



Large gas lines run through Winters, too

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The Sept. 9 gas pipeline rupture and explosion in San Bruno that left eight dead and destroyed 37 homes was a game changer for PG&E and utilities in general. Along with the I35W bridge collapse last year in St. Paul, Minn., it was another cautionary warning on the decay of U.S. infrastructure.

Much as we may hope otherwise, two significant high-pressure natural gas transmission pipelines run through Winters, both running north-south under the median at Valley Oak Drive, on the west edge of town. Southward, the lines cross under Putah Creek. Their route north of Valley Oak runs

through the linear park planned for future development, Castle View Lane and County Road 88.

The larger of the two is line 401, a huge 42-inch diameter pipe that runs underground alongside a much older large line, line 400, which is 36 inches in diameter. Line 401 is the largest diameter that PG&E uses, and it was constructed in 1992. These lines are used for long-distance transmission and are 290 miles long (2 1/2 miles in Winters), running from the Northern California border to the Bay Area. The lines run with pressures similar to the line in San Bruno, about 375 pounds per square inch.

The more concerning

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New committee will focus on Grant Avenue economic development

By DEBBIE HEMENWAY
Staff writer

The Nov. 16 Winters City Council meeting was a meat and potatoes affair, with the Winters Gateway development project as the main course.

City Manager John Donlevy presented the council with a proposed timeline for the implementation program. He called the timeline “aggressive but realistic” and emphasized that “as city manager, it is my highest priority” to move all aspects of the project forward in as short a time as possible.

Under Donlevy’s plan, the council will review and approve design and policy guidelines as

early as March and no later than July 2011 and will act on the recommendations of an as-yet unformed Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) in the same time frame.

Much of the discussion centered on the formation of the EDAC. Donlevy’s recommendation specifies a seven-member committee, composed of one member appointed by each council member, one member chosen by the city council from the planning commission and one member from either the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors or from a regional planning agency.

There was a concern

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FFA-bulous Christmas trees



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Don’t rush out and buy that Christmas tree just yet — enjoy the Thanksgiving weekend. The Winters High School FFA will have plenty of freshly cut Christmas trees next weekend at the ag site on Niemann Street. Trees, wreaths and free hot chocolate and cookies will be in abundance on Saturday, Dec. 4, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 5, 9 a.m. until sold out. Helping to spread the word about this major fundraiser for the Winters FFA are FFA members (from left) Adam Martinez, Henry Nicholson and Alyssa Winslow.

City wins \$1.66M in park grants

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

The city of Winters has done well winning grant funding for city projects in recent years, and last week brought more good news. Two grants, totaling \$1.665 million, were awarded for affordable housing and construction of a park at the Orchard Village development.

The Orchard Village project is under construction now opposite the east end of Anderson Avenue at Railroad Avenue. The project will provide 74 units for the benefit of low-income families.

The two grant applications were made by two consultant

firms hired by Pacific West Communities, the project developer. The city collaborated in the application process. City grant writer Dawn Van Dyke will be managing the grants.

One is a General Allocation grant under the federal Community Development Block Grant program, for \$800,000. CDBG grants are designed to provide funding for community development in a way that is flexible and responds to local community input. This grant includes \$54,000 for administration, \$383,000 for affordable home ownership assistance and \$280,000 for public improvements and support of new affordable housing

construction. The last item will go to the infrastructure for a 1.6-acre park the developers are required to include in the development, as a requirement of the California 1975 Quimby Act.

The entire park area will be five acres, and open to the community. Another \$83,000 of the CDBG grant will be used for the park area beyond the 1.6-acre portion.

The \$383,000 for the affordable home ownership portion of the CDBG grant refunds an existing city program that provides CDBG funds to help first-time home buyers purchase homes in

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Community comes together for dinner

By DENISE COTTRELL
Special to the Express

I must confess I gave up cooking a Thanksgiving turkey quite a few years ago when my husband discovered the cooking shows on television and was certain that he could turn out a better bird. Fine with me; I am happy to set the table.

When I recently heard about the Thanksgiving dinner organized by the nonprofit Winters Community Dinner, I was flabbergasted. Who do you call when there are 800 people on the guest list? For Winters, the answer is Marie Heilman, the coordinator and organizer of the

Winters Community Dinner. On Sunday, Nov. 21, Heilman and her crew of volunteers dished out a traditional Thanksgiving feast for residents of Winters.

The planning for this event took months and Heilman started planning in the summer. She is the guiding force for this community event that has taken place for the past 12 years. The number of diners has grown every year and the time and effort necessary to raise sufficient funds, donations and volunteers takes many hours to coordinate.

In a year of belt

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Photo by Denise Cottrell

Jennifer Johnson-Ries and Baylee Rippee, members of Winters Girl Scout Troop 207, serve pumpkin pie to eager diners at the 12th annual Winters Community Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 21. The Community Center was filled to capacity for the annual tradition.

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WEATHER

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

Date	Rain	HI	Lo
Nov. 17		77	47
Nov. 18		71	41
Nov. 19		71	53
Nov. 20	.49	61	43
Nov. 21	.70	55	40
Nov. 22	.03	59	42
Nov. 23	.06		

Rain for week: 1.28
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Last year to date: 4.74
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Weekly police report

Nov. 10
~ 4 p.m., On the 400 block of Main Street, a Mexican consulate identification card was lost.

Nov. 11
~ 11:30 a.m., On the first block of Abbey Street, a residence was entered and prescription medicine was stolen. Loss: \$40.

Nov. 12
~ 3:45 p.m., On the 700 block of Main Street, prescription medicine, an iPhone charger, six CDs and assorted change were stolen from an unlocked vehicle. Loss: \$192.

Nov. 12-13
~ 3 to 8:55 p.m., On the 700 block of Main Street, spray paint was used to write graffiti on several areas of a construction site. Damage: \$1,000.

~ 4 p.m. to 9:21 a.m., On the 700 block of Main Street, tools were stolen from an unsecured utility box. Loss: \$2,250.

Nov. 14
~ 10 p.m., On the 200 block of Railroad Avenue, someone broke into a vehicle and stole a paintball gun, iPod and stereo deck. Loss: \$525.

Nov. 15
~ 3:30 a.m. to 7:38 p.m., On the 400 block of Dry Creek Lane, a handgun, pepper ball gun and other miscellaneous

items were stolen from a locked vehicle trunk. Loss: \$864.

~ 1:50 p.m., On the 1000 block of Hemenway Street, parties were involved in a domestic dispute.

Nov. 16
~ 12:05 p.m., Victim reported a lost passport.

~ 7 to 9:30 p.m., On the 400 block of Russell Street, spray paint was used to write on three vehicles. Damage: \$3,000.

~ 9:54 p.m., Branden Alexander Engelman, 19, of Winters, was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver, failing to stop at a stop sign and failing to provide proof of insurance.

Nov. 19
~ 10:36 p.m., Carlos Garcia Damian, 21, of Winters, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, with a blood alcohol content of more than .08 percent. Damian was booked at Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

Nov. 21
~ 10:23 a.m., Esteban Moreno, 18, of Winters, was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having audible music heard from more than 50 feet of the vehicle.

Vital Records moves to Yolo County Clerk-Recorder's office

The Yolo County Vital Records office is now housed in the Clerk-Recorder's office, at 625 Court Street, Room B01, in Woodland.

With this move, Vital Records public counter services have been extended from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and public assistance over the phone is available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 666-8130.

The function of the Vital Records office is to register all births and deaths that occur in Yolo County, and to issue burial permits for the interment or movement of human remains.

Vital Records is mandated to provide information about these events to local, state and federal health agencies with the purpose of reducing fraud and helping to promote the health of residents, and to local and state planners to facilitate meaningful and efficient use of planning funds based on Yolo County statistics.

"With reductions in staffing and resources within the Health Department, our ability to maintain the Vital Records office and provide adequate office hours for the public is

limited," said Interim Health Department Director David Kears.

"We are grateful to the Clerk-Recorder's office for housing this function and for providing some additional support to our staff in maintaining this office. This consolidation allows for both the efficient use of limited county resources and moves the county closer to a resident friendly one stop records center."

Yolo County Clerk-Recorder Freddie Oakley said her office is "pleased to assist the Health Department in providing this important service."

"Most of all, we are pleased to provide a one-stop-shop for all public records for the residents of Yolo County," Oakley said.

For more information about Vital Records, visit <http://www.yolo-county.org>.

For more information related to other services provided by the Yolo County Health Department, visit www.yolohealth.org.

For more information related to services provided by the Yolo County Clerk Recorder's office, visit www.yolorecorder.org.

YESTERYEAR



File photo

In the fall of 1956, a program of the U.S. Savings Bonds was instituted at the Winters Elementary School. Pictured here is the advisory board of the program. They are, left to right: James Rollins, assistant manager of Bank of America; A.G. Anderson, manager of Bank of America; Earl T. Ross, of San Francisco, area director for the U.S. Savings Bonds program; and John Clayton, superintendent of school.

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YEARS AGO

December 8, 1960
Rev. H.V. Reeves, in a letter yesterday to members of the First Christian church, announced his plans to retire on May 31 of next year.

At the Block W dinner Monday night, sponsored by the Winters District Chamber of Commerce, Ken Pinkston, Winters High School senior and a tackle on the football team, was named as the school's most valuable player for the 1960 season.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Lorenzo are the parents of a son born on December 4 at the Fairfield Community Hospital.

The Winters Farm Bureau will meet next Wednesday evening in Wesley Hall, the topic of discussion, "How will Winters pick its fruit next Summer?"

One of the historic landmarks of Winters is scheduled to be razed in the near future, as members of the Pioneer Presbyterian Church have voted to have the old church building torn down and the lot cleared.

Winters man arrested on sexual assault charge

Police officers arrested a Winters man early Tuesday on suspicion of sexual assault.

Everardo Jimenez-Vergara, 34, of Winters, was arrested at 6:45 a.m. at his home on the 800 block of West Grant Avenue and transported to the Yolo County Jail.

Jimenez-Vergara faces charges of sexual assault and sodomy, according to Winters police Lt. Sergio Gutierrez.

The victim, a 23-year-old Winters woman, and Jimenez-Vergara

are acquaintances, Gutierrez said.

The sexual assault allegedly occurred early Sunday, Nov. 21. Officers were dispatched to the 1000 block of Adams Lane at about 1 p.m. Sunday to investigate the reported assault.

Officers gathered several pieces of evidence from the sexual assault site, which will be forwarded to the Yolo County District Attorney's Office, Gutierrez said.

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YEARS AGO

December 7, 1945
F.C. Hemenway, former editor and publisher of the Winters Express, now of Fort Bragg was a business caller here this week. Sale of the Hemenway building, corner of Main and First streets, to the California Market was consummated Tuesday.

The Fortnightly Club will feature a Yuletide program Tuesday, December 11. Mrs. J.S. Waggoner, program chairman announces Rev. Lee Sadler as guest speaker.

Judge Degener is limping about town with the aid of a cane, having dislocated his knee and ankle in a fall in his apartment.

Revival of Winters Youth Day was under discussion at the regular meeting of the city council held Tuesday night. Mesdames Howard Hansen, Clarence Kiefer and Glenn Kidder, representing the PTA, attended the meeting and requested that the annual event be revived.

100
YEARS AGO

December 9, 1910
The Farmers telephone line has completed a direct line connecting Davis and Winters.

Rainfall up to date was given at the depot as one and one-quarter inches.

Uncle Charlie Wolfe is 81 years old today.

Messrs. Brock, Hansen, Lucy and Graham of the Wolfskill district have purchased new spray rigs.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Wolfskill were surprised last Thursday evening when neighbors called to spend the evening with them in games, instrumental music, recitations and refreshments.

R.L. Briggs left Wednesday for Alameda where he will be deputy to County Clerk Jack Cook of Alameda County.

Miss Grace Pleasants has returned to Mills College after spending a few days at home.

Miss Bardeen Sackett returned from Berkeley Sunday after a month's visit.

Berryessa lake level rises slightly

The level of Lake Berryessa rose slightly during the week, up .04 of a foot, adding 644 acre feet of water to storage, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 412.50 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,069,548 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 30 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 27 cubic feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam.

Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 59 acre feet of water per day during the week.

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tightening and lowering expectations, it is important as a community to remember as Heilman said, "there are a growing number of people without the means to have a Thanksgiving meal."

"This event encourages people to still care about those in need."

Cooking a meal might not seem like such a difficult task until one considers the magnitude of this dinner. The main course for this year's meal consisted of 50 turkeys and 80 pans of stuffing.

The turkeys were cooked by volunteers with instructions provided by Heilman and then brought to the Community Center where Winters High School culinary teacher Chris Novello took over as the man behind the stove. He made certain everything was the perfect temperature when it went to the table for service.

Novello was accompanied by 10 high school students from the culinary program who volunteered to help plate the food. While the kitchen buzzed with meal preparation, a line of volunteers moved from the window to the tables with plates filled with turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans and a dessert of the traditional pumpkin pie with whipped cream.

During the dinner, diners were entertained by the kids from Valley Church, Kelly the Clown, Louis Alvarado on guitar, a skit presented by the First Baptist Church and John Fredricks, who performed magic tricks.

There is a long list of businesses and citizens of Winters who



Photo by Denise Cottrell

Winters High School students (from left to right) Molly Nickelson, Polette Gonzalez and Alex Evanoff, serve turkey, stuffing and mashed potatoes for the capacity crowd at the Winters Community Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 21.



Photo by Denise Cottrell

Kelly the Clown serves a balloon creation to Chase Gibson and his mother, Peggy Gibson, as part of the festivities at the 12th annual Winters Community Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 21.

volunteered to help
make this event a suc-
cess and perhaps this is
what we are all

reminded to be thankful for — living in a community where neighbor still helps neighbor.



Photo by Denise Cottrell

The Community Center was filled to capacity for the 12th annual Winters Community Meal on Sunday, Nov. 21. At left in the front are Faye and Tony Garcia. The dinner for 800 people took many months to plan. Marie Heilman, the coordinator and organizer of the dinner, began preparations during the summer.

Arboretum oak grove tour set

Learn more about the stages in the life of an oak during a free guided tour of Shields Oak Grove on Saturday, Nov. 27. The tour will leave at 11 a.m. from the Gazebo on Garrod Drive on the UC Davis campus.

There is no charge for the tour, and free parking is available along Garrod Drive and in Visitor Lot 55.

day, Nov. 27. The tour will leave at 11 a.m. from the Gazebo on Garrod Drive on the UC Davis campus. For more information, please call (530) 752-4880 or visit arboretum.ucdavis.edu.

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Opinion

LETTERS

Scouts salute your support

On behalf of the Cub Scouts of Pack 600 and the Boy Scouts of Troop 600, we would like to thank the residents of Winters for their support and contributions during our local food drive this past week.

Nine hundred and fifteen food items were collected, which is an increase from last year. We recognize that this is a difficult economic time for most families and we are grateful for your generous donations. If we missed your donation, please drop your donation at any local church before this Thursday so it can be included in the upcoming Holiday Basket giveaway.

Again, we thank you,
C. Kays
Troop 600
Senior Patrol Leader

Wrestling season now underway

The Winters Wrestling Club has started its 2010-11 season! The high school and middle school teams started practice on Nov. 1, and the Kids Club will start practice on Monday, Nov. 29. We would like to thank



everyone that has had a role in getting this season started: coaches, board, volunteers, supporters, parents, the Winters Joint Unified School District (WJUSD) and the wrestlers.

We are looking forward to hosting a middle school tournament on Saturday, Dec. 18, at the Winters High School gym. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Dan Nicholas or Andy Gomez if you are interested or visit the Winters Wrestling Club Facebook page.

Finally, special "Thank Yous" go out to the following people for their donations to the program: John Hasbuck, John Pickerel and Dr. Ed Dawkins.

PAMELA CORE
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Letters policy

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is noon on Mondays for publication that week. When Monday is a holiday, the deadline is noon on the prior Friday.

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Letters should not exceed 500 words. Do not use all capital letters.

We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters must be

legibly signed by the writer, or if emailed, must indicate the writer's name. We may withhold writers' names from publication upon request if there is a legitimate reason, such as fear of reprisal or retribution. We reserve the right to determine legitimacy.

Letters submitted anonymously will not be printed.

We will accept letters of thanks naming individuals and local Winters businesses. Non-local individuals and businesses listed in letters of thanks will be edited out.

"The Pilgrims made seven times more graves than huts. No Americans have been more impoverished than these who, nevertheless, set aside a day of thanksgiving."

— H.U. Westermayer

May the attorney deliver swift, severe justice to this manufacturer

And now, the epilogue to my two months of homelessness and \$60,000 in damages caused by one cheap plastic toilet fitting. And you're thinking, okay, I'm really getting tired of this topic. And you just shut up, because at least you didn't have to live it. If I suffer, you suffer too.

Let's tie up the loose ends: Yes, I'm back home, yes, all my stuff came back in one piece, yes, the kitties survived, yes, everything was repaired or replaced, yes, it is as good as new, probably better and, most of all, *hayull* no it wasn't worth it. I'd gladly give up every lovely new carpet, countertop and freshly painted wall to rewind the last two months and have every dusty, tattered thing right back the way it was. The stress of this whole experience surely shaved a year or two off my lifespan.

Thankfully, my homeowner's insurance, AAAA, paid for all the damages. Two thumbs way up for AAA, and their claims adjuster Vickie Adams, known only to me as a voice on a telephone, but I envision her with silky gossamer wings and a floating golden halo. This woman kept me from unraveling, and bear in mind, I'm not all that traveled to begin with.

Case in point: One day, about \$30,000 into this ordeal, I got a very stern-looking letter from AAA with photos of the broken plastic toilet fitting, an engineer's analysis of what happened, and a conclusion that a manufacturer defect was the cause of the flood. And, incidentally, AAAA doesn't cover manufacturer's defects and

will not pay for them, good-bye, good luck, and God bless.

It only took about three pounding heartbeats before the hyperventilation kicked in. It appeared that AAA had found a legal loophole, and was ditching me midstream: sorry, Lady, sucks to be you. "Panic" doesn't adequately capture my reaction. You know how people say their life flashes before them in an accident? My financial life flashed before me – Catastrophic debt! Collection agents! Mountains of bills! Foreclosure! Divorce! Ending up, as the late great Chris Farley would say, Living in a van down by Putah Creek!

I left a frantic message for Vickie, and the half-hour it took for her to call me back was a psychological hurricane of despair and doom, my thoughts ping-ponging around my skull in frantic little snippets. If anything was ever going to trigger my first heart attack, that would have been it: a half-finished, uninhabitable house worth essentially nothing in its current state, \$30K in sudden debt, plus a suddenly upside down \$65,000 mortgage, and another \$30K due to the renovation contractors. I was finished, financially. It was all over.

Thankfully, Vicki called me before the first wave of angina bolted through me and managed to talk me down. I'd misunderstood the letter. AAA wasn't refusing to cover the damages. They were refusing to cover the one damaged part. Which costs about \$5. I took in the words and was able to calm my



thoughts, but my entire system was saturated with adrenaline. This is what "nervous wreck" means. It feels like a train wreck in your head.

I chalked up the rest of the day as a loss, paid an emergency visit to my massage therapist and capped it off with a hot bath and a glass of wine. My husbie returned from San Jose, took one look at me and asked if he should take me to the hospital. No, I said, just keep my wine glass full and don't expect coherency until tomorrow. And wrap your arms around me and don't let go until I say so. That's the best way to unravel.

In the entire story, here's the most interesting footnote: I got a call on Friday from an attorney who is pursuing damages against Robert Manufacturing Co., the company that makes those toilet fittings like the one that failed in my house. I hope he bends this company over a barrel. I want him to make them squeal. And Lordy, Lordy, do they have it coming. An AAA agent told me that the type of damage I had in my house is suddenly becoming common. Apparently these fittings have about a 10-year lifespan. My house was about 11 years old when my fitting failed.

You can read about these types of fittings online: www.subrogationrecoverylawblog.com/tags/toilet/. I can't stress enough the im-

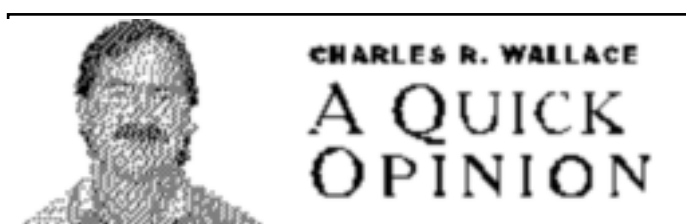
portance of looking at your own toilet supply line fittings *today* to see if you have them. If so, replace them *today*. Trust me, you do not want to go through what I just went through, particularly for a stupid \$5 piece of plastic. Truly, it makes me furious to think of all the people out there who are going through the same thing because of a simple, easily replaced plastic fitting. It's incomprehensible.

Mr. Attorney Man, show no mercy. And if this company is still selling these things, knowing that they're faulty, they should go straight to jail. Right after they compensate every single person whose home was destroyed.

Wait. I best not go too far down that trail or that adrenaline will kick in, and angry adrenaline is a little trickier to disperse than panic adrenaline. Let's just say it'll leave a mark.

Yes. I want to punch Robert Manufacturing Co. in the neck. They have it comin'.

Anyway, as it is Thanksgiving week, I will divert my attention back to being more thankful than I can possibly express to be back home. I simply cannot find the words. And I write for a living. Yes, my friends, it's just that good. There really is no place like home.



A BIG CHANGE IN WINTERS? I like to say that nothing ever changes in Winters. Sure there are a few businesses that change from time to time, and people come and go, but nothing really changes. The atmosphere is still the same, the town feels the same and we only have to remember one prefix for our phone numbers.

Oh, wait a minute. I just saw a 794 number for a Winters business. The new phone number for Root Stock is 794-6008. At first I thought Corinne must have typed it out wrong, but when I phoned the number, it was them. I didn't know what to think. You can always tell a new comer to Winters when they give you their phone number, 795 xxxx. Most of us just use the four digits, 4551.

One of the big changes I noticed when I came back to Winters in 1977 was that you had to dial all seven digits. When I left in 1969 all you had to do was dial four. It took a while to get used to, trust me. I'm not sure what I'll do if I have to start remembering who has 795 and 794 numbers.

This is the time of year when conversations turn to family and friends. As you sit around the dining room table, bring up the phone number scandal and see if it is just me or is the world coming to an end? If you can hold the topic of conversation to unimportant subjects, it should be a successful holiday.

TURKEYS. One thing that doesn't change is the annual Merchants Turkey Giveaway Contest. If you don't have anywhere to go, you might consider dropping by one of the winners homes. You know that they have at least one turkey in the oven.

Ivette Arellano picked up a turkey at Root Stock; E. Ochoa, Winters Visitors Center; Donna Jasinowski, Mazza Dental Care; Francis Davis (from Woodland just in case you didn't recognize her name), Winters Hair Station; Mary Pridemore, Lester Farms Bakery; Juanita Ramos, Cloth Carousel; Julie Russell, Custom Cleaners; Ann Gertz, Berryessa Veterinary Services; C Bolle, Katherine's Bookkeeping Service; Lynnette Parcell (Esparto), Winters True Value; Roger Padilla, Dennis Hiramatsu, D.D.S.; Melody Couture, JJs Saloon; Ansley Alsbery, Tomat's; Chris Gertz, Food Mart; Briana Graf, First Northern Bank; McCreary, El Pueblo Meat Market & Taqueria; Robert Martin, ARC Guitar; Gracia Mendosa, Chuy's Taqueria; Rhoda Laughy, Ron Riesner, D.D.S.; Marisela Garcia, Realty World; Ted Couture, Pizza Factory; Tyler Perez, Winters Eye Care; Logan Crabtree, Subway; Mario Duran, Warrior Video; P. Bolla, Steady Eddy's Coffee House; Josh McNaughton, Putah Creek Café; Julie Rojas, Pacific Ace Hardware, Sally Ivory, Cody's Deli; Nancy Koski, Round Table Pizza; Emilio Martinez, Ireland Agency Insurance; C Bolla, Valley Floors; Dottie Anne McCoy, Eagle Drug; Tom Duncan, Turkovich Family Winery; Melody Couture, West Coast Equipment Rental; Antoinette Bolla, Close Quarters; Tanya & Robert Martin, Edward Jones; and Nancy Koski, Biasi Auto Repair.

As always, some families are luckier than others, but a nice promotion for Winters merchants and Express readers.

Enjoy your holiday.

Tell them what you think

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CITY

Winters City Council, Mayor Woody Fridae; council members, Harold Anderson, Cecilia Curry, Mike Martin and Tom McMasters-Stone; City Manager, John Donlevy; City Hall, 318 First St., Winters, CA 95694.

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Winters Joint Unified School District, 909 West Grant Avenue, Winters 95694, 795-6100, Rebecca Gillespie, superintendent; Board of Trustees, Robyn Rominger, Matt Brickey and David Hyde, Dan Maguire, Rob Warren, Mike Olivas and David Reynoso.

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that the either/or nature of the seventh appointee might leave out an important source of input and the final approval of the concept included language that would extend the committee size to eight if none of the other appointees were from one of the two bodies.

Council member Cecilia Aguilar-Curry asked about the application and vetting process for the EDAC. Appointees to public agency committees must by law fill out a Fair Political practices Commission Form 700. Form 700 is a financial disclosure document that indicates possible conflicts of interest. Committee members must also undergo ethics training before serving.

Councilmember Tom McMasters Stone suggested forming an ad hoc committee rather than a formal committee, which would not require the applicants to fill out the lengthy forms. After discussion among the members, it was decided that

transparency was of vital importance to the legitimacy of the committee's work and findings, and the requirement of full disclosure was maintained.

Stone also raised the question of whether or not committee members needed to be Winters residents. He noted that there might be experts from other communities who could bring valuable experience and insight, and that there are members of the Winters business community who do not live in the town. The council took Stone's point and did not make residence a requirement.

Harold Anderson, also a councilmember, asked how the council would be apprised of what the committee does. Anderson made it clear at several points throughout the discussion that he wanted to be certain that all committees are accountable to the city council, not to the city manager. He also expressed doubts that the process could be completed in the proposed six months.

Donlevy assured the members that "the council will create the syllabus" and that all information "will funnel back through the planning commission and the council on a

regular basis." Part of the purpose of appointing committees, Donlevy explained, was to help meet the timeframe.

"There will be meetings every week," he explained. The council only meets twice a month, so to rely solely on them to do the work would extend the process.

In the end, the council voted unanimously to move ahead with Donlevy's plan as presented, with the caveat of the possible extended membership of the EDAC.

Other items

In other business, the council approved the purchase of the old library building on First Street. By law, when public agencies wish to dispose of public real property, they must first offer it to other agencies. Yolo County offered the building to the City of Winters at an appraised cost of \$207,000.

The City will use park development money to make the purchase, as the proposed uses are recreational, with the understanding that the fund would be reimbursed if the use changes. Council members Woody Fridae and Harold Anderson

recused themselves from the vote to avoid conflicts of interest. Both live near the building.

Also approved was \$114,880 for the purchase of a radio communications tower for the new Public Safety Facility. The funding for the tower comes from a \$140,000 Homeland Security grant.

Donlevy, with the council's approval, will explore shared services opportunities with other local/public entities within the county. Donlevy assured the council, after being questioned by Aguiar-Curry, that no city employees would find their jobs at risk.

In a report on Utility Tax increases, the council learned that utility vendors are \$58,000 in arrears in payments to the city, with PG&E accounting for the largest portion of the shortfall. City Attorney John Wallace has contacted the vendors by certified mail. The council will be updated again after the first of the year.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the council is Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, 318 First St.

PARK

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Winters. This fund loans the money and then re-loans money as it is repaid, but its balance is currently near zero.

"Until these funds come in," said Housing Programs Manager Dan Maguire, "we're not able to do first-time home buyer loans."

The program helps first-time home buyers by giving them a second mortgage with deferred interest, which makes it easier for the buyer to qualify for a mortgage from a bank.

The second grant will provide \$865,000 from state Proposition 84 funds, which provides money for communities for a variety of projects, including building parks. There were 62 grantees out of 500 applicants. This grant will be used to build the larger park area, beyond the 1.6-acre portion required by the Quimby Act. The two park portions will appear as one five-acre park, once they are complete. The park design calls for native plantings and a low-maintenance design. The park will be in the east portion of the development, bordering Walnut Lane.

According to Van Dyke, the city originally requested \$855,000, but the grant reviewer suggested the city apply for an additional \$10,000 for a community garden, an idea the city spoke about, but had dropped off its wish list.

Van Dyke is convinced the grant was successful because the consultant MRG did an extensive job of getting community feedback on public needs, through interviews and meetings with schools and local groups.

"The vast majority of this," Van Dyke said of the application, "is minutes from the meetings they attended

— planning commission meetings, nutrition program meetings, community meetings, afterschool program meetings. They just asked kids what they wanted to see and people what they wanted to see."

The total \$1.665 million in grants help the developer meet the park land requirement, but bring significant other benefits, including jobs for construction, a new five-acre community park, and funding for affordable housing programs.

"This project has done a lot to bring positive impacts to the city," Van Dyke said.

Professor to speak on ‘Understanding Islam’

Professor Rosalie Amer will give a talk titled "Understanding Islam Today," at the Veterans' Memorial Center in Davis at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov 28.

The presentation includes an introduction to the faith, its practices, beliefs, Al-Qur'an, traditions and branches within historical context from the seventh century C.E. through contemporary times.

Striving to stay on the straight path in reaching for peace will also be addressed.

Time for audience questions and answers by Amer will follow the presentation.

Amer teaches courses in global Islam and history of the Middle

East, and has been involved for 20 years with the revival and development of the Bibliotheca Alexandrina in Egypt.

Amer also is known for her work in the creation of Sacramento Area League of Associated Muslims and is developing its library at the Center for Higher Islamic Learning in Sacramento.

Open to the public, Sunday's presentation is hosted by Unity Center of Davis and will take place at the Veterans' Memorial Center, at 203 E. 14th St. in Davis.

For more information about the event or the Unity Center, visit www.unityofdavis.org or call 758-2424.

Happy
Thanksgiving!

— from the staff at
the Express

Community

Fall is a busy time for Soroptimists

The Soroptimists of Winters have been busy over the past few weeks supporting good programs and volunteering their services.

On Nov. 3, they heard about Jonathon Stall's walk from Lewis, Del., to San Francisco to advertise the work of KIVA, a micro-lending nonprofit based in San Francisco. The KIVA project assists domestic and overseas small business owners with micro-loans to allow their businesses to flourish. The program offers positive action to help small businesses that have suffered in the current financial climate.

For more information on both Stall's walk and on KIVA itself, check out

www.KIVAWALK.com or search for KIVAWALK on Facebook.

More positive action from the Soroptimists came from the continuation of the Cinderella project on Nov. 4 and 5, which shares gently worn clothing with young women in the community. One hundred and fifty dresses were on display in the old library building and more than 50 dresses were given out to young high school women who wanted a new holiday outfit.

Earlier this week, as an addition to the holiday festivities in town, the Soroptimists donned their aprons to help with the community meal on Sunday, Nov. 21.



Courtesy photo

Annie, Debbie and Tom, Tony and Brandi, Aubree, Fernando and Michael wish Tony and Isabel Cortez — "Nana and Papa" — a happy 70th anniversary. "We love you both with all our hearts," they said.

Cortezes celebrate 70th anniversary

Tony and Isabel Cortez of Winters celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary this year. They were married Nov. 22, 1940, in Spain.

Tony was born in Vacaville, but returned to Spain to marry and start a family. He traveled back and forth from Spain to California, but finally, on Dec.

18, 1948, he brought his wife and little Tony and little Isabel here to live. Later, they had a third child, David.

Neither Tony nor Isabel have been back to Spain since. He was a carpenter and rancher in the Winters area and Isabel worked for Basic Foods in Vacaville and the Valley Farmers Co-op in Winters.

Stark graduates from artillery training

Army Pfc. Daniel R. Stark has graduated from the Field Artillery Automated Tactical Data Systems Specialist Advanced Individual Training course at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla.

As members of the Army's field artillery team, the course is designed to train soldiers as specialists to operate the advanced field artillery tactical data systems for both cannon and multiple launch rocket systems. The specialists play a critical role in the safe, accurate, and lethal delivery of the field artillery's various fire

support systems used to support infantry and tank units in combat.

Skills training included methods of computing target locations using computers or manual calculations, ammunition handling techniques and operating and performing maintenance on related equipment, vehicles, generators and artillery tactical and data systems.

He is the son of Micheal S. Stark of Livermore and Linda L. Kelly of Winters. He is a 1998 graduate of Granada High School, Livermore.

Calling all carolers for tree lighting

If you have ever sung in a choir, you are invited to lead our Winters community in a caroling at the annual tree lighting Dec. 4.

The more voices, the more fun.

Join us in the gazebo at 4:45 p.m. for a tune-up.

Aguiar-Curry elected to water resources board

The Water Resources Association of Yolo County has announced the re-election of Bill Marble as chairman of the Board of Directors for 2011. Marble, a Woodland City Councilman, represents the city of Woodland on the board.

The elections were held at the regular board meeting on Nov. 15. Other elected WRA officers include vice chairman Sid England of UC Davis, and treasurer Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Winters City Council member.

"The WRA plays an increasingly important role in local and regional water issues," Marble said. "I'm delighted to serve with so many

talented individuals and thank our member agencies for the collaborative spirit they exemplify. We look forward to 2011 as we continue to implement the goals and objectives of the Yolo County Integrated Regional Water Management Plan."

WRA members include Woodland, Davis, West Sacramento, Winters, Yolo County, UC Davis, Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Colusa County Water District, Dunnigan Water District, and Reclamation Districts 2035 and 108.

For more information, visit www.yolowra.org.

Bereavement group offered

Yolo Hospice has a drop-in bereavement group for adults, which is available to the Winters community.

In this small group environment, participants can explore and work through their grief with discussion and education.

People in any stage of grief are welcome. Registration is not necessary and there is no fee to participate.

The group meets twice monthly on the first and third Tuesdays of the month from 10 to 11 a.m. at Yolo Hospice, 1909 Galileo Court, Suite A, in Davis.

Call Yolo Hospice, Bereavement Services, at 758-5566 or 1-800-491-7711 for more information.

Calendar

Thursday, November 25

Thanksgiving

Winters Rotary Club meeting, noon, The Buckhorn

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

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

Friday, November 26

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

Saturday, November 27

Canyon Outing, "," 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Stebbins Cold Canyon; e-mail jfalyn@ucdavis.edu to attend

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

Sunday, November 28

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

Stebbins Cold Canyon Outing, e-mail jfalyn@ucdavis.edu to attend

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

Tuesday, November 30

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

Wednesday, December 1

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

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

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

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CHAMBER NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

Together, we'll sail through this storm

By **AL ALDRETE**
Executive Director

“Red skies at night, a sailor’s delight, red skies at morning, sailor take warning.”

According to the Center for Strategic Economic Research, the economic dark cloud is still hanging over the Sacramento region, and it will be here through most of 2011. Not a great start to my monthly article, but I think it is important for businesses and the community to know what is out there — mostly more unemployment, but the numbers are heading in a more positive direction.

I’ve been a sailor since I was 14. I haven’t done much sailing in the past 10 years, but I’ve noticed that running a business or organization is much like sailing. Some days there are clear blue skies with just the right amount of wind to get you moving and then, just like that, the winds die and if you’re not prepared, you’re just set adrift. Other times it can be much worse — the dreaded calm before the storm.

I am of the mind that we’re all in the same boat, at least in the big picture sense: the USS Winters Economy. Together with all the other cities and towns, we make up the armada of the California Economy and so on up to the Flag Ship of the USS U.S. Economy.

The thing about sailing is that the bigger the ship, the more crew that is needed to help in order to have a successful voyage. A key component of the USS Winters Economy is the “shop local” mentality. That is getting more members of the community — the crew of the ship — to think about buying in Winters before heading outside city limits to buy their goods and services. The Chamber is forming a group of business owners to help get the message out to the public to do just that. If you are interested in being involved in that group, please call our office, 795-2329.

Other components of the Winters economy are for businesses to hope for the best, but be prepared for the worst. What does that mean? Simply put, have a solid business plan in place, and review it. In this type of economy, review it on a quarterly basis, and make sure you have fail-safes in place in the event something happens to you, a business partner or key employees. Keep things simple. A good plan doesn’t have to be complicated. Make sure you can follow it. The Chamber has resources for businesses that can help give guidance in these areas.

The U.S. economy has been facing one of the toughest economies of a generation, and we’re not out of the squall yet.

The nation appears to be recovering faster than the state, which makes sense; California was one of the worst hit. The Sacramento region, of which Winters is a part, was one of the worst hit in the state, so we’re lagging behind the rest of the state. Again, the good news is the numbers are moving in a more positive direction, so it’s important that we as a community work together to weather the remainder of the storm, and if we can do that, we’ll be able to set sails for much brighter times.

New members

~ The Chamber of Commerce welcomes our newest members, Root Stock, 22 Main Street and Yolo Family Service Agency.

Chamber Calendar

~ Thursday, Nov. 25: The Chamber office will be closed for Thanksgiving.

~ Saturday, Dec. 4: Stop, Shop and Stroll Main Street, and Tree Lighting Ceremony, 5-7 p.m.

~ Friday, Dec. 10: Monthly Chamber Board of Directors meeting, 7 a.m., Visitors Center, 11 Main Street

~ Monday, Dec. 13: December Mixer at Realty World, 37 Main Street, 5:30-7 p.m.

~ Saturday, Jan. 22: The Year in Review celebration, Community Center.

Look who joined



Photo by Chris Jones

Solano Magazine noted that Tomat’s is “A tucked away treasure.” Opening in May of 1998 at 1123 Grant Avenue, Tony and Susan Dela’o have been creating the ultimate California Cuisine. Tomat’s is open daily except Tuesdays, and offers a great place for gatherings of any kind. For reservations or more information, call 795-3404.

Chamber meetings open to community

The Winters Chamber of Commerce meets on the second Friday of each month at 7 a.m. in the Chamber office, located inside the Winters Visitors Center, 11 Main St. Anyone interested in the local business community is welcome.

The Chamber office and Visitors Center are open daily, except Tuesday.

For more information about the Chamber, call 795-2329.

Chamber dues help fund:

Paid staff for the Chamber office ♦ Sponsorship of local events

Listing in Winters Business Directory ♦ Support of various community projects

Chamber membership includes:

Listing on the Chamber website: www.winterschamber.com

Eligibility for group health insurance with Western Health Advantage

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of the two lines is the smaller of the two, the 36-inch line 400, because it is almost 50 years old, built in 1961. For comparison, Line 132 in San Bruno is 30 inches and was built in 1956.

While awaiting the final report from the National Transportation Safety Board report on the San Bruno rupture, which may take months, PG&E is starting an ambitious program of pipeline failure prevention and evaluation. The program is called "Pipeline 2020," and, according to PG&E spokesperson Kathleen Romens, will be not only a new approach for PG&E, but will set new standards for pipeline safety for the whole industry.

The program includes creating a research program to develop new pipeline "best practices." The program also will include changing more gas controls like valves to computer automatic operation or remote operation. Part of the San Bruno NTSB investigation is looking at how long it took PG&E staff to go to manual valves and shut them off. It took an hour and

29 minutes to shut off valves north and south of the San Bruno rupture, and five hours and 19 minutes to shut off gas to houses on fire at the site. As soon as gas going to houses was shut off, fires from escaping natural gas at the damaged houses went out.

Also, while awaiting the report, the California Public Utilities Commission required PG&E to do a systemwide inspection of all its natural gas transmission lines. Depending on location and access, the utility conducted the leak survey using combustible gas indicators, infrared or laser technology instruments, or visual observation. In most instances, a leak surveyor walks along the surface of the ground above the pipeline using leak detection instruments. In some circumstances, the leak surveyor may use a mobile device mounted on a vehicle or aerially from a plane using infrared technology to spot hydrocarbons.

If the workers detect a leak, the utility does a closer inspection, which can include excavation, to spot corrosion in the pipe itself. PG&E uses a variety of methods to inspect pipelines for interior corrosion, including In Line Inspection, Ultrason-

ic testing, X-ray and Guided Wave assessment.

There are other techniques PG&E can use, such as pressure testing and pigging. Pigging involves running a robot inspection device, a "pig," through the line. While it gives good access to the interior of the line, it is limited to straighter lines that can be closed down and have consistent interior diameters.

PG&E posted on its website a list of 100 pipeline segments in California receiving the greatest scrutiny for various reasons. None of these segments are in Winters, with the nearest in Fairfield and Sacramento. In a controversial decision, The Twin Rivers Unified School District trustees voted to move the Harmon Johnson Elementary School in North Sacramento Thursday night, because the school is near one of the 100 line segments and an underground natural gas storage facility.

The utility focuses on zones designated as "high consequence areas," and the large lines running through Winters are considered HCAs within the Winters city limits. In HCAs, assessments are performed at least every seven years, which is required by federal regulations.

Asked when a pipeline is



Photo by Charley Wallace

Brett Skavdahl, 2, plays with a piece of the 42-inch "Line 401" pipeline that passes through Winters. This is the larger of Winters' two significant lines. It runs underground alongside a much older large "line 400," which is 36 inches in diameter. Line 401 is the largest diameter that PG&E uses, and it was constructed in 1992.

considered too ancient, Romens said it is a good question that will be an important research issue in the Pipeline 2020 program.

"You really evaluate industry best practices," Romens said. The HCA portion of line 400 in Winters is scheduled to be reassessed by the end of 2010.

Applicants for Economic Advisory Committee sought

The City of Winters is seeking applications for an Economic Advisory Committee, which will address economic development and planning/design issues related to the Grant Avenue corridor.

The committee will meet twice monthly between February and July to review policies and strategies to bolster the Winters economy.

The committee will make recommendations to the Winters City Council and Planning Commission. Regular attendance is required. All applicants must complete an application, and

appointees will be required to file financial disclosure forms.

Committee appointments will be made by individual City Council members. Applicants not selected will be kept on file and may be contacted for other opportunities.

To get an application, contact Tracy Jensen at City Hall, at 795-4910, ext. 100, or Nanci Mills at 795-4910, ext. 101, or visit http://www.cityofwinters.org/pdf/pc_interest_form_2009.pdf.

Return completed applications to City of Winters, 318 First St., Winters, CA by Dec. 31.

Hedgerow workshop planned

Solano Resource Conservation District will offer a free workshop on Saturday, Dec. 4, from 1 to 3 p.m. that will teach Solano County residents how to establish a native plant hedgerow.

Hedgerows are long linear rows of native plants that can be fit onto many different types of properties, from the edges of farm fields to fence lines in suburban yards. They can provide privacy, shade, wind protection and wildlife habitat. The great diversity of native plants available means that there are good plants for every situation: California buckwheat and narrow leaf milkweed might be good for a small, sunny area, while toyon and redbud would be appropriate for a farm-based hedgerow near the foothills.

This workshop will help interested landowners select appropriate plants for their property, taking into consideration what type of wildlife they would like to attract. Many native California shrubs and trees can provide wildlife habitat year round: pollen and nectar in the spring, seeds and berries in the fall, and shelter and cover year around.

We will also do a hands-on practice installation of several different species of natives so that participants learn how to plant native plants.

This workshop is part of Solano RCD's "Welcome to the Watershed" education program which helps Solano County residents address resource conservation issues and create wildlife habitat on their properties.

To register, e-mail Katherine.Holmes@solanorcd.org or call (707) 678-1655, ext. 118.

Sports

Warrior teams prepare for a successful winter season

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winter sports are into their third week of action with the 2010-11 schedules approaching quickly. The girls soccer team led by coach Lee Holt is looking forward to a successful season. The Lady Warriors have a large pool of talent to pull from with 45 players trying out. Holt lost just two seniors last year and is gaining some new young talent as well.

“This year’s team will have a deeper talent pool and wider versatility,” Holt said. “Many of the returning players have greatly improved from last season and some new players are filling positional gaps and raising the team bar. The girls are working hard to be a team to be reckoned with.”

The Lady Warriors will open their season at Esparto on Nov. 30.

The boys soccer team has one goal: to win it all. Last year, the Warriors were knocked out of the section championships by a goal and they are ready for revenge. The Warriors are very talented and experienced this year with almost all of their top players returning. Last year, the Warriors had a 9-3-1 overall

record. Alfredo Rodriguez has taken over the helm and is looking forward to the upcoming season.

“The players are really looking forward to getting out there,” Rodriguez said. “We have a lot of talent on the team we just have to work together.”

The Warriors’ first game will be in Esparto on Nov. 30.

Coach Jason Davis is still in control of the varsity boys basketball team and is excited about the upcoming season. Winters will have some key returning players to help lead the team in the direction Davis wants to go.

“We have some players with a lot of experience and basketball sense and a good group of roll players,” Davis said. “We just have to put it together on the court.”

The boys will open their season on the road in St. Helena on Nov. 29.

The JV boys basketball team will have new head coach Jason Bonifacio taking over for his first season. The Warriors will have some key returning players and some talented freshman leading the team.

Matt Cooley returns to the varsity girls head coach position along

with some talented players. The Lady Warriors don’t have a lot of numbers, but do have a few of the top players in the league. Winters will start its season at Woodland Christian on Nov. 30.

The JV girls are led by coach Teresa Perkins and are working hard just to have enough players for a team.

On the mat, Tim Hausler is still in charge of the wrestling program and looks to have his best team yet. The Warriors have 18 players on the roster and two of the top wrestlers in the state.

“We should have three wrestlers at the state tournament,” Hausler said. “Two of which should place and could win the whole thing.”

Cody Linton and Chris Calderon both went to the state tournament last year and did very well. Hausler has set up the most competitive schedule he has ever had to help prepare his team for the stiff competition at the state level. Trevor Wright is the third wrestler that Hausler expects to advance.

“Trevor has a very good chance of getting there as well,” Hausler said. “We just have to stay healthy and keep working hard.”

The Warriors will start competition with a scrimmage match at Pioneer on Nov. 27.

Winters High School Football History Books for sale

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

Looking for the perfect Christmas gift for your Warrior football hero of bygone days? The Winters High Football History books are still available at the City/School Library for \$25. See Liz Coman on school days at the library to make your purchase. If you are from out of town and want the book sent to you, send \$31 to Tom Crisp at Winters High, 101 Grant Ave., Winters, CA 95694.

Swimmers honored



Photo by Anietta Tice

Winters High School Swimmers were honored at the Swim Team Awards Banquet on Nov. 20, at the home of Karen and John Neil. Honorees are, from left, Tess Hyer, Most Valuable Swimmer and Senior Scholar Athlete; Kevin Hyde, Coach’s Award and Senior Scholar Athlete; and D.J. Tice, Most Valuable Swimmer. Not pictured are Claudia Curincita, Coach’s Award; Samantha Nickelson, Most Improved Swimmer; and Matt Wallace, Most Improved Swimmer.

Interested in College sports?

By Tom Crisp
Special to the Express

If you are interested in playing sports in college, Jack Renkens can put you on the right track. Renkens is nationally known for his seminars on “Recruiting Realities” and will be speaking at the Winters High gymnasium on Monday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. This session is free to all. Renkens will clarify recruiting myths and provide tips to parents and students serious about taking their high school athletics to the next level.



JORDAN ROMNEY
CATCH &
RELEASE

Helping with projects to help salmon spawn

Over the past two weeks, the fishing has been admirable. The hot fly has seemed to be a drowned midge size 20. I have been getting more grabs by using non-beaded flies and adding an extra split shot. You need to get your flies down to the fish. Try adding extra weight so that you are bouncing on the bottom of the river. The fish are starting to get into their spawning mode so we need to avoid fishing for them. Most of the spawning areas on Putah Creek are from the Monticello Dam down to Access 1. Trust me when I say there are plenty of fish below this area.

I am working with fish and game on a few projects on Putah Creek. We just participated in a massive stream cleanup. Another project that I am going to be involved with is removing beaver dams in the lower creek to help salmon make their way

up to spawn. Yes, you did read that correct. Salmon do make their way from the ocean all the way up lower Putah Creek. It is a small number of salmon, but this could increase if managed correctly. These fish are protected by law — to be left alone by anglers.

A successful return of salmon each year means so many positive things to the river system.

Tight Lines.

PISANI’S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Amy Masem

Amy Masem, a junior on the Winters High School girls soccer team is athlete of the week.

Masem has already impressed coach Lee Holt with the same positive attitude she played with last year.

“As a strong returning player and the most accurate shooter, she is also one of the most versatile players, able to adeptly play nearly every position on the field,” said coach Lee Holt. “Amy is setting a new standard for the “inter-changeable player. She is a natural leader, leading by example from attendance to skill level and a “never flustered, always happy” demeanor keeps the game fun and a delight to be around.”

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Schools

School board honors outgoing members

By DEBBIE HEMENWAY

Recognition of students, parents, staff members and outgoing board members was the theme of much of the Winters School Board's Nov. 18 meeting.

Migrant Education coordinator Maria Gastelum introduced Winters High School student Maria Fierros and middle schoolers Gabriella Junez and Julia Lona, who reported on their visit to Washington, D.C., this past summer as participants in the Close Up program. Close Up is a non-profit that invites youngsters to the "living classroom" of the nation's capitol, where they see the sites and meet the people that are at the center of the federal government.

The girls reported on their trip and showed the board and the audience an album of photos. As Trustee Rob Nickelson noted, this experience will be with them "for a lifetime."

After Winters High School Principal Gary Miller spoke about the dedication of WHS parent Ed Anderson, Superintendent Becci Gillespie presented certificates of appreciation to district staff members. The staff members are nominated by their peers for contributions to their sites and district as a whole. Those honored were Joe Cook, who keeps the district's technology up-to-date and in working order; WHS teacher Matt Biers-Ariel, who helped create the One Book program this year; Laurie Helm and Patti Warren, who have been exemplary in their U.S. history instruction at Winters Middle School and whose efforts have helped their students raise their test scores dramatically; Isaias Loza, custodian at Rominger School, who is "the heart and soul" of the school and who provides a positive role model for students with his work ethic and attitude; and Rominger and WMS music teacher Lynne Secrist, who was praised for her energy and enthusiasm and for the numbers of students who flock to music because of her efforts.

The superintendent then turned her attention to the presentation of plaques honoring the service of the four board members whose terms have ended: Robert Nicholson, Stephanie Atherton, Jay Shepherd and Rodney Orosco. She noted the challenges and rewards of board service and thanked the trustees for the sacrifice of family and personal time that the job entails.

Shepherd, who served on the board since 1993, and Atherton, who served from 1997 until 2001 and again as an appointee since 2008, were not present.

Nickelson was elected in 2005 and served a fifth year, "which I didn't want at all." He to his

term in order to align trustee elections with the election cycle. Nickelson said during his trustee's report that "since I've been here, the board was a positive influence on the school district." He also noted controversial situations at the beginning of his term, with the closure of the Kinder School at John Clayton and at the end, with the dismissal of WHS Principal George Griffin and advised the incoming trustees that "somebody is always going to be upset at what you do."

"As for the group that was upset at the end because of one personnel decision," he concluded, "if you take out that decision we were somewhere between outstanding and at least good."

Orosco, who was first elected in 2001 and lost his bid for a third term this fall, spoke simply and briefly and expressed his gratitude for having "the pleasure and honor to serve my community at all times."

STAR scores

The board held a second public hearing on the district's general waiver request to the Department of Education to allow the release of STAR test scores for Winters Middle School. The scores had been held up due to insufficient numbers of students being tested. The waiver was submitted in October, but according to Curriculum Director Emilie Simmons, "an anonymous concerned citizen" had contacted the department about a "clerical error" in the original notice of public hearing, which had failed to note the time and place.

Simmons, whose irritation with the situation was obvious, observed that "this is a small town and the individual could have called us rather than contact the CDE" but also noted that the department was not concerned and that the process is now proceeding.

WHS presentation

The principal on deck for presentation at the meeting was Gary Miller of WHS.

Miller began with praise for the FFA program and for the success of One Book, which put Luis Alberto Urrea's "The Devil's Highway" in the hands of every student and staff member. Miller said that he had personal experience with the program's efficacy because he has two sons who attend the high school and said that "we talked about it at home" often.

Senior Project is going well, according to the principal. He singled out for praise one project which involves collecting donations for "CARE packages" for service members to be distributed through Travis Air Force Base. Miller said that he had spoken to people at Travis and they were "thrilled" with the prospect, telling him

that no one had done anything like it for years.

He also thanked the Winters Education Foundation for its donation of \$4,000 to the high school, which helped purchase projectors, dictionaries and math software.

The brickwork beautification project of former WHS teacher Gloria McCreary is complete and Miller invited all board members to come have a look at it.

The board was then informed about WHS test scores, which have shown that math — particularly Algebra 1 — is an area of concern. The principal then outlined several steps that will be taken to help reverse the trend.

Freshmen will now take either geometry or Algebra 1. Algebra is now offered as a two-year course. This attenuation has negative impacts on testing, as the state tests all algebra students for the entire course each year. Further, a supplemental tutorial class for Algebra 1 students who need extra help will be implemented; and the class will review and preview the course material to keep students on track.

A new geometry text was approved by the board to keep instruction more closely aligned to standards.

The staff also will be holding "STAR chats" with students, reviewing their test scores, discussing the meanings of those scores and giving them tips for success.

Nickelson asked Miller if he had found any correlation between student grades and their test results. The principal replied that there was some correlation but that it was strongest with students who had the highest grades. The lengthy tests make a difference, said Miller. "The C student can't sit still long enough for the test," which can result in a score that does not indicate what the youngster really knows.

Budget revision

Following presentations, the board heard and approved a budget revision presented by Financial Officer Gloria Hahn. The budget is predicated on information from the state, which Hahn eyes with a certain degree of caution. "The state budget was more political" than economic, she cautioned and it has yet to be seen what will really happen.

The district will have 28.5 percent less cash this year than last, which amounts to more than \$1.4 million. She also noted that next year is projected to be even worse for school funding, but that things should begin to turn around thereafter.

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Future black belts



Courtesy photo
Students in Louie Javier's martial arts classes received new belts in recent promotion ceremonies. They are, from left, Jessica Junes and Dominic Cintas promoted to purple belt; Monica Lopez promoted to yellow belt for her senior project; Arianna Herrera promoted to yellow belt; and Sifu Louie, Jules Jiminez and Danny Garcia promoted to orange belt.

Students learn Shakespeare through experiencing and acting

By DENISE COTTRELL
Staff writer

Some days it seems that all of the dialogue about education is reduced to looking at numbers and test scores. At times, with test scores as the only parameter for learning, education is reduced to the ability of a student to select the right answer on a multiple choice test. This can leave everyone involved — education, students, parents and teachers — wondering what happened to the experience of learning.

How can education move beyond reading from a book? Perhaps the best way to create excitement about a subject is to create excitement within the teachers.

Participation in the Globe Education Academy (a partnership of Los Rios Community College District, The School of Education, UC Davis, the Mondavi Center, UC Davis and Shakespeare's Globe Theater in London) created that excitement for Winters resident Jesse Loren. An English teacher at Vanden High School in Fairfield, the Globe Education Academy provided Loren the opportunity to learn new techniques to instruct students in the study of Shakespeare.

As one of 12 teachers selected to participate in the 2010-11 program, Loren was given the opportunity to "live" Shakespeare. The program was divided into two segments. The first segment was comprised of workshops and seminars at UC Davis designed to provide strategies and creative ways to teach Shakespeare in the classroom. The second segment was two weeks residency in London, England immersed in Shakespeare while studying at the Globe Theater.

The London residency

consisted of long days that started at 7:30 a.m., perhaps with a lesson with a theater practitioner skilled in one of the arts such as voice or movement and then session after session until 9 o'clock at night. Some nights extended till the midnight hour with rehearsals on the stage of the Globe Theater.

Loren says nothing can equal the experience of working with the Globe Theater professionals, from actors and voice coaches, to directors and movement specialists.

"Learning from professionals who have immersed themselves in Shakespeare is inspiring," she says.

The ability to work in the Globe Theater and understand the architecture provided Loren with a new perspective on teaching Shakespeare. She can describe how the theater was utilized during productions, be it to escape the stage using the trap door or go "in the heavens," the false ceiling over the stage that provided actors shelter for their costumes during inclement weather.

She says the theater stage "is almost circular, with the audience engulfing the actor, so when an actor goes on stage, it is very different than the experience of the proscenium stage, where the audience is located on one side of the stage with the remaining sides hidden and used by actors and technicians.

"With the stage encircled by the audience, the actor is on stage agreeing to a relationship with the whole room. And the audience agrees to a relationship with the actor by making

their opinions and thoughts known, as people do shout out during performances."

When asked if this experience was relevant to her work as a high school English teacher, Loren said that being immersed in Shakespeare in London gave the opportunity to live, see and feel the world of the playwright and provided "an experience and authority about for the subject that can't be learned from a book."

Loren believes that the instructional techniques she learned with the Globe Education Academy are sound teaching practices that can be generalized to other areas and many grade levels. According to Loren, these different approaches to instruc-

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Entertainment

Community Theater presents charming holiday favorite, 'It's a Wonderful Life'

By BEV SYKES

What would Christmas be without Bing Crosby singing "White Christmas"?

What would Christmas be without Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," whether Scrooge is an actor, a cartoon character, an animal or a muppet?

And what would Christmas be without "It's a Wonderful Life," the classic film which has played on television across this country ever since it was released to television.

To celebrate its 30th season, the Winters Community Theater is presenting the staged version of the classic tale, directed by Anita Ahuja. It's the perfect community theater vehicle, with lots of small roles for anybody who has a desire to try his or her hand at acting, and for company regulars to give the solid performances we have come to expect from them.

What better way to begin the holiday season?

"It's a Wonderful Life" is based on the story "The Greatest Gift," written by Phillip Van Doren Stern in 1943. The story was inspired by a dream. Unable to find a publisher, Stern printed 200 copies of his story and sent them to friends in Christmas cards.

One of the copies ended up with RKO Pictures, who purchased the motion picture rights and sold them to Frank Capra's production company.

In 1946, Capra produced the movie, which he named "It's a Wonderful Life." Though

originally considered a box office flop due to high production costs and stiff competition at the time of its release, the movie was nominated for five Academy Awards and has since been recognized by the American Film Institute as one of the 100 best American films ever made, and placed No. 1 on its list of the most inspirational American films of all time.

Heading the Winters cast of nearly 30 is Trent Beeby, playing good old George Bailey, who gave up his dreams of setting the world on fire to stay in town and keep his family's savings and loan from collapse. Beeby gives his usual fine performance. He's likeable and dedicated and suffers genuine anguish when driven to the brink of suicide by feeling that his life meant nothing.

Phil Pittman is Clarence Odbody, the angel yet to earn his wings, sent from heaven to get George through the crisis of faith.

Tom Rost earns boos from the audience for his curmudgeonly portrayal of old Mr. Potter, the man determined to bring the Savings and Loan to its knees. The boos are an indication of how well Rost handles his task. Robert Fischer is sufficiently menacing as Potter's bodyguard.

Michael Barbour does a good job as pharmacist Mr. Gower, whose carelessness would have killed a client were it not for the keen eye of the young George Bailey (Nick McKenna).

Ann Rost gives a solid performance as George's mother and

Jesse Akers is the likeable, if not quite competent Uncle Billy, whose inattention nearly destroys the Savings and Loan. Joanie Bryant does a good job as George's wife, though her role seems smaller than the role in the movie. Jason Spyres brings youthful enthusiasm to the role of George's brother, Jason.

The Bailey children are all very cute — Nick McKenna as Pete, Emelia Orosco as Margaret, Allyson Freckman as Elizabeth, Sophia Tolley as ZuZu and Corinne McKenna as Janie.

Annie Griffey stands out from the supporting cast as the bank examiner, Miss Carter. She makes the most of a small role and her voice is a nice addition to the choir which sings Christmas carols during the long set changes.

The costumes by Germaine Hupe, Linda Glick, Viona Hicks and Rost work well and are a good representation of the era.

The program for this show lists multiple members of several families, whether on stage or behind the stage and displays that wonderful thing about community theater. The audience is often filled with friends of the cast (we sat with co-workers of Mr. Potter, for example). I love the Winters Community Theater for this. Each production is a feel-good experience. I never leave without a smile on my face because of how much fun everyone is having, both on and off the stage.

Mumbo Gumbo to play at The Palms

This Thanksgiving weekend, Northern California favorite Mumbo Gumbo will bring its big, joyful sound to The Palms on Saturday, Nov. 27, for the group's annual post-Thanksgiving dance party.

The danceable music of Mumbo Gumbo is legendary around these parts. While much of it is based in the Louisiana sound that was so prominent in the band's earliest years, the group's music has broadened to include Latin, African, reggae grooves, country- and jazz-style ballads as well as good old-fashioned pop/rock. Over the septet's 20 years together — on its eight albums and during countless gigs around members' native Northern California and beyond — Mumbo Gumbo has created something that is less a specific style than a particular feeling: The sound of sheer joy.

Mumbo Gumbo is fronted by singer/songwriters Chris Webster and Tracy Walton. Moving back and forth between Webster's sly, sometimes melancholy explorations of romance and individuality ("Love Makes Me Stu-

pid" and "Opera Girl") and Walton's ebullient, unabashed celebrations of family and commitment ("Original You" and "Stuck On You") and Webster/Walton collaborations such as "The Wonder Of It All," Gumbo weaves a rich tapestry of sound and sensibility that transcends genre.

The band is anchored and driven by one of the longest-lived, solid and creative rhythm sections in Northern California: drummer Rick Lotter and bassist Lynn Michael Palmer. Reggy Marks on sax, Jon Wood on guitar and Steve Stizzo on keyboards flesh out the band's expansive sound. Gumbo has built a reputation not just for danceability, but also for creative depth and simple listening pleasure.

The popular band celebrates its 20th anniversary this year, a milestone sure to add some extra spice to the group's traditional Thanksgiving weekend show at The Palms.

The dance floor will be open and seating will be limited.

Mumbo Gumbo will appear at The Palms Playhouse, 13 Main St., at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2. Tickets, at \$17, are available at Pacific Ace Hardware in Winters, Armadillo Music in Davis, The Heidrick Ag History Center in Woodland, online at tickets.com and at the door.

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

Winters Wonderland



Photo by Charley Wallace

Getting ready for the annual Community Tree Lighting to be held on Dec. 4 are: (l to r) Francisco Del Toro, John Siracusa, Cannon Siracusa, Woody Fridae, Kaleb Siracusa and Nick Siracusa. A holiday tree lighting complete with a visit from Santa, caroling, refreshments, a live nativity scene and more is planned from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, in Rotary Park. Many merchants will be open into the evening, offering refreshments, information, holiday decorations and specials during the Winters Wonderland event, which is sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call the Chamber at 795-2329.

Native American museum offers exhibits

The Pena Adobe/Mowers Goheen Museum is a pre-Gold Rush era adobe, where visitors can talk with Little Bear about Native American life and crafts, tour the museum exhibit of adobe housewares, maps from mid-1800's, Native American artifacts, notable early Californians, medallions of prehistoric animals, and see the works of sculptor William Gordon Huff, including the bust of Chief Solano, and a brass bas-relief of World War II pilot Jimmy Doolittle.

The museum will be open on Saturday, Dec. 4, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. It is located on Pena Adobe Road in Vacaville. Admission is free.

For more information call (707) 447-0518 or visit www.penaadobe.org.

Movie Night at Berryessa Gap

Berryessa Gap Vineyards announces that it will be hosting movie night on Thursday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m.

The evening will include complementary wine tasting, popcorn and a special feature. The movie night will be hosted by Dwight Jesmer, a screenwriter who selected the films for

screening. Join the staff at the Winters tasting room for a cinematic adventure.

The schedule of films is as follows: Nov. 18, "Bottle Shock"; Nov. 24, "Planes, Trains and Automobiles"; Dec. 2, "Dead Poets Society"; Dec. 9, "Julie & Julia"; Dec. 16, "Scrooged"; Dec. 30, "Sideways."

Features

C-section not done to avoid labor pain

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am in the eighth month of my first pregnancy. I've a friend who keeps telling me to have a C-section. She says it's quick and painless. I never considered this and wonder about its wisdom. What would you recommend? Does having a C-section mean all future deliveries have to be done the same way? -- K.M.



printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery. ***

ANSWER: Cesarean sections can be lifesaving for the infant and for the mother. The reasons for having one don't include speed of delivery simply for speed's sake or for avoiding labor pain. You realize that a C-section involves surgical incisions, which, after the anesthesia wears off, are painful. And you realize that you have to recuperate from this operation as you would from any operation.

Furthermore, all surgery involves potential dangers and complications. Serious bleeding is always possible. The uterus can become infected. Injuries to other pelvic organs can occur.

Natural childbirth is painful, but the pain can be minimized in a number of effective ways. I believe you'll be surprised at how tolerable childbirth is.

As for future pregnancies, the standard teaching used to be that once a woman had a C-section, all her future deliveries had to be C-sections. That's no longer true. Second deliveries after a C-section can be vaginal deliveries, depending on some important circumstances. One of those is where the incision for the section was made. Have you discussed this with your doctor? Do so. I'll be surprised if the doctor agrees to a C-section solely to avoid pain and speed delivery.

TO READERS: Questions on cervical cancers and Pap smears are answered in detail in the booklet on those topics. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 1102W, 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

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Our 22-year-old granddaughter has developed an uncontrollable giggle. She giggles before, during and after everything she says. Each time we talk to her, the giggles and their frequency get worse. She is basically shy and appears to be nervous, and says she is not consciously aware of her giggling. She says her friends have remarked on this, too. Is this a tic disorder? Is there something a doctor can do to help her? Is there medication? -- S.N.

ANSWER: Underlying anxiety, stress, shyness and social phobia set in motion reflex defenses for people who harbor these traits. It's their way of coping with situations that generate discomfort. It's not a tic, although it is somewhat similar. Both are involuntary.

I would first talk to the young lady in a compassionate way and tell her that this behavior is misinterpreted by people and that she should make a conscious effort to suppress the giggling. Only if the giggling cannot be controlled and only if it's causing her to suffer socially would I turn to medical people for help. Yes, there are treatments and medicines that can control anxiety and phobias, but a trial of self-treatment should come first. ***

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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A gift from the henhouse

The chickens inadvertently gave us a gift, and it wasn't an egg. They gave us the chance to say goodbye to our very old cat, Ubu, who we'd had since he was a kitten.

A few days ago, the morning forecast predicted possible showers. I had been planning to cover the exposed part of the chicken coop with a tarp and put the chicken feed in there so that it'd be protected from the wet weather. Since rain seemed possible that morning, I decided (impulsive as I am) to do it right then — at 7:15 a.m., before I took my kids to school.

After searching the garage, I finally found the tarp, outside, neatly folded (wow) in the foot-wide space between our shed and the house. I dragged the folded up tarp across the backyard to the chicken coop. It was old and sticky so I went inside and got some gloves.

I unfolded the first fold of the tarp, then another, and as I did, I noticed something in the middle of it, on the ground — a mess of black fur. "Huh," I thought, as my brain tried to make sense of what I was seeing, "how did all that fur blow across the yard and into the tarp?" I thought. We often brush Ubu (black cat) and Oscar (black dog) in the backyard and the fur tends to blow and collect in corners. As I pondered this, it dawned on



me that this was not a furtumbleweed, but rather Ubu himself!

I was stuck for a moment. Ubu wasn't moving. I looked at him more closely and was relieved to see that he was breathing. I called my husband to come out and we carefully picked Ubu up and put him in his favorite box.

He wasn't looking good but we couldn't see any signs of trauma or injury. I figured he crawled into the tarp to die. He was nearly 18, which would be like a 115-year-old-man in human terms. We talked with our boys about the situation and they said their goodbyes to Ubu in case he didn't make it through the day. Being boys, they were fine (sad but not too much and no big drama or tears), and then they were off to school.

After caring for Ubu for most of the day, trying to get him to drink or eat, we called the vet, who suggested that we bring him in the next morning if he was the same.

Ubu actually got up and walked around that night after licking some

yogurt but he was confused and unstable. He made it through the night but was the same in the morning. The kids said good-bye again before heading off to school, and then we took Ubu to the vet. Among other problems, his pupils didn't dilate. Something had happened in his brain and he was not going to recover. He had had a good life and we said goodbye.

We had a nice burial in the yard, planted bulbs over him and made a nice plaque to hang on the fence above him. The chickens were involved too — picking out worms and bugs from all the digging.

Had it not been for those chickens, I would not have found Ubu in the tarp that day. Who knows when we would have found him and when we did, it would have been awful!

In a roundabout way, the chickens gave us a gift: being able to say goodbye to Ubu, who had been a part of our lives since before marriage and kids, in the best way possible way.



The Garden Bug

Winter wonder

The hellebore is a perennial that appears throughout the winter and very early spring, often with snow still on the ground. The cup-shaped blooms are usually maroon, pink, white or red. They fade to a cream-white color as they age. They can grow as high as 24 inches tall. They like moderate shade in summer and full sun in winter.

Source: www.suite101.com/www/hellebore.org

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Pleased to meet you

Name: Reid Tileston
Occupation: Owner and Master Motivator of Anytime Fitness, coming soon to Winters
Hobby: Endurance sports - triathlons and marathons
What's best about Winters: "When you come into town, you feel like you're at home immediately."
Fun fact: In his spare time, he's a Super Hero - stay tuned for more information.

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Resistance unit
4 Low range
8 Terrible guy?
12 Pair with an air
13 Met melody
14 Mature
15 Freddy's sheet
18 Sample of signage
19 Impudent
20 Heavy weight
21 Greek peak
24 London newspaper
28 Montana city
32 Bear lair
33 Yoko —
34 First party garb
35 Feminine principle
37 Garbage barge
39 Wallat
41 Red River capital
43 — out (supplemental)
44 Eggs
45 Leaves at the library?
50 Kid's pop
55 "The 7 Faces of Dr. —"
58 Garfield's pal
57 Hindu princess
59 Doctrine

DOWN

1 Poetic tributes
2 Luau entertainment
3 Mid-May honorees
4 Watch Junior
5 "Entourage" character
6 Part of RSVP
7 Sodium chloride
8 Kinda funny
9 By way of
10 Spring mo.
11 Homer's neighbor
17 Automaton, for short
19 Scale member
22 Uppity one
23 One majoring in farming
25 B.L.T. enhancer
26 Satan's specialty
27 Transmit character
28 "Poopy-cool"
29 Bygone Peruvian
30 Crazy sort
31 Polio vaccine discoverer
35 Ignored the alarm
38 Fleecy
40 HHS division
42 Wall climber
46 Taj Mahal city
47 Smooth-talk ing
48 Facility
49 A few
50 Cranberry territory
51 Altar affirmative
52 Roman
53 Acom creator
54 Blackbird

Differences: 1. Sale sign is different. 2. Store sign is black. 3. Display coat has buttons. 4. Man has bowtie. 5. Shoes are black. 6. Coat pocket is different.

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

CHM	BASS	IVAN
DUO	ARIA	RIPE
ELM	BILLBOARD	
SASSY	TON	
OSSA	TIMES	
BILLINGS	CAVE	
CNO	TOGAS	YIN
SCOW	BILLFOLD	
HAND	EKED	
OVA	PAGES	
BILLYGOAT	LAO	
ODIE	RANT	ISM
GOIN	ARIN	BEE

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might feel that you have all the answers right now. But it might be wise to listen to other ideas before you decide to close the lid on other possibilities.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Bovines give and expect loyalty, so it might not be easy to reconcile with someone you feel let you down. Why not ask a neutral party to set up a clear-the-air meeting?

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Anticipating the holidays with family and friends fuels your must-do Gemini energies. But try to pace yourself so you'll be up for whatever comes along later.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) More background information might come through regarding a decision you expect to make. Be sure to check the source carefully before you move.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The strong, nurturing nature of the Lion comes through this week as you reach out to family and friends in need of your warm and loving support.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A relationship that has almost totally unraveled could be close to being restored with more effort on your part to be more patient and less judgmental.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your sense of fair play is strong this week, which can cause a problem with a longtime relationship. But in the end, you'll know what decision to make.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might not know all the facts behind an unwelcome development, so keep that Scorpion temper in check and resist lashing out at anyone.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good time to reinforce relationships — family, friends, colleagues — that might have been overlooked in recent years.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Family situations continue to thrive. Business associations also improve. Some holiday plans might have to be shifted a bit. Be flexible.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Avoid any influence of negative energy in this week's aspect by not allowing small problems to grow into large ones. Work them out immediately.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A friend might need advice on how to deal with a challenge to his or her moral values. And who better than you to give the honest answer? Good luck.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a sense of adventure that inspires others to follow your lead.

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Nuestras Noticias



Día de Acción de Gracias

El día de Acción de Gracias esta una vez más aquí, significa reunión familiar para los que tienen pocas oportunidades de compartir con la familia cercana, es tiempo de reflexión, tiempo de dar gracias por todas las bendiciones que a diario se nos dan.

La mayoría de los países tienen celebraciones de agradecimiento a sus correspondientes divinidades por la bendición de una cosecha abundante. Las vacaciones de Acción de Gracias (Thanksgiving holidays) en Estados Unidos comenzaron siendo un sencillo banquete de acción de gracias en los tempranos días de las colonias americanas. En la cultura estadounidense, Thanksgiving nació como un “harvest festival,” es decir, una simple fiesta de la cosecha. De ahí que muchos de los símbolos de Thanksgiving tengan que ver con el mundo de las cosechas y de los campos en general: calabazas (pumpkins), hojas de parra (fig leaves), o espantapájaros (scarecrows).

Los orígenes de Thanksgiving se remontan al año 1620 cuando un barco (el Mayflower) con más de 100 colonos ingleses cruzó el Atlántico para instalarse en el Nuevo Mundo. Este grupo de peregrino de fuertes convicciones religiosas, se oponía a las creencias de la iglesia anglicana y al final tuvo que emprender la travesía del océano para escapar de la horca. Los peregrinos se instalaron en el que es ahora el actual Estado de Massachusetts, concretamente en la histórica colonia de Plymouth Rock. Su primer invierno en el Nuevo Mundo americano fue extremadamente difícil. Pasaron hambre, frío y murieron la mitad de los colonos. En la primavera siguiente, ayudados por los indios Wampanoag, aprendieron a sembrar maíz, una planta antes ignorada para los colonos. Los indios les enseñaron también a cultivar otros alimentos, a cazar y a pescar. En el otoño de 1621 fueron recolectadas generosas cosechas de grano, cebada, frijoles y calabazas. Los colonos, como muestra de agradecimiento religioso organizaron un festín, que los americanos han denominado históricamente así: The America's First Thanksgiving. Los “pilgrims” invitaron al Gran Jefe y a 90 indios de su tribu Wampanoag. Los indios llevaron carne de ciervo para ser asada y pavos (turkeys). Los colonos (pilgrims) habían aprendido cómo cocinar los arándanos y prepararon las diferentes clases de grano sobre vajillas desconocidas para los indígenas. Para este primer día de Acción de Gracias, los indios habían llevado hasta palomitas de maíz. De aquí se desprende que incluso hoy día Thanksgiving and pilgrims sean expresiones estrechamente unidas.

En los siguientes años, muchos de los colonos originales celebraron la cosecha de otoño con un banquete de gracias (thanksgiving). Después de que Estados Unidos consiguiera la independencia, el Congreso recomendó un día anual de acción de gracias para que la nación entera se divirtiese. George Washington sugirió la fecha el 26 de noviembre como Día de Acción de Gracias (Thanksgiving day). Pero no sería hasta 1863 cuando, al final de de una guerra civil

Larga y sangrienta, Abraham Lincoln pidiera a todos los americanos festejar el último jueves de noviembre como un día de “thanksgiving,” es decir como el Día de Acción de Gracias.

Thanksgiving o Acción de Gracias es una fecha para compartir bendiciones y buenos deseos con la familia y los seres más cercanos. A pesar de las distancias tan grandes existentes entre territorios de Estados Unidos, los miembros de familia se reúnen en el hogar del pariente de más edad, el más veterano, generalmente los abuelos. Todos reunidos dan gracias por todo lo bueno que tienen y piden bendiciones juntos para los suyos. En este espíritu de compartir, grupos cívicos y organizaciones caritativas ofrecen una comida tradicional a los más necesitados de su comunidad, en particular, a los sin hogar. En la mayor parte de mesas de los Estados Unidos, los productos de alimentación que se sirvieron en la primera acción de gracias histórica, en el primer Thanksgiving, se han hecho tradicionales, no pueden faltar. Entre ellos podemos destacar: maíz, calabazas, salsa de arándano, y por supuesto el pavo relleno. La ceremonia es un reconocimiento público del papel de los Indios en la primera Acción de Gracias hace 350 años.

Sin los indios, los primeros colonos no habrían sobrevivido. Para los pueblos indígenas de Norteamérica, el Thanksgiving es también una fecha especial y señalada: ellos celebran por sí mismos o a través de sus asociaciones, el llamado Native's American's National Day of Mourning (Día Nacional de Luto de los Indios Nativos Americanos).

Seguridad en el hogar

Las fiestas de fin de año suelen ser festejos alegres y divertidos, pero pueden presentar riesgos, especialmente para niños pequeños y animales domésticos. Teniendo en mente estas recomendaciones se, podrá evitar accidentes típicos de las fechas.

La flor de Navidad o Nochebuena. Si las hojas se ingieren, pueden causar malestar estomacal. La savia puede causar irritación de la piel, así que debe lavarse con agua y jabón la parte que entró en contacto con la savia. Contrariamente a la creencia común, la flor de Nochebuena no es venenosa.

Los arbolitos de Navidad. No son venenosos pero pueden irritar el estómago si se ingieren algunas ramas o agujas. Puede también provocar asfixia si las agujas se atorán en la garganta al tragarlas. La savia del árbol puede irritar la piel si no se lava con prontitud.

Los adornos navideños. Hoy día, la mayoría de los adornos de la época no son venenosos si se ingieren. El problema principal es que los niños o animales se atraganten con pedazos pequeños del cristal, yeso, poliestireno, plástico o metal de los adornos Para evitar que los niños pequeños y animales domésticos puedan terminar con cortaduras al llevarse un adorno de cristal a la boca,

coloque en las ramas bajas del arbolito adornos irrompibles y no tóxicos, como los hechos de papel o tela.

Adornos antiguos o de familia. Esos adornos que han estado en la familia por generaciones pueden presentar un riesgo si tienen pintura a base de plomo, aunque el envenenamiento por plomo ocurre sólo cuando este metal se ingiere repetidamente. Si no sabe con certeza si algún adorno contiene plomo, póngalo en las ramas más altas o donde no lo puedan alcanzar ni los niños pequeños ni los animales.

El cabello de ángel. Hecho de fibras de cristal, el cabello de ángel puede causar irritación en los ojos, piel y boca si se le ingiere. Para evitarlo, póngase guantes al usarlo para decorar y manténgalo lejos de los niños y animales domésticos.

Nieve en aerosol. Muchos de estos productos contienen acetona o cloruro de metilamina y pueden ser peligrosos si se inhalan. Si inhala un poquito de vapor en un lugar con poca ventilación puede sentir náusea, mareo y dolor de cabeza. Si se está expuesto a los vapores por más tiempo y en concentraciones más altas, el efecto puede ser más serio. Use la nieve en aerosol según las instrucciones del fabricante y en un lugar con buena ventilación. Al secarse, la nieve en

aerosol no presenta ningún riesgo.

Luces con burbujas. Estas luces contienen una pequeña cantidad de cloruro de metilamina, sustancia que también se encuentra en los removedores de pintura. Si un niño o animal se lleva una de estas luces a la boca, ya sea que esté intacta o rota, puede resultar con una irritación leve en la piel o boca.

Cintas, moños y papel para envolver. Atraen la atención de niños y animales domésticos; la mayor parte no son tóxicos, pero el papel de envolver metálico y de colores puede contener plomo. No lo deje al alcance de niños pequeños. Los animales domésticos pueden desarrollar una obstrucción intestinal si tragan demasiado papel o una tira muy larga de cinta.

Las velas navideñas. La mayoría de las ceras, colorantes y perfume que contienen no son tóxicos. Pero si un niño ingiere un pedazo de cera, puede atragantarse. Recuerde que la cera derretida o velas prendidas cerca de materiales inflamables pueden provocar un incendio y quemaduras graves. Mantenga toda vela prendida lejos del alcance de niños y animales domésticos y donde no pueda caerse.

La escarcha. Actualmente se fabrica de plástico y ya no contiene plomo ni hojalata. La escarcha, oropel o los carámbanos de hielo

artificial no son venenosos, pero pueden provocar asfixia si se ingieren pedazos pequeños de los mismos. No use estas decoraciones en el árbol donde las puedan alcanzar los niños o animales domésticos.

Las pilas de botón. Estas pilas pequeñas, en forma de botón, son de uso común en relojes, cámaras, juegos y calculadoras. Si se ingieren, las pilas pueden obstruir la garganta o vías respiratorias y su contenido químico puede salirse y provocar quemaduras serias. Los niños pueden también meterse estas pilas en los oídos o nariz, así que no las deje al alcance de niños o animales domésticos.

Las bebidas alcohólicas. La intoxicación por bebidas alcohólicas es común entre niños todo el año, pero aumenta durante la temporada de fin de año cuando se bebe más. Los niños imitan a los adultos y beben de copas y vasos que se encuentran. Los niños son más sensibles al alcohol que los adultos, así que para evitar tentaciones para los pequeños, vacíe el contenido de vasos y copas. Además de las bebidas alcohólicas, los perfumes, colonias, líquidos para enjuagarse la boca y los extractos de vainilla y almendra también contienen alcohol. Asegúrese de mantener todos estos productos lejos del alcance de los niños.

Den oportunidad a los jóvenes

Vivimos en un país de primer mundo, en donde todo mundo tiene oportunidades de mejorar su vida, pero desgraciadamente tenemos un sistema migratorio que desde hace mucho tiempo no funciona de acuerdo a las necesidades de nuestra sociedad, sino mire usted, el sistema educativo de Estados Unidos ha permitido a millones de estudiantes indocumentados ir a la secundaria o highschool. Pero, después, les prohíbe ir a la universidad. Que crueldad, ¿En donde pues están las oportunidades para los jóvenes? Tenemos la esperanza que esto pueda cambiar en los próximos días si el congreso en Washington deja a un lado la política y se atreve a aprobar el llamado Dream Act.

Cada año más de 60 mil estudiantes se quedan sin ir a la universidad por problemas migratorios. El Dream Act beneficiaría potencialmente a dos millones de estudiantes indocumentados al otorgarles una residencia permanente si cumplen dos años de universidad o en el servicio militar.

Estos jóvenes no tienen la culpa de su situación migratoria. Los trajeron sus papás a Estados Unidos cuando eran bebés o menores de edad. Son, en esencia, norteamericanos. Pero no tienen los papeles para comprobarlo ni acceso a préstamos, becas o ayuda federal. Y regresarlos al país donde nacieron sería otra crueldad: lo de-

sconocen totalmente y, en algunos casos, ni siquiera hablan el idioma natal.

He aquí algunos testimonios de jóvenes que están viviendo esta situación. “Algunas veces trato de imaginar ... en qué momento otros empezaron a verme como ‘monstruo’. Pudo haber sido en 1993. Yo tenía cuatro años de edad. De la noche a la mañana mi visa expiró y me convertí en indocumentado.”

“Desde que yo tenía cinco años, mi papá pasaba la mayoría del tiempo en este país trabajando ... por esto, y por querer estar juntos, mis padres decidieron mudarse a los Estados Unidos.”

“Nací en Tamaulipas, México, ubicado a dos millas del río Grande. A los cuatro años emigré junto con mi familia a Houston, Texas, y en pocos meses me convertí en una persona indocumentada.”

Estamos hablando de jóvenes talentosos, con deseos de seguir estudiando, que pueden contribuir enormemente al futuro de Estados Unidos y del mundo ... pero no los dejamos. Hay que cambiar esto. Ya. Y esto es lo que el congreso puede hacer en los próximos días. Nancy Pelosi, la presidenta de la Cámara de Representantes, está considerando seriamente poner el Dream Act a votación muy pronto. En la Cámara de Representantes sí hay actualmente los votos necesarios para su aprobación. Pero el

problema está en el senado.

El líder del senado, Harry Reid, hizo la promesa de llevarla a votación también, pero va a necesitar el apoyo de los republicanos y es ahí el problema.

El Dream Act no alcanzó los 60 votos que se necesitan para ser aprobado por el senado el pasado mes de septiembre.

Ningún senador Republicano votó a favor. Y para que ahora sea aprobado se necesita, una vez más, la ayuda de los Republicanos. Hasta el momento ninguno se ha comprometido a hacerlo. Pero aún hay tiempo para que reconsideren y cambien de posición.

Basta recordar que

ningún partido político puede llegar a la Casa Blanca sin el voto latino y que el Dream Act es un tema apoyado mayoritariamente por los hispanos. Los votantes latinos recordarán durante las próximas elecciones presidenciales del 2012 quienes ayudaron a sus jóvenes y quienes no lo hicieron.

Votar a favor del Dream Act es lo moralmente correcto, corrige una vieja injusticia, promueve la educación, demuestra humanismo y compasión, y hace de Estados Unidos un país mejor. A estos jóvenes indocumentados les hemos dicho toda su vida que sueñen grandes sueños. No se vale impedirselos ahora.

Board

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Board training

The final discussion and action of the evening centered on the initiation and training of the incoming board.

The board will reconvene on Dec. 9 for its annual organization meeting, as required by law. At that time, new trustees Dan Maguire, Robyn Rominger, Rob Warren, Mike Olivas and David Reynoso will be administered the oath of office. At that time, the board also will nominate and select a new board president and board clerk. While the clerk from the previous term is often chosen as president, there is no requirement that he or she be elected. Trustees also will appoint a secretary of the board, who is the superintendent, and will set their calendar for the upcoming year.

The final item was the matter of training for incoming board members. The superintendent proposed having the training done in-house by Davis Campbell, who has provided this ser-

vice in the past.

Incoming trustee Dan Maguire addressed the board and requested that they instead allocate registration fees for the new members to attend the California School Boards Association conference in San Francisco the first week of December.

While Maguire said that he understood the financial investment that this would require, he spoke to the “whole range of speakers and workshops” at CSBA which “just can’t be duplicated in-house” and which would “add to our knowledge as we come to serve on the board.”

In the discussion that followed, David Hyde, a trustee who will serve with the new members, supported the request and Orosco concurred. “It’s a wise investment,” he said. “It will be money well-spent given the large number of new members,” and the board agreed unanimously to honor the request.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board will take place at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, at the district office at 909 W. Grant Ave.

Globe

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tion are the most amazing learning practices she has been exposed to in 15 years of teaching.

So how do you take students out of their desks and into learning Shakespeare? As Loren explained, use of interactive techniques engages the students and enables them to tune in cognitively to the moment. Their brain is aware and engaged. The students are ready to discover and proceed to what is next.

For example, Loren’s students do not sit in desks and read Shakespeare. If you visited her classroom you might find them divided into two groups, one on each side of the room reading the lines for two characters from Shakespeare’s “Macbeth.” One group reads the lines for “Macbeth” and the other, the lines for “Macduff.” In the scene, Macduff confronts Macbeth about the murders he has committed. The students are encouraged as they read the lines to gesture and point. Bringing physicality to the lines helped

the students to feel the accusations and the argument. The ability to move as a character helped the students gain an understanding of the language and the emotion of Shakespeare.

When Loren was in London, her favorite place was Shakespeare’s Head Pub — not for the food or the beverage, but because there was a likeness of Shakespeare on the second floor looking out the window. This statue has been in residence for a long time. A hand was blown off during World War II. And yet this representation of Shakespeare reminded Loren of the timelessness of Shakespeare and how he was a man of the people, representing as an actor and a playwright Elizabethan times and the human condition.

The ability to understand and appreciate Shakespeare is an important learning experience. In culmination of their learning experiences, Loren and her students took to the Mondavi Center stage on Nov. 18 to demonstrate their newfound understanding of Shakespeare by performing two scenes from “Macbeth.”

De Los Santos wins football contest

Fred De Los Santos picked 21 out of 28 games this week to win the \$30 first prize in the Winters Merchants Football Contest.

Three other contestants also had 21 right, with De Los Santos winning on the basis of the tie-breaker score of the California-Stanford game. There were 62 points scored in that game, with De Los Santos picking 59; Giovanna Bolla choosing 55; Chris Gertz, 52; and Tim Ireland, 47.

Bolla won the \$15 second prize.

Contestants having 20 out of 28 right included Bob Young, Jack Graf, Jack Slaven, Joseph A. Borchard, Paul Yandell

and Tom George.

All of the rest had 19 or fewer correct selections. Results of the final contest of the season will be announced in next week’s paper.

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By Tom Crisp
Special to the Express

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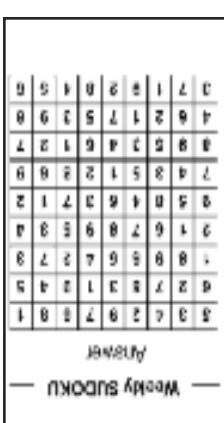
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