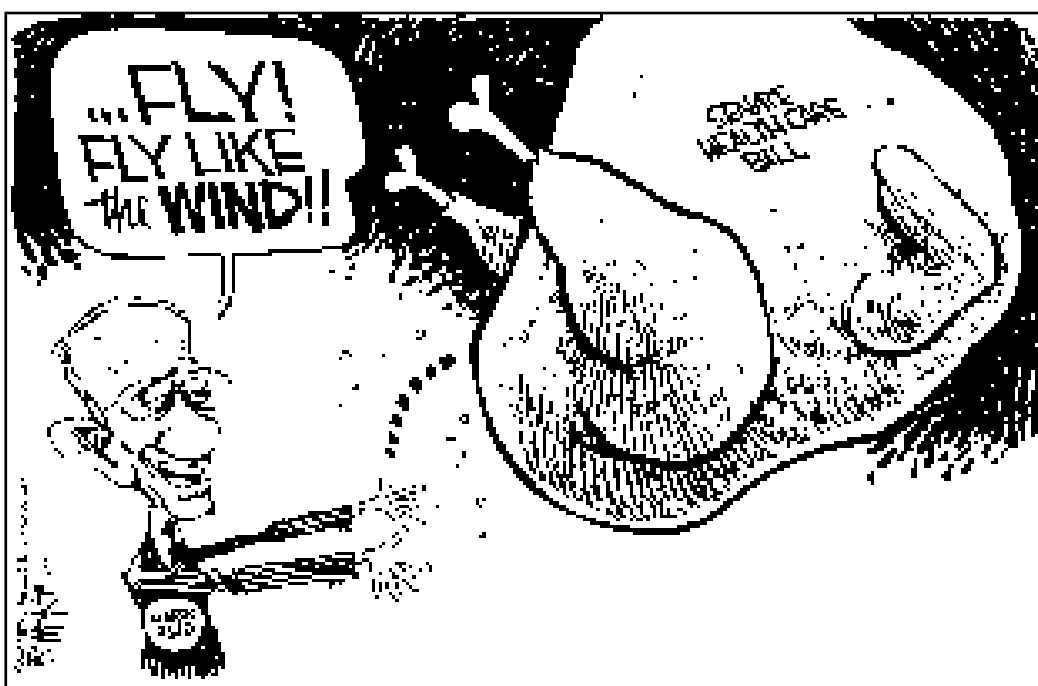
Over the past year, the financial stability of the city has been severely impacted by a combination of the collapse of the real estate and financial markets, the national recession and the impacts of the state of California's inability to manage its own finances. The state take-aways, lowered property taxes and sales taxes, and the lack of any building activity has created a need to address an almost \$500,000 deficit.

The city has prudently managed our finances over the past years, but unfortunately, the realities of a shrinking economy, years of zero to little growth and the attacks from the state of California have finally caught up to the city's budget picture. Without immediate action, the city will begin depleting our reserves and ultimately run out of funds.

The city council will be considering a number of alternatives, including cuts to important community services, and increasing taxes and economic development strategies to help the city recover from the current situation. All Winters residents and businesses will experience the impact of decisions to be made at this meeting.

Reports and recommendations to be presented to the council are available on the City's website, www.cityofwinters.org.

MICHAEL A. MARTIN
Winters Mayor



Watch out for vandals

As you may have noticed, there has been a lot of vandalism and graffiti in town lately. We need extra eyes in the community to assist the police department in catching these vandals. The vandalism has been occurring in city parks, especially restrooms, and at school.

We've been told there've been teenagers, male and female, hiding spray paint cans in their backpacks. The vandalism has been occurring mainly during the daytime.

If you see any suspicious activity, please call the our dispatch phone number, 795-4561, if it is occurring immediately, call 911.

BRUCE MURAMOTO
Winters Police Chief

Make careful choices

Charley, please excuse my slow reading, but I just now got around to your column from a couple of weeks ago regarding the possible freeway businesses going in at Interstate 505.

I suppose it's inevitable that freeway establishments of some sort do go in there and I imagine it's zoned commercial now. However, what is eventually built there will be the true gateway to Winters, far more than any signs or slogans, setting the tone of the town in the public's mind for decades to come.

I know a great deal of

time and expense has been invested in Winters in the last few years with the end of making our town an attractive destination. The decision of what businesses we choose to be our face to the world presents an excellent opportunity for our leaders to positively affect the culture and commerce of Winters for years to come.

I think it's worth a lot of unhurried, careful thought, as well as much input from the people who live and work in this exceptional town. These three or four businesses might represent one of the most tangible legacies we leave to the future Winters.

KEITH CARY

Thanks for all your help

Thank you to all of you who helped to make the production of Cinderella, "possible." I was blessed to work with an amazing group of talented and dedicated actors, parents and production staff. This was a wonderful experience for me, and I couldn't have pulled it off without everyone's support.

We drew from all parts of our community, adults, children, veteran actors and novices. Whenever I turned around, someone was there offering help. There is nothing like seeing your neighbor or daughter or nephew or husband right up there on stage, performing their hearts out. This was community theater at it's best.

We welcome everyone

who would like to join us for future production, backstage or on stage, to come discover your hidden talents. We all have them. Call us at 795-4014, or to go our website, www.winterstheatre.org.

While I'm at it, I'd like to mention that auditions for "Moon Over Buffalo" will be Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 13 and 14, at 7 p.m. at the Community Center. Come give it a try. The possibilities are endless.

Thank you again.

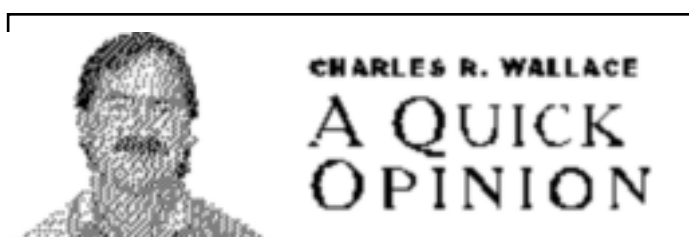
LINDA GLICK

Our festival was fantastic

The Friends of the Library would like to once again thank everyone who helped to make our 12th Annual Holiday Family Festival a wonderful event this year. We had another great turn out with children young and old enjoying themselves, making crafts, enjoying the entertainment and visiting with Santa. The success of our event was due to the efforts of many dedicated volunteers and the continued support of our wonderful community.

The Friends really appreciate all of the teachers and students whose performances play a big part in making the event so successful. Some of our crafts were provided by Winters High School students and teachers. Thank you to Mr. Novello's and Mr. Whitworth's classes. We also had a great turnout

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IS THE CITY BROKE? There are big problems with our finances at City Hall. We were getting along pretty well until a couple of years ago, when the economy kept going downhill. John Donlevy has done a good job of keeping our reserve funds high, but even he can't stop the real estate market from tanking further into a black hole. When the state took almost \$1,000,000 from Winters to fund their financial mess, it put us into a downward spiral that may last for years. Remember that when our state office holders come up for re-election.

One problem, or some might say, saving grace, is that we don't grow at a consistent pace. We okay hundreds of homes and then sit back and wait for 15 years for them to be built. I'm not sure of the total number of homes and apartment units that have been OK'd over the past five years, but it has to be over 700. We haven't added a new subdivision in almost eight years. How many new homes will be built in Winters over the next couple of years? Zero. We may get an apartment building, but that doesn't really help our financial problem.

What will help is the build out of the Highway 505 and Grant Avenue interchange. That creates a whole list of other problems concerning the entrance to Winters, but I don't see a lot of other choices. I don't want to see a bunch of McDonald type businesses when I come over the overpass, but I want them to be there, someday. How do we build attractive commercial buildings that look like they belong in Winters? How do you add a hotel, restaurants, and business park that looks like they have been here forever?

One problem is that we need both the revenue and services this growth will bring, now. Looking around, I'm worried that we don't have the expertise, experience or will to do a good job of developing the interchange. Looking at the Main Street Railroad Avenue intersection gives me hope, but, we had money and local control when we developed that project. What happens when we don't have the "I don't care" attitude that has given us an advantage against developers in the past? When the developers believe they have the upper hand, Winters comes out with the short end of the stick. When we have cash in the bank, we get a new swimming pool, money for beautification projects and limits on how many homes will be built and when they will be built.

The council is holding workshops to figure out what to do about our financial situation. If you attend, don't be negative. There will be plenty of people who will question how we got into this situation. What we need are ideas and solutions. It took us years to get in this situation and it will take us years to get back to normal, whatever that is. There are cities that have planned well, and there are more that have not. Let's be a city that plans for our future instead of letting our future needs dictate a decision that we will have to live with for a long, long time.

We are still paying our bills, still patrolling the streets and still collecting taxes. We aren't down and out, but we have taken a few shots to the head. I'm hoping that the people in City Hall, including our council members, are up to the task before us.

Have a good week.

Those were the days, my friend, we thought they'd never end at our funky little Irish Pub

It's the end of an era. The Irish Pub & Coffeehouse is closing in January. The landlords have new ideas for that building, and whatever replaces The Pub will surely be a lovely, stylish masterpiece. But it won't be The Pub.

I have a tender spot in my heart for The Pub. I wandered in one day when I was newly single because owner Suzy Bonin and I go way back, and a familiar face was a welcome sight. I've known Suzy longer than anyone else in Winters. She probably served me my first legal-age beer when she was a bartender at The Club in Davis.

The Club was on G Street, where Woodstock's Pizza is now. It was funky and old, with pool tables and low-ball poker, a juke-box and a lovely, lonely blue-collar feel, like blue jeans and a favorite sweatshirt. It was my favorite hangout in college, because it wasn't packed with sorority sisters and frat boys. They just weren't my scene. What was my scene? Real

people, and they went to The Club: People who worked for a living. People who had a history, and would talk about it over a game of Liar's Dice. People who didn't wince if you played Willie Nelson on the jukebox. People who didn't pepper their sentences with "like."

I have plenty of memories about The Club. Like the day John Lennon was shot. I needed someplace familiar and mundane and comforting, with people familiar, mundane and comforting, to just sit in shock and try and wrap my brain around that unthinkable tragedy, the real day the music died as far as I'm concerned. Two weeks later, I was pondering another unthinkable tragedy, the murder of a high school friend. A familiar, mundane, comforting spot is the best place to lick your wounds.

But The Club wasn't all commiseration. It was there that I met the guy who took me on my first real date - he had his own money and was



n't driving his parents' car. After dinner, we went to this cute, corny little barn called The Palms Playhouse, for a tomato harvest party, full of folks who either worked at Hunt's or drove tomato trucks there.

One night at The Club, I met one of those Hunt's workers. I ended up marrying him and moving to Winters. Not long after that, The Club closed down, but I was too busy raising babies to mourn much. But I remembered it fondly, and the cast of characters too: Jim, the snarky poker dealer; Fred, who had a crooked eye and played a mean game of Liar's Dice; father and son bikers Larry and Larry; and my favorites, snappy, saucy bartendresses Anne Marie and Suzy, with her youngsters pitter patter upstairs while

she worked like little church mice scampering in the rafters.

Of them all, only Suzy reemerged in my life after purchasing The Thistle and Shamrock along with Valerie Garay, and renaming it the Irish Pub & Coffeehouse. Years later when that guy from Hunts and I went our separate ways, I needed a familiar, mundane, comforting place to ponder. For me, The Pub became The Club.

The atmosphere, although comfortable, was totally different than The Club, however. Rather than blue-collar pool and poker bar, The Pub had all the nice little touches of an Irish Pub, and over the years became bedecked with all sorts of knickknacks, from flashing disco balls to gown-clad skeletons to even a dancing pole at one

point (now *those* were the days). Yeah, The Pub's wacky, and a little bit tacky, but aren't we all. (Well, those of us who aren't afraid to cut loose, make a little noise and have a little fun once in awhile, anyways.)

The Pub was where I took The Cutest Man In The World to upon his first visit to Winters, and Valerie was the first person I introduced him to. We've spent every New Year's Eve there since. Ditto for nearly every Halloween, and I haven't missed a St. Andrew's Day party yet - including the one last Saturday. I had my first plate of haggis, nips and tatties at The Pub, as well as my first sip of Speyside. I learned to karaoke there, earned myself a karaoke nickname, and have mastered "Black Dog," if I do say so myself.

Interesting side note: Those little church mice pitter-pattering upstairs? They grew up and became bartenders at The Pub alongside their mom. My favorite, Becky, was the one who

taught me how to karaoke. My first karaoke song was a duet with her: "Enough is Enough." I sang the Donna Summer part. (Becky, see what you started?)

Over the last decade or so, I've been happy in The Pub, sad in The Pub, and everything in between. I've made dear friends there over the years, and probably a few enemies too. Wherever else I might wander to, sooner or later, I always turn back up there, because The Pub is like home, and the familiar, friendly faces are like family. It is Winters' own "Cheers" - where everybody knows your name.

If you've never experienced a quirky, comfy little neighborhood bar that you grow to love, warts and all, there's still time. The Pub will remain open through January. I know where I'll be on New Year's Eve. Because I know old acquaintances should never be forgot. And because I need to karaoke "Those Were the Days" with Suzy one last time.

COUNCIL

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requires that symbol in that area. We would probably only be moving it 20 to 40 feet, either direction. We don't like it, but after awhile people will get used to it. Unless you want us to go out there and grind out the street."

Council member Cecilia Aguiar-Curry asked why the city would have to pay for repair of a construction error. Donlevy said the arrow was in the plans all along, so Teichert could not be held responsible.

"It was our inspector who said, 'Yeah, it's on the plans, so it should go there,'" said Donlevy. "I was very disappointed when I saw that, but the street sure looks nice."

Aguiar-Curry said the arrow could be a liability in case of an accident. She added that the city needs to set an example when it comes to construction errors.

The council unanimously approved to grind out and move the arrow, and also accepted Teichert's completion of the project.

I-505 questions

During the opening public comment period of the meeting, Farmers Market Director Anna Kormos asked for an update on the possibility of a Burger King at I-505, which she said she learned of through an editorial in the Winters Express.

Council could not officially respond to non-authorized comments, but Mayor Mike Martin suggested she talk to the city manager about the subject.

Francesco Wright of the League of Califor-

nia Cities presented the Heal (Healthy Eating Activity Living) Cities Campaign, asking the city to adopt a resolution of participation.

After noting Kormos' question about a future Burger King, Wright presented a number of ways for cities to support healthier living.

"Cities really do have a role in what could be the healthy choice," said Wright. "You can create incentives to make healthy choices available, such as farmers markets, produce stands and grocery stores.

"Walking and riding bikes is a way for cities to promote healthy behavior. One example is land use — cities can incorporate bike lanes and paths into general plans, as well as mixed use and transit oriented development.

"Zoning protections can be put in for farmers markets. Some cities have zoning limits on the number of fast food outlets.

"Cities can offer WIC and food stamp coupons for farmers markets. It is possible to schedule walking meets for city employees as well as exercise breaks and offering healthy food in vending machines.

Council member Woody Fridae asked how the city can say, if a place is zoned, that one restaurant can be there, and another can't.

Wright said the City of Arcata has mapped their city into six regions to spread out and limit fast food joints. The City of Cotati defined fast food as "formula food" as part of an effort to focus on locally owned and managed restaurants. She said the Cotati plan is on HEAL's web site as well a plan being used by

Brentwood.

Council members expressed interest in seeing the other city's plans.

Code enforcement

Laura Hollender of Meyers, Nave (city attorneys) presented for discussion a code enforcement ordinance to provide the city with criminal, civil and administrative remedies to prevent and discourage violations of the municipal code.

"It just provides tools for the city to use, if it chooses," said Hollender. The enforcements include:

~ 1) Criminal enforcement — for egregious violations, used rarely by cities, for repeated violations.

~ 2) Civil action — giving the city the power to seek injunction to enjoin behavior, for example, for someone operating an illegal business.

~ 3) Summary abatement — for emergency health and safety situations. The city would stop the code violation, and it then could recover costs.

~ 4) Nuisance abatement for non-emergency situations. One example is where a resident accumulates waste in their yard. There would be a possible dispute resolution process followed by a series of steps, possibly ending with the city ending the violation and collecting for the costs.

~ 5) Administrative Citation Process. The city would issue a first offense warning. If the party doesn't stop the violation, the city could fine the offender. For example, this enforcement could be used against people that loiter in city parks when

they are not allowed, or people that skateboard on city facilities. Damages could be recovered by liens or special assessments.

The Community Development Director would conduct hearings.

"It just seems to me that we don't need this," said council member Harold Anderson.

Aguiar-Curry commented on Woodland's problems dealing with gang activity, and their need to have in place enforcement options. "They're really in a world of hurt."

"We currently have no other option but to have the city attorney file a lawsuit," said Donlevy. "There's no enforcement ability."

In the city manager's report, Donlevy said staff would be providing the city council an extensive report on the subject of fiscal sustainability, and it will be on the web site by Monday.

"We are in the most serious financial situation we have been in 15 years," said Donlevy.

Farmers Market

City Housing Programs Manager Dan Maguire presented an update on the Winters Farmers Market, which ended its first season in October.

"By all accounts, it will be a self-sustaining market by year two," said Maguire. "We are looking at days of the week and times. We might have craft vendors once a month. We hope to have a tasting shed where we can take produce we have at the market to see some of the preparations you can do."

"Things are moving along well," said Maguire of the Winters Community Garden,

which is part of the grant that provided the farmers market.

The garden is under construction, with fencing and irrigation mostly completed. The staff report included proposed garden rules for council comment.

"We hope we have a good problem and the garden plots are oversubscribed," said Maguire, asking for direction. "Do we give preference to households that live in multi-family housing?"

"We will provide educational workshops for people that have never gardened before," said Anna Kormos, project director. "The garden will discourage timed water systems. If every-

one waters on a timer, then no one is coming back in."

"Keeping with the spirit of the grant, perhaps a certain percentage should be for low income people," said Anderson.

Fridae presented a printed sheaf of grammatical corrections to the proposed list of rules.

"The farmers market was a fantastic addition to the community," said Mayor Mike Martin.

Next meeting

The next regular city council meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday Dec. 15, in the City Hall council chambers.

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of student and WFOl volunteers that staffed all of the craft tables throughout the day, ensuring that the young ones could create their handiworks.

Buckhorn Catering provided linens, and Ficelle lent us tables. The community center seemed more festive than ever, thanks to the beautiful hand-made quilts that adorned the walls. They were loaned to us by Annette Blandin and Diane Lis.

Mrs. Claus's Café was busy all day serving up great lunches and treats, with the generous donation of yummy foods from Randy Oates and the Oates' Country Store. A big "Ho Ho Thank You" goes out to

Santa and his lovely Elf who took time during this busy season to come and visit the children of Winters. Clearly this joyous event could not have happened without the support of our Winters community, who not only support the festival but support the Friends of the Library all year long.

The Winters Friends of the Library is a volunteer organization that raises money to support extra library hours, library programs, new books and community events. We meet the first Monday of every month at the library and are always happy to see new faces. For more information call our volunteer coordinator, Linda Springer, 795-5001.

CAROL SCIANNA
Winters Friends of the Library

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ally distraught to make a comment at this time," said Bonin.

Landlord Karen Ogando confirmed that the situation was simply a business decision. She has decided to start her own business in the Pub's location, and says she gave Bonin and Garay ample notice of her intentions. She stressed that she had no complaints or problems with the current tenants, she simply needed the spot for her own business.

"I do feel bad," said Ogando. "It's just hard. I don't want upset the town or to hurt anybody."

She explained that her Monticello development project has stalled during sagging economic times, and she "wants to keep the momentum," and described the project at 200 Railroad Avenue as "something we can do."

"We have new ideas for the building," said Ogando.

With no obvious place to relocate, Bonin says that when the doors close at the end of January, it will likely be for good. Until then, she plans to keep chugging away as she always has, and is already working on one last New Year's Eve karaoke party.

Afternoon patrons at the Irish Pub on Thursday were stunned to hear of the news. Lindsay Harris, Dawn Manas and Leslie Watson

stopped by for a refreshment an a visit, and all three expressed sadness that there isn't another place in town that will substitute for the Pub.

"I've been coming here since it's been open," said Harris. "It's where you can always feel like you're in an old familiar place."

She noted that the Pub owners and employees showed extra concern for their customers, and were quick to request car keys and offer rides home to anyone who shouldn't get behind the wheel, or arrange for someone else to drive them.

"They always made sure we had a ride home," said Harris.

Watson said she appreciated the wide spectrum of people who came into the Pub.

"There's such a diversity of people in here. You don't get just the teenagers or the old guys at the bar. It's a speckle of this and a speckle of that."

Manas said the Pub felt comfortable, even for those who aren't regulars.

"I don't go to bars often, but when I do, this is where I come," said Manas, who has been a loyal patron since the Pub opened. "It's small, it's quaint and it's cozy."

"It's family," chimed in Dan Schneider, quietly nursing a beer on the other side of the bar. When asked where he'd go when the Pub closes, he responded, "I'll be going home."

Over the years, the Irish Pub has hosted a variety of events, from monthly birthday parties to weekly karaoke nights, Halloween and New Year's Eve parties, toga parties, top-shelf Scotch and vodka tastings, fund-raisers for charities, and live and acoustic music. Every Tuesday night is Trivia Night, complete with prizes, and regular live comedy events take place there too.

The closest some locals ever got to Scotland was the annual St. Andrew's Day celebration, which featured live



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Sawney Bean Band members Robert Armstrong (left) and Michael Sears played traditional Celtic music at what may be the last St. Andrew's Day celebration to take place at the Irish Pub and Coffeehouse. The annual event took place on Saturday, Dec. 5.

recitation of Robert Burns' "Ode to a Haggis," as well as a traditional Scottish meal of haggis, nips and tatties (parsnips and mashed potatoes). And of course, St. Patrick's Day at the Pub was always a huge draw. Last March, some customers were turned away at the door — the room was at capacity. Bonin also made sure the little ones were able to celebrate St. Patrick's Day every year, and helped arrange the children's St. Patrick's Day parade every year, with live bagpipe music, cookies and refreshments.

The Pub's was formally honored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce, which named the Irish Pub Business of the Year in 2005.

And right until the end, if you walk through the doors at the Irish Pub, there'll be someone who knows your name. And if not, there will be by the time you walk back out.



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Alex Henderson give a single malt Scotch toast to the haggis at the annual St. Andrews Day celebration, held at the Irish Pub on Saturday, Dec. 5. Henderson delivers Robert Burns' famous "Address to a Haggis" at the event each year before slicing the beloved Scottish sausage open. Henderson owned the Scottish Meat Pie Company in Dixon for many years, and closed the business in 2009 to retire.

The Winters Chamber of Commerce will meet on Friday, Dec. 11 at 7 a.m. inside the Winters Visitors Center, 11 Main St.

Make it merry



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Ashley Drummond, 10, does some Christmas artwork at the Winters Friends of the Library's Family Holiday Festival at the Community Center on Saturday, Dec. 5. Festivities included entertainment, crafts and food.

Community

ALS group names Felsch top volunteer

Cherie Felsch of Winters is the recipient of the ALS Association Greater Sacramento Chapter's Mary Thompson Humanitarian Award for volunteer of the year. The award was presented at the 9th Annual Walk to Defeat ALS held on Oct. 17 at William Land Park in Sacramento.

Felsch became associated with the Chapter in 1999 when her father was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease), in 2005 he lost the fight. She has remained a very active member with the Chapter by serving on the Board of Directors, as a patient/caregiver caller and on the PR and Patient Services Committees. She also enthusiastically assists with and participates at fundraisers.

The Humanitarian Award was established by one of the Chapter's founding members, Mary Thompson, in 1987. The Chapter became an officially recognized chartered Chapter of the ALS Association in 1989.

The mission of the ALS Association is to lead the fight to cure and treat ALS through global, cutting-edge research, and to empower people with Lou Gehrig's Disease and their families to live fuller lives by providing them with compassionate care and support.

For additional information about the Chapter and the services and resources they provide, visit their website at www.alssac.org or call (916) 979-9265.



Courtesy photo

Cherie Felsh is the ALS Association's Volunteer of the Year.

Auditions scheduled for 'Moon Over Buffalo'

The Winters Theatre Company will hold auditions for "Moon Over Buffalo," a comedy by Ken Ludwig, on Wednesday, Jan. 13, and Thursday, Jan. 14, at 7 p.m. at the Winters Community Center.

This play has a cast of four men and four women. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. Performance dates are weekends from March 12-21.

For more information, call Howard Hupe, 756-6187.

Free food to be distributed

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute egg noodles, instant milk, mixed fruit, peas and canned pork to eligible Winters residents on Friday, Dec. 18, at First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, 12-1:30 p.m., and on Monday,

Dec. 21 at Yolo Housing, 62 Shams Way, 3-5 p.m.

Participants may receive food at only one site. Bring a bag to carry food home.

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

Household Hazardous Waste drop-off days planned this week

This month's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) drop-off days at the Yolo County Central Landfill (44090 County Road 28H) are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Dec. 11 and 12, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

HHW will be accepted from Yolo County residents only. Acceptable materials include: batteries, fluorescent bulbs or tubes, used mo-

tor 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, mercury thermostats and containerized syringes.

During regular business hours, beyond HHW events, the Yolo County Central Landfill

accepts the following items for recycling: household batteries, fluorescent bulbs or tubes, 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.

The next HHW drop-off days are scheduled for Jan. 8 and 9.

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

State cuts tax allocations to Winters again

The California State Board of Equalization (BOE) has sent 535 letters to local finance directors explaining that declining state sales tax revenues have caused a reduction in expected local allocations for their November 2009 advances. Nineteen jurisdictions received letters notifying them they will not receive November advances.

Shelly Gunby, director of financial management for the City of Winters, says this represents a 6% reduction in the advance the state gives on sales tax returns for the current quarter, which is the first quarter of 2010. She explains that this means the state overestimated Winters' sales tax and therefore "overadvanced" the sales tax returns. This amounts to approximately \$3,000 less in sales tax returns coming from the state.

This is a continuation of an issue that developed this year with the unprecedented drop-off in taxable sales due to the recession, and is the second time this year that Winters has received this notice.

Payments to the local taxing jurisdictions are based in part on prior taxable sales patterns that do not apply in the current economic climate. Similar letters were sent to 337 jurisdictions in August and 473 jurisdictions in May.

Payments to local governments for the third quarter of 2009 were reduced by 11.5%, based on an estimate provided by the Department of Finance. An analysis of actual cash receipts from the third quarter of 2009 showed an overall decline of 14.91%.

For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

Calendar

Thursday, December 10

Winters Rotary Club meeting, noon, The Buckhorn.

City Council special budget meeting, 6:30 p.m., council chambers at City Hall.

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, 8 p.m., 305 First Street.

Friday, December 11

Winters Chamber of Commerce meeting, 7 a.m., Winters Visitors Center, 11 Main Street.

Winters Center for the Arts Holiday Arts & Crafts Sale, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., 14 Main Street.

Saturday, December 12

WHS wrestling meet, Novato High School, time TBA.

Winters Center for the Arts Holiday Arts & Crafts Sale, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., 14 Main Street.

Winters Cemetery Open House, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., 415 Cemetery Drive.

Stebbins Cold Canyon Hike: Botanical Drawing, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Stebbins Cold Canyon.

Studio C's "Nutcracker," 2 and 7 p.m., Winters Community Center.

Sunday, December 13

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, 9 a.m., 305 First Street

Winters Center for the Arts Holiday Arts & Crafts Sale, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., 14 Main Street.

Studio C's "Nutcracker," 2 p.m., Winters Community Center.

Tuesday, December 15

City Council meeting, 6:30 p.m., council chambers at City Hall

Wednesday, December 16

Soroptimist meeting, 7 a.m., Chuy's Taqueria, 208 Railroad Avenue

Novel H1N1 (Swine Flu) Vaccination Clinic, 4-7 p.m., Winters Community Center.

Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 8 p.m., 305 First Street

(To list your non-profit local event on the Winters Express calendar, email information to news@wintersexpress.com or call 795-4551.)

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Novel H1N1 vaccine clinic Dec. 16 at Community Center

The Yolo County Health Department, in partnership with the cities of Davis, West Sacramento, Woodland and Winters, will sponsor a series of free Novel H1N1 flu vaccination clinics. Because H1N1 vaccine supplies are currently very limited, vaccinations will only be offered to pregnant women, parents of children under 6 months of age, and children and young people ages 6 months to 24 years.

Vaccination clinics are scheduled as follows:

~ Thursday, Dec. 10, 4-7 p.m., Woodland Community & Senior Center, Meeting Room 2, 2001 East Street, Woodland.

~ Saturday, Dec. 12, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Harper Junior High School, Multi-Purpose Room, 4000 East Covell Boulevard, Davis.

~ Monday, Dec. 14, 4-7 p.m., Riverbank Elementary School, 1100 Carrie Street, West Sacramento.

~ Wednesday, Dec. 16, 4-7 p.m., Winters Community Center, 201 Railroad Avenue, Winters.

This clinic schedule may change due to vaccine availability or other factors. Before attending a vaccine clinic, check the Yolo County Health Department's Web site: www.yolohealth.org (select: Novel H1N1 Influenza) for updates.

Parking may be limited at clinic sites so participants are encouraged to plan accordingly. All sites can be accessed via Yolobus. For a complete bus sched-

ule, go to www.yolobus.com.

"Novel H1N1 vaccine is being distributed throughout California to healthcare providers and local health departments," said Dr. Joseph Iser, Yolo County Health Department Director-Health Officer. "As of the end of November, only enough has been distributed to vaccinate approximately 18 percent of the population of California, and the majority of vaccine shipped to Yolo County has gone to healthcare providers. As a result, we are limiting these public vaccination clinics to those at the highest risk.

"I encourage those not in one of these high risk groups, and who already have a healthcare provider, to seek Novel H1N1 vaccine from their provider."

Vaccinations will only be provided to the high risk groups outlined above on a first come, first served basis. Both traditional injectable vaccine and FluMist (a nasal spray) vaccine will be available, as will preservative-free vaccine reserved for pregnant women. Informational materials about the vaccine will be provided at the clinics in English, Russian, and Spanish and interpreters will be available on site.

Those planning to attend one of the Novel H1N1 vaccination clinics should come prepared to wait. Due to a high demand for the vaccine, public clinics across the region have

had long lines. Participants are encouraged to bring whatever is necessary to be comfortable while waiting.

Vaccination clinic lines are mostly outdoors, so participants are encouraged to check the weather forecast prior to attending. Since the wait may be several hours, consider bringing snacks and water, chairs, games, toys, books or puzzles to occupy children waiting in line, and/or stroller and blankets for small children.

Parents or children who may already be sick will not be able to be vaccinated until they are well again.

To expedite the vaccination process, participants are encouraged to complete, print and bring with them to the clinic the vaccination screening questionnaire which is available online: www.yolobusinesspartners.org/forms.html (select: Medical Screening Assistant).

This clinic schedule may change due to vaccine availability or other factors. Before attending a vaccine clinic, check the Yolo County Health Department's Web site: www.yolohealth.org (select: Novel H1N1 Influenza) for updates.

For more information about Novel H1N1 influenza and future vaccination clinics as they become scheduled, go to www.yolohealth.org (select: Novel H1N1 Influenza) or call 666-8645.

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terials to create one block of a quilt for \$5. If they return with a completed block, they get the next months materials for free. If their work isn't finished, Casson says quilters can keep learning the next block, but will have to pay another \$5.

Those who aren't quilters yet can learn to quilt at Cloth Carousel. Casson says the shop hosts quilting classes for all skill levels, from beginner to advanced. Classes are offered on a daily basis, sometimes twice in one day. On any given day, you can stop by the shop and see quilts in all stages of construction, from careful selection of fabrics, to cutting, stitching and assembling, and Casson is most always there to give advice and be of assistance.

Sometimes the quilts that come from Cloth Carousel are donated to the police and fire department, to make sure that anyone who

needs some warmth and comfort in the midst of an emergency will have a quilt to wrap around themselves.

Casson says when she heard that the Cloth Carousel was chosen as Business of the Year, she was thrilled.

"Jan has worked very hard for that."

"I'll second that," says Phyllis McCalla, who notes that she's a Dixon resident, but she lives at Cloth Carousel. "Jan really does a nice job promoting the city of Winters and the businesses."

Bawart, who was unavailable for an interview at this time due to personal matters, said via telephone that she is "really, really honored" that the Chamber chose her business as the best of 2009. Besides the success of the shop itself, Bawart was pleased with the success of the quilt festival.

"It was a success because it brought people in who have never been here before — new people, who'd nev-

er been to Winters."

She estimates that 500 people visited downtown Winters on the day of the festival, and some of the most skilled quilters in the area including Marjan Kluepfel of Davis had their hand-sewn art on display.

Following the smashing success of the festival, Bawart decided to become even more involved in the local business community, and ran for a seat on the Chamber's board of directors. She was elected in November and will be sworn in at the Chamber's annual Year in Review, at which time Cloth Carousel will be formally honored as Business of the Year.

The annual celebration is planned for Saturday, Jan. 23, at the Winters Community Center.

Tickets are \$35 per person, available in advance only. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

For tickets or more information, call 795-2329.

Koski wins weekly raffle

Nancy Koski is the winner of this week's The Buck Stays Here raffle, sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce. To enter, bring \$50 worth of local sales receipts to the Chamber office, located inside the Winters Visitors Center at 11 Main Street. Each Monday in December, the lucky winner will receive \$100 in Winters Bucks, which may be spent at any participating Winters business. The raffle aims to encourage Winters residents to shop locally.

For more information, call 795-2329.

Light a candle in remembrance of a child

The Compassionate Friends (TCF), a worldwide organization that offers friendship and support to families who have suffered the death of a child, will hold its annual world wide candle lighting service on Sunday, Dec. 13, with candles burning for one hour at 7 p.m. local time, to create a virtual 24-hour circle of light as it moves around the globe.

Several hundred formal gatherings and thousands of private candle lighting events in dozens of countries and all 50 states will join in this special way to honor and remember children who have died at any age and from any cause. The candle light-

ing services are not religious and are open to all who wish to offer remembrance.

The Yolo County chapter of TCF will take place in the Valente Room of the Davis Senior Center, 646 A Street, beginning with a potluck at 5 p.m. (Note the change in location from the regular TCF meetings).

The candle lighting will begin at 7 p.m. and will be accompanied by a slide show of our children and an open mike, for those who would like to share their thoughts or read something written by or for their child.

Paperware, silverware, drinks and candles will be provided.

Bring a dish with serving utensils to share: A-I main dish, J-R salad and S-Z dessert.

If you would like to submit a photo or two of your child to be included in the slide show, drop it off at Pam Mainini's office, 1105 Kennedy Place in Davis, 758-3653. The picture will be returned.

TCF will also hold its regular December meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 16.

For additional information on this meeting and the candle lighting, call Barbara Frankel, 753-5471.

For general information on The Compassionate Friends visit www.compassionatefriends.org.

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Entertainment

Nuts about dancing

Dancers (from left) Hailey Lane, Briana Graf and Jolie Cintas are among the fighting soldiers, mischievous mice and fairies that come to life in Studio C's performance of *The Nutcracker*, Saturday, Dec. 12, at 2 and 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 13, at 2 p.m. at the Winters Community Center. Dancing to the music of Tchaikovsky, this year's performance will all be traditional ballet, with lots of action and glittering costumes. Tickets are \$10/general admission and \$8/12 and under/seniors. For info, call Studio C, 795-1900.

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Arts and crafts event



Courtesy photo

Father Christmas dropped in at the Winters Center for the Arts on Friday evening, Dec. 4, to visit a special holiday arts and crafts event. The show and sale continues for the next two weekends, Friday through Sunday, Dec. 11-14 and Dec. 18-20. Patrons can find crafts and gifts ranging from paintings and sculpture to jewelry, textiles, ceramics and scented candles. The show is at the former Aura Day Spa, 14 Main St., and is open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sundays.

Russell to celebrate release of new album at The Palms

One-of-a-kind singer, songwriter and guitar-player Tom Russell will return to The Palms Playhouse on Saturday, Dec. 12, for a CD release celebration of his most recent — and highly-praised — album “Blood and Candle Smoke.”

Drawing on his Southern California roots and current life on his badland farm on the El Paso/Juarez border, his study of criminology, and his experiences teaching school in Nigeria during the Biafran War, Russell's songs peel back life's layers to reveal stories most people would never hear otherwise.

Full of grit, dust, sorrow and unexpected joy, Russell's songs have been featured in dozens of movies and television series including “Tremors,” “Songcatcher,” and “Northern Exposure,” and have been recorded by music luminaries including Johnny Cash, Nanci Griffith, Iris DeMent, Joe Ely, Jeff Walker, k.d. lang, Ian Tyson and Ramblin' Jack Elliott. His five recent appearances on “The Late Show With David Letterman” are a testament to Russell's powerful performance style and enduring popularity and relevance.

Russell and musical compadre Dave Alvin are credited with inventing the Americana radio format with their landmark Merle



Courtesy photo

Tom Russell poses with a neighbor boy. The performer, who lives on a farm in El Paso, Texas, will play Saturday at The Palms.

Haggard tribute “Tulare Dust” in 1994, and Russell remained stayed a powerful and trail-blazing force in the genre.

With over 25 albums to his credit, Russell is known as much for his restless self-reinvention as he is for staying true to the essential core that informs his songs. Russell's songs include the classics “Navajo Rug,” “Gallo del Cielo,” “Blue Wing,” “Walking on the Moon,” “St. Olav's Gate,” and “Outbound Plane” as well as new

favorites such as the award-winning “Who's Gonna Build Your Wall?”

A collection of powerful observations and deliberations, Russell's latest release “Blood and Candle Smoke” has been heralded by critics as “stunning” and “about as perfect as it gets.” Grateful Dead lyricist Bob Dylan states that Blood and Candle Smoke is an “excellent record in all respects. Lyrics are jewels, arrangements deeply tasteful, vocals superb.”

In a career of many sterling albums, Russell, with this new recording, seems to have surpassed even his high standard.

Russell will appear at The Palms, 13 Main St., on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and are available at Pacific Ace Hardware in Winters, Armadillo Music in Davis, The Heidrick Ag History Center in Woodland, and online at tickets.com, and at the door if not sold out.

For more information, call 795-1825 or visit palmsplayhouse.com or tomrussell.com.



Coming up

Thurs. Dec. 10 - Kim Wilson Blues Revue
Sat. Dec. 12 - Tom Russell
Wed. Dec. 16 - The Christmas Jug Band
Thurs. Dec. 17 - West Nile Ramblers
Sat. Dec. 19 - Peppino D'Agostino

Davis bingo event benefits the SPCA

Davis Odd Fellows Bingo is holding Second Sunday Bingo on Sunday, Dec. 13, to benefit the Yolo County SPCA.

The Davis Odd Fellows Bingo! Committee supports many charitable organizations in Yolo County by sharing proceeds from Second Sunday Bingo events. The Yolo County SPCA promotes the safety and well being of animals through sheltering and adoption services, animal services, and community outreach.

All proceeds from bingo play go to the charity partner. It offers cash prizes up to \$250, pull tab instant winners up to \$100, and raffle prizes. Doors open at noon and bingo begins at 1 pm. Affordable food, snacks, and drinks are available.

The bingo hall is in the lower level of the Davis Odd Fellows Lodge, 415 Second St. in Davis.

For more information, e-mail Stewart Savage, davishingo@sbcglobal.net.

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months we've had a rapid escalation of foreclosures." Foreclosures cut property taxes, of which 17 percent returns to the city's General Fund. They also hurry the decline in values, and the county has begun blanket reductions in assessments, reducing that income stream to the city by five percent, and perhaps the same amount next year.

Retail sales, already a weak area in Winters, have declined further. Twelve percent of sales tax produced here goes to the city. The lion's share of sales tax is produced at the one gas station at Interstate 505, and that has declined with the drop last year in gas prices.

He is proposing four possible solutions: cut services, develop tax generating businesses at I-505, increase taxes, and cancel projects underway. He will be asking the council to prioritize which approaches it favors at the workshop meeting.

Should the city choose to cut services, the following options exist:

- ~ Closing the Community Center, saving \$69,030.

- ~ Closing the swimming pool, saving \$40,662.

- ~ Eliminating recreation programs, saving \$52,351.

- ~ Eliminating the planning commission stipend, saving \$3,700.

- ~ Eliminating environmental programs staffing, saving \$15,000 (Yolo Climate Compact and E.A.R.T.H. Day).

- ~ Eliminating the city's contribution to the library, saving \$25,000 (reducing library hours).

- ~ Eliminating the city council stipend, saving \$5,631.

- ~ Eliminating council training and travel, saving \$7,299.

- ~ Reducing street lighting and park maintenance, saving \$110,000.

- ~ Eliminating the city council discretionary fund (funds for Youth Day, the Community Dinner and other community events), saving \$10,000.

- ~ Eliminating the community development department, saving \$101,713 (going to part-time contract services).

- ~ Eliminating of the building inspector department, saving \$61,135.

- ~ Continued wage freeze for employees, saving \$100,000.

All of these options together total about \$602,000, little more than Donlevy's goal of \$500,000 in reductions.

The council could favor a different approach, and fast track development at the I-505 interchange. This would result in a couple of fast food/gas station combinations and a hotel.

The city has discussed such a plan for years, but things are different now. The city just finished constructing sewer and water connections to the interchange site and potential developers are ready to go, according to Donlevy.

Once these projects are completed, the report envisions tax revenues of almost \$700,000. The city could use reserves to tide it-

self over, but it would be a few years before the revenues show up. Donlevy sees the need for serious cuts in expenditures before then.

What's more, the county is now adopting its new General Plan that calls for the county to do similar developments along I-505, at County Roads 27 and 29, or possibly at the Winters interchange, raising the possibility that not acting will end up with the same result, only without the revenue.

"There's nothing between here and Dunnigan," said Donlevy. "You've got a 40 mile stretch of road that has nothing there. Because we're the first to get in with infrastructure, they would choose us. But if we say no, all these developers know there's a finite capacity."

Heated discussion of this approach is expected, as the council anticipates that it will hear from citizens who object to conventional fast food joints showing up at the interchange. Some will object for aesthetic reasons and some concerned about the financial impact on Winters downtown businesses.

The council will also hear from groups affected by closing the Community Center and the Bobbie Greenwood Swim Center pool and by cutting library hours. The groups may in effect be pitted against each other, with some residents playing on both teams.

Another approach is to raise taxes and fees. By acting now, the city could put such a measure on the June 2010

ballot. Residences are currently charged \$82.50 annually for the lighting and landscape district and \$120 in a Municipal Services Tax for safety services. Adding a sobering \$385 to that would close the deficit.

There exists the option of cancelling two projects that are ready to start construction. One is the North Bank Improvement Project for the Putah Creek Nature Park, and the other is Phase II of the Downtown Improvement Project, which will improve First and Main Streets in a smaller version of the Railroad and Main treatment.

While both of these expensive projects are already paid for with outside funding, the city will end up with the costs of maintaining a large new park area and an improved intersection, at the same time it is drastically cutting services. The downside is that canceling approved grant projects significantly imperils the city's chances of getting future grant awards.

Asked if he favors one tack or another, Donlevy says it will probably end up being a combination.

"Ultimately, it's entirely up to the city council," said Donlevy. "There's really only one recommendation that's coming out of staff—it's the very cold reality that the city cannot run out of money."

The special meeting of the city council will take place Thursday, Dec. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at council chambers at City Hall. Everyone in the community may attend.

Santa Claus came to town



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

The first ones to visit with Santa Claus at the annual community Christmas tree lighting on Saturday, Dec. 5, were (from left) Lily Back, Ava Back and Lauren Back. Festivities included Christmas carols and refreshments, and many businesses stayed open for the evening and welcomed shoppers.



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Leah Garis, 5, pounded away to make a copper trivet at the Winters Friends of the Library's annual Family Holiday Festival on Saturday, Dec. 5.

Sports

Ladies off to 3-1 start

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors girls varsity basketball team is off to a great start this year, posting an early season 3-1 record. Winters started their season on Tuesday, Dec. 1, hosting Woodland Christian with a dominating performance and a 72-27 victory.

“This game was a good opener,” coach Matt Cooley said. “With only seven players, we don’t get to practice five-on-five, so games are good for us and we are learning more every game.”

Ashlynnne Neil led the Warriors in scoring, putting 18 points on the board along with six rebounds and two steals. Tess Hyer scored 15 points and had three rebounds, five steals and two assists. Haley Tobler scored 14 points and had two assists.

Taryn Jones scored 10 points and had four rebounds and two blocks. Brittanie Hedrick scored nine points and had five steals and three assists, while Taylor Bradbury scored six points, two steals, two rebounds and one assist.

On Thursday, Dec. 3, the Warriors were on the road competing in the Live Oak Tournament. Winters’ first game of the tournament was against a tough Willows team that defeated the Warriors 39-20. The Warriors fell behind early and were outscored in every period.

Hyer led the Warriors in scoring with 13 points, four rebounds and two steals. Hedrick scored six points and had seven rebounds and a steal. Jones had three points, eight rebounds and

one assist, while Neil grabbed five rebounds for the Warriors.

On Dec. 4, the Warriors were back on the court and back in the winners’ bracket with a 66-31 victory over Central Catholic. Winters jumped out to a 24-7 lead in the first period and never looked back.

Jones led all scorers with 15 points and dominated the boards with 20 rebounds and had four blocks. Hyer followed with 14 points, grabbed 12 rebounds and had seven assists and a steal. Neil scored 12 points, pulled down 11 rebounds and had a steal.

Tobler scored 11 points, four rebounds, two assists and three steals. Hedrick scored 10 points and had two rebounds a steal and one assist. Bradbury scored two points, had four rebounds a steal and one assist, while Katie Clark scored two points and had a rebound, a steal and one assist.

In the final game of the tournament the Warriors won the consolation game with a 57-42 victory over Marysville. After trailing by two at the half, the Warriors put on an impressive performance in the fourth period and outscored their opponent 21-8.

Hyer shot the lights out for the Warriors, scoring a season high 26 points, pulled down 15 rebounds, had six assists and three steals. Jones scored 11 points, grabbed 14 rebounds, had nine blocks, thee steals and one assist.

Neil also scored a double-double with 10 points, 13 rebounds and had a steal and a block. Clark scored seven points and had two rebounds. Hedrick scored three points and Tobler grabbed six rebounds.

Youth leagues forming for basketball

It’s time for young basketball players to start thinking about getting out there on the basketball court again. The city of Winters Parks and Recreation is once again sponsoring youth basketball.

This year’s registration forms are being e-mailed to previous participants, are available at City Hall in the City Clerk’s office at 318 First St., and are online at www.cityofwinters.org. Drop off completed forms and registration fee of \$35 by 5 p.m. on Friday.

Registration includes a T-shirt. Students in grades K-8 are eligible. Games are Saturdays at the high school gym. The season is Jan. 9 to Feb. 20, and possibly into March.

Teams will be selected and shirts will be ordered during Christmas break. The coordinator for this season is Jackie Stocking.

For more information, call Tracy Jensen at City Hall, 795-4910.

Jones named to All Tournament Team

Taryn Jones, a senior on the Winters Warriors girls varsity basketball team, was named to the Live Oak All Tournament Team on Saturday. In three games, she averaged 10 points, 10 rebounds, six blocks and one assist per game with a season high 20 rebounds against Central Catholic.

Warriors defeat Colusa in opener

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors boys varsity basketball team started out the season with a 72-44 victory over Colusa on Thursday, Dec. 3, in the Pierce High School Tournament. Winters led 36-26 at the half and then opened up the third period by outscoring the Redskins 23-5.

Skyler Geerts led all scores with 23 points. Vince Doyle, Niko Doyle and Izrael Aguilera each had eight points. John Botro scored seven points. Cody Klimper scored six points, Sam Newman had five, Cody Romero scored four, Kevin Hyde had two and Zach Pangburn scored one point for the Warriors.

On Friday, game two of the tour-

namment, the Warriors lost to Corn- ing 62-44. Botro led the Warriors in scoring with 13 points, followed by Geerts with 10 points. Vince Doyle and Romero each had five points. Pangburn scored three points, while Hyde, Newman, Riki Lucero and Niko Doyle scored two points each.

On Saturday, the Warriors won a close game against Pierce by a score of 48-45. They led 35-27 going into the third but were outscored 18-13 in the fourth.

Newman led the Warriors with 12 points. Niko Doyle followed with eight points, Geerts and Botro each had six points, Hyde scored five, Vince Doyle had four, Pangburn had three, while Lucero and Juan Tovar scored two points each.

Winters High Girls Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	LEVELS	TIME
12/10 to 12/12	Pierce Tournament	Pierce HS	JV/V	TBA
12/29 to 12/31	Vacaville Christian Tourny	- Vacaville Christian		TBA
2-Jan	Vacaville Christian	Vacaville Christian	JV/V	2:30/5:30
4-Jan	East Nicolaus	East Nicolaus	JV/V	
5:30/7:00	13-Jan	Rio Vista	Rio Vista	JV/V
5:30/7:00	15-Jan	* Las Plumas	Las Plumas	JV/V
5:30/7:00	19-Jan	* Wheatland	Winters	JV/V
5:30/7:00	22-Jan	* Sutter	Winters	JV/V
5:30/7:00	26-Jan	* Orland	Orland	JV/V
29-Jan	* Gridley	Winters	JV/V	
5:30/7:00	5-Feb	* Las Plumas	Winters	JV/V
5:30/7:00	9-Feb	* Wheatland	Wheatland	JV/V
5:30/7:00	12-Feb	* Sutter	Sutter	JV/V
5:30/7:00	16-Feb	* Orland	Winters	JV/V
19-Feb	* Gridley	Gridley	JV/V	5:30/7:00

Stone wins final grid contest

Angela Stone picked 25 out of 28 games correctly to win the \$35 first prize in the final Winters Merchants Football Contest of the season.

Two contestants, Chris Gertz and Bob Young, had 24 right, with Gertz winning the second prize of \$15 on the basis of the tie-breaking score of the Grambling-Southern game. There were 44 points scored in that game, with Gertz guess-

ing 48 and Young, 59.

Contestants with 22 out of 28 right included Jack Slaven, Tom Towne, Don Hayman, Jack Holt, Gene Caselli, Tim Ireland, Jesse McHugh and Albert Acevedo.

Those with 21 right included Bonnie Benshoof, Jack Graf, Manuel Gomez and Joseph A. Borchard.

All of the rest of the contestants had 20 or fewer correct selections.

PISANI’S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Tess Hyer

Tess Hyer, a junior on the Winters High School varsity girls basketball team, is this week’s athlete of the week. After taking a year off of basketball due to an injury, Hyer is back and playing like she never missed a practice — let alone a season. In the Warriors’ first four games, Hyer is averaging 17 points, 9.3 rebounds, 3.8 assists and three steals per game. In a 55-42 Warrior victory over Marysville, Hyer scored 26 points, grabbed 15 rebounds, and had six assists and three steals.

“Tess has done a great job for us,” coach Matt Cooley said.

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Schools

Pining for a delivery

Winters High School FFA members, from left, Tim Tweedt, Tyler Pearce and Erin Beck, deliver a Christmas tree on Saturday. The FFA sold and delivered Christmas trees on Saturday and Sunday to raise funds. They also sold fresh evergreen wreaths, and offered free cookies to shoppers.

Photo by
Debra DeAngelo



School board meets today

The Winters School Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. today in the Walnut Room at the school district office. The agenda includes:

- ~ Election of board president, clerk and secretary.
- ~ Approval of dates and times of board meetings for 2010-11.
- ~ Certification of signatures.
- ~ Collect information regarding board representatives on dis-

trict committees for 2010.

- ~ Recognition of Winters Middle School students Kris Murphy, Ellie Kruen and Angelica Arellano, and parent Sandra Cortes.
- ~ Recognition of outgoing board president Mary Jo Rodolfa.
- ~ Communication and reports.
- ~ Acceptance of independent

auditor's report for June 20, 2009.

- ~ Revisions to food service position descriptions; kitchen manager, kitchen aide
- ~ Core Value Statement of the Board of Trustees and the Winters Joint Unified School District.
- ~ Consent agenda
- ~ Informal review of Governance Team's performance .

Rominger students make honor roll

At an assembly on Nov. 20 at Shirley Rominger Intermediate School, the Gold and Silver Honor Rolls were announced.

Gold Honor Roll is awarded to students who receive a 95 percent or above in Academic Responsibility in both language arts and mathematics on their report card. Silver Honor Roll is awarded to students who receive a 90-94 percent in Academic Responsibility in both language arts and mathematics, or 90-94 percent in one subject

and 95 percent or above in another. Congratulations to the following students:

Gold Honor Roll

Fifth grade: Jolie Cintas, Arianna Berry, Amelia Lua, Michelle Mora, Elidia Palmerin, Austin Baylor, Ashley Drummond, Grant Young, Nicholas Riise and Ruby Del Rio

Fourth grade: Ivett Arellano, Lalea Drumright, Alexis K. Garcia, Sarah Hagy, Julianna Jiminez, Alec Mathe-son, Julia McHugh, Luis Segura, Keeley Stone,

Andrea Valadez and Andrew Peters.

Silver Honor Roll

Fifth grade: Yesica Ayala, Fallon Griffin, Andrea Santos, Gabrielle Svozil, Sarah Torres, Rayna Velasquez, Carina Bosse, Daisy Franco, Leopoldo Guzman, Cira Hernandez, Daniel Johnson, Abby Rechard, Makayla Rojas, Sarah Stone, Natalie Escobar, Abel Herrera, Isabella Jimenez, Angelina Lopez, Timothy Mazzoleni, Lizbeth Mendoza-Leon, Ashley Andrade, Monica

Bautista, Gregory Creamer, Francisco Guzman, Emmanuel Lopez, Robert Martin, Kaitlyn O'Neil, Gabriela Reyes, Erik Ruvalcaba, Anthony Simone and Gloria Valenzuela

Fourth grade: Kristen Bermudez, Annalicia Cruz, Jose De la Cruz, Trinity Eads, Ehsan Fazel, Jasmine Hernandez, Declan Hilliard, Chrissanne Iten, Andres Jimenez, Alexia Larsen, Michelle Reyes, Jacob Roberts, Elisa Rodriguez, Rebecca Solich and Kyle Thomas.

American Red Cross offers class to train youth babysitters

The American Red Cross of Yolo County is offering its Babysitter's Training class on Saturday, from 9 a.m to 5 p.m. This class will teach students how to make responsible deci-

sions and keep children safe. Participants will learn how to react in an emergency and perform basic childcare first aid skills. The class is for children ages 11-15 years.

For more information about these classes and to register, call the American Red Cross of Yolo County, 662-4669, or visit the Web site for registration information, www.yc-arc.org.

JV boys win big against Biggs

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors JV boys basketball team lost their first two games of the season in the Pierce High School tournament but finished off with a 58-38 victory over Biggs.

Winters started the tournament against the host team Pierce on Thursday, Dec. 3, and lost 57-43.

"After we settled down, we played much better defense in the second half," coach Tom Crisp said.

"The players are still learning where they are supposed to be on both offense and defense. Once we get everyone in the right place, then we will focus on what they should be doing in that place.

"We had a few high-lights that I hope we can build on; Henry Nicholson got in front of a Pierce player who was driving to the basket and took a charge.

"Keli Callison, who is an aggressive player, played with control, blocked some shots, grabbed a lot of rebounds, but stayed out of foul trouble. Nick Mariani didn't score much, but did a great job handling the ball and creating offensive opportunities for others. Everyone on the team that suited up scored."

Callison and Adam Martinez led the Warriors with 10 points each. Chris Mayes scored nine points, Nicholson and Brandon Emery scored four points each, while Mariani, Kevin Lane, and Justin Crabtree each scored two points.

On Friday, the Warriors took on Colusa in game two of the tournament. They came up short, with a 50-46 loss to the Redskins.

"Colusa started off with a very tight zone defense," Crisp said. "They sagged way back in close to the basket and, other than a couple of

Adam Martinez three-point shots, we couldn't make our shots.

"In the second quarter, Nick Mariani scored all eight of our points and most of those were off of defensive steals.

"In the fourth quarter, we decided to go all out and press them full court. It worked pretty well. It created turnovers for Colusa and also helped to generate offense for us. Adam made three more three-point shots, which helped a lot also."

Martinez led all scorers, with 22 points. Mariani scored 12 points, Callison scored five, Emery scored three, while Crabtree and Lane each had two.

Winters picked up their first win of the season on Saturday, with a 58-38 victory over Biggs High School. Winters led from the first period and increased their lead every period after that.

"The difference in this game is that we controlled the defensive rebounding and were able to get out on the fast break," Crisp said. "I'm hoping that we can really utilize that tactic more. We also had much better ball movement against Biggs' zone defense.

"Having only nine players, we don't get to have quality scrimmage time so these games were very important to see how the players react to the flow of the game. Situations come up in games that you don't see practicing against one another. Now I have a better vision of our strengths and weaknesses and what we need to work on."

Callison had 13 points to lead the Warriors. Martinez scored 11, Mayes scored 10, Mariani scored nine, Emery had six, Nicholson scored five and Crabtree had four points for the Warriors.

2009 Winters High Wrestling Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	LEVELS	TIME
12-Dec	San Marin Tournament	Novato	V	TBA
19-Dec	Casa Roble	Casa Roble	V	TBA
8-Jan	Valley of the Moon	Napa	V	TBA
9-Jan	Valley of the Moon	Napa	V	TBA
13-Jan	* Las Plumas	Winters (SR)	V	6:00
16-Jan	Fuller Tournament	Lincoln	V	TBA
20-Jan	* Wheatland	Wheatland	V	6:00
22-Jan	Foothill Asics	Foothill	V	TBA
23-Jan	Foothill Asics	Foothill	V	TBA
27-Jan	* Sutter	Sutter	V	6:00
30-Jan	Rodriguez Tournament	Fairfield	V	TBA
3-Feb	* Orland	Winters (SR)	V	6:00
10-Feb	* Gridley	Gridley	V	6:00

Features

Fibroids can cause anemia in women

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 42 and have an anemia. My doctor thinks it results from my menstrual bleeding, which is quite heavy. I have been taking iron pills, but I am still anemic. The doctor says I should have my fibroids removed, and that will stop the excessive bleeding. I have no other symptoms — no pain. Will you explain what fibroids are? They aren't cancer, are they? — **E.B.**

ANSWER: Fibroids are not cancer. They're growths of the uterine muscle. The uterus is mostly muscle, with an inner lining designed to nourish a fertilized egg. Quite often, fibroids don't cause any problems. Large ones can lead to heavy menstrual bleeding, which, in turn, gives rise to an anemia. They also can put pressure on the adjacent urinary bladder and bring on the need to urinate frequently. Sometimes they produce pelvic discomfort, and they might be involved with infertility.

About two-thirds of women in their 40s have one or more fibroids. What causes them is still a matter of speculation. Female hormones make them grow. That's why menopause, with its drop in hormone production, usually shrinks fibroids. They also run in families, so there is a gene influence.

The best treatment for fibroids depends on their location in the uterus and their size. Sometimes removal is achieved with instruments introduced into the uterus through the vagina — no skin incision. Recovery from this procedure is fast. Laparoscopic surgery — surgery done with a scope and instruments inserted through small incisions — is another technique that permits quick recuperation. At times, the entire uterus has to be removed.

A newer and popular treatment is uterine artery embolization. Here a slender, pliable tube is threaded



from a surface artery to the artery that supplies the fibroid with blood. When the tube arrives at that artery, the doctor releases tiny pellets that promote the formation of a clot (embolus). Without nourishment, the fibroid shrinks and is eventually shed.

The booklet on fibroids gives greater details on this common condition. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 1106W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My doctor told me that I have costochondritis. I have had it for five days, and my chest is sore to the touch. It makes me short of breath. I am on ibuprofen, but it doesn't seem to help. Is there anything else I can take — **D.H.**

ANSWER: The "costo-" of costochondritis is "ribs"; the "chondr-" is "cartilage"; the "itis," inflammation. It's an inflammation of the cartilage attaching ribs to the breastbone.

Costochondritis is especially painful when taking in a breath or when twisting the chest. No one is sure what the cause is.

Your medicine and similar ones are the standard treatment for this condition. Heat, in the form of warm compresses or heating pads, eases the pain. Some find that cold works better. If the pain persists, the doctor can inject the area with cortisone. That usually brings quick relief.

Most are well in weeks to months.

— *King Features Synd.*

Rocking out with the local police

I think I've already mentioned that I like to collect unusual rocks and fossils. I've got rocks in my living room. I've got rocks next to the keyboard of my computer, and I've got rocks on the back porch, the shed, and all over the yard — front and back.

Sometimes, collecting rocks can be rather hazardous. I've fallen in the creek, gotten poison oak a million times, stepped on rattlesnakes, and dropped rocks on my toe.

Most of the time I hike and look for fossils alone, but recently, on Nov. 20, my friend Steve joined me. Steve grew up in Winters, so he knows all the best places to find rocks that resemble some type of dead animal.

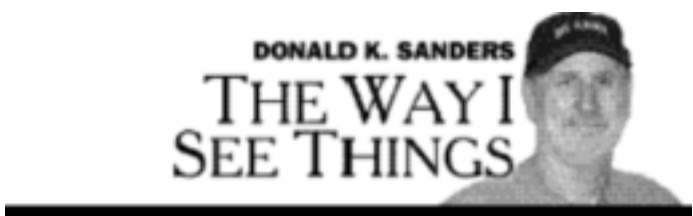
As it turns out, Steve likes to look for rocks at the end of County Road 32, just past the ag center. I have to admit that there are a lot of really nice rocks out there. We've rock hunted there several times in recent months.

We both carry backpacks with digging utensils, bottled water and a snack. We also carry cross-country ski poles as walking sticks. Mine is bamboo and his is steel. Both have leather handles with a strap to go around your wrist and a little pointy thing at the end.

I know we are looking pretty good as we mosey along, looking at this rock or that one. We must look like those explorer guys, Pike and Armstrong, who found the North Pole in Alaska. Sometimes I play like I'm Davey Crockett and Steve is my trusty sidekick Tonto, but I didn't tell Steve about that.

So, like I said, on Nov. 20, we were walking the creek bed at the end of Road 32. We had been at it for about a half-hour when it turned cold and started to rain. I don't like the rain much because it leaves little bitty clean spots all over my face, and when I get home I look like a prune.

After a while, Steve started whining about being wet and cold, so I reconnoitered that we had better start back toward our trucks that were parked well over a quarter of a mile away. I



was rubbing my forehead because I had run into a tree limb while looking at the rocks on the ground when Steve says, "Hey there's a bunch of cops over there."

Sure enough, there were about 20 officers looking around our trucks like they were going to steal something. My mind works like a well-oiled tractor so I was thinking, "I better run."

I turned this way and that but every time I did the rocks that I had in my coat pockets swung around and hit me where it really hurts. One of those cops looked like a track star, and I'm an old man carrying a hundred pounds of rocks, so I decided not to run.

I was getting scared, so I asked Steve, "What the hell did you do?" It looked like he had parked in the middle of the road because all the cop cars were parked behind his truck. I looked at Steve, and sure enough, he looked guilty of something.

We figured that heading toward those cops would be the smart thing to do or they would be poking holes in our tires. We yelled to get their attention because one of them looked like he was going to shoot my truck. I tried to quicken my pace but those darn rocks were heavy and I was recovering from a case of pneumonia that had kept me in bed a week before.

With the rocks, the pneumonia and the hurrying, I looked like a sweaty crackhead with a pocket full of rocks. Just for a second, I thought about throwing those rocks at the cops and then take off running like the rabbit that I am. Then I thought that if Steve could hold them down, I could beat the hell out of them. Then I remembered what happened to people who threw rocks and hit a cop. I decided against that because I knew they were after Steve and not me anyway.

Steve is an officer of

the law, too, so I figured that he must have done something pretty bad. When we reached the cops, I tried to act like I didn't know him and it was just a coincidence that we were both looking for rocks in the same place. I decided to keep my mouth closed so I wouldn't say something stupid.

One cop asked if we had been hunting. I thought he meant rock hunting so I says, "yeah."

He told us that someone had called in and said that there were two guys out here angrily waving guns around. I said, "Not me — maybe Steve was."

At that, they searched Steve's backpack and found all those rocks. By now it was raining pretty good and it was cold too.

They checked our IDs and asked us a few questions. I started telling rock stories and right in the middle of my story, they jumped in their cars and sped off down the road. We tried to catch them but they were going too fast.

Steve went to his house and I went to mine where we could check out our rocks where the other fella couldn't lay claim to the other's rocks.

I washed off my rocks and started to think. That guy who called the cops must be really stupid. He can't even tell a ski pole from a gun. He's so dumb that he probably thought our rocks were hand grenades. I bet he's ugly too, and beats his kids. Jeez, even I'm not that dumb!

Pleased to meet you



Name: Carroll Roach
Occupation: Retired school secretary
Hobby: Scrapbooking and sewing
What's best about living in Winters: "I love the small town atmosphere and the friendliness."
Fun fact: "I'm a native born Texan — Texas born and Texas proud."

King Crossword

Solution time: 21 mins.

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Nuestras Noticias

Programa paisano

Con la llegada de fin de año, numerosos paisanos se disponen a viajar a México, para los que su economía se los permite unos viajaran en avión, y muchos otros usaran su carro como medio de transporte. Recuerden que el gobierno de México tiene implementado el programa paisano, cuya finalidad es ayudar con los trámites en la documentación para ingresar el carro a México, y también para ayudarles para que el viaje en carretera sea seguro. A continuación les proporciono información que les será de utilidad si piensa manejar a México en estas fiestas decembrinas.

Comprueba tu nacionalidad. Si eres mexicano y vives en Estados Unidos en el momento que pases por migración, infórmale al agente migratorio que eres mexicano. Si eres Mexicano NO PAGAS el Derecho de no inmigrante ó DNI, sólo acredita tu nacionalidad. Para demostrar tu nacionalidad, solo muestra tu acta de nacimiento, cartilla militar, credencial de elector, pasaporte mexicano, matrícula consular o en su defecto una constancia de nacionalidad que se tramita en los consulados, cualquier documento que presentes se debe encontrar vigente.

Si no tienes ningún documento de los anteriores, bastará tu declaración bajo protesta de decir verdad misma que la autoridad migratoria podrá investigar la veracidad del documento que presentes o de tu declaración, si así lo consideras necesario. Además en el punto de ingreso a México, podrás obtener la forma migratoria estadística (FME), que es GRATUITA, este trámite se debe hacer por cada persona que ingrese al país incluyendo los menores de edad.

Al ingresar al país tienes derecho a pasar varios artículos sin tener que pagar por ello, por lo que es importante que veri-

fiques en la Guía Paisano que puedes traer. Es importante mencionarte que el gobierno te ofrece una franquicia, esto es el beneficio que tienes para NO pagar impuestos por mercancías que introduces al país, es de 75 dólares por persona y es acumulable, esto quiere decir que cada uno de los que te acompañan en el viaje tienen derecho a pasar 75 dólares más en mercancía sin tener que pagar impuestos.

Si llegas a traer más mercancía de la que se te permite pasar en tu equipaje personal y también superas el monto de los 75 dólares, tendrás que hacer una declaración y notificar todo lo extra que traigas y pagar el 15% del valor total del excedente de los artículos de la franquicia. (De ser posible trae contigo las facturas de los artículos que tendrás que pagar impuesto, para que el cálculo sea sobre el valor real del artículo).

Al llegar a la frontera te encontraras con dos carriles uno de “Auto declaración” y el otro de “nada que declarar”; ELIGE BIEN el que te corresponda, es sencillo: Si dentro de tu equipaje personal y franquicia fiscal sólo traes productos establecidos en el listado que aparece en la (Guía Paisano) dirígete al carril de nada que declarar. Si traes más de lo que incluye tu franquicia fiscal tendrás que ir por el carril de auto declaración. Si tienes duda al momento de llegar a la frontera dirígete al carril de auto declaración y pide orientación.

Para poder transitar por el país con tu vehículo deberás tener un permiso de importación temporal de vehículo que puedes solicitar por tres vías: Vía internet. Ingresa a la página www.banjercito.com.mx y sigue los pasos que ahí te indican, es importante que guardes el número de folio y en 7 días a más tardar

recibirás en tu domicilio tu permiso y holograma. Para que te puedan enviar el holograma y el permiso a tu domicilio es importante que envíes una copia de algún documento que acredite tu estancia legal en EUA y la propiedad del vehículo ya sea por correo electrónico a itvnet@banjercito.com.mx.

En consulados, únicamente podrás realizar el trámite en Albuquerque, Austin, Chicago, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Denver, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Bernardino y Phoenix.

En la frontera el trámite lo deberás de realizar antes de ingresar al país en los módulos CITEV (Centro de Importación Temporal de Vehículos), si lo realizas bajo este esquema es importante que traigas contigo una tarjeta de crédito o débito Master Card ó VISA, de no contar con ninguna asegúrate de traer dinero en efectivo. Además necesitas traer contigo el título de propiedad del vehículo a tu nombre, o el registro de placas, si el vehículo está financiado lo podrás acreditar con el registro de placas y el contrato de compra-venta con una antigüedad de hasta 3 meses, además deberás traer tu Green Card o un documento que te acredite como residente legal en el extranjero (visa de trabajo, con un mínimo de un año de vigencia) e identificación oficial (pasaporte ó matrícula consular). Todos los documentos te los pedirán en original y copia. Obteniendo el permiso para circular es importante que sólo tú manejes el vehículo, podrás dejar que algún familiar lo maneje siempre y cuando tu vayas en el vehículo. Al regresar a Estados Unidos deberás pasar por la frontera y CANCELAR el permiso, es el ÚNICO lugar en donde podrás cancelarlo, y de no hacerlo no podrás obtener otro permiso.

Fraudes de Navidad en Internet

Si usted usa el internet, tenga cuidado porque con la llegada de las fiestas decembrinas, también están proliferando los fraudes en el internet, aquí están los más comunes: Donaciones de Caridad-Cuidar a Quien Donar Dinero. Se están recibiendo solicitudes de donaciones para obras caritativas que son en realidad enlaces falsos a páginas web diseñadas para robar las donaciones, la información de tarjetas de crédito y las identidades de los donantes.

Facturas Falsas de Servicios de Entrega: Los delincuentes cibernéticos están también enviando facturas falsas y notificaciones de entrega que parecen provenir de Federal Express o UPS. El propósito es robar su información o descargar un virus que automáticamente se instala en las computadoras cuando usted abre la “factura”.

Redes Sociales - Un Ladrón Quiere Ser su Amigo. Los delincuentes se aprovechan de las nuevas ventajas que ofrecen las redes sociales como Twitter, Facebook, MySpace y otras, haciéndose pasar por un auténtico “amigo nuevo”. Los enlaces (links) que envían tienen el fin de instalar un virus en su com-

putadora, que a menudo están preparados para robar su clave de entrada en las redes sociales.

Los Peligros de las Tarjetas Electrónicas (e-Cards). Durante las fiestas navideñas se envían muchas tarjetas postales electrónicas, que en realidad albergan virus y gusanos que dañan su computadora o roban sus datos.

Joyas y Artículos de Lujo con Descuento. Se ofrecen joyas y artículos que comúnmente cuestan muy caros, con descuentos especiales. Al final de la jornada, roban su dinero y nunca

le envían los artículos.

Robo de Identidad en Alza. Se advierte a los compradores online, nunca hacer compras desde una computadora pública o de una red Wi-Fi abierta porque usted no sabe quién está espiando el paso de sus datos personales.

Villancicos de Navidad que Pueden ser Peligrosos Hay sitios web con letras de villancicos navideños, murallas (wallpapers) y tonos de discar para descargar, que pueden estar contaminados con virus y gusanos dañinos.

Fraudes Relacionados

con la Búsqueda de Empleo. Con las altas tasas de desempleo actuales, hay ofertas en Internet de trabajos en casa, con promesas de ingresos que simplemente no existen. Estos fraudes comúnmente piden dinero de entrada (set-up fee) para luego ofrecer más información. Nunca la ofrecen y roban el dinero.

Hay hackers con capacidad de robar las claves de entrada a ciertas cuentas, a través de un programa, especialmente si esas claves son las mismas para varias cuentas o tiene enlaces a un sistema de recuperación de claves.



Seguimos en crisis

A pesar de que los últimos reportes sobre la situación económica parecen ser alentadores, la verdad es que seguimos padeciendo una crisis económica profunda, el desempleo sigue en todo el país, la gente sigue perdiendo sus casas, pero para estas personas no hay rescate económico, como lo hubo para los de arriba, quiero decir los banqueros.

Los del gran dinero duermen tranquilos porque cuando se ven en aprietos sus santos protectores, entiéndase los políticos, están prestos para rescatarlos. Recuerdan ustedes cuando se debatía que no era justo que los grandes CEO de Wall Street no mantuvieran sus millonarios bonos después que se declaró el debacle de los grandes bancos y que se usó el dinero de los contribuyentes para rescatarlos. La buena nueva es, que los grandes señorones de la banca todavía siguen recibiendo sus grandes tajadas a pesar de que al resto nos está ahogando en deudas económicas.

Por si acaso, ¿ha dejado usted de pagar las mensualidades de su tarjeta de crédito, o se ha atrasado algunos días con el pago? Sabía usted que sin usted saberlo los bancos les están cargando intereses y pagos exorbitantes por simples violaciones. ¿Sabía usted que los dueños de pequeños negocios están siendo obligados a cerrar sus puertas porque los bancos rescatados por el “bailout”, es decir, con nuestro dinero, no quieren prestar un centavo a ese sector?

Sin embargo, los grandes bancos a pesar del gran rescate que se hizo de ellos con el dinero de los contribuyentes, es decir, con el mío y el suyo, siguen actuando como les viene en ganas y cuando se menciona regulación o vigilancia de sus operaciones por parte del gobierno, echan el grito al cielo diciendo que eso es socialismo. Para eso cuentan con el apoyo de gratuito de políticos, que como ratas recogen las migajas de las mesas para poder sobrevivir en la vida política.

Aún cuando las encuestas hechas recientemente, han dado a conocer el rechazo de la población a las prácticas onerosas de Wall Street, los políticos no se han molestado en hacer cambiar esas prácticas y siguen haciéndose los oídos sordos como si la voz del pueblo y de las mayorías nada significara. De acuerdo a las encuestas, el 67% de la población quiere que el gobierno obligue a los grandes ejecutivos de los bancos, que han recibido dinero como “bailout”, a que se les corten sus beneficios.

Pero hay que recordar, que los beneficios de los CEO de Wall Street eran tan exorbitantes que aún haciendo los cortes, todavía el dinero que reciben es una bofetada en la cara y una burla a las gentes del común que está cargando con el peso de la crisis. El promedio en beneficios, fíjense bien que no estamos hablando de sueldos sino de beneficios, que están recibiendo los CEO de los grandes bancos en este año, oscilan entre los 5 y 10 millones de dólares.

La absurda explicación que usualmente se escucha por parte de las grandes corporaciones bancarias, es que si no hacen estas concesiones multimillonarias los “talentos” se irían de ese sector. En las áreas científicas donde sí se encuentran los grandes talentos, ni se sueña en pagar no solamente beneficios, ni siquiera sueldos que lleguen a las sumas que antes citamos.

De manera que vivimos en un sistema donde la balanza se inclina a favor del pequeño grupo que controla la economía y por supuesto, los mecanismos políticos donde se generan las decisiones. ¿Por qué cree usted que se le ha hecho cuesta arriba al gobierno pasar las reformas que necesita el sistema de salud? Simplemente, porque esas reformas afectan levemente a los grandes intereses que controlan el negocio. A estos no les importa que 40 millones de habitantes de este país no tengan seguro de salud.

Lo penoso de todo esto es, que todavía hay ingenuos que se dejan engañar por las voces que se escuchan en los medios, donde se vende la idea de que todo está bien como está y que los que quieren cambiar o mejor dicho reformar, algunos de los entuertos del sistema, lo que pretenden es engañarnos y llevarnos por caminos diferentes a como las cosas se han hecho hasta ahora. Claro, las cosas se han hecho tan bien que estamos en medio de una de las peores crisis en la historia del país, donde los mas sufridos son las mayorías y no la minoría que controla el sistema o, como dice el pueblo, la que tiene el sartén por el mango. A la mayoría, nos mandan a seguir capeando el temporal. No va a ser fácil hacerlo con los días festivos que ya están aquí.

Fiesta de la Virgen

La iglesia de San Antonio los invita a participar este sábado 12 de diciembre en la fiesta a nuestra señora de Guadalupe. Las tradicionales mañanitas comenzaran a las 8 de la mañana. La misa comenzara a las 9 de la mañana, al finalizar la misa, se ofrecerá pan y chocolate y habrá un grupo de niños ofreciendo sus bailes a la virgen de Guadalupe. Por la tarde se tendrá el rosario a las 4 de la tarde, seguida por las representaciones de las apariciones las cuales serán presentadas por el grupo de jóvenes.

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- On Dec. 27, 1900, prohibitionist Carry Nation smashes up the bar at the Carey Hotel in Wichita, Kan., causing several thousand dollars in damage and landing her in jail. Nation became famous for carrying a hatchet and wrecking saloons as part of her anti-alcohol crusade.
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Weekly SUDOKU by Linda Thistle

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By JoAnn Derson

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Irwin KM Liu
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Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2009-1104
Fictitious Business Name
Good Fortune
317 Casa Linda Dr., Woodland, CA 95695
Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 1500, Woodland, CA 95776
Name of Registrant
Dorado/IDS Corp, 317 Casa Linda Dr., Woodland, CA 95695, Inc. in California
1012 Taft Ct., Winters, CA 95694
Business Classification: Corporation
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 7-1-2009.

s/William F. Ragsdale, President, Dorado/IDS Corp
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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. : 20090159908574 Title Order No.: 0904999509 FHA/VA/PMI No.: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 04/18/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 04/26/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0016313-00 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA. EQUIVALENT or other 1110 WEST CAPITOL EXECUTED BY: MARK DRISCOLL, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 12/16/2009 TIME OF SALE: 12:00 PM PLACE OF SALE: AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING, AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **904 SUFFOLK PLACE, WINTERS, CALIFORNIA 95694** APN#: 030-372-04-1 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 \$273,223.99. 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: AGENCY SALES & POSTING 3210 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 www.lpsasap.com NDEx West, L.L.C. as Authorized Agent Dated: 11/25/2009 NDEx West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NDEx West, L.L.C. 15000 Surveyor Boulevard, Suite 500 Addison, Texas 75001-9013 Telephone: (866) 795-1852 Telecopier: (972) 661-7800 ASAP# 3343342 11/26/2009, 12/03/2009, 12/10/2009

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November 5, 2009
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Liz Mahovich, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2009-1083
Fictitious Business Name
Five Feathers Supply
15 Second Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Name of Registrant
Traci Lynn Lucchesi
15 Second Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Business Classification: Individual.
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11-5-09.
s/Traci Lynn Lucchesi
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Liz Mahovich, Deputy Clerk
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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-0094891 Title Order No. 3855186 Investor/Insurer No. 144703345 APN No. 003-341-20-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 07/28/2006. 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." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by LINO CASTRO AND AURELIANA CASTRO, HUSBAND AND WIFE, dated 07/28/2006 and recorded 08/03/06, as Instrument No. 2006-0030371-00, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 12/16/2009 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: **404 PLUM PLACE, WINTERS, CA, 95694**. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$311,514.45. 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: 12/03/2008 RECONTRUST COMPANY 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., SV2-202 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: - Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. AS-AP# 3351776 11/26/2009, 12/03/2009, 12/10/2009

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November 19, 2009
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2009-1124
Fictitious Business Name
Photography By Alex
1012 Taft Ct., Winters, CA 95694
Name of Registrant
Alexandra Sommerfeldt
1012 Taft Ct., Winters, CA 95694
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11-1-09.
s/Alexandra Sommerfeldt
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Kimberli Johnson, Deputy Clerk
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SPORTS QUIZ

By Chris Richcreek

- How many times did outfielder Barry Bonds hit 40-plus homers in a season?
- Which major-league player got the first \$1 million contract awarded through the arbitration process?
- Texas Tech quarterback Graham Harrell set a record in 2008 for most career touchdown passes (134) in major college football. Who had held the mark?
- Which NBA team originally drafted Dallas Mavericks star Dirk Nowitzki in 1998?
- In what year did the NHL's Quebec Nordiques move to Colorado and become the Avalanche?
- Name the last owner-driver to win a Cup championship in NASCAR.
- Before Andy Murray in 2009, who was the last person to hold the No. 2 spot in the men's ATP tennis rankings other than Rafael Nadal or Roger Federer?

Answers

- Eight times.
- Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Fernando Valenzuela in 1983.
- Hawaii's Colt Brennan, with 131 (2005-'07).
- Milwaukee, which traded his draft rights to Dallas along with Pat Garrity for Robert "Tractor" Traylor.
- It was 1995.
- Alan Kulwicki in 1992.
- Lleyton Hewitt in 2005.

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Storage Lien Sale

Pursuant to California Self Service Storage Facility Act. (B&P Code 21700 et, Seq) the undersigned will sell at public auction, on December 14, 2009 at 10 a.m. at Winters Mini Storage, 700 Valley Oak Drive Winters, CA 95694, 530-795-3300. Personal property including but not limited to furniture clothing, electronics, sealed boxes, bags, computers, appliances, machinery, tools, and other household items.
Stored by the following persons:
#58- Susan Johnson
#45- Providence Schonberger
#37- Providence Schonberger
#49- Jesse Hellingner
#66- Jesse Hellingner
#31- Brandy Mora
#56- George Corbin
#65- Ron Johnson
All Sales are subject to prior cancellation. Terms cash, and all items must be removed 24 hours from the day of sale.
The Auction will be conducted by Auctioneer Forrest O'Brien, CA Bond #0014533207, Guy Denos - Auctioneer, CA Bond #0418888, 925-676-8679
Published December 3, 10, 2009

Fictitious Business Name

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December 4, 2009
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2009-1172
Fictitious Business Name
Salon Jewel
1107 Kennedy Place, Suite 9, Davis, CA 95616
Name of Registrant
Lisha Martinez
2909 Walegra Rd. #112-224 Antelope, CA 95843
Kathy Delgado
4005 Cowell Blvd. #807, CAvis, CA 95618
Business Classification: General Partnership.
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12-4-09.
s/Lisha Martinez, Kathy Delgado
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Statement of Abandonment of use of Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
Novembe 25, 2009
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Ava Woodard, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2004-1267
Fictitious Business Name
Biomechanical Analysis
828 4th Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Name of Registrant
Aaron L. Souza
828 4th Street, Woodland, CA 95695
s/Aaron L. Souza
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Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk
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Trustee's Sale

Trustee Sale No. 236834CA Loan No. 0696047612 Title Order No. 132865 Notice of Trustee's Sale YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/28/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 12/23/2009 at 12:45 PM California Reconveyance Company as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust, recorded on 08/10/2005, Book , Page , Instrument 2005-0039131-00 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, executed by: Anthony N Blencowe and Rachael L Blencowe, husband and wife as joint tenants, as Trustor, Mortgage Sense, Inc., as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. 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, interest thereon, estimated 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. Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Legal Description: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$426,963.90 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: **1011 KENNEDY DRIVE, WINTERS, CA 95694** APN NUMBER: 003-475-11-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In Compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5 (c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT Exhibit DECLARATION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE SECTION 2923.54 Pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.54, the undersigned loan servicer declares as follows: 1. It has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.54 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; and 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 Section 2923.55. JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Name: Ann Thorn Title: First Vice President Date: 11/13/2009 California Reconveyance Company, as Trustee (714) 259-7850 or www.fidelityasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priorityposting.com California Reconveyance Company is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Deborah Brignac, Vice President 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop N110612 Chatsworth, CA 91311 P638876 12/3, 12/10, 12/17/2009

Notice of Public Hearing

YOLO-SOLANO AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Proposed Amendments to Rule 2.3, Ringelmann Chart, 2.11, Particulate Matter Concentrations, 2.12, Specific Contaminants and Rescission of Rule 2.4 Exceptions and 2.7 Wet Plumes

The Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District (District) Board of Directors will consider the amendments to District **Rule 2.3, Ringelmann Chart, 2.11 Particulate Matter Concentrations, 2.12 Specific Contaminants and the rescission of Rule 2.4 Exceptions and 2.7 Wet Plumes** and approve the filing of a Notice of Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The proposed amendments would lower the visible emission requirement for some permitted sources. The proposed rule language and staff report will be available on the District's website (www.ysaqmd.org) or may be obtained by contacting Kyle Rohlfing at (530) 757-3650.

The public hearing will be held at the following time and location:

Wednesday, January 13, 2010 9:00 AM
Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District
1947 Galileo Court, Suite 103
Davis, California 95618
(530) 757-3650

The District invites written public comments to be submitted to Supervising Engineer Susan K. McLaughlin at the above address. Comments are to be received by the District by December 23, 2009.

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December 7, 2009
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Liz Mahovich, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2009-1175
Fictitious Business Name
Mike's Velo City
41 Main Street, Winters, CA 95694
Name of Registrant
Berna Enterprises, Inc., 784 Tres Ranchos Lane, Vacaville, CA 95688
Business Classification: Corporation
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12-2-09.
s/Michael R. Berna, CEO, Berna Enterprises, Inc.
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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 09-21101-SP-CA Loan No. 0011309572 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 07/19/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, (cashier's check(s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation), 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; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by 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. Trustor: PHILLIP R. SISCO, JR., UNMARRIED MAN AND JERRY CLARK, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: NATIONAL DEFAULT SERVICING CORPORATION Recorded 08/09/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0038685-00 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California. Date of Sale: 01/04/2010 at 12:00 P.M. Place of Sale: At the rear (north) entrance to the City Hall building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$410,659.22 Street Address or other common designation of real property: **717 LUPINE WAY, WINTERS, CA 95694** A.P.N.: 003-516-06-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The undersigned mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent for the mortgagee or beneficiary pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.5(b) declares that the mortgagee, beneficiary or the mortgagee's or beneficiary's authorized agent has either contacted the borrower or tried with due diligence to contact the borrower as required by California Civil Code 2923.5. Regarding the property that is the subject of this Notice of Sale, the "mortgage loan servicer" as defined in California Civil Code Section 2923.53 (k) (3) declares that it has obtained from the Commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 and that the exemption is current and valid on the date this Notice of Sale is recorded. The timeframe for giving a Notice of Sale specified in Subdivision (a) Section 2923.52 does not apply to this Notice of Sale pursuant to California Civil Code Sections 2923.52 or 2923.55. Date: 11/30/2009 NATIONAL DEFAULT SERVICING CORPORATION 7720 N. 16th Street, Suite 300 Phoenix, AZ 85020 phone 602-264-6101 Sales Line 714-730-2727; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com/sales Nichole Alford, TRUSTEE SALES REPRESENTATIVE AS-AP# 3351565 12/03/2009, 12/10/2009, 12/17/2009