

Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Vic and Vi Bussard are the 2009 Senior Citizens of the Year. They will be honored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce at the annual Year in Review celebration, planned for Saturday, Jan. 23, 6 p.m. at the Winters Community Center.

SUPER SENIORS

◆ Vic and Vi Bussard are 2009 Senior Citizens of the Year

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

This year's Senior Citizens of the Year, Vic and Vi Bussard, did one thing and they did it well: they made sure that everyone in Winters will have blood if they need it. Those Monday night blood drives that take place every couple months are the result of efforts put in by the Bussards more than 30 years ago.

"It used to be that if you need-

ed blood, you had to buy it," says Vic. In the 1970s, blood wasn't cheap. It cost \$70-80 per pint, and for someone needing several pints for a blood transfusion, for example, that added up.

Vic and Vi are long-time members of the Winters Lions Club, which adopted the local blood drive effort and supported it all these years. Vi says each blood drive in Winters takes about eight hours to coordinate and yields an average of 45 pints.

To this day, Lions Club members bake cookies (Vi says they're so good that some people come just for that) and help out at the bi-monthly drives,

which are now co-sponsored by BloodSource, and Vic has been the co-chairman of each one.

The days of paying for blood in the midst of a medical emergency are long over, says Vic.

"Anybody in the Winters area can get blood at no cost to them," he says. One need only know the code number for Winters, which is 9090.

Besides the fact that up until 1975, there wasn't a Winters blood donor program in place, Vi notes that blood is such a basic necessity, and most always with little warning.

"Everybody needs blood," says Vi. "You can't live without

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Guilty

◆ Jury finds
Felipe Cruz
Hernandez guilty
in wife's murder

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

There is no body, but there is a verdict: Guilty of second degree murder, with malice aforethought. The jury announced their decision in the Felipe Cruz Hernandez murder trial on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at approximately 3 p.m. in Yolo Superior Court, said a spokesperson from the Yolo County District Attorney's office.

The trial began on Nov. 9, following Hernandez' arrest in May for the murder of his wife, Leticia Barrales Ramos, 28, who was last seen alive on April 12. Her body has never been found, despite numerous searches in the area by the Winters Police Department and the FBI.

The DA spokesperson said the jury began deliberating late Friday afternoon, Dec. 18. She said sentencing will take place on Jan. 22, at 10 a.m. in Dept. 6 at the Yolo County Courthouse.

According to Crystal

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Winters wins area honors

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

Anyone who visited downtown Winters over the last year surely noticed the major improvements done at Railroad and Main Streets, with its bulb-outs, outdoor seating and brick intersection and crosswalks. Apparently the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) noticed the \$2 million project as well, because it awarded its Blueprint Excellence Award to the city

of Winters at its 2009 SACOG Salutes! Regional Awards Program on Dec. 17 at the SACOG offices in Sacramento.

Seven cities and individuals were among the honorees, all being given a nod for local excellence. The SACOG Salutes! Regional Awards Program recognizes outstanding regional efforts in transportation, smart-growth planning and air quality.

A press release issued

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City council eases rules for small developments

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

It was dry material and a short meeting, but council made an important change at the Dec. 15 meeting. The council replaced the old low-income housing ordi-

nance with a new one, releasing builders of small developments in much of Winters from the requirement to provide 15 percent low and very low income units in their projects.

City Housing Programs Manager Dan

Maguire outlined the history. The revision of the city's general plan in 1992 included a housing element that was challenged by Legal Services of Northern California (LSNC). After an expensive legal process, the parties

agreed to a legal settlement that required the city adopt an inclusionary housing ordinance, which required 15 percent of new housing be priced for households with earnings in the

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Valley Floors forced to move

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

There is a Chinese symbol for change that when translated means "opportunity over crisis." Maybe some local artisan can paint or sculpt that symbol for Lance and Gina Linville when they move their business into its new location at 18 Main Street.

The Linvilles received word a little over a week ago from their landlords, Joe and Karen Ogando, that their lease at 3 Russell

Boulevard would not be renewed and they would have to be out by Jan. 15. The Linvilles have owned and operated Winters' only flooring store, Valley Floors, from that spot just behind the Irish Pub & Coffeehouse for 18 years. The two spaces have a common wall.

The Irish Pub's rental agreement was terminated just before Thanksgiving and owners Suzy Bonin and Valerie Garay have not

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FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

NICOLAS ANTHONY AGUILAR and **NOAH ANTHONY AGUILAR** were born Nov. 23, 2009 to Mark and Sophia Aguilar of Winters at Sutter Memorial Hospital in Sacramento. Nicolas was born at 1:24 p.m. and Noah was born at 1:26 p.m. Maternal grandparents are Nicolas and Irene Rodriguez of Winters; paternal grandparents are Elizabeth Garza of Houston, Texas, and David and Mary Aguilar of Lakewood.

JAMIE SARAH CALLISON is the newborn daughter of David and Eden Callison of Chandler, Arizona. She joins big brother Stillman David Callison IV. Born on Nov. 30, 2009 at 9:41 p.m. at the Mercy Hospital in Gilbert Arizona, she weighed 8 lbs. and was 20.5 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Paul and Janine Eichenberger of Rocklin and Linda Eichenberger of Scottsdale, Arizona. Paternal grandparents are David and Kathleen Callison of Winters. Maternal great-grandparents are Harold Paul Eichenberger of Ft. Worth, Texas.

SHAYLYN MARIE ANDERSEN was born Dec. 1, 2009 at 8:06 p.m. to Stephanie (Rhodes) Andersen and Richard Andersen, of Antelope, at Kaiser Permanente of Roseville. She weighed 7 lbs., 11 oz. and was 20.5 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Steve and Sandy Rhodes of Auburn. Paternal grandparents are Steve Andersen and Debra Bertok. Maternal great-grandmother is Adeline Rhodes of Winters.

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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. 16	.10	54	46
Dec. 17	.01	57	42
Dec. 18	.01	63	40
Dec. 19	.01	59	42
Dec. 20		52	46
Dec. 21	.03	50	47
Dec. 22	.03	58	40

Rain for week: .19

Season's total: 6.50

Last year to date: 4.23

Average to Dec. 22: 6.65

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OBITUARIES

Sandra Faye Self

Sandra Faye Self passed away at her home in Dunnigan, Tuesday, December 15. She was born in Dickinson, North Dakota at St. Joseph's Hospital on June 19, 1949 at 2 a.m.

Sandra spent most of her life in Yolo County. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother, an expert with a needle and thread, a master chef and an all around caring person. She was an avid reader and she worked at UC Davis in the libraries for 35 years.

She is survived by her husband, Arthur F. Self; her son, William A. Self; her granddaughter, Layla J. Self; her sisters, Cindi Aubrey, Pamela Craven, Lory Hunter and her dog Oreo.

A memorial service was held at Nadeau Family Funeral Home on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 11:30 a.m.. Inurnment will follow at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon at 2:30.

Arrangements were handled by Nadeau Family Funeral Home, 707-455-7700.

Rose Katherine Rand

Rose Katherine Rand, age 96, passed away on December 18 in Woodland. She was born on October 7, 1913 in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Clyde and Pauline Lentz Walsh. She married John Rand on July 9, 1936 in Anoka, Minnesota; he preceded her in death in 1982.

Rose and John moved from Minneapolis to Winters in 1966. Rose spent her life dedicated to her family whom she loved dearly. Her home was like a museum filled with various knick knacks and each had special meaning to her; she could tell you everything about each little treasure she had. Rose was a phenomenal seamstress and never needed a pattern to make clothing. She was a homemaker, dedicated to the care of her family. She was always very prompt; if an event began at noon she would arrive at 11 a.m. Filled with determination, she always wanted to do things her way, although her way may not have been the easiest—she wasn't looking for the easy way out. She was very independent.

Rose and John's lives were blessed with the birth of their daughter, Delores. Delores recalls that as a young child, when her father was working out of town, she and her mother would sit in front of a kerosene lantern and spend hours coloring pictures. Rose refused the modern convenience of a clothes dryer and insisted on hanging her clothes to dry. She loved her animals.

As Rose and John grew older, they loved to go anywhere that Delores would take them; they were always ready to go. She volunteered at the Seniors Center for many years, particularly with the Meals on Wheels program. She received numerous awards for her work as a volunteer.

Rose is survived by her daughter, Delores Sorenson of Winters; granddaughters, Julie Russell, Brenda Radulovich and Laurie Lane; eight great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and sister, Dora Jacobsen of Columbia Heights, Minnesota. She was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Katherine Miller; brothers Richard Walsh, Warren Walsh and George Lentz; and sisters Elizabeth Magnuson and Katherine Miller.

A viewing will be held on Dec. 23 from 10-11 a.m. at Wiscombe Funeral Home, 34 Main Street, immediately followed by a graveside service at the Winters Cemetery.

For those who wish to sign a guestbook on line you may do so at www.wiscombefuneral.com.



YESTERYEAR



File photo

The Winters High School Varsity basketball team of 1977-78 is shown above: back row (left to right), assistant coach Ramon Lopez, Jeff Ingles, Ray Rojas, Fred Turkovich, Phillip Coman, Kent Benson, Andrew Skaggs and coach Tom Crisp; kneeling, Clay Walker, Sari Singh, Dan Rominger, Cleubi Antunes, John Carrion and Matthew Aguiar.

**50
YEARS AGO**

January 7, 1960

Frank Durk, manager of the Diamond-National lumber yard here since June, 1958, has been promoted to manager of the company lumber yard at Lodi. He came to Winters when Tom Stowers was named manager of the Fairfield office of the company.

The Post Office Department is considering reducing the mail service from Winters to one outgoing mail each day, it was revealed here this week.

The 1960 Winters municipal election will be held on April 12. The four terms of City Clerk Wilbur Riley and Councilmen James Martino and Eldred Upp expire this spring.

Miss May N. Elzy, Winters resident who died June 16, left an estate of \$55,002.72 and bequeathed practically all of the money to churches.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fernandez had as their New Year's guests at their summer home at Bodega Bay the following: Messrs. and Mesdames Nick Lopez, Joe C. Ramos, Pete O'Neal and Richard Whipple.

Mrs. Jewell Berry of the staff of the California Market, has been confined to her home for the past week with a severe cold.

Carroll S. Culton and Sarshel Culton, both of Sacramento, visited relatives here on Saturday.

Miss Lynn Johnson of Santa Clara, who visited here at the home of the W. Lloyd Adams for a week, returned home on Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gunnard Johnson.

**65
YEARS AGO**

January 7, 1945

(The January 7, 1945 edition of the Express is missing from our files.)

**100
YEARS AGO**

January 7, 1910

E.I. Leake of Woodland installed officers of Winters Parlor, No. 163, Native Sons of the Golden West, when S. M. Warder went in as president

Sunday morning, January 2, was the 32nd anniversary of the Presbyterian Church and also Dr. Culton's birthday and Wedding anniversary.

A meeting of the full membership of the Unity Club was held in their rooms Wednesday morning to discuss the clubs financial affairs.

C.M. Cole served the rural route Thursday when carrier Wallace Womack was out with a severe cold.

Ham Boyce purchased a Maxwell runabout this

week.

A brand new Overland Beauty arrived Wednesday morning for Wyatt Bros.

Miss Hazel Fletcher returned to her duties at the San Francisco normal.

Some improvements have been going on at the Christian Church yard this week.

**115
YEARS AGO**

January 5, 1895

The Guinda Independent, with its issue of last Saturday, closed its third year of publication in that town. The Independent has done considerable toward the development of Capay Valley and is deserving of the liberal support of the citizens of that region.

The Winters Fruit exchange at a regular meeting the other day passed resolutions calling

upon the government to procure, by some means or other, a double transcontinental track.

Miss Dollie Melvin, teacher in the Union District, returned from her holiday vacation Tuesday morning.

George North and Sons, Hart and Arthur went to Sacramento Thursday. Hart North went to be at the opening of the Legislature next Monday, he being the Representative from the Fiftieth Assembly District in Alameda County.

R.L. Briggs and wife went to San Francisco last Wednesday afternoon.

When Parson Harri-man was standing on the bank of the creek, yesterday, the earth suddenly gave way beneath him, precipitating him into the water, but owing to the timely assistance of the by-standers he was quickly brought back to land, apparently none the worse for his fall.

Berryessa up slightly

The level of Lake Berryessa rose by .04 of a foot during the past week, adding 623 acre feet of water to storage, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 407.18 feet above sea level with storage

computed at 985,288 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 50 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 10 acre feet of water per day during the week.

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Free seminars on chronic disease

Woodland Healthcare is offering two free six-week courses to help people cope with chronic diseases.

“Your Life, Take Care,” will be presented in Spanish every Tuesday, 6-8:30 p.m., Jan. 12 through Feb. 16, 2010. The classes will be taught at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 315 Walnut Street in Woodland.

The six-week program will focus on goal setting and problem solving, nutrition, communication skills, relaxation techniques, medication usage, community resources and partnering with your doctor. Anyone living with a long-term health condition is welcome. To register for this class, call 669-5531.

The same course will be presented in English every Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m., Jan. 14 to Feb. 18. The classes will be taught in English at Woodland Healthcare Medical Offices, classroom 1 and 2, 632 W. Gibson Road in Woodland.

The six-week program will focus on goal setting and problem solving, nutrition, communication skills, relaxation techniques, medication usage, community resources and partnering with your doctor. Anyone living with a long-term health condition is welcome. Feel free to bring a family member, friend or caregiver.

To register for this class taught in English, call 669-5540.

What new cervical cancer screening guidelines mean

By **SUSAN WYSOCKI** and **SUSAN SCANLAN**
Special to the Express

It’s not surprising that women are confused about the recently changed recommendations for cancer screening and prevention. New guidelines from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) – the leading medical group that provides health care for women – say women should wait longer to begin cervical-cancer screening and that they should be screened less frequently. On the heels of similar changes to breast-cancer screening guidelines, it’s understandable that many women might see this as a step backward.

On the contrary, the new cervical-cancer screening recommendations reflect advances in our understanding of this disease and in tools now available to prevent it. More importantly, they present an opportunity to educate women about the significant opportunity we have to further prevent – if not eliminate – cervical cancer.

New ACOG screening guidelines recommend

women should begin getting Pap tests at age 21 (as opposed to within three years of becoming sexually active) and that from ages 21-29, most women should have Pap tests every two years instead of annually. Additionally, screening for women 30 and older with a history of normal Pap test results now moves to every three years.

To understand the rationale for these changes, it’s important to first know how the disease develops. Cervical cancer is caused by “high-risk” types of the human papillomavirus (HPV), a common sexually transmitted infection. Most women will have HPV at some point in their lives, but their immune systems will typically clear the virus without symptoms or treatment.

HPV infections that persist over time – typically many years – can cause cell changes that can potentially lead to cervical cancer. Because cervical cancer is slow-growing, it generally allows ample time for screening to detect problems that can be treated before the cancer can develop. The majority who die of cervical cancer

in the U.S. have either never been screened or have not been screened in many years.

A Pap test is the traditional means of screening for cervical cancer. It involves examining cervical cells under a microscope to detect abnormalities that can then be treated, if necessary. Since its use became widespread 60 years ago, the Pap test has helped to significantly reduce cervical cancer rates.

So, if the Pap test has been such a success, why change the guidelines? First, newer research shows that cervical cancer is extremely rare in women under 21. Cervical abnormalities among sexually active girls in this age group are common, but they typically go away on their own. Newer studies, however, show that treatment for these abnormalities that would most likely resolve themselves can cause later pregnancy complications, such as premature birth. This is one instance in which treatment can cause more harm than good. By delaying the start of screening, we can hopefully avoid unnecessary treatment.

The rationale for less-frequent screening is similar. Evidence shows that screening with a Pap test every year does not offer any additional benefit over screening every two or three years. Waiting longer between screenings can help avoid unnecessary treatment of abnormalities that likely will go away on their own.

Also, new technological advances offer women 30 and older – the group most at risk for cervical cancer – more protection against this disease. For these women, an HPV test is now available and uses molecular technology to determine whether HPV is present.

An HPV infection that continues for years is what leads to increased risk of developing cervical cancer. If an HPV infection is found, a woman can be monitored more closely by her clinician. A negative HPV test in tandem with a normal Pap test can give a clinician and her patient increased reassurance that the woman is not at risk of developing cervical cancer for at least the next three years.

The HPV test also is used for women of all

ages to help clarify inconclusive Pap test results. The HPV test is not used routinely in women under 30 because HPV is so common in this age group that a positive HPV test could lead to unnecessary treatment.

While screening is critical to preventing cervical cancer, two HPV vaccines – the first-ever vaccines to fight a cancer – are now FDA-approved and offer significant potential to help reduce cervical cancer rates.

Remember, these new screening recommendations are simply guidelines and that clinicians, in conjunction with patients, need to determine the most appropriate cervical-cancer prevention approach for each woman. These new guidelines provide an opportunity for more conversation on this issue between women and their health-care providers. After all, few things are better for women’s health than educated and empowered patients.

(Wysocki is president and CEO of the National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women’s Health. Scanlan is chair of the National Council of Women’s Organizations.)

The Sutter Davis Hospital Auxiliary is looking for persons interested in enriching their own lives while helping others, to volunteer for two four-hour shifts each month. Opportunities to serve are available in the following services: Information Desk, Patient Services, Emergency Department, Gift Shop, Surgery Center.

If you are 18 or older and would like to learn more about volunteering with the Auxiliary, call the Sutter Davis Hospital Information Desk, 759-7485, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Opinion

LETTERS

Prank was not funny

Every year, I spend countless hours and lots of money putting together my holiday outdoor decorations that I assume my neighbors enjoy. Last year, for the first time, I had two items stolen and several destroyed by vandals.

Saturday morning, my neighbors across the street woke me with the disturbing news that most of my display had been uprooted and moved across to their front lawn. One item came up missing. Needless to say, this is not in the spirit of the season. Whoever did this thinks it's a cute prank, but I'm not laughing.

I wonder if the parents in Winters are aware where their children are and what they are doing. It is very upsetting to think that I may have to discontinue my outdoor decorating. I love to put together my displays for Halloween (I was awarded second place by the Chamber this year) and Christmas.

Is our small town getting to be like larger cities, where residents have to install cameras to protect their holiday decorations? I place the blame on our parents, as obviously they have not taught their children to respect other people's property. Take all your decorations down and see how it impacts your children.



I never used to worry about a certain level of security in this town; now that is gone.

PATTY PORTER

Successful project

We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the tremendous success of the 2009 Wreath Project by purchasing and laying the wreaths at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery this year.

Whether you made a donation to buy wreaths, supported the first annual fund-raising event in some way, helped to spread the word to your families, neighbors and friends, or if you were there Saturday to help lay the wreaths, it is all immensely appreciated. Many of you did it all, and we couldn't have done it without your support!

An announcement

was made during this year's ceremony that the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery was one of only two cemeteries in the nation to be 100 percent covered with holiday wreaths. We know this a testament to the generosity and support of our local communities. To the youth organizations of the Scouts and 4-H Clubs, the active military personnel and veterans, the many local service clubs, and the families of our neighboring communities, thank you for your time to help with this annual tribute to our fallen and their families. If you'd like to receive updates on this annual project, send an email to Curtis@caoutdoorproperties.com or susie_qs_quilts@yahoo.com or go to the website at www.freewebs.com/wreathproject for more information.

We plan to keep this effort going for many years and hope you will

continue to support this project however you can!

CURITS and SUSIE STOCKING

More about my car

Dear Editor,

There were a few errors in the Citroen Article that was printed about me and I would like to correct them.

First of all, it wasn't mentioned that the Citroen 2CV had front wheel drive. Putting power into wheels that turned was a technological problem that Citroen solved and which eluded the Volkswagen designers.

Secondly, mine is definitely and technically a 1971 model, not a later one from the Portugese factory. The last of the 2CVs that were produced there were not up

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We're going to Have It Our Way, out on the highway

Well aren't we just up to our walnuts in controversy. Burger King is coming to town. Not "if." "Is." The property owners have already filed the necessary paperwork for a teensy blip of land on Grant Avenue between the frontage road and Interstate 505 that looks too small for a hot dog cart.

Although the property is small, the uproar is ginormous. To put it in perspective, this Burger King is to Winters what Target was to Davis. And just like Target, this Burger King is being welcomed with all the joy and enthusiasm of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse. And, just like Target, six months after it opens, nobody will care anymore. Except for the thousands of drivers who pull in for a fast, greasy little slab of death on a bun on their way to Cache Creek Casino or cutting through from Redding to the Bay Area.

City Hall will care, however. All those transient junk food junkies will fatten up more than just their waistlines – they'll be fattening up city coffers as well, theoretically enough to keep our swimming pool and community center open. That's the pitch, anyway.

City staff presented "economic development" (read: Burger King) as the Holy Grail of financial solvency at a recent city council workshop on our looming budget crisis. It wasn't too hard to tell which direction the shepherd was attempting to direct the flock. The staff presentation gave me that same funny feeling I get when a car salesman is

trying his damndest to get my signature on a contract, and I'm just not quite ready.

Clearly, many people feel the same way, or worse, based on the feedback during the packed public hearing. Some folks are nearly apoplectic over the thought of a tacky fast-food joint at the one and only entrance to our cute-as-a-button little town. Beyond simple knee-jerk NIMBYism, several concerns were voiced. Such as:

Do we really want the first impression of our town to be cheap fast food – is that what we want to be associated with? Does a Burger King complement the lovely improvements we've made in our downtown core? Will Burger King bleed away customers from the downtown businesses? Should we be encouraging our teenagers to gorge on junk food and set themselves up for lifetimes of obesity, diabetes and heart disease? With all the emphasis we've placed on locally grown, organic, healthy food, and high-quality, locally owned businesses, isn't a Burger King contradictory to everything Winters stands for?

I could write entire columns on the answers to each of those questions. In the interest of time (and newsprint) I'll trim those columns to one paragraph: There's a Chevron station at the gateway to our town right now, and I doubt anyone associates Winters with Big Oil; Oh hell no, but neither do all the tacky posters stapled onto nut bins at the corner of Railroad and Main, against a charm-



ing backdrop of razor-wire and chain-link fencing; No, because people who make a pit-stop at Burger King wouldn't otherwise have stopped in Winters in the first place, let alone come downtown; You really think you can control what teenagers eat? Oh sweet silly fools; Of course it is. But it's not contradictory to everything America stands for, and here in America, business decisions are made by business owners, not democratic group process. The only way we can shape business decisions is with our own wallets. Don't like Burger King? Then don't eat there. But you don't have the right to make that choice for someone else.

This touches upon something a lot of folks aren't grasping. Once a city zones property and establishes ordinances, and a business meets those criteria, the city can't do much more beyond that other than have some control over the design and appearance of the building. The city can't force someone to open a Taco Bell instead of a Burger King any more than it can force the Buckhorn to switch to a vegan menu or limit Briggs & Co. to selling only Thomas Kincaide paintings.

The best we can do in regards to this new Burger King is make sure it reflects the true nature of our communi-

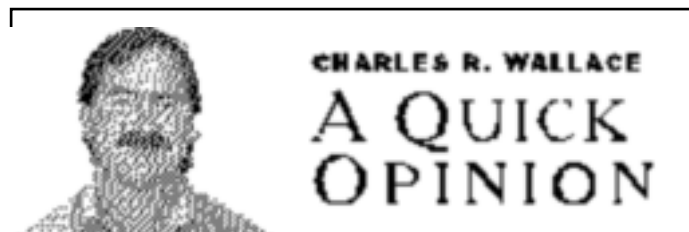
ty. Since it'll be the first thing people see when they come into town, it's imperative that the design says "Winters" – something that immediately conveys what Winters is all about. And I know just what that something is: our official town logo.

Yes, the Dead Peacock Tree. I've seen the light. People far classier and hipper than I made painstaking effort to select the perfect symbol for Winters, so why question such wisdom, talent and good taste. Clearly, the Dead Peacock Tree communicates everything Winters has to offer, so let's embrace it and make it the overall theme for our new Burger King.

First, the building's color scheme shall be a lovely palette of beige (the universal color of vibrancy and growth, of course), ranging from Top Soil to Brown Paper Bag, and if we're feeling saucy, maybe a splash of English Walnut Shell.

The landscaping will be dotted with Dead Peacock Trees, which will be no trouble at all, since these trees grow all over the Winters area. It will be so cute, like our own little sepia Dr. Suess orchard!

The finishing touch will be a mural of the Dead Peacock Tree spanning the entire side of the building, so visitors will know exactly what Winters stands for. And when they figure that out, maybe they'll let the rest of us know.



MERRY CHRISTMAS. Now that we have little ones running around, from time to time, Christmas takes on a new meaning. The joy and wonderment comes back, and the thought of shopping makes a little more sense. Truth be told, I'm not much of a shopper. I'm not against spending, just shopping. If I want something, I go out and buy it, or wait until I realize I don't really need it. Shopping is a little like fishing, you may catch something you weren't expecting, nor wanting. Old tires and boots come to mind.

With children, you can't really go wrong. What 1 ½ year old doesn't want a new Harley? What 3 year old doesn't want a new Mustang? She will be excited for new clothes and dolls and he will jump for joy at any kind of a ball, but the box it came in will still be his favorite.

Some families pass around a hat and draw names, but I would like to think that anyone over 21 is off my list. My old rule, "if you believe in Santa, you get a present." I'm sure if you ask my ex-temporary tenants if they believe in Santa you would hear a rounding "yes." I raised them right. Believing in Santa is right up there with the Tooth Fairy and the Easter Bunny. Any belief that keeps on giving is something worth believing in.

There are times I think a dentist thought up Christmas. I've never seen, or eaten, so much candy in my life. I've already gained 4 pounds, and you would think that by now I would have a little more self control, but think again. I have another week before I celebrate another birthday and pledge not to make any New Year's resolutions. I always think I'm going to loose weight after the first of the year, just call me an eternal optimist.

I have a few friends that have been giving to charity instead of gifting friends and relatives. That sounds like a great idea, especially if your friends and relatives are over 21 and don't believe in Santa. I heard the food drive and Toys for Tots went well. If Christmas snuck up on you this year and you think you've missed your chance to donate, there is always an opportunity to give. Stop by the fire department to donate to Toys for Tots, or First Northern Bank to make a donation to the Winters Ministerial Association. I'm sure both would like to get a head start on next year, or complete this year's list of those in need.

You will find the Rainfall Contest entry form on B-8 of today's Express.

Merry Christmas and have a good week.

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Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Turkovich Family Wines offered passersby a sneak peak of the new tasting room, wines and cheese on Dec. 18. From left are Chris, Joan, Danny and Mike Turkovich. The tasting room is expected to open permanently in mid January.

MOVE

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found a new place to re-open. Bonin says she has no choice but to close the Irish Pub on Jan. 9.

The reason for the Pub's termination, according to Karen Ogando, was that she intends to occupy that spot for her own business. The Ogandos purchased that block of buildings — which includes Chuy's Tacqueria — a little over two years ago and remodeled the exterior.

When asked about the Pub's rental termination, Ogando indicated that there were no problems with the tenants at all, and that as the owner of the building she had simply decided that she had her own plans for it. She said she will be opening her own business there, but declined to specify what type of business. As for the 3 Russell Street space, Ogando says "there are several aspects to it but it is all connected." She again declined to announce what she sort of business she is opening."

With only a month to relocated their entire business, Linville says the pressure was on to find a place to reopen, and she and Lance found that space at 18 Main Street, the former location of the Winters Center for the Arts/Participation Gallery, which has temporarily relocated next door at the former location of Aura Day Spa.

With more square footage and a front door on downtown Main Street, what initially appeared to be a crisis for Valley Floors turned out to be a blessing. Panic turned to excitement, says Linville.

"It was hard at first just thinking about it," she says. "But it's all good. It's a blessing in disguise."

She says Valley Floors will start moving on Jan. 1 and will be completely relocated by Jan. 15, with no interruption in business or services. She says she and Lance are grateful to John Pickerel, who located a warehouse/storage space for them during the transition. She also expressed gratitude to the owners of the 18 Main Street spot for making a difficult situation as easy as possible.

"We are very grateful to Valerie Whitworth and Michael Barbour. They are making this happen for us."

All in all, things appear to be looking up for Valley Floors.

"I think we can make it work," said Linville. "We always wanted to be on Main Street."

She says the new spot is already inspiring her with "lots of fresh ideas" for the showroom, and the larger space will allow Valley Floors to add new products. She and Lance are planning to specialize in offering green and recycled products. She's also optimistic that a more visible location will encourage new business.

"We're really looking forward to the great exposure we'll have on Main Street."

As for the abrupt change in locations, Linville has nothing but praise for the Ogandos, and says she doesn't feel the lease termination was "personal."

"I have great respect for the Ogandos. They are doing a beautiful job in fixing up the town, and we appreciate all that they're doing."

Some got peek of new tasting room

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

If you were lucky enough to be strolling down Railroad Avenue last Friday afternoon and evening, you might have noticed the "Open" sign on the Turkovich Family Wines tasting room and wandered inside. If you were really lucky, you also got a taste of their varietals and a sample of cheese because the tasting room isn't officially open yet.

Chris Turkovich, winemaker and co-owner of the business, says the tasting room opened up for a day mostly as a trial run. By mid-evening, clearly the trial was a success, as more and more people wandered in and the

room began filling up.

Located in the middle of the block between the Putah Creek Café and ARC Guitar, the new tasting room features original hardwood flooring, and a sleek comfortable design created by Turkovich himself. He personally designed the signature curved tasting bar, a major focal point in the room, which includes a wood stove and seating area, gift rack and even a business inside a business, the Winters Cheese Company.

The cheese company is owned by Turkovich Family Wines, which is also co-owned by Turkovich's parents, Tony and Joan, who farm locally. Tony is

growing the grapes for the wines on the Button & Turkovich ranch on County Road 87, and Chris is the winemaker. Another son, Danny, is the cheesemaker.

Both sons learned their wine and cheese skills while attending Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, and brought what they learned back home. Now the entire community can benefit, and judging by the impromptu one-day opening last week, the new business is a hit.

Chris says there won't likely be any more such events prior to the grand opening, which should take place in January as soon as the wine bottle labels are finished. They considered keeping the

cheese business open until then, but after last Friday, decided against it.

"We didn't want to run out of cheese before we opened," says Chris.

Turkovich Family Wines will be pouring and selling Syrah, Petite Syrah and Viognier, all complemented nicely with Winters Cheese Company cheeses, which include smoked cheddar, regular cheddar, gouda, smoked gouda, Monterey Jack, chipotle Jack, and cheeses blended with tomato and basil, garlic and chive, and sage.

Chris says he will announce the grand opening date for the new tasting room sometime in the next couple weeks.

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Community

First H1N1 vaccine clinic goes smoothly

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

Although people elsewhere in the country stood in line for hours to get H1N1 (Swine Flu) vaccinations and supply frequently fell short of demand, here in Winters, everyone who wanted a vaccination got one — even those who weren't on the "high risk" list.

The vaccination clinic took place at the Winters Community Center on Wednesday, Dec. 16, and people began lining up at 4 p.m. Although the line extended down the side of the building into the Community Center's patio area, it moved quickly. It took most people about 10 minutes to get through the line and once inside, about five minutes more to turn in their paperwork and get the vaccine.

Dr. Joseph Iser, director of the Yolo County Public Health Department and Public Health Officer for the county, was on hand to at the Winters clinic to make sure everything ran smoothly, but clearly volunteers from City Hall and the Winters Healthcare Foundation managed the event without a hitch.

Iser explained that because fewer people than expected showed up at a recent vaccination event in Davis, there was enough vaccine left over to bring a total of 1,000 vaccines to Winters — double

what was allotted. By the end of the clinic, 750 people were vaccinated, and Iser says the remaining vaccines were distributed to area clinics and medical centers that were on a waiting list. He added that none of the vaccines used at the Dec. 16 clinic were from the lot that was recently recalled by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention because they didn't meet potency standards.

Anyone who missed the first Winters clinic will get another chance for a vaccination in mid January. The next clinic is scheduled one month after the first, because children ages 10 years and younger will need a second booster at that time. As with the first clinic, there is no charge for the vaccination.

Iser notes that there are a substantial number of confirmed Swine Flu incidents in Yolo County, but says the health department only tracks cases that are severe enough to require hospitalization. He declined to release the exact number of cases in Yolo County out of concern for patient privacy.

With the overall number of Swine Flu cases apparently declining, Iser says he's worried that people will become less likely to get vaccinated, which is a mistake.

"There is likely to be another epidemic in late winter and early



Photos by Debra DeAngelo

Above: High school junior Calleteno Jiminez, left, was one of the first to receive a H1N1 flu vaccination at the clinic, held Dec. 16 at the Community Center. Below: Natalie Benjamin, a volunteer for the Winters Healthcare Foundation, helps community members find their way around the clinic. A second clinic will be held in mid January.



spring because people didn't get vaccinated," he says, encouraging everyone to get vaccinated wherever they can, whether it be a free public health clinic or private physician. He adds that there is never a charge for the vaccine itself, but private clinics or medical offices are allowed to charge a fee to administer the vaccine.

Locally, the extra vaccines from the Dec. 16

clinic were given to the Winters Healthcare Foundation, which is administering them for \$5 to established patients. As of last week, the local Sutter West office was not offering H1N1 vaccines.

For more information about the H1N1 vaccine or upcoming vaccination clinics in Yolo County, call the Yolo County Public Health Department, 666-8645.

Anderson wins weekly Chamber drawing

The winner of this week's The Buck Stops Here drawing is Gaylene Anderson. For coming in to the Winters Chamber of Commerce office, located inside the Winters Visitors Center at 11 Main Street, and bringing \$50 in receipts from local businesses, Anderson wins \$100 in Winters Bucks, which may be

spent at any participating Winters business.

The Chamber is sponsoring this drawing as a way to remind everyone in the community that when you spend your money in town, "The Buck Stays Here" and benefits the whole community.

The last drawing will take place on Monday, Dec. 28.

To contact the Express, call 795-4551.

Calendar

Thursday, December 24

Christmas Eve

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

Friday, December 25

Christmas

Sunday, December 27

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

Wednesday, December 30

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

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

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Free "treecycling" of holiday trees and recycling other holiday materials will be offered at the Yolo County Central Landfill, Dec. 26 through Jan. 16, and at the Esparto Convenience Center, Dec. 26 through Jan. 17.

Trees to be recycled should have all ornaments, flocking, tinsel, garland and/or lights removed. Holiday trees, cardboard, bottles and cans can be recycled for

free at the following locations:

~ Yolo County Central Landfill at the intersection of County Roads 28H and 104, northeast of Davis, in Woodland; Monday-Saturday, 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 666-8729.

~ Esparto Convenience Center, 27075 County Road 19A in Esparto; Saturday and Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 5

p.m. For more information, 787-3387.

Both the Yolo County Central Landfill and Esparto Convenience Center will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Holiday recycling is sponsored by the Yolo County Department of Planning & Public Works, Division of Integrated Waste Management. For information, call 666-8729 or visit: www.yolocounty.org.

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St. Anthony Parish Hall schedule announced

The Christmas Mass schedule for St. Anthony Parish Hall on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24 will begin with a children's mass at 5 p.m. at St. Anthony Parish Hall, a

Spanish mass at 7 p.m. at St. Martin in Esparto, and a midnight gathering at St. Anthony Parish Hall. The schedule for Christmas day, Dec. 25, will begin with an Eng-

lish mass at 8:30 a.m. at St. Martin in Esparto, followed by a 10:45 a.m. English mass at St. Anthony Parish Hall, and a 12:30 p.m. Spanish mass at St. Anthony.

HONORS

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by SACOG notes that Winters was chosen for the Blueprint Excellence Award for its “strategic plan to implement ‘Blueprint principles’ in their Downtown Master Plan. In planning its downtown, the City of Winters took an integrated approach, linking the Downtown Master Plan with the Putah Creek Master Plan, water and sewer master plans, form-based codes, revised parking standards and capital improvement programs.”

According to Beth Gabor, public information officer for Yolo County, the city was nominated by Yolo County Supervisor Helen Thompson and was chosen for its multi-phased and faceted approach to the key elements of “smart growth” and the true meaning of the Blueprint project.

A press release issued by SACOG notes that the city invested nearly \$4 million in water and sewer improvements to improve the downtown infrastructure that will support infill projects. The city also funded 27 façade improvements to storefronts and buildings to facilitate economic growth and to encourage more pedestrian activities.

City staff accepting the award on behalf of the city included City Manager John Donlevy and grant writer Dawn Van Dyke, Mayor Mike Martin and city council members Cecilia Aguiar-Curry and Harold Anderson. Donlevy expressed great pride in the SACOG honors.

“This is a significant award for us. It is the top award given by SACOG



Courtesy photo

Accepting the Blueprint Excellence Award are City Council member Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, City Grant Writer Dawn Van Dyke, Mayor Mike Martin, City Council Member Harold Anderson and City Manager John Donlevy.

for the five county region. We were selected over Sacramento, Rocklin and other larger jurisdictions.

The Blueprint Award is recognition for a City’s ability to do a number of things well. In our case, it combines our ability and success in planning, capital projects/implementation and the quality of the results. This recognition is for multiple areas of our city organization and the vision of the city council.”

Donlevy additionally expressed praise for all the city staff who took part in the downtown project.

“I cannot express how honored I am for our staff. The implementation of the downtown projects, progressive concepts such as the form-based code, revised parking standards and the overall integration of the Downtown Master Plan

with other plans, including the Putah Creek and Bike Master Plans, is significant. We just seem to get a lot done, compared to others.”

He also emphasized that relative to other cities typically honored for such achievements, Winters is competing against much larger cities— and winning. Donlevy says the larger jurisdictions are “envious” of Winters’ accomplishments.

“They simply cannot believe how effective we are in getting really good projects implemented with such a small staff.”

He notes the Grant Avenue widening project as an example of a small staff working hard on big projects, as well as the fact that this was the first project to be funded with federal stimulus funds to be completed in this region. And the city of Winters isn’t stopping

there. A second project to realign Walnut Lane is about to be implemented while other jurisdictions haven’t even got to bid on their first projects, Donlevy said.

Supervisor Thompson expressed appreciation of the effort put in to improve downtown Winters.

“SACOG’s Blueprint is a reality in Winters, where the overall vision is on display and happening every day,” said Thomson, who is the SACOG Board Chair.

SACOG is an association of local governments in the six-county Sacramento Region that provides transportation planning and funding for the region, and serves as a forum for the study and resolution of regional issues.

The next phase of the Downtown Master Plan will be improvements at Main Street and First Street, and mid-block on

Main Street between Railroad Avenue and First Street. Like the first phase, funding for the second phase has already been secured, and will not be affected by the anticipated raid of local Redevelopment funds by the state of California this spring. The project budget is \$700,000, funded partially by Redevelopment (\$200,000) and a Federal Transportation Grant (\$500,000).

Donlevy says the improvements will include bulb-outs, pedestrian seating areas and landscaping. The mid-block will include a bulb-out section and a new crosswalk. Brickwork will be a major feature on the sidewalk and crosswalk areas, and there will be with additional lighting installed.

“While the improvements will be very pedestrian in nature with lots of landscaping, the biggest difference will be the absence of seat walls,” said Donlevy. “They will be very much like the corner with the Rotary clock”

He added that the intersection will be raised, but will be done only partially in brick, and that the project includes some limited improvements to Newt’s Expressway (the alley running parallel to Main Street on the north side, between Railroad Avenue and First Street.

State to verify local business permits

The California State Board of Equalization (BOE) has sent letters to 11,043 retail businesses in 24 different zip codes notifying them of upcoming visits by BOE specialists. The city of Winters is among those zip codes. Other local cities on the list include Esparto, Knights Landing, Dunnigan and Woodland.

BOE specialists will be canvassing these areas to ensure that businesses are properly registered and paying taxes. The new enhanced compliance effort began in September 2008, with 190 zip codes already notified. Specialists have visited more than 100,921 businesses statewide.

These visits are part of the

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LETTERS

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to the quality control standards that the French factories exercised.

Thirdly I have tried to tell the American auto manufacturers that a lightweight, fuel efficient, low horsepower car (the 2CV has 2 cylinders, 28 horsepower and

can be picked up and moved by a few people with strong backs) is something that is ready for this age of ever-rising oil prices, but my ideas have fallen on deaf ears. They still want to crank out high-powered trucks and off-road vehicles that represent status symbols more than practicality. Actually, the 2CV was designed to be an off

road vehicle itself. It was made to navigate the rutty roads and plowed fields of France for farmers to get their produce to market.

I hope this clears up some misinformation that I might have inadvertently provided the unnamed Express writer who did the article.

ROBERT FISCHER

BUSSARD

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Not only do the Bussards raise awareness about the ongoing need for blood and help out with the blood drives, they both practice what they preach. Since the blood drives began, Vi has donated 80 pints and Vic donated 70 before “they cut me off” due to his own health concerns, he explains.

That’s a lot of blood, but it represents a lot of lives too. Vi says that for every three pints of blood donated, one life is saved. Between the two of them, it’s therefore possible that they’ve indirectly saved 50 lives. That might make them both heroes by some standards, but the Bussards are humble about their dedication to the blood drive effort — it was needed, nobody was doing it, so they did, end of story.

Those who don’t know the Bussards from the blood drives or Lions Club activities may re-

member them from Orrick’s gas station, which used to stand on the Mariani Nut Co. parking lot between Baker and Edwards Streets until it was torn down in 1992. The Bussards took over the station when they moved here from Woodland in 1957, and both remember the train tracks that ran right behind the building, as well as the trains that used to roll up and down the valley on the way to and from the Bay Area.

“They were nice and noisy,” says Vi.

Prior to moving to Winters, Vic was a PG&E lineman before taking a job as an appliance repairman for Cranston Bros. Hardware in Woodland. Vi was a lifelong full-time mother, but helped Vic do home delivery team for the Sacramento Union in Winters for years until it went out of business.

Together, the Bussards volunteered for the Senior Gleaners, taking the food to the monthly free food dis-

tributions that are now sponsored by the Yolo County Food Bank. They assembled food boxes with Floyd Fletcher at the local food distribution for seven years, and also helped distribute them to needy families and individuals. Just as with the blood drives, the Bussards simply saw a need and filled it.

“We were asked to step in and we just did it,” says Vic. “We had the time to do it.”

The Lions Club also benefitted from the Bussards’ dedication. The Bussards were active with all the club’s projects, which include funding scholarships for Winters High School seniors, collecting eyeglasses for reconditioning and distribution to low income individuals in the U.S. and elsewhere, and raising money for City of Hope projects. Vic says the Lions Club is “the largest organization in service to people. He notes that with chapters all over the world, the Lions Club serves in 40 coun-

tries and even “some that don’t get along.”

When they aren’t busy with blood drive duties and Lions Club activities, the Bussards enjoy traveling, although health issues have prevented them from traveling much in recent years. Some of their favorite jaunts were RV trips to Laughlin and Las Vegas, Nevada.

“We’ve been to every western state there is,” says Vic.

Vi says she’s a bit disappointed that they didn’t get to travel to the eastern states.

“We can’t travel any more,” she says, advising others, “If you’re going to travel, do it early.”

Another favorite activity was sharing a cabin in Lassen City with their daughter and son-in-law, Dave and Viola Kidder. Vic says he enjoyed it because “I could fish out the front door,” but unfortunately the altitude bothers him so they’ve been sticking closer to home lately.

Luckily, the Bussards

won’t have to go far to be honored as the 2009 Senior Citizens of the Year. The Winters Chamber of Commerce will be present the award at its annual Year in Review celebration, planned for Saturday, Jan. 23. It may take the Bussards that long to get used to being honored for their commitment to saving lives. When they heard news of the honors, Vi says she “thought there were more people who’ve done a lot more than we did.”

She says getting an award for their efforts was the last thing on their minds back in 1975.

“We just thought it was necessary and it was needed.”

More important than the award, she says, is what all the blood that she, Vic and all the donors over the years represents: “How many lives that were saved, that might not be here if we didn’t have the blood bank.”

Noting that blood is often in higher demand

during the holidays, Vi encourages everyone to donate blood if they can.

“It makes you feel good. You know people are getting benefits from it. It’s not a waste of time,” she says.

“It feels good that you’re doing something for the people of the community,” says Vic.

“It’s nice to contribute to something that’s really necessary,” adds Vi.

Besides their daughter, Viola, who lives in Winters with her husband, they have a son, Elmer, who lives in Nevada City with his wife, Chrissie, and their two children.

Anyone who would like to participate in honoring the Bussards can get tickets for the Jan. 23 celebration, which begins at 6 p.m. for no-host cocktails at the Community Center. Catered dinner is at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$35 per person, available in advance only.

For tickets, call the Winters Chamber of Commerce, 795-2329.

COUNCIL

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very low, low and moderate categories.

The revision was the product of a process started in Nov., 2008, and was approved by the planning commission at the Nov., 2009, meeting.

LSNC participated in the talks for the revised ordinance, and approved the loosening of requirements. This is because the city has been building many more than the required amount of units, explained Maguire.

“We have not only fulfilled the guidelines of redevelopment law and our own inclusion ordinance,” said Maguire, “we have exceeded it

significantly.”

“So I guess that’s what’s given us the flexibility to offer this,” said Mayor Mike Martin. “We’ve met and exceeded all of our goals.”

“Why can’t that be longer?” asked council member Harold Anderson, referring to the document’s end date in 2013.

The date was set to align with some other closing dates, and staff felt it will be easy to extend the document when it expires, answered Maguire.

“All of the really big projects are outside of the project area,” said Maguire. “We’re quite confident the production numbers will hold up extremely well.”

“In 2013 we will be updating our housing ele-

ment again,” said City Manager John Donlevy. “We might as well bring it back at that time as well.”

“The idea here is to encourage infill development,” said Maguire, “or, to use the buzz term, smart growth. There’s a lot of small parcels that only marginally pencil out even without an inclusionary obligation.”

“The requirement was literally bankrupting projects,” said Donlevy.

Maguire said the process may increase funding for future low income housing, because development in the project area yields property tax revenues that come back to the city with a requirement they be used 20 percent

for affordable housing.

Donlevy spoke well of LSNC’s participation in the process, despite the pain of the lawsuit back in 1991.

“I have to express a real sincere thank you,” said Donlevy, “for their ability to step up and help us. A real thanks to them.”

“I like what you’ve done,” said contractor and planning commissioner Wade Cowan, during the public hearing. “It really helps clear up a lot of very muddy water, which cost me personally grief in the past, as you all know. I’m all for this. So, let’s do it.”

Council unanimously passed the ordinance.

The next council meeting will take place on Jan. 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Entertainment

Round Dance class begins in Vacaville

By **LESLIE DIFFEY**
Special to the Express

Round Dance might be a new term for most folks in the community but it has been around and popular for many years. Often there is an article in Ballroom Journals calling “Round Dancing,” the best kept secret in social couple dancing.

There are two distinct dance categories called Round Dance. The specific dances belonging to the first of these categories are often considered to be ethnic, folk or country dances. The dances in the second category are more closely related to social ballroom dancing.

Modern social round dancing is choreographed and cued ballroom dancing that progresses in a circular pattern, counter-clockwise around the dance floor. The two major categories of ballroom rhythm found in round dancing are the smooth or international rhythms, such as foxtrot and waltz, and the Latin rhythms, such as cha-cha and rumba.

Round dancing differs from free-style ballroom dancing in that each round dance has been fully choreographed ahead of time, and a “cuer” or leader at the front of the ballroom tells the dancers, as they dance, what steps to do. As the music plays, and just ahead of the beat, so the dancers have time to respond,

the cuer names each dance figure in the choreography. As a consequence, all the dancers on the floor are dancing the same steps at the same time.

The step-by-step instructions on how to dance this choreography are written out in what is called a cue sheet. Ballroom instructors teach introductory lessons by “cueing” the dancers through a string of figures.

Examples of social dances that may be danced in round fashion are Bolero, Cha-cha-cha, Foxtrot, Hustle, Jive, Lindy Hop, Mambo, Quickstep, Rumba, Salsa, Samba, Single Swing, Slow Two Step, Tango, Two Step, Waltz, Viennese Waltz -and West Coast Swing.

For many years, this type of ballroom dancing has been included at American Square Dance festivals offering a popular event for both types of dancing.

The VacaValley Ramblers Square Dance Club is a new and growing club with a great number of youth who already round dance as do many members of the club. The club will start classes in January. For more information, email jldiffey@sbeglobal.net, call (707) 450-0380, or visit www.vacavalleyrambler.com.



Courtesy photo

Izabella will perform at the Palms on Dec. 26. Tickets are \$12 and attendees are asked to bring a can for a canned food drive.

Izabella will jam at the Palms

Izabella will share their explosive tunes at the Palms Playhouse. The show kicks off at 8 p.m. on Dec. 26 and the ticket price is \$12. Local band 2Me will start off the evening. A canned food drive is in the works to benefit a local non-profit.

Izabella is a family of musicians known for producing an organic and elevated sound. Their April release, *Drugs & Apple Pie*, has been warmly received. In addition to a solid studio presence, Izabella’s live performances are brimming with en-

ergy. Halloween weekend, the band set the bar at the 4th annual Las Tortugas Festival. “You couldn’t pick a finer main stage opener than Izabella, a continually evolving Northern California unit that oozes positivity anchored to serious chops and strong songwriting. Archetypically ‘jam band’ in nature, they encompass soul, rock, pop, and jazz as if all lived happily in one big bed,” wrote Dennis Cook for Jambase.com.

Since its inception in Fall 2006, and after hitting the road full-time

in 2008, Izabella has performed over 250 gigs, including some key performances at summer festivals: High Sierra, 4 Peaks, Las Tortugas, Summer Meltdown, Oregon County Fair, and Bobolink. This solid tour schedule combined with an elevated level of stage and light production has helped Izabella garner various accolades, including the Jambands.com title, “New Groove of the Month” back in August 2008. In 2009, Izabella was nominated for the SAMIEs (Sacramento Area Music Awards)

and won Best of Sacramento, Editors’ Pick for Sacramento magazine.

Band members Sean Lehe (guitar, vocals), Brian Rogers (vocals, drums, guitar, bass), Murph (bass), Sam Phelps (keys, vocals), Jeff Coleman (keys), and Lucas Carlton (drums) are equally committed to evolving their sound. As this musical collective continues to blaze their own trail, they remain in constant connection with their community of fans who ultimately make it all happen.

Palms New Year’s Eve party will feature fiery fiddler

A New Year’s Eve dance party with Tom Rigney & Flambeau is planned at The Palms on Thursday, Dec. 31, at 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 per person, and are available at Pacific Ace Hardware in advance, and at the door if not sold out.

Tom Rigney, the fiery, electrifying violinist/composer, joins forces with some of the finest musicians on the San Francisco music scene to form Tom Rigney & Flambeau. This great band specializes in blazing Cajun and zydeco two-steps, low-down blues, funky New Orleans grooves, and beautiful ballads and waltzes.

Most of the songs are composed by Rigney, but they also mix in a few classics from the Cajun/zydeco/ New Orleans songbook. Tom Rigney and Flambeau were voted Best Cajun/Zydeco Band of 2004 by the West Coast Blues Hall of Fame.

The Critical Review wrote of Rigney’s performances: “Tom Rigney plays the violin and man can he play! High, low, moans, screams, etc., all from that fiddle. He is in my mind



TOM RIGNEY

one of the cleanest, smoothest fiddle players I’ve ever heard. He somehow adjusts that instrument to the right genre. Rigney has surrounded himself with some fine musicians that can really play and support his arrangements. The band is made up of talented artists who are them-

selves impressive. These guys are good, fiery talented, and hot. The originals here have the feel of classics.”

For more information about Tom Rigney and Tom Rigney & Flambeau, including the option to listen to some music before seeing him live, visit www.rigomania.com.

‘The Producers’ is the most recent Davis production

Davis Musical Theatre Company recently announced the opening of Mel Brooks’ Tony Award winning musical, “The Producers.” For the first time on a local community theatre stage, Mel Brooks’ smash musical sets the standard for modern, outrageous, in-your-face humor. The Broadway

production won a record twelve Tony Awards and wowing capacity crowds nationwide.

This production is directed by Steve Isaacson and choreographed by Ron Cisneros. “The Producers” is recommended for audiences age 13 and up.

“The Producers”

runs Jan. 8-31, 2010, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:15 p.m. and Sundays at 2:15 pm, at the DMTC Performing Arts Center, 607 Pena Drive, Davis. Tickets are \$18 general, \$16 students and seniors.

To reserve tickets visit www.dmtc.org, or call the box office, 756-3682.

Hear ‘A Night of Blues’ in Davis

The City of Davis Community Services Department is hosting A Night of Blues on Saturday, Jan. 9, 2010, at 6 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Theatre, 203 East

Fourteenth Street in Davis. Tickets are \$7 and are available at the Community Services Office at City Hall located at 23 Russell Boulevard, Suite 5, Davis, or tickets

are available at the door for \$9.

For more information, call the Community Services Department, 757-5626, or visit www.cityofdavis.org.

Everything on the table for school district budget cuts

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The school board considered planning for the next round of budget cuts at the Dec. 17 meeting. The discussion came on the heels of budget workshops in October and November.

Chief Business Officer Gloria Hahn's report reflects an exhaustive review of the entire district and estimates the district will need to cut \$1.4 million in the next two fiscal years, or \$700k each year. The district is already in deficit spending mode, making use of one-time federal stimulus money and reserves to fill shortfalls.

The district has become expert at the cost cutting process. The past four years have seen budgets reduced in the \$300,000 range annually because of declining enrollment, with significantly larger reductions in the last two years because of state funding cuts being added to the cuts caused by dropping enrollment. The project gets more difficult each year, because the easy cuts have already been done.

Superintendent Beci Gillespie reviewed the process underway.

"We've met with staff, we've met with bargaining unit presidents, we've sent out that brainstorm list. It's just a compilation from the budget workshops we did here and also our leadership team and anything that came

to our attention from any kind of feedback."

The 71 potential cuts being considered include:

- ~ Retaining the shared administration of SRIS and WMS administration, which saves \$101,981 by eliminating the principle position at SRIS.

- ~ Increasing class sizes at various schools, which could save as much as \$434,00 if all schools increased class size by four students.

- ~ Eliminating stipends for support for special ed, athletics, and music, saving \$176,348, pending union negotiations.

- ~ Eliminating the assistant principal position at WMS and increasing the counselor position there, saving \$82,149.

- ~ Restructuring the WHS schedule and modifying the senior project program to save \$120,400.

- ~ Furlough days — adding three would save \$162,750, pending negotiations.

- ~ Using volunteer crossing guards, saving \$30,761.

- ~ Eliminate sports at WHS and WMS, saving \$138,772.

- ~ Closing SRIS and moving the kindergarten back to John Clayton, saving \$182,000. It is unclear where the Wolfskill High School program would end up.

- ~ Eliminate Board of Trustee stipends, saving \$22,198.

The list shows a broad investigation of

all district costs and includes far reaching ideas without specific known savings, including:

- ~ Drilling wells because of increasing city water costs.

- ~ Selling off old vehicles.

- ~ Closing various sites. The report considers the district office, John Clayton, the transportation yard, the ag site and the Wolfskill site, with programs to be mixed and moved to other sites.

- ~ Cutting transportation services or charging fees for transportation.

- ~ Digital textbooks for students, and/or a moratorium on new textbooks.

- ~ Discontinuing summer school.

- ~ Assessing staffing at all levels.

- ~ Joining the ag site with a seed business as a partnership or a joint program with other communities nearby.

Trustee David Hyde asked Gillespie if the leadership group would be presenting a unified plan, or would the board see a series of interest groups all asking not to be cut, as has been the case in the past.

"I really want this district to get through this," said Gillespie. "This is nothing that we have done to ourselves, for the most part. This has been hoisted upon us by the mess of the state."

"Let's get serious about the work that needs to be done. I have had discussions about

how we can look at this as a whole. That has been my instruction and will continue to be."

"Things are bad," said trustee Jay Shepherd, "but we're a lot better off than some of the districts around us. And that's because this board, with guidance from our finance officer — we have made the necessary cuts when it was the right time."

Asked by Shepherd if the cuts in state funding might not even be worse than these numbers, Hahn responded she had concerns about federal funding.

"One thing is the state's "maintenance of effort" obligation to the federal government," said Hahn. "This requirement for federal funds may not be met if state funding gets too low."

"I'm overwhelmed by the amount of work that you've done," said Shepherd.

"They did an amazing job," said Gillespie.

"It's not something we would wish on ourselves," said Hahn.

A detailed list of possible budget actions can be found at <http://wintersjUSD.org/reductions2010.htm>. The decisions will be made at the Feb. 4 meeting of the board. The next board meeting will be Jan. 7, at 6:30 p.m., in the Walnut Room at the district office, 911 Grant Avenue.

CHP encourages drivers to stay safe

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) has a few suggestions for motorists looking to stay safe this year: never drink and drive, watch your speed and always buckle up before heading out.

In an effort to keep California's roads safe this holiday season, enhanced CHP presence will occur during the upcoming Christmas enforcement period, which begins Thursday, Dec. 24 at 6 p.m. and continues through midnight, Sunday, Dec. 27.

"The holidays are about family, friends and celebration," said CHP Commissioner Joe Farrow. "Unfortunately it's also a time of year when we see too many alcohol-related fatalities."

According to the Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System (SWITRS) there were more than 4,000

collisions that occurred during last year's Christmas enforcement period in California. During that same time period, 37 people died on California's roadways and among those killed, 23 lost their lives in alcohol-related crashes.

Along with the increased enforcement effort, the CHP is asking motorists to help keep the state's roadways safe by calling 911 to report a suspected drunk driver. Callers should be prepared to provide dispatchers a description of the vehicle, its location and direction of travel.

The CHP will conduct a similar holiday enforcement effort over the long New Year's weekend, which begins Thursday, Dec. 31 at 6 p.m. and continues through midnight, Sunday, Jan. 3, 2010.

GUILTY

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Ross-O'Hara, reporter for McNaughton newspapers, District Attorney Robert Trudgeon confirmed that DNA samples from the blood found in the couple's Baker Street apartment in Winters matched Ramos. Ross O'Hara noted that although Hernandez was found guilty of second degree murder, he was found not guilty of first degree murder.

She added that jury foreman Mike Sullivan

commented on how tough this case was because there was nobody, and another juror who asked to remain anonymous commented that the trial process "restores his faith in the system."

Following the reading of the verdict, Winters Police Chief Bruce Muramoto had praise for Winters Police Officer Sergio Gutierrez, who headed up the investigation locally, and for the Yolo County District Attorney's office as well, calling the overall investigation and trial "great teamwork."

BOE

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Statewide Compliance and Outreach Program (SCOP). The goal of these visits by the BOE specialists is to ensure all businesses are properly registered so there is no unfair business advantage over those businesses that are properly registered and reporting their taxes and/or fees.

A recent two-year pilot estimated that more than three percent of businesses operating in California do so without the appropriate permits or licenses that allow for collection of sales and use tax, as well as other taxes and fees. Non-compliance is a part of the more than \$2 billion sales and use tax gap.

The BOE specialists will conduct checks for seller's permits of all storefronts and other known business locations. When the specialists visit, business owners will be asked business-related questions and not be asked for personal financial information.

There are seven teams of approximately eight BOE staff located throughout the state that have begun their door-to-door visits based on zip code. Those businesses found to be out of compliance will be given instructions on how to register with the BOE and given information about other necessary licenses.

For more information on the Statewide Compliance and Outreach Program, visit www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/S-COP_Overview.htm.

Sports

Football teams honor players at banquet

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports correspondent

The Winters Warriors football teams held their annual banquet at the Winters Fire House on Monday, Dec. 7, with coaches Daniel Ward and Tyson Allen giving recognition to their respective teams. Coach Allen started out the night by giving credit to his whole team for an impressive 9-1 record. Allen also thanked the parents for their support of the players throughout the season and gave special thanks to the Donlevy family for feeding the players at every away game.

Nick Mariani was named the Team MVP for the Warriors JV team. Niko Doyle was named the Lions Club Offensive MVP and Keli Callison was named the Lions Club Defensive MVP. Chris Mayes was given the Block W Coaches Award for Rookie of the Year.

Coach Ward also started out the night giving thanks to all the parents for their support of the varsity team and gave a special thanks to Sharon Warren for hosting the Thursday night dinners.

Zach Higgins was named the teams Offense MVP.

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Football players honored at the recent banquet include, back row, left to right: Nick Mariani, Billy Rotenkolber, Keli Callison, Jesus Quirerte, Bryan Case, Dylan Ney, Thomas Boswell and Chris Mayes., Steven Warren, Riki Lucero and Jacob Lucero.

Photo by Eric Lucero

Warrior wrestlers do well at Sacramento tourney

By **Tim Hausler**
Special to the Express

December 19 was another exciting day for the Winters High School wrestling team. This feisty team only knows how to show the rest of the world that Winters has athletes that won't quit.

Chris "The Crusher" Calderone led the way by showing the Sacramento Area that seeding the small town veteran fourth in the tournament was a big mistake. Calderone scored a take down and near the fall in all three periods of the match to beat his first opponent 13-0. He then pinned his foe from Granite Bay High School in the quarterfinals against the number one-seed from Casa Robles High School. Calderone crushed him in less than thirty seconds with a pin. Calderone then took on the number-two seed in the finals. His opponent from Wood Creek High School suffered complete domination as Calderone took him down in the first period and then in the second period cradled and pinned his foe to the mat in crushing style.

Calderone is wrestling hot, leading the team in the race for the most pins with six in just eight matches.

Joe "The Beast" Souza had a great day competing in the 160-pound class. Souza pinned his first two opponents before losing to the eventual champion in the semi-finals. He then tore up his foe from Sheldon High School, 15-0. This set him up for a match for third place against Argonaut High School's studly wrestler. Souza showed him why he is "The Beast" when he threw to his back and squeezed the life out of him for a pin in the second period. Souza is tied with Calderone for pins at six.

Billy "The Bully" Rotenkolber took third place in the 189 pound division. Rotenkolber was 4-1 on the day as he faced some fierce competition. He bullied his way to a 5-3 win, a 5-2 win, a 14-4 thrashing and then a rough and tough 7-3 win for third place.

Jackson "The Jack-Hammer" Waldron hammered his first opponent with a 10-0 domination. He then matched up with Wood

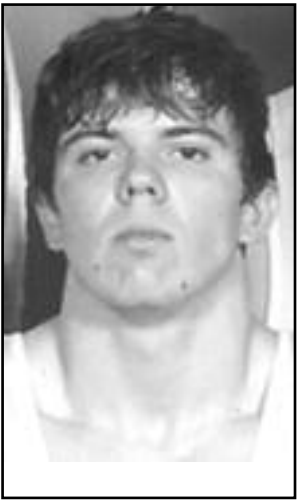
Creek High School's scrappy 152-pound wrestler where he last a controversial 6-7 decision. Coach Hausler had it 9-6 in Waldron's favor but the absent-minded official had the final say on that. We all know that life is unfair and Waldron took the loss like a true sportsman, showing very good form.

Other Warriors competing in the meet were Nick "The Rock" Stewart at 125-pounds, Trevor "The Kid" Wright at 145-pounds, and Jim "The Terminator" Tweedt at 285-pounds.

This never-say-die team will next be testing itself at the Sierra Nevada Classic in Reno on Dec. 29 and 30. This is a 100-team tournament that is one of the best high school meets in the Nation. The Warriors were 38th last year. Hope to see you there.

PISANI'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Chris Calderon



Chris Calderon, a junior on the Winters Warriors wrestling team, is this week's athlete of the week. Calderon finished second in the San Marin Tournament in Novato on Saturday, Dec. 12, and then took first place at Casa Roble on Saturday, Dec. 19.

"Chris has been doing really well," said coach Tim Hausler. "He should have a great season."

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Starstruck soccer players nearly clinch championship

By RODNEY OROSCO
Special to the Express

It is the sad truth of soccer: a team can go undefeated in regular play of a two-day tournament, make it to the championship game, play a beautiful 70-minute game, and lose on penalty kicks. (Penalty kicks are those evil events that put a player about 10 yards in front of the goal with the ball and then everyone waits to see what happens).

And, so it was for the Winters AYSO U-14 girl's soccer team, Starstruck.

The Winters team ended the Nov. 21-22 AYSO Area Tournament with a

second place finish to a team from Davis.

"The girls played their hearts out and I could not be prouder of them," Starstruck coach Ralph Anderson said.

After a 1-1 tie in the first game of the tournament, the girls stormed through the next two games going unscored upon and seemingly scoring at will against teams from Rio Linda and Antelope.

"There was great passing and ball control from all the girls all weekend," Anderson said.

Sarah Kimes controlled the center of the field for the Winters girls and when she was

not making loping runs down the field, she was swinging sharp passes out to the wings.

Streaking in from the wings were the shortest, and the youngest members of the team.

Adriana Banuelos showed that size is not a good judge of ball control and speed. Banuelos was able to move the ball deep into the corners and either out run the defenders to make turns toward the goal, or send excellent searching passes into the goal box.

At the other wing it was all youth and speed.

Meghan Murphy, one of the youngest players on the team, spent the

entire weekend burning a track down the side of the field.

Add an iron-wall defense put up by midfielder Marlen Guzman, defender Viviana Vazquez, and goalie Morgan Anderson, and the girl's team looked ready to take home a first place medal in the championship game against Davis.

However, the Davis team scored an equalizing goal in the final minute of the game and sent the game to penalty kicks.

"It was a great season, a great tournament and the girls were a great team," Anderson said.

Woman's shooting club forming

A women's shooting group is forming, for beginners and experienced shooters alike. Each meeting will offer a short training session, followed by live fire shooting.

The group will meet on the third Friday's of the month from 11 a.m. to noon at Center Mass Shooting Range, 27 Commerce Place in Caville. Bring your own firearm, or rent one for \$15 and in-

cludes everything you will need. There are no club fees or dues. Walk-ins are welcome.

This is a great way for beginning shooters to get started and for current shooters to improve their gun handling and marksmanship skills. The group is lead by an NRA trained firearms instructor.

For more information, call Center Mass Shooting Range, (707) 449-4867.

Belting it out



Courtesy photos

Belt promotions at Javier Martial Arts went to Zack Vosburg, purple belt; Joseph Dunlap, brown belt; Jessica Junes, yellow belt and Daniel Garcia (right), yellow belt.



Volunteers needed for breakfast study

The USDA, ARS Western Human Nutrition Research Center seeks healthy, premenopausal women, ages 25-45, to participate in a 10-week study examining the metabolic, hormonal and behavioral factors associated with routinely skipping breakfast. Participants must be willing and able to come to the UC Davis campus

for five half-day visits and should not be taking medications for depression, anxiety, birth control or weight loss.

This study includes financial compensation

for completing the study and a health evaluation.

For information, call 752-5177, and press study line #4, or visit www.ars.usda.gov/pwa/davis/whnrc/nutrition.

FOOTBALL

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sive MVP and Thomas Boswell was named the Defensive MVP, both sponsored by the Winters Lions Club. Unfortunately Frank Ramos, Lions Club representative was unable to attend the dinner that he has been hosting every year since the late forties due to an illness. So the other Frank Ramos (no relation) hosted the dinner in his honor.

Both Higgins and Boswell were also selected to the first team All Butte View League Team. Also making the first team were Steven Warren, Bryan Case and Billy Rotenkolber. Honorable mention All League members were Jacob Lucero, Riki Lucero, Juan Tovar and Jesus Quirerte. Case also earned the Block W Senior Scholar Athlete Award. Warren was given the Iron Warrior Award and received the Jack Delbar Award. Riki Lucero received the Paul Zinselmeir Award and Dylan Ney was given the John Kamerrer Award.

Schools

Community service scholarship offered to high schoolers

Yolo Community Foundation (YCF) announced recently that guidelines and applications for the 2010 Yolo Youth Service Awards (YoYoSA) are now available online at www.yolocf.org.

Applications are due Feb. 28, 2010 and awards will be announced by April 30, 2010. The YoYoSA program is designed to promote and reward Yolo County youth volunteering with local nonprofit organizations, and encourages Yolo County nonprofits to engage with youth volunteers.

YCF seeks applications from high school seniors who have volunteered with a recognized Yolo County nonprofit at least 60 hours during their junior and/or senior years of high school. YoYoSA

student awardees will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to support post-high school education, which may include college, vocational, or technical school. A \$500 grant will be awarded to the nonprofit agency sponsoring each YoYoSA student scholarship winner.

Yolo Community Foundation strives to boost local philanthropy by serving donors, nonprofits, and youth in the Yolo County area, and is proud to recognize tomorrow's leaders in local philanthropy through the YoYoSA program. To learn more about YCF and Yolo Youth Service Awards, visit the YCF website at www.yolocf.org, send an email to info@yolocf.org, or call 312-0593.



Stunning students

Photo by Pam Sheeline
Winters Middle School students chosen as Students of the Month are, front, Luke Vice (6th grade) and Colwyn Martin (7th); back, Christian Corrales (8th), Samantha Beltran (6th), Chaney Coman (7th) and Ellie Kreun (8th).

Free dental screenings offered for young children, with appointment

The Peterson CommunityCare Health Center in Woodland is hosting free dental screenings and fluoride varnish for Yolo County children 5 years old and younger. The clinic is one of several held this year to increase access to oral health care for children. The importance of early dental care and fluoride use to prevent

and arrest tooth decay will be emphasized. Spanish language translators will be available.

Tooth decay is the single most prevalent childhood disease. About one-third of California preschool children have untreated tooth decay and almost two-thirds of children will have dental decay by the time they reach

third grade. Untreated tooth decay can cause pain and infection, which can lead to problems with nutrition, growth, school readiness and speech. With access to health care as a critical concern, the Yolo County Children's Health Initiative and First 5 Yolo are teaming up with CommuniCare Health Centers to help

children receive the vital oral health care they need.

The screenings will be held Saturday, Jan. 23, 2010, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at CommuniCare Health Centers, Peterson, 8 North Cottonwood Street, in Woodland. For more information, and to call and make an appointment, call 666-8954.

A warm note



Courtesy photo
Taylor Rippee, a member of the Winters Middle School band, models the quilt she won from the Music Boosters. Funds from the raffle support the music program.

Lead poisoning prevention group shares toy safety tips for the holidays

While making toy selections this holiday season, it is important to keep safety in mind. Most parents and gift givers know that a good way to select toys is by looking at the minimum appropriate age for the toy. Since toys with small parts or parts that could break away can be a choking hazard for younger children, these toys will usually be marked with an "Age 3+."

What we don't always look for is the hidden danger of exposure to lead in paint and toys and some imported candies.

The Yolo County Lead Poisoning Prevention program seeks to educate parents, teachers, and child and health care providers on the dangers of lead poisoning. Even small amounts of lead can have a lifelong effect on brain development and learning of children.

Lead can be found in paint manufactured before 1977 in the United States and even today in some imported painted products such as toys, dinnerware, jewelry, and candies.

The Consumer Protection Safety Commission (CPSC) recently discussed new federal

safety rules that are in place for toys that will give American consumers greater confidence when they go shopping this holiday season. The new rules include lowering the acceptable amount of lead and phthalates in toys and expanding the categories of toys that fall under mandatory lead testing.

"CPSC has worked hard this year to give parents and grandparents greater confidence that the toys they seek to purchase have enhanced safety protections for children," said Chairman Inez Tenenbaum.

So far in calendar year 2009, CPSC has had 38 toy recalls, which is down from 162 in 2008 and 148 in 2007. Toy recalls involving lead paint are also down. This year, there have been 14 recalls involving lead, down from 63 in 2007 and 85 in 2008. CPSC attributes this decline to increased enforcement at the ports, cooperation with other nations, consumer awareness and education, and compliance by the industry with new federal safety rules.

Here are some general safety steps consumers can take while

toy shopping this holiday season:

~ Scooters and other Riding Toys: Riding toys, skateboards, and in-line skates go fast and falls could be deadly. Helmets and safety gear should be worn at all times and be sized to fit.

~ Small Balls and other Toys with Small Parts: For children younger than age three, avoid toys with small parts, which can cause choking.

~ Balloons: Children can choke or suffocate on un-inflated or broken balloons. Keep un-inflated balloons away from children younger than eight years old. Discard broken balloons at once.

~ Magnets: For children under age six, avoid building or play sets with small magnets. If magnets or pieces with magnets are swallowed, serious injuries and/or death can occur.

And once the gifts are open:

~ Immediately discard plastic wrappings or other packaging on toys before they become dangerous play things.

~ Keep toys appropriate for older children away from younger brothers or sisters.

~ Charging batteries should be supervised by adults. Chargers and adapters can pose thermal burn hazards to young children. Pay attention to instructions and warnings on battery chargers. Some chargers lack any device to prevent over-charging.

Along with educating the public, the Yolo County Health Department Lead Poisoning Prevention Program is equally committed to working with local business owners and healthcare providers to make sure to keep Yolo County kids lead-free.

For more information on preventing lead poisoning go to the Yolo County Lead Poisoning prevention website at www.yolocounty.org/Ind.aspx?page=128. For more information about the Consumer Protection Safety Commission visit their website www.cpsc.gov.

**Winters schools resume classes on Jan. 4.
 Until then, have a happy winter break!**

Features

What Is Secondary High Blood Pressure?

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am a 42-year-old male who has had high blood pressure for the past two years. I have been on many medicines, but my pressure doesn't go much lower. I don't smoke or drink. No one else in my family has high blood pressure. I am about 25 pounds overweight. My doctor mentioned that I might have secondary high blood pressure. What is that? — R.B.

ANSWER: Ordinary high blood pressure, or hypertension, is essential hypertension — high blood pressure that comes on its own. Secondary high blood pressure is an elevation of pressure due to another process.

A leading cause of secondary high blood pressure is a narrowed kidney artery. Because of the narrowing, the kidney thinks body's blood pressure is too low. It begins to turn out large quantities of renin, a kidney-made chemical that raises blood pressure. This kind of high blood pressure is known as renovascular hypertension. It can be cured by relieving the blockage in the kidney artery.

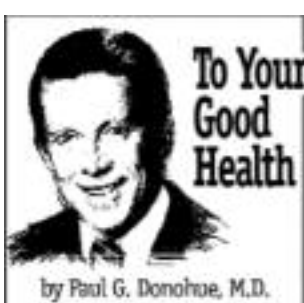
Adrenal gland tumors, Cushing's disease and a very unusual tumor called a pheochromocytoma are other causes of secondary high blood pressure. The bright side of secondary high blood pressure is its curability when the "secondary" process is treated.

Your young age and the fact that your pressure doesn't respond to the drugs well are two factors that suggest a secondary process might be going on.

Even though you didn't ask, you can help yourself by losing the extra 25 pounds of weight you carry. Diet and exercise do work. You also can do yourself good by reducing greatly the amount of salt in your diet.

Proof of secondary high blood pressure involves some complicated tests, so don't be surprised if your doctor arranges them for you.

Readers interested in ordinary high blood pressure can order the pamphlet on this com-



mon condition by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 104W, 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: I have jogged for many years. It's kept my weight down, and I do feel really fit. Twice I have sprained an ankle by stepping in a pothole I couldn't see. What's the right way to treat a sprained ankle? — G.R.

ANSWER: I can't improve on the time-honored RICE recipe.

"R" is for rest. Don't put weight on a joint whose pain increases by so doing.

"I" is for ice. A good way to apply ice is to put it in a plastic bag and then put a thin towel between the bag and the injured joint. Keep the ice in place for 15 minutes. Repeat the icing three or four times in the first day or two. Then switch to hot packs.

"C" stands for compression. An elastic wrap does just fine.

"E" is for elevation. If it's the ankle that's injured, the leg should be propped up. All these steps are done to prevent bleeding and swelling during the first two days of an injury. Use pain medicine as needed. Tylenol is a good choice. ***

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. (c) 2009 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved

Happy holidays and freaky families

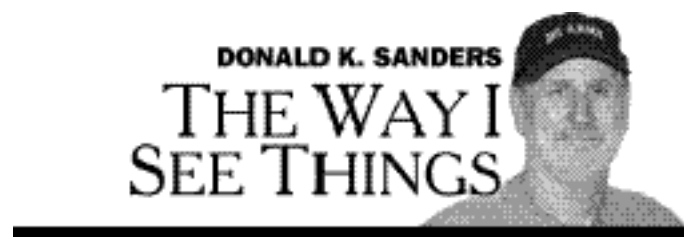
I would like to wish a "Happy Holidays" to everyone. For some unknown reason, this is something that I have rarely felt the urge to go out of my way to do. This year is different somehow. I feel closer to society as a whole, more peaceful.

Last week, my wife and I went to a delightful dinner party at Debra's house. Charley was there with his wife and her parents, so was Jesse Loren and her husband and a few other warm and friendly people. As Debra put it, "There are no Vietcong coming," so I felt comfortable and slowly relaxed and sunk into a glass of very good red wine. It was great.

To tell the truth, when I first received her invitation, I thought that maybe she was throwing a "Pig party." A "Pig Party" is like a contest to see who can invite the ugliest person. The winner of which will receive a prize. I thought that maybe I was to be Debra's entry into the contest. I considered taking my brother along because he is much uglier than I am.

I wasn't going to eat very much because I didn't know if Debra could cook or not. I made a quick reconnoiter of the food as I sat down; it looked very good so I tasted it. Pretty soon I had my whole face down in my plate, scarping it up. When I got done I looked up to see if there was any more and I noticed everybody was staring at me. At that precise moment in time I realized I was the pig at the party.

Anyway, "Happy Holi-



days." Debra and Charley. May your struggle to keep your newspaper alive and kicking be successful for another hundred years but I can't go on buying 50 copies every week and I caught my friend Steve with another 25 copies because he was the subject of my last column. "Happy Holidays," citizens of Winters.

"Happy Holidays" to all of our servicemen and women overseas, and "Happy Holidays" to all of those loved ones that are no longer with us but live on in our hearts forever, like Joe and Aunt Pat. They were two of the elders of the "freaky family." I call them the "freaky family" because they are so much more than normal. All they do is kiss and hug each other. They never fuss and fight and call each other names like most families do. They are knitted tighter than any group of people I have ever known.

December 16 was the 12th anniversary of Joe's passing. On this day, every year, the freaky family gets together at Seaclyff Beach, near Santa Cruz, to celebrate Joe's life and every year he brings them closer together in their circle of love. There are brothers and sisters, aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews, and me. Yes, I too have become a part of Joe's freaky family. I got sucked in like a dust bunny into a vacuum

cleaner.

Joe was not only the father of the freaky family. He was much more. He was a man's man. He and his wife, Jan, reared nine children. These nine, I consider the heart of the freaky family. I've never seen so much kissing and hugging in my entire life. I don't think I've ever hugged my family and I can remember my mother holding me and stroking my hair only once, many years ago. It was like we had a "no touch" relationship. No hugging and no kissing on the cheek. Not even a handshake that I can remember.

Twelve years ago, Joe passed from this world to the next while surrounded by all of the freaky family. I cannot think of a better way to go than in a room full of people that love you, and loved he was. Man, I tell you that when the freaky family loves someone, you can really feel it. It scared the hell out of me at first and it took me a few years to settle in and find my place in the freaky family. Now I can walk among them, move around, interact, and make a general fool of myself and they still love me. What's up with that? It fills me, completely, and I'm happy like a big fat Buddha sitting under a tree. What a family!

Happy holidays.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Events could inspire adventurous Lambs looking to make a major career or personal move. But as always, get all the facts before rushing into any sort of deal or commitment.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) What seems to be a great opportunity could cause even usually practical Taureans to ignore their inner caution cues. Best to move carefully to avoid falling into unseen traps.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Need a holiday now that the seasonal festivities are behind you? Good idea. Plan to go to someplace wonderful. You'll return refreshed and more than ready for a new challenge.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Progress continues to be made on that pesky workplace problem. Meanwhile, don't assume a personal situation will work itself out. Best to get more involved earlier than later.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Catnaps are definitely recommended for Leos and Leonas who had been going at a hectic pace over the holidays. Adding relaxation time to your schedule helps restore your overdrawn energy reserves.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Sure, some of the new friends you made over the holidays might move out of your life at some point. But at least one might show significant "staying power" with some encouragement.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Encourage family members to join you in supporting a relative who could be facing a difficult emotional challenge in the New Year. Showing your love and concern helps keep his or her hopes up.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) While a long-deferred decision suddenly might take on some urgency after news on a related matter, you still need to weigh all factors carefully before deciding one way or the other.

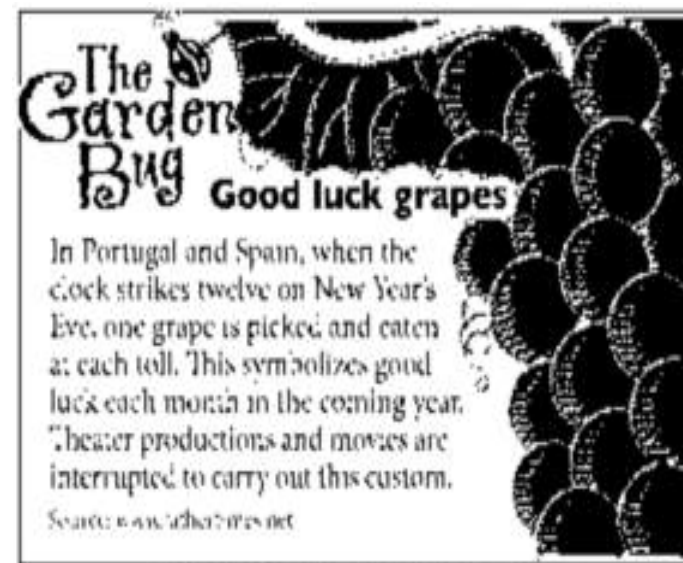
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good time to reassess the earlier plan you made for the New Year. Some elements you felt you could depend on to make it work might no longer carry that assurance.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Forming a renewed connection with a former associate is only the first step toward working out your new plans. Be prepared for problems, and deal with them as soon as they arise.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A romantic situation that was going smoothly not too long ago might take a new turn. Be honest about your feelings before you decide whether to follow it or take another path.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) The wise Pisces (that's you, of course) will make sure everyone knows you plan to keep your options open and listen to all sides of the situation before making any decisions.

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Pleased to meet you



Name: Mary B. Cooper

Occupation: Sales

Hobby: Car racing

What's best about living in Winters: "It's a great town to have your kids grow up in."

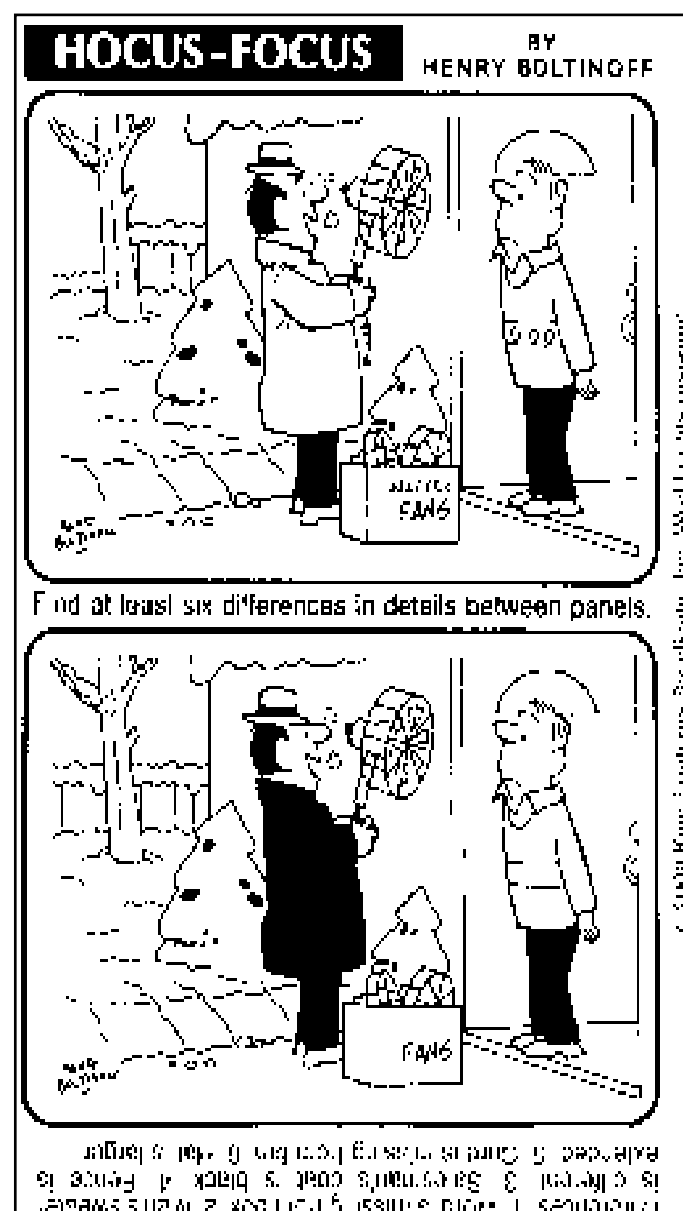
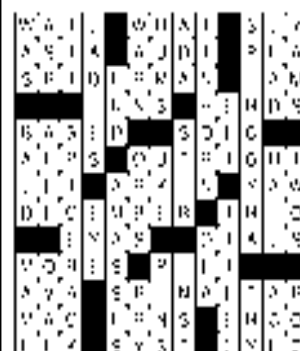
Fun fact: I was a 1976 rodeo queen of Winters and went to the grand nationals at the Cow Palace to barrel race.

Happy holidays!

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Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.



Nuestras Noticias

La recesión y los inmigrantes



Feliz Navidad

Recuerdos, nostalgia, añoranzas... algo así será el común denominador de estos días de Navidad en la vida de millones de inmigrantes que, entre penas propias y riquezas ajenas, sentirá que huyendo de la pobreza viajó a un descarnado encuentro con la soledad. Soledad que nunca conoció en la tierra donde nació. Allí conoció, enfrentó y combatió con la pobreza; pero la soledad casi nunca estuvo cerca de su vida. Tal vez por eso se hace tan difícil enfrentarla, pues no nos preparamos para enfrentarla.

Ahora, lejos, acaso muy lejos de lo amado y recordado, el inmigrante ha de buscar en su mochila de recursos no sólo cómo ganarse el pan, sino como no sucumbir ante la soledad en medio de las multitudes que, con miradas impersonales y juzgonas, con dedos que culpan y acusan y con voces que condenan, casi siempre sin razón... Y es que, en estos días de Navidad es cuando más se extraña lo querido, lo íntimamente propio. Por todo lado el inmigrante se ve acosado del desencuentro, que es casi natural en este enorme país de contradicciones y espejismos.

El inmigrante, este ser mayoritariamente generoso, emprendedor y virtuoso, necesita enfrentar la soledad con la fortaleza propia del ser singular, auténtico y soñador que él encarna. No puede encarcelar a su libérrima naturaleza, y menos hacer de la soledad su eterna compañera. El inmigrante necesita, sobre todo en esta época navideña, salir a un encuentro sincero y generoso con la vida y con los demás; necesita reconocer que entre las multitudes hay otros seres anhelantes de amistad, de comprensión, de autenticidad... El inmigrante, más que cualquier otro ser humano de este país necesita encontrarse consigo mismo y con el prójimo. No puede aceptar a la soledad como inapelable compañía. Teniendo tanto que decir, que compartir, que contar y que ofrecer, necesita encontrar amigos y actividades que le permitan expresarse y realizarse, en beneficio propio y de la comunidad en la que ha sido trasplantado. Seguramente con los demás y con la comunidad el inmigrante podrá desarrollar sus potencialidades, aprovechar su vitalidad y compartir su fe y su esperanza.

En la contraparte, la comunidad y los demás necesitan salir al encuentro del inmigrante y extenderle su mano generosa y su verso de aliento. Pues si la Navidad es tiempo de paz, entonces recordemos que nadie como el inmigrante necesita la paz, ¡Reclamemos paz para el inmigrante!

Si la Navidad es luz, reconozcamos que nadie como el inmigrante necesita que se ilumine su camino, ¡Qué se encienda un faro para ellos! Si la Navidad es don, entonces recordemos que entre los inmigrantes hay mil necesidades, ¡Qué todos ayudemos a los inmigrantes! Si la Navidad es compasión, entonces que se derrame compasión sobre cada inmigrante, ¡Qué se tenga piedad del inmigrante! Si la Navidad es amor, porque a amar nos enseñó Jesús, entonces que desaparezca todo lo que es ajeno al amor, ¡Qué se colme de amor al inmigrante! Si la Navidad es tiempo de regalos, entonces regalemos felicidad, paz y esperanza a cada inmigrante, ¡Qué no haya inmigrantes solos, desesperanzados y tristes en esta Navidad! Les deseamos una feliz Navidad.

Todo empezó a caerse a finales del 2006, cuando el negocio de la construcción residencial se vino abajo con el estallido de la burbuja inmobiliaria. Los avances que habían obtenidos los hispanos en el mundo laboral se deterioraron rápidamente hasta quedar borrados por la recesión. La tasa de desempleo de los hispanos, descendió a 3.4% ese año, comparada con 4.5% en el caso de los trabajadores nacidos en el país. Para el primer trimestre de este año todo había cambiado. La desocupación entre los inmigrantes se ubicó en 9.2% (actualmente es de 14.6%) y su participación en el mercado laboral se fue diluyendo. En contraste,

aunque el desempleo también afectó a los trabajadores nativos, la erosión que sufrieron fue varios puntos menor.

En una recesión económica como la que estamos viviendo los trabajadores extranjeros son más vulnerables a los vaivenes de la economía, en comparación con los nacidos en el país. Avanzan cuando la economía crece, y son los más golpeados cuando esta se desploma. La razón podría explicarse porque los trabajadores extranjeros tienen una presencia desproporcionada en los grupos que han experimentado las mayores pérdidas. Además, tienden a participar en actividades económicas que están más sujetas a

sufrir vaivenes de tipo cíclico y en sectores como la construcción y la manufactura, que invariablemente caen durante los períodos de contracción económica.

La falta de trabajos se comenzó a ver mucho antes de que se comenzara la desaparición de empleos en la construcción y en otras áreas donde trabajan muchos inmigrantes. Otro de los indicadores de que la economía anda quebrantada es precisamente que el número de inmigrantes empieza a decaer. No hay trabajos que los atraigan. Una de las cosas que no ha cambiado, es la brecha en el ingreso entre los trabajadores inmigrantes y los nacidos aquí. Desde mediados de los 90, los primeros devengan

aproximadamente 20% menos que su contraparte.

Ahora tenemos que la pobreza es mayor entre los inmigrantes que entre los nacidos aquí. Por ejemplo, en 2008 uno de cada cinco hogares de inmigrantes se encontraba en la indigencia, frente una de cada nueve de la población no inmigrante, por eso les presentamos a los legisladores la cuestión de si no debe ofrecerse ayuda a las familias inmigrantes en tiempo de contracción económica, pues los trabajadores sin papeles no tienen derecho a ese tipo de beneficios.

y tristes en esta Navidad! Les deseamos una feliz Navidad.

Tráfico de influencias

No hay lugar a dudas de que la manera como opera la democracia nos conduce a la conclusión de que es el gobierno de los pocos, con los pocos y para los pocos. Esa manera de operar se hace cada día más evidente en los salones del Congreso, donde los intereses de los grupos de poder hacen torcer los brazos para que se legisle a su favor. Para hacer efectiva esa táctica, existen unos grupos que denominan “lobbies” o traficantes de influencias, que son los que se encargan de poner presión a los legisladores para que sus decisiones se inclinen a favorecer los intereses que esos “lobbies” representan.

Estos traficantes de influencias por lo regular trabajan haciendo contribuciones económicas a los comités de campaña de los legisladores, los que una vez elegidos tienden a corresponder el favor de sus contribuidores. Este mecanismo se ha convertido en el favorito de ambos grupos beneficiarse: los legisladores aseguran el medio de elegirse y los “lobbies” aseguran el medio de proteger los intereses de los grupos que representan.

Los “lobbies” son un componente tan importante en el modo de operar en el Congreso, que hoy es casi imposible que un proyecto de ley tenga éxito sin la intervención de estos grupos. En Washington sus centros de operaciones son tan visibles como los de la gran burocracia del gobierno. En la discusión del proyecto de reforma de la salud, que actualmente se debate en el Congreso, la influencia de los “lobbies”, que representan el gran emporio de los negocios de la salud, han neutralizado los objetivos que el Presidente Obama intentaba lograr con la reforma de salud, sobre

todo la opción a una alternativa pública operada por el gobierno.

Una vez se conoció que esa opción era parte del programa del Presidente, los “lobbies” de las grandes compañías farmacéuticas y los seguros, enfilaron sus cañones para desacreditar esa opción, calificándola como peligrosa al derecho de los ciudadanos de elegir libremente sus opciones de salud. Aunque el asunto de una alternativa pública nada tiene que ver con la libertad de elegir, los emporios del negocio de salud y sus alicates, la tomaron por ahí porque era la mejor manera de atraer la oposición del público, que por tradición es reacio a que le toquen sus libertades individuales. Haciendo uso de esta debilidad, los opositores al proyecto, han lanzado una fuerte campaña por los medios diciendo también, que la opción pública es un atentado del gobierno contra la libre empresa, ya que, un programa financiado por el gobierno constituiría una competencia desleal contra la empresa privada.

Esta versión de los controladores del negocio de la salud es total-

mente falsa. Los verdaderos objetivos de la opción pública no es destruir, ni hacer baja a los que hoy controlan el negocio, si no abrir la posibilidad de que con la presencia de una opción pública los precios del costo de la salud sean menos elevados y por supuesto, más justos. Lo que se quiere es que los costos bajen y así más norteamericanos tengan la posibilidad de obtener sus seguros de salud.

Actualmente cerca de 45 millones de norteamericanos no tienen seguros de salud y por supuesto, acceso a los cuidados de salud. Por qué, por los exagerados precios que los monopolizadores del negocio mantienen y que hasta ahora nadie se ha atrevido a controlar. De manera que la opción de una reforma de salud es necesaria no solo desde el punto de vista de la salud misma, sino desde el punto vista económico. No nos podemos dar el lujo de que el gasto de salud siga elevándose como hasta ahora lo ha estado haciendo.

Si los datos y las evidencias están tan claros, ¿por qué no hay la voluntad política entre los legisladores de aprobar las reformas

propuestas por el Presidente con una opción pública de salud? El problema es que los legisladores están más preocupados en preservar los intereses del negocio, que en abrir una puerta hacia alternativas que beneficien a las mayorías y que al mismo tiempo produzcan una reducción a los elevados costos de salud.

Como están las cosas hasta ahora en las discusiones en el Congreso, todo luce indicar que los dueños del negocio se saldrán con las suyas y la opción de una alternativa pública morirá en los salones del Congreso. Todo esto a pesar de que en encuestas hechas recientemente la mayoría del pueblo norteamericano apoya la opción pública en las reformas. Pero esta es la realidad de la democracia en que vivimos: elegimos a un grupo para que éste gobierne para unos pocos. Mientras tanto, que viva la democracia de esos pocos porque los otros estamos demás.

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Noche Buena, 24 de Diciembre

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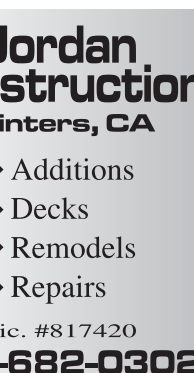
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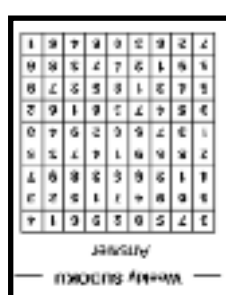
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• "I had a couple of really beautiful wall calendars last year. To save some of the nicest pictures, I had them laminated. They make great placemats for snacks." — S.D. in Arizona

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Weekly police report

Nov. 20
~ Unknown time: On the 500 block of Manzanita Way, family members were involved in a civil dispute.

Nov. 11
~ 9:00 p.m.: On the 100 block of Elliot Street, a suspect pointed and racked a shotgun toward the victim in a threatening manner. Investigation continues.

Dec. 14
~ 11:00 a.m.: On the 400 block of Russell Street, a report of elder abuse was received and forwarded to Adult Protective Services.
~ 1:59 p.m.: On Myrtle Drive, two officers assisted a Yolo County Sheriff Deputy with a physical altercation.

Dec. 15
~ 12:05 a.m.: Steven Harlan Beck, 21, of Woodland was issued a notice to appear for driving a vehicle with an expired registration, failing to have a driver's license in his possession while driving, failing to provide proof of insurance and possessing less than an ounce of marijuana.

Dec. 16
~ 4:03 a.m.: On the 100 block of East Grant Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. Unknown suspect(s) removed a window from the front door to gain entry to a business. Once inside the business, the office door was forced open and a safe was removed from the office. The Officer located the safe on the sidewalk in front of the business.
~ 2:11 p.m.: On the 800 block of Taylor Street, an Officer assisted Vacaville Police Department with an attempt to locate a missing juvenile.
~ 7:49 p.m.: On the 200 block of Railroad Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

Dec. 17
~ 12:08 a.m.: Luis Alberto Loza-Reyes, 20, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of marijuana, transporting marijuana for sale, possessing marijuana for sale, and failing to stop at a stop sign. Loza-Reyes was booked at Winters Police Department and

transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.
~ 1:14 am: On Ivy Court, two male subjects were observed rummaging through unlocked vehicles.

Dec. 18
~ 5:13 p.m.: James Clarence Caldwell, 43, of Winters was arrested on an outstanding Del Norte County Sheriff bench warrant charging him with failure to appear and violation of probation on previous charge of domestic battery. Caldwell was booked at Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

Dec. 19
~ 9:27 p.m.: Joaquin Serna Ayvar, 29, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08 percent, being an unlicensed driver and failing to stop at a stop sign. Ayvar was booked at Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear to a sober adult.

Dec. 20
~ 12:34 a.m.: Jessica General Wolter, 22, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08 percent, failing to stop at a stop sign and failing to provide proof of insurance. Wolter was booked at Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear to a sober adult.
~ 3:03 a.m.: On the 100 block of East Grant Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.
~ 6 p.m.: On the 400 block of Grant Avenue, a suspect jumped over victim's fence and vandalized victim's property. Investigation continues.
~ 11:29 p.m.: Two Winters juveniles, ages 16 & 17, were issued notices to appear for violating curfew.

Dec. 21
~ 10:20 am: A 17-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for graffiti vandalism that occurred at the Main Street Park and the Rotary Park. The juvenile was booked at Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

Tour of Lynch Canyon planned

Enjoy hiking the cattle trails and farm roads through rolling hills and woodlands on a three-hour tour on Lynch Canyon Open Space, beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 26. Participants will celebrate the wonders of the season in viewing a wide range of migratory birds and other wildlife and spectacular ridge top scenery in the 1,039 acre park in the hills of western Solano County.
The hike is moderate in pace and terrain on a working cattle ranch owned by the Solano Land Trust and operated in partnership with Solano County Parks. Participants can learn about the fascinating human history of the site and visit two historic home sites as well as native American acorn harvesting areas. The tour is free and the only cost is the county park \$5 per vehicle daily parking fee. Visitors are welcome to hike on their own and enjoy a picnic

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Remember the deadline is December 31, 2009

Classifieds SPORTS QUIZ

By Chris Richcreek

1. Only one player hit 50 or more home runs in a season during the decade of the '70s. Name him.
2. Which combination of brothers hit more combined major-league home runs: Jose and Ozzie Canseco or Carlos and Lee May?
3. Before winning the Hawaii Bowl in 2008, Notre Dame's football team held an NCAA record for the longest bowl losing streak. How many games was it?
4. True or false: Robert Horry, the leader in NBA postseason games played, reached the playoffs in all 16 of his NBA seasons.
5. How many times did Jeremy Roenick tally 50 or more goals for a season during his 20-year NHL career?
6. In which Olympic year did the U.S. men's basketball team win its first gold medal?
7. When Bobby Jones won golf's grand slam in 1930, what four events did he win?

Answers

1. George Foster had 52 for Cincinnati in 1977.
2. The Cansecos had 462; the Mays had 444.
3. Nine straight bowl games.
4. True.
5. Twice, for Chicago in 1991-92 and 1992-93.
6. It was 1936.
7. The U.S. and British Opens and the U.S. and British Amateurs.

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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S No. 1152979-02 APN: 003-472-07-1 TRA: LOAN NO: Xxxxxx4929 REF: Grisham, Rebecca IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED August 17, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On January 12, 2010, at 9:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded August 23, 2005, as Inst. No. 2005-0041474 * in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, executed by Rebecca Stuart Grisham and Timothy Bair Wife And Husband, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank At the rear (north) entrance to the city hall building 1110 West Capitol Avenue West Sacramento, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: Completely described in said deed of trust *-00 re-recorded 12-9-05 inst no. 2005-0061216-00 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1028 Eisenhower Way Winters CA 95694 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$276,789.68. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Regarding the property that is the subject of this notice of sale, the "mortgage loan servicer" as defined in civil code § 2923.53(k)(3), declares that it has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to civil code section 2923.53 and that the exemption is current and valid on the date this notice of sale is recorded. the time frame for giving a notice of sale specified in civil code section 2923.52 subdivision (a) does not apply to this notice of sale pursuant to civil code sections 2923.52. This California Declaration is made pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.54 and is to be included with the Notice of Sale. I, Jaimee Gonzales, of Wachovia Mortgage, FSB ("Mortgage Loan Servicer"), declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the following is true and correct: The Mortgage Loan Servicer has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the accompanying notice of sale is filed AND The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Civil Code Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. Date: 7/22/09 Name of Signor: Jaimee Gonzales Title and/or Position: Vice President For sales information: Mon-Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (619) 590-1221. Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: December 08, 2009. (R-280658 12/17/09, 12/24/09, 12/31/09)

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
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
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
State of California, County of Yolo
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Liz Mahovich, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name

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December 7, 2009
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
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.
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. GM-149303-C Loan No. 0655696930 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/13/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by the duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. TRUSTOR: RICHARD T. NITZKOWSKI AND VICKI J. NITZKOWSKI, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS Recorded 10/3/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0049438-00 in Book __, page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, Date of Sale: 1/14/2010 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, California Property Address is purported to be: 112 ALMERIA PLACE WINTERS, California 95694 APN #: 003-424-23-1 The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is \$312,096.00, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: [1] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; [2] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. Date: 12/16/2009 ETS Services, LLC 2255 North Ontario Street, Suite 400 Burbank, California 91504-3120 Sale Line: 714-730-2727 Ileanna Petersen, TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER ASAP# 3381343 12/24/2009, 12/31/2009, 01/07/2010

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
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 Walerga 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
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk
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Statement of Abandonment of use of Fictitious Business Name

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November 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
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.
State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk
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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 09-05560-6 CA Loan No. 0022453781 Title Order No. 090671163-CA-DCI APN 038-050-29-1 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED October 19, 2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On January 13, 2010, at 12:00 PM, at the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA, Power Default Services, Inc., as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on November 6, 2006, as Instrument No. 2006-0043576-00 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, CA, executed by: PETE MANAS AND DAWN MANAS, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS., as Trustor, in favor of OPTION ONE MORTGAGE CORPORATION, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **901 E GRANT AVE, WINTERS, CA 95694-9076** 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 without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining unpaid balance of the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust (together with any modifications thereto). The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$676,084.01 (Estimated), provided, however, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. DATE: December 22, 2009 POWER DEFAULT SERVICES, INC., Trustee By: Fidelity National Title Company, its agent 17592 E. 17th Street, Suite 300, Tustin, CA 92780, 714-508-5100 By: Juan Enriquez Authorized Signature The mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent for the mortgagee or beneficiary pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.52(c) declares that the mortgagee, beneficiary or the mortgagee's or beneficiary's authorized agent has obtained an exemption from the state regulator that is current and valid and the additional 90 day period does not apply. This loan servicer has implemented a comprehensive loan modification program that meets the requirements of civil code section California Civil Code 2923.53. Regarding the property that is the subject of this notice of sale, the "mortgage loan servicer" as defined in Civil Code 2923.53(k)(3) declares that it has obtained from the Commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Civil Code section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date this notice of sale is recorded. The time frame for giving a notice of sale specified in Civil Code Section 2923.52 subdivision (a) does not apply to this notice of sale pursuant to Civil Code Sections 2923.52. Fidelity National Title Company, as Agent for the mortgage loan servicer as defined under California Civil Code section 2923.53 (k)(3) By: Juan Enriquez Authorized Signature SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.fidelityasap.com AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 714-259-7850 ASAP# 3363154 12/24/2009, 12/31/2009, 01/07/2010