



Chamber board members elected

By DEBRA DANGELO
Express editor

Three new board members and one incumbent were elected by Winters Chamber of Commerce members in this year's election, which took place on Friday, Nov. 12. The new members are Susan Delao, co-owner of Tomat's California Cuisine; Debbie LaShure, manager at Buckhorn Catering; and Kristen Pantle, tasting room manager at Turkovich Family Wines. Also reelected was incumbent Linn Myer, City of Winters staff.

The newly elected directors will be sworn in at the annual Year in Review celebration, planned for

Saturday, Jan. 22, at the Community Center, at which time the Citizen of the Year, Business of the Year, Senior Citizen of the Year and Theodore Winters recipient will be honored. The new directors will serve four-year terms.

The remaining board members include Myke Berna, owner of Velo City; Nancy Meyer, real estate agent with Gateway Realty; Howard Hupe, retired teacher and Winters Theatre Company board member; Salli Becker, Chief Financial Officer for The Buckhorn; Ana Kormos, education coordinator for the Winters Healthcare Foundation and

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Everyone welcome at annual dinner

Everyone in the community is invited to the annual Winters Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 21, 5-7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. The dinner is free, but donations will be gladly accepted. Collection cans have been placed throughout town to help support the all-volunteer effort, and dona-

tions can also be made at First Northern Bank.

The evening features a full traditional Thanksgiving turkey dinner and dessert, as well as raffle prizes. The annual event is coordinated by Marie Heilman.

For more information, to make a donation or to volunteer, call Heilman, 795-4824.

Planning commission meetings canceled

The regular Nov. 23 planning commission meeting has been canceled for lack of agenda items. A joint commission and city council meeting has tentatively been scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 7, prior to the city council meeting.

The next regular plan-

ning commission meeting will take place on Tuesday, Jan. 25, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

The Dec. 28 planning commission meeting has been canceled because City Hall will be closed that week.

For more information, call City Hall, 795-4910.

World champs from Winters

By JODY REYNOLDS
AQHA
Special to the Express

Carrie Von Uhlit of Winters and her American Quarter Horse, Ricochet San, captured the Bank of America Amateur reining world champion title at the American Quarter Horse Association World Championship Show in Oklahoma City, on Nov. 10.

In the amateur reining, 48 entries competed for world champion honors. Von Uhlit and Ricochet San, who is a chestnut stallion, won the title and a prize package that includes a Montana Silversmiths sterling-silver buckle with 14-karat gold overlay, neck wreath, custom-designed gold-tone trophy, specially designed and logoed Cripple Creek jacket, medalion, pair of smooth ostrich Techno Crepe boots courtesy of Justin Boots, Professional's Choice products, 100 pounds of Nutrena feed as well as a cash prize.

Rocochet San is

owned by Lise Von Uhlit of Winters and is sired by Smart Lil Ricochet and out of Peppy Pinata by Mr San Peppy. The stallion was bred by James Haydon of Mullins, South Carolina.

The 2010 AQHA World Championship Show is the pinnacle event for American Quarter Horse owners and exhibitors around the world, who must qualify for the event by earning a predetermined number of points to compete in each of the classes representing English, western and halter disciplines. More than 3,300 entries from 13 countries are competing for more than \$2.6 million in cash and prizes at this year's event, Nov. 6-20, at State Fair Park in Oklahoma City.

The AQHA World Show is streaming live online at americas-horse.tv, through the Pfizer Webcam.

For more news from the AQHA World show, visit www.aqha.com/worldshow.

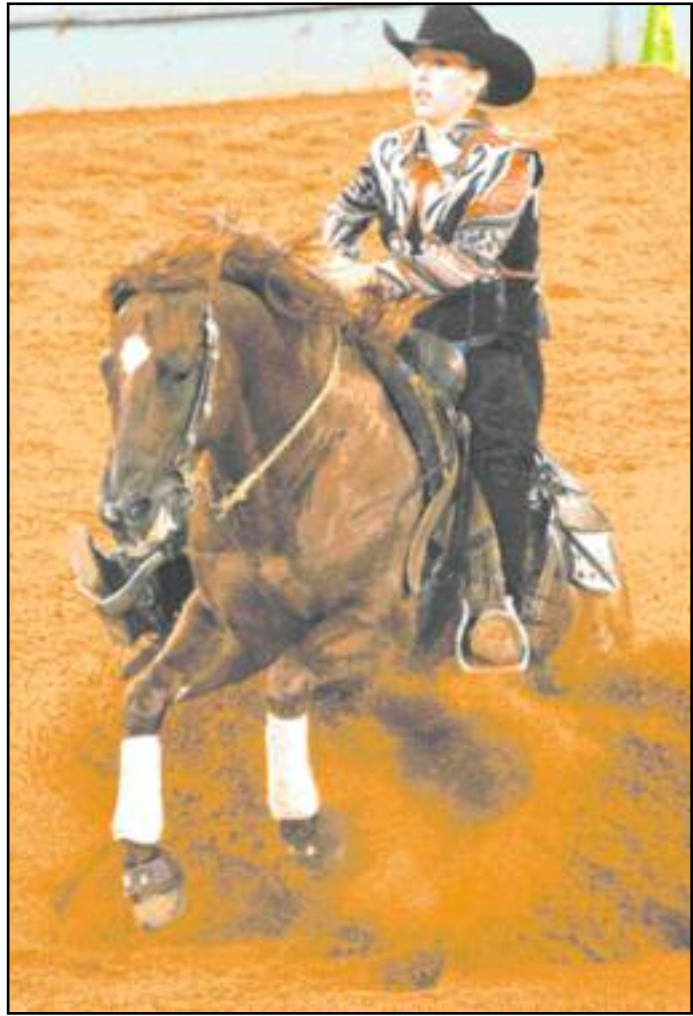


Photo courtesy of The American Quarter Horse Journal

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Wild about soap

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

Valerie Engleman wants everyone in Winters — and the whole world — to go wild. Wild about her soap, that is.

The home-based entrepreneur has been making her Wildflower Naturals soap right there in her house since March 2009, and handles every detail personally, from the selection of essential oils and blending the fragrances to making, pouring, cutting and packaging the finished product.

From her kitchen, she has created some truly unique fragrances, like Gingerbread Lemon Sugar and Orange Clove Cupcake, and also offers blends of familiar favorites like lavender, rose and amber. A large table serves as her cutting and packaging area, her garage is a chemist's lab of pure oils and fragrances, and several closets are brimming with



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Valerie Engleman, owner of Wildflower Naturals, cuts a block of Baltic Amber soap into individual bars, which will be weighed, wrapped and shipped off to retailers. Engleman makes a variety of artisan products from her Winters home.

trays of her latest creations.

Even her living room is piled high with boxes of soap ready to go to market, and not just soap — she also makes body butters and lotions, shampoo bars, lip balm, essential skin oils and candles as well, all of which she

often bundles into gift packs. Needless to say, her house smells riotously wonderful, like bouquet of roses, woody autumn leaves, and vanilla sugar cookies all at once, and in abundance. She will never need air freshener.

Engleman makes her

soap with a cold process, called saponification, which she says that although more difficult, produces a better product. She learned the process on her own, inspired by the little list of horrors she discover-

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advertising inserts from:
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Woodland, Davis, Capay Valley,
Dixon, Vacaville and Fairfield.)

WEATHER

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

| Date | Rain | HI | Lo |
|---------|------|----|----|
| Nov. 10 | .02 | 63 | 47 |
| Nov. 11 | | 65 | 50 |
| Nov. 12 | | 67 | 37 |
| Nov. 13 | | 69 | 49 |
| Nov. 14 | | 75 | 61 |
| Nov. 15 | | 82 | 66 |
| Nov. 16 | | 82 | 51 |

Rain for week: .02

Season's total: 2.03

Last year to date: 4.51

Average to Nov. 16: 2.53

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OBITUARIES

James John Hubert

John Hubert, 71, passed away at his home in Gualala on Nov. 7, 2010. He was born April 27, 1939, in Winters to Bud and Welda Hubert. He spent his childhood in Winters growing up on the family apricot ranch in Pleasant Valley. He attended the Pleasant Valley School and Winters High School, and graduated with the class of 1957.

After graduation, he moved to Gualala and worked as a heavy equipment operator. He spent two years in the U.S. Army and most of his tour of duty was in Alaska.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Judy Mosier Hubert; daughters Cara Sternad of Santa Rosa and Jody Hubert of Gualala, and son Jamie of Georgetown; four grandchildren, Crystal Cullen of Gualala, Chase and Riley Sternad of Santa Rosa and Jason Hubert of Georgetown; sisters, Gail Gage of Mount Shasta, Vicky Hayes of Mount Rainier, Wash., and brother Bud of Woodland.

A celebration of his life is planned at 11 a.m. Nov. 20 at the Pioneer Presbyterian Church. In lieu of flowers, the family ask that donations in his memory be made to the American Cancer Society or Pioneer Presbyterian Church.

Jannes June Echols

Jannes June Echols, 77, died Tuesday, Nov. 9, 2010, at Alderson's Convalescent Hospital in Woodland, when she lost her long courageous battle with a brain tumor. Born June 2, 1933, in Woodland, to Ira "Pat" and Thelma Nichols, she lived in Woodland until age 10, when the family moved to the new family ranch in Pleasants Valley near Winters. She attended a one-room country schoolhouse in Pleasants Valley until she entered Winters High School, where she graduated valedictorian of her class in 1951.

She married Billy Lynn Echols of Winters in 1952 and continued living on the family ranch in Pleasants Valley where her father built her a wonderful blue house, which she and her husband turned into a very loving home for their four children. At the ranch, they were surrounded by her parents and all of her brothers, who also married and built their family homes on the multi-family ranch, where she continued to live for her entire life.

She was a fun-loving, kind and hard working woman. In addition to working on the family ranch, she held many jobs during her life, some of which included bank teller, fruit packer, cutter and picker, working with walnuts and teacher's aid, but her most notable employment was her bookkeeping position for more than 25 years at the California Market, which later became the Town and Country Market.

She was an avid reader, bingo player, outstanding cook and a member of a local bridge group for more than 30 years. Her hobbies included sewing, quilting, crossword puzzles, going to the movies, crocheting, playing cards and teaching her daughters how to do all of those things.

"Everyone who met Jannes, loved her," said a family member. "She had a way about her that was very warm and welcoming and made people feel like they had known her forever as soon as they met her. She especially enjoyed her annual family trips to the ocean to celebrate the end of fruit season. Family time was always cherished by all. Jannes will be greatly missed by all who knew her. We are all blessed to have had her in our lives for as long as we did."

She is survived by her brothers and sisters-in-law Joan Gates, Coy and Shirley Nichols, and Bill and Barbara Nichols, all of Pleasants Valley; daughters Debra Echols of Fairfield, Cindy Layton and husband Russell, Thelma Maier and fiancée Randy Simmons, and Rebecca Griffey and husband Stephen, all of Winters; grandchildren Katie Hickman of Vacaville, Rusty Layton of Sacramento, and Sarah Layton, William Maier, Nicholas

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YESTERYEAR



File photo by Charles Wallace

GAZEBO DEDICATION FILLED WITH SPEECHES AND MUSIC. The September 1995 gazebo dedication was deemed a success by organizers who used the occasion to thank everyone who helped with the planning and building of the gazebo. Entertainment was supplied by the Highwheeler Barbershoppers and the Yolo County Concert Band. The Chamber of Commerce supplied hot dogs, steak sandwiches and refreshments. Dedication chairman Jessica Kilkenny thanked everyone for coming and introduced Councilman Butch Branscum, who opened the ceremonies with comments about what a group of volunteers could accomplish if they put their minds to it. Gloria Marion read a list of people who helped make the gazebo a reality. She apologized if she failed to thank everyone, acknowledging that there were too many to mention. The base of the gazebo is to be lined with personalized bricks and there will be windows in the top portion, but the gazebo is now ready for public use.

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YEARS AGO

December 1, 1960

R.A. "Dick" Frisbee, prominent in civic affairs for the past 25 years, was named "Citizen of the Year" Monday night at the annual Winters District Chamber of Commerce Ladies Night and Christmas Party.

Block W members will be honored at a dinner Monday night at the Christian Church, with the Winters District Chamber of Commerce sponsoring the recognition dinner.

The Shell Oil Company is planning to drill a new gas well on its leased area of the McCune Ranch in the McMahon Tract.

The Winters High School A and B basketball teams will open the cage season tomorrow night at Esparto. The varsity team is being coached by Joe Auiar, while John Cavagliera is handling the JVs.

The speaker today at noon when the Rotary Club meets at Johnny's Club will be George Childress, district superintendent of the grammar school.

H. Nakai won the final football contest of the 1960 season this week by picking 13 out of the 15 games correctly to win the \$10 cash prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Blas Salaverria had as their Thanksgiving guests Mrs. Clifton Perkins and three children and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dolinar and children of Grass Valley.

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YEARS AGO

November 30, 1945

Fred C. Barker and son, J.R. Barker, have completed a transaction whereby they have become the owners of the old bakery building adjacent to the Pacific Gas and Electric Company office, formerly owned by Joseph Gonzales.

Miss Marie Fernandez and George Castro of Redwood City pledged mutual marriage vows Sunday at high noon. The setting for the ceremony was the Catholic Church with Father Joseph Madden reading the impressive ritual of the church.

Frank Foit has sold his residence property on East Abbey Street to Mr. and Mrs. Noah Clark.

Holiday dinner guests in the Neil McArthur home were Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Stone, San Bernardino; C.S. Culton, Sarshel Culton, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McArthur and children, Loren and Lance, Sacramento; Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Mermod, Ted Mermod, U.S. Navy; Perry Culton, Winters.

Seaman 1/c Richard Washabaugh, of San Francisco, was a holiday visitor in Winters and in Monticello.

Mr. and Mrs. R.K. Bowman of Dutch Flat spent last week's holidays with his mother, Mrs. H.R. Bowman.

Miss Clara Sager spent Thanksgiving day with Lt. Monroe Drew (Chaplain U.S. Navy) and family in Oakland.

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YEARS AGO

December 2, 1910

J.F. Graber has opened up a music store in the Bertholet building on the corner of Main and First streets.

Rev. F.B. Huffman delivered the address at the Thanksgiving union services at the Presbyterian Church.

Griffin Spencer sold his barber shop to Lloyd Moody, who will take charge on the 15th.

A troop of Boy Scouts arrived on the morning train accompanied by an officer and, if possible, will organize a squad of scouts in this place.

Miss May Dexter, Yolo County Superintendent of Schools, married John Alfred Henshall, city editor of the Woodland Mail, on Saturday last in San Francisco.

Miss Millicent Brinck, a Chandler school student, came home last Tuesday for Thanksgiving.

Berryessa down .11 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa fell by .11 of a foot during the past week, with a reduction in storage of 1,772 acre feet of water, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday that the lake was 412.46 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,068,904 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 35 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 29 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam.

Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 80 acre feet of water per day during the week.

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YEARS AGO

November 30, 1895

Someone has taken Charles Elliott's little gray shepherd dog, and the little boy will be glad to have the dog returned.

The railroad pay car went over this branch of the S.P. system last Thursday, paying off the employees along the line.

Ida May, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Baker was 15 years old last Thursday, and in honor of the event gave a dinner to the junior class of the high school of which she is a member. Those present of the class were Blanch McNeal, Addie Cooper, Maimie Hill, Susie Dunton, Lorena Wolfskill, Florence Rommelsburg, Grace Jacks, Maud Paul, Estelle Duprey, Tom Smith and May Baker.

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Scholarships offered for small farm conference

Success in agriculture does not depend on a farmer's ability to raise crops anymore. Today's agriculture and economic environments demand that farmers also become expert business managers and marketers to be successful operators. Their success extends to their local communities' economic health.

Knowing this, the organizers of the California Small Farm Conference, to be held at the San Jose DoubleTree Hotel, March 6-8, are committed to of-

fering a robust scholarship program in three categories: farmers, farmers' market managers and college age students. Approximately 100 scholarships will be awarded.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of limited income. They include meals, registration, workshops and the Sunday evening Wine and Food Tasting. Lodging is offered depending upon the distance traveled from San Jose. The Sunday Field Courses are offered at a discounted rate of

\$20 to scholarship recipients.

Applicants may download an application online, www.californiafarmconference.com or call (888) 712-4188 to request an application by mail or fax. All applications must be received or postmarked by Jan. 5, 2011. Recipients will be notified by the end of January.

Translation in Spanish, Hmong and Chinese will be provided. Scholarship Advisors are available statewide to assist in completing the applications. A list is the website.

Food basket signups begin

The annual Christmas food basket giveaway takes place on Dec. 18 at the Community Center, 9:30 a.m. to noon.

To qualify for a basket, sign up at City Hall between Nov. 15 and Dec. 3, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Identification and proof of residency will be required.

There will be a limited number of baskets, so sign-ups will be on a first come, first served basis.

For more information, call City Hall, 795-4910.

OBITS

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Maier, Johnny Maier and Allie Griffey, all of Winters; great-grandchildren Allysa Meier of Vacaville and Emily and Isabel Maier of Winters; a multitude of nieces, nephews and cousins from all over;

She was preceded in death by the love of her

life, her husband of 43 years, Billy Lynn Echols, parents Ira and Thelma Nichols, and brother Bruce Gates, all of Pleasants Valley, and son in-law Jerry Maier of Winters.

Friends and relatives held a graveside service at the Winters Cemetery on Tuesday, Nov. 16, where she was laid to rest next to Billy.

Herbert Lonnie Johnson

Herbert Lonnie Johnson of Winters passed away Nov. 10, 2010, at the age of 86. The son of a Baptist minister, he was born April 19, 1924, in Moody Springs, Okla.

As a young man, he traveled to California and settled in Winters where he met his wife of 65 years, Martha (Pezzatti) Johnson. In 1981, after 30 years of service, he retired from the Yolo County Road Department and in the years to follow, pursued his love of hunting and fishing.

He is survived by his wife, Martha; son, LeRoy Johnson and wife Debra Johnson; grandson, Scott Johnson; granddaughter, Kimberli Quam and husband Brent Quam and great-grandson, Tyler Cassidy. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Darlene Newmann.

Graveside services are planned at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at Winters Cemetery, 415 Cemetery Drive.

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

Edna Thomson

Edna Thomson passed away Sunday, Nov. 14, in Woodland at age 80. She was born April 2, 1930, in Ismay, Mont., a town that changed its name to Joe, Mont. — after the NFL football player of the same name — as a publicity stunt in 1993.

She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Charles Thomson; a daughter, Joy Bearden and her husband Dean; a son, Chuck Thomson; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at McNary's in Woodland with graveside services following.

Money from checks recovered

Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that the Yolo County District Attorney Check Prosecution Program recovered \$22,815.14 for Yolo County merchants and residents during the month of October.

“Much of the money was paid to the victims by check writers before criminal proceedings were initiated. Once criminal complaints are filed and arrest warrants are issued, the court supervises the payments of restitution,” stated District Attorney Reisig.

It is not uncommon for check writers to “bounce” checks to businesses or individuals. These checks are generally written on checking accounts with non-sufficient funds (NSF) or on closed accounts.

Free food to be distributed

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible Winters residents on Thursday, Nov. 18, at: First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, 12-1 p.m., and at Yolo Housing, 62 Shams Way, 3-4 p.m.

Participants may receive food at only one site and are asked to bring a bag to carry their food home.

If businesses or individuals in Yolo County have been unable to get cooperation from the check writers, they are encouraged to contact the DA Check Program. While stolen and forged checks must be reported to local law enforcement agencies, NSF and closed account checks can be submitted to the District Attorney Check Program for investigation.

For more information about the DA Check Program, call 666-8200 or contact the program at 301 Second Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

Any merchant or resident needing check forms can pick them up at their local Chamber of Commerce office.

In Winters, the office is located inside the Winters Visitors Center, 11 Main Street.

Opinion

LETTERS

School needs more books

Shirley Rominger Intermediate School is in the midst of a reading incentive program. Collectively, our students have already read 2,839 books for a total of 27,340,922 words since mid-August. We currently have three students who have read over a million words each: Ivett Arellano, Taylor Castle and McKay Baker.

I am writing to ask some help from our community. Many favorite book collections have become extremely worn and tattered, some even falling apart, and with the current budget cuts it is difficult to find money to replace them. I am looking for donations of the following series: Junie B. Jones, Goosebumps, Geronimo Stilton, Bailey School Kids, Harry Potter and Horrible Harry. The Goosebumps is a particular favorite.

If anyone can help out, you can bring the books to the office at SRIS, 505 Neimann Street. You will be helping to nurture our readers.

KIM OLIVAS
SRIS Library Technician

Thanks for supporting us

Warrior football and cheerleader fans, thank you for your support this season. We appreciate you coming out to the



games and cheering us on. The cheerleaders would like to express their appreciation for your generosity and support during the Support the Troops and Breast Cancer Awareness games. Your assistance means so much to us, so now it is time to spread some holiday cheer. The cheerleaders will visit a healthcare facility right before Christmas and need donations. They are collecting blankets and no-slip socks to share with the 74 residents. If you are able to assist us with any of those items, you may bring them to the main office at Winters High School, c/o Coach Ramos or Cheer Captain Prestlie Pearce. Thank you in advance.

COACH JENNY RAMOS/CAPTAIN PRESTLIE PEARCE VAYLA, POLETTE, ASHLEY H., ASHLEY S., SARENA, ANELLE, PAIGE and CASSIA WHS Cheerleaders

Collecting for wreaths for soldiers' graves

We're still collecting donations for this year's wreath project and looking for more help. Our deadline for collecting/ordering the wreaths is Nov. 19. Currently we have 4,808 wreaths but we need 7,400 total, so we could use your help.

We'll have more details soon about the wreath-laying event but for now we're concentrating on the collections and will hopefully cover this cemetery 100 percent again in honor of our fallen.

Please check the web site frequently for updates, and we have a Facebook page as well. Search: Wreath Project (Sacramento Valley National Cemetery) and join the group.

Again, thanks to you all for your generosity and support of this special community project; it means so much to so many.

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Letters policy

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is noon on Mondays for publication that week.

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

Letters should not exceed 500 words. Do not use all capital letters. We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters must indicate the writer's name. We may withhold writers' names from publication upon request if there is a legitimate reason.

Letters submitted anonymously will not be printed.

Can't wait to see all my wonderful, useless stuff again

As I write this column, it is Homecoming Eve, and just like when I was 15 on Christmas Eve, I'm unable to focus on anything other than what's happening tomorrow morning at sunrise: I get to go home!!!

Even Santa himself didn't have me this excited. There's a common thread, too: stuff. At Christmas, you get brand new stuff. Moving back home tomorrow, I get my good, old raggedy used stuff. Oh, how I miss my crusty potholders and frayed bathmats and my favorite cracked plastic fishy drinking glass that The Cutest Man In The World pressured me to throw away, so I did, until his back was turned and then I snagged it out of the garbage and hid it in the back of the cabinet. And I drink from it when he's not home. And I like it. (Please don't tell him.)

Truly, I'm wiggly with anticipation at seeing an avalanche of crap that most die-hard yard-salers would pass up. It's useless crap, but it's my useless crap, and I've missed it mightily!

I can't wait to pull on my fuzzy leopard pajama pants and my new threadbare gray Jenner sweatshirt and ratty pink slipper-socks, and curl up on my cat-hair infused rumpled old couch and sip lavender tea from my cracked Raphael angels coffee mug.

Yes, I'm just slightly homesick. Can you tell?

This nearly 10 weeks of post-flood homelessness was a psychological endurance test. Two months of gritting my teeth, nodding and smiling when I feel like shrieking, digging my fingernails into the

arms of my chair and waiting for it to end – pretty much like what I do to endure flying, just for much, much, longer, and without all the pre-flight weeping and whimpering.

On that note, ironically, I'll be flying soon, and possibly the only good thing to come out having my life in complete upheaval is that I didn't have the bandwidth for my traditional nervous breakdown before flying. However, all is not lost. Surely there'll be ample time for a concentrated meltdown on the way to the airport. There always is.

With the renovation company expected tomorrow at sunrise, I'm imagining a flurry of reverse activity like the flurry of getting every single thing out of our house in one day. However, taking it out isn't the same as putting it back. Taking it out meant taking *everything* out. Nothing to think about. Everything goes. Putting it back is another issue entirely. Because while I love my old raggedy stuff, even I acknowledge that much of it should have been thrown or given away years ago but I was either too lazy or too neurotic to do so.

Falling in the "too lazy" category are half-pairs of socks that I kept hoping I'd find a match for (I have two bags of these) and fraying towels that are still useful but too embarrassing to let anyone see, and several junk drawers full of stretched-out hair ties, keys to unknown locks, expired pizza coupons and dog kibble samples for the dog I don't own.

All that needs to be intercepted and redirect-



ed toward the dumpster. But based on the detailed numbered and coded list the renovation company kept, I suspect they're planning to put every single thing exactly where it was. Oh joy. My, empty ink pens and glow-in-the-dark key chains and collection of used cocktail umbrellas, how I've missed you.

Then there's the "too neurotic" category, which is much more troublesome. I know, logically, I should get rid of these things. But I just can't, because I have irrational emotional attachments to them. Like all the infant clothes from both my babies, who are now 27 and 22. Both have informed me unequivocally that they have zero interest in having children themselves.

So, I have a double whammy here. Getting rid of the baby clothes means wrenching myself free of my ridiculously nostalgic memories of my little ones that I've transferred to the clothing, and trying to convince myself that getting rid of the clothes does not equate getting rid of the memories. In addition, I fantasized about passing the clothes on to my grandchildren – you know, the ones I apparently will never have – so I'm also letting go of my own imaginary grandchildren along with them.

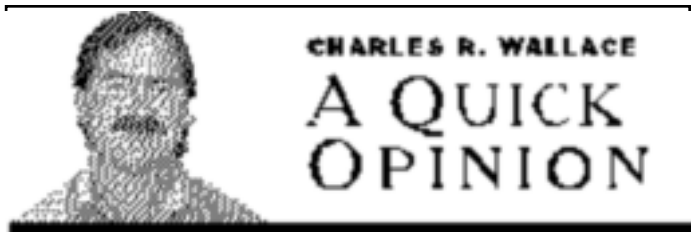
Ouch. At least there's an

emotional buffer — TCMITW's three grandchildren, upon whom I'll train my spoiling instincts and lavish with gifts just like my own grandmother did. I'd start with several crates of decades-old clothing, complete with strained carrot (and worse) stains, but I'm lucid enough to recognize that possibly my stepdaughters might not appreciate this too terribly much and at the moment, they seem to like me so maybe I shouldn't push my luck.

As pack-in day approached, I pondered all this the other night, lying on the brand new living room carpet of an essentially brand new home — just me and the cats, noticing how calm a house seems when it's completely clean and empty. The energy is so clear and pristine. It almost seemed a shame to foul it up with stuff. Just then, I heard that familiar "hyuck hyuck hyuck hyeueeaaacchhhh"

I left to intercept it. Too late. Milo had horked a hairball all over the new carpet (which I'd had the foresight to make sure was the same color as cat barf to mask all the inevitable brownish spots). In that instant, the house went from "new" to "used." The pristine spell was broken in one steamy tuna-scented roll of gray hair. I was over it.

Bring on the stuff.



GREAT WEATHER. As I walk around town in my shorts, more than one person has pointed out that this is the middle of November. Talk to anyone and they will all agree that we are in for some bad weather this winter. It is supposed to start raining this weekend and I predict that it will stop next March 5th at 3:00.

There are homeless stories already appearing in local newspapers and spending a winter outside, even in sunny Northern California, can be deadly. When I visit Boise the homeless conversation comes up from time to time. "There aren't many homeless around here in the winter," my son told me. He finished with what I assumed was a joke, "We ship them off to Southern California." My older brother Polk lives down by San Diego, and no, he is not homeless. Polk tells me they have more than their share of homeless people. "We get the smart ones," he likes to joke.

During these hard times it is getting harder and harder to help out the less fortunate. The more people need help, the less people are around to give them a hand. The Winters Ministerial Association is once again looking to help the hungry in Winters before Christmas. They are planning on putting together 200 boxes of food this year and it is never too early to start. Jim Hyer told me that last year they put together 225 boxes, but didn't think they would have the resources this year to match that number. Each box contains over \$100 worth of food, from a turkey to dry beans.

If you would like to help you can send a check to the Winters Ministerial Association, c/o First Northern Bank, 48 Main Street, Winters, 95694, or the First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, Winters, 95694. If you would like to lend a hand, give Jim Hyer a call at 795-2034.

ASHAMELESS PLUG. I've been joking lately that I only have 110 more issues of the Express to put out before I quit. I have a countdown calendar on my computer that reminds me how many weeks I have left, right next to my calculator, a Spanish translator, stock quotes and a real calendar. The countdown calendar isn't that close to the stock listings anymore. At one time they were in sync, but that was about 10 years ago.

About a month ago our copier was calling it a day. The service people told me that they could no longer keep it running and that I should call a salesman. I called Dave, the same salesman that sold me my last two copiers. They last about six or seven years, so I've known Dave for a while, and the company he works for even longer. I told him I wouldn't mind looking at a color copier that also was pretty fast at making black and white copies. He told me he had just the machine for me. Actually he had two.

I'm not sure if it is sticker shock, because this new copier is about half the price that I paid in the 1990s for a high speed black and white copier, but it is still hard to justify spending any money, right now. This new copier has all of the bells and whistles and makes color copies that are amazing. It isn't quite as fast as my old copiers but I'll get used to it. It is also the first copier that I've ever leased.

I haven't bought many new cars and I've never leased one. Come to think of it, I've never leased anything that I can remember. Talking to Dave was like talking to a used car salesman. He kept talking about monthly payments and maintenance agreements. I understood the maintenance agreement part, and he finally wrote down the purchase price on a piece of paper. Just like a car salesman. Is it so hard to say a number out loud?

The bottom line is that I signed a five-year lease for this copier. I'm not sure what that does to my countdown calendar, but it should give the guy that is supposed to be on page 2 a chuckle. When someone asked my brother Polk about retiring, he's 65, his comeback was that we don't have a very good roll model for retiring. Color copies are 59 cents each, if you were wondering.

Have a good week.

THANKS . . .

Jannes' daughters would like to extend their sincere thanks to all of the extended family and friends for all of the help and support over the very difficult past several weeks. A very special thank you to the Lorenzo Family and the Town & Country Market for their very generous contributions toward the reception following the service.

FAMILY OF JANNES ECHOLS

"Let every man, every corporation, and especially let every village, town, and city, every county and State, get out of debt and keep out of debt. It is the debtor that is ruined by hard times."

~ Rutherford B. Hayes

CHAMBER

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coordinator for the Winters Farmers Market; Jan Bawart, owner of Cloth Carousel; Dan Maguire, City of Winters housing programs manager and newly elected Winters School Board trustee; and Debra DeAngelo, editor of the Winters Express.

The Winters Chamber of Commerce meets on the second Friday of each month at 7 a.m. at the Winters Visitors Center, 11 Main Street. Anyone may attend the meetings.

The Chamber also sponsors monthly Mixers on the second Monday of each month, located at a different Chamber member business each time. A \$5 donation is suggested at the door, which includes food, beverages and a raffle ticket. Everyone is welcome to attend the Mixers and see what local businesses have to offer.

The next Chamber Mixer is one of the biggest of the year, featuring the annual Chili Cook-off, and will take place at Realty World, 37 Main Street on Monday, Dec. 13, at 5:30 p.m.. Chili samples from each entrant will be available.

Besides monthly Mixers, the Chamber also sponsors the annual Earthquake Street Festival and Christmas Tree Lighting, and participates in other community events including Youth Day and the Festival de la Comunidad, sponsors events such as Candidates Night. The Chamber also helps support a variety of community activities and beautification projects. The Chamber's mission statement is to "promote economic development and to advocate the success of its members and the business community."

The Chamber office is located inside the Winters Visitors Center, which is open daily except Tuesdays. For more information, stop by and chat with Executive Director Al Aldrete or Executive Assistant Socorro Garcia, or call 795-2329 or visit the website, [www. winterschamber.com](http://www.winterschamber.com).

Composting class offered

A free backyard and worm composting class will be offered on Saturday, Nov. 20 from 10 a.m. until noon at the Woodland Community College Horticultural Center, 2300 E. Gibson Rd., Woodland.

Participants will learn how to turn garden and lawn waste into a valuable soil amendment and how to build compost bins. Woodland residents attending this workshop can receive a free compost bin.

Attendees will also learn how red wiggler worms can eat up kitchen vegetable scraps, and may take home a free glob of worms to get started.

For more information on this Yolo County UC Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners workshop, call 666-8143.

Fibromyalgia group to meet

The Northern Cal Fibro Friends will meet on Saturday, Nov. 20, 1-3 p.m. in the conference room at VacaValleyHospital, 1000 Nut Tree Road in Vacaville,

For more information contact Valma, Valma-grace@aol.com or 756-9153, or Jan, (707) 448-5786.

Trash or treasure?



Photo by Charles Wallace

Jimmy Barbosa helps load unwanted electronics equipment, televisions, computers and monitors to be recycled into funds for Grad Nite 2011. The recycling fundraiser took place on Saturday, Nov. 13, at Railroad and Grant. Proceeds will help fund a safe and sober celebration for this year's Winters High School graduates.

**Getting married? Just had a baby? Earned a degree?
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Community

Ask the City Manager

Q: How did the Nov. 2 election impact the City of Winters?

A: The Nov. 2 election dealt with a number of critical issues that involve the business of the city. Some of the Propositions had very strong impacts on the city, while others did not. Here is a recap:

~ The failure of Proposition 19 dealing with the legalization of marijuana now mandates the city to begin the formulation of local regulations to deal with the zoning for medicinal marijuana. Since 2009, the city has placed a moratorium on medicinal marijuana dispensaries pending reviews by the planning commission and city council. The community can expect to see this topic in 2011.

~ The passage of Proposition 20 and the commission on redistricting has no local impacts as far as elections, but we can expect that redistricting will occur within the next year. This will impact the congressional, state senate and state assembly representation of the city.

~ The passage of Proposition 22 is the greatest benefit for the city. This measure prevents the state from raiding cities property and redevelopment funds to balance the state budget. Unfortunately, it came a year late and the state has already stolen almost \$1 million from our local property taxes. The good news is no future takes; the bad news is that the city may still need to pay the state almost \$160,000 in redevelopment funds from their reallocation of property taxes in 2009. The city is part of a group appealing this take, which is currently in the court system.

~ Proposition 25 now allows for a simple majority (50 percent) to pass the state budget, yet retains the two thirds (66 percent) to raise taxes. It also prohibits state legislators from being paid if the budget is not passed on time. This legislation will benefit the city by taking away the state's excuses for not having a budget on time, and will aid in the predictability of city budgeting.

~ Proposition 26 requires a two-thirds voter approval for fee increases. This measure mostly impacts the state and will have little impact on city fees (water, sewer and building) since most city fees are already subject to the requirements of Proposition 218.

Get ready for an interesting year as these measures are implemented.

(To ask a question of Winters City Manager John Donlevy, send an email to news@wintersexpress.com.)

Blood drive honors Bussard

A blood drive honoring Vic Bussard is planned for Monday, Nov. 29, 3-7 p.m. at the Community Center. Bussard was a long time volunteer for the local blood drives. He passed away this year.

Donors should eat and drink fluids before par-

ticipating, and will need a photo identification.

The Vic Bussard Memorial Blood Drive is co-sponsored by the Winters Lions Club and BloodSource.

For more information, call Heather, (866) 822-5663, extension 60046.

Soroptimist offers scholarship, award

Soroptimist of Winters is offering financial aid for a woman continuing her education while supporting a family or parents. Candidates should be heads of household completing undergraduate programs or attending a vocational or technical training program. The winner will receive \$1,000 and the opportunity to compete for an additional amount.

Soroptimist is also seeking applicants ages 14-17 who volunteer in a community project or for a community organi-

zation. There will be recognition for service and a monetary award for the project. Examples of volunteer service are fighting drugs, crime or violence, cleaning up the environment or fighting poverty or discrimination.

The application for both the scholarship and award must be received by Dec. 1. For applications, contact Barbara Cody, 795-2828 or barbaraoc@sbcglobal.net, or Janet Aguiar, 795-4631, jaguair33@hotmail.com.

Winters Library closures, reduced hours planned

All Yolo County branch libraries will be closed on Nov. 25 and 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Winters Branch Library will have reduced hours in Novem-

ber as follows: Nov. 22, 12-6 p.m.; Nov. 23, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Nov. 24, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information about the Yolo County Library, visit www.yolocountylibrary.org.

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Calendar

Thursday, November 18

Winters Rotary Club, noon, The Buckhorn
Free Food Distribution, noon, First Baptist Church, 512 First Street; and 3 p.m., Yolo Housing, 62 Shams Way

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

School board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Walnut Room, school district office, 909 W. Grant Avenue

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

Friday, November 19

"It's A Wonderful Life," champagne gala opening, 7:30 p.m., Community Center

Saturday, November 20

Canyon Outing, "Photography and Nature," 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Stebbins Cold Canyon; email jfalyln@ucdavis.edu to attend

"It's A Wonderful Life," 8 p.m., Community Center

Sunday, November 21

AA meeting, 9 a.m., 305 First Street

Nature's Theater outing, "Consumasaurus the Dragon," ages 4-8, 10 a.m. to noon, Stebbins Cold Canyon; email jfalyln@ucdavis.edu to attend

Winters Community Thanksgiving Dinner, 5-7:30 p.m., Community Center

Tuesday, November 23

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, 6-7 a.m., 305 First Street.

Wednesday, November 24

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

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

This community calendar is sponsored by:

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Veterans invited to join group

Winters area U.S. veterans of foreign wars are invited to join Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 11091.

The group supports many nonprofit organizations in and around the Winters area. The

group meets at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of each month.

For more information, contact any VFW member or call Don, 795-1869; John, 795-0751; Roy, 681-7934; or Harold, at 795-3124.

Winters Express email subscriptions are free for active members of the U.S. military. Call 795-4551 for more information.

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Flavanol-rich foods like cocoa may lower risk of heart disease

Research by an international team of scientists, including a UC Davis nutritionist, provides new evidence that cocoa and other foods rich in a class of nutrients known as flavanols may improve the health of people with coronary artery disease, the nation's leading cause of death.

Findings from the study, a collaborative effort by researchers at UC Davis; UC San Francisco; the Heinrich Heine University in Dusseldorf, Germany; and the candy company Mars Inc., appear in the July issue of the Journal of the American College of Cardiology.

Study results indicate that flavanols may increase a population of certain cells in the blood that scientists think help to repair the inner walls of blood vessels, improving blood flow and potentially lowering blood pressure.

This suggests that, in the future, isolated fla-

vanols or flavanol-rich foods might be useful in preventing or possibly even treating coronary artery disease, in which the arteries narrow as plaque builds up on the endothelium lining the inner artery walls, said study co-author Carl Keen. A UC Davis nutrition professor, Keen is an authority on the potential health benefits of this class of phytonutrients.

"We were pleased, but not surprised, to find that when study participants consumed the flavanol-rich cocoa beverage, rather than a matched control drink with low levels of flavanols, they experienced a significant improvement in the function of the endothelium or lining of the blood vessel wall," Keen said.

"The flavanol-rich cocoa was strikingly effective in mobilizing the participants' circulating angiogenic cells, which are thought to help repair the endothelium," Keen not-

ed. "The effect was on par with medical treatments involving statins and estrogen — and similar to the effects of lifestyle changes such as increasing exercise and stopping smoking, all of which are currently recommended for patients with coronary artery disease."

Earlier research in patients had shown that consuming flavanol-rich foods and beverages can be associated with an improvement in blood flow, and a decrease in blood pressure. However, the new study is the first to report that the nutrients might also affect the production of circulating angiogenic cells. Produced in the bone marrow, these initially undifferentiated cells make their way into the blood stream where they develop into endothelial cells that line arteries and vessels.

In the new study, participants consumed a cocoa beverage twice daily for a month.

Sometimes the beverage was rich in flavanols; sometimes it had only low levels. Neither the participants nor the researchers knew which was which until the study's end.

Measurements of endothelium function, circulating angiogenic cell production, blood chemistry, heart rate and blood pressure were made before, after and during the study.

When tabulating these measurements, the researchers found that the function of the endothelium, as measured by dilation of the artery, improved by 47 percent more following consumption of the high-flavanol cocoa drink than it did following consumption of the beverage with only low levels of flavanols. And production of the angiogenic cells increased twice as much following consumption of the flavanol-rich drink compared to the

low-flavanol drink.

The researchers also found that consumption of the high-flavanol beverage significantly decreased the participants' blood pressure.

Keen and colleagues suggest that future research should include long-term dietary intervention studies that examine the effects of high-flavanol diets on cardiovascular health.

About UC Davis

For more than 100 years, UC Davis has engaged in teaching, research and public service that matter to California and transform the world. Located close to the state capital, UC Davis has 32,000

students, an annual research budget that exceeds \$600 million, a comprehensive health system and 13 specialized research centers. The university offers interdisciplinary graduate study and more than 100 undergraduate majors in four colleges — Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Biological Sciences, Engineering, and Letters and Science. It also houses six professional schools — Education, Law, Management, Medicine, Veterinary Medicine and the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing.

Woodland Healthcare offering online class registration

Woodland Healthcare now offers online registration for health education classes, childbirth courses, emergency training, parenting classes and support groups at woodlandhealthcare.org/classes_and_events.

Some of the classes people can register for online include childbirth preparation; Super Siblings, for chil-

dren preparing to be big brothers or sisters; Grand parenting for grandparents-to-be to acquaint them with current maternity and pediatric practices; pediatric CPR and first aid; diabetes education; your life, take care, for people living with long-term health conditions; cancer support group; postpartum support group; stroke survivors support

group and teen mom support group.

Descriptions for all classes, dates and times can also be found on woodlandhealthcare.org/classes_and_events.

For people who don't have access to the internet, call the Woodland Healthcare Education Department, 669-5540, for information about signing up for classes.

Brain games for seniors

Senior citizens are invited to keep their minds sharp by exercising their brains with games and puzzles at a weekly Brain Gymnasium session. These free sessions are held Wednesdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m. at Atria Covell Gardens, 1111 Alvarado Avenue, in Davis. For more information, call 756-0700.

Weekly police report

Oct. 27
~ 5 p.m., Ivy Loop and Lupine Way, black graffiti was written on an electrical box. Damage: clean-up cost.

Nov. 8
~ 9:20 p.m., County Roads 89 and 27, an officer assisted a Yolo County Sheriff's deputy with an occupied suspicious vehicle.

Nov. 9
~ Noon, 100 block of Grant Avenue, a window was broken in the main hallway of the high school. Damage: \$100.
~ 12:15 p.m. 500 block of Railroad Avenue, threats were made toward victim. The case is being forwarded to the District Attorney for complaint.
~ 1:42 p.m., a lost Mexican Consulate identification card was reported.

Nov. 10
~ 10:45 a.m., 400 block of Abbey Street, a vehicle was towed for violation of Winters Municipal Code 10.16.050 – Use of streets for storage prohibited and for having expired vehicle registration in excess of six months.

Nov. 11
~ 1:36 p.m., a 16-year-old Suisun City juvenile

was issued a notice to appear for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana.
~ 4:30 p.m., Abelardo Rodriguez Vega, 30, of Fairfield was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license, having unlawful tinted vehicle windows, and operating a vehicle without a functioning ignition interlock device.

Nov. 11-12
~ 10:30 p.m. to 6:30 a.m., 700 block of Mermod Place, spray paint was used to write on a vehicle. Damage: \$450.

Nov. 12
~ 11:26 a.m., a suspect in Merced County fraudulently used victim's identifying information, which occurred on July 3, 2009.

Nov. 13
~ 10:22 a.m., southbound I-505 and Russell Boulevard, an officer assisted a Yolo County Sheriff Deputy with a traffic enforcement stop.
~ 12:09 p.m., 200 block of Railroad Avenue, an officer responded to an audible alarm. An open door was located. The building was cleared and the door secured.

Weekly fire department report

Nov. 1
~ 20000 block of County Road 28, unknown medical aid
~ 900 block of East Grant Avenue, unknown medical aid

Nov. 2
~ 101 Grant Avenue, standby for football game

Nov. 4
~ 20000 block of County Road 92F, man pinned under tractor

Nov. 6
~ Northbound Interstate 505, semi truck on fire
~ 20000 block of Via Robles, yard burn

Nov. 7
~ 200 block of Almond

Drive, victim of a fall

Nov. 8
~ First block of Main Street, fire alarm

Nov. 9
~ Railroad Avenue and Main Street, oil spill

Nov. 12
~ 400 block of Abbey Street, victim of a fall

Nov. 13
~ Northbound I-505 at County Road 24, vehicle accident

Nov. 14
~ 100 block of Main Street, hazardous waste found

Artists invited to submit work

Senator Lois Wolk invites all artists living in the Fifth Senate District to submit their artwork for possible inclusion in an upcoming exhibition at the State Capitol.
“This is a wonderful opportunity for artists in San Joaquin, Solano, and Yolo Counties to have their original work displayed in the historic State Capitol alongside works from artists from every part of the state,” Wolk said.
One artist and art piece will be selected to represent the Fifth Senate District in the California Contemporary Art Collection exhibit, scheduled from Sept.

2011 through Sept. 2012. An image of the artwork, as well as the artist's biography, will also be included in the exhibit's catalogue.
Previous local artists that participated in the exhibit include Phil Gross, Daphne Wynne Nixon, Del Almeida, Ning Hou and Raoul Mora.
Interested parties can find the exhibit entry form and additional information at Wolk's Senate website, www.sen.ca.gov/wolk, where they can also confirm that they live in the Fifth Senate District.
The deadline for submissions is March 31.

They joined



Photo by Chris Jones

Theresa Foster, Healing Touch Certified Practitioner, DIMI, THP, is a new member of the Winters Chamber of Commerce. Healing Touch is an energy biofield therapy that encompasses a wide range of non invasive techniques that utilize the hands to clear, energize, and balance the human and environmental promoting self-healing and well-being. For an appointment, call 795-2956.



Photo by Chris Jones

At the corner of the old Winters Highway and Putah Creek Road is Dee Dee's Bar and Grill, a new Winters Chamber of Commerce member. Dee Dee's opened in March 2010 and is open daily, serving spirits and food. Dee Dee's features barbecued fare from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4-7 p.m. From left are bar manager Brandy Parisette, owner Dee Dee Linderer and kitchen manager Bambi Parisette.

Nature's Theater encourages children to explore nature

Nature's Theater encourages children to develop a healthy relationship with the natural world through interactive stories and exploring Stebbins Cold Canyon, located just below Monticello Dam.
The last Nature's Theater

outing for this fall is “Consumasaurus the Dragon,” on Saturday, Nov. 20, 10 a.m. to noon.
The suggested donation is \$5 per person or \$10 per family.
To sign up, send an email to: jfa-lyn@ucdavis.edu.

Suspect still sought

An unidentified man entered a trailer and sexually and physically assaulted a woman at the Lake Solano Park campgrounds on Sunday, Oct. 10, between 3-4 p.m. He has still not been caught.

He is described as a Hispanic male, approximately 30 years old, short but with an obese build. He has short black hair, brown eyes and was clean-shaven. He was wearing a white T-shirt, corduroy pants, and work gloves.

He spoke Spanish and poor English, and smelled of alcohol. He stole approximately \$200 and a small safe



during the assault.
Anyone with information about this case is asked to call the Solano County Sheriff's Office, (707) 421-7090 or Crimestoppers, (707) 644-STOP.

Only 36 more shopping days left

Meals on Wheels seeks volunteers

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.

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Entertainment

‘It’s a Wonderful Life’ in Winters

By ELLIOT LANDES
Winters Theatre Company

There’s a Great Recession lingering, the weather’s getting colder and the days shorter. Maybe you’re feeling a little beaten down or on the edge. It’s time for a little chicken soup for the soul, in the form of Winters Theatre Company’s production of “It’s a Wonderful Life,” opening at the Community Center with a gala on Nov. 19 and playing through Dec. 5.

The story of a good man on the brink of despair and saved by the counsel of an Angel Second Class is one of the best of Frank Capra’s optimistic, wide-eyed scripts that we identify nostalgically with the depression era. It’s full of heart and honest human values, and the idea that being a good person is enough to get through, in the face of all manner of hard breaks.

It’s about people borrowing money in hopes of buying a home — how timely. And



From left, Hannah Long, Jim Hewlett, Ann Rost, Jessie Freckmann, Dona Akers, Jason Spyers and Phyllis Seelye practice their caroling for the Winters Theatre Company’s upcoming production of “It’s A Wonderful Life,” playing at the Community Center on Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 19 through Dec. 4, and Sundays, Nov. 28 and Dec. 5. Tickets are \$15 for the Opening Gala on Nov. 19. All other shows are \$10 general and \$6 seniors and students. For reservations and more information, call 795-4014 or e-mail winterstheatre@gmail.com.

Courtesy photo

timelier still, there’s even an unscrupulous banker we can blame for our hero’s woes.

The Winters Theatre Company is celebrating its 30th year of producing plays at the Winters Community Center. The group produces a few

plays a year, with something fun in the spring, Shakespeare outside in the summer, and a big seasonal production at holiday time. This year’s production of “It’s a Wonderful Life” will include

a cast of 25. The opening

champagne gala takes place on Nov. 19, starting at 7:30 p.m. Bring your hankies.

Dates and ticket prices are: Friday, Nov. 19, gala opening, 7:30 p.m., \$15 for this show only; Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 20 through Dec. 4, 8 p.m.;

Sundays, Nov. 28 and Dec. 5, 2 p.m., \$10 general, \$6 seniors and students.

For more information or to make a reservation, call 795-4014 or e-mail winterstheatre@gmail.com.

Come celebrate the holidays at a Winters Wonderland

◆ Christmas tree lighting, festivities set Dec. 4 in downtown Winters

The holidays are just around the corner and it’s time for gathering together to enjoy food, good cheer

and, of course, Santa Claus. Get out the pea coats and holiday scarves, and head to downtown Winters on Saturday, Dec. 4, from 5 to 7 p.m. for plenty of small-town good cheer.

Winters merchants will be open for carolers and customers throughout the downtown area, and all are

invited to stroll through for goodies and tasty treats. The evening’s festivities include a live nativity scene, Christmas carols, and the lighting of the community Christmas tree, followed by a visit from Santa. All good little boys and girls are invited to make their Christmas wishes known.

The event is sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce, and the Chamber invites everyone to dress in vintage or Dickens era attire for the festivities. For more information about the festivities, call the Chamber office at 795-2329 or visit www.winterschamber.com.

Folklorico Latino de Woodland to perform Nov. 20

Northern California’s popular folkdance troupe, the Folklorico Latino de Woodland, will bring the 2010 season to a close with a rousing cultural dance program titled “Celebramos el Centenario de Mexico” at the historic Woodland Opera House on Saturday, Nov. 20.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. The show begins at 7 pm. The Opera House is at 340 Second St.

The audience will be in for a special treat with an array of performance guests including Mariachi Jalisco 2000 at this Latino dance extravaganza. The special guest emcee will be Angelbertha Cobb, known as “Sacramento’s Godmother of Mexican Dance.”

The troupe will perform select dances from the regions of Jalisco, Revolución, Veracruz, and Nuevo Leon. There will be snacks and beverages available during the intermission.

Proceeds from the annual showcase are designated to new



Courtesy photo

Folklorico Latino de Woodland will present a cultural performance on Nov. 20 at the Woodland Opera House.

wardrobe, dance studio, sound equipment and the Marina Ramirez Artistic Scholarship Fund. The scholarship is awarded to dance members in good standing that are continuing on with their education

above high school.

Buy your tickets in advance for an early-bird discount. Adult tickets are \$18 in advance or \$20 at the door. Discounts are available for seniors and children. The cost

is \$12 for seniors age 60 and up.

For more information on the 24th Annual Folklorico Latino de Woodland Showcase, call Esther Lara at 661-4102, or e-mail ehlara2002@yahoo.com.

Gado Gado performs at ARC

Gado Gado will perform live in the ARC Guitar shop, 308 Railroad Ave., from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19.

The performance is free and open to the public. Turkovich Family Wines, at 304 Railroad Ave., also will be open for a wine and specialty cheese tasting, along with the Putah Creek Café, at 1 Main St., for some brick-fired pizza.

WFOl plans Holiday Festival

The Winters Friends of the Library will present the Annual Family Holiday Festival at the Community Center on Saturday, Dec. 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Activities include crafts for the children, live music performances, beautiful holiday wreaths for sale, the Scholastic Book Fair, food from Mrs. Claus’ Café and more.

Santa will be on hand to visit with the children. Parents can bring their cameras to take holiday photos. The annual festival offers the whole community a delightful way to celebrate the holiday season and also support the Winters Community Library.

SOAP

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ered in most commercial products — everything from detergent to chemicals — and was concerned about the cumulative effects of exposing yourself to all these things over time.

“You keep yourself sick by drenching yourself in this stuff,” says Engleman. “Your skin is your largest organ and we don’t take care of it. It’s like putting detergent on your liver when you use parabens and phthalates.”

Unable to find a product on the shelves that she was satisfied with, she set out to make her own and learned the basics of soapmaking from a YouTube video. She says that was the spark of her inspiration.

“I wanted to do it so bad, I couldn’t see straight,” says Engleman, admitting that she was intimidated at first because there are some dangers in soapmaking, such as mixing lye in aluminum pots, which can give off a toxic gas, and the lye itself which can cause burns.

“There was a lot about it that scared me off,” she says.

But inspiration prevailed over intimidation, and she decided to feel the fear and saponify anyway.

“It became an obsession,” she says of her early soap-making attempts. She later branched off into making soap shampoo bars, because as she started studying chemicals and synthetic ingredients and their cumulative effects on the body, she was unsatisfied with commercial shampoos as well. Furthering her interest in natural ingredients was a class she took at D-Q University on local native plants and their detoxifying qualities.

“You’ll detox if you stop poisoning yourself,” she says.

Engleman’s basic

soap ingredients include water, sodium or potassium hydroxide, lye and oil — usually olive, palm, coconut, castor or avocado — and essential oils and fragrances. She says her product are 100% free of any synthetics, including phthalates, parabens, sulfates, glycols, petrochemicals and solvents. She comes up with the fragrance recipes herself, and says that’s one of the things she loves about being in charge of her own business: being able to stir and create things herself.

Once she prepares the soap recipe, the mixture is poured into silicone-lined boxes, leaving the natural, wild edge on the top that is one of the signatures of her product. After the soap hardens, Engleman pops it out of the mold and cuts it into bars, and weighs them to make certain they are the right size. After the soap cures, she wraps each bar in a simple ribbon-style label, which replaced the boxes she used to put the bars in, making a more environmentally friendly wrapper.

She says making things with her own hands comes naturally to her.

“I’ve always been interested in making my own stuff. My mom grew up on a farm and had remedies for everything,” she says, adding that she always had an aversion to purchasing chemical-laden products. One of her earliest attempts at skin care was a cocoa and sugar facial treatment she made one day while trying to pamper herself.

“I just whipped it up and used it in the bath and it was out of this world,” she says, noting that the bathtub is a great place to pamper oneself, and it’s so easy to do with fragrant, soothing soaps.

“The warm water is relaxing environment, and you’re putting (the



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

This is how Engleman’s soaps look when they are ready to go on the shelf. She replaced the box container with more environmentally friendly wrap labels.

soap) on your skin and your skin is soaking things in.”

As for the name of her products, although one might think it arises from the wildflowers in some of her soaps, it turns out the name’s origin came from video games, of all things.

“My son was playing World of Warcraft, so I opened my own account to see what he was doing,” she explains. Her character was “Wildflower.”

Engleman introduced her soaps during the first year of the Winters Farmers Market, and from there branched out to other retailers, including Eagle Drug, Lorenzo’s Town & Country Market, Camille’s Hair Salon, Root Stock and the Winters Visitors Center here in Winters, and also has her product on the shelves at the Davis Co-Op, Westlake IGA Market, Creative Hair Design and Strelitzia in Davis. She was thrilled to discover last month that the Whole Foods chain has decided to carry her products, and is hoping an even wider market will go wild over her soap.

Engleman hopes people will start telling retailers “I want my Wild” so they’ll carry her products as well. Pretty ambitious goals for one little soapmaker in one little house in one little

town, and she admits that marketing her product is the thing she likes least.

“I suck at selling soap,” she laughs.

And what if it takes off? Will she move her business out of her home and set up shop in a factory? Not likely, she says, because the real joy in all this for her is the actual making of the product. She doesn’t like the idea of just turning her recipes over to a work crew and having someone else make her soap.

“I want to be there, and move the stick in the pot, and watch it and smell it.”

But, she admits, it would be great if people love her soap as much as she does, and keep loving it and loving it.

“Once you go Wild, you never go back,” she says.

To find out more about Wildflower Naturals, visit www.wildflower-naturals.com.

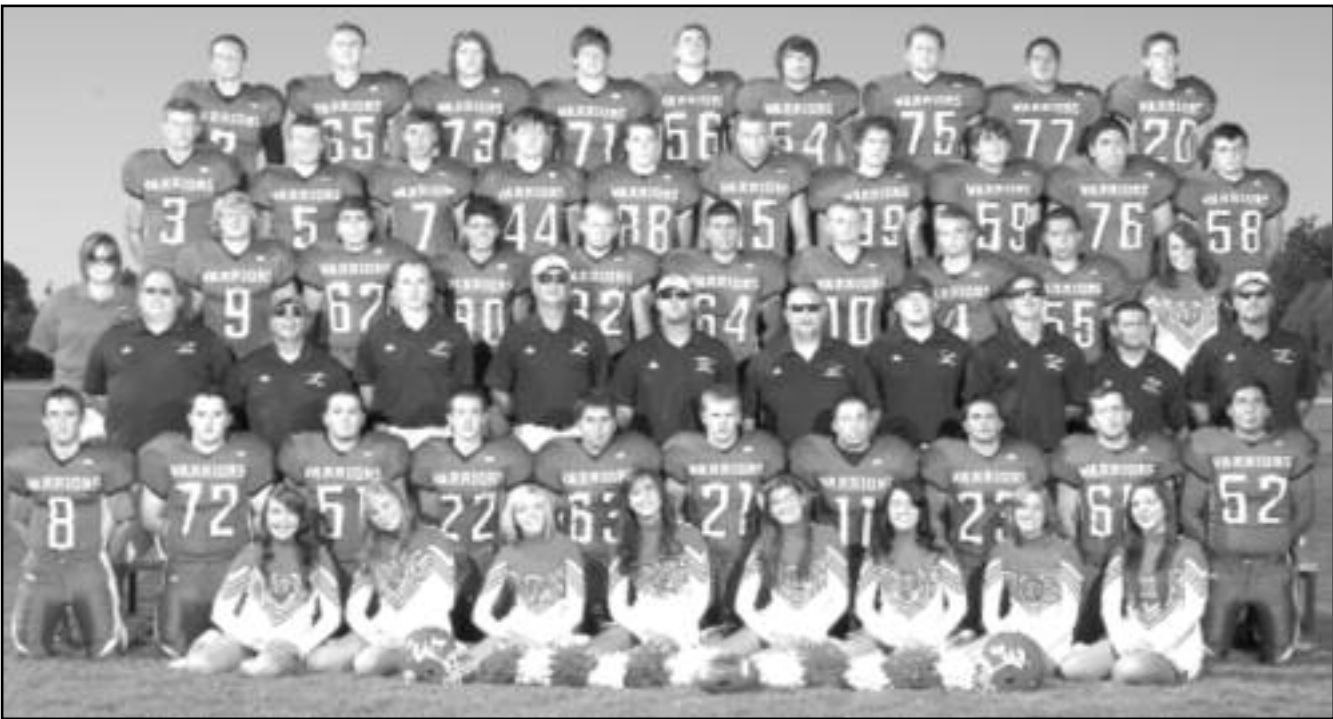


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The bricks of soap dry in silicone-lined wooden molds, and are then cut into individual bars by hand.

Sports

Football, cheer season wraps up



Courtesy photo
The Winters Warriors 2010 varsity football team and cheerleading squad includes, from left (front) Cassia Smith, Valya Harman, Prestlie Pearce, Ashley Hoekwater, Anelle Concepcion, Ashley Shaw, Sarena Cliche and Polette Gonzalez; (second row) Jason Pate, Kyle Karlen, Juan Bautista, La’akea Drumright, Edwin Sanchez, Kyle Nichols, Darby Borges, Tony Brever, Jared Ramos and Juan Tovar; (third row) assistant coaches Matt Kimes, Toodie Gomez, John Platt, Mike Olivas, head coach Daniel Ward, assistant coaches Eddie Marquez, Rudy Valencia, Tyson Allen, Andrew Medina and Eric Lucero; (fourth row) cheer coach Jenny Ramos, Thomas Boswell, Daniel Sandoval, Felipe Hernandez, Zach Higgins, Javier Soria, Joe McIntire, Shawn Faulk, Daniel Lopez and Paige Wright; (fifth row) Jared Ney, Austin Calvert, Nick Mariani, Jacob Lucero, Trever Wright, Kendric Moore, Trevor Johnston, Sam Donlevy, Lorenzo Garcia and Kyle Canela; (top row) Tim Miller, Austin Brickey, Nick Platt, Mike Monnin, Keli Callison, Max Barbosa, Thomas Damon, Jesus Quirarte and Skyler Geerts.

Until next year, Lady Warriors



Courtesy Photo
The Winters Warriors varsity volleyball team includes, from left, (front) Veronica Lopez, Anna Campos, Sarah Selby, Destiny Rogers, Rachel Myers and Jasmin Barrera; (back) coach Mark Perkins, Mallory Dunn, Natasha Jankovic, Ashley Anderson, Ilene Reynoso, Olivia Orosco and Taylor Hofstrand.

City taking signups for youth basketball

The city of Winters youth basketball program is taking signups through Dec. 17. This year’s registration forms are being e-mailed to previous participants, and are in the finance office at City Hall and on the city’s website, www.cityofwinters.org. Players should drop off completed

registration forms and the \$40 fee to City Hall or mail to City of Winters, attn: Youth Basketball, 318 First St., Winters, CA 95694. This year’s season is from Jan. 22 through March 5. For more information, call Tracy Jensen at City Hall at 795-4910.

Ireland, Young win contest

Tim Ireland picked 20 out of 25 games correctly in the Winters Merchants Football Contest this week to win the \$30 first prize, and Bob Young won the \$15 second prize by picking 19 winners. There were three games listed in error in the contest. The season’s final contest is in today’s Express.

For all the latest local news and sports, read the Winters Express

PISANI’S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Thomas Damon

Thomas Damon, a senior on the Winters High School varsity football team, is athlete of the week. Damon has been a team leader for the Warriors all season long, playing on the offensive and defensive lines. “Thomas has had a great season,” said coach Daniel Ward. “He has come a long way in the last few years to become one of the best tackles in the league. I hope he takes that same hard work ethic to the next level.”

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Schools

V-I-C-T-O-R-Y!



Photo by Fabiola Hernandez

The Winters Jr. Warrior Junior PeeWee cheerleaders show off the trophies they received for placing fourth out of eight squads in the cheerleading JAMZ competition on Saturday, Oct. 30. From left are (back) Megan Drummond, Nataly Hernandez, Melanie Pate, Angie Hernandez, Annie Ramos, Tayla Iannone, Destiny Cervantez and Lilly Matthews: (front) Brooke Benson, Mia Quintana, Alyvia Baylor, Krystal Garcia and Diana Cruz.

School board meets Thursday

Avon fundraiser supports Grad Nite

The Winters High School Grad Nite Parent Group is sponsoring an Avon fundraiser through Dec. 8.

Just in time for the holidays, Winters residents and their families and friends can order items from a select list of Avon favorites — from fragrances and cosmetics to shampoos, bubble baths and lotions. Prices range from \$10 to \$25 for multiple-item sets.

"The prices are quite reasonable as Avon is supporting our efforts,"

says Sally Ivory of the Grad Nite Parent Group.

Forty percent of the proceeds will go to support the WHS Safe and Sober Grad Nite that's offered for high school seniors on the night of graduation. The goal is to sell a minimum of \$3,000 worth of products, which would raise \$1,200 for Grad Nite.

Contact Pam Emery, pamem59@hotmail.com or 795-3394, to place an order.

Nature's Theater presents children's events at Stebbins Cold Canyon

Nature's Theater is an innovative approach to helping children develop a healthy relationship with the natural world.

Through interactive stories, children explore Stebbins Cold Canyon with characters, like Summer, Professor Planthead, Zip Zap (a Nature Hero), Tree Spirit and Mother Nature.

The program is coordinated by Jeff Falyn and Lyndsay Dawkins of Winters.

The next fall outing is "Consumasaurus the Dragon," from 10 a.m. to noon Sunday, Nov. 21.

The suggested donation is \$5 per person or \$10 per family. Most outings are limited to 15 participants and fill up quickly.

To sign up, send an email to jfalyn@ucdavis.edu. Include name, address, presentation date, phone number and/or e-mail address, and whether you need directions.

For a full list of fall events at Stebbins Cold Canyon Reserve, visit http://nrs.ucdavis.edu/stebbins/guides/guide_schedule.htm.

Bilingual storytime offered on Thursdays

Winters Library offers a bilingual story time at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday. The program is sponsored by First 5 Yolo and the Yolo County Library. The program is created for children up to 5 years old, but all are welcome. Children and their families can listen to stories, sing and participate in crafts. For more, call 530-795-4955.

ROTARY CLUB OF WINTERS STUDENT OF THE MONTH Karina Vasquez



Karina Vasquez was chosen as "Junior" Rotary Student of the month. She is shown with her teacher, Woody Fridae. Karina is a fifth grader in Woody Fridae's class this year. Karina has lived in Winters all her life and likes all subjects in class. She is a good soccer player on the Blue Dynamites and a great runner. She says she likes doing projects and loves PE, but math is her favorite subject. Karina was chosen because she was able to do 100 multiplication problems correctly in 61 seconds, a record in Mr. Fridae's class. Karina is hoping that her soccer team will make it to represent Winters in the Select Tournament next month.



Rotary Club of Winters
Meets every Thursday, 12:15 p.m.
Buckhorn Restaurant
2 Main Street, Winters

The Rotary Club of Winters would like to thank everyone that made our Wine and Food Jubilee a success

From the Ground Up: The fertile crescent of California

By ANN M. EVANS
and GEORGEANNE
BRENNAN
Special to the Express

There we were, looking outside our Coachella Valley hotel room at the Santa Rosa Mountains to the south, the San Jacintos straight ahead and the Chocولاتes to the north. We were in the living desert. Our mission was to set foot on a date farm, talk with a date farmer, experience the date harvest and sip a date shake.

California leads the nation in date production with its 5,100 bearing acres, mostly found in the Inland Empire, the southeastern counties of San Bernardino, Riverside and Imperial. These produce 18,900 tons for a value of just under \$29 million, according to California Department of Food and Agriculture 2008 figures. Dates rank 43rd in California exports, right below apricots and grapefruits and above olives and sweet potatoes, for a total of \$20 million.

Our interest stemmed from the Davis Farmers Market date stand. We were wondering about the back story — just who grows the dates Katie Siegfried sells every other week beginning with the date harvest in late September and running through mid December. Katie arranged for us to visit her source, the Leja family farm.

After arriving in Riverside County in the rain at the Ontario Airport, we set out down “The 10” — Interstate 10. Two hours later we settled into our sunny hotel in Indian Wells. The average annual rainfall there is 3.16 inches, but with the brief bit of rain, we were able to see the desert in a late fall bloom.

Eager to see the farm, we took off south on Highway 111 and arrived 30 minutes later, just about the time the Giants were starting their fourth game of the pennant series against



Philadelphia. Eighty-year-old Patrick Leja, sporting his Giants cap, said he had time for us and could wait until the third inning, but his son Greg took off right away to catch the beginning of the game. Patrick described the packing process to us, from brusher to conveyor belts for sorting to hydration in the steam room and then the 45 degree cold storage.

We had to come back the next day to see the line in operation so we didn’t spend long. Patrick says they will process about 4,000 pounds of Deglet Noors this year, his favorite, with only 18 boxes of those being what the industry calls “naturals.” Naturals are large, perfect and the cream of the crop. Patrick removes a lid and beckons us to taste one. Few Americans have tasted a date that freshly picked, he told us.

The packing house and farm are on a rural crossroads of Avenue 52 and Van Buren Street. Facing Mount Eisenhower, we see rows of grapes the Leja family farms. With our backs to the mountains, we are surrounded on the one side by sand fields with rows of date palms. We felt like we were on a 1950s movie set, but it was real and it was exactly what we were looking for.

The trees were ready

to harvest and we could see the strands of date clusters wrapped in either white nylon bags, which Greg told us the next day is a more recent innovation or inverted, brown paper cones which allowed us to look beneath at the masses of golden brown dates. The fruit is hand harvested, using hydraulic lifts if the trees are very tall.

The Leja family packing house processes about 600,000 to 800,000 pounds of dates per year, 300,000 to 400,000 of which Patrick and his son Greg grow on 100 acres. Greg told us his dad planted the first 20 acres in 1965 with “a few shoots.” Among a variety of marketing strategies, they hand sell their dates through markets like the Davis Farmers Market, and feel that in this way they get good quality dates to people.

The Lejas grow primarily the industry mainstay, Deglet Noors, but they also grow Medjool, and Barhis, Greg’s favorite. But there’s more to date farming the varieties. “A big back end to the business,” Greg says, “is selling mature date palm trees at 8 feet or higher to the landscape industry.

We ended our foray into date country trying to find Oasis Date Gardens on Highway 111 in Thermal, using directions from the locals. Who knew Highway 111

Rows of date trees grow at the Leja family farm in Southern California. The fruit — wrapped in inverted, brown paper cones — is hand harvested, using hydraulic lifts if the trees are too tall.

Courtesy photo

is also Grapefruit Street? That mistake took us out of the date farms into citrus groves and row crops. At the end of the road up against an unfamiliar mountain range, we retraced our steps and soon found the date shake mirage.

Recipe

Date Shake (Makes about four eight-ounce servings.)

These are a true California specialty and can easily be made at home.

The Ingredients

One half cut pitted dates, any variety

One cup nonfat milk

Three cups (24 ounces) vanilla ice cream or frozen vanilla yogurt

Putting It Together

Combine the dates and the milk in a blender and blend. Add the ice cream or yogurt and blend again until smooth.

Pour into glasses.

Ann Evans and Georgeanne Brennan have a food and marketing consulting firm, Evans & Brennan, LLC, specializing in farm fresh food in school lunch. They co-lead Slow Food Yolo. Reach Georgeanne at gbrennan@yolo.com and Ann at annmevans@aol.com.

HARVEST THE MOMENT’S Note of Appreciation

As the pastor of Saint Anthony and Saint Martin Parish I owe a debt of gratitude to the people of Winters and Esparto. As we all know building and maintaining facilities and programs can be costly. We needed some help in raising money to this end. We asked for assistance and we were graced with an enthusiastic response — a resounding “how can I help” echoed throughout our parish. We came together in this harvest season and shared our blessings. Our event was called “Harvest the Moment” and it exceeded all our expectations. It was fun! We harvested many moments and people are already planning for next year’s “Harvest the Moment” on November 5, 2011- save the date. Although there are too many people to name I have to name a few individuals and businesses who were exceeding generous with their time, talent, and treasure.

Shannon Mariani – Chair
Karen Ogando – planning, promoting, decorating
Jeanette Molina – publicity and advertising
Kristin Schroeder – donations
Nancy Pignataro – donations
Carole Armstrong – donations
Carolyn Garcia – Bar
Michelle Nicholas – volunteers
Peggy Kelley – volunteers
Lisa Brown – Wine
Melanie Pickrel – Catering
Theresa Mariani
Linda Rodriguez
John Rodriguez
Dave Perry
DJ Troy Barnett
Madison Nicholas
Abbey Mariani

Thanks to Madi and Abbey for endless hours of dipping fruit.
And all who worked tirelessly making this a successful event.

Mariani Nut Co.
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Turkovich Winery
Terra Firma Farms
Mariani Packing
Berringer Wine
Steady Eddy’s
Lester Farms Bakery
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Winters Express

With unbounded Gratitude, Fr. Jim – Pastor of St. Anthony/St. Martin Parish

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REWARD for information leading to the arrest of individuals for dog fighting & animal abuse.

Features

Delay in treatment of TIA is dangerous

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I've just hung up the phone after talking to my doctor. He has me scared out of my wits. This morning while reading the newspaper, I couldn't hold it up. My right arm became weak. In about five minutes, everything returned to normal. I thought I had better call the doctor to see if this was serious.

The doctor thinks I had a ministroke and wants me to have someone take me to the hospital ASAP. I told him I was fine. He said that doesn't matter. I thought I would drop you a line for your opinion. I trust your judgment. What should I do? — T.R.



The booklet on stroke, one of our most feared illnesses, covers the topic in detail. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 902W, 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 grandparents never took vitamins and never talked about them. They both lived into their late 90s. Everyone I know takes vitamins, including me. Why? — C.N.

ANSWER: Vitamins are nutrients essential to body health and body chemistry. They're needed only in minute amounts. No vitamin is made by the body except for vitamin D. We must get them from foods. Although the body does make vitamin D, many older people and quite a few younger ones are deficient in this vitamin. Your grandparents got their vitamins from eating a well-balanced diet. We could do the same.

Vitamin-taking is a new wrinkle in human history. It does assure people that they're getting the recommended daily intake of vitamins. Is it absolutely necessary? Probably not, but most do not get their daily dose of all vitamins through foods.

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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Wife is after all his stuff

DONALD K. SANDERS
THE WAY I SEE THINGS



I believe my wife is going to kill me. A cold chill runs up and down my spine every time I think about it. I don't know why she wants to kill me, but my superior intellect indicates that everything seems to come to that conclusion.

This morning I told my friend Steve about it. With a look of inconceivable terror in his eyes, he told me, "OMG, I think my wife is trying to kill me too!" Could this be true? Is his wife in cahoots with my wife?

Our advanced minds established that there are several shocking similarities in the way both of our wives are behaving. We decided that we should inform our other friend, Terry about what is going on. In less than 15 minutes, we convinced Terry that his wife was trying to kill him too.

This brings me to the conclusion that there may be a city-wide conspiracy of husbandicide. I don't want to start a panic, but it may even extend past husbands to boyfriendicide.

Let's look at the facts. All of our wives openly use the adjective "junk" when they talk about our most prized possessions. Even more surprising, all of our wives, at one time or another, have made the statement, "You have enough junk — don't bring any more home."

This one statement proves that not only are these women trying to establish control over their husbands, they want all of our stuff too. My superior intellect tells me just one thing. They are going to kill us and take our stuff.

I have been noticing that other women around town are acting strange too. Like on the statewide waterways cleanup that took place on Sept. 25. Over 7,000 pounds of trash, including 17 tires, 370 spray cans, and a big bag of cow.

Think they did a good job? Think again, I had to do all of the work by myself. That's right, "by myself!" All the rest of those guys were just goofing off, drinking all the water and telling

jokes while I did all of the work.

You may be thinking, "What does this have to do with my wife trying to kill me?" OK, I'll break it down for you. The 2010 Putah Creek Cleanup was organized, planned, and carried out by a woman. That's right, a woman!

That's exactly right — the director of the Putah Creek Council is a woman named Libby Earthman. Libby is no dummy. She knows exactly where guys find all of our good "man stuff," but she calls it trash. She is responsible for the collection of a huge Dumpster load of trash. It was overflowing.

Believe me, if Steve or I had found that cow in the bag, we would have taken it home and added it to our cow bone collections. Some of that stuff in the Dumpster was really important stuff.

We could have taken the handles off of the old refrigerator and washing machines. I have a whole box of them at home. Women don't appreciate how much fun a guy can have with the springs out of an old mattress.

Earlier tonight I decided to prove to my wife just how valuable my stuff really is. For example, Steve gave me an old parking meter because his wife wouldn't let him keep it. That night, I put it to use.

Sometimes people park by my house to go to listen to the music at the gazebo across from Steady Eddy's. Mmmm coffee! Anyway, Pietro Fazzari, owner of Plainfield Station (The Cheers of Yolo County) parked his van next to my house to go to the gazebo. While he was gone, I put the parking meter up next to his van. The meter read, "Expired." Then I put a note on his windshield saying that he owed \$10 for parking at an expired meter.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your ruling planet, Mars, allows you to assume a sense of command that can help you turn a chaotic workplace situation into one that's orderly, productive and, yes, even friendly.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Getting a relationship that's been stuck in a rut up and running again depends on how far you want to run with it. Be honest with yourself as you consider which decision to make.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be wary of rumors that seem to be coming from everywhere this week. Waiting for the facts before you act means never having to say you're sorry you followed the wrong lead.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A difficult personal matter might prompt you to turn to a trusted friend to help you sort through a maze of emotional conflicts. The weekend should bring some welcome news.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some of the new people coming into the Lion's life could play pivotal roles in future personal and professional matters. Meanwhile, an old friend might have an important message.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A delay in getting things moving on schedule can be a blessing in disguise. Use this extra time to do more research so you can buttress any of the weaker points with solid facts.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might need to get involved in a personal matter before it becomes a serious problem. Also be wary of someone offering to mediate unless you can be sure of his or her motives.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Taking sides in a workplace or domestic dispute could prolong the problem. Stay out and stay cool. Then you can be friends with both parties when things settle down.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A friendship has the potential to become something more, and with this week's aspects favoring romance, you might feel that this possibility is worth exploring.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The new job you want might require you to relocate. If so, keep an open mind and weigh all the positives and negatives before making your decision.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new relationship seems to be everything you could have hoped for. Congratulations. Meanwhile, it's not too early to get some feedback on that new project you're working on.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might have decided to get out of the fast-moving current and just float around hither and yon for a while. But you might find that the new opportunity is too tempting to turn down.

BORN THIS WEEK: You believe in bringing out the best in people with kind deeds, loving words and recognition of their "special" selves.

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLDINGOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Panel 1: A woman in a white dress and a man in a white shirt and tie are standing in a room. The woman is holding a small box and looking at it. The man is looking at her. There is a clock on the wall and a table with a lamp.

Panel 2: The same woman and man are in the same room. The woman is now holding a large box and looking at it. The man is looking at her. There is a clock on the wall and a table with a lamp.

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Pleased to meet you



Name: Joe Trotter
Occupation: Financial adviser at Edward Jones
Hobby: Golfing
What's best about living in Winters: "It beats the winters in Illinois."
Fun fact: I collect neckties.

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Tiempo de republicanos

En las elecciones del 2 de noviembre los electores otorgaron más legislaturas estatales al control republicano y con ello, los conservadores ganan influencia no sólo sobre los procesos legislativos, sino también en la reasignación de distritos electorales. De una manera simple: los republicanos adquieren más curules impactando el equilibrio de poder al seno del Congreso, y por supuesto, en lo posible, poniendo en marcha su agenda legislativa y política en los años subsiguientes.

Los republicanos ganaron más de 690 curules en las legislaturas estatales (alrededor del 53 por ciento de los asientos legislativos, el mayor porcentaje obtenido desde 1928), al menos cinco gubernaturas (Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Pensilvania y Wisconsin), y tal vez lo más significativo, la obtención de poder a lo largo de la nación en las legislaturas de al menos otros 20 estados, incluyendo algunos que antes de la elección estaban en completo control de los demócratas, como Maine y Wisconsin.

Con el ‘nuevo’ poder de los líderes republicanos y como se demostró durante los meses de campaña en las encuestas pre-electorales, surge también el deseo ciudadano de un verdadero trabajo bipartidista que saque a la nación del tremendo bache económico en el que aun se encuentra, que reduzca los niveles de desempleo del 9.6 por ciento en que se encuentra trabado y que a la vez, no olvide de las reformas que han quedado pendientes. Para la comunidad hispana, una que le atañe directamente, es la migratoria.

Pero estos líderes enemigos del endeudamiento están comprometidos con el concepto de un gobierno reducido, cortes presupuestales y disminución de impuestos, y lo cierto es que su agenda no variará significativamente. Se centra en cambios a las políticas de recaudación fiscal y de partidas presupuestales a los estados, restricciones en los recursos destinados a las prácticas de aborto, promete — más recientemente- debilitar la reforma al cuidado de la salud, y ciertamente, fortalecer su lucha contra la inmigración ilegal, en todos los frentes posibles. Sobre aviso no hay engaño.

Al igual que el presidente Obama — quien reconoció ‘una paliza’ — la lideresa de la Cámara Baja Nancy Pelosi culpó a la economía por el revés recibido por su partido en las urnas. Y en ese ascenso al poder, los republicanos tienen ahora mas posiciones de liderazgo que llenar y en primera fila se encuentra el representante John A. Boehner de Ohio, quien precisamente se convertirá en el sucesor de Pelosi y el representante Eric Cantor de Virginia, quien se espera tome el cargo de líder de la mayoría, por mencionar algunos.

California es tal vez el triunfo demócrata más prominente con Jerry Brown que arrasó la gubernatura mientras los votantes dieron a este mismo partido la oportunidad de mantener el dominio de la legislatura. Los demócratas conservarán el control en por lo menos otros 16 estados, los republicanos ostentan el poder en al menos 25 y en otras cinco entidades el control será bipartidista. En los estados restantes, el control de sus respectivas cámaras legislativas, está todavía en el aire.

No obstante, el recelo por el dominio republicano a lo largo de la escena nacional para muchos en las clases más desprotegidas, grupos vulnerables o simplemente las minorías, viene por el temor de cortes y restricciones a los beneficios de desempleo, a programas de asistencia social, el establecimiento de días de ausencia obligatorios sin pago para empleados estatales y recortes al presupuesto para la operación de los distritos escolares, entre muchos otros.

Claro, en ese mismo limbo parece quedaría la comunidad indocumentada, a la que también se le prometió hasta el cansancio una reforma migratoria y ahora ve más incierta que nunca, esa posibilidad. Qué bien que se trabaje intensamente en la reactivación de la economía: es una prioridad nacional. Pero si una certeza se puede obtener del reacomodo político luego del 2 de noviembre, es que, lo que viene ahora relativo a la comunidad indocumentada, es perfectamente predecible. La reforma migratoria seguirá en espera, de eso no tengo la menor duda.

Sospechoso sigue libre

Un hombre desconocido se metió a un vehículo recreacional en el parque Solano el domingo 10 de octubre entre las 3 y 4 de la tarde, y abuso física y sexualmente de una mujer que se encontraba sola en esos momentos en el vehículo recreacional. La víctima de-

scribió al sospechoso como un hombre hispano, de aproximadamente 30 años de edad, de complexión corta y obeso. Pelo corto negro, ojos color café y sin barba. Vestía una camiseta, un pantalón de pana, y un par de guantes de trabajo al momento del

ataque.

El sospechoso le habló a la víctima en español y en un inglés muy deficiente, tenía un fuerte olor a alcohol. Le pidió dinero a su víctima y termino robándole \$200, así como una pequeña caja fuerte, antes de darse a la fuga a pie en dirección

desconocida.

Se pide la cooperación para poder detener a este sospechoso, si alguien sabe algo de este caso puede hablar a la oficina del alguacil del condado de Solano (707) 421-7090 o a Crimestoppers al (707) 644-STOP.



SUSPECT

Programa paisano

La Secretaría de Gobernación, a través del Instituto Nacional de Migración (INM), informa que desde el pasado 1 de noviembre y hasta el 10 de enero de 2011 estará vigente el Operativo de Invierno del Programa Paisano con el propósito de orientar y proteger a los connacionales en su tránsito, salida e ingreso al país.

En este operativo se contará con la participación de mil 212 observadores de la sociedad civil, quienes estarán distribuidos en 132 módulos fijos y en 400 puntos de observación, ubicados en los Centros de Importación e Internación Temporal de Vehículos (CIITEV), puentes y aeropuertos internacionales, garitas de abandono, centrales de autobuses, presidencias municipales, carreteras y casetas de peaje, así como establecimientos comerciales de diversa índole, donde en muchas ocasiones, los paisanos se detienen durante su viaje por México.

Estos voluntarios de la sociedad civil proporcionarán información y orientación sobre los trámites, servicios, derechos, obligaciones y programas de asistencia del Gobierno Federal en 240 ciudades y municipios de nuestro país. A estos esfuerzos se suma la participación de

gobiernos estatales y municipales, en el marco de coordinación interinstitucional y en los tres niveles de gobierno.

Como en cada temporada, las 21 dependencias que integran el Programa, refuerzan sus acciones en el ámbito de su competencia y otorgan facilidades administrativas para la realización de este operativo, entre las cuales destacan: Se distribuirá a nivel nacional y a través de la red consular mexicana en el exterior un total de 1 millón de ejemplares de nuestra Guía Paisano edición invierno 2010, misma que contiene información sobre trámites y servicios de instituciones públicas de utilidad para su viaje.

Del 1 de noviembre al 10 de enero de 2011, la Administración General de Aduanas del Servicio de Administración Tributaria (SAT), elevará la franquicia terrestre de 75 a 300 dólares para que los paisanos puedan ingresar con un mayor volumen de mercancías sin pagar impuestos.

El Programa Paisano, con apoyo de la Confederación de Asociaciones de Agentes Aduanales de la República Mexicana (CAAAREM), pondrá a disposición de los usuarios un “Cotizado” para que puedan calcular el pago de impuestos relativos a la importación definitiva de

vehículos a México, de acuerdo a la normatividad vigente. Este servicio está disponible en el portal www.paisano.gob.mx desde el 1 de noviembre.

Los paisanos podrán acceder al programa “Traza tu ruta,” disponible en las direcciones electrónicas www.set.gob.mx y www.paisano.gob.mx, donde podrán planear sus rutas carreteras, así como revisar las señales de tránsito y consultar otras orientaciones para un viaje más seguro por territorio nacional.

Conjuntamente, la Policía Federal y elementos de auxilio vial Ángeles Verdes, llevarán a cabo operativos de vigilancia y apoyo en las principales carreteras del país. Además en Estados Unidos, por primera vez a través del portal www.paisano.gob.mx, se podrá solicitar una Guía Paisano edición invierno 2010 a domicilio.

La Secretaría de Gobernación invita a todos los connacionales a que en cualquier temporada del año, antes de emprender su viaje a México se asesoren y soliciten información al Programa Paisano para evitar cualquier contratiempo al venir de visita a nuestro país. La Coordinación Nacional del Programa Paisano cuenta con números telefónicos gratuitos de orientación y ayuda los 365 días del año, las 24 horas del día en el 01 800 201 85 42 desde México y 1 877 210 94 69 desde Estados Unidos.

Aumento colegiaturas

El sistema de la Universidad Estatal de California (CSU, por sus siglas en inglés) decidió incrementar sus colegiaturas en 15 por ciento a partir del próximo año escolar. Con el nuevo incremento, el costo promedio de una carrera de licenciatura es de unos cinco mil dólares anuales, por lo que el aumento es de alrededor de unos 450 dólares.

La mesa de rectores de la CSU decidió aplicar el incremento en dos fases. El próximo semestre se aplicará un aumento de 5.0 por ciento, mientras que el segundo, de 10 por ciento, se concretará en el semestre del otoño de 2011. Pese a este incremento, la CSU es el sistema de universidad pública más barato en el estado, ya que el de la Universidad de California (UC) aumentó colegiaturas en la primavera pasada y el costo promedio superó, por primera vez, los 10 mil dólares anuales. Los rectores de las dos universidades tratan de proporcionar mejores oportunidades tanto a estudiantes de bajos recursos como de diversos grupos étnicos.

Ideas para ahorrar

En tiempos en donde la economía sigue siendo el principal problema para numerosas familias, les ofrecemos algunas ideas que le pueden ayudar a recortar algunos gastos de su presupuesto familiar.

Refinancia tu hipoteca, pero antes dedica el tiempo a conseguir el mejor interés con la menor cantidad de puntos.

Aumenta el deducible de tu seguro de auto, y también el de la mayoría de tus otros seguros si ves que eso te ahorra considerablemente en tus pagos mensuales.

Ve a las funciones de la tarde de cine, que son más las baratas, aprovecha los precios para personas mayores, si ya tienes la edad, y si vas con frecuencia compra varias entradas por un precio de descuento.

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Advice offered for reducing juvenile crime

◆ DA suggests taking precautions, starting new habits

By PATRICIA M. FONG
Deputy District Attorney
Yolo County

Juvenile crimes are often crimes of opportunity. We can reduce juvenile crime dramatically with simple precautions and new habits.

~ Take car keys out of the vehicle. Often cars are parked with the keys hanging from the ignition or left on the floorboard or console. "We may live in a safe community," but do not tempt fate. About half of these cars are "recovered" after a crash leaves them totaled. One victim lost his ability to work when both his truck and landscaping equipment were stolen.

~ Take iPods, cell phones, computers, purses, GPS and guns out of the car or lock them out of sight. These items are good for quick sales on the black market. iPods, cell phones or GPS units easily sell for \$10-15 — just enough to buy marijuana for the day. Leaving these items in the car is just inviting a "smash and grab."

~ Lock car doors. A recent police report described the crimes of two runaways who after vandalizing a school, proceeded to

find 25 unlocked vehicles to loot in a single evening. Cars are ransacked for anything of value and even cough drops are taken.

~ Report crimes and stolen property. The police often contact suspects riding stolen bikes, but the owner cannot be identified because the bike is not licensed and has nothing identifying on it. Not only does the suspect get a "free ride" because police cannot prove that the bike was stolen, but the police are unable to return it to the owner. A juvenile recently returned "stolen" jewelry. The theft was not reported, so the police were unable to return the property to the rightful owner. Mark your property with identifying information.

~ Request restitution if you are a crime victim. Victims have a right to restitution for their losses. Some victims feel sorry for juveniles arrested and decline to request restitution. Court ordered restitution is a real consequence for the criminal behavior and part of the rehabilitation process.

~ Lock up prescription and other drugs. Vicodin, methadone and other drugs need to be locked up from children in your household. Your children may not steal your drugs, but their friends

might. Juveniles who use marijuana, alcohol and drugs disrupt classrooms throughout the County every day.

~ Lock up alcohol, especially when you are away, and don't leave children home alone. Parents report juveniles having spontaneous parties while they are out of the house. These parties often include alcohol or drugs. Vandalism, thefts and sexual assaults are not uncommon at these "social gatherings."

~ Tell your children not to disclose or post your vacation plans. Your home becomes very vulnerable, especially when your child has already shared the alarm or garage keypad code or given out the location of hidden keys to others for legitimate purposes (feeding animals, retrieving backpacks).

~ Don't leave garages or windows open during the day or night. Juveniles of small stature have been known to climb through these openings, including dog doors. Lock bikes to fixed objects in the garage.

~ Turn on your home security system, even when you are home. Many truant students skip school to rob cars and homes. Turn on your alarm system when you are home, running errands, and sleeping.

~ Do not directly or inadvertently give cars to unlicensed drivers. Some parents hand over car keys to unlicensed juveniles to run errands. Some car keys are stolen after everyone has gone to sleep. Car keys have been removed from purses next to those asleep at home... even grandmas.

~ Know your child's whereabouts 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Make sure you can always contact your children and their friends. Talk with the other parents. Trust your children but verify what they tell you. Parents are in the best position to supervise their children's activities.

~ Check your children's sobriety. Get help for their alcohol and drug use and recovery. Monitor school attendance and be concerned when grades do not reflect ability. Do something when curfew is violated and when you do not approve of their friends. Drug testing at home gives your child an excuse against peer pressure to experiment with drugs.

These suggestions are for everyone. These children belong to all of us and making these extra efforts can reduce juvenile crime.

Davis Art Center offers Arabic language classes

The Davis Art Center is offering a five-week "Arabic 101" class from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Mondays starting Jan. 17.

The class, intended for teens and adults, will meet at the Davis Art Center with instructor Razzan Zahra.

The course will focus on learning to speak, read and write Standard Arabic in an interactive and supportive environment.

Students will learn basic nouns, verbs and adjectives and practice using conversational phrases and writing the Arabic alphabet.

The fee is \$80 for Art Center members and \$90 for the general public.

To enroll, stop by the Art Center at 1919 F St., call (530) 756-4100 or register online at www.davisartcenter.org.

Fibromyalgia group to meet in Vacaville

The Northern Cal Fibro Friends will meet from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20.

The meeting, which includes a potluck luncheon, will take place in the conference room at the VacaValley Hospital, at 1000 Nut Tree Road in Vacaville.

All who have been diagnosed with fibromyalgia or have a family member or friend with fibromyalgia are welcome to attend.

For more information about the group or the upcoming meeting, contact Valman at Valmagrace@aol.com or 756-9153, or Jan at (707) 448-5786.

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the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed
of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and ex-
penses 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. Pursu-
ant to California Civil Code Section 2923.54 the
undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan ser-
vicer, or authorized agent, declares as follows: [X
] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the
commissioner a final or temporary order of ex-
emption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is cur-
rent 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: JAMES D. MCKIM AND LISA
MCKIM, HUSBAND AND WIFE Duly Appointed
Trustee: CR Title Services, Inc. P.O. BOX 16128,
TUCSON, AZ 85732-6128 866-702-9658
Recorded 08-25-2005 as Instrument No. 2005-
0041906-00 in book , page of Official Records in
the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, Cali-
fornia, Date of Sale:12-02-2010 at 12:00PM Place
of Sale: AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO
THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 1110 WEST CAPI-
TOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA Amount
of unpaid balance and other charges: \$336,223.57
Street Address or other common designation of
real property: 400 LUIS PLACE WINTERS, CA
95694 A.P.N.: 003-341-035 Legal Description: AS
MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF
TRUST The undersigned Trustee disclaims any li-
ability 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
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AGENCY SALES AND POSTING at WWW.FI-
DELITYASAP.COM or 714-730-2727 REINSTATE-
MENT LINE: 866-702-9658 Date: 11-11-2010 CR
Title Services, Inc. P.O. BOX 16128 TUCSON, AZ
85732-6128 STEPHANIE ABCEDE, TRUSTEE
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City
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hearing on December 7, 2010, at 6:30 p.m.. in the
Council Chambers of City Hall, 318 First Street,
Winters, California. Purpose of the public hearing
is to consider adoption of City of Winters Ordinance
No. 2010-11, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
TITLE 2, CHAPTERS 2.16, 2.20, 2.28, 2.32; TITLE
5, Chapter 5.36, TITLE 12, CHAPTERS 12.08
AND 12.12; TITLE 16, CHAPTER 16.08; AND
TITLE 17, CHAPTERS 17.08, 17.12, 17.16, 17.42,
17.32, 17.36, 17.40, 17.56, 17.84, 17.88, 17.100,
AND 17.108 OF THE WINTERS MUNICIPAL
CODE TO DELETE DESIGNATED INACTIVE
COMMISSIONS AS STANDING COMMISSIONS
OF THE CITY OF WINTERS, TO DESIGNATE
CITY OFFICERS OR DEPARTMENTS HAVING
AUTHORITY OVER THE FORMER DUTIES OF
SUCH COMMISSIONS; AND RESOLVING CODE
AMBIGUITIES OVER THE DUTIES OF ZONING
ADMINISTRATOR AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
DIRECTOR. The Ordinance is summarized, pursu-
ant to California law, as follows:
The City of Winters Municipal Code contains refer-
ences to outdated or inactive commissions, in-
cluding the Streets and Trees Commission, the
Parks and Community Services Commission, the
Historic Preservation Commission, and the Eco-
nomic Development Commission. Further, the
Code contains references to the Zoning Adminis-
trator, which duties will be primarily transferred to
the Planning Commission to make full use of the
current employment levels at City Hall, low due to
the economic downturn. The City Council contin-
ues to have authority to revive these commissions,
on an ad hoc basis, as needed. The City Council
currently anticipates the formation of an Economic
Development Commission to provide public input
and recommendations on the Gateway plan in east
Winters. This ordinance, if adopted, will clean up
these provisions of the City Municipal Code.
Copies of the proposed ordinance are available for
inspection or copying, pursuant to the California
Public Records Act, at the office of Winters City
Clerk, City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, Califor-
nia.
The purpose of the public hearing will be to give
citizens an opportunity to make their comments
known. If you are unable to attend the public hear-
ing, you may direct written comments to the City of
Winters, City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, CA
95694 or you may telephone (530) 795-4910, ex-
tension 101, before 5 p.m. on Tuesday, November
30, 2010. In addition, a public information file is
available for review at the above address between
the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.
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Dated: November 16, 2010
John C. Wallace, City Attorney, City of Winters

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No. 2010-10, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
TITLE 2, CHAPTER 2.12 OF THE WINTERS MU-
NICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF
FIRE CHIEF AND THE WINTERS FIRE DEPART-
MENT. The Ordinance is summarized, pursuant to
California law, as follows:
The City of Winters previously contracted with the
Winters Fire Protection District for fire protection
services. The City of Winters is constructing its
own Public Safety Facility, to house both fire pro-
tection services and police services. This ordi-
nance, once adopted, will confirm that the City of
Winters has established its own Fire Department,
its own Fire Chief and city employed fire protection
and emergency personnel. On January 1, 2011,
an agreement with the Winters Fire Protection Dis-
trict will take effect, whereby the City of Winters will
provide fire protection services and emergency
services to the Winters Fire Protection District.
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**Notice of Application
to Sell Alcoholic Beverages**
**NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**
Date of Filing Application: November 4, 2010
To Whom it may concern:
The name of the Applicant is:
PRESERVE INC
The applicants listed above are applying to the
Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell
alcoholic beverages at:
200 Railroad Ave
Winters CA, 95694-1724
Type of license(s) applied for:
47 - On-Sale General Eating Place
Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control
3321 Power Inn Road, Suite 230
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