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Town hall meeting to focus on Measure W

By JULIA McCANDLESS
Staff writer

When faced with big decisions, it is commonly advised to do one thing: discuss it with others. That is exactly what the Winters community will do at 7 p.m. on June 2 at the Community Center during a town hall meeting to discuss Measure W.

The meeting is designed as an open forum where all residents are encouraged to speak about concerns, express opinions and pose questions regarding the proposed measure, which would raise residents' taxes. To increase revenues, measure W would increase the City's Utility Users Tax from 4.75 percent to 9.5 percent, costing residents approximately \$10-\$15 more per month on their utility bill. The estimated revenue generated from Measure W is approximately \$415,000, which would be placed in the city's

General Fund.

The main reason for Measure W is the need for funding of important community services, mainly in the police and fire department. The city has assessed that the fire and police departments are not adequately staffed to respond to all emergency situations. Currently, there are only four paid firefighters and often only one police officer on duty in Winters. According to City Manager Jon Donlevy, this poses serious problems for the city's ability to appropriately respond to emergencies.

"Most of the calls (the police) go on could potentially be very serious," Donlevy said. "It's kind of like walking through the woods all by yourself."

If passed, Measure W would allow more officers to be hired, and an on-call system to be established at the fire de-

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Budget workshop planned Tuesday

A budget workshop is planned for Tuesday, June 1, at 5 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, prior to the regular city council meeting, which begins at 6:30 p.m. There will be a dinner break at 6 p.m., and if necessary, the budget workshop will continue at the regular meeting as the last agenda item.

Anyone interested in

finding out about the city's budget shortfalls and how to address them is welcome to attend.

The regular meeting agenda includes:

- ~ Public hearing regarding a resolution approving the Annual Levy Report and ordering the levy and collec-

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Photo by Christina Lanzaro

Members of the Community Center and Pool Fund Committee presented the Winters City Council a check for \$21,083 at the May 18 meeting to help keep the facilities open. From left are Jack Graf, Janet Aguiar, Marge Graf, Gerry Molnar, Kate Ladish, Bobbie Greenwood, Don Frisbee, Al Vallecillo, Joyce Neeley, David Kelley, Joe Tramontana and Howard Hupe.

City covers \$781,448 shortage

By CHRISTINA LANZARO
Staff writer

The Winters City Council unanimously approved a resolution at the May 18 meeting, authorizing the execution of a loan for \$781,448 and a repayment agreement with the Community Development Agency, after the state took that amount from the city's redevelopment fund. Although cities across California banded together to fight the state over this redevelopment grab, the state prevailed in court earlier this month.

With the loan in place, a contractual agreement has been made and according to Shelly Gunby, under state law, the gov-

ernor and legislature cannot take funds away from the city again. The loan came from the city's service reserve fund (\$457,525) and the capitol equipment replacement fund (\$323,923).

Donlevy said there would be a two-year period to repay the loan. He also asked the council to conduct a workshop and give guidance with regards to the 2010-11 and 2011-12 fiscal year budgets.

The two main problems in the coming years according to Donlevy are revenue shortages and certain expenditures.

"Over the past 5-6 years we amassed a good reserve fund to get through tough economic

times," said Donlevy. "We accumulated reserve amounts for a rainy day, and now it's raining. It's like a hurricane."

The revised forecasted structural deficit is \$595,437, due to declining revenues and increasing costs, mostly in police overtime and increased pension contributions for the Public Employees Retirement System.

Donlevy put together a two-year budget, stressing to council members the importance of keeping a minimum reserve balance for cash flow.

"We have a 600,000 dollar problem going into next year and we

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Discontent with trustees continues

By JULIA McCANDLESS
Staff writer

The community has not turned down the heat regarding the Winters School Board's conduct surrounding the termination of high school principal George Griffin's contract, and alleged by-law violations related to the decision. Several community members spoke out at the May 20 meeting.

"The residents of Winters are not destroying the district; it is you and the rest of the board members and the super-

intendent who are destroying the district with your refusal to listen to the many residents who have asked repeatedly for you to rescind your vote," said Betty Ann Biasi, in response to a quote from board president Rodney Oroasco in a recent Sacramento Bee story on Griffin. She went on to address Superintendent Rebecca Gillespie, speculating about her interest in the Winters community.

"I am truly concerned that your interest in our school district is not for

the children or the community but self-serving and I'm asking you to resign immediately," Biasi said,

Robert Warren addressed the fact that the board did not give proper notice of Griffin's termination, and quoted the board by-laws.

"The conditions of holding a closed session on specific complaints or charges brought against an employee, the employee shall be given written notice of his or her rights to have the complaints or charges heard in an

open session, rather than a closed session, which notice shall be delivered to the employee personally or by mail at least 24 hours before the time of holding the session.

"If notice is not given, any disciplinary or other actions taken by the legislative body against the employee based on specific complaints or charges in closed session shall be null and void.

"I talked with George," said Warren.

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Preschool program opens on First Street

By JULIA McCANDLESS
Staff writer

Research has shown that the first five years of a child's life are the most important, in terms of brain development and determining cognitive ability. That is exactly what First 5 of Yolo Children and Families Commission wants parents to understand through their programs, which are designed for comprehensive child development.

First 5 Yolo is a "grant making entity," and works with communi-

ties in Yolo County, like Winters, to provide programs and services to families on a "need basis."

First 5 is funded through Proposition 10, which designates tax money from cigarette purchases to the non-profit organization. The funding allows useful programs and services to survive, like the Kit For New Parents, which is customized with information and tools for all first time parents and is offered at hospi-

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WEATHER

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

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
May 19		78	53
May 20	.02	71	47
May 21		79	52
May 22		70	45
May 23	.02	67	45
May 24		72	52
May 25		70	49

Rain for week: .04
Season's total: 26.99
Last year to date: 17.84
Average to May 25: 21.17



Photo by Julia McCandless

Head teacher Esther Villalobos reads a story to Jesus Garcia at Jardin de Ninos, a preschool sponsored by First 5 Yolo at 305 First Street.



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OBITUARIES

Glover Grubaugh

Glover Porter Grubaugh (Col. USAF Ret.), 94, and a 41-year Davis resident, died on May 19, 2010 at his Davis home. He will be buried at the Davis Cemetery next to Maxine, his wife of almost 58 years, who died in July 2003. Services will be held at 1 p.m., on June 1 at the Davis Cemetery, 820 Pole Line Road.

He was born Feb. 20, 1916 in Van Wert, Ohio, the first son and second child, of William and Ada Grubaugh. He grew up in that community, attended school there, and completed college at Bluffton, Ohio, where he earned a teaching credential. He taught high school in Lucky, Ohio, but his teaching career was cut short with the advent of WW II. He joined the Army Air Corps, went through pilot training and served as a transport pilot in England. He participated in the D-Day invasion and in General Patton's advance across Europe. He was awarded numerous decorations and citations for personal valor.

When the war ended, he was sent to Wright Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio, and soon after met his wife Maxine, of Houston, Texas. They were married September 6, 1945. Assignments followed as Director of Maintenance at McClellan AFB, California and then Director of Logistics at Tachikawa AFB, Tokyo, Japan. On return to the states he served as Director of Maintenance at Kelly AFB, San Antonio, Texas.

During the early days of the Viet Nam conflict, he was assigned as Director of Logistics at Clark AFB, Philippines. This was followed by a brief tour as Director of Logistics at Scott AFB, Illinois, St. Louis, and the final posting to Travis AFB. He was awarded numerous decorations and citations for management expertise during his long career including the Distinguished Service Medal, the nation's second highest honor.

He was a Davis resident since 1969, moving there after retirement from Travis AFB where he served as Director of Logistics of the 22nd Air Force, headquartered at Travis. He served a long and distinguished career with the Air Force and is a veteran of World War II as well as the Korean and Viet Nam Wars.

Upon retirement, Glover earned an MBA from Golden Gate University and resumed his teaching career. He taught for 15 years at Winters High School, where he also served as a sports coach. He then went on to teach business classes at Golden Gate University, Sacramento State University and Sacramento City College.

Grubaugh was a well-known, respected and supportive member of the Davis community. He was dearly loved by family and friends, and his gracious, generous and loving spirit will be missed, says a family member.

He is survived by two daughters, Melissa Grubaugh of San Francisco, Vicki Miller and husband Don of Novato; a son, Bill and wife Claudia of San Francisco; two granddaughters, Elena and Zoe Miller; sisters, Nedra Altier and Bethen Grubaugh, both of Ohio; brother, Kenneth of Davis; numerous nephews, nieces and extended family.

Two other brothers, Boyd (Dan) Lee and Beryl, preceded him in death.

The family requests that memorial gifts be sent to the charity of choice. Those who wish to sign a guestbook online may do so at www.wiscombefuneral.com.

Thomas Serafini

Thomas "Tommy" Serafini, 53, of Winters passed away in a car accident in Yolo County on May 16, 2010. Born in San Francisco on May 11, 1957 to Tolmino and Pierina Serafini, his family says he was "born Italian" and describes him as a true Renaissance man: ironworker (Locals 377 & 118), chef, hunter, inventor, mentor, and, above all, an amazing musician, bringing the beautiful song of the accordion to

life and touching everyone he met with his talent. He hung iron on the Golden Gate and throughout the Bay Area, changed lives through his work with Solidarity, created new recipes and perfected the old, and loved his family and friends beyond measure.

He first shared the music of his heritage through Expresso 5, then lent his squeezebox to every kind of music from alternative to zydeco. To hear him



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YESTERYEAR



File photo by Charles Wallace

Pictured above are the FFA officers elected in June 1995 for the 1995-96 school year. They are, from left: Austin Nelson, vice president; Erin Autry, secretary; Dustin Romney, president; Steven Kraak, treasurer; Josh Cody, sentinel; and Courtney McCracken, reporter.

50
YEARS AGO

June 9, 1960

Officials of the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee (AFL-CIO) threw picket lines around several ranches in the area. Picking has been reduced to two-thirds of normal, with workers refusing to board trucks and buses in Sacramento. The pickets were asking \$1.25 per hour instead of the \$1.00 being paid.

Voters of Yolo and Solano counties decisively defeated the bi-county park bonds at the primary election Tuesday, 24,400 votes against a park at Lake Solano, and 15,229 in favor. A two-thirds vote in each county was necessary in order for the bonds to pass.

N.B. Triplett, assistant coach and teacher at the high school, has accepted a position at the Jefferson High School in Daly City for the coming school year.

John Lopez, Rt. 1, Box 123-A, will be awarded a bachelor of arts degree at the 103rd Commencement exercises of the College of the Pacific, Stockton, on Sunday, June 13.

With ten cars of apricots leaving the Winters Southern Pacific yard last night, the total number of cars for the season reached 91, including 89 freight and 2 express.

65
YEARS AGO

June 8, 1945

The following local children received First Communion, Sunday, May 27, at St. Anthony's Church, Father Joseph Madden officiating: Rita, Josephine and Antoinette Ruiz, Tony and Raymond Valadez, Robert Islip and Delbert Mayer.

Water from the proposed \$46 million Yolo-Solano reclamation development would provide irrigation for an area of 427,000 acres. Of this, 207,000 are located in Yolo County, U.S. Reclamation Bureau officials told members of the Yolo County Chamber of Commerce in Woodland May 29.

Mrs. Sargent Reynolds and sons, of Woodland, were brief visitors Thursday with the former's mother, Mrs. R.W. Thurber.

Miss Maralea Franke, of San Francisco, came home to attend her brother's graduation exercises last Thursday night.

Mrs. Wm. Kaiser and Miss Jean Howard, mother and niece of Mrs. E.E. Zimmerman, came over from Fallon, Nevada, to attend high school graduation exercises.

Miss Jean Hoskins, of Pleasants Valley, is at home from Mills College for the summer vacation.

Attempted abduction reported at Yolobus stop in Woodland

Someone reportedly attempted to abduct a woman waiting for a bus between 7 and 7:18 a.m. Tuesday, May 18, near the Yolobus stop on East Main Street under the Highway 113 underpass.

"As always, please be

aware of your surroundings when waiting at a bus stop," Yolobus officials said in a news release.

Anyone who witnessed the incident is asked to call the Woodland Police Department at (530) 661-7800.

Berryessa down .34 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa fell by .34 of a foot during the past week, with a reduction in storage of 5,859 acre feet of water, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 422.84 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,241,704 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 415 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 58 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam.

Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 134 acre feet of water per day during the week.

115
YEARS AGO

June 8, 1895

Rev. H.C. Waddell and family went to Oakland on Monday morning's train to attend the Christian Alliance convention which has been in session at Oakland this week.

William Sims left last Monday morning for Boston, Mass., where he will attend the international lodge of Good Templars as a delegate from California. He will be absent about one month, and will visit his boyhood's home while away.

Mr. Isaac Wright, principal of the Winters Union High School, went to Oakland on Thursday morning's train. He will take a six week's course in physics and chemistry in the State University.

Rev. and Mrs. Waugh left last Monday to attend the camp meeting of the M.E. Church, South, now in progress in Suisun Valley.

G.S. Conner and wife rode over from Dixon on their bicycles Saturday evening, and spent a day or two with relatives here this week.

MEETING

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partment, available 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

However, while need for city staffing is apparent, some residents would like to see Measure W tax dollars funding other community services as well as the police and fire departments.

Winters Community Roundtable member, Shaunie Briggs, who is helping to organize the June 2 meeting, said that, if passed, she wants Measure W dollars to be spread evenly across all community services, helping to preserve the livelihood of the Winters community. “I’ve heard people worried to pay money on taxes — thinking the city will just fix the police,” Briggs said. “If we knew it would also go towards the pool, or the Community Center, we would be more likely to vote ‘yes’.”

Roundtable member Al Vallecillo, also helping to organize the meeting, also is in favor of Measure W, and views it as a way to preserve the small town charm of Winters. Vallecillo said that if the measure is not passed, he worries about corporate businesses taking advantage of the city’s financial dilemma by moving into Winters and ulti-

mately draining money from local businesses.

“Taxes are always a hard thing to get people to accept. It’s just a tough sell,” Vallecillo said. “I’m willing to pay a little more to be able to live in a place like Winters. I like living here. I like the way life is here. I’m willing to pay a little more to have the amenities of Winters.”

Although Measure W may be beneficial to Winters, Vallecillo said he understands that a tax increase during one of the nation’s biggest economic crises is a major concern in the forefront of many residents’ minds.

“It’s a concern that I carry with me, because I have lived here most of my adult life,” Vallecillo said. “I understand the economics of the community very well. For some people, \$18-\$20 a month is going to be a heavy lift. But I hope that they can think past that, to the community and in the way that they live.”

Roundtable member Ana Kormos has been involved in getting the word out about the upcoming meeting, as she feels the community should be involved and invested in the discussions that will take place at the town hall meeting.

“I think an open discussion about the difficult financial situation

that the City of Winters is in right now is important,” Kormos said. “Decisions in City Hall need to be made that will affect all of us, and many of the programs and services that we need and enjoy may disappear. I think it is important that we all understand what Measure W is, and why it is on the ballot.”

Whether in support or opposition of Measure W, Donlevy said that he hopes the community comes to the town hall meeting to get the information needed to make an educated decision on the issue. He plans to attend the meeting, and also expects several of the city council members to attend, available to speak personally with residents about issues pertaining to the measure.

“When we get together and dialogue stuff, it’s always good,” Donlevy said. “We want people to have all the information and be able to make informed decisions. Measure W is a big deal. It’s not easy. People have a big decision, and I’m hoping that people show up and we can answer questions that they might have.”

The town hall meeting is open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend and participate. Measure W is on the June 8 ballot.

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in Winters,
The Buck
Stays Here!

opment Block Grant program income to the First Time Home Buyer Revolving Loan Fund

~ Approval for city manager to negotiate construction contract with Whitehawk Construction to install water meters in the amount of \$323,187.

~ HEAL Cities resolution.

~ Continuation of Budget Workshop, if needed.

Winters City Council meetings take place on the first and third Tuesday of each month, and are open to all Winters residents.

BUDGET

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tion of assessments within city limits for the city-wide maintenance assessment district, for Fiscal Year 2010/11.

~ Public hearing and waive of first reading for ordinance amending part of the Winters Municipal Code regarding disaster and emergency organization.

~ Resolution approving the City of Winters Emergency Operations Plan

~ Resolution transferring Community Devel-

Early submission deadlines for next week’s Express

The Winters Express office will be closed on Monday, May 31, for the Memorial Day holiday. All press releases, photos and letters to the editor intended for the June 3 edition of the Express must be turned in or

emailed to the Express office by noon on Friday, May 28.

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Opinion

LETTERS

Firefighters support Measures W, Y

Let me first start off by saying "Thank you" to Mayor Mike Martin for sharing with our community the impacts and struggles that our city and public safety are experiencing. As Martin states, "We need to do something to protect our community," and I would like to explain in more depth about how our fire department is impacted by these current economic issues.

As mentioned in last week's article, "Mayor mulls Measure W," the Winters Fire Department has four full-time career firefighters. This consists of the fire chief, two captains, and a firefighter. The paid staff is on a Monday through Friday business schedule from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. During business hours, the fire department is able to provide a three-person Engine Company to respond and mitigate all emergency calls for service. However, the fire department does not provide this three-person engine company 24/7.

During weekends and after hours, only one duty officer is scheduled on a three day On-Call rotation, from which they respond to calls from home. The duty officer position is shared between three of the career staff and is rotated on a weekly basis. Volunteer firefighters respond to the station for an emergency call to staff and respond with an appropriate engine for the call. However, it must be noted that — they volunteer their time away from their families to support their community, yet they perform the same tasks and are exposed to the same dangerous emergencies as any other career firefighter. Volunteers can choose when to respond to what type of call and only if they are available and in town. Some choose to respond to medical calls

and some choose to respond to fires, again only if they are available.

You might ask yourself, "How does this affect me and the community I live in?" It is very likely and frequently happens that you will only get that one duty officer on call that responds to your medical emergency. In relation to fires and vehicle accident responses again, we find ourselves very short-staffed and utilizing mutual aid engines from other cities. The most significant problems we're faced with here in the fire department is related to adequate staffing levels and emergency response times.

In September of 2009, we implemented a trial run of a "Sleeper Program," which consisted of providing a fully staffed engine 24/7 to the end of October 2009. This program supplements fulltime career staff with volunteers. On a given shift, one paid staff and two volunteers worked to staff an engine and provide emergency response. The volunteers did this without any compensation such as a paid call system.

As with most municipal fire departments, staff stayed at the station for a full 24 hour shift, seven days a week. To be expected, during the trial period there was a significant decrease in response times. Our average response time in city limits during this trial period was four minutes and 20 seconds. Normally, our response times ranged from 8-12 minutes for the first due engine to arrive on scene within city limits. As you can see, we cut our response times in half or better.

The overall benefits of implementing this program are significant. They include; improved response times, increased safety for personnel, quality patient care and prompt service to the community 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Due to the growing de-

mands in emergency call volume and required training mandates, paid staff and volunteers are struggling to meet the demands of the city's needs. The career staff at the Winters Fire Department has not been increased since 1980. Volunteers are and will continue to be the prominent firefighting force in our community. We are looking to expand this program to help meet the needs of our community and provide quality emergency response and services you deserve.

By supporting Measure W, this will provide a paid call system to compensate volunteer firefighters so we can transition to provide a fully staffed engine company 24/7. Additionally, this funding will provide the required training and personal protective equipment necessary to perform the duties as a firefighter.

On behalf of the Winters Professional Firefighters Association we encourage you to support Measures W and Y. We are committed to service and pride ourselves in excellence.

BRAD LOPEZ
President
Winters Professional Firefighters Association

Such irony

Dear Editor,

Many members of the Winters community will gather on Thursday night to attend the graduation ceremony of the Winters High School class of 2010. Graduation ceremonies have always been an occasion of celebration in Winters, not only for the graduating seniors and their families, but also for the entire community which honors the achievement of its students and the school which they represent.

However, this year there is an irony about the graduation ceremony. The principal, George Griffin, whose leadership led to the distinguished status of Winters High, will be officiating at a WHS grad-

uation perhaps for the last time. The board of trustees will honor (as its members should) the accomplishments of the seniors while failing to reward the man whose professional achievements made their graduation even more meaningful.

I used the words "perhaps for the last time" in the previous paragraph because I hope, even at this stage of a most difficult situation, it is not too late to remedy what most people consider a serious mistake: the failure to reinstate a popular and successful high school principal.

I may be too optimistic in suggesting that a revote would mend the crumbling fences of trust that have occurred in the last few weeks, but one does not remain a teacher of teenagers for over 35 years without being optimistic.

If George should be rehired, there will be people who feel that such a revote would be a defeat for the board of trustees, a retreat in the face of public indignation. However, many other citizens will view the matter in a different light. They will consider a revote as the public-spirited action of elected officials who listened to the wishes of the constituents whom they were elected to represent.

When I appeared before the board of trustees several months ago on behalf of the retention of the arts program in the Winters schools, I was treated with the utmost courtesy and respect, and it is with the same sense of respect that I urge the board to reconsider the previous vote and to rehire Mr. Griffin before a new principal, temporary or permanent, is hired. Such an action would be more than a step in restoring the reputation of all parties to this dispute. It would also be an important first step in restoring harmony, not only to the school district but to the entire community as well.

GERMAINE HUPE



CHARLES R. WALLACE
**A QUICK
OPINION**

MEASURE W. For those of us who vote at our polling place, there are only two more weeks before the June 8th election. When I have had conversations with people about raising our utility tax, Measure W, to balance our budget, the question usually is asked about what has been done about balancing the budget without raising taxes? I don't think we have a lot of options in Winters. There have been cuts at City Hall, and if the economy doesn't improve, there will be more cuts that we won't like. The management and staff have negotiated to take a 9.7 percent cut in their pay and benefit package, which is more than I expected.

Over half of our general fund budget goes to the police department and that barely gives us police coverage 24 hours a day, seven days a week. There are times, like when an officer makes an arrest and heads to the jail in Woodland, where there isn't an officer on duty in Winters. Many times our officers are on duty by themselves, and that just isn't a safe work environment. I don't think this is the time to be cutting back on public safety or public works projects. Think of phoning 911 in the middle of the night and the dispatcher says "Hang on, someone will be there in 30-45 minutes." Measure W will give us at least the same service we have now.

I love the letter from the Yolo County Taxpayers Association. Their main point is that they don't trust the Winters City Council to spend our general fund money wisely. Read their letter. They don't offer one solution to our budget problems, just vote no. It is that kind of thinking that has polarized the nation. Just saying no doesn't solve problems, it just prolongs or makes things worse. I would rather hear an argument against Measure W that talks about cuts or other cost saving measures, than to just have someone say they don't vote for tax increases. Remember, this tax increase is about \$12 a month, less for a lot of people.

I don't see a lot of options, and if Measure W doesn't pass it will make reading the Express a little more interesting. I'll pay close attention to the letters about the level of service in town and those who ask "How did this happen?" Vote Yes.

Have a good week.

Services worth \$12

Last Saturday morning an elderly neighbor came by asking for help with a family emergency. I drove her the four blocks to our local station, which luckily is staffed around-the-clock. I spoke to the dispatcher about what was going on and within five minutes an officer met us on the sidewalk outside the station.

A 10-year veteran of

the department, he knew my neighbor and the member of her family who needed medical help. He knew the history of the complicated medical situation my neighbor struggles with. Less than five minutes later, a squad car and two ambulances were on the scene. They talked to the person in trouble, assessed his situation and intelligently negotiated his voluntary trip to the hospital for help.

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We wouldn't have let Bush get away with this slow response to Gulf oil spill

OK, it's time for the Come To Jesus talk about the Gulf oil spill.

Now, I love Barack Obama, really and truly, but let's be honest: If this disaster occurred on George W. Bush's watch, the Liberal Left would be demanding his head on a platter. Keith Olbermann would self-combust from indignation and angst-ridden Rachel Maddow would wring her hands clean off. (And be clear, I love Keith and Rachel too. But you know I'm right.)

When Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, Bush & Co were viciously — and deservedly — criticized for their impotent response while thousands of people were suffering and even dying. As the country watched in horror, the government responded in slow motion.

To call the current administration's response to the oil spill "slow motion" would be a gross understatement. So far, the government hasn't done much but assign blame and threaten criminal action. And while BP deserves to be

drawn and quartered in court for the environmental disaster they've caused, that does nothing to solve the problem at hand.

While Congress prepares to spank BP, even more oil is gushing into the Gulf than BP estimated and the spill is devastating everything it touches. According to the Associated Press, a siphon inserted into the leak is capturing 210,000 gallons of oil per day, which was the totality of BP's original estimation. The AP story, posted online on May 20, said a live video feed of the leak shows "a large plume of oil and gas still spewing next to the tube."

U.S. Rep. Edward J. Markey (D-Mass) pretty much summed it all up: "What you see are real-time images of a real-world disaster unfolding 5,000 feet below the surface of the Gulf. These videos stand as a scalding, blistering indictment of BP's inattention to the scope and size of the greatest environmental catastrophe in the history of the United States."

Oh, hell yeah! Take



DEBRA DeANGELO
**BECAUSE
I SAY SO**

that BP!

But. (There's always a "but.") Dial this back a bit, and consider that the federal government is responsible for monitoring oil drilling in U.S. waters. Just like it's responsible for monitoring the banking system. Clearly, the government has done an equally crappy job of both. Obama isn't responsible for letting either the Big Banks or Big Oil burgeon beyond control. He inherited that. But dammit, he's the President now, and he has to be held accountable for the government's response henceforth.

Just as he was when Wall Street collapsed, Obama is calm, cool and collected about these oil spills. He says he's angry, but I don't see it. I want Obama looking fire and brimstone furious, not merely mildly disappointed. I want

him to go all Lewis Black over this oil spill, but all he's done is point the finger at BP and tell them it's their problem to solve.

That was fine for a day or two. But when the leak kept gushing, and BP clearly had no clue about what to do — cap it, siphon it, throw shredded tires down the pipe or click your heels three times and say "There's no place like home" — the government should have stepped in, taken control and sent the bill to BP later.

Let's examine this spill with a forest fire template. Imagine the Mother of all forest fires is raging out of control. It's a hot, dry summer, and all of Colorado is in flames and the wind-whipped blaze is threatening the entire Rocky Mountain Range. What if all Obama had to say was, "Let the guy who started the fire with his

cigarette butt figure out how to put out the fire." Come on! We'd be self-combusting right along with Keith!

And let's say weeks go by, and all that's left of Colorado is scorched earth, and half of Wyoming is now ablaze as the inferno devours everything in its path, and not one firefighter has been summoned, not a single load of fire retardant dropped — nothing. And Obama's only response is that he's really, really angry about all this, yesiree. Rachel herself would be shrieking "impeachment!"

Yet here we have an environmental catastrophe of similar proportion and the government's only response is to say they're angry and blame Somebody Else? We wouldn't have accepted this from Bush, and we shouldn't accept it from Obama either.

Barack Obama, I love you. I love you more than chocolate covered cherries and cabernet. But you need to step up and deal with this oil spill. Now. Gather up the best scientists and engineers on the planet,

and get them on board. Pronto. 'Round the clock until that leak is stopped. Don't wait for BP to solve the problem. The primary focus of any solution BP concocts will be to protect their profit margin.

Here's what I'd have done (about three weeks ago, mind you): In the days just after the explosion, when it became clear that BP was incapable of stopping the spill, I'd have sent a submarine down there, aimed a missile right at the base of that drill, blown that bad boy up, and let the sea floor collapse and crush the drilling line flat. Maybe you still can. Ask the scientists and engineers.

Next, I'd yank every single offshore drilling permit along our shores and scrutinize every nut and bolt on every rig before they sucked out one more drop of oil. And the folks at BP? I'd let them work off their prison time cleaning up the mess they made. Judging from the magnitude of this disaster, they'll have a lifetime to finish, and then some.

HEDER

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What happened this morning is routine for these professional police and firemen, but it was a miracle for my aged and stressed-out neighbor. She got immediate and competent help from caring, compassionate and experienced professionals. You can't put a price on this type of service, but on election day we'll be asked to pay a very small additional fee to keep what we have.

I am more than willing to fork over an additional \$12 a month to support our police and fire departments. Please join me in voting for Measure W. Yes, these are

tough times. But they'll get a lot tougher if we don't support the vital social, medical and protection services that keep us safe and make Winters such a special place to live.

There's a popular bumper sticker that says "Freedom isn't free." Neither are quality city services that are available 24-7 — even on Saturday mornings.

CAROL BRYDOLF

Failing grades

Dear Editor,

It is the end of the school year and report cards are due, so I thought I would issue a report card to the WJUSD Board of Trustees:

Your lack of training as board members is appallingly evident. Your unwillingness to even receive the basic board training needed by new board members is indicative of a broader disregard for the job. Your lack of knowledge of Roberts Rules of Order, government codes and your own bylaws is frankly embarrassing.

For Preparedness and

Professionalism: F

You hired Superintendent Gillespie. But was she really the finest candidate put before you by the search team? I suggest you were offered other, more qualified candidates and even interviewed them. But board members with the "Get George" agenda needed an inexperienced and malleable Superintendent to further it. You hired a superintendent with no experience for the job. I'm guessing that her employment was not a unanimous vote of the board either. I believe other board members had broader concerns for the school district but were outvoted by those with the "Get George" agenda. I suggest you terminate Superintendent Gillespie's contract based on her poor performance and tell her you have decided to go in another direction. The wish now is to go uphill instead of downhill.

For Managing Personnel: F

This board fired George Griffin while the high school staff was in the middle of a push for excellence for low-achieving students. This untimely firing was supposedly because you want to "go in a new direction." But the superintendent you hired is unable to clearly communicate what that is. We cannot stand idly by while you figure that out amongst yourselves and your spin doctors.

For Communication: F

Mary Jo Rodolfa resigned from the school board recently. I believe she took this action, in part, because she was badgered and humiliated by board members. You cannot bully a fellow board member. You cannot interrupt her, denigrate her or attack her verbally for expressing her views. This bad behavior was not


stopped by President Orozco, as is his job to do. Rather, it was condoned, but against your very own bylaws.

For Behavior: F

Now to conclude your report card, let's look at where you stand: You have thousands of dollars being spent weekly to get the school board out of a mess of its own making. You have an angry high school staff. You have the Sacramento Bee, the Winters Express, the Yolo County Grand Jury, the ACLU and a community group on your tail. The community group is seeking answers but has been forced to seek an attorney instead. I suggest you protect yourselves against possible lawsuits and again, we are asking for the resignations of Trustees Atherton, Brickey, Hyde, Nicholson and Orozco.

You are no longer trusted by this community. In our minds and hearts you are no longer our trustees.

Overall Performance: F
DIANNE BEATON



Andrea Rodriguez

**Look
who's 30!**

Love, Mom & Dad
Sonia, Sophi & Jocelyn

Against Y, W

The Yolo County Taxpayers Association recommends a no vote on Winters Measure W, which would increase the City Utility Users Tax to 9.50 percent. This would double the current tax on PG&E and telephone services, while increasing the annual household limitation from \$300 to \$450.

Measure W is being presented to Winters voters in combination with non-binding Measure Y that claims to instruct the Winters City Council on how the funds raised would be used. However, Measure W funds would actually go into the city general fund where they would be available for any legal use by the city council.

As a general tax, Measure W can be passed by a simple majority vote. In contrast, measures with specified uses re-

quire a two-thirds vote to pass. Therefore, Measures W and Y have been designed to give the appearance of specified uses while avoiding the two-thirds vote requirement. This is, at a minimum, deceitful and would be a violation of election law if

the limited uses described in Measure Y were actually mandatory.

Vote no on Measure W so that Winters city officials will understand not to play such games in the future.

YOLO COUNTY TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION

OBITS

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play was to be amazed. To see him perform was to be enthralled. His beautiful blue eyes and ready smile warmed everyone he met, and his big heart was loved by all who knew him, say family members.

He is survived by his wife Samantha; sons Tolmino (TJ) and Valentino; sisters Norma Libby (Dennis) and Elisa; stepson Ethan Rubendall.

Mass will be held May 28, 10:30 a.m., at Corpus Christi Church, 62 Santa Rosa Avenue in San Francisco. In lieu of flowers, he would be honored by donations in his name to a favorite charity or in trust for Valentino (age 5), care of First Northern Bank, 48 Main Street, Winters CA 95694. Remembrances can be added to his Facebook page, under Tommy Serafini.

Kevin Edward Donahue

Kevin Edward Donahue passed away in Chiloquin, Oregon, on April 27, 2010. He was born on Oct. 3, 1962 in Los Angeles. Kevin enjoyed playing pool and was a handyman/plumber. He is survived by his son Daniel, 15, and wife, Mary Purtill Donahue of Oregon; brothers, Gary of Winters, Patrick of San Diego, Dennis of Oregon, and Mike and Tim of Los Angeles.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Patricia Donahue.

No services are planned.

Community

Reunited



Courtesy photo

The class of 1960 rode in the 2010 Youth Day parade in a Winton-Ireland fire truck from Turlock. From left are (back) Don Childress, Faustino Ramos, John Salido, John Martinez, Pattie Bigalow Clark, and Mike Ireland in the middle; (standing) Freda Spurling, Jerry Young, Pilar Invernon Garrett, Kay Waterberry, Brenda Painter Hansen, Dorothy Bishop Sorensen, Anna Manas Doughty, Ethel Hoskins, Marcia Archuleta Hammon, Rob Young, Margene Caselli van Wagtendonk, Leamon Constant, Evelyn Jo Sunderman Stevens, Dottie McCoe; (kneeling) Roy Canela, Virginia Roberts-Sallee, Carol Wion Susa and Jessie Franklin McKinney.

FIRST

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After the birth of a baby.

As the economy dwindles, the need for First 5 services has increased. Since July 2008, First 5 Yolo has provided thousands of dollars to fund family reading programs, increased access to pediatric dental care and perinatal services.

Although many programs are designed for very low-income households, the organization serves a broad range of families with incomes totaling up to 300 percent of the poverty level. First Five Yolo Executive Director Julie Gallelo said the programs can help "fill the gap" between very low income and moderate income services, like Jardin de Ninos, a free, bilingual preschool located 305 First Street.

"There are a couple preschools in Winters but they're for paying parents, who have the money to spend between \$500 and \$600 per month to have their child do a preschool

program," Gallelo said, noting that "there just aren't enough subsidized preschool places in Winters.

"We have this 'gap' group of kids who need services and they don't fall into either side. So, parents got together and started talking and came up with the fact that they really needed this."

After receiving funding from First 5 this year, Jardin de Ninos has maintained full enrollment. Gallelo describes the program as "hugely successful." The preschool is led by teacher Esther Villalobos and is supported by a teaching assistant and several parents who rotate supervision responsibilities.

Although the site houses the Studio C dance studio in the afternoons, it is filled with toys and activities for early childhood learning.

Maricella Garcia has one son enrolled in the preschool, and said she enjoys being a part of his early education.

"I love it, I wish they had more days," Garcia

said. "It's an awesome experience to get to work with (the children) and experience this whole thing with them. I love seeing him socialize because he does a lot better with other kids now."

She said that in the 12 weeks the program has been running, her son has grown tremendously as a student.

"He can start to write his name, he can count, he knows the days of the week. I love the way that he's been learning," Garcia said.

Violet Valadez said the program has been beneficial, not only for her daughter, but for herself as well.

"I've never had the experience of sharing and doing all these things with my child. It gives you that time to be with them, because we don't have that time at home."

She also pointed out that working with other mothers in the preschool has given her insight into different parenting techniques.

"I've learned all the different ways moms share with their kids."

Local programs like

Jardin de Ninos not only benefit parents and children, but also emphasize the overarching goal of early education within First 5.

"So much happens in a child's brain in the first five years and you don't get it back if it's lost," Gallelo said. "Every time you look at a baby or speak to a baby, these neuropathways are being made. It's that critical period and if you miss it, down the line those kids grow up and just can't succeed."

First 5 District 1 Community Representative, Karen Ziebron explained that First 5's priority is to educate parents about stimulating child development early on in a child's life.

"Because so much of (First 5) is preschool oriented, what we're trying to do is get kids ready to be successful in school, said Ziebron, adding that when students enter the first grade, parents have already had some experience with early childhood learning.

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Life-flighted



Photo by Donald Sanders

This Cal Star 8 medical helicopter life-flighted a 16-year-old Winters female to the UC Davis Medical Center on Thursday, May 20, at 3:30 p.m., using Dr. Sellers Field as a landing pad. According to Winters firefighter Art Mendoza, the girl was involved in a rollover car crash earlier that afternoon around the Spanish Flats area of Lake Berryessa. She and two other injured girls were picked up at the crash site by friends and transported to Winters. All three are Winters High School students. Mendoza said none of their injuries appeared life-flighted, but one was life-flighted as a precautionary measure in case she had injuries that were not visible. The other two were transported by ambulance to the hospital. Mendoza said no further information about the accident was available because the girls were "uncooperative" about giving details.

Roundtable meeting to focus on Measure W

A Winters Community Roundtable meeting is planned on Thursday, May 27, at 6 p.m. at the Winters Community Library. The purpose of the meeting is to initiate community involvement and awareness around Measure W.

"Let's work together to pass measure W, and to encourage responsible use of the funds," says Roundtable member

Shaunie Briggs.

The meeting agenda includes announcements, unlisted items for agenda, planning for June 2 town hall meeting, Winters Community Roundtable position on Measure W, distribution of Yes on W posters and flyers, and obtaining signatures for the Formula Food Petition.

Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

Calendar

Thursday, May 27

Winters Rotary Club meeting, noon, The

Buckhorn

Winters Community Roundtable meeting, 6

p.m., Winters Community Library.

Winters High School graduation ceremonies, 7 p.m., Dr. Sellers Field.

Bilingual Storytime, 7 p.m., Winters Community Library

AA meeting, 8 p.m., 305 First Street

Friday, May 28

Free Food Distribution, 12-1:30 p.m., First

Baptist Church, 512 First Street

Sunday, May 30

Winters Farmers Market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m, Ro-

tary Park

Monday, May 31

Memorial Day

Memorial Day Services, 10 a.m., Winters

Cemetery

Tuesday, June 1

City Budget Workshop, 5 p.m., council cham-

bers at City Hall

Winters City Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.,

council chambers at City Hall

Wednesday, June 2

Soroptimist meeting, 7 a.m., Chuy's Taqueria,

208 Railroad Avenue

Measure W Town Hall Meeting, 7 p.m., Com-

munity Center

Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., 62

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Please vote YES on Measure W.

Tuesday, June 8th

This ad sponsored by friends and neighbors who support community services.

CITY

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need to make some pretty significant cuts,” said Donlevy, recommending that the council come up with creative ways to cut the structural deficit in half, whittling it down to the \$250-300,000 range.

The budget workshop will continue on Tuesday, June 1, at 5 p.m.

Following the council action, the Community Development Agency unanimously approved a resolution accepting the loan and authorizing repayment to the city.

Funds raised

Joe Tramontana and members of the Community Center and Pool Fund Committee presented a check for just over \$21,000 to City Manager John Donlevy. In February, a group of people including Tramontana had a dream and made the dream a reality. They formed the Community Center and Pool Fund Committee (CCAPFC), met six to eight times, and took up the challenge of raising money to save the Community Center and Bobbie Greenwood Community Swim Center pool.

The pasta dinner, which took place Sunday evening, May 16, at the Community Center was a big success according to Tramontana. Planning the dinner involved many Winters residents who used their talents in making the event come together. Gary Bertagnolli took charge of the pasta dinner. The tri-tip was prepared by Larry Justus, the greek salad by John Hagelis and the dessert was made by Winters High School culinary students under the direction of teacher Chis Novello.

Money was also raised during the silent auction held at the Community Center.

Said Tramontana, “This is not the end — we have another month and a half to go,” adding if you would like to make a donation, checks



Photo by Christina Lanzaro

Sergeant Sergio Gutierrez was promoted to lieutenant at the May 18 city council meeting. His wife puts the lieutenant badge on his shirt.

can be made out to CCAPFC and sent to City Hall.

Members of the CCAPFC include Howard and Germaine Hupe, Gary and Kathy Bertagnolli, Don Frisbee, Dick and Joan Larkey, Jack and Marge Graf, Wallace and Joyce Neeley, Janet Aguiar, Gerry Molnar, David Kelley, Al Vallecillo, Bobbie Greenwood, Kate Laddish, John and Edie Hagelis, Sally Brown and Dave Springer.

Redevelopment testimony

Does redevelopment money really work? If you ask Al Calderone, owner of ARC Guitar, he will tell you “yes.” Calderone expressed his gratitude to the council for the opportunity to open his guitar shop in Winters at last week’s meeting, and for putting trust in him as a business owner. His prior venue was in his garage.

Redevelopment money in the amount of \$15,000 was used to improve the façade of the building located at 308 Railroad Avenue. Since opening his business, Calderone has doubled his income, and told the council he has seen a 300 percent increase in

website traffic and has sold guitars to customers in six different states and one foreign country.

Calderone specializes in repairs and restorations of guitars and offers lessons, currently giving 15 lessons a week. Council member Tom Stone is one of Calderone’s students.

“We don’t have a noise ordinance,” said Stone “and I bought a ukulele when I was in Hawaii.”

Besides lessons, Calderone gives back to the community through tax-base support, keeping his business running six days a week, offering employment and working with students on senior projects. He has one full-time apprentice, James Meloy, and a part-time apprentice, Mark Reed.

Kyle Bowen, a senior at Winters High School, recently made a guitar under Calderone’s guidance. And for all those interested, Calderone plans to offer summer jam nights and workshops.

Other items

At the May 18 meeting, the council also approved:

~ A resolution approving the City of Winters Quality Assurance Program (QAP), and au-



Photo by Christina Lanzaro

Winters City Clerk Nanci Mills swears in Justin Wilson as a new Winters police officer at the May 18 city council meeting.

thorizing the city engineer to sign the document.

~ A construction contract for the Public Safety Facility for voice and data cabling to T & R Communications for \$57,538.18; authorization for Donlevy to execute the contract on the city’s behalf and authorizing expenditures of \$63,292 for construction.

~ A proclamation recognizing the efforts of Little League in their outstanding work in renovating the Little League Field. Volunteers removed the backstop, masonry and dugouts, uplifted the soil and put in new sod, irrigation and infield. They also put in an entire new fence and paid for all maintenance of the field.

“It is absolutely a quality field, the best in the area,” said Donlevy to Monte Molina, who was thanked during the meeting for his all his work,

~ Swore in new police officer Justin Wilson and promoted Sergeant Sergio Gutierrez to lieutenant.



Photo by Christina Lanzaro

Winters Police Chief Bruce Muramoto (left) congratulates officer Jose Ramirez, who was recognized by Mothers Against Drunk Drivers for his patrol work. Ramirez was honored at the May 18 city council meeting.

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Winters is busy in the springtime

By CHRIS JONES
Interim Executive
Director
Winters Chamber
of Commerce

The month of May started off with beautiful spring weather and the Winters Farmers Market. This year's grand opening was Sunday, May 2, and the event brought out the sun, crafters, local farmers and lots of customers. The local farmers displayed eggs, fresh winter vegetables, meats, wines, nuts, flowers, olive oils, coffees, breads and sweet treats.

On Wednesday, May 5, the History Project presented Farm Workers of Winters, a grouping of photos taken by: Francisco J. Dominguez. The historic photos are on display at the Berryessa Gap Tasting Room, 15 Main Street.

The weather held for the Annual Winters Main Street Garage Sale on Saturday, May 8. The shopping frenzy for about six Main Street blocks brought not only Winters locals to check out all the special finds, but tourists, who also came to see what they could find.

The May Chamber Mixer was co-hosted by El Pueblo Meat

Market and Berryessa Gap Tasting Room. The Cinco de Mayo theme was carried out for the food and the display of photos of the Winters farm workers. Forty-nine people were in attendance.

The Chamber would like to thank El Pueblo and Berryessa Gap for the wonderful food and wines they provided for the event. The Chamber would also like to thank Pacific Ace Hardware, Tom Stone, Warrior Video, Steady Eddy's, First Northern Bank, Three Palms Nursery, Mariani Nut Company, the Winters Visitors Center, and Florals by Chris, who donated gifts for the raffle prizes given out at the mixer.

If you have not been on Main Street on a Tuesday night, you need to come. The Classic Cars roll into town the second Tuesday of every month until October. You will see beautiful restored and some not-so-restored classic cars. You will also run into some local residents checking out the event. Take the time and have a little dinner while you are there and support the local restaurants that are open for your pleasure.

If you were wondering about all the hay blocking the streets around the core business area on Saturday, May 15, it was for the first Winters Criterium. There were

professional and USCF licensed cyclists racing up to 50 laps around town. Two days later, the Amgen Tour of California came through Winters, racing off to Santa Rosa.

There are other events that are happening in a week or two. The annual Memorial Day service at the Winters Cemetery is Monday, May 31. The program begins at 10 a.m.

The next big event will be the Second Annual Quilt and Textile Show on Saturday, June 12. The quilts will line Main Street and also be displayed in the Community Center. The show starts at 10 a.m. Take a stroll up town and check out all the creatively designed quilts and have lunch at one of the local restaurants.

So as the month comes to a close and the weather has turned from spring sunshine to winter clouds, just think that summer is 26 days away.

It is easy to join the Winters Chamber of Commerce. Just call 795-2329.

Biasi Auto and Truck Sales



Photo by Chris Jones

Paul Biasi is the owner of Biasi Auto Repair, a new Winters Chamber of Commerce member. He started his business in 1993, and has been serving the Winters community for 17 years. Besides auto mechanics, he has diversified into used auto and truck sales, and has a few cars to select from at his location, 2 Russell Street. Biasi's Auto Repair is open weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m. until mid-afternoon.

For a list of more Winters Chamber of Commerce members
visit the Chamber website: www.winterschamber.com

Entertainment

Waybacks fiddler Hood to perform at The Palms

Fiddler Warren Hood of the jam-grass favorites The Waybacks will be stepping out for a night with his own band at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 27, at The Palms, 13 Main St., Winters

Fiddler, violinist, guitarist, mandolin player, singer and composer, Hood first started performing in his native Austin, Texas, while still in his teens, gaining notoriety with the South Austin Jug Band and Toni Price.

After excelling at the acclaimed Berklee School of Music (alma mater of Gillian Welch and David Rawlings

and members of Crooked Still), Hood has been expanding both his musical and geographic range.

Hood keeps one foot in Austin's fertile music scene and the other in San Francisco, home-base for The Waybacks; Hood's musical map includes such seemingly disparate provinces as bluegrass, Texas swing, R&B, gypsy jazz and jug band music.

Though still a member of The Waybacks, Hood recently released his first solo work. His top-notch band, including the multifaceted guitarist

Andrew Nafziger and vocalist Emily Gimble (granddaughter of famed Texas swing fiddler Johnny Gimble), allow Hood to achieve an intoxicating and fun jazz/blues/bluegrass fusion.

Tickets, at \$15 each, are available at Pacific Ace Hardware, 35 Main St. in Winters; Armadillo Music, 205 F St. in Davis; the Heidrick Ag History Center, 1962 Hays Lane in Woodland; online at tickets.com; and at the door.

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



Courtesy photo

Warren Hood and The Hoodlums will play at The Palms at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 27. Tickets are \$15.

BeerFest to aid seniors, caregivers

Citizens Who Care, in partnership with Sudwerk Brewery in Davis, will host the sixth annual Davis BeerFest on Saturday, June 5. The Davis BeerFest 2010 will feature tastings of microbrews from more than 30 breweries.

The BeerFest will run from 1 to 5 p.m. at

Sudwerk Restaurant and Brewery, 2001 Second St. in Davis. The admission price includes live music, grilled sausage sandwiches from Nugget Markets, pizza from Sudwerk, brewery tours and a commemorative tasting glass.

Tickets are \$35 in advance, \$40 at the

door, and \$10 for designated drivers. Tickets are now available at Sudwerk, online at <http://citizenswhocare.us/Beer.html>, or at the Citizens Who Care office, 1260 Lake Blvd., Suite 208, Davis. All guests must be age 21 or over to enter the tasting area.

All proceeds from

Davis BeerFest will benefit Citizens Who Care, a nonprofit agency offering social support and services to older adults and their family caregivers.

For more information, visit www.citizenswhocare.us or call 758-3704.

Art sought for Senkbeil memorial auction

The second Annual Samantha Senkbeil Memorial Art Auction is planned Saturday June 19, at the Boy Scout Cabin next to the Esparto firehouse. Community members are invited to showcase their artistic ability. The Samantha Senkbeil Memorial

Art Auction supports a higher education scholarship for local students during their sophomore, junior or senior year in college.

All types of art are welcome, including paintings, drawings, photographs, quilts, wood

working, steel work, sculptures, weaving, gourds, pottery and more. Donations must be submitted by Wednesday, June 16.

Contact Caitlin Nichols at 383-6891 or cen34@saclink.csus.edu, to make a donation, or for more information.

Jewelry Fair planned in Vacaville on June 5

The Downtown Vacaville Business Improvement District is hosting its first Jewelry Fair on Saturday, June 5, in Town Square. The event

will feature a limited number of vendors featuring jewelry and unique gift items.

Running from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., events include

live music with Katie Jane, Tony Bataska and more. The Farmers Market will be going on at the same time as well.

For more information,

visit www.downtownvacaville.com or call (707) 451-2100, or visit the Downtown Vacaville official Facebook page.

Shakespeare play and 'Alice in Wonderland' coming to Mondavi Center at UC Davis

It's a double-feature event for the whole family. "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and "Alice in Wonderland" will be performed at 7 p.m. Saturday, June 19, at Jackson Hall in the Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts at UC Davis.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" is a popular romantic comedy by William Shakespeare, and "Alice in Wonderland" is a delightful children's classic by Lewis Carroll. The audience will experience multiple dance genres by dancers of the Northern California Dance Conservatory

who will perform in a magical environment. The choreography is by the school's esteemed faculty and directors, and is enhanced by extravagant costuming, multimedia effects and lighting.

The lead roles are played by the school's pre-professional division dancers, some of the most talented young dancers in the county who have been accepted into programs such as Alvin Ailey, American Ballet Theater, the School of American Ballet in New York, and the prestigious Juilliard School.

The performances are

produced by the school's artistic directors Jen Bradford, Kelly Archer and Theodore Constant. The costume designer is Susan Broaddus, show coordinator is Tiffany Campbell, and lighting designer is Tony Shane.

Tickets are \$24 for adults; \$20 for students and children and are available at www.mondaviarts.org or by calling (866) 754-ARTS.

The Mondavi Center is on the southeast portion of the UCD campus. Parking for a fee is available.

'Bodies Revealed' exhibition makes return to Sacramento

The groundbreaking and provocative Bodies Revealed has come to Sacramento with an all-new exhibition for a limited engagement, at 2040 Alta Arden Way across from Arden Fair Mall.

This marks the exhibition's much anticipated return to the West Coast following a two-year absence where visitors explored and learned about the human body. The exhibition has been seen by more than 15 million visitors worldwide.

This world-famous anatomical exhibition features real, whole and partial body specimens that have been meticulously dissected and preserved through an innovative process, giving visitors the opportunity to view the complexity of their own organs and systems.

In its 2007-08 debut,

the exhibition was greeted with sellout crowds as well as a month-long extension of its limited engagement.

Exhibition hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Last admission is one hour prior to closing.

Ticket prices starts at \$14. For tickets or more information, call (888) 263-4379 or visit www.bodiessacramento.com.

Project Linus group gathers

Quilters are invited to the monthly Project Linus gathering from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 2, at the Cloth Carousel.

The Davis group of Project Linus has a monthly gathering to work on blankets, which help provide security to seriously ill children or children in need. Cloth Carousel is a drop-off location. Collected blankets are already being distributed to children in Yolo County.

For more information, contact Ann Shannon at annshannon12@gmail.com or 753-9397.

Pizza fundraiser supports Winters Center for the Arts

A pizza fundraiser supporting the Winters Center for the Arts is planned from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, at Pizza Factory, 108 Main St., Winters. The community is invited to purchase pizza during this time, with 20 percent of all pizza sales going to the gallery. To participate, mention that you are supporting the Winters Center for the Arts.

Funds raised will support the gallery and scholarship program.

Studio C presents 'Experience This' dance recital on June 5-6

The Winters Studio C School of Dance will light up the stage with its end-of-the-year recital, "Experience This ... and Much, Much More!" More than 40 dancers, ages 2 to 18, will perform numbers in a variety of dance styles, including ballet, jazz, hip-hop, lyrical and modern, to the music of Michael Jackson, Elvis Presley, Hannah Montana,

Aerosmith, Madonna and more.

The recital will take place at the Winters Community Center, 201 Railroad Ave., on Saturday, June 5, at 2 and 7 p.m., and again on Sunday, June 6, at 7 p.m. Ticket prices are \$8 for seniors and children under 12, and \$10 for general admission.

For more information, call 795-1900.

Auditions planned for show of 'Midsummer Night's Dream'

The Winters Theatre Company will hold auditions on Tuesday, June 8, and Wednesday, June 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center for their Shakespeare in the Park production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream." Performance dates are weekends, Aug. 6-14.

Auditions will consist of selected cold readings from the play. For more information, call 795-4014 or 756-6187 or email to winterstheatre@gmail.com.

Exhibit to feature Monticello

The submerged town of Monticello will be featured at a Berryessa Valley Exhibit from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 30, at the Spanish Flat Village Center on Lake Berryessa.

Monticello was a town that now is at the bottom of the lake. The rest of the story will be told at the exhibit. Festivities include a raffle, music and local wine tasting at Cucina Italiana. Visitors are invited to dress

in old west costume and enter to win \$50 and other prizes.

Before the exhibit, the annual Monticello old-timers get-together will take place for people who lived in the Berryessa Valley and their families, beginning with a potluck picnic from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Spanish Flat Loop Road next to the cemetery.

For more information, call Carol, (707) 287-3708.

TRUSTEES

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“He was never given written notice about the charges or anything held against him. I don’t know if we can afford to hire two principals in the next year while you guys figure out whether you’re right or wrong.”

Winters High School Counselor Marcella Heredia spoke about her recent observation that the board no longer discusses issues with district staff in the same way that they did in the past.

“I haven’t seen that discussion happening in the last few months. All I’ve seen is people coming up here, saying what they need to say, you guys listening and no discussion going on. I think that’s where a lot of the frustration is coming from for the community members. I see a different board attitude. It’s not the same board,” Heredia said.

Diane Beaton gave the board a “report card,” grading the board’s communication, preparation, professionalism, ability to manage personnel and behavior, giving each area a grade of “F”.

“The community group never, ever gets answers and we’ve been forced to seek an attorney instead. I suggest that you protect yourselves against possible lawsuits and, again, we are asking for the resignations of trustees Atherton, Brickey, Hyde, Nickelson, and Orosco. You are no longer trusted by this community. In our minds and in our hearts, you are no longer our trustees,” Beaton said.

Retiring staff

Prior to the comments on Griffen, the meeting actually began with goodbyes. Nine retiring district staff members,

including counselors, teachers and librarians, were recognized at the beginning of the meeting for their service to the Winters School District.

Board President Rodney Orosco expressed a personal sense of gratitude to those being honored.

“As teachers, you never know your legacy, you never see your reward. You just did it because you love it,” said Orosco.

Each recognized individual was given a certificate of appreciation, including Waggoner teacher of 39 years, Kim Holsberry, who graciously gave each board member a hug. Waggoner and Winters Middle School Library Technician Rita Holder gave each trustee a bookmark, and said, “My life is so rich because of you.”

Also recognized was Student Representative Andreina Prado, who will graduate on Thursday, May 27, as a valedictorian from Winters High School.

Other items

~ The 9th Month Average Daily Attendance (ADA) was reported for the 2009/10 school year as 1,580.34, and therefore the district lost \$34,937 in excused/unexcused absences. The report showed enrollment at school sites as of April 16 to be 1,646, and has 30 fewer students since the first month of school. It was reported that the district wide attendance rate is 95 percent, and approximately \$414,000 were lost for this school year due to excused/unexcused absences, calculated by the difference between the enrollment amount and the ADA amount.

~ Information on the newly implemented Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS)

Supplementary Retirement Plan for eligible certificated non-management employees was shared. The goal of the plan was to encourage senior certificated non-management employees to retire early, so as to decrease personnel cuts and increase district savings. Seven employees are currently participating in the program, which is projected to save the district \$11,268 over a five-year period.

~ The board approved resolution 842-10, reducing or eliminating classified employee services for the position of student supervision aide due to lack of work and/or funds, effective July 1. The reductions are estimated to result in a savings of \$15,972 from the general fund.

~ A Memorandum of Understanding regarding furlough days was approved by the board which is signed by the Winters School District, Winters Area Education Association, Winters Area Pupil Personnel Services Unit, California School Employees Association, Supervisory/Confidential and Management. The Memorandum states that two furlough days per year for the 2010/11 and 2011/12 school years will be instated for all employees to increase district savings. It is estimated that the furlough days will result in \$109,248 district savings per year, for a total savings of \$218,496 over the next two years.

The next school board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the Walnut Room of the school district office, 909 W. Grant Avenue.

The Winters School Board meets on the first and third Thursday of each month. All school board meetings are open to the public.

FIRST

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“Everybody wants their children to have a better life than they did,” said Ziebron, noting that everything in the programs First 5 sponsors or funds is evidence based. “We are trying to translate those scientific, evidence based facts into really practical, everyday learning for children and their families. That’s really the goal.”

For more information First 5 Yolo visit www.first5yolo.org or call 669-2475.

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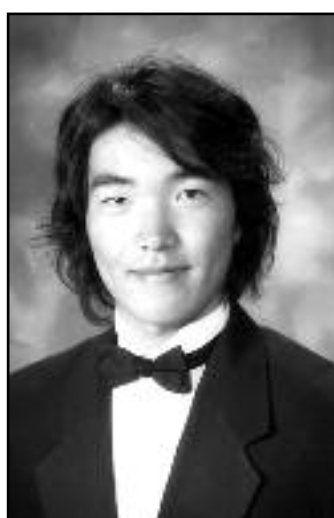
The Winters High School Class of 2010 valedictorians are, from left, Sarah Rominger, Justin Hyer and Bertha Andreina Prado. They will give their addresses at commencement exercises, planned for Thursday, May 27, at 7 p.m. at Dr. Sellers Field.



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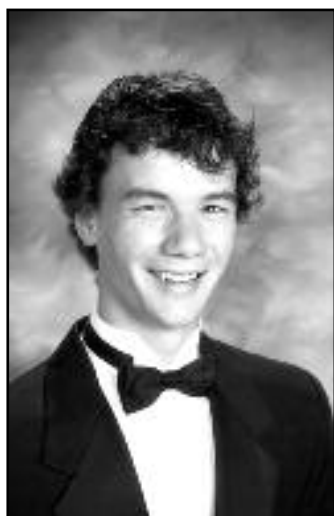
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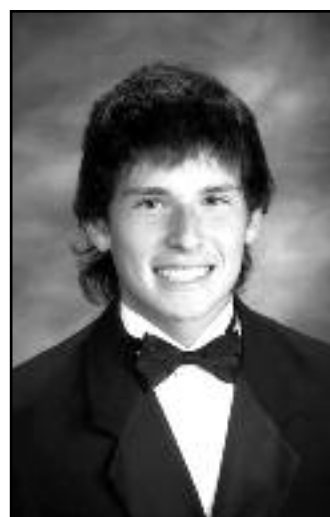
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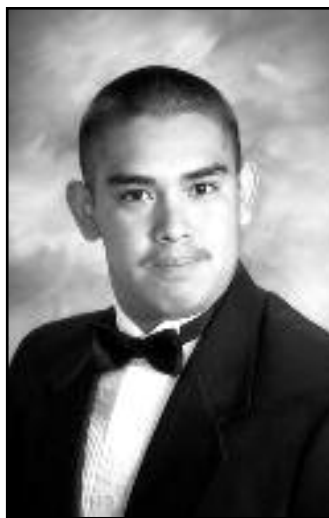
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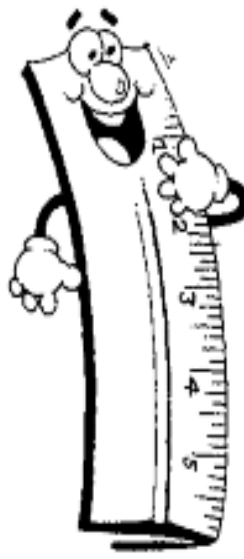
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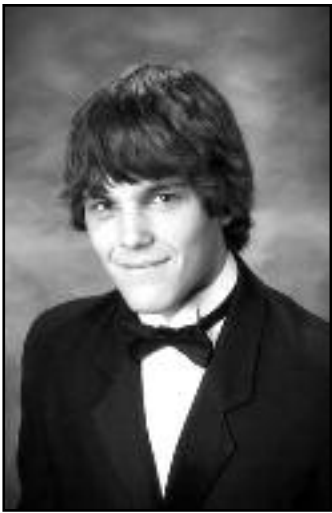


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Schools

Taking a step back in time



Photo by Woody Fridae

Students in Woody Fridae's class took the Winters Express back to 1863 on May 20 and 21, on the annual trip to Angel Island to visit the Living History, Civil War post at Camp Reynolds. From left are, Darson Long, Timothy Mazzoleni, Sarah Stone, Arianna Berrey, Abby Reckord, Ashley Drummond, Manuel Amezcua, Angela Alvarez, Alexis Delgado, and in the back Beatrice Jordan, Brian McMenomy, (behind) Jennifer Jordan, Roberto Cuevas, Gregory Creamer, Anthony Simone, Marco Solorio, and in the back Dave Ray, Greg Creamer, Sr. (in back with wide-brimmed hat), Devon Muldong, Robert Martin, Kaitlin O'Neal, Carlos Mejia. In the back, Jeff Martin, Abraham Rodriguez, Fallon Griffin, Kenya Gallo, Seidi Long (holding the newspaper), Monica Bautista, Breanna Graybeal, (Greg Drummond and George Griffin behind), Logan Ray, Will Maldonado, Michelle Bermudez, Sarah Torrez, Cody Williams and William Moore.

Summer fun planned for kids at Winters library

Summer is just around the corner, and young people who are looking for fun and interesting things to do during their school vacation will find a lot of exciting possibilities at the Winters Community Library, 708 Railroad Ave., at Winters High School.

Can-Do Kids Camp is a fun-filled, hands-on day camp for kids ages 7 to 12. The camp will run for six weeks, from 1 to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, June 14 through July 23, in the Margaret Parsons room at the Winters Community Library. Campers will enjoy arts and crafts, performing arts, science and nature, games and puzzles.

Can-Do Kids Camp is offered free to the community by Winters Friends of the Library, thanks to the support of the Margaret Parsons Fund. Sign-ups are for a week at a time; campers can sign up for one or more weeks. Parents must visit the library to enroll their children. Maximum enrollment is 30 campers per week.

Children ages 7 to 12 will have a chance to learn and practice acting, improvisation, and circus skills in the Act Up! Theater Camp for

Kids. The camp will run for four weeks, from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 29 through July 22, in the Margaret Parsons room at Winters Community Library. The camp will conclude with a performance on July 22 at City Park.

The fee for the Act Up! Theater Camp is \$100 per participant. Parents can pick up an enrollment packet at the library. The camp is sponsored by Winters Friends of the Library and will be run by experienced actors from the Winters Shakespeare Workshop.

The 2010 Yolo County Library summer reading program theme is "Make a Splash @ Your Library ... READ!" Winters Community Library will celebrate this special season with reading incentive programs for youth of all ages.

The summer reading season at the Winters Community Library will kick off with the Family Reading Festival from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 5. Children and their parents will have the opportunity to visit the library, learn about library programs, sign up for library cards, listen to

stories (English and Spanish), create their own books and other crafts, receive their very own free book, and get ready for an active summer at the library.

Parents with small children, kids age 6 to 12 and teens can register at any point this summer to "swim" their way to great prizes. The Read-to-Me incentive program for children up to age 5 and their parents encourages families to read to their little ones as much as possible to foster the love of reading. Every time families visit the library and check out a book, they work their way toward a grand prize.

Children ages 6 to 12 can register to participate in a similar incentive program. Upon registering, they will receive a book log and stickers to keep track of what they read over the summer. If they visit the library six times over the summer break and check out one or more books per visit, Children who complete their reading goals will receive great prizes and certificates at the end of the summer.

This summer, for the first time, teens in grades 7 to 12 will have their own

program, where they can read, write book reviews, and enter to win prizes in a weekly drawing. Each week, participating teens can turn in completed Review and Rating Cards for the books they read that week. For each Review and Rating Card turned in, they will have a chance to win the weekly prize. Each review also acts as a ticket for the grand prize at the end of the summer. The more Review and Rating Cards participants turn in, the better their chances of winning.

The library also will sponsor a series of free Wednesday Family Fun programs at 2 p.m. Wednesdays, June 16 through July 14. Children and their families are invited to dive into a sea of learning, fun and adventure with visiting artists, scientists and performers.

The library will also continue to offer bilingual preschool story time on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. and on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the library at 795-4955 or WintersLibrary@yolocounty.org., or stop by the library to sign up.

FFA celebrates end of year with banquet

By AUSTIN BRICKEY
Winters FFA

The Winters FFA held its annual end of the year banquet on May 11. At the tri-tip dinner, students were recognized for their accomplishments in the FFA and reflected on the past year.

The night started off by having Cale Castro recite the FFA Creed. Then Prestlie Pearce and Cody Klimper handed out six certificates of appreciation to parents and community members who have helped the FFA flourish throughout the 2009-10 year.

The Outstanding Service Award was given to the WHS Principal George Griffin for his support of the FFA program. Twelve students were recognized with proficiency awards. The FFA Member of the Year was awarded to Elliot Herrera. This is one of the highest awards a chapter can bestow on a member. The award is given to a member who has shown through leadership and SAE projects that he has used the FFA organization to grow and better not only himself but the whole chapter.

Greenhand Degrees, Chapter Degrees and State Degrees were awarded to members who have accomplished SAE projects and have met the criteria for the award. Then, Olivia Manas awarded the Blue and Gold Award to Victoria Burke for always having the FFA spirit every member should have and strive for.

Agriculture Academic Excellence, given to an excellent student in FFA and the classroom, was presented to Zack Pangburn. Seven scholarships were awarded to seniors that were interviewed and selected to receive the scholarships.

Don and Traci Calvert were named Honorary Chapter Members — community members that have gone to great lengths to help the FFA have a successful year.

The night ended with the induction of the new 2010-11 FFA officers, which include President Elliot Herrera, Vice President Andrew Gonzales, Secretary Victoria Burke, Treasurer Austin Calvert, Reporter Austin Brickey and Sentinel Cale Castro. The new officer team is optimistic about the next year and the many events planned for the community.

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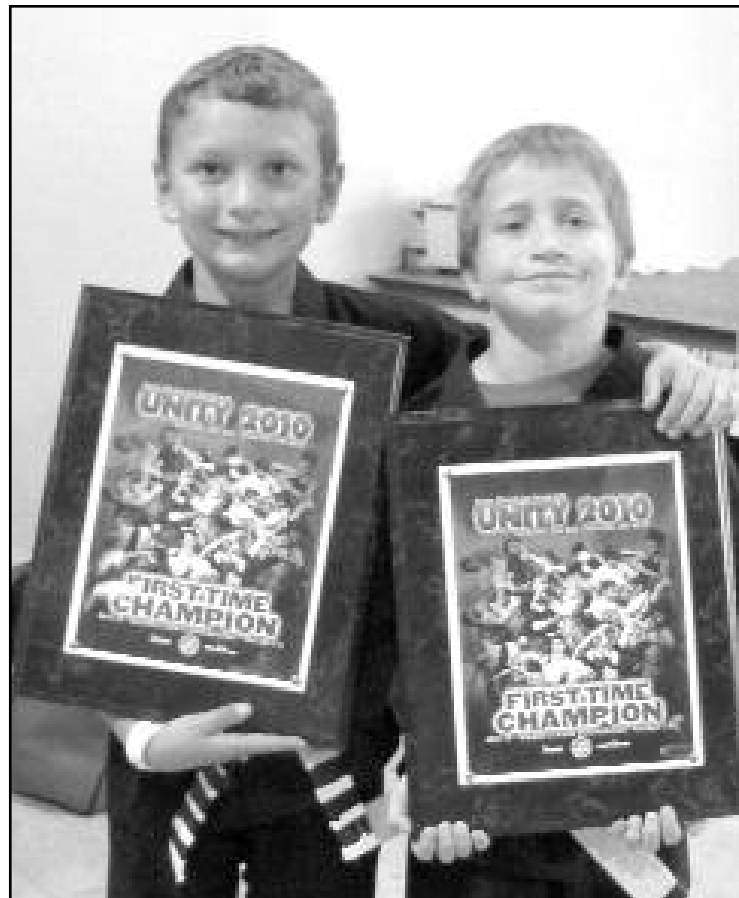
Row, row, row your boat



Photo by Mattie Long

The winners of this year's Winters High School math department boat races were seniors Kopryami Nature Foot (Tyler Pierce) and Pendeknika Twinkle Toes (Hannah Long). Wiscombe's Funeral Home and True Value Hardware support their efforts, with a theme of Pocahontas, Colors of the Wind. In second place was the watermelon boat with Mallory Creamer and Eric Cardenas. In third place was True Value Boat, with Steven Warren and Sam Newman. From left are math applications teacher Michael Challenger, Tyler Pierce, Hannah Long and Riki Lucero.

On their way to martial arts masters



Javier Martial Arts students Antonio Velasques and Dominic Cintas, at left, and Anthony Jimenez, above, competed May 15 in the Bay Area Unity Karate Tournament in Vallejo.

Courtesy photos

Weekly police report

May 12-13

~ 10 p.m. to 9:15 a.m., 200 block of Lenis Avenue, a wallet containing U.S. currency was stolen from an unlocked vehicle. Loss: \$35.

May 15-20

~ Noon to 10 a.m., 800 block of Railroad Avenue, a windshield and side window were broken on a vehicle that is in storage.

May 16

~ 6 p.m., a 16-year-old

Winters juvenile was issued a notice to appear for petty theft.

~ 7:22 p.m., County Roads 29 and 89, an officer assisted the California Highway Patrol with a traffic collision.

May 17-18

~ 3 p.m., a set of found keys were turned over to the police department.

May 18

~ 12:11 a.m., Aaron

Anthony Olanio, 19, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being a minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage. Olanio was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

~ 12:42 a.m., Wiley Garrett Reed, 19, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08%, being a minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage and having an inoperable license plate lamp. Reed was booked at

See **POLICE** on page B-10

Winters teachers attend reception focused on Farm to School lunches

By **GEORGEANNE BRENNAN** and **ANN EVANS**
Special to the Express

Chris Novello, the ROP teacher well-known for his innovative culinary classes at Winters High School, and Charlotte Kimball, horticulture teacher at Wolfskill, were among the 60 attendees at a reception held Thursday, May 20, for Dr. Janey Thornton, deputy under secretary of USDA Food and Nutrition Service in charge of the National School Lunch Program.

The reception, also attended by Winters resident and former Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Richard Rominger, was hosted by Davis Farm to School and held at the Robert Mondavi Institute for Wine and Food Science at UC Davis.

Thornton spoke on the Obama administration's vision for an improved National School Lunch Program. School lunch has become a national hot topic with British Chef Jamie Oliver's popular television show, the Alice Waters Edible Schoolyard in Berkeley, and local school districts across the nation working to increase the quality of meals. The program is up for reauthorization in Congress now. Of the reauthorization, Thornton said, "The future of the country is at stake. Healthy kids today produce a healthier America tomorrow."

Delaine Eastin, former California Superintendent of Public Instruction, gave closing remarks at the reception. She quoted Neil Postman saying, "Children are a message we send to a future we will never see." She called on the crowd, and Thornton, to ensure that on our watch, children in Davis and throughout the nation, are fed a lunch at school that keeps them healthy and provides a foundation for their learning.

"It was good to meet and network with people, and the speeches were quite inspirational, to say the least," said

Novello.

Kimball, a veteran teacher of both Vacaville and Davis school districts, and the first woman agriculture teacher in California, called the program very inspirational, saying it is good to get out with folks who have common goals about improving our educational system and caring for the future of children everywhere.

Cathy Olsen, director of Student Nutrition Services for the Winters School District, has increased the fresh, local produce being served in the school lunch program as funds permit. Slow Food Yolo has provided grants up to \$2,000 per year for the past two years for this purpose to the district. She is interested in working with parents to support more farm-to-school programs in the Winters schools.

In Davis, the school district's Student Nutrition Services lunch program integrates USDA commodities with fresh, seasonal produce. It is supported through Davis Farm to School (a project of the Davis Farmers' Market Foundation) and its partnerships with Sutter Davis and the Davis Food Co-op, as well as through funds provided by a parcel tax approved by school district taxpayers. Over the past 10 years the program has worked to offer farm fresh foods.

According to UC Davis researchers Gail Feenstra and Jeri Ohmart, the district is now up to 53 percent of its produce purchases from within a 300-mile area. Pru Mendez of Tuco's Wine Market and Café, who also sits on the Davis school district's Nutrition Advisory Committee, provided several appetizers as did the Davis Food Co-op. Karen Senders poured Senders Wines of Davis, including a new release rosé, for the guests. All of these businesses partner with Davis Farm to School in support of the school lunch program.

For more information, visit www.davisfarmtoschool.org

With honors



Lauren Filarsky graduated Magna Cum Laude from Point Loma Nazarene University with a bachelor of arts degree in writing and a minor in organismal biology. She is the daughter of Bruce Filarsky, M.D. and Cheryl Filarsky, CPA of Winters.

Courtesy photo

Sports

Masem, Waldron receive awards

Burt Masem earned the Block W Senior Scholar Athlete Award for the Winters High School 2009-10 wrestling team, while teammate Jackson Waldron received the Block W Coaches Award. Both wrestlers were recognized by head coach Tim Hausler at the team's annual banquet, held in March.

Swim team practice begins Tuesday, June 1. The schedule is as follows:
~ 8 to 9:30 a.m. — 13- to 18-year-olds
~ 9:30 to 11 a.m. — 9- to 12-year-olds
~ 11 to 11:30 a.m. — 7- to 8-year-olds
~ 11:30 a.m. to noon — age 6 and under
Sign-ups for all ages is from 8 a.m. to noon. For more, call 795-2367.

Ney hits walk off single in semifinals

◆ Baseball team loses section championship game 8-3

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors varsity baseball team hosted Lassen High School in the Division II semifinals on Tuesday, May 18, and had another dramatic finish for the fourth game in a row. The Warriors were down 3-5 in the bottom of the seventh. Winters loaded the bases with no outs and scored a run off Joe McIntire's hit down the first base line to make it 4-5. Jared Ney came up next and bounced a single over second base that scored two runs for the 6-5 victory and a shot at the section title.

At the plate, the Warriors totaled 11 hits with Max Van Dyke leading the team. Van Dyke batted 3 for 4 with two runs scored. McIntire batted 2 for 3 with an RBI. Cody Romero batted 1 for 1 with a run scored, an RBI and a double. Ney batted 1 for 3 with three RBI. Bryan Case batted 1 for 3 with a run scored. Josh Myers went 1 for 3 with a double. Zach Higgins batted 1 for 3. Rocco Romero batted 1 for 4 with a run scored and Adam Martinez scored a run for the Warriors.

On the mound, Higgins picked up his ninth win of the season, throwing a complete game, giving up five runs, three earned on eight hits and had six strikeouts.

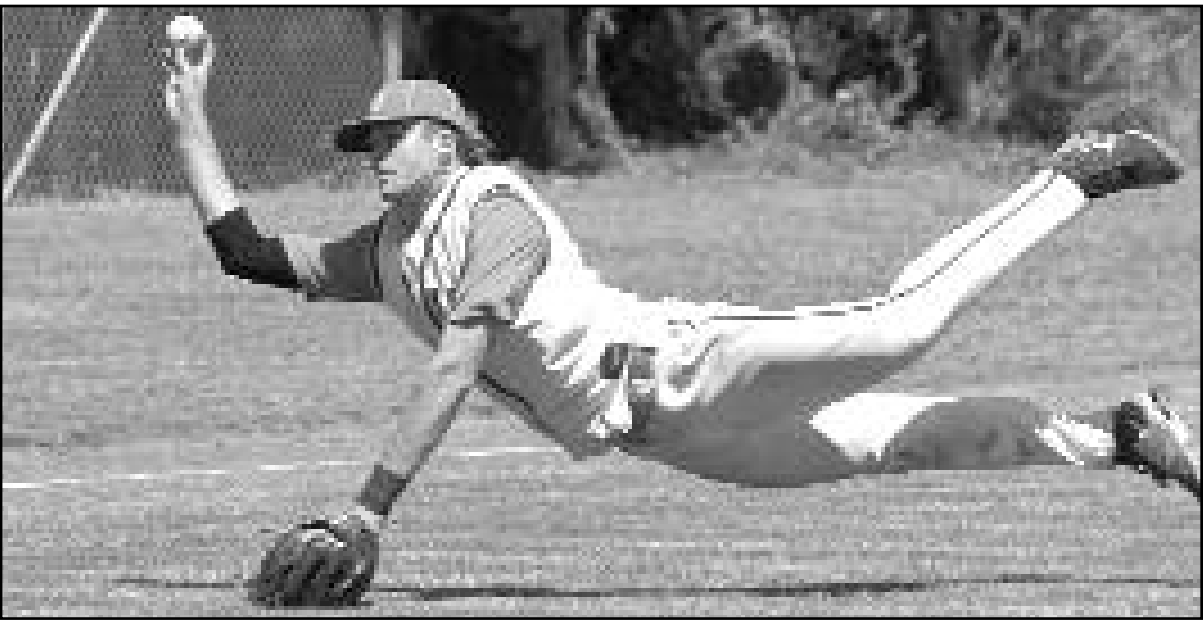
On Saturday, May 22, the Warriors lost to Central Valley High School 8-3 in the Northern Section Division II championship game. No stats were available at press time so that story will run next week.



Max Van Dyke, at left, dives safely back to the base during a recent Warriors varsity baseball victory.

Below, Bryan Case makes a diving attempt to throw out a runner at home during a recent Warriors varsity baseball game.

Photos by Donna Forman



JV boys track team wins Division II title

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters High School JV boys track team topped its last performance when it won the Butte View League championship on Friday, May 14, by winning the Division II championship last Friday, May 21, in Wheatland.

The Warriors not only won the division, they dominated the division. Winters totaled 120 points with second place Wheatland totaling 81. Durham had 59, Willows 51, Quincy 36, Orland 33, Las Plumas 33, Gridley

32, Sutter 28 and Colusa had one point.

Trevor Wright led the way for Winters with three first place finishes and a second place finish. Wright won the 110 hurdles in 16.14, the 300 hurdles in 44.56, the triple jump with a distance of 38-6 and took second in the long jump with a leap of 18-6.

Daniel Navarette had two gold medals, one in the 800 meters with a time of 2:21.47 and the other in the 1600 with a time of 5:10.61. Navarette placed fourth in the triple jump at 35-1 and was fifth in the 400

at 58.46.

Keli Callison won the shot put with a toss of 43-3 1/2. Nick Mariani won the high jump with a jump of 5-10, while Skyler Geerts took fifth at 5-2. Brentley Weissman took fifth in the 100 meters in 12.72 and was second in the 200 meters at 25.87.

Steven Ethington took seventh in the 200 at 27.49. Justin Nitzkowski placed third in the 800 at 2:23.18 and was fourth in the 1600 at 5:12.95. Logan Fox placed fifth in the 110 hurdles in 18.69, while Jonathan Jordan was eighth in the discus

with a throw of 94-6.

In the 4x100 relay, Geerts, Weissman, Will Pfanner and Ethington teamed up for a second place finish, clocking a time of 48.78, while in the 4x400 relay Geerts, Mariani, Ethington and Pfanner clocked 4:04.66 for a fourth place finish.

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JV girls take third in Division II

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters JV girls track team took third place at the Division II Northern Section championships on Friday, May 21, in Wheatland.

The Warriors had two first place finishers with Molly Nickelson winning the 300 hurdles in 53.50 and Taylor Hofstrand winning the discus

with a throw of 74-8.

Sarena Cliche was second in the triple jump with a leap of 28-0. Anelle Concepcion placed fourth with a triple jump of 27-7. Hofstrand took fourth in shot put with a toss of 24-1 1/2. Paige Wright was fourth in the 300 hurdles in 56.20. Samantha Andrade took sixth in the 400 meters in 1:13.73. In the 100 hurdles, Nickelson placed third in 18.55, while Wright was seventh at 22.90.

PISANI'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Joe McIntire

Joe McIntire, a junior on the Winters Warriors varsity baseball team, is athlete of the week.

Last week, in the semifinals and the section championship game, McIntire batted 5 for 6 for a .833 average with four RBI.

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Features

Shedding light on tanning

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Recently, my daughter attended a sweet-16 birthday party for one of her best friends. She is a beautiful girl. When my daughter showed me pictures of her friend, I was shocked. Her face and arms were deeply tanned. I have no idea how many hours she must have spent under a tanning machine. I am very concerned about her. Would you write about the dangers of tanning? -- Anon.

ANSWER: Ultraviolet light, the kind of light we don't see, has powerful effects on the skin. Ultraviolet A rays constitute 95 percent of the UV light that makes its way to earth. UV A rays do not burn and tan skin as much as UV B rays, but they do damage skin. They cause skin wrinkling; they dry skin; and they produce age spots (liver spots). And they also add to the risk of skin cancer.

Ultraviolet B rays are more destructive. They are the burning rays, and they have a greater effect on skin cancer production. Both A and B reduce the skin's innate immunity.

Exposure to both UV A and UV B injures the skin cells' DNA, and that's what sets the scene for future skin cancer. Humans have learned to cope with UV light by tanning. A tan offers some protection against further damage. UV light activates melanocytes, and they pass their melanin -- a dark pigment -- to other skin cells. That has the effect of providing an umbrella for the skin. However, beneficial that might be, the fact remains that in obtaining a modicum of protection with a tan, skin-cell DNA has been dealt a major blow.

No tan can be considered healthy. Sun exposure in adolescence might be the most dangerous time for ultraviolet damage. Tanning booths and tanning beds are considered a threat equal to the sun for promoting future skin cancer.

People of all ages should protect their skin from exposure to



UV light. Such exposure happens every time a person goes outdoors. Cloud cover is a poor absorber of UV rays and offers little skin protection. Sunscreen application should become a habit.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What's considered ideal pool-water temperature? In our apartment complex, we have a large pool that is so cold I rarely use it. I am getting a thermometer to measure its temperature. I would like to have a reference temperature to present to management if the water is colder than it should be. -- N.U.

ANSWER: Pool water is comfortable for most when its temperature is between 82 and 86 degrees F (28-30 C). The water is cool enough to keep strong swimmers from overheating, but warm enough to keep floaters from freezing.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What's the purpose of ear wax? I seem to produce tons of it. I can't find an answer to this question, so I thought I would write to you. -- C.N.

ANSWER: Ear wax keeps the ear canal moist. Without it, the canal's lining dries up and itches. It also traps foreign debris, including bacteria, viruses and fungi that find their way into the ear canal.

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

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Mirror, Mirror on my virtual wall who's the fairest one of all?

Facebook has launched creepy new tools for social networking, new apps, and new ways for anonymous entities and corporations to mine data. Basically, this allows Facebook to work as a portal to your privacy through direct routes and routes unknown. It's worse than a virus, because at least you have to come into direct contact with a virus. This is more like air-born herpes.

In earlier days, someone might invite you to join a Facebook application. When you select the application, you are asked to accept the sharing of your information. You can say "no." What's changed is your new default setting is "Instant Personalization" which really means, instant sharing of your information. This should make us all walk away from the website.

I should close my FB right now... But my friends are on there... If I close it, then what?... Facebook, I've been trying to quit you!

I think we stay because at 8:00 we have to harvest daffodils, horse hair and collect milktonium from our cyber cows. We can escape to a place where things stay green, little doves fly and we have dominion over a land where no weed dares to grow. It could also be the updates, or the way updates form a virtual neighborhood. I enjoy reading the updates and



making comments. I enjoy learning what my friends are doing. For me, it gives me a sense of belonging. These are my people. That might be true, but the new face is more insidious.

Facebook works on a similar principle as the mirror in Snow White. For example, when the evil stepmother looks into the mirror and asks, "Mirror, Mirror on the wall, who's the fairest one of all?" she gets instant confirmation of her beauty, at least until Snow White shows up. On Facebook, if someone disagrees with you, you just unfriend them or block their comments. It's like looking at a mirror that only reflects what you want to see. Snow White is simply not allowed unless you invite her to stay.

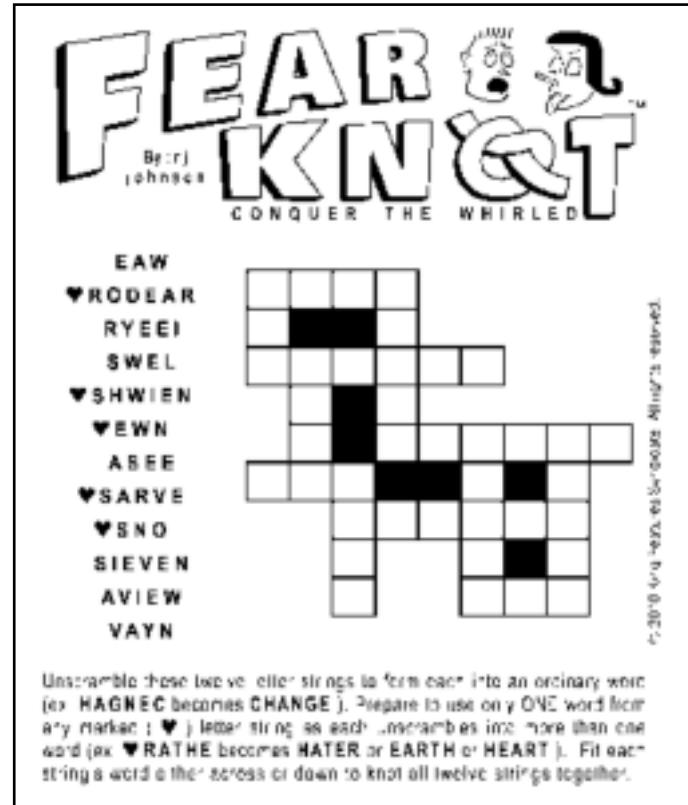
You're always the fairest on Facebook. In this way, people agree to your politics, your values and your news. The viewer gets all the ego stroking of the magical mirror, or you can agree to disagree, but it doesn't stop there.

Since you select friends, and they select friends, your Facebook experience is not your neighbors' Facebook experience. This mirror becomes more like The

Mirror of Erised in Harry Potter. In this mirror, you see yourself in your shining, virtual robes, and so do they. Everyone gets their personal "feed." It's a bit narcissistic, which might be why it is so addictive. If that was all it did, it would be fine. Who doesn't need an ego stroke after a long day. However, this mirror, mirror on the wall works in ways the stepmother, or Harry Potter never dreamed.

Now all a person's photos, posts, family members, news-feeds, reads, and the constellation of their friends' information, can be data mined. Facebook, in this new incarnation, becomes a two-way mirror where anonymous, unlimited corporations can view your every whimper, celebration or non-thought. If you feel like someone is watching you, they are. And they are in it to make a profit.

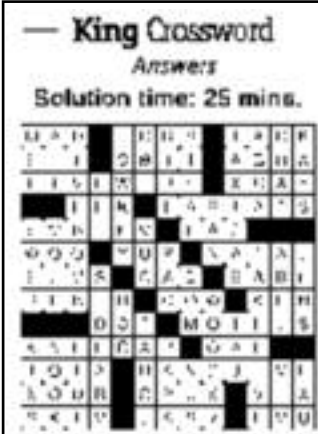
If you want to stay on Facebook, quit the games, programs, remove photos that you don't want made public, and change your privacy settings and if you do nothing else, block or de-select the Instant Personalization.



Pleased to meet you



Name: Sally Brown
Occupation: Social scientist
Hobby: Swimming in the Bobbie Greenwood Community pool
What's best about living in Winters: "The challenge of keeping a secret."
Fun fact: Spent two weeks on the Green Tortoise in Baja, Mexico with serial killer Leonard Lake, prior to his killing spree.



Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your Aries self-esteem level is high, as is your impatience to see more action come your way in the workplace. Good news, Lamb: It could start to happen sooner than you think.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Changing things now could upset a lot of people. But if you feel you're acting because you believe it's the right thing to do, others will understand and even come to support you.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A change of mind might not necessarily be a change of heart. You still want to go ahead with your plans, but you might see a better way to make them happen. So go for it.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An old business dispute could re-emerge and possibly affect upcoming negotiations. Consider opening up the situation to include suggestions from others on both sides of the issue.
LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some Leos and Leonas might find it somewhat difficult to get their ideas accepted or even considered. But that's only for a while. Things will soon return to the way you like them.
VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The pace seems to be slowing down from the hectic on-the-job run you recently enjoyed. But be assured that you're still in the race to pick up new workplace-related goodies.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Seasonal changes create opportunities for busy Librans. However, be sure to balance your workload with your personal life so that you don't overdo it on one end or the other.
SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A former critic could make a surprise turnaround and become a supporter. But if your Scorpion sense suspects a questionable motive, who are the rest of us to doubt it?
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Data on a new project seems less than dependable. But it might turn out to be just the opposite. Consult with someone who knows how you might best be able to check it out.
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Capricorn means face many decisions this week, with the Sea Goat's kids rating high on the consideration scale, especially regarding vacations and upcoming school matters.
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Showing that you care is what Aquarians do so well. It's your very special skill. And this week, you'll have several chances to show off that gift for a very special person. Good luck.
PISCES (February 19 to March 21) That streak of Piscean wariness should serve you well this week should you be among those who come up against a slippery character offering a fishy deal with nothing to back it up.
BORN THIS WEEK: You have an artist's sense of how to help others see, as you do, the beautiful things about the world.

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Nuestras Noticias

Problema político



Nuestra historia

Seguimos comentando las razones por la que los hispanos estamos en este país, cuando Japón atacó a Pearl Harbor en 1941, obligó a los integrantes del Eje Alemania-Italia, a declarar la guerra a los Estados Unidos de América, lo que obligó a estos a aliarse con la joven Unión Soviética y las potencias occidentales europeas. Con esto todo quedó listo para el desarrollo de la segunda Guerra Mundial. En 1942 cuando Los Estados Unidos entraron en la segunda guerra mundial, iniciaron un enorme programa de rearme que consumió materialmente la totalidad de su mano de obra.

En la cúspide de su producción en los años 1943-1944 los Estados Unidos, estaban construyendo un barco diario y un avión cada cinco minutos. En los seis años de Guerra, produjeron 87 mil tanques, 296 mil aviones de combate, 315 mil piezas de artillería y morteros, 2 millones 434 mil camiones y 53 millones de toneladas marítimas (entre barcos, lanchas, submarinos, portaaviones, etc.). Para el tamaño de esta producción bélica, la Unión Americana echó mano de todo lo que tenía a su alcance. Hombres y mujeres de todas las edades, trabajaban de día y de noche en las fábricas y los jóvenes más fuertes y sanos eran embarcados a los frentes de batalla.

En la segunda guerra mundial estaba en juego el destino de la humanidad, fue cuando hicieron su aparición los braceros. El 4 de agosto de 1942, los gobiernos de México Y Estados Unidos firman un convenio para el reclutamiento y empleo de ciudadanos mexicanos, para cubrir así las necesidades de mano de obra para los campos agrícolas y el mantenimiento de los ferrocarriles estadounidenses.

La constante demanda de trabajadores agrícolas anticipándose a la producción para la guerra; la opinión expresada por los patrones de que la mano de obra local y nacional para la agricultura se reduciría por los reclutamientos en el ejército y en otras industrias; la opinión tradicional tan arraigada en el Sur de que México es una reserva natural de mano de obra para la agricultura y el mantenimiento ferroviario; la predisposición de México a cooperar en el esfuerzo bélico de los norteamericanos proporcionando mano de obra; la cada vez más difícil situación de la clase trabajadora mexicana en las ciudades y en el agro en razón de la escasez de alimentos, el alza constante de los precios y otros trastornos en la economía; y la esperanza de los trabajadores mexicanos de ganar en los Estados Unidos sueldos mejores que los que ganarían en México. Todas estas condiciones hicieron más fácil y rápida la contratación de miles de braceros.

El Convenio Bracero se dio por concluido oficialmente el 30 de mayo de 1963, pero los trabajadores agrícolas siguieron ingresando a los Estados Unidos hasta 1964, poco después, los braceros fueron expulsados del país a quien dedicaron sus mejores esfuerzos en tiempos por demás difícil.

Sin ninguna duda el problema de la inmigración paso de un problema social a un problema político, tenemos que ser realistas, el hecho de que vengamos a este país sin documentos, automáticamente ahí estamos violando las leyes, pero que van a hacerlas autoridades cuando los que violan o han violado las leyes no son solo unos cientos o miles, sino millones, y a estos por lo menos deben de darles un trato humano, mientras se adoptan los mecanismos para corregir el problema.

El principal obstáculo a una solución integral es que la migración dejó de ser un problema social para convertirse en político, en tanto vivamos en un país dividido en dos campos enemigos no va a legislarse satisfactoriamente. Todo es un juego político en el cual se acusa a los inmigrantes de toda clase de cosas; pero no se toman medidas que sean correctivas de una situación que sabemos es irregular. Encima, las medidas que se discuten parecen dirigidas solo en contra la inmigración latina; por no integrarse a la cultura e idioma de este país.

No sé porque se piensa que basta que un inmigrante llegue a este país para que deje a un lado todas sus tradiciones y costumbres. Todos los inmigrantes que han venido en los últimos 100 años, se han esforzado por conservar lo suyo y poco a poco fueron adaptándose a su nuevo ambiente que, a su vez, se fue alterando con las costumbres que traían los que iban llegando. Los que atacan a los inmigrantes

dicen que el no adaptarse a este país es ser distinto, es ser anti-americano, cuando todos sabemos que lo estadounidense es la mezcla de todas las culturas de sus inmigrantes.

Un ejemplo de esto son los Irlandeses, ellos llegaron cuando otros ya se habían asentado aquí, ellos fueron discriminados hasta que con el paso del tiempo su cultura y la cultura de aquí, se hicieron solo una, hoy, en el Día de San Patricio, el país se viste de verde y a nadie molesta. Está claro que la gente que ya está aquí proteste por las llegadas de nuevas migraciones, y se preocupan porque alegan que los nuevos los van a desplazar. Lamentablemente así piensan también muchos latinos que están aquí, ya que una vez legalizados les molestan los indocumentados que llegan con su poca escolaridad.

La frontera con México en estos momentos es una fuente de tráfico de drogas, así que se sería de mucha ayuda el cuidarla más, aunque en las fronteras de todos los países, siempre hay muchas fricciones, amén de hablar de contrabandos, de vicio y de corrupción. La nuestra con México no es la excepción. Ahí se contrabandea lo que tenga demanda, lo mismo de México a EEUU que viceversa aunque los servicios y productos sean distintos. Lástima que al hablar de sellar la frontera se refieran principalmente a los inmigrantes, cuando hay otros contrabandos más graves y delicados. El contrabando de indocumentados y el de drogas son problemas paralelos

pero nada tienen que ver los primeros con el otro.

El más grave de esos contrabandos son las drogas de diferente tipo y todo lo que se relaciona con ellas. El menos grave es el cruce de personas porque puede remediarse, no crea ni fomenta el vicio, ni afecta la salud; además, debe poderse regular con un poco de voluntad — que es la que, por ahora, parece no existir.

La ley de Arizona en contra de los indocumentados, quizá sea solo una bola de humo para cubrir otros problemas mucho más serios que tiene el estado, como el ser la puerta de entrada, almacenamiento y distribución de la marihuana. El contrabando humano y el de las drogas, que nada tiene que ver el uno con el otro, son consecuencia de la demanda. Si no hubiera trabajo, no vendrían los indocumentados; si no hubiera usuarios viciosos aquí no se contrabandearían las drogas.

Arizona criminaliza a los indocumentados, pero debería de hablar de todas las muertes de indocumentados en sus desiertos como una razón para sellar la frontera. Eso sería un razonamiento mas humano. Pero la realidad es que la frontera con más de dos mil millas es prácticamente imposible sellarla, ni aun usando el ejercito, acaso ¿Los soldados van a matar a los que intenten cruzar? Claro que no. Lo que ambos gobiernos deben de combatir es la corrupción en ambos lados de la frontera. Las drogas, armas y explotadores de humanos.

Mezcla de culturas

Un famoso político en Estados Unidos se quejó un día amargamente de los inmigrantes que arribaban al país, porque llegaría el día en que lo convertirían en una colonia de extranjeros. “Pocos de los hijos (de los inmigrantes) aprenden inglés (...) A menos que podamos regresarlos a sus países, muy pronto nos superarán en número, y no podremos salvar nuestro idioma ni nuestra forma de gobierno”, se quejó el personaje en varios periódicos. “Nunca adoptarán ni nuestro idioma ni nuestras costumbres, igual que nunca podrán adquirir nuestra compleción”, remató molesto y alarmado. Por supuesto, todas las personas en Estados Unidos que leyeron estos artículos se alarmaron. Y le dieron la razón. ¿Quién es este misterioso político, que exuda tanto odio contra los inmigrantes? El que escribió esos artículos contra los inmigrantes, es ni más ni menos que ... Benjamín Franklin.

Si, Benjamín Franklin, uno de los famosísimos “Padres Fundadores” de Estados Unidos. El que fue amigo de George Washington y Thomas Jefferson. El que firmó el acta de independencia y la constitución de Estados Unidos, enfatizando el derecho de todos los hombres a ser “libres”.

¿A qué grupo de inmigrantes extranjeros se refería este famoso “Padre Fundador” en sus escritos? Ni más ni menos que a los alemanes. En ese tiempo, los norteamericanos de sangre anglosajona (procedentes de Inglaterra) controlaban el comercio y el gobierno de las trece colonias fundadoras de Estados Unidos. Tenían un nivel económico envidiable, en promedio, hasta para los propios ingleses. Los alemanes que inmigraban, en cambio, eran gente pobre,

campesinos. Muchos no sabían leer ni escribir, y llegaban a hacer los trabajos duros y peor pagados.

Pennsylvania, la colonia donde vivía Franklin, era una de las que más inmigrantes recibía: Tantos, que más de una tercera parte de su población era alemana. Aquellos ancestros de los anglosajones de hoy, veían a estos inmigrantes alemanes hacia abajo. Les parecían sucios, tontos, brutos. Poco más que bestias. “Nunca serán como nosotros,” pensaba Franklin. Pero después de quizá cincuenta o cien años después, éstos “alemanes que nunca se iban a adaptar,” ya estaban totalmente adaptados. Sus descendientes se habían fundido tanto, que era difícil distinguirlos del americano “común”.

Muchos aún conservaban el idioma de sus ancestros, pero solo por tradición. Todos ellos hablaban un inglés tan bueno como cualquiera. Se habían convertido en artesanos, en soldados, en comerciantes, y hasta en políticos. Entonces, llegaron los irlandeses ... Y les tocó el turno a los descendientes de alemanes de poner el grito en el cielo. Desde tiempos de la colonia, habían llegado inmigrantes irlandeses casi a la par que los colonos ingleses. En su mayoría, estos primeros irlandeses eran educados, y se integraron bastante bien. La mayoría de ellos emigró a los nuevos territorios fronterizos, y se había fundido con el resto de la población.

Pero a mediados del siglo 19, llegó otra ola de inmigrantes irlandeses. Y estaban amoladísimos. Si se puede, mucho más amolados que los primeros inmigrantes alemanes. Por aquellos años, había habido espantosas hambrunas en Irlanda. La gente, y en particular los niños, se

morían de hambre en las calles, como animales abandonados. Irlanda era como el África de Europa. (Muy, muy distinto a la súper desarrollada y primermundista Irlanda de hoy).

Estos nuevos inmigrantes tampoco eran personas estudiadas: En su mayoría, eran campesinos pobrísimos. Analfabetos. Desesperados. Los tataranietos de ingleses y alemanes en Estados Unidos comenzaron a despreciar a estos irlandeses, que llegaron a sumar 2 millones de inmigrantes. Eran, según ellos flojos, sucios, brutos. Pero además de todos los defectos del típico inmigrante, los irlandeses también eran (según los americanos) borrachos y penderciersos. Y de pilón, para su infortunio al llegar a un país de protestantes anglos y alemanes, los irlandeses eran católicos.

En los centros de trabajo como fábricas y negocios era común ver letreros que decían: “No se Aceptan Empleados Irlandeses.” “NUNCA serán como nosotros,” se quejaban los americanos descendientes de ingleses y alemanes. Y al igual que los alemanes después de muchos años vemos que dos generaciones después, los irlandeses ya estaban totalmente integrados a la sociedad. Eran policías, obreros, soldados, bomberos y hasta políticos. Y entonces ... les tocó el turno a los inmigrantes italianos.

¿Cómo cree que llegaron los inmigrantes italianos a Estados Unidos? Adivinó: Pobres, analfabetos, hambrientos. Y los anglos, germanos e irlandeses los acusaron de ser ... Sucios, brutos, delincuentes, y de hablar un idioma horrible (¡El italiano, por Dios!). Ah, y claro: Que nunca se iban a integrar ni a aprender inglés. Hoy, los descendientes de italianos e irlandeses son, junto con

los descendientes de alemanes, “americanos puros.” No es fácil distinguirlos de los anglosajones descendientes de ingleses.

Hoy figuras como el político y analista Pat Buchanan (descendiente de ESCOCESSES), el comentarista de radio Sean Manítú (descendiente de IRLANDESES), el representante Tom Tancredo (descendiente de ITALIANOS) y hasta el gobernador Arnold (inmigrante AUSTRIACO DE LENGUA ALEMANA) ponen el grito en el cielo al ver que llegan inmigrantes mexicanos y latinoamericanos. Campesinos en su mayoría.

¿De qué nos acusan? De ser ... pobres, analfabetas, ignorantes. Pero también de no hablar inglés, de no aprenderlo rápido de tener nuestras costumbres, nuestro idioma, el español (“Horroroso idioma,” dicen algunos. “Lengua de esclavos”, dicen otros), y de enseñárselo a nuestros hijos. Y por supuesto, NUNCA nos vamos a integrar al resto del país, ¿No le suenan familiares estas quejas?

Estos anti-inmigrantes le tienen terror a lo que va a decir la historia dentro de cincuenta años. Porque saben que, dentro de cincuenta, o cien años, Estados Unidos será — en su opinión — un país distinto. Extraño para ellos. Y sólo por eso, será peor al de hoy, argumentan. Porque no será “nuestro,” dicen.

Para el ciudadano americano de 2050 ó 2100 (que quizá se llame José Gómez o Kevin López, o María Harrison), los verdaderos “extraños” serán los que hoy ponen el grito en el cielo por la inmigración. Y seguramente se reirán al leer en los libros de historia la histeria que los inmigrantes mexicanos y latinoamericanos desataban en el Estados Unidos de principios del siglo 21.

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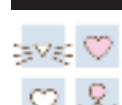

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~ 12:52 a.m., Jeronimo Cuauhtemoc Aguilar, 18, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, being under the age of 21 and driving with a blood alcohol content of over .05 percent, being an unlicensed driver and driving a vehicle with expired registration. Aguilar was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.
 ~ 11:58 p.m., Jose Luis Delgado-Ponce, 34, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

May 19
 ~ 10:15 a.m., Daisey Gutierrez, 21, of Davis was booked and released on a District Attorney letter charging her with vandalism.
 ~ 10:57 p.m., Juan Manuel Junez-Puga, 31, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

May 20
 ~ 10:50 a.m., found reading glasses were turned over to the police department.
 ~ 11 a.m., 100 block of Grant Avenue, an officer assisted the

Golden Gate office of the California Highway Patrol with contacting a victim who was involved in a traffic collision.

~ 9:57 p.m., 100 block of Martinez Way, an officer responded to a residential alarm. It was determined the alarm was activated accidentally.

May 22
 ~ 11:20 a.m., 400 block of Russell Street, a vehicle that was stolen from the City of Woodland was located and recovered. Suspect information was recovered from the vehicle. Investigation continues.
 ~ 7:38 p.m. Silverio Guzman-Campuzano, 22, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

May 23
 ~ 2:38 a.m., a 16-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of over .08 percent, being an unlicensed driver and having inoperable vehicle tail lamps. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

May 23-24
 ~ 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., 300 block of Edwards Street, paint was scratched on a vehicle using an unknown object and a hub cap was stolen from the vehicle. Damage and loss: \$1,000.

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Kenseth a Real Team Player

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"There have been races this year where we performed well enough to win," said Kenseth. "We finished second in Atlanta, and we were second or third on that last restart at Martinsville (18th-place finish after tangling with Jeff Gordon). In Vegas, I think Jeff (Gordon) and Jimmie (Johnson) had better cars, but we ran second or third there (fifth-place finish) all day."

The Wisconsin native just turned 38. In 376 Cup starts, Kenseth has won 18 races, and his next top-five finish will be his 100th. In NASCAR's all-time list of winners, Kenseth is in a five-way tie for 37th place with Geoff Bodine, the late Neil Bonnett, Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Harry Gant.

The careers of Kenseth and Earnhardt Jr. have been intertwined. Earnhardt outdueled Kenseth for two (then) Busch Series championships but has never won a Cup championship. Both have won the Daytona 500. They were both rookies in 2000, with Kenseth winning Raybestos Rookie of the Year.

Both also have had a hard time winning lately. Forty-six races have passed since Kenseth opened the 2009 season with consecutive victories.

"To me, it's important to win, but more than that, if this makes sense, it's important to put yourself in position to win and be up leading laps," said Kenseth. "If you look at Jeff Gordon's year, he hasn't won yet, but he has led, like, 800 laps (actually 709), and has been in position every week. It is just a matter of time until he wins."

"You always want to win every week, but more so for me, it's important to have the performance of the car and the team, everybody involved, to be a contender to win. If we are up there leading laps and in contention, eventually we'll win. It's important for me to get our performance up to a championship level."

Monte Dutton has covered motorsports for The Gaston (N.C.) Gazette since 1993. He was named writer of the year by the National Motorsports Press Association in 2008. His blog NASCAR This Week (<http://nascar.rbma.com>) features all of his reporting on racing, roots music and life on the road. E-mail Monte at nascar_thisweek@yahoo.com.

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- On June 13, 1905, pitcher Christy Matthewson of the New York Giants throws the second no-hitter of his career to lead his Giants to a 1-0 win over the powerful Chicago Cubs. That year Matthewson won 31 games to just nine lost.
- On June 12, 1920, Man O' War wins the 52nd Belmont Stakes. His only career loss came in 1919 when his back was to the starting line at the beginning of one race. At that time, before the advent of starting gates, a rope was all that held horses back from starting their run.
- On June 10, 1935, in New York City, two recovering alcoholics found Alcoholics Anonymous (A.A.), a 12-step rehabilitation program that eventually helps countless people cope with alcoholism.
- On June 11, 1949, Hank Williams, Sr., makes his Grand Ole Opry debut at the Ryman Auditorium. The audience called Williams out for six encores and had to be implored not to call him out for more in order to allow the rest of the show to go on.
- On June 8, 1968, James Earl Ray, an escaped American convict, is arrested in London, England, and charged with the assassination of civil-rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. Ray claimed he was innocent of King's assassination and had been set up as a patsy by a mysterious man named "Raoul."
- On June 7, 1976, an article called "The Tribal Rites of the New Saturday Night," by journalist Nik Cohn, is published in New York magazine. The article detailed the struggles and dreams of an Italian-American disco dancer in Brooklyn. The blockbuster movie "Saturday Night Fever" was based on the article.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE Trustee Sale No. 10-07344-6. Loan No. 0018065565 Title Order No. 100001192-CA-DCI APN 050-100-021-000 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED July 29, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On June 2, 2010, at 02:30 PM, at the Santa Clara Street entrance to the City Hall, 555 Santa Clara Street, Vallejo, 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 August 5, 2005, as Instrument No. 2005-0038426-00 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, CA , executed by: NAM VAN NGUYEN AND PAULINE MARIE JONES-NGUYEN, 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: **29777 COUNTY ROAD 26, WINTERS (AREA), CA 95694-9027** 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 \$545,272.15 (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: May 13, 2010 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: Lorena 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 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: Lorena Enriquez Authorized Signature SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.ipsasap.com AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 714-259-7850 ASAP# 3554523 05/13/2010, 05/20/2010, 05/27/2010

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER May 4, 2010
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Ava Woodard, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2010-413
Fictitious Business Name
Realty World-Camelot Winters, Inc.
37 Main Street, Winters, CA 95694
Mailing Address: 37 Main Street, Winters, CA 95694
Name of Registrant
Realty World-Camelot Winters, Inc.
37 Main Street, Winters, CA 95694
Business Classification: Corporation
s/Sandra T. Vickrey
If registrant is a corporation or LLC, indicated the corporation or LLC name, and our official title: Sandra T. Vickrey. Official title: President.
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
Published May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2010

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER April 30, 2010
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2010-402
Fictitious Business Name
Ocean Restaurant
104 Main Street, Winters, CA 95694
Name of Registrant
Duong Nam Hoang
104 Main Street, Winters, CA 95694
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name of names liste above on 6/29/98.
s/Duong Nam Hoang
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State of California, County of Yolo
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Isabel Becerra, Deputy Clerk
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Trustee’s Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE T.S No. 1262616-10 APN: 003-514-00-8 TRA: 002013 LOAN No.: Xxxxxx4143 REF: Rivas, Martin IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED October 13, 2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On June 08, 2010, at 9:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded October 26, 2006, as Inst. No. 2006-0042143-00 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, executed by Martin Rivas, Patricia Rivas, Husband & Wife, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank At the rear (north) entrance to the city hall building 1110 West Capitol Avenue West Sacramento, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: Completely described in said deed of trust The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **621 Ficus 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: \$341,186.89. 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 2923.52 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. DECLARATION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE SECTION 2923.54 Pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.54, the undersigned loan servicer declares as follows: 1. It has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; and 2. The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or Section 2923.55. Chase Home Finance LLC Name: Ann Thorn Title: First 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: May 12, 2010. (R-312560 05/13/10, 05/20/10, 05/27/10)



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Trustee’s Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE Trustee Sale No. : 201001077900226 Title Order No.: 100105618 FHA/VAPMI No.:YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/09/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 05/15/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0018890-00 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA. EXECUTED BY: JIM H. ALLEN, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER’S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 06/16/2010 TIME OF SALE: 12:00 PM PLACE OF SALE: AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **641 FOXGLOVE CIRCLE, WINTERS, CALIFORNIA 95694** APN#: 003-513-00-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any , shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$495,122.36. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES & POSTING 3210 EL CAMINO REAL, SUITE 200 IRVINE, CA 92602 714-730-2727 www.ipsasap.com NDEX West, L.L.C. as Trustee Dated: 05/24/2010 NDEX West, L.L.C. MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 3565542 05/27/2010, 06/03/2010, 06/10/2010

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR

GRANT AVENUE WIDENING & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 2 – WALNUT LANE REALIGNMENT CITY PROJECT NO. 09-05,

Bids to Be Opened On:
Thursday, June 17, 2010
2:00 p.m.

General work description: The work generally consists of, but is not limited to the following: construction of pavement widening, curb removal, median island, curb ramps, vertical curb, gutter and sidewalk, installation of variable pavement overlay, commercial driveways, pavement grinding, roadside drainage ditch, storm drain and sewer improvements, in-street utility box adjustments, signing, striping, and related appurtenant work. The Contractor shall include in his bid and provide all labor, tools and materials for a complete project in conformance with the intent shown on the drawings and specified herein.

The contractor shall possess a Class A license at the time this contract is awarded.

This contract is subject to state contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code, Section 12990.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained through PlanWell Enterprise™ at www.planwell.com or by contacting Brownie’s Digital Imaging at (916) 443-1322.

The City of Winters affirms that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation.

The successful bidder shall furnish a payment bond and a performance bond.

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done have been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available at City of Winters 318 First Street Winters, CA and available from the California Department of Industrial Relations’ Internet web site at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD>. Future effective general prevailing wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates. It is the Contractor’s sole responsibility to routinely check the above listed web site for publication updates throughout the Bid and Construction periods of this project.

The City’s estimated cost of improvements is \$175,000.

Published May 20, 27, 2010

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Trustee’s Sale

T.S. No.: 10-36639 TSG Order No.: 33-80109797 A.P.N.: 003-460-13 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 1/23/2006. 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 6/17/2010 at 12:45PM, Old Republic Default Management Services, a Division of Old Republic National Title Insurance Company as duly appointed Trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust Recorded on 01/30/2006 as Instrument No. /Doc-2006-0003959-00 in book –, page - and modified by unrecorded Loan Modification Agreement dated 12/17/2008 of official records in the Office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, California, executed by: Rosa Rodarte, an unmarried woman as Trustor, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Beneficiary, Will Sell At Public Auction To The Highest Bidder For Cash (payable in full at time of sale by cash, a cashier’s check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). At: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, and state, and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **1117 Mcarthur Avenue, Winters, CA 95694**. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made in an “AS IS” condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to wit: \$252,409.96 (Estimated) Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. The Declaration pursuant to California Civil Code, Section 2923.5(a) was fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded on 1/21/2010 The Declaration pursuant to California Civil Code, Section 2923.54 is attached as Exhibit A SERVICER’S DECLARATION TO NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO California Civil Code Section 2923.54 Pursuant to California Civil Code §2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: 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 recorded. The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52." I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Date 6-19-09 Litton Loan Servicing By: Debra Lyman Date: 5/18/2010 Old Republic Default Management Services, a Division of Old Republic National Title Insurance Company, as Trustee 500 City Parkway West, Suite 200 Orange, CA 92868-2913 (866) 263-5802 For Sale Information Contact: Priority Posting and Publishing (714) 573-1965 April Sam, Foreclosure Specialist, "We are attempting to collect a debt, and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose." P702473 5/27, 6/3, 06/10/2010

Trustee’s Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE TS No. 10-10018054 Title Order No. 4374438 APN No. 003-392-005-000 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/15/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by BETH BARNAT, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, dated 05/15/2006 and recorded 05/25/06, as Instrument No. 2006-0020599-00, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 06/10/2010 at 10:00AM, At the North entrance to the City Hall, 1110 West Capital, West Sacramento, Yolo County, CA at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any of the real property described above is purported to be: **320 ANDERSON AVE, WINTERS, CA, 95694**. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$300,730.49. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier’s checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an “AS IS” condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. If required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee’s Sale duly recorded with the appropriate County Recorder’s Office. DATED: 05/10/2010 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone/Sale Information: (800) 281 8219 By: Trustee’s Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. FEI # 1006.96718 5/13, 5/20, 5/27/2010

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER April 22, 2010
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2010-380
Fictitious Business Name
Lifeshine Productions
449 Yuba Pl., Woodland, CA 95695
Name of Registrant
Melinda Morley-Jones
449 Yuba Pl., Woodland, CA 95695
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name of names liste above on 12/1/09.
s/Melinda Morley-Jones
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
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy Clerk
Published May 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2010

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER May 19, 2010
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2010-457
Fictitious Business Name
Recoil-less
17985 Ruddy St., Woodland, CA 95695
Name of Registrant
Steven J. Jones
17985 Ruddy St., Woodland, CA 95695
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name of names listed above on 11/15/07.
s/Steven J Jones
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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Kimberli Johnson, Deputy Clerk
Published May 27, June 3, 10, 17, 2010

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER May 20, 2010
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Isabel Becerra, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2010-458
Fictitious Business Name
Dea Divina
610 Fourth Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Business mailing address:
P.O. Box 636, Woodland, CA 95776
Name of Registrant
Marissa Hartman
610 Fourth Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Business Classification: Individual
s/Marissa Hartman
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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Isabel Becerra, Deputy Clerk
Published May 27, June 3, 10, 17, 2010

Public Notice

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION WINTERS ROAD AT PUTAH CREEK BRIDGE 23C0243 REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Solano County, in conjunction with the City of Winters, the California Department of Transportation, and the Federal Highway Administration, is proposing to replace the Winters Road Bridge over Putah Creek, a three-span, reinforced concrete arch structure. The existing bridge is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The existing bridge is approximately 445 ft long and carries vehicle traffic between Solano County and The City of Winters in Yolo County. Caltrans has identified the existing bridge constructed in 1907 as structurally deficient. The County and City have determined that it is not feasible to rehabilitate the existing bridge. The existing bridge does not meet current bridge width standards. The intersection with Putah Creek Road at the south end of the bridge will be realigned to improve safety for vehicles and pedestrians.

To maintain traffic during construction, a temporary detour roadway and bridge will be constructed. The temporary detour will be constructed between the existing bridge structure and the railroad bridge. The temporary bridge will be either a two-lane bridge or a one-lane bridge signalized at each approach. The temporary bridge will require the placing of temporary footing and piling in Putah Creek. During construction bicyclists and pedestrians will be provided access by the old railroad bridge crossing Putah Creek. The temporary bridge and temporary approach roadways will be removed upon completion of the new bridge.

Construction of the detour will temporarily affect approximately 0.21 ac of the Winters Community Center parcel resulting in removal of some landscaping, a section of a wall surrounding the outdoor amphitheater, and a portion of the bicycle-pedestrian path connecting Railroad Avenue to the railroad bridge. Excavations up to 2 feet in depth will be required for the temporary and permanent roadways. Areas temporarily affected will be restored to their approximate pre-existing conditions.

Construction will require two temporary gravel accesses to get equipment to and from the work area. The primary construction access to the work area from the south would be from Putah Creek Road just to the east of the old railroad bridge. Construction of the access road from the south will require some excavation to a depth of four to six feet and the placement of excavated materials in areas of up to four feet in depth. The access would be graded and have a gravel surface. Excavations are not anticipated to be required under or immediately adjacent to the southerly pier of the old railroad bridge.

Access from the north would involve ramping down at the abutments for the temporary and permanent bridge structures and along the area between these two structures. The Contractor may determine it necessary to access the work area within the creek channel at other locations within the project area. Upon completion of construction all temporary access roads will be removed, excavation areas will be backfilled and graded, and disturbed areas replanted with native materials, and as much as possible restored to their pre-existing condition.

A temporary staging area will be provided south of Putah Creek Road.

Demolition of the existing bridge will be performed in accordance with the Caltrans Standard Specifications modified to meet regulatory permit requirements. All concrete and other debris resulting from the demolition of the existing bridge will be removed from the project site and disposed of by the contractor. Piling at the existing pier locations within the channel of Putah Creek will be removed to a depth of not less than 3 ft below the finished ground.

Approximately 500 feet of Putah Creek Road east of Winters Road will be realigned to improve the intersection of Winters Road with Putah Creek Road. The realignment will require the acquisition of property from four parcels south of Putah Creek Road in Solano County. Three parcels are orchard land and the fourth is an equipment rental yard.

Other work includes, but not limited to, constructing new sidewalk/curb and gutter, handicap ramps, drainage improvements, and an island median on Railroad Avenue at the intersection with Wolfskill Street.

Bridge construction equipment to be used include, but is not limited to, haul trucks, backhoes, excavators, cranes, dump trucks, bulldozers, pile driving equipment, water trucks, concrete pumper, delivery trucks, and service vehicles.

Copies of the negative declaration are available at the Solano County Department of Resource Management, Public Works Engineering, 675 Texas Street, Suite 5500, Fairfield, CA, 94533. Written comments on the Negative Declaration will be accepted until July 2, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. Please call Philip Seilhan at (707) 784-6075 with any questions.
Published May 27, 2010

Storage Lien Sale

PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to satisfy a lien imposed on said property pursuant to section 21700 of the bus. and prof. code section 2328 of the UCC, section 535 of the penal code and provisions of the civil code. The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the 4th day of June, 2010 at 9 a.m. on the premises where said property has been stored and which is located at Stow-It Storage, 1319 E. Beamer Street, Woodland, CA 95776 and which consists of misc. personal property, household, garage and yard items and misc. boxes (contents unknown). Sale will begin at Stow-It Storage. All payments in cash at time of purchase. All items sold as is. Where is and must be removed by 5 p.m. or make arrangements with the office. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. Terms and inspection prior to sale
Unit # Name
560 JOSEPH RYAN
570 DAVID NARBAIZ
579 ROBERT FISH
593 EVANGELINA MAYORQUIN
610 ERIC JAMES
708 CAROLYN WAGES
717 WILLIAM NOLAN
722 DEBBIE VIGIL
724 LAUREN MEIKLE
729 EVATT & ASSOCIATES
CHARLENE SCOTT
800 DONALD TIDWELL
801 LYNN MICHAELS
907 CHRISTOPHER DAY
912 SERENA MARTINEZ
947 BRISEIDA CHAPA
955 LETICIA FLORES
1023 KATHIE VILLEGAS
1053 VALENTIN SOTO
1108 ROBERT DANIEL
1121 JACKLYN WILSON
1133 CHELSEA BIRD
1140 DARYL METCALF
1147 TIMOTHY HUDSON
DATED THIS 17 DAY OF MAY, 2010
AUCTIONEER, GUY DINO
By s/JIM NAEKEL Published May 20, 27, 2010