



School district dips deep into reserve funds

By DENISE COTTRELL
Staff writer

Sometimes you want to forget about the politicians in Sacramento, however as the Winters School Board learned at their meeting on Thursday, Sept. 16, a reduction in state funding means tightening the belt another notch. The school board was informed by Gloria Hahn, chief business officer, that the school district will deficit spend \$1 million in the 2010/11 school year, which will leave the reserve fund dangerously low. Hahn reported that the school district began the year with a \$2.4 million reserve fund, used to program for emergency needs. The school district has been affected by the state's financial woes, which have brought about cuts in the funding payment for the average daily attendance (ADA) and the need to hire additional personnel for the

kindergarten and special education aides. The trustees and Hahn discussed the bleak financial outlook and the need for even more budget structural changes and reductions in the future. The majority of the school district's budget is spent on salaries. For this year's budget, the district is inching towards 86 percent of the budget cost being spent on salaries. With declining enrollment, junior employees leaving due to layoffs and senior teachers with higher salaries staying on the job, there is not a "natural spread" of employees to lessen the percentage of the budget spent on salaries. With the school district having a reserve fund that has been tapped into and now at a historic low, the school district will need to look at ways to balance the budget including re-

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Public hearing planned at special meeting on Burger King appeal

A public hearing is planned at the special city council meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 29, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, regarding an appeal of the planning commission's decision to approve a Burger King, ARCO gas station, AM/PM mini mart and truck fueling facility on the northwest quadrant of Interstate 505 and Grant Avenue. The approval was made after a public hearing on Aug. 10, and included: (1) finding the project to be exempt from further California

Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review; (2) approving a Conditional Use Permit for the operation of the truck fueling facility; (3) approving the site plan/design review for the project; (4) approving the sign permit for the freeway information sign; and (5) approving a variance from the city's sign ordinance. The property is located on Grant Avenue, between the Chevron station and Interstate 505, Yolo County APN 038-050-063, and totals approximately 1.5 acres. See HEARING on page A-8



Photo by Shannon Mariani

Shaking plums during this year's harvest are Ricardo Tenorio (driving) and Juan Jimenez. Local plums, as well as other produce and wine will be celebrated at the Harvest the Moment fundraiser for the St. Anthony Parish community outreach programs. The event is planned for Saturday, Nov. 13, at 5:30 p.m. at St. Anthony Parish Hall, 511 Main Street. Tickets are \$65 per person, and are available from Jeanette Molina, 795-5252.

CELEBRATING OUR HARVEST

By DIANA MAHONEY
Special to the Express

The community of Winters, founded in 1875, has maintained its small town feel generation to generation. Original historic homes and ranches offer a glimpse of the past while advances in technology and modern amenities allow for more convenience and efficiency. Despite these advances, Winters residents have remained committed to protecting their close-knit community. Local companies and citizens have rallied together over the years to support schools, businesses and youth activities such as 4-

H, AYSO and Little League. Due to their support, these programs are thriving and new families are coming to Winters as well. The common thread for many folks living in the area is agriculture. It's the lifeline of the community and should be celebrated. Now, with the changing of the seasons, many area farmers will be harvesting their land. It's a busy time. The food cultivated in Winters soil makes its way to homes, restaurants, grocery stores and roadside stands locally and across the miles. Farming is hard work, as many know all too well. There comes a time when the work is

done to take pause and celebrate the good stewardship of the land. A special dinner, dance and auction have been planned for Saturday, Nov. 13, at St. Anthony Parish Hall to honor the harvest and all those that participate in it. The evening begins at 5:30 p.m. with cocktails, wine and beer. Appetizers include Lester Farms Bakery artisan breads and specialty tapedenades, a gourmet nut bar presented by Mariani Nut Company, and dried fruits paired as sweet and savory appetizers by Mariani Packing Company. Turkovich Family Wines will

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Carnitas Cook-off featured at festival

By DAWN VAN DYKE
Special to the Express



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Father-daughter team John and Emily Donlevy serve their carnitas at last year's Festival de la Comunidad. They are among this year's Carnitas Cook-off contestants.

Fun for the whole family is planned at Rotary Park on Saturday, Sept. 25, 5-10 p.m. at the fourth annual Community Festival/Festival de la Comunidad. The festival features the third annual Carnitas Cook-off competition. The first place team will receive a \$300 cash prize. The People's Choice winner will receive \$150. Tickets will be limited, so get in line early for a taste of each team's carnitas, plus beans, rice and tortillas. The tasting begins at 5 p.m. and lasts until 7 p.m., or until the carnitas run out. Entertainment will include traditional Aztec dancing featuring Kalpulli Xihuacoatl, hip hop from Ariel Dance Studio, and fun

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CIENA EILEEN KYOKO BARBOSA is the first-born daughter of James and Olivia Barbosa of Winters. Born at 6:32 a.m. July 30, 2010, at Vallejo Kaiser, she weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. Paternal grandparents are Tom Martin of Winters and Karen Martin of Dixon. Paternal great-grandparents are Pete and Kyoko Jimenez of Winters and Maria Barbosa of Mexico. Maternal great-grandparents are John Martin of Winters and Hank and Cheri Joerger of Davis.

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OBITUARIES

Ernest Madison

Ernest McClellan Madison died Sept. 5, 2010, in Tucson, Ariz., of natural causes. He was born Jan. 13, 1928, in Topeka, Kan. His parents were Charles Clyde Madison and Violet Lavinia Scott. He joined the Marines at 17 and fought in the Korean War. He was trained as a radio man and flew in multiple missions into Korea and back, and rescued people being hunted by the North Korean Communist regime.

After his service in the military, he met and married Rueberta Mae Carter, who predeceased him. He met his second wife, Patricia, in Arizona.

Always a good storyteller, full of energy and laughter, he was an avid ham radio operator. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

He leaves behind seven children: Chuck (Linda), Jill Lynn (Don), Christine, John, Sienna (Robin), Veronica and Andrea. His family includes 11 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

A family gathering is planned Sept. 26 near his home in Amado and on Elephant Head Mountain, Arizona, where he loved to hike and explore.



William Nance

William Glen Nance, 84, of Winters, passed away Saturday, Sept. 18, 2010, at his home. He had been an area resident for 56 years.

He was born July 6, 1926, in Jerusalem, Ark., to Earley and Lila Nance. He quit school in the sixth grade to help support his family by working on farms. In 1943, he married Bernice Yaney. Shortly after, he joined the U.S. Army where he served as a nurse during WWII for two years.

In 1954, he moved his family from Missouri to California and settled down in Winters at his house on Edwards Street. In 1990, his wife, Bernice, died after 47 years of marriage. In 1991, he married Mozelle Estes and spent 18 years with her, until her passing in June 2009.

He took great pride in his home and yard, and enjoyed tending to his orange tree and tomato garden. He was a hardworking, self-educated man, who gave his all to God and his family.

He is survived by his children, Carolyn (Ed) Rutledge of Dixon, Linda (Nick) Creed of Rio Vista, Darrell (Pam) Nance of Chester, Rosemary (Anthony) Martinez of Durham and Darla (Mike) Chute of Northville, Mich.; 13 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild; Mozelle's children, Wayne (Margo Sharon) Estes of Salem, Oregon, Susan Estes of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Glenda (Bill) Landon of Mount Vernon, Wash., as well as numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sisters, Mildred Everett of Alabama, Iva (Ed) Kelly of Winters and Dorene Crites of Winters.

A visitation will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at Wiscombe Funeral Home, 34 Main St. in Winters. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 24, at Discovery Worship Center, 315 Edwards St. Interment will follow at Winters Cemetery.

Those who wish to sign a guestbook online may do so at www.wiscombefuneral.com.

Betty J. Bertagnolli

Betty J. Bertagnolli, 87, passed away at Shasta Regional Medical Center in Redding on Sept. 19, 2010. She was born in Kansas on Feb. 6, 1923. She had been a resident of Redding for the past four years.

Betty graduated from high school in Kansas and came to California when she was 18. While she was employed at Mare Island Naval Shipyard, she met her husband John Bertagnolli, who was employed there as a planner and estimator. Betty worked in the Supply Department at Mare Island for 25 years.

She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Italian Catholic Federation and the Napa Genealogy Society.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband John in 1978. She is survived by her two sons, Gary Bertagnolli and wife Kathy of Winters, John Bertagnolli and his friend Ann Morris of Redding; and sister-in-law Arlena Wales of Napa. She also is survived by her grandchildren, Ron Bertagnolli and his wife Amy of Davis, Kimberly Pearson and

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YESTERYEAR



File photo

These Winters High School musicians were among the 140 musicians in the Solano County Honor Band, which performed at Vanden High School on Feb. 8, 1969. They are, from left, (back row) Anne Reiners, Peter Morrison and Susie Reimers; (second row) Virginia Roberts, Louise Arnold, Charlotte Rainwater and David Joens; and (front row) Debbie Snow and Eva Adams.

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YEARS AGO

October 6, 1960

A fire yesterday morning at the Mary Sunderman place in Olive District completely destroyed a two-bedroom house.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Martin and four children spent the weekend fishing on the Klamath River in the northern part of the state.

Robert S. Cadjew left last week by train for a brief vacation in the Pacific Northwest, taking in points of interest, especially in Canada.

Miss Linda Owings was home from Sacramento to spend the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Owings. She is employed by a Sacramento bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Mendoza of Winters are the parents of a son, born in the Yolo General Hospital, Woodland, Sept. 24, 1960.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goff, of Winters, are the parents of a daughter, born in the Yolo General Hospital, Woodland, Sept. 23, 1960.

At the meeting of the Wolfskill Mothers Club Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. August Bonillo was re-elected president, to be assisted by Mrs. George Crum, vice president; Mrs. Roy Hiramatsu, secretary; Mrs. Robert Halley, treasurer; and Mrs. K.I. MacKenzie, publicity.

Barbara June Thomas became the bride of Randall Owen Swink on Wednesday, Sept. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Faith Tabernacle.

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YEARS AGO

October 5, 1945

Lt. Col. Wallace H. Moore, of the Army Intelligence Service, met with city officials and others in the community, last Friday, urging fair treatment of returning Japanese evacuees.

A fire in the Allendale-Hartley area last Thursday morning swept over an 8-mile area with devastating results. Approximately 20 buildings of various types, telephone poles, fencing, poultry and pasturage were included in the loss.

Cpt. Fenley Briggs arrived Wednesday at his Woodland home, from his base near Los Angeles, with honorable discharge.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Cummings, of Stockton, were Sunday visitors with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Campbell.

Miss Clara Sager returned Sunday from Lakeport where she has been employed for the past two months by the California Fruit Exchange.

The Fortnightly Club will open the fall and winter calendar Tuesday, Oct. 9. The Rev. Donald Reasoner is scheduled to speak on the "Brazilian Farmer." Hostesses are Mrs. Herbert Laycock, Mrs. L.A. Sackett, Mrs. Don Gregg and Mrs. H. Roy Brinck.

W.D. Overhouse, Mr. and Mrs. George Overhouse and Mrs. Bird Murphy were weekend visitors with Mrs. Edith West in Watsonville.

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YEARS AGO

October 7, 1910

The girls at the high school have organized a basketball team with Pearl Sinclair as captain.

The farm labor problem will be discussed before the Country Life Conference soon to be held at the University Farm in Davis.

Miss Margaret Ish, who is a student at the university, has been sick with malaria.

With 19 students registered from Solano County, it would seem appropriate for our high school to be known as Yosolano High.

Monday morning found the windows of the whole school building, including a partition in the commercial room, washed and polished and hung with new net curtains, the handiwork of the ladies of the faculty.

Mrs. A. P. Pleasants and daughter Beth returned from Oakland last Monday.

Lloyd Moody and Charles Doll returned Sunday from a hunting trip to Gravelly Valley.

Solano Irrigation District reduces creek flow

The Solano Irrigation District this week reduced the flow of water in Putah Creek from 31 cubic feet per second to 29 cubic feet at the Diversion Dam.

Water storage in Lake Berryessa fell by 6,996 acre feet of water during the past week, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday that the lake contains 1,091,555 acre feet of water and 320 second feet of water is flowing in the Putah South Canal.

Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 199 acre feet of water per day during the week.

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thinking class size. Presented with the a revised budget to vote on, the board approved revisions to 2010/11 budget which, and one board member stated, “at this stage we will take anything we can to soften the ride down.”

Ballot bobble

The board received an update on the failure to place an initiative regarding the restructuring of the school board on the November 2010 ballot. Two years ago, the board approved the process of changing from a seven member to a five-member board and to abolish trustee areas.

On Aug. 5, the district office was notified by Yolo County Elections that the two measures to enact this change would not be included on the November 2010 ballot. The reason for the failure to make the ballot was that two processes had been missed: adoption of a resolution by the board calling for consolidation of election to include these two measures and language in support of the measures that would be sent to the electorate.

The process, which has gone through three superintendents and two different legal counsels, broke down when the district relied on the guidance of the most recent legal counsel to handle the initiative process. District counsel made an error when he trusted only the instructional guide for implementation of changes to the school board member elections in the California State School District Organizational Handbook approved by the State Board of Education. This guide provides no requirement beyond the approval by the county committee and notice by the county superintendent to the county elections office ordering the election at least 120 days prior to the election date.

Although notified of the Winters School Board’s intent to include the measure on the ballot, at no time

prior to Aug. 5 did the Yolo county Elections Office or the Solano County Elections office contact the district indicating additional steps were required to complete the process to place the measures on the ballot. Counsel had taken responsibility for ensuring that the additional steps needed to place the proposals on the ballot were completed.

Three people in the audience made comments to the board about the snafu, questioning if the funds spent on the ballot measure were lost, would it be possible for them to be recovered, and whether or not the current superintendent should be held responsible for the bungled ballot measure.

Board members responded by reminding the audience that the expertise for this sort of process does not reside in the district and this was why legal counsel was engaged. In addition, the money spent was not wasted, as the process will carry forward to 2012. No one knows how much the whole process will ultimately cost, or if the measure will be passed by the voters.

“This is not going away, we are going to do what we need to do next,” said board president Rodney Orosco.

Gains in test scores

~ Emilie Simmons, Director of Educational Services, began the process of informing the board about student performance on the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) tests including content standard (CST) results, and the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) scores.

Information on student test performance and the Academic Performance Index and Annual Yearly Progress reports will be detailed over the course of two meetings. Overall, Winters High School sophomores have made gains in CAHSEE scores. For 2010, there was a gain of approximately seven percent in student percentage of passing, with 85 percent of sophomores passing on the

first examination.

Results for Winters High School CST exam showed significant growth. Winters High school went from an API in 2008/09 of 737 to an API of 750 for 2009/10. This was an increase of 13 points. Simmons also presented results for the CST for English Language Learners in grades 2-11, scores for English language art in grades 2-11, and mathematics scores for all students in grades 2-7. Students’ results are ranked as advanced, proficient, basic, below basic and far below basic and the school district tracks the percentage of students who rank in those areas.

Other items

~ The board recognized two Winters Middle School students, Claire Penzel and Melissa Nitzkowski, for their attendance at the Student Leadership Training Program in Boston, Massachusetts. They were the first students to attend the training, which provides instruction on how to make a difference and change the world.

~ The board recognized Lauren Brickey for her dedication to coordinating the hot dog lunch at Winters Middle School. She was recognized as a parent who volunteers and “always has everything covered. We could not do student activities without her.”

~ RISE, Inc, a non-profit service organization reported on the services they provide to the Winters community. Tico Zendejas, community project manager, informed the board about the new satellite office in Winters. RISE has begun a mentoring program in Winters that provides homework and academic enrichment to students. Held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at Winters Community Library, Zendejas encouraged the board and the community to send students to the program for homework assistance, and building self confidence and self-esteem.

~ The Winters Education Foundation, currently in the midst of

their “Add A Dollar” fundraiser campaign to raise money for Winters schools, informed the board of their approval to provide \$15, 000 for much needed educational supplies. Funding for each school was determined at a town hall meeting and feedback from the community, including teachers and principals. The monetary awards were: Wolfskill Continuation School, \$1,200; Winters High School, \$4,150; Winters Middle School, \$3,000; Shirley Rominger Intermediate School, \$2,000; and Waggoner Elementary School, \$4,500.

~ Winters Middle School Principal, Sandra Ayon, reported on teacher training in Shelter Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP). SIOP is a teaching model utilized to facilitate high quality instruction for English Language Learners in content areas by promoting proficiency in reading, writing, listening and speaking. The middle school staff was trained in SIOP years ago and now, with the Wolfskill staff as trainers, this teaching model is in the process of being revitalized. Ayon commented that this model is not just beneficial to English Language learners, it is just “good teaching” for everyone.

The next school board meeting is on Thursday, Oct. 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the Walnut Room at the school district office, 909 W. Grant Avenue.

Opinion

LETTERS

Need Burger King to pay city manager

Mr. Charles Wallace, you brought up several interesting points about the Winters city manager position. I have been following the Bell, California investigation of the city manager annual salary of \$787,637 for a town of 40,000. If you do the math (\$124,776 plus benefits per Winters 7,000 people) it appears Mr. John Donlevy on a per capita basis is making as much or possibly more than the individual being investigated by the California State Attorney Generals Office.

In addition, you mentioned he has collected \$1.25 million in fees to be used by the city. If we say those fees were collected over a time span of three to four years and if we use your figure of Mr. Donlevy's salary also including half again as much for benefits — it appears half the money he collected went for his salary/benefits — about 50 cents on the dollar.

I am no whistle blower. As was pointed out, I am not a Winters resident as I do not lay my head to sleep within city lines. I do pay taxes as I am in the Winters Unified School District which goes for school staff and teacher salaries. I also try to spend my money at the Winters hardware, dry cleaning, restaurants, supermarket, and gas stations.

But I would say you can build all the Burger Kings, Taco Bells and McDonalds as you want because you will need them for a salary structure — city manager — quite possibly the largest (on a per capita basis) in all of California. I am sure the city council is aware of these numbers as they approve contracts and they safeguard the public trust.

RICK PURVIS



In democracy, majority rules

Re: "Name Withheld" (Sept. 16):

It's not about following rules. There are thousands of small towns with fast food restaurants. What kind of legitimate rule would deny one for Winters.

How ironic you should chastise people for complaining about the outcome of city council meetings, when that's exactly what *you* are doing.

It's not about your right to an opinion; it's about a small group of people trying to force their will on the majority. That's how Iran and North Korea operate, but we are a democracy and in a democracy, majority rules. I'm sure you can find some Lefty judge who will say otherwise, but I guarantee you that to most people, democracy means majority rules.

With your lack of concern over the city's financial status, it's obvious you don't live or pay taxes here and you think that's no one's business. If you want to weigh in on what happens here, then I disagree. I guess with that mindset, you wouldn't mind if someone from Fresno came by and told you how to build your fence.

The Planning Commission approved this project and the majority was happy, but your select little group has been kicking and crying and trying any ploy you can think of to get your way. And you say *we*

need to grow up. I don't see it quite that way and I'll bet 90 percent of the people reading this letter won't either.

Charley, please withhold my name from this letter because these newcomers and non-residents scare me.

JIM TAYLOR

(Editor's note: No.)

Children's festival offers family fun

On Saturday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Winters Parent Nursery School (WPNS) will host its annual Children's Festival at St. Anthony Parish Hall. This year's festival will be a day filled with fun for the whole family and will include children's music from Jump for Joy by Wiley, pumpkin decorating, face painting, train rides, carnival games and prizes, and plenty of food and drinks.

Admission to the festival and entertainment is free. Games, food and drinks will be offered for a nominal fee.

There will be a "Pick a Pumpkin" raffle where the lucky winner will win \$1,000. You need not be present to win. Tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased at Winters Parent Nursery School or from the family of any current student.

So gather up your family and come have some fun at the Annual Children's Festival while helping support WPNS.

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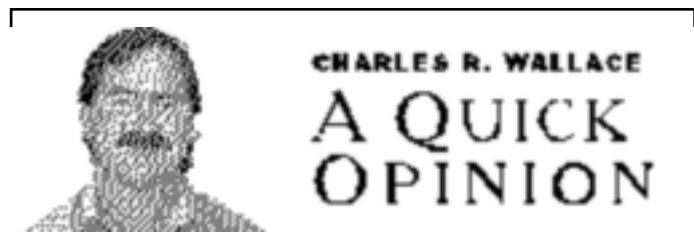
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A SHOT IN THE DARK. There was in interesting article in last week's Express about an accidental discharge of a police officer's private weapon on Sept. 4. It happened inside of our police station. There was no report filed, no disclosure to the city council in open session and no press release to the Express or any other publication. Should there have been? Would you like to know if our officers are discharging weapons inside the station?

We don't know the officer's name, what kind of weapon it was, or if he came close to shooting anyone in the building or in the neighborhood. We do know that it went through a filing cabinet, at least one wall, through a baseball-type card of our police chief, stopping when it hit a block wall. We probably won't know the disciplinary action that may or may not be taken against this officer.

When I was talking about this to a friend of mine, someone standing close by, wanted to know why we didn't run the story about an accidental shot being fired six months ago. Again, a shot fired inside our police station. Good question. I didn't know there was another shot fired and I don't think many people did.

I questioned Chief Muramoto about the incident and he confirmed that it happened. Again, no report, no statement, no name, no weapon and this time, no damage report. I heard it was a shotgun through the ceiling, but who knows if that is true or not. Maybe we'll have a story sometime in the future if there is a report presented to our city council, in open session.

Our city manager, John Donlevy knew about the past incident when I questioned him. Councilman Tom McMasters-Stone said he knew about it, but didn't volunteer how he knew. Was it in closed session or just water cooler conversation? I haven't talked to the rest of the councilmembers, but I will, at the next council meeting. There should be a city policy of disclosing all shootings by officers, accidental or on purpose. I'm surprised that we don't have a policy of instant disclosure of officer involved shooting, already in place.

If it is a training issue, I hope it is resolved before they move into the new police and fire station. I'm sure the firemen would like to know if their new neighbors are going to shoot them. Knowing the firemen, they will be more worried about one of their tankers being damaged.

Have a good week.

Tell them what you think

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Getting flooded out of your house is bad, but it isn't the worst thing that can happen

In last week's episode, we left our heroine standing ankle-deep in water, and feeling thankful for a burrito, beer and a bed. This week, we discover that she's become a semi-permanent guest at the Abbey House Inn, her home in various states of demolition. Meanwhile, two little old fur-covered ladies are living in a chicken coop in her back yard. And if you don't know what that means, you didn't read my column last week. Shame on you.

Here's what our heroine needs to tell you this week: Go out right now and purchase Flood Safe supply lines for your toilets, dishwasher and washing machine. They cost less than \$10 apiece, you can get them at Pacific Ace Hardware (just ask Gino) and their potential value is, roughly, the value of the entire interior of your home.

A Flood Safe supply line has an arrestor in it that detects a sudden burst of running water and shuts the line down. Oh, how I wish I had one on all my supply lines. But no, the developer who built my house, and

all the others like it in my neighborhood, fitted the toilets with cheap Chinese crap plastic fittings, and the back of the one on my toilet blew right off and then sprayed water full blast all day while I was at work. How much did saving a buck or two on plastic fittings end up costing? Oh, about \$60,000, when all's said and done.

The damage is covered by insurance, thankfully, but in the meantime, everything we own is scattered hither and yon. Furniture. Books. CDs and DVDs. Family photos. Clothing. Dishes. Towels. That stuff can all be replaced. But my son's handprint in clay from kindergarten and the paper angel my daughter made for me in preschool — these things may have a dollar value of zero, but they're priceless to me. Those are the things I really want back.

All I know is that our stuff is in a warehouse somewhere in West Sacramento, locked up and safe, they tell me, but I can't help but wonder if the person who packed the pink ceram-



ic kitty pennybank that I won at a picnic Bingo game in 1968 was extra careful while packing it, or if it's in shatters, its guts of 1968 pennies spilled out in some random cardboard box.

I'll find out soon enough — about two month's time, but that's in contractor's months. It'll probably take twice that long in real people months. It's already taken twice as long as they expected just to dry my house out. With about a dozen fans and dehumidifiers running 'round the clock, and the temperature inside hovering around 100 degrees, it took nine days to dry the house out. Amazing how much water can spew from a one-inch pipe in about eight hours. I don't know the exact volume, but it's enough to saturate every floor and wall of a 1,340 square foot home.

Although a cheap plastic fitting failed me,

my insurance company held up like a champion. If you have AAA homeowner's insurance, you can sleep easy tonight. I mean, assuming you've installed those Flood Safe doohickies. Once AAA commandeered this mess, what followed was an organized beehive of activity.

The renovation team swarmed in, tearing into walls and ripping up flooring and baseboards, and setting up drying equipment. Next came the "pack out" squad, who emptied every drawer, closet and shelf, packing everything off along with all the furniture. In 48 hours, the house was empty, and about two feet of drywall cut away on several walls, the wind from the dryers whistling through the exposed 2x4 skeletons. All that's left are the concrete floors, the fireplace and part of one

back bathroom. It took me 11 years to get that house just the way I wanted it, and two days to completely demolish it. Wow. Just... wow.

As the magnitude of all this settled in, I felt alternately overwhelmed, panicked, depressed, lost, exhausted and sometimes several or all of those things at once. Last week while driving back from Davis, news of the gas explosion in San Bruno was on the radio. They were interviewing a woman who lived there, and she told how she and her twin daughters were sitting on the bed talking when they heard the explosion. She looked out the window and saw the wall of fire coming at them. She grabbed her daughters, screamed "Run!" and they raced outside barefoot and down the street, literally running for their lives. Within moments, their house was incinerated, along with everything in it.

She said people imagine what they'll grab in a flood or fire — photos, knick-knacks, important papers — and she learned sometimes there's no time for that.

The only thing you can save is your own life. Through tears, she said she'd lost all of her deceased parents' belongings, and it was like "losing them all over again." Just listening to her, I realized that I was pretty lucky with my flooded house. Nobody died. Everything's insured. And I still have all my stuff. I just don't know where it is.

I remind myself of that when I'm feeling overwhelmed, panicked, depressed, lost, exhausted and sometimes several or all of those things. This morning, I went to feed my cats, and slowly walked through the bare and barren shell of what was once my home, and glanced in my bedroom closet. In the corner, I spotted the paper angel my daughter made, the same one I was referring to when I started this column yesterday. What are the chances?

Maybe it fluttered down unnoticed from its perch on the high shelf when the packers were there, or maybe it tumbled from heaven itself. Either way, I took it as a sign. Everything's going to be okay.

Weekly police report

Aug. 10

~ Time unknown, 300 block of Edwards Street, a guitar was stolen from a church. Loss: \$10,000.

Sept. 5

~ 8 a.m., 200 block of Railroad Avenue, a sign was uprooted from the ground. Loss: \$0.

Sept. 6

~ Time unknown, 700 block of Valley Oak Drive, a motorcycle that was chained and locked to a motor home was stolen. Loss: \$3,200.

~ 2:04 p.m., 900 block of East Grant Avenue, a victim's credit card was fraudulently used to make purchases. Loss: \$204.

Sept. 7

~ 8:45 p.m., County Road 87D, an officer assisted a Yolo County Sheriff's deputy with a call of someone brandishing a firearm.

Sept. 8

~ 10:47 p.m., 100 block of East Grant Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

Sept. 9

~ 12:44 a.m., 100 block of East Grant Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

Sept. 10

~ Time unknown, 200 block of Baker Street, a mini refrigerator was stolen from a classroom. Loss: \$50.

Sept. 11-12

~ 4:30-4:30 p.m., 400 block of Niemann Street, a classroom window was broken using an unknown object. Damage: \$400.

Sept. 12

~ 1:44 a.m., first block of Main Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

Sept. 13

~ 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., 800 block of West Grant Avenue, forcible entry was gained to a residence. The amount of loss is yet to be determined.

~ 10 a.m., 800 block of Jefferson Street, victim lost a driver's license.

Sept. 14

~ 8-11 a.m., 1000 block of Kennedy Drive, entry to a residence was made through an unlocked door. Two cameras, an iPod and a computer were stolen. Loss: \$2,670.

Sept. 15

~ 9:15 p.m., 1000 block of Hemenway Street, parties were involved in a verbal family dispute.

Sept. 16

~ 5:25 p.m., 700 block of Aster Way, an officer responded to an audible residential alarm. Before arriving on scene, the alarm call was cancelled and the officer cleared the call.

~ 8 p.m., 1000 block of Kennedy Drive, a 13-year-old Winters juvenile ran away from home and was entered into the missing person's system. The juvenile returned home on Sept. 17.

Sept. 17

~ 1:51 p.m., on the 100 block of Broadview Lane, an officer responded to an audible residential alarm. It was determined the alarm was activated accidentally.

~ 6:52 p.m., a 15-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a notice to

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Weekly fire department activity report

September 13

~ 300 block of Peach Place, unknown medical aid.

September 15

~ 1000 block of Hemenway Street, laceration to the hand.

September 16

~ 20000 block of County Road 34, difficulty breathing.

~ 400 block of Russell Street, victim of a fall.

September 17

~ 20 block of Main Street, vehicle accident resulting in grass fire.

September 18

~ 100 block of Edwards Street, unknown medical.

~ 47 Myrtle Circle, difficulty breathing.

~ Northbound Interstate 505 at Russell Boulevard, vehicle accident.

~ 800 block of Taylor Street, large bonfire.

Closures on I-80 planned

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will be repairing damaged pavement on westbound Interstate 80 at the Meridian Road onramp in Dixon on Wednesday, Sept. 22 and Thursday, Sept. 23 from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m.

Lane and ramp closures will be required to complete the repairs. Motorists are advised to expect delays and allow extra time for their commute.

Iris sale will benefit library

Iris lovers will want to mark their calendars for Thursday, Sept. 23, when Winters Friends of the Library will host its second bearded iris sale. This special sale is to be held at the Winters Farmers Market, 5-8 pm, in the parking lot in front of the Community Center.

Bearded iris are easy to plant and grow, and are well adapted to Central Valley gardens.

Rhizomes (roots similar to bulbs) planted now will bloom in the spring. The iris selections available for sale include 53 named varieties in a full range of colors. A plant list is available online at wfol.org.

The rhizomes, grown in Yolo County, were donated by former Yolo County Supervisor Frank Seiferman and family. Named varieties are \$2 per rhizome. Mystery rhizomes are \$1 each. Bring your own bags and mark-



Courtesy photo

More than 50 named varieties of bearded iris will be for sale to benefit the Winters Community Library on Thursday, Sept. 23, from 5-8 p.m. at the Winters Farmers Market, Rotary Park at Main Street and Railroad Avenue. Named varieties are \$2 each; mystery varieties \$1 each. The sale is hosted by the Winters Friends of the Library.

ing pens.

All proceeds from the sale will benefit the Winters Community Library.

For more information, call Charlotte Kimball, 795-0615.

Planning commission to hear proposal for gym

The Winters Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The agenda includes a public hearing for a conditional use permit for a gym to be located at 113 and 115 Main Street.

The applicant, Reid

Tileston, is proposing to locate an Anytime Fitness gym in the 4,000 square foot space. The proposed gym will include cardio and strength equipment, 24-hour access, 24 hour security, and private restrooms.

Any Winters resident may attend the meeting.

Community

Cleanup of coasts, waterways planned

the California Coastal Commission is sponsoring the 26th Annual California Coastal Cleanup Day on Saturday, Sept. 25, 9 a.m. to noon.

Tens of thousands of Californians will gather along the beaches, shorelines and inland waterways of the state to clear away the debris that has been deposited over the past year.

Last year, 80,622 Coastal Cleanup volunteers (a new record) collected almost 1.4 million pounds of trash and recyclables. Covering over 2,400 miles of coast and inland shoreline in 52 counties around the state, the 2009 cleanup also had the largest geographic reach ever achieved.

In 2010, the Coastal Commission is introducing a "BYO for CCD" Initiative, asking cleanup volunteers to bring their own bucket or reusable bag and gloves from home, instead of using the single-use disposable supplies that are provided at every site. The commission is attempting to reduce the waste created by the cleanup to improve the environmental impact of the event. In 2009, cleanup volunteers used more than 130,000 plastic bags and almost 150,000 plastic gloves, all of which became more trash. The commission hopes to reduce these numbers significantly over the next two years.

Cleanups will take place at over 50 sites in Solano County, including bays, rivers, creeks, parks, roadsides, and highways. Putah Creek is expected to be among them.

Contact Marianne Butler, (707) 678-1655, extension 121 or Marianne.Butler@SolanoRcd.org, for exact locations and other site-specific information. More details can be found on our web site at www.SolanoRcd.org.



Courtesy photo

The Winters High School Class of 1955 gathered for its 55-year reunion in August. In the back row are Barry Bellport, Ray Johnson, Delbert Mayer, Barbara (Graf) Thomas and John Gonzales. In the middle row are Noboru Takahashi, Kay (Sparks) Brooking, Nelda (Burket) Biasi, Pearl (Martin) Hansen, Kay (Butler) Graf and John Lopez. Seated are Harlene (Nichols) Hunt and Coleen (Clayton) Schneider. (Not pictured, John Brinck and Louis Invernon, who left before the picture was taken).

Class of '55 has 55-year reunion

By BARBARA THOMAS
Special to the Express

The Winters High School Class of 1955 held a 55-year reunion on Aug. 21 at Tomat's Restaurant. The classmates gathered at 5:30 p.m. and class president John Lopez welcomed everyone. There was a moment of silence to remember deceased classmates.

Each class member then gave a brief report on what they have been doing for the last 55 years. A wonderful dinner was served and socializing continued.

Those attending the celebration were: Ray and Tricia Johnson, West Jordan, Utah; Harlene (Nichols) and Robert Hunt, Whitehall, Mon-

tana; Kay (Sparks) and Doug Brooking, Montgomery City, Mo; Barry and Dora Bellport, Lafayette; John Brinck, Palm Desert; Delbert Mayer, Paradise; Louis Invernon and finance Donna, Paradise; Colleen (Clayton) and Emil Schneider, Sacramento; Noboru and Fusako Takahashi, Fair Oaks; John and Virginia Gonzales, Esparto; and from Winters - Nelda (Burket) and Bill Biasi; Kay (Butler) and Al Graf; Pearl (Martin) and Norman Hansen; John and Gaye Lopez, and Barbara (Graf) and Jack Thomas.

A good time was had by all. A special thanks goes to Susan and Tony and all the crew at Tomat's for a most enjoyable evening.

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appear for being an unlicensed driver.

~ 8:20 p.m., Ricardo Montez Ramirez, 20, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

Sept. 17-18

~ 6 p.m. to 6:31 a.m., on the first block of East Baker Street, the soft top of a vehicle was slashed using and unknown object. Damage: \$500

Sept. 18

~ 2:52 a.m., 200 block of Railroad Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The building was found secure.

~ 10:04 a.m., 500 block of Abbey Street, an officer responded to an audible residential alarm. It was determined the alarm was activated accidentally.

To report on crimes in progress, call 911 or Yolo County Dispatch, 795-4561. Call 795-2261 for non-emergencies.

Volunteers are needed

Meals on Wheels needs some help. Volunteers are needed one hour per week to deliver meals to homebound seniors in Winters. To volunteer, call Marie Heilman, 795-4824, or Sherry Del Toro, 795-4241.

Calendar

Thursday, September 23

Winters Rotary Club meeting, noon, The Buckhorn

Winters Farmers Market, 5-8:30 p.m., Rotary Park

WFOI Iris Sale, 5-8 p.m., Community Center parking lot

Winters Healthcare Foundation Photovoice meeting, 6-8 p.m., Yolo Housing

Bilingual Storytime, 6:30 p.m., Winters Community Library

School Board Candidates Night, 7 p.m., Winters High School gym

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

Saturday, September 25

Festival de la Comunidad, 5-10 p.m., Rotary Park

Sunday, September 26

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

Monday, September 27

Lions Club Community Blood Drive, 3-7 p.m., Community Center

West Yolo Democratic Club Candidate's Night, 7 p.m., The Palms

Tuesday, September 28

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

Wednesday, September 29

All Sports Booster Club Dinner, 6-8 p.m., Community Center

Special City Council meeting regarding Burger King appeal, 6:30 p.m., council chambers at City Hall.

Soroptimist meeting, 7 a.m., call 795-4631 or 795-2828 for location information.

Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., 62 Shams Way

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Meet the school board candidates



Patty Havens

In 2008, I wrote a letter to the editor expressing my concern regarding some of the proposed changes in the school district. It is asking for trouble when you eliminate longstanding dedicated employees to try to save salary costs.

I since have become alarmed at how things have deteriorated and cheered as the community marched from the high school to the board meeting. I believe I should not complain unless I am willing to do something about it. So it appears to be time to commit myself to service for my community.

Many of you will remember when our family came to Winters, over 20 years ago, when my husband and I bought the Chevron Station. We dedicated ourselves to providing the best possible service to the community. Running that successful business for 15 years, I handled the payroll, accounting, marketing and personnel management. I hope to bring productive business management skills used in private en-

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Dan Maguire

My decision to seek the office of trustee of the Winters Joint Unified School District is based in large part on a strong desire to be a voice for transparency in the conduct of board business. I have observed a number of WJUSD board meetings and found it disturbing that questions from the public are acknowledged, but summarily dismissed with no substantive discussion.

I am committed to changing the board meeting process into one that encourages participation and is conducted in an open manner. The technology exists to broadcast board meetings on the local community access channel; we simply need to work with the city to make that happen. Our community will be better served if the district conducts its business with transparency and the involvement of stakeholders.

The support and encouragement I have received from the community as I seek public of-

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Rudolph Muldong

I graduated from Vacaville High School in 1987. I attended Solano Community College and received my associate of arts degree in liberal arts. I received my bachelor of arts in liberal studies from California State University, Sacramento. I received my teaching credential through Chapman University.

I taught in the Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District for 12 years, before transitioning to adult education at California State Prison-Solano, Vacaville. Because of program cuts in the state, I am working in Sacramento as an Equal Employment Opportunity/Sexual Harassment investigator. My true love and career is still teaching and education, and it is that love I can bring to the school board.

While at Solano Community College, I was the student government treasurer for the Associated Students of Solano College for one and one-half years. Afterwards, I was elected to the student trustee position,

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Michael Olivas

As a concerned citizen, I decided to run for the Winters School Board to give some balance and a fresh perspective to the school board operations.

The education of the Winters youth has been placed at risk by the economic down cycle and by public tensions over the past years. I feel the priority task now is to navigate and maintain Winters' premier school system during these unprecedented times. We need to preserve its academic core curriculum, class size and to salvage extracurricular activities that form the whole student.

I'm a firm believer in letting the experts and those with the knowledge and experiences run the day-to-day operations. I do not support micro management from the top down and trust in common sense when making decisions. It's critical to allow those in charge to operate with the freedom and confidence to push, be creative and to motivate the students.

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Candidates night planned Thursday

Community members will have a chance to ask questions of the candidates running for the Winters School Board in the November election on Thursday, Sept. 23, at 7 p.m. at the Winters High School gym. The moderator for the evening will be Tom Rost, UC Davis professor emeritus. The event is sponsored by the Winters Chamber of commerce.

When Winters voters go to the polls for the general election on Nov 2, they will be selecting five members for the Winters School Board. Two of those members will represent Trustee Area 2, which comprises the City of Winters, and three will represent Trustee Area 1, Yolo County.

Three candidates are competing for one four-year seat in Area 2. They are Dan Maguire, city housing programs manager; Rudolph Muldong, educator; and incumbent Rodney Orosco, educator and parent.

A second Area 2 seat, which is a two-year term to finish the term of Tom Harding, will be filled by retired retail manager/parent David Reynoso, who is unopposed.

There are four contestants for three seats in Trustee Area 1: bus driver/instructor Patricia Havens; parent/coach Michael Olivas; journalist/farmer/parent and incumbent Robyn Rominger; and farmer Robert Warren.

This candidate's night is sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce.

Deadline to register to vote is Monday, Oct. 18

The last day for Yolo County residents to register to vote in the November statewide General Election is Monday, Oct. 18.

To qualify to register to vote, a voter must be 18 years of age on Election Day; be a resident of the County of Yolo for at least 15 days before the elec-

tion; be a citizen of the United States and submit a completed Affidavit of Registration to the County Clerk-Elections Department by Oct. 18.

For more information, contact the Elections Department, 625 Court Street, Room B05 in Woodland or call 666-8133.



Rodney Orosco

Serving as a representative of our community, a "politician" has taught me the importance of pronouns — specifically "I" and "We".

It is the self-serving politician that wields the singular, irresponsible "I." As in, "I can promise you..." or, "I can do..." or "If elected, I will..."

"We" is the pronoun of democracy. As in "We hold these truths to be self evident." As in "We the people."

As in: We the Winters school community have been able to weather the worst economic storm in generations. We have cut hundreds of thousands of dollars from the district budget and we still have music at the middle school and the high school. We still have sports in our schools. We still have two-way immersion. We have AP classes, senior project and the best ag-education program in the state. We have open libraries at all our schools (even a new library at the high school). And we have dedicated professionals

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David Reynoso

My name is David Reynoso, and I am running to become a trustee on the WJUSD school board. My wife, Erin, two daughters, Ilene and Allie, and I have been part of the Winters community for almost 20 years. We have enjoyed and participated in many of the local events that are unique to the City of Winters.

I graduated from St. Mary's College of California with a BA in management and have recently retired after working 38 years in the retail grocery industry. During my years in management I learned that the most effective way to manage is to treat everyone professionally and with respect, take the time to really listen to the ideas and viewpoints of all concerned parties, and to base my decisions on the merits of the information before me, not on my personal opinions and views. I plan to use these lessons learned in dedicating myself to make doing what is best for the students, my first and top priority as a member of the board of

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Robyn Rominger

I have a strong desire to help create the best school system possible so all children in our district, including my own, can succeed in life. I want to establish policies that provide students with a high-quality education in a safe, nurturing environment.

I believe that I have the necessary qualifications to help lead the district in the right direction. I have gained experience working on school-related issues since I was appointed to the board of trustees on June 1, 2010. I have supported a balanced budget; an improved security system; the adoption of nutrition guidelines for foods available at school; and the refinancing of Measure G general obligation bonds, which may save taxpayers money by reducing their annual tax obligation.

I have solid leadership experience gained during my 21-year career as a professional journalist, which includes working as managing editor at the California Farm Bureau Federation in Sacra-

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Robert Warren

I am seeking election to the Winters Joint Unified School District board of trustees because I am interested in maintaining the quality of the educational opportunities for the young people of our community. I am also committed to improving the areas of service required for our students to acquire the academic skills that they will need to be successful after graduation. I firmly believe that a complete, well-rounded school experience is essential to prepare young people for adult life.

After high school, I attended UC Davis and worked on our family farm. I then went to work in the construction industry as an operating engineer for 10 years until I returned to farming with my father. I enjoy the agricultural lifestyle and living in a small community where I can be involved not only with my own children, but the other young people as well. I hope to spend the rest of my life doing the same.

My children were the third generation of my

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Thissell headstone restored



Photo by Debbie Hemenway

One hundred members of the Sam Brannan Chapter of E Clampus Vitus historical preservation society gathered at the Winters Cemetery on Saturday, Sept 19, to unveil the restored headstone of George Washington Thissell, 19th century farmer and horticulturist. In 1857, Thissell settled in Pleasants Valley, where he grew and propagated peaches, apricots and grapes. Unveiling the plaque are Ed Hawkins and his mother Nadine Ransdell. Hawkins is Thissell's great great grandson. Helping mark the occasion are, from left, Chapter Grand Noble Humbug J R Perkiss and Nadine Ransdell.

Feeling quizzical?

The trophy for the Friends of the Library Quiz Show has been dusted off, and new names of the winning team members will be inscribed. They could be yours.

This Quiz Show is a fundraiser for the library. The event is set for 7 p.m. on Oct. 7 at the Community Center. Team sign-up forms are available at the library. The cost is \$100 for a team of five. The winning team wins a cash prize of \$200.

For more information, call Rebecca Fridae, 795-4600.

HEARING

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proximately 2.3 acres.

The hearing is a “de novo” hearing under the city’s municipal code, meaning that the city council will independently base its decisions on the project based on the evidence introduced at the hearing. Copies of the original staff report for the Aug. 10 planning commission meeting and public hearing, the meeting minutes, the appeal and other planning documents relating to the appeal can be found on the city’s website, www.cityofwinters.org, or can be obtained at the city clerk’s office at City Hall least five days before the hearing.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to give the applicants and citizens an opportunity to make their comments known on the project. Anyone unable to attend the public hearing can direct written comments to the City of Winters, City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694, or call 795-4910, extension 101.

Written comments should be provided before the hearing to the Winters City Clerk. In addition, a public information file is available for review at City Hall on weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Anyone needing special accommodations at the hearing because of a sensory or mobility impairment or disability can call Dawn Van Dyke, 795-4910, extension 108, to arrange for those accommodations.

HARVEST

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be pairing wine with specialty appetizers.

Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. with abundant family-style platters of Harvest Salad, Char-Roasted Sirloin, Juniper Berry Chicken, Roasted Vegetables, and Grilled Polenta, all from Buckhorn, and Sun West Farms wild rice. Berryessa Gap red wine, and white wine from Beringer Vineyards of Napa Valley will be served complimentary during dinner. Turkovich Family Wines and Main Street Cellars will also be represented throughout the evening. Finally for dessert, guests can visit the coffee and dessert bar offering treats from Steady Eddy’s and other locally made gourmet desserts.

A silent auction at the start of the evening and an exciting “live” auction during dinner will raise funds to support the many community outreach programs of



Photo by Shannon Mariani

Mariani Nut Company is in the process of harvesting almonds like this, which will be featured at their Harvest the Moment fundraiser, planned for Saturday, Nov. 13 at St. Anthony Parish Hall. Proceeds from the event will go toward the community outreach programs at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Tickets for the event are \$65 per person. For tickets or more information, call Jeanette Molina, 795-5252.

St. Anthony’s parish. But guests won’t be done there. Local favorite DJ, Troy Barnett, will be spinning some rocking tunes for an evening of dancing.

This is an evening out not to be missed. Event organizers are especially looking forward to gathering the community for this special evening in the spirit of

the hospitality and gratitude that is found in Winters.

Tickets are \$65 per person, which includes appetizers, dinner and wine with dinner. A no-host bar will also be offered.

For tickets or more information, contact Jeanette Molina, molina4@sbcglobal.net or 795-5252.

St. Francis celebration coming to Winters

The feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, known worldwide as the patron saint of animals, will be celebrated at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 4, behind St. Anthony Catholic Church, 511 Main St., Winters. The Rev. James Doogan, pas-

tor of St. Anthony, will offer a brief liturgical service and blessing of all animals present. Dogs must be on leashes, cats must be brought in carriers and birds must be in cages. Everyone is welcome.

HAVENS

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terprise and apply them to the processes of our school district; to look closely at what we are doing, how we are doing it and better ways to achieve better results.

I have been an employee of the school district for over 5 years as a school bus driver and in 2008 became a Driver Instructor. I became a school bus driver in 1985 and worked for San Juan Unified, Center Unified and Winters JUSD.

I am a mother of three (graduates of Winters) and grandmother of two. My associate's degree is in early childhood education. My husband and I became foster parents in 1978 and cared for over 40 children during those years. I am an avid child advocate. I am determined, diligent, dependable and dedicated.

I will do everything I can to ensure the proper management of our school district. Following the law is essential. Changes need to be made carefully, looking at all the ramifications of those changes.

Morale is down at every site. I can see on the bus, the worry affecting the children. We need to turn around from the cutbacks and start thinking positive; stop holding out our hands to the government and look at what we can do for ourselves.

As in healthcare we cannot just treat the symptoms. We must educate the whole child, every unique child, with every unique idea, to give them every opportunity in learning, from art to zero gravity.

This is *our* unique community.

MAGUIRE

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office has been gratifying. Prior to moving to Winters, I spent many years in the beverage industry, including over a decade as general manager of a major beverage wholesaler with distributorships in the Bay Area. One division of my former company was a seven-time recipient of a Fortune 500 award for business excellence. I mention that accomplishment because our company was the smallest market to attain that distinction. Fundamentally, I know excellence is not a matter of size, it is about seeking excellence. My service on local business and service boards underscore the importance I place on collaboration to achieve the best results.

Our school district is in a financial crisis and we must seek creative solutions. Our meager resources must be leveraged. Part of the solution is to vigorously pursue partnership opportunities. Our superintendent is in discussions with Solano Community College to explore a partnership resulting in increased instructional services for our students.

Those discussions should explore a multifaceted approach for delivering instructional services including on-site instruction, increased use of the Vacaville campus, and internet based classes. Our ability to offer an increased number of advanced placement courses would benefit from an investment in technology that allows a fuller implementation of this partnership. Additionally, we should look to SCC to expand our offerings of career technical and vocation-

al courses for students choosing to enter the workforce directly upon high school graduation.

This represents only the tip of the iceberg of pursuing partnerships. Previous collaborations between WJUSD and the city resulted in a new library and community swimming pool. I want to foster that collaborative approach and pursue opportunities to partner that will benefit our students at all grade levels.

Most importantly, we need to conduct the school district's business in a more open, collaborative manner. I oppose a process that establishes a "new direction" for our district without any dialog outside the board. Our community members have strong views about what is best for the children of our district and their voices should be heard and respected. That fundamental change is a part of what I hope to bring to the board.

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for a one-year term, on the Solano Community College Governing Board. In the two and one-half years, I learned about governmental finance, budgets, community outreach, and the finer points of representing and advocating the needs of a 12,000-student constituency. Leadership, diplomacy, commitment and initiative are the qualities I can bring to our school board.

I have a unique insight to education. As an elementary school educator, I have seen the educational pendulum swing through the good and bad years. I have had the unique opportunity to substitute teach in Winters, from kindergarten through eighth grade. I have been able to see the schools as an employee, as a parent, and as a concerned community member; it is that insight and experience that I can bring to our school board.

I have no hidden agenda. One of my personal goals is to upgrade the district's technology. I believe in technology but technology is not the answer to everything. It should be a tool accessible to all. Technology should be the vehicle to facilitate higher, quality levels of creativity and education.

Our schools should be able to better prepare for academic, vocational, business and community needs. We simply cannot maintain minimal standards, but as a school district we should be striving to teach and use the latest technology to be competitive and innovative.

It is not a matter of if we can afford it in this economic climate, but it is a matter of how we can focus our resources and how we will plan to succeed through vigilance and thinking "outside of the box." To equip our schools, to train our teachers, and to integrate technology seems, to me, to be a reasonable and obtainable goal.

This is *our* school district and *our* community, and if elected, I can be objective, assertive, and proactive to meet the needs of our ultimate legacy, our students, *our* children.

The things I have seen and done have tempered me to be a strong candidate and potential member of our school board. I cannot make promises, but I can assure everyone that I will do my best to represent the community at large.

OLIVAS

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I believe strongly in the accountability and transparency of the process by all parties, starting with the superintendent of schools, the entire administration system, every wonderful teacher, and most importantly I believe we need accountability from the parents and students.

I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to be a volunteer coach on the Winters Warrior varsity football and track teams for the last several years. After spending a considerable amount of time on campus and around the students, I am a bit concerned. There are too many students with the attitude "that's good enough," with not enough passion for learning and doing their best each and every day. I'm sure as a teacher and I know as a coach, it can be frustrating and tiring when the students do not always share your same passion. As a board member I will do whatever is necessary to provide our teachers with the means to help motivate and encourage that passion to learn and to reach beyond good enough.

I know a sound public education is essential, not only to gain admittance to college, but for the survival of our students, the city of Winters and the future of our country as a democratic republic.

OROSCO

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caring for our children.

It is with a sense of community that we, the school board, must lead the district.

We must listen to teachers. We must hear parents. We must believe in our students.

The turmoil that is our state's budget will not abate anytime soon, and this means more budget cuts and more hard decisions to be made. It does not mean we ought to despair and panic.

We must not let hope and the success of our students fall prey to cynicism and pessimism.

What hardship can we not overcome? What obstacle prevents us from achieving our goals? Will we let our children fail?

The Winters Joint Unified School District will flourish and our children will succeed not because of anything I can do as an individual board member. Our district will continue be the best district of its size because that is who *we* are.

REYNOSO

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trustees.

I believe it is critically important that board members engage parents, teachers, school and district supervisors, and all members of the community in meaningful dialogue to determine their concerns and ideas regarding their expectations of the education that the children of our community deserve.

I pledge to visit each school site in our district frequently; these visits will help promote channels of honest communication that will enable me to see how our schools really operate. Interacting with teachers, school staff, and most importantly students will provide clearer insights and understanding regarding the future decisions and actions that the school

board will have to take.

I do not believe that school board trustees should engage in micro-managing our schools, but I do believe that it is a responsibility and obligation of board members to be extremely well informed regarding issues concerning school district operations. I would appreciate your vote and support in trying to make the schools in Winters everything that we should expect and want them to be.

ROMINGER

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mento. I also have a strong financial background by having served on the board of directors of the Yolo Federal Credit Union for the past five years. Additionally, I have experience in the classroom as a substitute teacher in this district.

I envision our schools as adequately preparing our students for successful careers and higher education. If I am given the opportunity to continue serving as a trustee, I intend to apply my experience, knowledge and background to achieving this vision.

Yo tengo un gran deseo de ayudar a crear el mejor distrito escolar para que todos nuestros niños, incluyendo los míos, lleguen a tener éxito en sus vidas. Yo quiero establecer prácticas que le proporcione a nuestros estudiantes un alto nivel educativo en un ambiente seguro y que nos permita promover su crecimiento. Yo tengo la capacidad necesaria para guiar a nuestro distrito escolar en cumplir estas metas. Desde mi nombramiento a la junta directiva escolar el 1 de junio del 2010, he adquirido experiencia valiosa trabajando para resolver los difíciles asuntos que enfrentamos en la actualidad. Apoyo un presupuesto con pérdidas y ganancias equilibradas; apoyo para que se mejore el sistema de vigilancia; apoyo la aprobación de guías nutricionales para los alumnos escolares; y por último apoyo el refinanzamiento de la obligación de la Medida G que puede ahorrarle a los contribuyentes reduciendo su obligación anual.

Mi experiencia como periodista cubre una carrera de más de 21 años, donde he adquirido experiencia valiosa en capacidad de liderazgo, incluyendo mi experiencia laboral como

jefa de redacción del California Farm Bureau Ferdaration en Sacramento. Tengo amplia experiencia profesional en finanzas, especialmente un nombramiento a la mesa directiva del Yolo Federal Credit Union por los últimos cinco años. Tengo experiencia el salón de clase como maestra suplente del distrito escolar. Mi visión para nuestras escuelas es una donde todos nuestros alumnos reciban la preparación que les permita tener éxito en carreras universitarias y profesionales. Si se me da la oportunidad de continuar sirviéndolos como miembro de la junta directiva escolar aplicare toda mi experiencia, conocimientos y antecedentes profesionales para lograr esta visión.

WARREN

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family to graduate from Winters High School. I have lived here my whole life and have been very involved in youth activities, including sports, FFA, field trips, Senior Project and student body activities. My children flourished in the various opportunities provided by the schools, and I feel very fortunate for the outstanding education that they have received here. I want to make sure that the other young people that follow them have the same learning environment in which to prepare themselves for their futures.

I see the role of a board member as representing the community in the governance of the district and communicating with the public so as to ensure that all parties understand the issues involved in the decision making process. Aside from discussions that are required to be confidential by law, there should be no information that is not shared with the people that the board is elected to represent. All decisions should be made for the benefit of students and the employees charged to serve them. I seek to ensure that this level of transparency and integrity is the hallmark of our board of trustees.

I would be truly honored to serve as a trustee for the Winters Joint Unified School District. I am solely committed to making sure that we provide the best possible education for all of the young people of our community.

Blood drive planned Monday

The Winters Lions Club Community plans a blood drive from 3 to 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, at the Community Center, 201 Railroad Ave., Winters.

Participants will receive a BloodSource T-shirt.

Those planning to give blood should eat and drink plenty of fluids before coming and bring a photo ID.

For more information, call Heather at 1-800-995-4420, ext. 60046.

BERTAGNOLLI

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her husband Jeff of Redding, Gary Bertagnolli and his wife Heather of Texas, and John Edward Bertagnolli and his wife Jennifer of Oregon. Her great-grandchildren are Jade, Casey, Kaylee, Colton, Kyle, Allison, Abigail, Shealeene and Amanda. There is one great-great-grandson, Anthony.

The funeral Mass will take place at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, 2725 Elm St., Napa, at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 24, under the direction of the Claffey and Rota Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Queen of the Valley Medical Center Foundation, P.O. Box 2069, Napa, CA 94558.

Condolences to the family may be made online at www.claffeyandrota.com.

Entertainment

Democrats plan campaign party

The West Yolo Democratic Club will host a Democratic Candidate's Night on Monday, Sept. 27, at 7 p.m. at The Palms Playhouse, 13 Main St. Incumbent Assemblywoman Mariko Yamada who is running for reelection, and state Sen. Lois Wolk are confirmed to appear.

Several key candidates or their campaign representative also will be participating. Richard Rominger, former secretary of agriculture in the previous Brown administration, will speak in behalf of the Jerry Brown campaign for governor. Delaine Eastin, former superintendent of public instruction, will speak for Tom Torlakson, the current candidate for that office.

In a setting that has become uniquely characteristic to the local club, there will be finger food refreshments contributed by club



Courtesy photo

Members of the West Yolo Democratic Club prepare for the Campaign Kickoff for the November election, planned at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, at The Palms, 13 Main St., Winters. From left are Jack Graf, Carol Holdstock, Evelyne Rominger, Richard Rominger, Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Dick Holdstock and Shaunie Briggs.

members, a no-host bar provided by The Palms, and musical entertainment provided by Winters' own Cliff Lamb and his jazz quartet.

Candidates will share their vision for

California and for the nation's future. Democrats in attendance will be encouraged to sign up to do a five minute soapbox presentation to share their views with fellow Democrats.

A donation of \$5 is suggested. All are invited to participate in the democratic process and become a well-informed voter.

For more details, call 795-5555.

King to perform at Center for Spiritual Living

Vatrena King will give a free performance during the 11 a.m. service at the Center for Spiritual Living, 1715 Anderson Road in Davis on Sunday, Sept. 26. The public is invited to attend.

King, a Winters resident, is an accomplished performer in styles from R&B to pop. She appeared as

an Ikette in the hit television series, "Ally McBeal," and excelled as a studio session singer and onstage, with performers from Randy Newman to Patti LaBelle and Michael Jackson. She also served as a background signer for Melissa Manchester.

A popular performer at Los

Angeles hot spots, King and her family moved to Winters five years ago. Her current music reflects a thoughtful spirituality and love of life. She sings about healing her life, which, she says, is "the stamp I want to put on the world." For music samples, visit www.vatrenakingmyspace.com.

Dolanc String Quartet coming to Performers Circle

Village Homes Performers Circle will meet from 7:15 to 9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, at the Village Homes Community Center, 2661 Portage Bay in Davis.

This free event features performers of all levels and creative expressions on the fourth Monday of each month. Sign-up performances

are from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. Featured acts play from 8:30 to 9 p.m.

This month's featured group is The Dolanc String Quartet. Led by husband and wife duo, Chris and Christina Dolanc, the quartet is known and loved throughout the Sacramento area for its fun and diverse styles. The

group often performs custom arrangements of selections from movie soundtracks, bluegrass, jazz and rock and roll alongside timeless classical works.

Each member is classically trained and performs with local professional symphonies. The group also plays at weddings and social events.

Joining the quartet on Sept 27 are pianist Olga Simons and Laura Sandage on percussion and string bass.

For more information, call 756-3611.

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music provided by DJ Horacio Castro. Special guest Mexican Consul General Carlos Gonzalez-Gutierrez will speak about the upcoming Mobile Consulate.

Later in the evening, attendees are invited to dance to the traditional sounds of Los Castro. Booths will offer such treats as traditional Mexican food from El Pueblo Deli & Meat Market. Children's activities will be offered at most booths.

Community groups, non-profit groups and vendors can still submit applications to participate in the event. Food vendors must have a valid health department permit, available at the Yolo County Health Department, 137 North Cottonwood Street, Suite



Courtesy photo

The hip hop dance team that will be performing at the Festival de la Comunidad includes, from left, Christine Wilcox, Kento Vo, Joie Rodolfa and Lauren Hoskins. The group is part of Ariel Dance Productions. For more information, visit arieldanceproductions.com.

2400 in Woodland, or by calling 666-8646. Booth applications are also available at City Hall, the Winters Visitor Center, or on the City of Winters website.

For more information about the Festival de la Comunidad, contact

Dawn Van Dyke, 795-4910, extension 108, or Mary Jo Rodolfa, 795-4910, extension 111 or visit the city's website, www.cityofwinters.org. The event is sponsored by the City of Winters Hispanic Advisory Committee.

Sports

Warriors finally beat Dixon 14-7 in football

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors varsity football team beat the visiting Dixon Rams 14-7 last Friday, Sept 17, in a long, drawn-out game. The men in the striped shirts will definitely have to buy new yellow flags this week because they wore them out in this game. Other than that it was a hard-fought game in a local rivalry that the Warriors haven't won since 2006.

If you stayed up long enough to watch the game, you'd think the score gap would have been much larger than 14-7. The Warriors held the Rams to just 42 yards in the second half. Dixon only had four first downs and two of them came off of penalties. The Warriors' stingy defense gave up 87 yards rushing and 124 passing. Eighty-eight of those passing yards came on two plays.

"I don't give our defense enough credit," says coach Daniel Ward. "But I am now. It was a hard-fought game. Our defense was awesome. Thomas Boswell was all over the place, Keli Callison had a great night and La'akea Drumwright did a great job at corner. "It's great when you have a player like La'akea who works as hard as anybody to have his hard work pay off for him."

Offensively, the Warriors were led by Jacob Lucero who rushed for 137 yards and a touchdown on 20 carries.

"We just have to figure out how to keep

Jacob on the field the whole game," said Ward. "He had over 100 yards in the first half and then suffered from leg cramps for the second time this season. He only played a few plays in the second half."

Fortunately for the Warriors, Zach Higgins moved from the four back to the three back and did a phenomenal job.

"Zach did a great job," Ward said. "He took us down the field when Jacob went out and capped off an 80-yard drive with a 10-yard touchdown run. He really ran hard."

When asked about the offenses performance, Lucero gave credit to the big boys up front.

"Our line did a great job," Lucero said. "They made some nice holes to run through. Jesus Quirarte, Mike Monnin, Juan Tovar, Max Barbosa and Thomas Damon all played a great game."

Ward knows there were too many penalties and the Warriors will need to take care of those issues this week when they play against Amador High School.

"We did have way too many penalties that really hurt us," Ward said. "But most of those came from the kids being too aggressive and I can deal with that. There was a lot of tension in this game and sometimes it got the best of us. We have to stop shooting ourselves in the foot. We didn't play that well of a game but after losing a disappointing game last

week, we will take the win."

Nick Mariani led the Warriors' air attack with 70 yards while completing 6 of 15 passes. Higgins rushed for 40 yards on 10 carries. Mariani rushed for 15 yards on four carries, while Boswell and Shawn Faulk each had two yards rushing. Boswell had three catches for 46 yards to lead the receivers. Faulk had one catch for 11 yards, Tim Miller had one catch for 10 yards and Lucero had one catch for three yards. Darby Borges was 2 for 2 on PAT kicks.

Defensively, the Warriors were led by Boswell who had 16 total tackles. Miller and Borges each had 11 tackles. Callison had nine tackles and two sacks. Drumwright finished with seven tackles. Jared Ney, Faulk and Quirarte each had six tackles; Higgins, Tovar and Damon each had five tackles; Daniel Lopez had four; Trevor Wright had three; Barbosa had two; and Monnin had one. Tovar had a sack, while Damon had a sack and recovered a fumble.

The Warriors will travel to Amador this week to take on the Buffaloes for the first time in more than 20 years.

"They are the highest rated team on our schedule," Ward said. "I am looking forward to playing them. They are a good physical football team."

"I told the team this game will be like our first playoff game and that is how we are going to treat it."

Lady Warriors lose close match

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors varsity volleyball team lost a close match to the visiting Colusa Redskins on Tuesday, Sept 14. The Warriors started strong and won the first game 28-26 but then lost the next three 25-20, 25-23 and 25-16.

Ashley Andersen led the Warriors with 16 kills followed by Sara Selby with four, Olivia Orosco with three, Mallory Dunn and Jasmin Barrera each with two and Natasha Jankovic and Veronica Lopez with one each.

In serving points, Andersen had 18, Barrera had 14, Anna Campos and Selby each had 11, Dunn had 10, Orosco had eight and Ilene Reynoso had two. Selby had 13 assists, Barrera had two, while Orosco and Campos each added one. Selby led the team with seven digs, Campos had six, Andersen had five, Orosco, Dunn and Barrera each had three and Reynoso had one.

On Thursday, Sept 16, the Warriors traveled to Willows and played a hard fought match but came home with a 3-2 loss to the Honkers. The Warriors lost game one 25-21 but took control in the next two games winning 25-15 and 25-22. Willows then figured something out and won the last two games 25-14

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Photo by Eric Lucero
Ashley Andersen spikes the ball during the Lady Warriors' home game against visiting Colusa on Tuesday, Sept 14.

Kemp wins grid contest

Gordon Kemp picked 20 out of 28 games correctly to win the \$30 first prize this week in the Winters Merchants Football Contest.

Bonnie Benshoof also had 20 right, but Kemp won the first prize on the basis of the total score of the Arkansas-Georgia game. There were 55 points scored in that game, with Kemp picking 45 and Benshoof picking 41. She receives the second prize of \$15.

All of the other contestants had 19 or fewer correct selections. Another contest is in this week's Express.

PISANI'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Ashley Andersen

Ashley Andersen, a senior on the Winters Warriors varsity volleyball team is athlete of the week.

In the first three weeks of the season, Andersen is not only leading the Warriors, she is one of the top players in the league statistically.

Currently, on Maxpreps.com, Andersen is leading the Butte View League in kills with a 3.5 per game average and a total of 81. She is second in aces with a total of 17 and .7 per game, and is third in digs at 39 and 1.7 per game.

JV girls beat Colusa 2-0 at home in volleyball

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors JV volleyball team hosted Colusa on Tuesday, Sept. 14, and defeated the Redskins 2-0. The Warriors won their first game 25-21 and then won 25-17 in game two.

"The girls played well as a team," said coach Teresa Perkins. "Jacqui Plasencia and Lily Manas both had

good games."

On Thursday, Sept 16, the Warriors were on the road in Willows and had a tough time against the Honkers suffering a 25-17 loss in game one and 25-6 loss in game two.

"The first game was the most competitive we have played this year so far," Perkins said. "Sarah Kimes and Taylor Biasi lead the team. The second game was a disappointment."

JV team falls to Dixon 41-14

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Warrior JV football team had a big let-down last Friday, Sept 17, when it lost to the visiting Dixon Rams, 41-14.

A game that started out with some highlights from both teams ended up being a highlight film for Dixon.

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Schools

Students read story of immigrants' deadly journey

By DEBBIE HEMENWAY
Staff writer

In May 2001, 26 young men from Vera Cruz, Mexico, hired a coyote — a human smuggler — to take them across the Arizona border into the United States, where they hoped to find work and to finally earn enough to support their families.

The Sonoran desert is brutal in the best of circumstances, lethal to those who do not know their way through it. The coyote, inexperienced and frightened by the presence of Border Patrol agents, led the men to an untried alternate route and then abandoned them to their wits and their fate.

Of the 26, only 12 survived.

Mexican American writer Luis Urrea was so moved by the story that he wrote, in 2004, "The Devil's Highway," a Pulitzer prize-nominated account of the tragedy. Drawing on extensive interviews with everyone involved, Urrea created a kaleidoscopic picture of the

drama of illegal immigration along the southern border.

That story is now being read by every student at Winters High School.

This summer, WHS English language arts teachers Matt Biers-Ariel and Olivia Campbell Rodriguez attended Sac State University to begin a yearlong teacher training program, the Reading Institute for Academic Preparation. The program, Biers-Ariel explains, is based on the simple concept that strong reading skills are essential to academic success in and beyond high school and on the disturbing statistic that statewide, only 17 percent of high school graduates are able to read at the level required for college. Using the voluntary reading assessment given in the 11th grade at the time of STAR testing, 16 percent of Winters students are ready.

At RIAP, Biers-Ariel and Rodriguez were invited, along with other program participants, to join in with Sac



Photo by Debbie Hemenway

Winters High School English teacher Matt Biers-Ariel reads "The Devil's Highway," the focus of the One Book program at Sac State. Winters High has joined the program, which encourages all on campus to read the same book.

State in a program called One Book. The concept is deceptively simple: everyone throughout the institution reads the same book at the same time, and thereby creates a learning community based on a shared

experience with literature. This year's selection is "The Devil's Highway" and upon reading it, both teachers were immediately enthusiastic about the prospect.

"If you can get the kids to read, magic happens,"

Biers-Ariel said.

The students were excited about the prospect of reading the book as soon as they heard about it. He tells of one student who has had a reputation for being "a ne'er-do-well" for the last three years; but this young man is "excited about reading it" because "it is his life story."

Moving the book beyond the walls of the English classroom will broaden its appeal and its impact; art, music and drama are all planning to connect "The Devil's Highway" with their curricula and illegal immigration is one of the options for the annual senior term paper written in government and economics classes. Biers-Ariel also is hopeful that community book groups will take it on as well.

"We want to make this bigger than the school. It seems so natural to move this beyond the walls of the high school," he said.

Is there likely to be controversy? Perhaps, but Biers-Ariel is not concerned. Illegal immigration is an issue

that is not going away and that needs to be addressed.

"The book allows that conversation to take place in a safe context."

It is not inexpensive to buy 575 copies of a book — even a paperback. Knowing that money would be an issue, Biers-Ariel contacted the publisher and explained what he wanted to do and why it would be such a valuable experience for Winters students. The publisher heard him and offered a deep discount of 55 percent. With the approval of Winters High School Principal Gary Miller, \$3,800 was allocated and the books ordered, and reading has already begun.

Urrea, the author, will be in Sacramento speaking about the book and about the issue of immigration on Oct. 11 and 12. He and Biers-Ariel have been in contact and if his schedule allows, the writer will be in Winters as well. Whether he is here or not, he will clearly enter into the community conversation for some time to come.

Destination Imagination returning

By JANET ANDERSEN
Special to the Express

It's Destination Imagination time. DI is a great opportunity for kids to work together, be creative and have fun.

DI is an extracurricular school-supported program. Teams are forming now. Each team of five to seven kids and a team manager will meet once a week starting in November. They will work together until the regional tournament on March 12.

Teams train in creative problem-solving and teamwork skills. Each team competes in two areas at the tournament. They will compete in an instant challenge, which emphasizes quick, on-your-feet thinking where they will have five to 10 minutes to solve an unknown challenge with surprise supplies.

Some of the challenges are

task-based, like building a structure as tall as you can using a paper plate, paper cup, straw, paper clip and three mailing labels. Others are performance-based, like make a brief humorous skit about how the llama jumped over the rainbow and incorporate the imaginary word "griggle."

Also, they will compete in one of five central challenges, which are the long-term projects they will work on the entire season. All solutions must be completely solved by the team and no interference from parents is allowed — this includes all ideas and construction.

More than 60 teams of students in kindergarten through high school will compete in the tournament. The local region extends from Winters to West Lake Tahoe and everywhere in between. Local communities that participate

include Woodland, Davis and Dixon.

There will be an information session for all interested students and their parents on Thursday, Sept. 30, at 7 p.m. at the Tree House Children's Center, 418 Haven St. across from Waggoner School.

To participate, pick up an application form at the meeting, in the Shirley Rominger Intermediate School office or Winters Middle School office. The forms are available now. Oct. 15 is the deadline to turn them in. Students can submit an application alone and meet new friends or submit it with a group of friends.

For more information about the local program, contact Janet Andersen at andersenmom@gmail.com or 795-5030. For more information on this program and this year's challenges, visit www.idodi.org.

LDS Boy Scout troop holds Court of Honor

By TOMMY ANGUAY
Troop committee chair

LDS Troop 998 held a Court of Honor combined with a dinner at the LDS Church on Anderson Avenue on Wednesday, Sept. 8.

Scout Kaimi Drumwright, son of Aaron and Michele Drumwright of Winters, conducted the Court of Honor.

Troop committee members were introduced: chair Tom Anguay, secretary Pat Muldong, A.C. Dawn Stewart, T.C. Leslie Cliche, chaplain David Cliche, treasurer Mark Tippetts, and C.O.R. Tom Ryel. Also introduced were the Scout leaders, 11-year-old Ken and Dawn Stewart, Scout master Ruben Martinez,

assistant Scout master Andrew Cliche and varsity coach Aaron Drumwright, Venture Brent Hardy, Asst. C.A. Dave Hudson, and David Cliche, Leslie Cliche and Robert Morris.

Ken Stewart introduced the newest Boy Scout, Eldon Maynard, son of Sam and Sherie Maynard. During the flag ceremony, the Scouts recited the Boy Scout Oath, Law, Motto, Slogan and Outdoor Code. A musical number was given by Elder Vea. He sang and played the ukulele. Scout Mitchel and Elder Jacobson gave talks on the theme, "Be Strong and of Good Courage."

Dinner was served by Sister Morgan and The

Ward Activity Committee. During dinner, a slideshow of Camp Cole was presented by Scout Nick Muldong and Venture Leader Dave Hudson. Scout Peter Escalante earned a new nickname while at Camp Cole: Turtle. While earning his sailing merit badge, he somehow turned his sailboat upside down, with the sail mast straight down under the water. This maneuver is called a turtle.

Rank Advancements, Event Patches and Merit Badges were given out by Ken Stewart and Reuben Martinez. Those receiving awards were Kyle Karlen, Bo Anguay, Josh Walton, Steven Twomey, Nick Muldong, Devon Muldong, Mitchel Stewart,

Peter Escalante, Tyler Hasson, Ka'eo Drumwright, and Ka'imipono Drumwright. The Scout Spirit Award was given by Venture Leader Dave Hudson. This award is given to the Scout that best exemplifies the scouting spirit. At this Court of Honor, two were awarded to Scouts Peter Escalante

See **HONOR** on page B-3 and Ka'eo Drumwright.

This month, the Golden Empire Council, BSA, named Dawn Stewart as Frontline Leader of the Year, 2010. She is active in Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Troop Committee and Merit Badge Saturday. Her dedication to the Scouting program goes

FFA officers visit with senior citizens

By AUSTIN BRICKEY
Winters FFA

The Winters FFA officer team recently traveled to the Winters Community Center to meet the senior citizens and visit with them.

During the visit, the officer team had the opportunity to socialize with many seniors of the community who had interesting stories of their lives, and how Winters has changed.

Many referred to the times when the apricot orchards were still in operation and how it taught them responsibility.

The FFA officer team also brought fresh melons to donate to the senior citizen luncheon. All of the senior citizens got honeydew melons to take home. The melons were grown at the Ag Site by chapter President Elliot Herrera for his Supervised Agricultural Experience.

After the visit, Winters FFA Secretary Victoria Burke said, “I had so much fun. I got to see people I haven’t seen in years and I can’t wait to go back.”



Courtesy photo

During a visit with senior citizens at the Community Center, Winters FFA members pose for a photo with a senior after giving her one of the honeydew melons grown at the high school ag site by chapter President Elliot Herrera for his Supervised Agricultural Experience project. During the FFA officer team’s visit, the senior citizens shared stories of their lives and talked about ways Winters has changed.

JV

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After giving up a score in the first period, the Warriors quickly answered back when they ran a perfect wall on the return to give Chris Mayes a wide open lane to run down

for an 85-yard touchdown return. Alex Lopez kicked the PAT to put seven points on the board.

The Warriors only scored one more time though, when Mayes connected with Lopez for a nine-yard touchdown pass. After that, it was all Dixon. The Warrior defense had a

hard time making a tackle and let the Rams run wild.

Mayes ended the game completing 12 of 18 passes for 105 yards and a touchdown and rushed for 24 yards on nine carries. Justin Crabtree rushed for 35 yards on 11 carries and had four catches for 23 yards. Adam Martinez

caught five passes for 24 yards. Lopez caught two passes for 29 yards and a touchdown, while Trevor Ray caught two passes for 21 yards.

On the defensive side, Crabtree, Mayes and Blaine Miller each had four tackles and Brandon Emery had three to lead the Warriors.

LADY

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and 15-11.

Andersen once again led the Warriors with 24 kills. Dunn had four and Campos and Selby

each had one. Andersen had 18 serving points followed by Barrera with 17, Dunn with 13 and Campos with 11. Selby had nine and Orosco had eight, while Destiny Rogers and Lopez each had five.

Selby had 13 digs to lead the Warriors. Andersen had 12, Campos had eight, Dunn had

six, Rogers and Barrera each had four, Orosco and Lopez each had three and Jankovic had one for the Warriors.

The Lady Warriors will be on the road for a while and won’t return home until Oct. 7, when they host Orland in a Butte View League game.

HONOR

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Hasson, Ka’eo Drumwright, and Ka’imipono Drumwright. The Scout Spirit Award was given

by Venture Leader Dave Hudson. This award is given to the Scout that best exemplifies the scouting spirit. At this Court of Honor, two were awarded to Scouts Peter Escalante and Ka’eo Drumwright.

This month, the

Golden Empire Council, BSA, named Dawn Stewart as Frontline Leader of the Year, 2010. She is active in Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Troop Committee and Merit Badge Saturday. Her dedication to the Scouting

program goes above and beyond.

Ice cream and all the trimmings was served for dessert while Reuben Martinez gave his Scoutmasters Minute followed by closing flag ceremony.

WPNS Children’s Festival is Oct. 2

The Winters Parent Nursery school will host its Annual Children’s Festival on Saturday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Anthony Parish Hall, 511 Main St.

This is expected to be a fun-filled day for children and the whole family, organizers said.

The festival will feature children’s music from Jump for Joy music by Wiley, pumpkin decorating, Miss Cherry buggy rides, train rides, carnival games and prizes,

crafts, face painting and plenty of food and drinks. Games, food and drinks will be offered for a nominal fee. Admission and entertainment is free.

The highlight of the day will be the “Pick a Pumpkin” raffle, where the lucky winner will walk away with \$1,000. Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$10 each from the school.

For more information about the event, call 795-4659.

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Features

Osteoarthritis: Bad to the bone

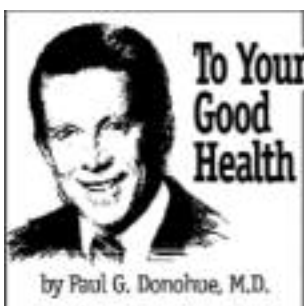
DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Will you provide information on osteoarthritis of the knee? Please include steps to take if you have it. Does it hurt a lot after surgery? Do vitamins or calcium help? —W.J.

ANSWER: Osteoarthritis is the most common kind of arthritis. One-third of the population age 65 and older has it. It's a cracking and crumbling of the cartilage inside the joint, which makes for bone rubbing against bone. The result is pain and stiffness. Age isn't the sole factor causing it. Being overweight, heredity, misalignment of the joint bones and previous injury all contribute to its appearance. Climbing stairs, getting out of a chair and walking become challenges.

A cure has yet to be found, but there are steps to take to manage it. Weight loss, if that applies to you, makes a huge difference. Loss of only 5 percent of current weight increases joint mobility and lessens pain. Exercise helps. Walk to the point of pain, rest and then continue on your way. Strengthening the thigh and hamstring muscles protects the knees. A warm shower or bath on rising decreases stiffness.

Tylenol is a safe and effective pain reliever. Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) — Aleve, Advil, Motrin and many others — work well, but their downside is stomach irritation and the possible promotion of an ulcer. Simultaneously taking medicines that blunt stomach-acid production affords protection against these side effects. Prilosec and Zantac are two examples of protective drugs. Voltaren gel, an NSAID medicine that's applied directly to the skin over the knees, reduces the threat of stomach irritation yet eases joint pain.

Your doctor can inject the knee with cortisone, which often affords three or more months of relief. Calcium and vitamins don't work. People often ask about chondroitin and glucosamine. In spite of testimonials praising them, little evidence exists for their efficacy. If you want to



try them, they won't hurt. The ultimate treatment for severe knee osteoarthritis is replacement of the joint. I know few people so happy with their treatment than are the ones who have had this surgery. Pain after surgery is not great and is not long-lasting.

The booklet on arthritis deals with the common forms of this prevalent disorder. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 301W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My problem is excessive yawning. I will yawn 10 to 12 times in a minute or two, and do so as often as three to four times a day. What's going on? —D.B.

ANSWER: Sleepy people and bored people yawn more than people who are neither. Staying stimulated decreases yawning. What are you doing during the day? You have to be doing something that keeps your brain active, or you'll start to yawn.

I don't know an illness that provokes yawning. Yawning occurs in all members of the animal kingdom. It even occurs in birds and fishes.

It does not provide more oxygen for the brain. That explanation has been disproved.

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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It all started with just two chickens

We agreed to two, maybe three. Instead, four arrived. Then three were born. We now have seven chickens spanning three generations, which in chicken lifespan aren't spread very wide.

The three chicks are nine days old. They are surprisingly adorable, given that all they do is eat, drink, scratch around, and peck at invisible things. Oh — and poop, of course. They make these great little peeping sounds that I'm so used to already, I continue to hear them when I'm somewhere else.

Lola and Fiona are probably the chicken equivalent of "tweens." They are maybe six months old. Lola is black, Fiona is white and gray, and they are Silkies. Silkie chickens are covered in fuzz instead of traditional feathers, have five toes instead of four, and have chicken afros instead of combs.

I didn't plan on having chicks at all, but our hen Gertie (a regular brown chicken) decided that she had to hatch something. She was "broody," which means that she sat and sat and sat in the coop. She didn't realize or care that we had no rooster and there were no eggs under her. She would not stop, not even after I followed the suggestions of my various chicken friends and tried some of the methods recommended online.

Finally, I called my chicken guru from



REBECCA BRESNICK HOLMES
CHICKEN SCRATCH

whom I acquired Lola and Fiona. She suggested I let Gertie hatch some eggs. After revealing my chicken-raising naïveté by asking such questions as "How do we get fertilized eggs?" and "But will she reject them because they are a different breed?" and "What do I do with them?" She assured me that all would be fine and that chickens don't care what breed they are sitting on.

My chicken guru also assured me that she would take the chicks back if I couldn't find a home for them, since my husband insisted that we could not, under any circumstances, keep any more animals. We already had a large dog, a very old cat, two pet mice (one of which lacks an eye, and, of course, the four hens).

My chicken guru was right. Gertie was a model of inter-breed acceptance and took the eggs right in (or, better put, under). In the rare moment when she wasn't mothering the eggs, Hester (our other regular black hen who has spurs despite being a girl) jumped right in and sat on them.

Sure enough, after about three weeks, three tiny chicks came out — all by themselves! Wow. Nature

really works. Amazingly, the other chickens didn't mind the newbies and they all had a big slumber party the first night.

Because they have to eat only starter food, the chicks are inside the house during the day and go back out to sleep under Gertie in the coop with all the girls at night.

Once again, my chicken guru was right on. Surrogacy worked for Gertie. She's back out in the yard, doesn't mope around in the coop trying to hatch something that'll never hatch, and is acting like a normal chicken again.

Although we won't know for quite a while what gender they are, we've named the chicks. My 9-year-old son insisted on calling one Shasta and another Cascade (after California mountain ranges, which he just learned about in school), and I named the smallest one Harriet. For some reason, I am fond of early turn-of-the-century names for hens.

I'm hoping that at least one of the chicks (preferably Harriet) is a girl, because I think that five would be just the right number of chickens to have.

Or maybe an even six ... now that sounds perfect.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Personal matters claim a good deal of the Lamb's time in the early part of the week. But by midweek, pragmatic considerations (work, school, job-seeking, etc.) begin to take priority. TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The seasonal shift ignites the Bovine's creative aspects. You could do well if you try to combine your penchant for innovation with the more pragmatic demands of the week. GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Ideas come easily to you this week. And never mind that some might suggest they're unworkable and/or impractical. It's your vision that counts. Work them out and see what turns up. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Personal matters continue to dominate the early part of the week. By midweek, more workaday issues once again begin to emerge. Balance your time to give both the attention they need. LEO (July 23 to August 22) A new contact could provide an expanded opportunity. But be sure you get all the facts before you consider signing on. Ask questions, and be wary if you don't get the right answers. VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An unexpected development could cause some supposedly resolved disagreements to reignite. Deal with the situation before it leads to some really serious problems. LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A clash of work-linked viewpoints needs to be discussed openly, honestly and calmly by all concerned before it can impede progress on an ongoing project.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The Scorpion's pragmatic side helps you accept the possibility that a change of plans might be the wise thing to do. Be sure to weigh all your considerations carefully. SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Some people might not take no for an answer. Never mind. Keep your resolve if you're sure you don't want to be involved in a potentially sticky situation. CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) All other facts and figures aside, it's what you learn about potential colleagues that can be most helpful in assessing any decisions you're likely to make regarding a new project. AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You might want to reconsider some of your outside commitments if they continue to demand more time than you can spare. Be honest with yourself when making a decision. PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Pay attention to that inner voice of Piscean wisdom counseling you to remove those rose-colored glasses and take an honest look at any decisions you might face this week. BORN THIS WEEK: You have a penchant for persuasion that would make you a fine candidate for a political career.

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another in this example. A is used for the three L's, R for the two G's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and position of the words are all the same — each word the same length as the original.

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Pleased to meet you



Name: Kathy Cowan
Occupation: full-time grandma
Hobby: yard work
What's best about living in Winters: "It's like a vacation every day."
Fun fact: I had a newspaper route. I was the first girl to deliver the Stockton Record in the 1960s.

King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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CryptoQuote

Answers:

S: cross; No: to see; wd: there are three; stags: 11, 14, 16; Sometimes there's another: Will - Source unknown.

King Crossword

ACROSS

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2. Midland
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4. Goya's
5. "Ducress of —"
6. URB: 1:1
7. Incite
8. Fly high
9. Sapporo
10. ash
11. 26 Down
12. attendee
13. fair
14. "The Usual Suspects"
15. actor
16. identifies
17. line
18. Memorable
19. mission
20. Footbag II
21. Carle add-in
22. Former area
23. "A box upon a base"
24. Beleaguered
25. apartment
26. Turf
27. Envelope
28. "Bleah"
29. "I'm not a saint"
30. Sign of the
31. "what?"
32. Form
33. "remark?"
34. The girl
35. 26 Down
36. attendee

DOWN

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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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Nuestras Noticias



Festival de la Comunidad

Los invitamos a celebrar el tradicional festival de la comunidad aquí en Winters, el sábado 25 de septiembre de 5 a 10 pm. En el parque Rotario, este evento está cumpliendo ya cuatro años, y es patrocinado por el comité Hispano de Winters. La tarde estará llena de actividades, comida y música, y esperamos que gran parte de la comunidad se dé cita para pasar una buena tarde.

Tendremos la visita del Cónsul de México en Sacramento Carlos Gonzales Gutiérrez, que estará saludando a la gente y además dará información sobre el consulado móvil que se tiene planeado tener aquí en Winters en el mes de Octubre

El grupo de danza Azteka Mexikah nos presentara bailes tradicionales de México, se tendrá también una presentación de baile hip-hop por parte de producciones Ariel dance. Julio Pacheco y amigos nos cantaran y se tendrán rifas de pequeños regalos durante el evento. Baile con el DJ de Horacio Castro, ya por la noche la Banda Castro presentara música tradicional mexicana.

Se tendrán puestos para información de organizaciones locales, así como puestos de venta de artesanías, a los participantes se les pide que adornen y decoren su puesto de acuerdo a la celebración. El puesto con la mejor decoración recibirá \$50. El pueblo market venderá comida mexicana, la prueba de las carnitas que los equipos participantes cocinaran, empezara a las 5 pm. Llegue temprano, pruebe las carnitas y decida que equipo cocino las mejores carnitas. El equipo ganador se ganara \$300. Para más información llame a Dawn Van Dyke, 795-4910, o Mary Jo Rodolfa 795-4910.

¡Carnitas!



Photo para Debra DeAngelo

Leticia y Jesús Quirarte, miembros del equipo Quirarte, fueron los ganadores del primer premio de las carnitas el año pasado en el festival de la comunidad. El festival de la comunidad es sábado, 25 de septiembre al 5-10 p.m. en la parque rotaria.

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Los trabajos peligrosos

Les presento relatos verídicos sobre los accidentes en el trabajo que muchas ocasiones suceden por falta de información por parte del empleador, y a veces también por falta del sentido común por parte de nosotros los trabajadores.

José casi había terminado su trabajo, pintando la cocina de la nueva casa.

Como inmigrante mexicano en California, José había encontrado trabajo como pintor, y se especializaba en casas. Aquél día en particular, debía tener más cuidado que otras veces, porque la pintura era especial: Muy inflamable. “No fumes, ni enciendas nada, porque puede ser peligroso”, le habían advertido, y José tuvo cuidado. Pero no habían advertido nada a los demás trabajadores. Juan, un amigo, llegó a verlo a la cocina, donde José le daba los últimos retoques a la pintura.

Juan vio las luces apagadas, y tras saludar a su amigo, se acercó al botón. “¿Porqué estás a oscuras?” José apenas pudo voltear una fracción de segundo, antes de gritar ... pero era demasiado tarde. El apagador, al encender, causó la chispa eléctrica necesaria para iluminar la habitación. Una chispa mínima, pequeña ... pero suficiente para detonar los vapores inflamables de la pintura fresca. Terrorífico como suena, este espantoso accidente no es raro en Estados Unidos. Día a día, miles de trabajadores inmigrantes hispanos mueren en sus labores.

Rogelio es otro caso. Aunque no murió, sí quedó inválido de por vida. Rogelio tenía un año trabajando en una constructora, le pagaban bien y estaba a gusto. “Hasta un día en que se soltó una grúa,” recuerda. Uno de los gigantes cables de metal de la maquinaria se soltó sin control. Todo fue muy rápido. El cable se acercó a Rogelio, quien corría a ponerse a salvo, y le dió un latigazo por atrás. En un instante, le

partió la espalda. Confinado a una silla de ruedas, sin poder trabajar y con una familia qué mantener, Rogelio se pasó el siguiente año de tribunal en tribunal, peleando su compensación. Sin mucho éxito.

Según datos del Departamento del Trabajo de Estados Unidos, las muertes de inmigrantes en accidentes laborales han aumentado el 50 %. Es una cifra enorme, si se toma en cuenta que entre los trabajadores no hispanos la cifra ha bajado 10% en el mismo periodo.

Luis era un jovencito potosino que había viajado a Estados Unidos para mantener a su mamá. La muerte del padre, un jornalero, casi los sumió en la desesperación. Tras recibir la bendición de su madre, Luis decidió emigrar. Era la única salida para salir de la pobreza en su ranchería. Como pudo, y tras un largo trayecto cruzando el río Bravo y el chaparral texano, el jovencito de 19 años logró llegar a Dallas. Corrió con suerte: A las pocas semanas lo contactaron con un amigo que trabajaba en una granja, en Luisiana. Pero hasta allí se le acabó la buena estrella a Luis. Un día, mientras trabajaba debajo de un tractor, revisando algo que se la había atorado, el gato hidráulico que sostenía el aparato cedió. Luis murió aplastado.

La falta de experiencia, y a veces hasta la ignorancia del idioma inglés, han sido motivo de muchos de los accidentes que matan cada año a cientos de trabajadores inmigrantes. Porque, ¿qué se puede esperar de un jovencito que llega de un rancho, con educación apenas de primaria (y a veces ni eso)? Muchos, por lograr la chamba, mienten y aseguran que saben del trabajo, cuando no es así. Sobre todo, tiene qué ver qué clases de trabajos llegan haciendo los paisanos: Generalmente en el campo, pero casi siempre en la construcción.

Casualmente, son éstos trabajos los que tienen más índice de accidentes fatales: Aproximadamente el 20% de todos los accidentes laborales en Estados Unidos.

Son trabajos peligrosos. Muy arriesgados. Y son los inmigrantes mexicanos e hispanos los que casi siempre toman esos empleos. No porque los paisanos sean aventados, ni les “muy machos.” No, lo hacen por necesidad. Porque son los trabajos que casi nadie quiere. Cuando los inmigrantes no son albañiles, cementeros, o ladrilleros, generalmente toman trabajos en el campo, en granjas. O en fábricas. Y allí también hay muchos riesgos.

Pero son los trabajadores agrícolas los que se llevan las palmas en cuanto a problemas de salud, por causa de los pesticidas. Según la EPA, la agencia de protección al ambiente de Estados Unidos, unos 300 mil trabajadores agrícolas inmigrantes sufren de intoxicación por pesticidas cada año. Y lo peor es que casi ninguno de ellos busca tratamiento, por temor a ser reportados a Inmigración. Y para acabarla las empresas nunca los previenen, ni siquiera les informan nada.

Se han hecho campañas. Se ha concientizado gente. Se han realizado reportajes en televisión, prensa, radio. Se han levantado demandas millonarias. Se han interpuesto multas contra las empresas...y sin embargo el problema sigue creciendo. Y a pesar de los riesgos, los paisanos siguen aceptando esos trabajos difíciles, duros y peligrosos. Que nadie quiere.

¿El motivo? Es muy sencillo: Porque no tienen de otra. “Tenemos que trabajar”, se encogía Rogelio de hombros, desde su silla de ruedas. “Nuestra familia tiene que comer.” Pero como para atenuar el decepcionante panorama, terminó con una frase optimista: “Dios siempre nos ayudará.”

Dream Act

Todos los hispanos sabemos que este año, no va a llegar un plan para legalizar a millones de indocumentados, el año que viene se ve poco probable que lo consideren, y la verdad como están las cosas en la política, no se ve ni siquiera que los congresistas lo puedan considerar en su agenda en los próximos años, entonces ¿que nos queda?

Parece que el líder del Senado El senador Harry Reid está seriamente considerando poner el Dream Act a votación antes de noviembre, pero primero quiere asegurarse de tener 60 votos. Ya está haciendo llamadas pidiendo el apoyo a senadores de los dos partidos. El senador Reid espera que el Dream Act sea la cuota inicial para, eventualmente, tener una reforma migratoria en Estados Unidos.

¿Pero que es el Dream Act? El Development, Relief and Education para extranjeros (Aliens) (Acta de fomento para el progreso, alivio y educación para menores extranjeros), también llamado El Dream Act (S.1545) o Acta del Sueño es un proyecto legislativo bipartito, que se debate en el congreso estadounidense, junto a la Reforma migratoria, que daría un camino a la ciudadanía estadounidense a estudiantes indocumentados, que hubiesen llegado a suelos estadounidenses siendo menores de edad, fue presentado en septiembre del 2006 por los senadores Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) y Richard Durbin (De-Illinois).

El DREAM Act Revocaría, la sección 505 de la Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (La Reforma de inmigración ilegal y el Acta de Responsabilidad migratoria de 1996), la cual impone límites a los estados de la unión, para proveer Ayuda financiera para inmigrantes indocumentados. Lo cual permitiría que estudiantes sin documentos paguen las mismas tarifas universitarias que el resto de estudiantes residentes y no los precios que pagan como estudiantes extranjeros, que en algunos casos es hasta el triple. También les permitirá a los estudiantes, obtener una visa de residencia temporal y, una vez graduados, optar por la residencia legal permanente.

Esta es, precisamente, la noticia que durante años han estado esperando muchos jóvenes indocumentados en Estados Unidos. Ya hay una fecha posible. Ahora el problema es conseguir los 60 votos en el senado. El Dream Act, en breve, le permitiría ir a la universidad a miles de estudiantes indocumentados y les otorgaría — tras 2 años de estudios universitarios o 2 años de servicio military —

una residencia permanente (o green card).

Estos jóvenes indocumentados son inocentes. Sus padres los trajeron a Estados Unidos cuando eran bebés o niños. No fue su decisión. Pero ya aquí hicieron lo que todos los demás: ir a la escuela. La gran crueldad del sistema educativo norteamericano es que le permitió ir a high school o secundaria a estos jóvenes indocumentados y luego les prohibió ir a la universidad. El problema es enorme. Actualmente hay más de 2 millones de estudiantes indocumentados que se podrían beneficiar del Dream Act, según el Migration Policy Institute.

Y este problema sigue aumentando. Cada año unos 60 mil estudiantes indocumentados terminan high school pero no pueden ir a la universidad. Pacientemente esperaron a que se aprobara una reforma migratoria, siguiendo el consejo de muchos congresistas. Pero estos estudiantes ya se cansaron de esperar.

Si acaso se llega a aprobar el Dream Act, va a ser de beneficio para los dos partidos, los dos partidos les demostrarían a los hispanos que si saben cumplir sus promesas, aunque sea en parte, de campaña. Los Demócratas y el presidente Barack Obama podrían demostrar a los hispanos con hechos, y no con promesas rotas, que de verdad están comprometidos con los inmigrantes. Y los Republicanos podrían borrarse la imagen de antiinmigrantes por su apoyo a leyes como la de Arizona y por tratar de quitarles la ciudadanía estadounidense a los hijos de indocumentados.

Todos ganan: los estudiantes, el presidente Obama, Demócratas, Republicanos y el país. Lo más difícil viene en tratar de obtener esos 60 votos necesarios, hasta hoy, solo un senador Republicano — Richard Lugar — está en favor del Dream Act. Esto va a requerir que los grupos de estudiantes y la comunidad hispana sigan presionando a los senadores que aún no han dado su apoyo al Dream Act. La estrategia es muy clara. Hay una muy pequeña ventana de oportunidad para que se apruebe el Dream Act antes de las elecciones del 2 de noviembre. Les toca a los estudiantes identificar a los senadores que no los apoyan, llamarles e ir a sus oficinas y presionarlos para que voten por este proyecto.

Los votantes hispanos también pueden hacer mucho en noviembre: votar por los candidatos, de cualquier partido, que apoyen el Dream Act. El tiempo no espera, es necesario por lo menos que se apruebe esta legislación.



Courtesy photo

Cajun band BeauSoleil will perform at The Palms at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25.

BeauSoleil brings Cajun beat to Palms

BeauSoleil avec Michael Doucet, the world's most famous and beloved Cajun band, will bring its irresistibly danceable music to The Palms on Sunday, Sept. 25, at 7:30 p.m.

Heralded by luminaries ranging from Bob Dylan ("That's my kind of music!") to Prairie Home Companion host Garrison Keillor ("BeauSoleil is the greatest Cajun band in the world!") to New Orleans musical icon Allen Toussaint ("BeauSoleil avec Michael Doucet, they play music that's honest to the bone!"), BeauSoleil has been both preserving, advancing, and sharing Cajun music from the group's native Louisiana for more than 35 years.

BeauSoleil has been the very heartbeat of Cajun music and

culture, keeping it vital through attention to tradition and also with passionate and inventive experimentation. The band's efforts have been rewarded with 11 Grammy nominations (including for their most recent album, "Alligator Purse") and multiple Grammy wins as well as a devoted global following.

It all started in the late 1960s and early 1970s, when fiddling frontman Michael Doucet realized that the Cajun culture was being lost as members of the elder generation died. Doucet embarked on a passionate mission to learn, preserve and share the Cajun music, language and culture. Doucet and BeauSoleil are credited with spearheading a remarkable cultural renaissance and

elevating Cajun music to one of domestic and international acclaim.

Far from strictly trotting well-worn traditional paths, BeauSoleil's engaging music both preserves the rich Cajun musical traditions of Louisiana and adds elements of zydeco, New Orleans jazz, Tex-Mex, country and blues for a spicy musical gumbo. BeauSoleil delivers joyful, heartfelt music to that gets the toes tapping and audiences dancing.

Tickets are \$25 and are available at Pacific Ace Hardware in Winters, Armadillo Music in Davis, The Heidrick Ag History Center in Woodland, online at tickets.com and at the door.

For more information, call 795-1825 or visit palmsplayhouse.com or rosebudus.com/beausoleil.

Practice Pedro card party planned

Yolo County Cabrillo Civic Club No. 26 is hosting free Pedro card game training events to boost the number of area players who might attend the club's Give Your Heart to Hospice All Sports Pedro Party, which benefits Yolo Hospice, on Oct. 23.

"Pedro is a popular Portuguese/American card game pronounced 'peedro.' The parties are planned

on Thursdays, Sept. 23 and 30, and Oct. 7 and 14, from 1 to 3 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. in the Raley's Supermarket conference room, Westgate Shopping Center, 367 W. Main St. in Woodland.

Organizers suggest new players should attend two or three training sessions before the party.

Call Betty, 662-1976, or Elizabeth, 406-1020, to sign up for training.

Fictitious Business Name

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August 26, 2010
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FBN NUMBER 2010-748
Fictitious Business Name
T.M.T. Remodeling
312 Hillview Lane, Winters, CA 95694
Name of Registrant:
Thomas M. Towne
312 Hillview Lane, Winters, CA 95694
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 8/23/10.
s/Thomas M. Towne
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Petition for Custody & Support

SUMMONS - UNIFORM PARENTAGE - PETITION FOR CUSTODY AND SUPPORT
CITACION JUDICIAL - DERECHO DE FAMILIA
Filed Yolo Superior Court
Aug. 03, 2010
by J. Marte, Deputy
Case Number:
Numero del Caso
SF 10-1352
NOTICE to respondent: Eliberto Gutierrez
AVISO al demandado:
You are being sued. A usted le estan demandando.
Petitioner's name is: Janeth Anguiano
El nombre del demandante es:

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response to Petition to Establish Parental Relationship (form FL-220) or Response to Petition for Custody and Support of Minor Children (form FL-270 at the court and serve a copy on the petitioner. A letter or phone call will not protect you.

If you do not file your Response on time, the court may make orders affecting custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the clerk for a fee waiver form. If you want legal advice, contact a lawyer immediately. Usted tiene 30 DIAS CALENDARIOS despues de recibir oficialmente esta citacion judicial y peticion, para completar y presentar su formulario de Respuesta (Response form FL-220) ante la corte. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no le ofreceri proteccion.

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Si desea obtener consejo legal, comuniquese de inmediato con un abogado. The name and address of the court is (El nombre y direccion de la corte es) Yolo County Superior Court, Yolo Superior Court 725 Court Street, Room 103 Woodland, CA 95695 The name, address, and telephone number of petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es) Janeth Anguiano; Address: 32 East Main St. apt. C1, Winters, CA 95694; TelephoneNo: (530) 795-4607. Date (Fecha): Aug 03, 2010 James B. Perry Clerk (Actuario), by J. Marte, Deputy. Notice to the person served: you are served as an individual

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NASCAR THIS WEEK

By Monte Dutton

Hamlin Is Top Gun

RICHMOND, Va. — Contrary to popular belief, the Chase for the Sprint Cup did, in fact, change during the Air Guard 400. Not the composition. The order.

Denny Hamlin, by winning at Richmond International Raceway, nailed down the top seed. By virtue of 60 bonus points, 10 for each of his victories to date, Hamlin will begin the Chase with 5,060 points, 10 more than the winner of the past four championships, Jimmie Johnson.

Ten points are insignificant over the span of the 10-race Chase. For that matter, Hamlin's 60-point edge over the five winless Chase drivers is relatively small.

But, noted Hamlin, it's something. He said winning six races, more than anyone else this season, was proof his team's quality and evidence that it would contend for the championship.

But, he added, "Your momentum ends as soon as you go to the next race track, as far as I'm concerned."

Hamlin, 29, has made the Chase in each of his five full seasons. His latest victory was the 14th of his career. His previous Chase finishes, beginning in 2006, were third, 12th, eighth and fifth.

"I've made a lot of these Chases and made a lot of mistakes through these Chases," he said. "Every year I feel like we learn something. I feel like this year I'm as clear as I've ever been and we're winning at race tracks where we don't usually win."

Kevin Harvick won the regular-season point race by a wide (228-point) margin, but that means little once the Chase begins on Sunday at New Hampshire Motor Speedway. Harvick has won three races to date, meaning that he opens the Chase trailing Hamlin by 30.

The Chase qualifiers, with points as reconfigured, are Hamlin (5,060), Johnson (5,050), Harvick (5,030), Kyle Busch (5,030), Kurt Busch (5,020), Tony Stewart (5,010), Greg Biffle (5,010), Jeff Gordon (5,000), Carl Edwards (5,000), Jeff Burton (5,000), Matt Kenseth (5,000) and Clint Bowyer (5,000).

Four drivers who won races — Jamie McMurray (2), Ryan Newman, Juan Pablo Montoya and David Reutimann — failed to qualify for the Chase.

 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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Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2010-759
Fictitious Business Name
Elysian Oaks Farm
28302 Encina Drive, Winters, CA 95694
Name of Registrant:
Jamie Peyton-Johnson
28302 Encina Drive, Winters, CA 95694
Ern Johnson
28302 Encina Drive, Winters, CA 95694
Business Classification: Husband and Wife.
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 3/1/2010
s/Vincent Giudici

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September 2, 2010
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Lupe Ramirez, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2010-776
Fictitious Business Name
Octus Energy
Quantum Energy Solutions
2020 Research Park Drive, Suite 110,
Davis, CA 95618
Name of Registrant:
Octus, Inc.
2020 Research Park Drive, Suite 110,
Davis, CA 95618
Business Classification: Corporation
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: Aug. 1, 2010.
s/Chris Soderquist

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August 19, 2010
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FBN NUMBER 2010-725
Fictitious Business Name
Einar Enterprises, LLC
3314 Breton Ave., Davis, CA 95616
Business Mailing Address
P.O. Box 73114, Davis, CA 95617
Name of Registrant:
Einar Enterprises, LLC
3314 Breton Ave., Davis, CA 95616
Business Classification: Limited Liability Company
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: n/a

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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE APN: 003-403-011
Trustee Sale No. 1283048-10 LOAN NO: XXXXXX0735 TRA:002000 REF: BRUNING, RICHARD UNINS Property Address: 505 ABBEY STREET, WINTERS CA 95694 IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED June 26, 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 October 13, 2010, at 12:00pm, CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded July 03, 2006, as Inst. No. 2006-0025773-00, in book XX, page XX, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: RICHARD E. BRUNING, A MARRIED MAN, AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY 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 SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: 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: **505 ABBEY STREET WINTERS CA 95694** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, 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: \$365,510.87. 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. CALIFORNIA DECLARATION I, John Kennerty, of American's Servicing Company ("Mortgage Loan Servicer"), declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the following is true and correct: The Mortgage Loan Servicer has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the accompanying Notice of Sale is filed. AND/OR The timeframe for giving Notice of Sale specified in subdivision (a) of Civil Code Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. Dated: 07/03/2009 FOR SALES INFORMATION: Mon - Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (714)730-2727 CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION 525 EAST MAIN STREET P.O. BOX 22004 EL CAJON CA 92022-9004 Dated: September 22, 2010 CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION By: Authorized Signature ASAP# 3720104 09/23/2010, 09/30/2010, 10/07/2010

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE APN: 049-385-040 Trustee Sale No. 1273997-10 LOAN NO: XXXXXX4063 TRA:063071 REF: RIBBS-SAN DOVAL, BREN UNINS Property Address: 26357 ROBIN STREET, ESPARTO CA 95627 IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED April 09, 2004. 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 October 13, 2010, at 12:00pm, CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded April 28, 2004, as Inst. No. 2004-0017615-00, in book XX, page XX, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: BRENDA RIBBS-SAN DOVAL, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN 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 SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: 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: **26357 ROBIN STREET ESPARTO CA 95627** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$163,153.36. 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. CALIFORNIA DECLARATION I, John Kennerty, of American's Servicing Company ("Mortgage Loan Servicer"), declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the following is true and correct: The Mortgage Loan Servicer has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the accompanying Notice of Sale is filed. AND/OR The timeframe for giving Notice of Sale specified in subdivision (a) of Civil Code Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. Dated: 07/03/2009 FOR SALES INFORMATION: Mon - Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (714)730-2727 CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION 525 EAST MAIN STREET P.O. BOX 22004 EL CAJON CA 92022-9004 Dated: September 22, 2010 CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION By: Authorized Signature ASAP# 3720104 09/23/2010, 09/30/2010, 10/07/2010

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE APN: 003-492-024 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/1/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, Cashier's Check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust and interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer, or authorized agent, declares as follows: [X] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed and [X] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55 Trustor: Francisco R. Pena and Dora Pena, husband and wife as joint tenants Duly Appointed Trustee: CR Title Services, Inc. c/o Pite Duncan, 4375 Jutland Drive, Suite 200, San Diego, CA 92117 877-576-0472 Recorded 04/12/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0016598-00 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California. Date of Sale: 10/14/2010 at 12:45 PM Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$202,913.17 Street Address or other common designation of real property: **699 Broadway Lane Winters, CA 95694** A.P.N.: 003-492-024 Legal Description: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. The Trustee shall incur no liability for any good faith error in stating the proper amount of unpaid balances and charges. For sales information please contact Priority Posting and Publishing at www.priorityposting.com or (714) 573-1965 Reinstatement Line: 877-576-0472 Date: 9/23/2010 CR Title Services, Inc 1000 Technology Drive, MS-314 O'Fallon MO 63368 Penny White, Trustee Specialist, Federal Law requires us to notify you that we are acting as a debt collector. If you are currently in a bankruptcy or have received a discharge in bankruptcy as to this obligation, this communication is intended for informational purposes only and is not an attempt to collect a debt in violation of the automatic stay or the discharge injunction. P741899 9/23, 9/30, 10/07/2010

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE APN: 049-385-040 Trustee Sale No. 1273997-10 LOAN NO: XXXXXX4063 TRA:063071 REF: RIBBS-SAN DOVAL, BREN UNINS Property Address: 26357 ROBIN STREET, ESPARTO CA 95627 IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED April 09, 2004. 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 October 13, 2010, at 12:00pm, CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded April 28, 2004, as Inst. No. 2004-0017615-00, in book XX, page XX, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: BRENDA RIBBS-SAN DOVAL, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN 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 SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: 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: **26357 ROBIN STREET ESPARTO CA 95627** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$365,510.87. 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. CALIFORNIA DECLARATION I, John Kennerty, of American's Servicing Company ("Mortgage Loan Servicer"), declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the following is true and correct: The Mortgage Loan Servicer has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the accompanying Notice of Sale is filed. AND/OR The timeframe for giving Notice of Sale specified in subdivision (a) of Civil Code Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. Dated: 07/03/2009 FOR SALES INFORMATION: Mon - Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (714)730-2727 CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION 525 EAST MAIN STREET P.O. BOX 22004 EL CAJON CA 92022-9004 Dated: September 22, 2010 CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION By: Authorized Signature ASAP# 3720104 09/23/2010, 09/30/2010, 10/07/2010

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE APN: 003-492-024 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/1/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, Cashier's Check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust and interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer, or authorized agent, declares as follows: [X] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed and [X] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55 Trustor: Francisco R. Pena and Dora Pena, husband and wife as joint tenants Duly Appointed Trustee: CR Title Services, Inc. c/o Pite Duncan, 4375 Jutland Drive, Suite 200, San Diego, CA 92117 877-576-0472 Recorded 04/12/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0016598-00 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California. Date of Sale: 10/14/2010 at 12:45 PM Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$202,913.17 Street Address or other common designation of real property: **699 Broadway Lane Winters, CA 95694** A.P.N.: 003-492-024 Legal Description: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. The Trustee shall incur no liability for any good faith error in stating the proper amount of unpaid balances and charges. For sales information please contact Priority Posting and Publishing at www.priorityposting.com or (714) 573-1965 Reinstatement Line: 877-576-0472 Date: 9/23/2010 CR Title Services, Inc 1000 Technology Drive, MS-314 O'Fallon MO 63368 Penny White, Trustee Specialist, Federal Law requires us to notify you that we are acting as a debt collector. If you are currently in a bankruptcy or have received a discharge in bankruptcy as to this obligation, this communication is intended for informational purposes only and is not an attempt to collect a debt in violation of the automatic stay or the discharge injunction. P741899 9/23, 9/30, 10/07/2010

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE APN: 049-385-040 Trustee Sale No. 1273997-10 LOAN NO: XXXXXX4063 TRA:063071 REF: RIBBS-SAN DOVAL, BREN UNINS Property Address: 26357 ROBIN STREET, ESPARTO CA 95627 IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED April 09, 2004. 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 October 13, 2010, at 12:00pm, CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded April 28, 2004, as Inst. No. 2004-0017615-00, in book XX, page XX, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: BRENDA RIBBS-SAN DOVAL, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN 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 SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: 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: **26357 ROBIN STREET ESPARTO CA 95627** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$365,510.87. 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. CALIFORNIA DECLARATION I, John Kennerty, of American's Servicing Company ("Mortgage Loan Servicer"), declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the following is true and correct: The Mortgage Loan Servicer has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the accompanying Notice of Sale is filed. AND/OR The timeframe for giving Notice of Sale specified in subdivision (a) of Civil Code Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. Dated: 07/03/2009 FOR SALES INFORMATION: Mon - Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (714)730-2727 CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION 525 EAST MAIN STREET P.O. BOX 22004 EL CAJON CA 92022-9004 Dated: September 22, 2010 CALWESTERN RECONVEYANCE CORPORATION By: Authorized Signature ASAP# 3720104 09/23/2010, 09/30/2010, 10/07/2010

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