



Photo by Dawn Van Dyke

Austin Brickey (center), with backup from Samantha Nickelson (left) and Ellie Kreun, won the judges' hearts and votes in the Mr. Warrior competition on March 2 with his rendition of Steve Martin's "King Tut."

Brickey 'king' of competition

By DAWN VAN DYKE
Express correspondent

It may have been his portrayal of Steve Martin's "Wild and Crazy Guy" character from the famous Saturday Night Live skits of the 1970s that won him the title; it may have been his rendition of Martin's hit song "King Tut," or maybe it was his answer to the finalists' question. It could have been any one of those or all three, but there's no question that it was Austin Brickey's charming presence throughout the 2011 Mr. Warrior Competition, held Wednesday, March 2, that earned him the coveted Mr. Warrior headdress.

Brickey, who was nominated by the Class of 2014, joined eight other Winters High School students who competed for the title and honor by representing different student organizations and decades from the 20th Century.

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Photo by Dawn Van Dyke

Austin Brickey wears the Mr. Warrior headdress after winning the annual competition on March 2. Behind him is finalist Elliot Herrera. The event is sponsored by the Winters High School student government class.

Class sizes increased, staffing cut

By DEBBIE HEMENWAY
Staff writer

Working in a compressed timeframe with two proposed scenarios for spending reductions, the Winters School Board adopted a plan last week to serve as the basis for the 2011-12 district budget. Sort of. Because one of the two proposed options was built around assumptions based on items that required negotiations that could not be taken for granted, the trustees voted to enact one plan but to have the superintendent pursue another.

Superintendent Beci Gillespie gave the trustees and public their first official look at her two proposals at the Feb. 17 meeting. Because of the likelihood that personnel would have to be released and the requirement that reduction in force notices be sent by March 15, the board had little room or time to come up with alternative plans or suggestions.

The option that they approved raises class sizes K-12 by one student and reduces personnel accordingly,

eliminates the district contribution to athletic transportation, places the administration of Wolfskill Continuation High School in the hands of Winters High School and uses \$125,000 of one-time monies to bridge a potential \$550,000 funding gap. The plan also eliminates most summer school offerings and reduces nursing services, counseling services, and custodial, clerical and transportation staffing. Travel and conference monies for district administration and the board are halved, and Gillespie's contracted raise is eliminated.

The trustees were clearly uncomfortable with the choice they felt compelled to make, even as Trustee Matt Brickey noted that it was "the more prudent" of the two and the final motion, which Brickey made, included language that directed Gillespie to enter into negotiations with the employee associations to see if they will support an additional three furlough days in the upcoming year. There

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Nominations open

The Winters Youth Day Committee is accepting nominations for the 2011 Michael Sebastian Youth Day Grand Marshal Award.

The Grand Marshal will lead the 75th Anniversary Winters Youth Day Parade on Saturday, April 30.

The honoree must be someone who has dedicated time and energy

to the youth of Winters and the community in general.

Send nominations to Winters Youth Day Grand Marshal, P.O. Box 807, Winters, CA 95694. Email nominations to mjkasebastian@aol.com.

For more information on Youth Day, visit www.wintersyouthday.com.

Cars again being sold in Winters

By DAWN VAN DYKE
Express correspondent

It's been decades since there was a car dealership in Winters. Paul Biasi and his partner Nick Wittman are changing that fact.

Over the past year, Biasi has been slowly and quietly locating quality used cars

and making them available to his customers. He partnered with Wittman (who has a dealer's license) in December and the two are working to establish a bona fide auto dealership in Winters.

"It seemed like a good fit," says Wittman. "Besides that, we're friends."

Biasi's current location at 2

Russell Street provides enough space to display four vehicles at a time. In addition, customers can request specific types/makes of vehicles, and he and Wittman will search out those special requests. Wittman spends his days looking at "hundreds

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Committee formed to raise fireworks funds

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

Last year's Fourth of July celebration in Winters was more of a bust than a bang. For the first time in decades, because of an anticipated city budget shortfall, there weren't any fireworks lighting up the night sky. This year, starbursts of pink, green and orange may return, if a new city fireworks committee can scrape together funding.

City Manager John Donlevy noted that last summer, he "had quite a response from people who weren't very happy that we didn't have fireworks on the Fourth." He reported that several citizens approached city staff asking what they could do to make sure this didn't happen again and staff in turn requested a fireworks committee to do the fundraising.

Donlevy clarified that those who approached staff weren't

representing any particular group, but came in as individuals and included "some of the most well-connected people in Winters who just walked in and wanted to help — people who, if they came together, could easily start raising money."

Donlevy estimated the cost of the fireworks to be around \$10,000, and said the city has \$1,800 left in its fireworks fund. Council member Cecilia Aguiar-Curry asked how the fire-

works display was funded in the past. Donlevy said funds came mostly through donations — "jars and cans around town" as well as raffles, such as the one held for a quilt made by City Finance Director Shelley Gunby.

Noting that last year, the decision to snuff out the fireworks display came "when the economy was just skidding," said Donlevy, adding that this year

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WEATHER

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

| Date | Rain | HI | Lo |
|---------|------|----|----|
| March 2 | .51 | 63 | 47 |
| March 3 | .04 | 60 | 40 |
| March 4 | | 68 | 39 |
| March 5 | | 67 | 44 |
| March 6 | .78 | 69 | 50 |
| March 7 | .57 | 57 | 47 |
| March 8 | | 65 | 42 |

Rain for week: 1.90

Season's total: 18.79

Last year to date: 22.22

Avg. to March 8: 18.45

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UC Davis Professor Marion Miller dies

By SYLVIA WRIGHT
UC Davis
Special to the Express

Winters resident Marion Miller, a UC Davis expert in men's reproductive health, died Feb. 25, 2011. She was 55.

"She faced the pancreatic cancer that took her life with great courage and determination," her family said.

"Marion Miller possessed all the very best qualities of a university professor — motivational, quick-witted, helpful, inspirational and approachable," said one of her former graduate students, Karen Jelks, who became a faculty



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OBITUARY

Robert Leon Bishop

Robert Leon Bishop passed away on Feb. 25, 2011, just days after his 68th birthday. Born on Feb. 19, 1943, he lived in Winters during his formative years. He and his wife Laverne resided in Placerville for the past 23 years. He bravely fought pancreatic cancer for the last two and a half years, and succumbed to heart failure while in the hospital.

He is survived by his wife Laverne; her three children, grandchildren, and niece Shannon; mother Hazel Keading (Bill); sister Sandra Malosh (Bill); niece Shellee Shields (Tom); Lexy and many loving cousins.

His service was held on Monday, March 7, at Valley Springs Presbyterian Church, in Placerville. In lieu of flowers, donations to American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

Carolyn MacKenzie

Carolyn Wells MacKenzie passed away at Kaiser Hospital in Roseville on March 5, 2011, following a short illness. She was born on June 15, 1926, in Woodland to R.A. (Al) Wells and Elizabeth Porter Wells. She lived in Winters from 1950-63, and was married to Kenneth Ian MacKenzie, who died in 1987. She lived in El Dorado Hills for the past 10 years.

She is survived by her children, Kenneth MacKenzie of El Dorado Hills, and Jane Doleski and Alec MacKenzie, both of Pleasanton; grandchildren, Michael MacKenzie of Ladera Ranch, Tracy MacKenzie of El Dorado Hills and Christopher Doleski of Pleasanton; and great-grandchildren, Cristian MacKenzie and Maresa MacKenzie.

Kathryn Ella Pranke

Kathy Pranke, 63, passed away on March 5, 2011, surrounded by family after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born on Feb. 20, 1948, in Baudette, Minn., to John and Rhoda Laughy as the youngest of five sisters. She graduated from Baudette High in 1965. In 1969, she graduated from College of St. Scholastica with a B.S. PHN.

She was a lieutenant with the Navy serving 32 years active duty with the Oakland Naval Hospital. She continued with her education and retired as the Head School Nurse for Vacaville Unified School District. She was a loving mother, wife, sister and friend that enjoyed life and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her loving husband, Gary Pranke of Winters; son, Bret Gruben (Erin); grandchildren Ashley and Gracelyn of Woodland; daughter, Stephanie Gruben; grandchildren John, Nyla and Savanna of Winters; stepson, Gary



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YESTERYEAR



File photo

Pictured here is the 1978 Winters High School baseball team. Back row, left to right: Bob Pisani, Raymond Rojas, Jeff Ingles, Dan Rominger, David Jimenez, Jesse Montenegro, Manager Mike Sebastian and Coach Jack Delbar. Front row, left to right: Tony Rodriguez, Frank Nieto, Sarj Singh, Jaime Ornelas, Sam Biasi, John Carrion and Richard Hayward.

50
YEARS AGO

March 23, 1961
Marvin Gerber, of Berkeley, has been chosen as the new principal of Winters Joint Union High School, according to George Childress, district superintendent.

Louis Invernon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Invernon and now stationed in Germany with the U.S. Army, has been promoted from a specialist, fourth class, to sergeant.

Seven candidates are running for the four seats on the high school board, up for election on April 18. They are Jack Lindeman, Antonio M. Martin, Rev. E.E. Zimmerman, Rev. Herb Moise, A.E. Danzero and incumbents John Greenwood and Richard Rominger.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Ramos had with them for the weekend, their daughter, Miss Annie Ramos, a student at San Jose State College.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burnett and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Salice made a recent overnight fishing trip to Cache Creek. Having good luck, they had a big fish fry. Fred fell out of the boat but got back in safely.

65
YEARS AGO

March 22, 1946
The Winters town basketball team defeated the Warrior A and B combined team by a score of 63 to 60. The score was tied at 59-all at the end of regulation time, but the town team won in overtime, Hague took scoring honors with 40 points, more than his usual amount. Barker and Mermod of the town team scored 15 points each.

The girls championship basketball game was played last Friday evening. The members were as follows: Juniors: Martha and Rose Ann Paul, forwards; Doris Dunsmore and Irene Campos, guards; Betty Hansen and Jean Stith, centers; Barbara Borges, substitute. Of these Martha and Rose Anne Paul, Irene Campos and Doris Dunsmore have been members of the basketball team which has won the championship all of their three years of high school. The senior team was as follows: Rose Ramos and Marie Rubio, forwards; Marian Cecil and Teresa Perez, guards; Margaret Valadez and Phyllis Robbins, centers; Clementine Lopez and Eleanor Topez, substitutes.

100
YEARS AGO

March 24, 1911
Rev. Guy Emery, pastor of the Christian Church, and family, were given a surprise shower Monday night at the C.E. Wyatt home.

Arbor Day was observed at the high school on Wednesday afternoon, having been postponed on account of the weather.

Mr. and Mrs. S.S. Chandler of Spickard, Mo., arrived in town Thursday evening. They came in company with Chas. Schneider and expect to make California their home.

Jack Cook and family and Lee Briggs came up from Alameda Monday.

The Bank of Winters' new safe arrived Wednesday.

Supervisor Russell was in town Wednesday. He is the latest purchaser of an automobile, having ordered a Maxwell runabout.

Mrs. Florence Sankey and daughter of Fruitvale are visiting L.T. Brock and family. Mrs. Sankey and Mrs. Brock are sisters.

115
YEARS AGO

March 21, 1896
The opening of the Hotel DeVilbiss last Sunday under the management of Jos. Legler, was attended with much éclat.

F.C. Ruggles, father of J.B. Ruggles of this place, died at his home in Woodland on Friday of last week at the advanced age of 77 years. Mr. Ruggles was a pioneer of California and Yolo County, coming here in 1850.

Winters Union High School Literary Society, March 13th, installed the following officers: President, Herm Wolfskill; vice president, Roy Brinck; secretary, May Ritchie; and critic, Tom Smith.

J. Newman, the Main Street shoe maker, gives notice that he will half sole men's shoes for 50 cents a pair and will use as good leather and do as good work as is done for 60 cents elsewhere.

Day & Warren have had a new flood laid in the front part of their drug store during the week.

Berryessa lake level rises 1.06 feet in week

The level of Lake Berryessa rose by 1.06 feet during the past week, adding 18,240 acre feet of water to storage, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 423.30 feet above sea level, with storage

computed at 1,249,634 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 70 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 26 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam.

Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 49 acre feet of water per day during the week.

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MILLER

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member in the UC Davis Department of Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior.

“She provided a strong research program and stood among the best teachers at the university. In the end, Marion was someone we all hoped to emulate,” Jelks said.

Miller’s husband, Michael Sears, described her as wholly devoted to her students.

“She lived for her university,” he said, “and always went over and above the call of duty.”

Even after her advanced cancer was diagnosed in 2009, she continued working until close to her death.

In 2002, her extraordinary record of helping students succeed was recognized with the award for the Outstanding Mentor of the Year from the UC Davis Consortium for Women and Research.

Miller joined the UC Davis faculty in 1986, after she was recruited by Davis professor Jim Seiber. Born and raised in Scotland, she was finishing a postdoctoral fellowship in London at the time. She had recently met Sears at a party.

“She heard me play a Scottish tune on the fiddle and we fell in love,” Sears said.

But Miller did not hesitate to leave the United Kingdom for a career in the United States.

“I came to visit her and never went home,” Sears said.

They married in 1986 and had two children: Sophie, who graduated from UC Davis in 2010 with a bachelor’s degree in landscape architecture, and Thomas, who as a UC Davis student is following in his mother’s footsteps, with a major in environmental toxicology.

Miller had also followed her mother’s example. In an era when fewer women became professionals, Isobel Miller was a poultry adviser for the Scottish Ministry of Agriculture. Marion Miller’s late father, David, also was a farm adviser, and on summer holidays Marion and her sister, Grace, loved to fly with him in small planes on working trips to the Hebrides Islands.

“Both her parents, especially her mother, emphasized education. That carried over

to her dedication and absolute focus on her students,” said Sears.

He related one of Miller’s favorite stories: In the family’s lochside family home in Connel Ferry, Scotland, when she was about 11 years old, she conducted an experiment in dilution with a bottle of her father’s whiskey. She carefully documented how much water could be added before the whiskey became undetectable.

“Imagine a child doing that! Measuring the proportions — that’s toxicology,” Sears said. “She never perceived any boundaries to the things she could do and places she could go.”

Miller earned a bachelor’s degree in pharmacology at the University of Aberdeen in Scotland (1976) and a Ph.D. in pharmacology from the Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston (1982).

At UC Davis, Miller explored the effects of occupational and environmental exposures to toxic substances on the male reproductive tract.

In 2002, when California’s Proposition 65 required public notice of certain health risks, Gov. Gray Davis asked her to chair the state committee that evaluated chemicals for their reproductive hazards. When Davis thanked her for her public service, she put his letter away in a drawer — typical of her “not blowing her own trumpet,” said Sears.

Miller also served the public as regional director since 2002 of a major U.S. Department of Agriculture program called IR-4, which helps farmers who are growing specialty crops to use new pesticides safely.

Her other administrative appointments included: associate director of the University of California Toxic Substances Research and Teaching Program (2000-2010); chair of the UC Davis Department of Environmental Toxicology (1998-2003); and member of the UC Davis Center for Environmental Health Sciences.

She also served on the Research Advisory Board for the UC Davis vice chancellor of research, the Academic Senate Committee on Research, the UC System-wide Committee on Research

Policy, and other committees.

When not working or caring for her family and students, Miller “was a very private and self-reliant person,” her husband said, but could also be the life of a party, telling jokes and stories. She also had an infectious sense of adventure and enjoyed physical challenges, such as cross-country running as a teenager and downhill skiing as an adult.

When her family vacationed away from their home in Winters, she loved “the tranquility of remote places,” Sears said, which they explored on foot and in kayaks.

On one such trip, the family discovered the small town of Timber Cove, on the Northern California coast. They bought a piece of land there and Sears, an architect, designed a cabin. With her penchant for “cozy places,” Sears said, Miller had him include little bed nooks.

The cabin is nearly finished, but before she could sleep in it, Miller died. Her ashes will be scattered in the Pacific Ocean nearby.

Marion leaves behind her husband, Michael Sears, her children, Sophie of Winters and Thomas of Davis. She was the daughter of Isobel Miller and the late David Miller of Portpatrick, Scotland, and sister of Grace Melville of North Berwick, Scotland.

A gathering was held at the family house in Winters two days after she died for her dear friends in the Community and representatives from the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences.

Many poignant and amusing stories from Marion’s life were told. Michael’s brother and sister-in-law, Matt and Jody Sears, played beautiful music that Marion would so much have enjoyed.

A UCD campus memorial service will be held at the UCD Conference Center on April 11, starting at 2 p.m. with a reception to follow. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to a memorial endowment that is being set up in Marion’s name “for the support of graduate education at UCD.” To make a memorial donation, contact Susan Kancir at sgkancir@ucdavis.edu.

Weekly police department report

Feb. 19

~ 6:46 p.m., 200 block of Railroad Avenue, an unknown white male suspect exited a silver truck, approached and confronted a Hispanic male, and accused him of cutting him off on Putah Creek Road. The suspect got back into his truck and said he was going to run over the victim with his truck. The victim, who had not been driving on Putah Creek Road at all, tried to get out of the way but was hit in the shin by the truck. The suspect stopped his vehicle and sprayed pepper spray at the victim, who fled the scene. The suspect was not known to the victim.

Feb. 28

~ 5:52 a.m., 100 block of Main Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was secure.

~ 10:12 a.m., on State Route 128 at County Road 87E, an officer assisted Woodland California Highway Patrol with an injured bicyclist lying on the ground.

~ 4 p.m., 500 block of Niemann Street, parties were involved in a verbal disturbance.

March 1

~ 8:07 a.m., 700 block of Railroad Avenue, parties were involved in a verbal altercation.

~ 2:47 p.m., Fernando Jimenez, 20, of Winters was arrested for battery causing serious bodily injury and making threats with the intent to terrorize. Jimenez was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

March 2

~ 12:10 p.m., 200 block of Baker Street, a PSP gaming device was stolen from a classroom. Loss: \$245.

March 3

~ 7:40 a.m., Clara Mendoza, 45, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and failing to stop at a stop sign.

March 3-4

~ 8 p.m. to 6:02 a.m., 700 block of Hill Place, forcible entry was gained to a vehicle by breaking a window. An

iPhone was stolen from the vehicle. Loss: \$199.

March 4

~ 2:14 a.m., 100 block of Purtell Court, two officers assisted a Yolo County Sheriff deputy with a domestic dispute.

~ 6:43 p.m., 500 block of East Street, parties were involved in a verbal child custody dispute.

~ 6:50 p.m., 100 block of Orchard Lane, parties were involved in a family dispute.

March 5

~ 12:36 a.m., 300 block of Baker Street, parties were involved in a mutual physical altercation.

~ 1:40 p.m., Russell Boulevard and Fredricks Drive, parties were involved in a family dispute.

~ 6:04 p.m., 100 block of Purtell Court, two officers assisted a Yolo County Sheriff Deputy with a welfare check on some children.

March 6

~ 10:28 p.m., 700 block of Main Street, parties were involved in a domestic dispute.

PRANKE

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Pranke Jr (Stacy); grandchildren Shane, Austin, Cody, Dylan of Reno, Nev.; stepdaughter, Barb (Dale); grandchildren Emili and Samantha; stepdaughter, Donna; grandchildren Jason, Jessica and Justin; mother Rhoda Laughy of Winters; sisters Joan Undahl (Norm) of Oak Island, Minn., Maureen of Golden Valley, Minn., Garnet Smith (Ulysses)

of Lewiston, Idaho, Carol Mattison (Ken) of Fairbanks, Alaska; aunts Marjorie Stepnies of Campbell, and Eileen Harpell of Crescent City.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Relay for Life at www.relayforlifeteamcalincnteam.com in honor of Kathy Pranke or checks may be made to American Cancer Society, 744 Empire St., Fairfield, CA 94533 with memo indicating “In Honor of Kathy

Pranke”.

A Rosary was held Tuesday, March 8, at Saint Anthony Catholic Church. Funeral services are planned at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 10, at Saint Anthony Catholic Church, with interment to follow at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery at 1 p.m. in Dixon. Arrangements by Wiscombe Funeral Home www.wiscombefuneral.com, online signing of a guest book is available on the website.

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Opinion

LETTERS

Little things can be huge

It's the little things that make me happy. Things like birds flying overhead, watching kids play in the park, and seeing familiar and smiling faces as I walk through the small town of Winters.

Since moving here from Florida on Sept. 1 of last year, I have had many experiences and encounters that some may see as inconsequential, but they meant a lot to me. I've met new people and learned new and interesting things during these six months. The other day, my roommate's 14-year-old son and I were walking through the parking lot of the Community Center and we ran into a gentleman playing music on some strange instrument called an mbira. I say strange because it was unfamiliar to me.

An mbira is an ancient African instrument consisting of a wooden box with staggered metal keys resembling spoon handles, and bottle caps. In Eastern and Southern Africa there are several kinds of mbira. It is played with the thumbs and fingers plucking the metal pieces and sounds like chimes.

This gentleman, whose name I failed to get, had another instrument called a kalimba, which is similar to the mbira, but smaller. He also teaches violin in Davis. My friend's oldest son joined us later, and the two of them had an impromptu jam session — her son on guitar, the other guy on violin.

I've met some of the most colorful and wonderful people here, have made stronger connections and better friends than ever before, and have had chance encounters that, although brief, left lasting impres-



sions that were worth more than gold. People and connections and encounters that let me know I'm exactly where I should be.

There is something special about Winters. The people are kind and warm. They smile and say hello. They remember your name and are genuinely glad to see you. And you can have a conversation with a complete stranger in a parking lot and find some common ground and learn new things.

It's the little things that make me happy, but in a way those little things are huge.

JAMES MELIN

Shame on the thief

This letter is directed to the person who came into the Winters Senior Apartments on Morgan Street recently and stole tables, decorations, etc., from the hallways in front of our apartment doors.

What you stole from me was a large brindle life-like solid cement English bulldog. If I see that bulldog anywhere, you are going to hear about it. A promise, not a threat. I will never be able to replace him and even if I could it wouldn't be the same.

Did you ever stop to think our items might have sentimental value, given to us by a loved one or someone no longer here?

I suppose someone with an I.Q. as low as

their belly is too stupid to think, period!

Remember, what goes around, comes around.

NIKI PATTERSON

Thanks, trustees

Last Thursday, the trustees of the Winters School Board had the grim task of approving a budget that includes many painful cuts to our school staff and programs. In the process, however, these dedicated community members, who give so generously of their time, voted to forgo their stipends, thereby saving the district \$22,000. I think everyone in this community owes them a big "Thank You!"

MARILYN WATSON

Thanks for your support

The Winters High School Student Government Class would like to thank our generous donors for their contributions toward the Mr. Warrior Pageant. To put this event on for our community takes a great deal of time, effort, and money. We rely on the donations of our community members to help us put on a great production.

A special thanks to the following businesses and families, many of whom are repeat donors: Pacific Ace Hardware, Any-

time Fitness, The Buckhorn, Camile's Hair Salon, Chris Novello and Culinary Essentials, Cody's Restaurant, Double R Ranch Fruit Stand, Eagle Drug, Ficelle, First Northern Bank, Gonzalez-Curiel Family, H2Wood Surveying, Howard's Doors and More, Mazza Dental, Mr. and Mrs. Jorge Santana, Nitzkowski Tax and Accounting Services, Inc., Oates Country Store, Pizza Factory, Putah Creek Café, Rescue Pool Service, Reynoso Family, Steady Eddy's Coffee House, Vintage Paving Company, Winters Eye-care and Warror Video.

Because of community members like you, Mr. Warrior continues to be a much anticipated and enjoyable night.

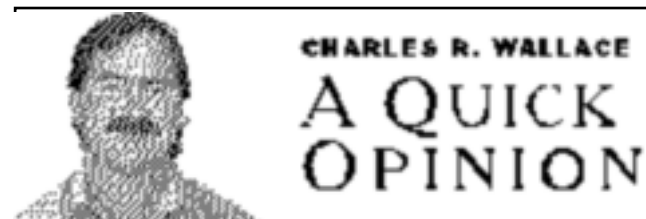
COURTNEY CARUSO
Activities director
Winters High School

30 Hour Famine fights starvation

Did you know that every 3.6 seconds a child dies from hunger related issues? On Feb. 25 and 26, 18 students from Winters took action to reduce this number. Warriors for Christ, a Winters High School club, sponsored the 30 Hour Famine.

The event is a nationally organized campaign by World Vision

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CHARLES R. WALLACE
A QUICK OPINION

BAD TIMING. What a difference a day can make. It was raining when I got up Sunday morning. I was planning to ride in the annual Freeze your %#@ off motorcycle rally that starts in Vacaville and ends with lunch at the Winters Community Center. ABATE sponsors the rally and when the sun is shining they get over 500 people to show up. When it rains you get about 120 and most of those are in four wheeled vehicles.

I made it to the lunch/raffle portion of the rally, without getting wet or freezing to death. There weren't many bikes in the parking lot. It made me feel old. In past years I've ridden in drizzle on this ride. It wasn't that fun, but it was something you did when you're younger and not thinking straight.

I thought of the motorcycle run on Monday as the sun was shining and people where out and about. I played golf on Saturday in my short sleeves and could have been wearing shorts. It was a beautiful day. A great weekend, except for Sunday, of course. Those that showed up on Sunday had a great time, and I'm sure those that rode gave their friends a hard time for showing up dry to the party. I'm sure next year will be better.

The Capay Valley Almond Festival is this Sunday and the weatherman says it will be partly cloudy. That is a whole lot better than rain all day. Some varieties of almonds have already finished blooming, but there should be plenty of petals to make it worth the drive to Rumsey. Stop by and spend a few dollars in Esparto's Community Park if you plan to make the trip. There are plenty of community groups that rely on the Almond Festival for a major part of their annual fundraising. Rainy weather is not only inconvenient, but expensive, if no one shows up.

ARE THE FIREWORKS BACK? There are confirmed rumors on the street that the city has ordered fireworks for this 4th of July. I've been helping collect money and brainstorming for ways to raise the rest, and it looks like the city is going to front the money, or at least get the ball rolling.

With the number of people who watch, and seem to appreciate, the fireworks, it shouldn't be that hard to raise enough money to make sure we have fireworks every year. Not having fireworks last year was a real disappointment to a lot of people. Fireworks cost about \$10,000, which comes out to less than a dollar per person for those of us that live in the 95694 area code.

I've talked to a couple of volunteer firemen who seem to be real excited about being part of a fireworks committee. Maybe skipping the fireworks for one year will make the event even better in the future. Let's hope so. I'll keep you informed about where and when you can help out.

Have a good week.

What do you do you gotta go and there's absolutley nowhere to go to go

The best part of last week's story about my adventures in recording radio commercials is the part I didn't tell: getting there.

But first, some context.

I have the bladder of a hamster. And my urgency ratio is directly linked to my stress level.

The higher the stress, the greater the urgency. If I'm anxious or stressed, I think I have to go. Even if I don't. But I'll go anyway. Just in case. It's like a nervous tick.

Come to think of it, I have the bladder of a nervous tick.

What makes me anxious? (I mean, in addition to the long working list.) Worrying that I might have to go and have nowhere to go to go. Just typing that makes me want to go.

(Fun side note: Don't you wish you could go on car trips with me?)

My urological neurosis is intensified by the diuretics I take to keep my blood pressure within reasonable limits. So, going some-

where with me is like taking the dog for a walk. Where you see gas stations on the

highway, I see fire hydrants.

And right about now, you're thinking, "Really? You're going to write about urine?" Before you flip to the sports page in a huff, rest assured, this isn't just an exploration of bodily fluid. It's a tale of potential disaster, my friend, and it could happen to you.

Context established, let's proceed to setting: It's the morning of the recording session. Besides needing to be in San Francisco by a certain time, I also needed to leave San Francisco in time to meet my husbie in San Jose for a five-day vacationette. For which I did not pack until about an hour before I left.

As I hurled things into my suitcase, it occurred to me that I didn't consider how long a recording session takes. I'd figured, what, 30 minutes, tops? Oh no. What if it takes hours? What if I'm stuck in the evening rush hour!

Doom.

Speaking of rush hour. Although I'd planned ample commute time into the city,



DEBRA DeANGELO
BECAUSE I SAY SO

I hadn't anticipated one thing: weather. That morning, the heavens were gushing like Mother Nature was on diuretics too. I needed to leave about an hour earlier. Which plopped me right into the I-80 morning commute.

This all adds up to one thing: Stress. (Please refer to fourth paragraph for significance.) Right around Richmond, that last cup of black coffee I chugged on the way out the door kicked in. Oh no. Gotta go.

In Richmond? You think I'm insane?

I continued to Berkeley, where the traffic always clogs for no apparent reason, and now it was getting serious. My bladder dummy light flashed on. But pull off in Berkeley in a traffic jam? It'd take longer to find a gas station than to get downtown.

By the time I

reached the Bay Bridge toll plaza, I was sweating. I looked at the 360-degree traffic jam and realized that even if there was a place to pull over, I'd never be able to. And then I noticed the commute time roadside sign: Downtown - 24 minutes. To go about two miles, people. Creatures have evolved faster.

Caught in the slow conveyor belt of traffic, I reached the bridge — the point of no return. Signs all along the way warn, "No stopping on the bridge."

This is where anxiety segues into panic.

What would you do, sitting there in gridlock and pouring rain, your bladder at capacity? If you're a guy, no problem: crack the door, whip it out, and ahhh — sweet relief. It's trickier for us gals. I imagined wagging my big, bare tail out the

door, losing control of the car and rolling across five lanes of traffic like an out of control fire hose. It was an unhappy image.

I gritted my teeth and clenched my fists on the wheel, searching for an empty can or bottle in the back seat. Nothing. I considered pulling off at Treasure Island, but I didn't know my way around there, and didn't have time to get lost.

I was going to burst. I wondered if my bucket seat could live up to its name. And imagined walking into a posh San Francisco recording studio in peedrenched jeans. Uncool, people.

Maybe if I stood in the downpour and got soaked all over, they wouldn't notice?

Doubtful.

I had to make it to the Fremont Street off-ramp. I had to. And when I did, I was pulling over and going right there, even if some jerkwad recorded it and posted it on YouTube. I didn't care. And I realized I'd probably be raped and murdered by gangsters too, but at this

point, that seemed less painful. But yet... I hit the ramp and just couldn't do it.

It gets worse. I was unfamiliar with the studio's location. Now, finding a parking spot in San Francisco is always a crap-shoot, but when you're lost? It'd be easier to find a bejeweled magical unicorn.

Suddenly, my luck did a 180. My Google map was spot on. I didn't hit any red lights. It was only a couple blocks away. And so help me, as God is my witness, there was an empty parking space in front of the building.

And no, smarty-pants, it wasn't right next to the unicorn.

I leaped from the car and sprint-waddled through the lobby for the restroom, making it within a nanosecond of complete urethral failure. I nearly wept from relief.

I'll tell you what. I'm never pushing my potty luck again. My near-disaster traumatized me to this moment. In fact, just thinking about it...

Excuse me. Gotta go.

Orchard Village applications are now available

Orchard Village, the new apartment complex on Railroad Avenue, is getting close to completion and is expected to be ready for occupancy in April or May.

Since April 2010, over 300 households have put their names on an “interest list” at City Hall. Those people are now receiving applications in the mail and can fill them out and mail them back. Priority on the waiting list will be based on when completed applications are received, not on when their names were added to the interest list at City Hall.

To get an application packet, call the property management company, Cambridge Real Estate Services, 795-1100 or (800) 735-2929 (TDD).

The apartments are all prewired for internet, and all units have washer and dryer hook-ups. The complex will also feature a swimming pool and jacuzzi for residents.

The community building will have power from a solar system and has a laundry room, computer lab and large meeting room. All units are affordably restricted to low income households, and the complex has a large number of three and four bedroom units for families needing affordable housing. A park is scheduled to be developed on the five-acre property just east of the apartment complex.

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that helps feed starving children throughout the world. Participants in the event pledge to give up eating for 30 hours. These students seek sponsors to pledge financial support to help offset the cost of feeding the starving children. Not only do participants help feed the hungry, they learn firsthand what it truly feels like to be hungry.

Thirty hours without food was a struggle for many, but was well worth it. Participants were on the honor system for the first six hours, the following 24 were filled full of team building activities, games, movies, and more. Everyone enjoyed a bountiful feast of pizza, chips, pastries, cookies and soft drinks at the conclusion of the event.

We would like to

thank the adult chaperones from various churches, Renne Adams, Darian Clark, Debbie Clifford, Lisa Hurst, Tim Hurst, Olivia Rodriguez, JR Selby, Mylene Selby, Ted Selby, Melissa Spurling and Sherry Spurling Caskey, who volunteered their time and gave up their sleep to ensure a safe environment for the participating students.

We would also like to thank Oates Country Store, Pizza Factory and Round Table Pizza for their generous donations of food and beverages.

The contributions totaled over \$1,300, which will feed 44 malnourished children for 30 days. Thanks to all that contributed and/or participated in this very worthwhile endeavor.

SARAH SELBY
President

Warriors for Christ

March Chamber Mixer planned at Anytime Fitness

Anytime Fitness will host the March Winters Chamber of Commerce Mixer on Monday, March 14, 5:30-7 p.m. at the gym, located at 113 Main Street. Everyone is invited to come see what both Anytime Fitness

and the Chamber have to offer.

A \$5 donation is suggested at the door. The evening includes food, beverages and a raffle prize.

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

Officer following in father's footsteps

By **DEBRA DeANGELO**
Express editor

There had to be something more to life than just pulling in a paycheck — even if it's a respectable one. That's what Winters' new police officer, Joshua Hearn decided when he walked away from a career as an electrician and entered the police academy in Napa.

Inspired by his father, Doug Hearn, a 30-year veteran of the San Pablo Police Department, Hearn says he grew up hearing “all the cool stories” police officers tell, and he enjoyed being with “the people who do this stuff every day of the week.” Sure, he says, there were stories of danger as well, but Hearn says he just takes that part in stride and focuses on the positive.

“I'm never frightened,” says Hearn, “but I've never had a gun pointed at my head.”

So far, he says he doesn't worry much about the dangers of police work, but acknowledges that he of course has a concern that something could happen, but says, “I don't run around in fear.”

His focus instead is on the satisfaction of his job duties, which is something he didn't have as an electrician. Although he was a journeyman and highly skilled, Hearn says there was just something missing. He categorizes electrical work under the “construction” heading,

and says he discovered that the construction industry just wasn't fulfilling for him.

“It was something I didn't want to go through 30 years doing.”

He points out that over a lifetime, construction jobs can take their toll on a person, and he decided to make a switch before it was too late.

“It was a good job, but for me, it just wasn't gratifying enough. It wasn't something I'd go home and feel excited about.”

But now that he's a police officer?

“I go home with a smile on my face,” he says. “If I've got to work for 30 more years, I've got to do something I enjoy.”

Even the potential of making less money over his lifetime didn't deter Hearn from switching career paths because he says an electrician's paycheck “wasn't enough to keep me around.”

He says his time so far on the Winters police force has validated his decision.

“I'm in a lot better mood when I get home.”

Besides the job satisfaction intrinsic in police work, Hearn appreciates the job security in the law enforcement field, noting that even in the current sour job market, he was able to find a position. Before being hired in Winters on Feb. 8, Hearn worked as a reserve officer for the San Pablo Police Department following his graduation from the police academy in



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Officer Joshua Hearn joined the Winters Police Department on Feb. 8.

September, and got a taste of a more urban population.

Compared to San Pablo, Hearn says he enjoys the small town feel of Winters and says “I feel like I'm where I need to be.” Coming from a larger town with larger crime, Hearn has the advantage of instinctively spotting people who are passing through town from larger cities, particularly if those people have had some run-ins with law enforcement. It's all in the attitude, he says, and people who've bumped up against the law ironically are often the ones who show the least respect to police officers.

Besides the small town, Hearn likes the small police department as well.

“It's not so large that if you pass each other in the hallway you don't say ‘hello.’”

The friendliness ex-

tends to the community, he adds.

“I love the small town feel,” he says, and likes that he can just walk up to local residents and talk with them, and ask them questions about incidents or investigations.

“People are willing to talk to the police here.”

Hearn, 27, is currently in field training with Corporal Jose Ramirez until June. He was sworn into office at the Feb. 15 city council meeting. He and his wife have a toddler and a second child on the way. In his spare time, he enjoys motor sports, camping, fishing, hunting, and exercising with his family. He says he enjoys the outdoors and likes getting out on the lake too. A native of Fairfield, Hearn is a 2002 graduate of Armijo High School.

Tickets available for Yolo County Resource Conservation District's annual dinner

The Yolo County Resource Conservation District (YCRCD) has been working with landowners, agencies, and non-profit organizations to protect, improve, and sustain the natural resources of Yolo County for over 50 years.

Their broad base of programs and projects benefit farmers, wildlife, water resources, air quality, and local students.

With an ever-dwindling base of resources and environmental pressures from a host of human activities, our work will continue to be

needed far into the future.

On Wednesday, March 16, at the Hotel Woodland, YCRCD will host its annual dinner to celebrate its stewardship efforts and those of its partners.

The evening will begin with complimentary wine tasting and live Music by the Putah Creek Muckrakers.

A silent auction will take place to raise funds to support the RCDs conservation activities, including sending two local high school students to the California Range and

Natural Resources Camp. In addition, the 2011 Cooperator of the Year Award will be presented to Paul Barger for his outstanding commitment to conservation and his community.

The guest speaker, Keiller Kyle of Audubon California, is the Tricolored Blackbird Conservation Coordinator.

Kyle organizes the efforts of state and federal agencies, non-profit organizations, private landowners, and farmers to protect and stabilize Tricolored Blackbird populations in California.

His presentation titled, “Farming for Birds” will address how agricultural lands are important, often essential habitat, for many bird species and will discuss ways that farmers can improve conditions on their farms for wildlife.

Tickets for this event are \$35 each or \$250 for a table of eight.

For reservations or more information, call Sheila Pratt, 662-2037, extension 117, or visit www.yolorcd.org.

Breast cancer support group to meet

John Linder, LCSW, Specialist and Clinical Social Worker at UC Davis Cancer Center, will speak on “Waiting for the Other Shoe to Drop” at the Y-ME (Breast Cancer Network of Strength) Open Door educational meeting on Monday, March 14, at 7 p.m. Linder will discuss ways to deal with feelings and concerns that arise during and after breast cancer treatment.

The educational program will be held at the University Covenant Church, 315 Mace Boulevard in Davis. There will be a time for questions and answers. The program is free and open to the public.

For more information, call Y-ME, 304-2746.

Community

Council meets Tuesday

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, March 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The agenda includes:

- ~ Introduction and first reading of ordinance establishing a moratorium on sidewalk vendors
- ~ Public hearing regarding submittal of an application and contract execution for funding from the Economic Development Allocation of the State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.
- ~ Public hearing regarding property transfer from the Community Development Agency (CDA) to the city (joint with the CDA)
- ~ Authorization for funding for legal fees for possible ligation by the League of California Cities and California Redevelopment Association relating to Governor Jerry Brown's proposal to eliminate Redevelopment Agencies as part of the state's 2011-12 budget.

Food will be distributed

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible Winters residents on Thursday, March 17, 12-1 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, and 3-4 p.m. at Yolo Housing, 62 Shams Way. Participants may receive food at only one site, and are asked to bring a bag to carry their food home. For more information call the Food Bank, 668-0690.

Quilt Shop Hop to stop here

Cloth Carousel is one of the many stops on the Sixth Annual Shop Hop, which came to town last week and continues this week, Thursday, March 10, through Sunday, March 13. Visiting quilters will be traveling from as far away as Hollister, Oakdale and San Mateo to participate. Winters is the northernmost part of the

Give them a hand



Photo by Charles Wallace
Tom Watson checks people in and helps them draw a poker hand at last Sunday's motorcycle rally that ended at the Winters Community Center. Over 100 people came to enjoy lunch, music and a raffle, despite the rain. Addison's Originals Catering volunteered to oversee the tri-tip, ribs, beans and potato salad luncheon. Only a handful rode their motorcycle on the route from Vacaville through the foothills to Winters. ABATE (American Brotherhood Aimed Towards Education) sponsors the annual rally. Last year, a sunny day, over 450 motorcycles were parked in downtown Winters.

Agreements approved in special council meeting

The Winters City Council held a special meeting on Friday, March 4, at 7 a.m. in anticipation of a decision from the state of California regarding the future of redevelopment, which is expected to occur before the council's next regularly scheduled meeting on March 15. In the special meeting, the following items were unanimously approved:

- ~ Resolution authorizing the execution of a cooperation agreement for payment of costs incurred by the city associated for certain Community Development Agency (CDA) funded capital improvement and affordable housing projects.
- ~ Cooperation agreement between

the city and the CDA for payment of costs incurred by the city for certain CDA funded capital improvement and affordable housing projects.

- ~ Resolution authorizing the execution of a cooperation agreement for advance and reimbursement of administrative and overhead expenses.
- ~ Cooperative agreement for advance and reimbursement of administration and overhead expenses.
- ~ Approve Rick Engineering contract for the design of the Downtown Streetscape Phase II Project (Mayor Woody Fridae and council member Harold Anderson recused themselves from this item due to conflict of interest.)

Pleased to meet you



Name: Stan Tufts
Occupation: Crop insurance adjuster
Hobby: Fishing and hunting
What's best about living in Winters: You can be on the front page of the Winters Express without anything bad being associated with it.
Fun fact: "I've worked in the same building since 1961, and spent my whole life worrying about bad weather that would affect the crops, and now I'm hoping for just enough that it will keep me busy with the insurance."

Youth Day
 Grand Marshal
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The Economic Development Advisory Committee will meet on Thursday, March 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. Anyone may attend.

Calendar

- Friday, March 11**
Chamber of Commerce meeting, 7 a.m., Winters Visitors Center, 11 Main Street
Winters Fire Department Fish Fry, 6-9 p.m., Winters Firehouse
- Saturday, March 12**
WFOl Tree sale, 9 a.m., parking lot at Railroad Avenue and Baker Street
- Monday, March 14**
Chamber Mixer, 5:30-7 p.m., Anytime Fitness, 113 Main Street
- Tuesday, March 15**
City Council meeting, 6:30 p.m., council chambers at City Hall
- Wednesday, March 9**
Senior Citizens Club meeting/potluck, 11:30 a.m., Community Center
- Ongoing**
Thursdays: Winters Rotary Club meeting, noon, The Buckhorn; **Bilingual Storytime,** 6:30 p.m., Winters Community Library; **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting, 8 p.m., 305 First Street.
- Sundays: Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting, 9 a.m., 305 First Street
- Tuesdays: Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting, 6-7 a.m., 305 First Street
- Wednesdays: Sorooptimist** meeting, 7 a.m., call 795-4631 or 795-2828 for location information; **Narcotics Anonymous** meeting, 7 p.m., 62 Shams Way
- Upcoming meetings/events**
March 17
St. Patrick's Day Children's Parade, 10 a.m., begins in front of Pizza Factory
Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting, 6:30 p.m., council chambers at City Hall.
- Saturday, April 30**
Youth Day
 (To list your non-profit local event on the Winters Express calendar, email information to news@wintersexpress.com or call 795-4551.)

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SCHOOLS

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are already two on the calendar.

Raising class sizes would save approximately \$171,000, furloughs approximately \$151,000. The savings that would be realized through successful negotiation would be used to return class sizes to close to their current levels and, if other savings can also be found, to restore the .25 FTE (full time equivalent) that has been cut from nursing services.

Trustee David Hyde added that he believes it is time to look at the \$26,000 that the district spends on activity stipends.

“We have avoided it and avoided it for multiple years,” Hyde said and asked for a 50 percent reduction in those stipends to be included in negotiations with the Winters Area Education Association.

At the suggestion of Trustee Mike Olivas, the board agreed unanimously to forgo the stipends that they receive for their service, which will put another \$14,000 back into the general fund.

Prior to the vote there was discussion among the board members and comments from the public and WJUSD staff in attendance.

Claudette Adams, secretary at Winters Middle School, told the board that she and other staff members already spend much of their time attending to student needs that are not directly in their duties and was particularly concerned about the effect that a loss of nursing services would have.

“We have no vice principal,” Adams said, and while emphasizing that she was not complaining, added, “the secretaries take up the slack.”

Marilyn Watson of the Winters Education Foundation expressed her belief that furloughs were preferable to the loss of staff and hoped that they would be approved. She also urged board members and the public to contribute to the Winters Education Foundation to help in the support of classroom needs.

“Losing staff is losing the heart of our district,” said Watson.

The discussion of athletic funding brought Winters High School principal Gary Miller to the podium. Many districts are dealing with the same transportation cost issues as Winters, and Miller said that carpooling and other forms of transportation are becoming more widely used.

“If it comes to a choice between carpooling and losing sports, we’ll car-pool,” said Miller.

Due to declining enrollment, WHS may move to a different athletic league, made up of smaller schools, Miller said. Many of those schools, such as Yreka, are far away, which would compli-

cate the transportation picture. He also expressed a concern that a loss of sports could lead to a further loss of students if youngsters chose to transfer in order to play.

“If we start cutting sports, we’re going to lose kids. Cutting sports is a pretty drastic thing and we have to be careful about that.”

Brickey remarked that the state has been directing schools to cut sports transportation costs for two years and that Winters has been reluctant to do so.

Dianne Beaton, community member, asked if it would be possible to consolidate some of the district facilities, perhaps moving Wolfskill to the high school campus or the district office to Shirley Rominger School.

The final vote was six to one, with Trustees Dan Maguire, David Reynoso, Robyn Rominger, Olivas, Hyde and Brickey voting in favor and Rob Warren voting “no.” Warren’s vote not to approve was based on his wish to see travel and conference monies eliminated completely rather than cut in half.

The final budget will be approved in June.

In conjunction with the expenditure reductions, the trustees approved a resolution “relative to the reduction or elimination of certain kinds of certificated staff,” which specified the positions to be cut. These reductions, which included the positions lost due to declining enrollment, eliminated 11.35 FTE, of which 10.35 are classroom teaching assignments. The layoffs include permanent staff.

Other items

~ Winters Middle School principal Sandra Ayon presented a proposal to revise the bell schedule at the school. The current modified block schedule emphasizes math instruction and shortens the amount of time given to other academic courses and electives. The proposed schedule was developed by the entire staff. It lengthens class periods to 50 minutes and is a more traditional seven period school day. The school week would include 120 minutes more classroom time than is currently offered, which equals 16.5 more days over the course of the year.

Ayon said she and her staff believe the proposed schedule would increase student success by providing “daily contact with teachers in all subject areas” with equal time given to each and would “better support students as they master common core standards.”

The new schedule would require an increase in staffing of .25 FTE, at an estimated cost of \$14,000.

The proposal will come back to the board for approval at its next meeting.

~ The trustees approved the recommendation of the Two Way Immersion feasibility

study group with a plan to strengthen the program. The plan was an information item at the previous meeting, at which time it was described and discussed at length. A progress report will be made in February of 2012, with a full review in pring of 2013.

~ The sixth month attendance report showed nrollment had remained stable. However, absences created a loss of \$44,060, bringing the year-to-date losses to \$230,890.

~ A report from Information Technology specialist Joe Cook on the possibility of televising board meetings ended with the board deferring any decision on doing so. Cook offered three possibilities: cable broadcast from the district office, webcast of recorded meetings via the internet and/or cable, and broadcast from Winters City Council chambers, where the equipment is already in place.

Cook has been in contact with WAVE cable. Cabling the district office with adequate fiberoptic lines and the use of WAVE equipment would cost at least \$1,000 per month, Cook said. A webcast, in the form of a live stream and an available archive, would cost approximately \$1000 for an initial setup and \$45 a month for software. The city, according to Gillespie, is “open to sharing” their setup and would not charge a facilities fee.

Gillespie has expressed a reluctance to move board meetings to City Hall because of the time and hassle involved.

Trustees Hyde and

Brickey expressed a strong interest in staying at the district office for meetings and using the web option. Board president Maguire was concerned about taking any more monies from the general fund, which either of the first two options would require. The item was informational only and in the end the board decided to “look at it another day, when we know where our finances are,” in the words of Trustee Warren.

~ The 4th and 5th grade finalists in the Shirley Rominger Spelling Bee were introced by Shirley Rominger principal Pam Scheeline: Kelsie Sinkovich, McKay Baker, Taylor Adams, Atlas Martinez, Thomas Kakutani, Alexia Larsen, Logan Pittman, Luis Segura, Morgan McKinney, Tyler Perez, Sam Petersen, Omar Ceja, Jules Jiminez, Esther Myers, and winner Keeley Stone.

Scheeline also honored SRIS parent Rebecca Bresnick Holmes, who is “awesome” as a supporter of the schools in general and Rominger in particular. Holmes is the president of the Winters Education Foundation and a classroom volunteer whose work with students is invaluable.

~ Four groups of youngsters reported on programs at the school in which they are involved.

Ivett Arellano and McKay Baker, who are top readers, described the reading incentive program at SRIS. Sam Peterson and Andrea Valdez reported on the penny drive conducted by the student

leadership class. Funds will go to leukemia research. Jose De la Cruz talked about the March 8 Poetry Jam, featuring recitations from students. Salma Lopez, Kristen Bermudez, Lalea Drumright, Alexis Garcia described their recycling project, which benefits the music program.

~ Rominger teacher and WAEA representative Joann May told the board that the middle school marching band has been invited to England to perform in the 2012 London Olympic entertainment program.

~ In public input, Wolfskill teachers Matt Moran and Tracy Houk-Ishitoya responded to comments from a board member at the previous meet-

ing that were critical of their program and students. Moran said “staff and students were disheartened” by statements that “go back to outdated thoughts” about alternative education and “go against what the district has embraced.” Houk-Ishitoya read two letters from students expressing their concern about the remarks.

The consent agenda included the resignation of Winters High School vice principal George Grijalva, effective at the end of the current school year. Grijalva could not be reached for comment.

The board spent two hours in closed session to discuss negotiations with WAEA and employee “discipline /dismissal/release.” No action was taken.

CARS

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and hundreds of cars.” He attends auctions and also purchases used cars from new car dealerships. The two also locate used vehicles on Craig’s List and by word-of-mouth.

Once they find a vehicle, the process moves pretty quickly — just a few days to complete the paperwork. During that time, Biasi goes over the vehicle from bumper to bumper to make sure it’s in good enough condition to sell. The vehicles have clean Carfax reports and auction certificates.

“These are all clean cars,” he says. “All are at or under 100,000 miles.”

Most important to Biasi is maintaining the reputation he’s built over the past 16 years at his auto repair shop; he hopes to continue building his reputation with new customers.

“I’m not going to sell them a car that’s going to need new brakes in a couple of months,” says Biasi. “These are not high-mileage beaters.”

When customers leave his shop with their new-used car, they receive a copy of the invoice and work orders. In addition, they receive a maintenance plan good for one year, including oil changes every 4,000 miles. Biasi is also developing a warranty program and would eventually like to offer a set discount on repairs for those who purchase an automobile from him.

“It’s great for the customers and it’s good for us,” says Biasi. “I like to think I’ve been taking pretty good care of everyone. I hope that will spill over and influence people to maybe buy a car from us.”

While Biasi was busy building his auto repair business, Wittman was building his reputation and following his dad’s example. His father, Eugene Wittman, started out in Petersberg, Michigan running a service station. He began selling used cars at the station. Wittman followed that tradition and has been selling vehicles for 40 years, including 20 years in business with his dad. He operated a Ford, Mercury, Nissan dealership in Lakeport and a Chevy, Buick, Dodge, Chrysler dealership in Clear Lake.

Wittman and Biasi are enthusiastic about their new venture, and hope to expand in the future.

“We’ve had an amazing amount of response to just the few

cars we have now,” says Biasi. “Every day people call or come by.”

The two are willing to help customers find their perfect car — just come in with a wish-list (price, make, year) and they will help find the car that fits the bill. They did just that for Buckhorn owner John Pickerel. When he was looking for a van for his Buckhorn Grill restaurant in Sacramento, Biasi and Wittman found him one to suit his needs.

Biasi and Wittman are also looking for a more visible location, where they can increase their automobile stock (the DMV has only approved four cars at a time at the current location) and display them for passersby. The more visibility and the better mix of vehicles they have, the more they will sell.

“We are in the infant stages right now,” says Biasi. “The car business is all about location and display.”

The partners have set a long-term goal of selling 10 automobiles per month, but they want to make sure they are doing everything right in terms of meeting the City’s requirements, DMV rules and taking good care of their customers.

In the meantime, they are focused on providing excellent customer service — including being on call nearly 24 hours a day.

“I’ll always be available on my cell phone,” says Biasi. “We can show cars after hours as well.”

For more information about Biasi’s Car & Truck Sales, call 795-2000, 304-5254 or Wittman (Big Red’s Buying Service) 409-3211, or visit Biasi and Wittman at 2 Russell Street.



Photo by Dawn Van Dyke

Nick Wittman (left) and Paul Biasi have ended the long dry spell for car sales in Winters with their new used car sales business.

Community Garden plots available

The Winters Community Garden is entering its second year, and there are a limited number of 10x20 foot plots available. The annual cost is \$40.

The plots will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. The garden is located a short walking distance from the Community Center, along the walking path on the north side of Putah Creek.

To sign up for a plot or for more information, contact Ana Kormos, 212-1040.

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there could still be time to bring them back. He suggested sending a request for donations in the city water bills.

“If every family put \$5 in, it would pay for the fireworks show. Its not a lot of money,” said Donlevy.

“And the expected outcome would be?” asked Aguiar-Curry.

“No cost to the city,” replied Donlevy.

Noting that the city issues permits for two fireworks stands in town that are currently operated by Winters Little League and the Winters Swim Team, and that one reason the booths are lucrative is because people come into town for the fireworks display, Aguiar-Curry suggested an ordinance requiring the groups to donate 15 percent of their net profits back to the city to help fund the fireworks.

“It’s all kind of affiliated,” she pointed out.

Council member Tom McMasters Stone balked at veering off into that discussion at that point in time, noting that representatives from Little League and the Winters Swim Team weren’t present at the meeting. City Clerk Nanci Mills suggested that an ordinance such as the one Aguiar-Curry recommended could be brought back for review at a future council meeting.

Mayor Woody Fridae indicated he was open to the idea of exploring ways for the city to share in some of the profits from the fireworks booths.

“Last year, with no fireworks, their (the groups) revenue suffered,” said Fridae. “People come into town to see fireworks, and also to buy fireworks.”

Council member Harold Anderson expressed concern about what would be done if the fireworks committee is unable to raise the entire \$10,000.

“I’m concerned that if the goal isn’t met — is there a \$7,000 package, or a \$5,000 package?” asked Anderson.

Mills explained that the cost of the fireworks is estimated by the length of time they are expected to last. In 2009, the city chose a 20-minute display, which cost \$9,300. This year, said Mills, the cost for the same display is \$10,000.

“It goes up about 15 percent every year,” said Mills.

The council then approved the new fire-

works committee, and after some prodding, McMasters Stone (a former fire chief) agreed to represent the council on the committee.

Sewer screen

The council unanimously approved the purchase of a new screen system for the East Street wastewater treatment plant that is expected to do a significantly better job of screening out “chunks and debris,” said city staff member Carol Scianna. The cost of the screen, made by Aqualitec, is \$87,944.81.

Scianna reported that the plant currently uses a grinder that does “a very inadequate job” and creates “piles of debris.”

“Crew from Southwest Water spends hours netting stuff,” said Scianna.

She reported that she investigated equipment at other wastewater facilities and talked to wastewater operators, and selected the most appropriate one for the system in Winters, one that will remove 90 percent of debris. She added that the screen has a simple design, is low maintenance and has few parts that can break.

“I’m comfortable that this is going to be the best choice for the city,” Scianna said, noting that the price of the Aqualitec equipment is comparable to that offered by other companies. She added that she was able to secure a 20 percent discount on the price and an extended two-year warranty as well.

Wes Mercado, manager of the Southwest plant in Winters, said that the new equipment will reduce the foul smell that sometimes permeates the air nearby the plant.

“There is a lot of the odor on East Street. It will have an effect on that,” said Mercado, who explained that much of the debris that currently clogs the plant is from people flushing inappropriate things down the toilet.

Council member Mike Martin asked what citizens can do to help alleviate the problem and reduce foreign materials in the system.

“It comes down to self-awareness,” replied Mercado. “A lot of things we think are flushable aren’t flushable. They end up in the waste stream and cause mechanical problems, and cost man hours.”

Some of the things that should be going in the trash — not down the toilet — include hair, nylons and panty-

hose, personal wipes, wet-jet “Swiffer” cloths, clothing and disinfectant wipes. Mercado noted that all of the wipes are designed to be strong and are hard to tear apart — great for cleaning, but not so great for a wastewater treatment plant.

“Basically, anything that doesn’t dissolve?” asked Fridae about which items shouldn’t be flushed.

“Biodegradable doesn’t mean flushable,” clarified Mercado.

Martin asked about the life expectancy of the new system, which Mercado estimated to be about 20-30 years. Scianna noted that the size she was recommending allows for expansion, and said the city could include a list of non-flushable items in an upcoming city newsletter.

Donlevy explained that the city’s sewer system isn’t under pressure, but relies instead on gravity flow.

“Swiffers, cleaning products — it’s like people flushing a bunch of T-shirts down the toilet and into the system,” said Donlevy, adding that when these non-flushable items combine with coffee grounds and grease, it all coagulates together. In addition, the sewer system is invaded by tree roots in the older areas of town, sometimes four and five feet long. The roots also catch the debris clogs.

“These are products that harm the environment and we use them every day,” said Donlevy of the disposable wipes.

Other items

~ Under the Community Development Agency (CDA) portion of the agenda, a motion to approve a purchase and sale agreement between the CDA and the city passed unanimously. The motion applies to certain properties purchased by the city and CDA with redevelopment funds, and will help protect these properties in the event that the state of California ends the redevelopment program in an effort to balance the budget.

Donlevy explained that the end of redevelopment may allow a state-approved “successor agency” to move in and liquidate the city’s assets in a “fire sale.”

“Somebody could charge in and buy property the city purchased with redevelopment money,” said Donlevy, explaining that the motion places the CDA properties in

an escrow account, and appraisals will be done to determine their market value and sales agreements will be developed. A public hearing on the matter is expected at the March 15 city council meeting.

~ A motion to approve appraisals of six CDA properties at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 passed unanimously.

~ Charles Anderson, regional public affairs manager for the League of California Cities, Sacramento Valley Division, gave an update on state legislation, the state budget and redevelopment. He praised the City of Winters for protecting its redevelopment funds, and thanked Aguiar-Curry for serving on the Division board of directors. He noted that she is a past president of the Division board, and is also a representative on the League of California Cities board of directors.

“The City of Winters is well-represented,” said Anderson of Aguiar-Curry’s service.

Donlevy took the opportunity to further vent his frustration about the state’s moves to take redevelopment funds.

“This legislature is very anti-city. Last year, they took over a million dollars away from us.”

He predicted that state budget cuts to the corrections system will mean “basically pushing people into the county jails” in the numbers of “tens of thousands.”

“We will end up dealing with these people with law enforcement — some will just be released,” said Donlevy.

“Redevelopment is one of the engines that is driving the economy,” added Fridae. “By killing it, it might be a short term gain, but in the long term, it is a loss.”

“If redevelopment goes away, we will not do any more affordable housing,” continued Donlevy. “All the things in our Housing Element, all the things

that Legal Services (of Northern California) expects us to do — won’t happen.”

“Does that put us in a legal bind?” asked Fridae.

“Sue us — go ahead,” retorted Donlevy. “We have nothing. They can’t take anything from us.”

Before closing, Anderson added that the League now has a website, www.protectourlocaleconomy.com, where the public can learn more about redevelopment.

Later on in the city manager’s report, Donlevy expressed more frustration with the ongoing redevelopment battle with the state, and called the proposed changes “draconian.”

“It’s like being given a death sentence and having to get all your affairs in order, and not knowing when they’re going to pull the lever on you,” said Donlevy. “It could be immediately. The floor could drop out on Friday.”

He then likened any legislator who supports the state’s redevelopment grab to “an executioner.”

~ A second reading and adoption of the ordinance establishing informal bidding procedures passed unanimously. No one spoke at the public hearing on this matter.

~ Fridae presented a proclamation to Winters High School art teacher Kate Humphrey and Winters Chamber of Commerce board member Nancy Meyer in recognition of the month of March as Youth Art Month.

~ The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Winters High School student Katie Clark, who helped write a mission statement for her student government class and designed their T-shirts. Fridae noted that she frequently stays after school to help teachers and janitors, and that she played a key role in the Every 15 Minutes program.

~ Anderson announced that a SACOG tour will come through Winters on March 10.

Representatives from the East Coast will be touring small towns in this region.

~ Aguiar-Curry announced that there will be a government leadership meeting focusing on collaboration with other cities and counties on March 14, 4-6:30 p.m. at the Woodland Community Center. She also congratulated the Winters Chamber of Commerce on its successful breakfast meeting, held on March 1.

~ It was announced that the March Main Street car show sponsored by The Buckhorn has been postponed until April due to expected bad weather.

~ Donlevy recognized Mills, who celebrated her 25th anniversary as a city employee this month, and noted that city employee Terry Vender’s 25th anniversary was in November. A more formal recognition is being planned.

The council will meet again on Tuesday, March 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

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From the Ground Up: Grits go mainstream

By ANN M. EVANS and
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Special to the Express

Grits, which are small broken grains of corn, have long been associated with southern cooking, and some of us northerners, like me, have never eaten any until recently. Ann, however, has been eating grits most of her life. She spent her childhood summers in North Carolina when grits were one of the South's best secrets.

Ann told me that grits with butter, salt and pepper, made by Daisy the cook, was a regular feature at breakfast at her stepmother and father's home in Durham. Every time she comes back from a Chapel Hill visit to family and friends, she reports that she "fed her soul with a bowl of piping hot grits for breakfast at the Sienna Hotel breakfast buffet."

Now, as southern cooking goes mainstream in the San Francisco Bay Area, it seems like every time I pick up a menu, I find grits on it, and as often as not, collards as well. I'm delighted, because I finally started cooking grits this year when a sophisticated friend in Kentucky, appalled by my lack of knowledge about one of his top 10 foods in the world, sent me several pounds of stone-ground white corn grits from Weisenberger Mills in Hardin County, Kentucky, along with his favorite recipes.

Since then, I have become a devotee of grits. The recipe I like the best

thus far is the simplest – boil the grits in salted water for about 35 minutes. Serve. I serve them to accompany all kinds of meats and vegetables, such as roasted pork loin, braised beef short ribs, or sautéed mushrooms. Think of serving them in place of potatoes, rice or polenta and you'll be on the right track.

At Pican's in Oakland's uptown district, for example, you'll find such items as Braised Beef Short ribs with Pimento Grits, Oven-roasted Brussels Sprouts, and Truffled Crème Fraiche, and Shrimp and Grits with Arugula and multiple other dishes that speak of the south, but with the Bay Area dedication to fresh, seasonal ingredients. Well, OK. The grits are from Falls Mills in Tennessee.

Ann recently ate a delicious main course of grits for dinner at Wexler's in San Francisco. The dish featured Ridgecut Mills Grits with Mimolette cheese, Delicata Squash and Red Wine Jus. And closer to home, Chef Michael Touhy is serving grits for lunch with Spicy Fennel Sausage and greens at his downtown Sacramento restaurant, The Grange.

Grits were first produced by Native Americans centuries ago. They made both

"corn" grits and "hominy" grits. Hominy is field corn that has been soaked in lye water for several days until the outer skin of the kernel sloughs off. Then the

hominy is dried and can be milled. In the south, the delicate, finely ground white grits are preferred. Yellow grits, according to Marion Brown's Southern Cookbook, while tasty, is not considered so elegant, for it is ground from the husk of the grain. However, as with any traditional food there are lots of opinions.

In the south, nearly everyone had a patch of corn, a grain that stores well over the winter. And grist mills were common. John Martin Taylor, known as Hoppin' John and author of recipe books from South Carolina's "low country," writes that naturally raised whole grain stone or water ground corn grits have provided major sustenance for the southeast throughout its history. Whereas some cultures eat potatoes and pasta, southerners ate grits and rice. Grits are still grown by small farmers in Georgia

and Kentucky. Using my friend's gift of Weisenberger Stone Ground White Grits, Ann and I developed this vegetarian main dish recently using collard greens from my winter garden, and wild mushrooms from the Davis Farmers Market.

Grits with Greens and Wild Mushrooms
(Serves four as a main dish)

This dish can be made with any winter greens such as turnip, kale, mustard, chard, beet tops or other winter dark leafy greens, with white or yellow grits.

The Ingredients

Four cups water
One cup grits (not instant)
Salt
Pepper
Eight tablespoons butter
One bunch collards, stems removed and chiffonade
Four cups mixed wild mushrooms

Putting it together

Bring the water to a boil in a saucepan. Add the grits slowly and stir to prevent clumping. Turn heat to low. Leave uncovered and stir from time to time. Cook for 20-25 minutes, or until done. Add salt and pepper to taste. In another pan, such as a sauté pan, heat four tablespoons butter and add the prepared greens. Stir quickly, add a few tablespoons of water, and cover pan with a tight

fitting lid. Turn heat to simmer and cook for 15 minutes. While these dishes are cooking, chop the mushrooms coarsely. Melt the remaining four tablespoons of butter in a sauté pan. Add the mushrooms and stir. Turn heat to low and continue to cook for about five minutes. To serve, place the grits in individual soup plates, spoon a large serving of the mushrooms on top of the grits in the center as a bed for the greens which get piled on top of the mushrooms.

Grits on the menu

~ 1300 on Fillmore, 1300 Fillmore St., San Francisco; (415) 771-7100 or 1300fillmore.com.

~ Brown Sugar Kitchen, 2534 Mandela Pkwy., Oakland; (510) 839-7685 or brownsugarkitchen.com.

~ Farmer Brown, 25 Mason St., San Francisco; (415) 409-3275 or farmerbrownsf.com.

~ Pican, 2295 Broadway, Oakland; (510) 834-1000 or picanrestaurant.com.

~ Wexler's, 568 Sacramento St. San Francisco; (415) 983-0102 or wexlerssf.com

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Nature Outings beginning at Stebbins Cold Canyon

The Nature Outings program at Stebbins Cold Canyon offers a diverse schedule to local communities. Most outings are interactive and experiential in nature.

"We hope you find something of interest, something to help you experience the reserve and continue to develop your relationship with the natural world," says program coordinator Jeff Falyn.

In addition to Stebbins Cold Canyon, which is located on Highway 128 just east of the Monticello Dam, outings are also planned at Bobcat Ranch and on the Cahill property. In addition, children's outings are offered in the Nature's Theater program.

A suggested donation of \$5 per person (or \$10 per family) is requested for most outings. To attend an outing, send an e-mail to jfalyn@ucdavis.edu. Include your name, address, pre-

sentation date, phone number and/or email address. Also, indicate whether you need directions to the outing site. Most outings are limited to 15 participants and fill up quickly, and each outing requires pre-registration..

The outing schedule for March includes:

~ Bobcat Ranch, Saturday, March 12, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To the northeast of Stebbins Cold Canyon is the 6,800-acre Bobcat Ranch owned and managed by California Audubon. Presently the ranch has limited public access; this outing provides a wonderful opportunity to roam the vast stretches of open land with scenic views, rolling hills and blue oak forests. The focus of the outing will be on Audubon's work to restore the land, what research is taking place and the natural habitats and local

wildlife inhabiting the area. The hike is moderate. The group will meet at Steady Eddy's at 8:30 a.m. Guide: Valerie Calegari.

~ Nature's Theater training, Sunday, March 13 and 20, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Last year's training was so popular, it will be offered it again. If you'd like to learn how to inspire children to develop a love of nature, this training is for you. Nature's Theater is a popular kid's program that engages children in an interactive walking story. The kids are met by costumed characters who offer a fun quest to help them explore and learn about different elements in Nature. The two-day training consists of a step-by-step process on how to run a Nature's Theater outing. Guides: Jeff Falyn and Lyndsay Dawkins

Those who complete the training will be eligible (not mandatory) to partici-

pate as a character in one of the Nature's Theater outings scheduled at Stebbins—mid March through May. There is no cost for the training.

For more information on Nature's Theater visit www.naturestheater.org. To sign up for the training, contact Jeff Falyn, jfalyn@ucdavis.edu

~ Follow a Raindrop, Sunday, March 20, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join Stephen McCord as he looks at the journey of a raindrop that falls on the Reserve. Many aspects of the local and regional watershed are examined, including the hydrologic cycle, water resources management, and water quality issues. The hike will include a 1.5-miles (roundtrip) walk on the Homestead Trail along Cold Creek and then a two-mile (roundtrip) hike up to an overlook with views of the Reserve's watershed,

Lake Berryessa, Monticello Dam and Putah Creek.

~ A Gentle Stroll up the Canyon, Saturday, March 26, 9 a.m. to noon. Plants, plants, plants, there are so many plants in Cold Canyon it's almost impossible to identify them all. Almost for some, but not for Glenn Holstein, botanist with the California Native Plant Society. Join Holstein on a leisurely walk on the Homestead trail and learn more about the plants that interest you.

~ Words Into Images, Sunday, March 27, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Look at a scene

in nature and allow words to join the images in your mind. Take those words and use them in a pattern to create images. Artist Alison Kent offers a creative process to stimulate thought and expression. A short introduction will be followed by a brief journaling session to furnish material for the image. Bring your favorite medium (pens or colored pencils and sharpener) and a blank journal.

~ Nature's Theater: Winter Won't Go, Sunday, March 27, 10 a.m. to noon, ages 1-4.

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Entertainment

Historic photos will be on display

If you've ever enjoyed the copies of the old photos in the main dining room at the Buckhorn, you might enjoy viewing the historical photo and artifact display at the upcoming Capay Almond Festival on Sunday, March 13.

This display will be located in the Boy Scout cabin adjacent to the fire department in the Esparto Park, which is the center of the day's festivities for Esparto. The items that will be on display will be original photos and artifacts from the collection of David Herbst of Esparto, the same collection from which the copies in the Buckhorn were obtained.

Herbst has done many displays through the years at the Almond Festival and the Stroll Through History in Woodland as well as other locations, and each time he tries to present items that most people have not seen before in the previous displays.

This display will focus on the small towns of Yolo County and its rural and agricultural history. There will be items from early day Buckeye, Cottonwood and Winters along with items from



This photo of Theodore Winters, at left, one of the founders of the city of Winters, and his brothers, Joseph D. and John D. Winters, is part of David Herbst's collection that will be displayed at the Capay Almond Festival.

Courtesy photo

the Capay Valley area. Some items will predate California statehood such as papers relating to the Spanish land grant where the town of Davis now sits and a copy of what is thought to be the oldest surviving newspaper from the county.

Herbst began collecting items related to the history of the county 50 years ago, but parts of the collection have their beginning almost 75 years earlier as the collections of Kier Snavelly, Will Weider and Jack Weaver among others have been acquired, merged and built upon.

As with all previous displays, there is no charge for admittance although a ticket, available at the door, will be required.

Genre-bending Four On The Floor to perform



Courtesy photo

Fiddler Barbara Higbie is part of Four On The Floor, a super-group of Bay Area talent that will perform at The Palms at 8 p.m. March 12. The group combines many music styles.

Four On The Floor, a collaboration of four world-class musicians featuring a heart-centered approach to musical explorations, will bring their exciting sound to The Palms on Saturday, March 12, at 8 p.m.

This group is a super-group of genre-busting Bay Area talent — percussionist, vocalist Linda Tillery, pianist/fiddler Barbara Higbie, saxophonist George Brooks and bassist Kai Eckhardt. These four bandleaders join together as a group, bringing with them multiple Grammy nominations and collaborations with everyone from Santana and John McLaughlin to Pete Seeger and Bobby McFerrin. This brilliant ensemble combines powerful voices and inventive musical styles to fuse rock, jazz, world music, blue-

grass, funk and blues, creating an exhilarating performance.

This show reveals exciting perspectives on works by Maya Angelou, Abbey Lincoln, Bill Monroe and Victor Young, as well as critically acclaimed original music. Four On The Floor combines consummate talent, humor and a passionate approach to music, to bring you a not-to-be-missed evening.

Tickets, at \$20, are available at Pacific Ace Hardware in Winters, Armadillo Music in Davis, Watermelon Music's branch location in Woodland, online at tickets.com, and at the door if not sold out. For more, call 795-1825, or visit palmsplayhouse.com or barbarahigbie.com, www.culturalheritagechoir.com, www.georgebrooks.com, or www.kaizone.com.

Williamses and group coming to The Palms

Virginia-based Robin and Linda Williams and Their Fine Group will perform at The Palms on Thursday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. They are known for their rich harmonies and original songwriting rooted in the country/bluegrass/gospel tradition, and have gained widespread national prominence on Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion," as one half of The Hopeful Gospel Quartet as well as performing in their own right.

Robin and Linda Williams and Their Fine Group combine beautiful vocal harmony, exquisite musicianship, and simply perfect songwriting, earning their reputation as one of the top acoustic music acts in the country. For more than 25 years, they have delighted audiences with a blend of bluegrass, folk, old-time and acoustic country that truly merits the title of "American music."

Just released on Red House Records and produced by Tim O'Brien, Robin and Linda's new CD, "Buena Vista," is an exploration of life's hard times and unexpected joys featuring the duo's high lonesome harmonies and their fiery guitar and banjo picking. Joining the Williamses as "Their Fine Group" is Jim Watson, formerly of The Red Clay Ramblers, on vocals and bass and Tom Corbett on mandolin and guitar.

Tickets, at \$20, are available at Pacific Ace Hardware in Winters, Armadillo Music in Davis, Watermelon Music's new branch location in Woodland, online at tickets.com, and at the door if not sold out. For more, call 795-1825 or visit palmsplayhouse.com or robinandlinda.com.

Robin and Linda Williams and Their Fine Group will perform March 10 at The Palms.

Courtesy photo

Winters businesses showcase student artwork throughout March

By KATE HUMPHREY
Special to the Express

In conjunction with Youth Art Month, Winters businesses will be decked out with art during the month of March. Participating merchants will display the work of Winters High School art students from March 1-31.

A celebratory Art Stroll is planned on Saturday, March 19. The Art Stroll begins at 4 p.m. with a reception for young artists and their families at the Winters Visitors

Center, 11 Main St. The reception is open to the public at 4:30 p.m.

On March 19, students, friends, family and visitors will be able to wander through town and admire the artworks on display in the windows of Winters merchants. The display will feature works in a variety of media including watercolor, pen and ink, graphite and printmaking. So far, nine businesses have confirmed that they will participate and the list continues to grow.

Youth Art Month has been celebrated around the country every March since 1961 to raise awareness the importance of art in schools. This downtown display comes at a time when the Winters School Board must again make cuts to balance the district budget, and is meant to celebrate and remind viewers of the value of the arts in the community. Most importantly, it will give the community a chance to honor the skilled artists at Winters High School.

Businesses with art on display in celebration of Youth Art Month include Berryessa Gap Winery, Root Stock, Cloth Carousel, Cody's Restaurant, Pacific Ace Hardware, Steady Eddy's, Velo City, Winters Healthcare Foundation, Steady Eddy's, Winters Dental, ARC Guitar, Camile's Hair Salon, Pizza Factory, La Tienda, Ireland Agency Insurance & Real Estate, Valley Floors, Lester Farms Bakery, Eagle Drug, Berryessa Sporting Goods, Wiscombe

Funeral Home, Edward Jones, Realty World, Turkovich Family Wines, El Pueblo, Anytime Fitness, Ocean Restaurant, Custom Cleaners, Warrior Video and the Winters Visitors Center.

This event is sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call the Winters Chamber of Commerce at 795-2329.

Arbor Day celebration planned

The Yolo County Historical Museum-Gibson House invites the public to an Arbor Day celebration, plant sale and antique sale on Saturday, March 12, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 512 Gibson Road in Woodland.

Arbor Day celebrations have been held annually at the museum since 1979, soon after Yolo County acquired the former William B. Gibson property.

The Gibson House Gardeners will host an early spring sale that will include trees, shrubs, native

plants, herbs, scented geraniums and flowers, in addition to dried flowers and garden seeds.

Museum tours will be given from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The museum is trying to save the more-than-300-year-old oak on the property. Tax-deductible donations to the Save The Oak Fund can be sent to the Yolo County Historical Museum, 512 Gibson Road in Woodland. For more: 666-1045, ychmoffice@sbcglobal.net or www.gibsonhouse.org.

Root Stock presents live music on Friday

Root Stock, 22 Main St., continues its live music and wine tasting on Friday, March 11, from 6-8 p.m. This week features local singer and guitar player Carolyn Hines.

Hines has been entertaining crowds for more than 30 years. Her beautiful voice is often heard on Saturdays at St. Anthony Catholic Church. All are invited to come and enjoy this enchanting live music while tasting local and regional wines, and meet wine maker Julie Larson and sample her Julie LePla 2009 Zinfandel. Root Stock's Red table wine, blended by award-winning Winters winemaker Mike Anderson, will also be offered.



Coming up

Thurs. Mar. 10 - Robin & Linda Williams

Sat. Mar. 12 - Four On The Floor

Fri. Mar. 18 - Dan Hicks

Sat. Mar. 19 - Lydia Pense & Cold Blood

See the rest of our schedule online at
palmsplayhouse.com



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Winters Friends of the Library members (from left) Linn Myer, Paul Myer and Carol Scianna paid a visit to Pacific Ace Hardware for gardening supplies in anticipation of the annual WFOl Tree Sale, planned for Saturday, March 12.

Annual tree sale planned

The Winters Friends of the Library will hold the annual Fruit Tree Sale on Saturday, March 12, in the parking lot on Railroad Avenue between Baker and Edwards Streets from 9 a.m. until the trees are sold out.

Bare root trees are \$10 each and citrus trees are \$25 each.

The bare root trees are donated by Sierra Gold Nursery in Yuba City and will include almond, apple, apricot, cherry, peach, pear, Asian pear, prune, plum, walnut and a few non-

fruiting purple flowering shade trees.

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PSA anxiety to be discussed

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The support group offers an opportunity to meet prostate cancer survivors and discuss treatment options, recovery and side effects.

For more information, call Ray Biancalana, 756-6408, or Harold Honeyfield, 756-9153.



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Winters Friends of the Library members (from left) Linn Myer, Paul Myer and Carol Scianna paid a visit to Pacific Ace Hardware for gardening supplies in anticipation of the annual WFoL Tree Sale, planned for Saturday, March 12.

Annual tree sale planned

The Winters Friends of the Library will hold the annual Fruit Tree Sale on Saturday, March 12, in the parking lot on Railroad Avenue between Baker and Edwards Streets from 9 a.m. until the trees are sold out.

Bare root trees are \$10 each and citrus trees are \$25 each.

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Sports

Warriors put up impressive numbers

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

The Winters Warriors boys soccer team had an impressive season this year due mostly in part to good chemistry and a team concept.

With that philosophy, the Warriors were able to generate some big numbers on the stat sheet as a team and individually.

Their 11-1-0 Butte View League record gave them a share of the league title and their 13-2-0 overall record got them into

the section championship game. Individually, the Warriors had the league's top three players in points per game. Dagoberto Fierros led the league with 37 points (2.643 per game), Omar Herrera was second with 21 points (2.625 per game) and Felipe Hernandez was third with 33 points with (2.357 per game).

Fierros also led the team in goals scored with 16, Hernandez was second with 14 and Herrera was fifth with six goals scored. Herrera led the



Courtesy photo

The 2010-11 Winters High School boys soccer team were co-champs of the Butte View League this year with an amazing season. The Warriors posted an 11-1-0 league record and were 13-2-0 overall after losing 2-0 in the section championship game. From left are (back) coach Alfredo Rodriguez, Dagoberto Fierros, David Damey, Cesar Vasquez, Fernando Cervantes, Felipe Hernandez, Jose Santana and assistant coach Alberto Elizarraraz; (middle) Gerardo Aguilera, Max Fuentes, Orlando Rodriguez, Omar Herrera, Agustin Villagomez and Tony Brever; (front) Ernan Rodriguez, Fabio Mendoza, Ricardo Rodriguez, Luis Salcedo, Steven Ethington, Darby Borges and Brentley Weissman.

league with assists with nine (1.125 apg), Max Fuentes was

fourth with six assists (.545 apg) and Orlando Rodriguez was

fifth with seven assists (.500 apg). Goalkeeper Jose

Santana also led the league in saves with 115 (8.214 apg).

Cardinals control the fields

By LEE HOLT
Special to the Express

The week started off Tuesday with a bang as the Winters Cardinals had a home game against CA Jacobs Middle School of Dixon. Twenty-one minutes in, Sofia Evanoff scored a beautiful goal on a breakaway, giving the Cardinals a 1-0 lead.

The Jacobs Cougars were aggressive, but the Winters Cardinals held their own, and goalie Vanessa Arellano had two saves. At half, Winters had a goalie change and adjusted the line up. Three minutes in, Evanoff scored again off an assist from Arellano.

The Cardinals dominated the second half with several missed shots and close calls. Further support in shooting was handled by A.J. Jimenez, Meghan Murphy and Carina Prado-Garcia. Madison Nicolas, Hannah Kimes, Logan Kreun, and Heidi Masem led a strong defensive force and kept their opponent to just one shot in the second half. Goalies Lila Walton and Arellano shared the shutout.

The final score was 2-0, in Winters' favor. Other strong contributions were made by Esme Escobedo, Deisy Salinas and Tania Ramirez.

On Wednesday, the Cardinals traveled to Davis to face off against the Emerson Junior High Eagles. It was a cold, windy and wet day, but cleared up for the game. Emerson got the jump on the lead with a goal nine minutes in.

It took a bit for the Cardinals to settle in and then they answered back with a nice goal from Evanoff, to tie the score at half 1-1. Again, a change in the lineup and goalie gave the Winters Cardinals the boost it

was looking for and eight minutes into the second half, Evanoff scored again on the Emerson Eagles.

The Cardinals dominated the second half with goalie Lilia Walton only touching the ball a few times (and logging another shutout). Fifteen minutes later, Arellano scored off an assist from Evanoff to bring the score to 3-1. With 14 minutes left, Jimenez hammered one in to end the scoring at 4-1.

The defense was led by Kreun, Nicolas, Kimes, Salinas and Masem. Other great efforts were contributed by Isabella Jimenez, Hailey Lane, Escobedo, Murphy, Claire Penzel and Naomi Mora.

On Thursday, the Cardinals again traveled to Davis to square off against the Holmes Junior High Patriots. The Patriots came out hard, but were held back by the Cardinals.

The Cardinals needed a little time to settle in, and 20 minutes in, the first goal was scored by Jimenez, which held until half. In the second half, the Cardinals revved it up and dominated the Patriots. Four minutes in, off an assist from Evanoff, Murphy sank one in the net.

With one minute left, Evanoff dropped the final blow off an assist from Angelina Lopez, giving the Cardinals a solid 3-0 win, and ending the week undefeated. Defensively, Nicolas, Masem and Kimes held solid. Other great efforts were by Mora, who just missed a goal, and Ramirez with 21 throw-ins. Arellano and Walton shared the shutout in goal. The Cardinals have gone undefeated so far this season, 5-0.

This week, the Cardinals face Harper Junior High in Davis, and Esparto at home.

Linton goes 3-2 at state tournament for wrestling

By ERIC LUCERO
Express sports

Senior wrestler Cody Linton competed in the toughest high school wrestling tournament in the country on Friday and Saturday, March 4-5, in Bakersfield.

Linton went 3-1 on Friday, qualifying him to advance on to Saturday's competition.

He lost a very close match on Saturday and fell one short of

placing in the tournament.

"Cody did a great job," said coach Tim Hausler. "They went back and forth in his last match and he didn't get some points that I thought he should've got but that is the way it goes."

"Cody definitely has a future in wrestling and has a few different options of where he wants to go and wrestle at the next level. He also has really good grades and that will open even more doors for him."

PISANI'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Tony Brever

Tony Brever, a senior on the Winters High School boys soccer team, is athlete of the week.

Brever has been a solid defensive player for the Warriors all season and played a key role in the Warriors' success.

"Tony has played great defense all year," said coach Alfredo Rodriguez. "There were games where he shut down the top scorers in the section. He plays with a lot of intensity but is always very cool and calm."

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JV baseball wins season opener

By ERIC LUCERO
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The JV boys baseball team defeated Dixon 8-6 in its season opener on Tuesday, March 1, at Winters High School. Winters started with a five-run lead and then allowed the Rams to tie it up in the top of the third. The Warriors regained the lead in the bottom of the third by scoring another run to make it 6-5.

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Schools

Calvert elected FFA central region president

Goal-setting is an important aspect of the FFA program. As a freshman, Austin Calvert began his leadership training and goal setting. He decided early in his FFA career that becoming an FFA state officer would be his goal that he would work toward during high school.

On Saturday, Feb. 26, one of Austin's goals would come true. He was elected to serve the 57 FFA chapters and more than 17,000 FFA members



of the central region, which serves the area from Esparto and

Woodland on the north side to Merced and Los Banos on the south side.

Calvert is the first FFA member of the Yolo section and the Winters FFA chapters to be elected to serve as president of the central region. His responsibilities will include conducting regional FFA meetings and conferences. He will lead the regional officer team during chapter officer training workshops. He will be the Master of Ceremonies at the

FFA state degree ceremonies and will be in charge of the central region delegation at the FFA state conference and at the national convention.

Calvert had a team of Winters FFA members that worked as his campaign team at the regional conference in his quest to be elected. Austin Brickley, Victoria Burke, Andrew Gonzales and Cale Castro passed out fliers and talked to official voting delegates about Calvert's qualifications.

Mr. Benson, Calvert's FFA adviser, said, "I am very proud of Austin and the Winters FFA members. Though it was Austin who was elected, it was a total team effort. Over the last year, Austin has stayed focused to his goals, even through the hard times. I know he will do a great job."

Calvert is a two-time chapter officer and a Yolo Section officer. He was selected as the Winters FFA Star Greenhand his freshman year and Star

Chapter Farmer his sophomore year. He was a state finalist in the creed speaking contest and an extemporaneous public speaking finalist this year. He is also a member of the livestock judging team and the marketing plan team.

Calvert has attended numerous leadership conferences, which include the Greenhand conference; Made for Excellence, Advanced Leadership Academy, FFA state conference and the FFA national convention.

Read off fines during National Library Week

To celebrate National Library Week, April 10-16, the Yolo County Library announces the fourth annual "Read Off Your Fines" campaign.

This campaign targets children and young adult library card holders, ages 5 to 18 years, who are able to read by themselves and who owe overdue fines on their own library cards for previously returned materials.

Youths who "read off" their fines will earn a \$1 credit for each 15 minutes spent reading a book of their choice during the second week of April at their local Yolo County Library branch.

"We want to support youth

who have been blocked from checking out library materials in once again being able to return and take advantage of the many resources available at the library," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Vice Chairman Jim Provenza.

"This successful program encourages youth to take responsibility for their fines by reading passages from their favorite books, or new ones, in exchange for forgiveness of overdue fines."

Yolo County Librarian Patty Wong said families are encouraged to participate in the Read Off Your Fines program.

"This is a great opportunity

for families to read together."

The Yolo County Library is offering the Read Off Your Fines program at each of the eight branch libraries during the second week of April.

The hours of the program will vary from branch to branch, so community members are encouraged to contact their local branch for more information. Libraries are located in the communities of Clarksburg, Davis, Esparto, Knights Landing, West Sacramento, Winters and Yolo.

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

Winters Parent Nursery School registration open

Winters Parent Nursery School, a parent participation preschool that has been serving the families of Winters and surrounding areas for more than 35 years, is beginning its registration for the 2011-12 school year. Registration packets may be picked up at WPNS, 208 Fourth St., starting March 15, between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Alumni registration will begin on March 15 and continue until April 14. Alumni families need to return their completed registration packet along with the non-refundable \$40 registration fee by April 14 in order to secure a spot for the 2011-12 school year.

New family registration will begin Friday, April 15. New families may return their completed packets along with the non-refundable \$40 registration fee starting at 8:30 a.m. Friday, April 15. Openings will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Enrollment will continue until all classes are full.

For more information or to set up a time to visit WPNS, call Jill Aguiar at 795-3052.

New law requires whooping cough booster for students in grades 6-11

◆ Shot mandated before 2011-12 school year starts

Winters School District school nurse, Cynthia Wesp, reports that a new California state immunization law requires all students in grades 6-11 to show proof that they have been immunized for pertussis, also known as whooping cough, before they can begin the 2011-12 school year.

The recent statewide outbreak of the highly contagious

disease is the reason for the new vaccine requirement.

In California, 8,627 cases were reported in 2010 and about 311 this year. Figures have not been this high since 1947. Infants are the most vulnerable to this disease.

Vaccinating students throughout the community will help to protect the infants who can become seriously ill and die, and also protect individuals from contracting this highly contagious disease and the

severe cough that lasts so long.

Parents are advised to call their own doctors now to make an appointment for the shot, then bring their child's shot record to school by March 28. Students must have this booster shot in order to begin next school year.

If you do not have a health care provider, call Winters Healthcare at 795-4377, or the Public Health Department at 666-8656.

Do you know of a student who deserves recognition for an accomplishment?

Is your youth group planning a fundraiser or other event?

Send details to news@wintersexpress.com

JV

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Dixon scored one more run in the top of the fifth to tie it up, but the Warriors scored two more in the bottom of the sixth for the victory.

"It was a good first game for us," said coach Daniel Ward. "We made some mistakes but we made good plays when we needed to. Roger Padilla really stepped up I put him in a tough situation. They had bases loaded with one out and I brought him in to pitch and he

got us out of inning without giving up a run."

Padilla also led the Warriors offensively, batting 2 for three with a double and three runs scored. Kevin Lane batted 1 for 1. Henry Nicholson batted 1 for 3 with two RI and a run scored. Ben Case batted 1 for 3 with three RI. Trevor Ray batted 1 for 3 with two RI. Taylor Burke went 1 for 4 with a double and two runs scored. Christian Corrales scored two runs. Andrew Gonzales had an RBI and Gabe Gonzales scored a run. Corrales, Nicholson and Padilla all pitched for the Warriors.

St. Patrick's Day preschooler parade set

Preschoolers in Winters are invited to march down Main Street to the Rotary Park gazebo in a St. Patrick's Day parade.

The event, which starts at 10 a.m. in front of Pizza Factory, is hosted by the Winters Parent Nursery School.

For more information, call 795-4659.

The parade will be canceled if it's raining that day.



Photos by Dawn Van Dyke

Elliot Herrera (far left) delivers a speech as Babe Ruth in the annual Mr. Warrior competition on March 2. Herrera was a finalist. Jared Ney (center) did an air guitar version of “Sweet Home Alabama” at the competition. Julio Pacheco (left) showed off his talents on the dancefloor. The annual event is sponsored by the Winters High School student government class.

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Features

Heart failure can cause feet to swell

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Please explain why I have to take my shoes off late every day because my feet and ankles have swollen and don't fit into the shoes. I flop around in slippers without heels. In the morning, after a night's sleep, my feet are back to normal. I am 77 and take no medicines. — K.M.

ANSWER: I can't give you an unequivocal response because there are numerous causes of foot and ankle swelling.

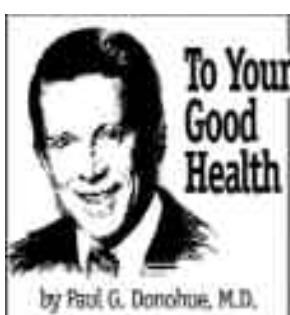
The medical name for such swelling is edema. Even in relatively healthy people, it occurs if people sit or stand for any length of time. Gravity pulls fluid out of the circulation, and it accumulates in the feet and ankles. This is especially true at older ages, when the circulatory system becomes somewhat leaky.

For this kind of swelling, the solution is to elevate the legs when sitting. The most effective elevation is raising the legs above heart level, something that can be done only by lying down with pillows propping up the legs. Getting up and moving about is another way to prevent fluid accumulation in the feet.

Heart failure is a more serious cause of such swelling. When the heart's pumping action becomes feeble, fluid escapes from blood vessels and again accumulates in the ankles and feet. Kidney disease with retention of body fluid is another cause of edema. Liver disease does the same.

Another condition called lymphedema produces the same picture. Lymph is fluid that normally escapes the circulation to percolate around tissues and organs to provide nourishment and to wash away germs. Small vessels called lymphatics vacuum up this fluid and return it to the circulation. Anything that disrupts lymphatics can lead to ankle/foot swelling. An old infection and surgery are two such disruptors.

Since ankle and foot swelling is a sign of many urgent medical conditions, don't fool around with this. See your family doctor.



The booklet on edema and lymphedema clearly describe these conditions and their treatment. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue—No. 106W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery. ***

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am concerned about my brother, who is 63, diabetic, weighs 300 pounds and is 5 feet 8 inches tall. He falls asleep, wakes and falls asleep repeatedly at the table and when he sits down. Why? He says he's tired. He picked a scab on his leg and blood squirted out 6 inches. What does that mean? — Anon.

ANSWER: Your brother might have sleep apnea. His body size suggests that it could be the reason for his daytime sleepiness. Spurring blood indicates that an artery was broken. No one should pick at scabs, especially a diabetic.

Your brother needs medical attention. He has to lose weight both for control of diabetes and for control of sleep apnea, if that is what he has. He is at great risk of incurring the complications of diabetes — heart attack, stroke, blindness, kidney failure — if he doesn't start paying attention to his health.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. (c) 2011 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved

I should have taken the watch

Anytime I make a choice or decision that I regret, or if my wife calls me on one, my response is, "Yeah, and I should have taken the watch." Let me explain.

When I was 21, Michael (who was one of my good friends from high school) offered me a temporary job driving a fork-lift for his family's beer distributorship. His father had died a year earlier and his mother was running the business while Michael finished college, the plan being for him to take over after graduation. I figured what the hell, I was already pretty good at forking around and it was only temporary. Well go figure, that temp job turned into the next decade of my life.

Life was good. I was 22, a Teamsters warehouseman making \$13 an hour with full benefits, and not a care in the world. I got an apartment, bought a new car, and started dating this cute young woman who worked in the warehouse with us. I was good at my job, was in a stable relationship, and enjoyed my "recreational" activities.

For the next couple of years, life just flew by. Michael, who was now running the business, offered me a management position with the company. I readily accepted, quit the union, and became the new assistant operations manager.

Over the next nine years I held different positions, from warehouse manager to data processing manager, eventually settling into inventory control manager. Over that same period, the company grew by leaps and bounds. We were an Anheuser-Busch distributor and when I started working, we only had four brands — Bud Light hadn't even been introduced yet.

As inventory control manager, I went from ordering 50 items to a few hundred and then we bought a wine distributorship with more than 1,000 different items. Needless to say, my job had become much harder.

Michael and I had been part of a close-knit group of friends in high school. He was always a little on the wild side, had been raised Irish Catholic, was the most affluent of our group, and had a



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propensity toward self-destructive behavior that also ran in his family.

His father was a hard drinking WWII pilot who died in his early 50s, his older brother died from a drug overdose while we were in high school, and his younger sister died just a few years ago after a life full of substance abuse.

Michael had always been a heavy partier, and even running a multi-million dollar company with dozens of employees didn't slow him down. When it came to substance abuse, let's just say that in that race, Michael and I ran nose to nose.

That changed when I was 28. With the prodding (threat of divorce) of my new wife Diane, the "Breaker Girl" from the warehouse, I went cold turkey on our first wedding anniversary and quit doing illegal drugs for good. As happens so often with ex co-dependents, Michael and I started to drift apart. This didn't bode well for me — he was still my boss.

Over the next five years I continued doing my job but getting more and more frustrated with Michael and the way he was running the company. Michael had gone from being an idealistic, socialist-leaning kid who favored sharing his good fortune, to a union busting, money craving, hard-ass who really didn't care much about anyone but himself and his habits.

It got to the point where I felt I had no choice but to tell his mother about his drug problem and try for some kind of intervention. She listened patiently and after I was finished did what all good enablers do: told Michael all about our meeting. He was furious and that was the beginning of the end for me. Even though I had still been getting good evaluations, increasing bonuses, and pay raises, I was transferred to the wine division, where I felt kind of lost.

During that last year, my wife Diane

and I had started our first part-time business. It was called Steady Eddy's Push-carts and we did snack concessions at a seasonal amusement park. That business was doing well enough that Diane had quit her job to work it full time for the summer season. I was working it by taking partial vacation days during the week and then working on the weekends.

Working at the park was fun and I had also settled into a comfortable routine at the distributorship. I didn't mind working in the wine division but I was still angry and I showed it by being "passive aggressive." This manifested itself in different ways that I'm not real proud of, but in essence I just quit caring about my job.

Anheuser-Busch had an incentive program for its distributors called "Dimensions of Excellence" and the company worked hard at meeting those goals. We had achieved all our goals that year, so meetings were scheduled where all the employees would receive a commemorative watch as a thank you.

My group meeting was scheduled for 1:00 but I was busy working on something else and since I was still pissed and being passive aggressive, I just skipped the meeting because I really didn't want the watch.

A couple hours later, I was called into Michael's office where he proceeded to tell me that I had purposely missed a mandatory meeting and that was insubordination. He then told me he wanted my resignation letter within the hour. I was in total shock and I told him I wouldn't quit, that he would have to fire me. He then proceeded to hand me a termination letter and asked a couple of my co-workers who were also my good friends to escort me to my office so I could pack my things.

I had worked there for more than 11 years — one third of my life and it was over just like that. It's now been a little over 20 years since that happened and it's still the most traumatic event of my life. There's no way to know how my life would have been different but there are way too many occasions where I say, "Yeah, and I should have taken the watch."



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might feel more encouraged about changes in your personal and/or professional life. However, it might be best not to rush things but rather work with them as they evolve.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The Bovine's business sense is especially keen this week. But remember that it's always best to investigate before investing. Make sure there are no hidden factors that can rise up later on.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Working on a family project could create tension between and among those concerned. Your good sense and your patience can help reduce bad attitudes and raise positive feelings.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You should be seeing more progress in the development of your plans and more supporters joining in. News from the past could help change someone's long-held position.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) With personal aspects strong this week, Leos and Leonas might want to spend more time with family and others who are especially close to them. Also expect news of a possible career change.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Taking a strong stand can be helpful this week. But be careful you don't cross the line into obstinacy. Best to take a position on facts as they are, not as you want them to be.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You have a strong sense of the needs of others. This week, turn some of that sensitivity into an honest self-appraisal, and let it find places where you can help yourself.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Creating an emotional comfort zone to handle a personal problem helps at first. But by mid-week, you'll realize you need to deal with it directly or it could linger for too long.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Turning the page on a mistake to start fresh might not be the thing to do. Better to go over each step that led up to the decision you made and see which one misled you.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Goats enjoy a varied diet, but eating crow isn't on the menu — at least not this week. An embarrassing situation might have gone wrong before you got into it. Check it out.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your sense of honesty might impel you to speak up about a situation you disapprove of. That's fine. But do so without sounding accusatory. You might not know all the facts behind it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Being asked to create a reassuring attitude in the middle of chaos isn't easy, but you can do it. Support for your efforts comes slowly, but it does come. Enjoy an arts-filled weekend.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your honesty about people and issues is expressed in a positive, not painful, way.

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HOCUS-FOCUS

By HENRY BOLINO

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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Nuestras Noticias



Repercusiones

El asesinato del agente norteamericano Jaime Zapata, sucedido en San Luis Potosí, vino a tensionar las relaciones ya de por sí desgastadas entre México y Estados Unidos por la lucha contra la droga que se lleva a cabo en México. La muerte del agente del Servicio de Inmigración y Aduanas (ICE) daña aún más la ya negativa imagen de México como un país semicontrolado por los narcotraficantes. También llevará a más congresistas norteamericanos a pedir un mayor control de la frontera, olvidándose de la legalización de 11 millones de indocumentados.

La mayoría de las muertes son anónimas y no aparecen en la prensa. Pero hay algunas, pocas, que se convierten en noticia. Y cuando ocurren — como la del agente Zapata — en medio de un clima de violencia como el de México, suelen tener enormes repercusiones diplomáticas. La muerte del agente norteamericano Enrique Camarena en 1985 es el precedente.

El presidente Barack Obama, personalmente, le dio sus condolencias a la familia de Zapata en Texas y advirtió que su muerte no se olvidará. Eso es lo que ocurre cuando matan a un estadounidense. En la Casa Blanca no pararán de presionar hasta que se haga justicia.

Ya hay varios arrestos en México, incluyendo a un joven apodado “El Piolín” que dice haber apretado el gatillo. No deja de sorprender lo rápido que “cantan” los detenidos al ser arrestados en México. Es como si se tratara de confesiones exprés, sin abogados presentes, por supuesto.

La muerte de Zapata no quedará impune. Sin embargo, las más de 34 mil muertes de mexicanos desde que el presidente Felipe Calderón tomó el poder han quedado, en su amplia mayoría, olvidadas. ¿Quiénes van a investigar o buscar a los asesinos?

Aunque las estadísticas digan lo contrario, existe un creciente temor entre políticos norteamericanos conservadores de que la violencia en México se extienda a la zona fronteriza dentro de Estados Unidos. Y la muerte del agente Zapata será utilizada por los políticos más conservadores para justificar nuevas y restrictivas medidas en la frontera. Es un clavo más en el ataúd de la reforma migratoria.

Sería muy temerario y hasta equivocado decir que el presidente de México, Felipe Calderón, fue llamado a Washington tras el asesinato del agente Zapata. Las cosas no funcionan así. Pero la premura y sorpresa con que se organizó la reunión entre Calderón y el presidente Barack Obama indica que este es un asunto prioritario.

Pero hay que estar claros: la reunión no va a resolver las diferencias abismales que existen sobre el tema de las drogas en los dos países.

Calderón, lejos de pedir disculpas por la muerte del agente estadounidense, sigue insistiendo en que la culpa de la narcoviolenencia en México es también de Estados Unidos. Hay narcotráfico en México — repite cuando y donde puede — porque hay millones de consumidores de drogas en Estados Unidos. Además, los narcos mexicanos están armados con rifles y pistolas compradas fácilmente en Estados Unidos.

Para Estados Unidos no es prioritaria la reducción del consumo de drogas — no he visto un solo comercial de televisión al respecto en años — ni hay un debate nacional para eliminar la segunda enmienda de la constitución que permite la compra y el uso de armas. Aquí en el norte no hay la mínima autocritica respecto a este asunto: la violencia en México la ven como un problema de los mexicanos.

En los discursos, México y Estados Unidos hablan de un frente común contra las drogas.

En la práctica, las estrategias son totalmente dispares y hasta contraproducentes. La muerte del agente Zapata, en lugar de marcar una nueva época de cooperación antidrogas entre los dos países, demuestra lo lejos que estamos de una solución conjunta y a largo plazo. México seguirá poniendo los muertos y los narcos. Estados Unidos seguirá poniendo las armas y los drogadictos. La muerte del agente Zapata, desafortunadamente, no ha cambiado nada.

¿Hicieron diferencia alguna esos dólares?

Durante el verano pasado los comerciantes de Winters le pedían a sus clientes que agregaran por lo menos un dólar al pago de sus compras para las escuelas públicas de la ciudad. ¿Qué fue de esas donaciones? ¿Hicieron alguna diferencia? ¡Sí, sí la hicieron!

Gracias a sus donaciones, la Fundación de Educación de Winters (WEF por sus siglas en inglés) logró recaudar y hacer una donación de \$15,000 dólares a las escuelas públicas de Winters, en septiembre del 2010. Después de consultar con maestros, personal escolar, directores, y miembros de la comunidad, los fondos recaudados por WEF, se utilizaron para comprar equipo electrónico y materiales escolares en cada escuela.

Uno de los artículos que más se solicitaba, fue un proyector de imágenes, que le permite a los maestros poner cualquier documento bajo el foco y lente, y hacer una proyección a un cartelón, sin tener que transferir la información a una hoja transparente, así ahorrando dinero y tiempo.

El maestro Alejandro Delgadillo de la escuela intermedia Shirley Rominger (SRIS) hizo el siguiente comentario, “esto ha permitido que el siglo 21 llegue a mi salón.”

Las escuelas Shirley Rominger, Waggoner, la Secundaria, y la Secundaria Wolfskill pudieron comprar estos proyectores, los cuales han sido de gran ayuda en los salones.

La maestra de cuarto grado de SRIS Katie Aunan comentó, “el proyector Viewsonic me ayuda a mantener a mis alumnos interesados en la lección. Es una gran herramienta de estimulación visual.”

Otros maestros de SRIS compartieron con nosotros lo siguiente: “¡Les encanta a mis alumnos! Es maravilloso en las matemáticas, puedo hacer una proyección directa del libro al pizarrón,” dijo Mary Stewart; “Los alumnos que están sentados más lejos del pizarrón pueden ver hasta lo más pequeño en detalle. Así todos pueden participar en la lección, y tengo más tiempo para enseñar,” dijo Kristie Oates; “Es excelente para las lecciones de ciencias naturales, nos permite aumentar imágenes como lo hace un microscopio,” dijo Kathy Lester.

Es probable que haya visto las siglas WEF en un logotipo de manzana, si aún no lo ha visto y llega a verlo considere lo siguiente: WEF es la Fundación de Winters sin fines lucrativos, la cual fue creada y es dirigida por miembros de la comunidad que tiene un interés en ayudar a las escuelas públicas de Winters. Nos preocupa el bienestar de la educación pública y los niños en esta ciudad, y trabajamos con el fin de dar apoyo económico a las escuelas, maestros, y niños de Winters.

Nuestro objetivo es recaudar los fondos que se necesitan

para que las oportunidades de igualdad educacional, y los servicios educativos que se ofrecen a los niños no sufran, dado a la situación económica. En resumen, recaudamos fondos y los destinamos a las mismas escuelas públicas de la ciudad.

Gracias a sus donaciones fue posible de que WEF donara suficiente dinero para comprar los proyectores y materiales escolares. Sin embargo, este año queremos poder hacer más; tendremos varios eventos y campañas para lograr nuestra meta, tal como, nuestra campaña de “Un Manzana Por Día” (pedimos de diez centavos hasta un dólar por día, en base a su capacidad de contribuir) durante todo el año; tendremos carreras de bicicleta en julio, y otros eventos para recaudar fondos.

Para más información visite nuestra pagina de Internet al domicilio www.mywef.org, o lo esperamos en una de nuestras juntas de la mesa directiva. Nos reunimos cada segundo jueves del mes a las 6:30 p.m. en la sala de reuniones de la biblioteca pública de Winters.

Para su conveniencia puede hacer su donación por Internet, con el sistema PayPal, utilizando una tarjeta de crédito, o enviándolo por correo a: WEF, P.O. Box 1047, Winters, CA 95694. De antemano, por favor haga sus cheques pagables a WEF. Todas sus donaciones pueden ser deducibles de su declaración de impuestos.

Consecuencias

Si usted — como yo — tiene hijos en la escuela, estará de acuerdo conmigo en que uno de nuestros principales temores, es que lleguen a caer en el mundo de las drogas. Y es que lamentablemente, el problema se ha extendido a lo largo y ancho del planeta, incluso en los países más conservadores. Recuerdo cuando vivía en México, en aquellos años había uno que otro muchacho que fumaba marihuana, era la droga más fuerte que se usaba en aquellos tiempos. Nunca supe de alguien que usara cocaína o metanfetaminas, menos crack o heroína, lo más popular aquí en Estados Unidos.

En esos tiempos a México solo lo consideraban como un país de paso, era la puerta de entrada para la droga a Estados Unidos, que era el país consumidor, pero con el tiempo las cosas cambiaron, ahora cuando regresamos a México de vacaciones, lo más común es mirar a niños y jóvenes consumir todo tipo de sustancias prohibidas, ya no hay diferencia entre aquí y allá.

El combate a los narcotraficantes en México y sobre todo, el reforzamiento de la vigilancia en la frontera sur de Estados Unidos, provocaron que mucha de la droga que antes pasaba libremente, ahora se quede en territorio mexicano. Y ahí tiene usted las consecuencias. Pero ya que todos

sabemos que este es un problema comparado, la pregunta es ¿Qué estamos haciendo y qué están haciendo nuestras autoridades para proteger a nuestros hijos? Los Gobiernos, a mi parecer, muy poco. De nada sirve que Felipe Calderón lance una serie de operativos en los estados más conflictivos de México, si a final de cuentas el narcotráfico ya invadió por completo las instituciones policíacas y de justicia.

De qué sirve también que Estados Unidos se la pase pensando en lo que hace o deja de hacer el gobierno mexicano. ¿Cuándo, me pregunto, dejaron de ir hacia las consecuencias y comenzaron a atacar el origen del problema? ¿Cuándo entenderán que muerto el perro, se termina la rabia?

Que interesante sería, por ejemplo, que algunos de los muchos millones de dólares que se destinan a pelear contra los narcos, del otro lado de la frontera, se utilizaran mejor en campañas compartidas destinadas a enviar mensajes sólidos de prevención para los jóvenes. ¿Se imagina usted una gira internacional de grandes artistas de ambos países, dirigida a motivar a los jóvenes para que se alejen de las drogas? Seguramente que a muchos ya se les había ocurrido, pero el caso es que nadie lo ha hecho. Digan lo que digan, ¿Qué más se puede perder?

Venta de arboles

Los amigos de la biblioteca de Winters, tendrán su venta anual de árboles frutales el sábado 12 de marzo en las esquinas de las calles Baker y Edwards. La venta empezará a las 9 de la mañana y durará hasta que se venda el último árbol. La venta incluirá entre otros nogales, cítricos. El vivero Sierra Golden de Yuba City, y Four Winds Growers de Winters, tendrán árboles frutales, y cítricos. El precio es de 10 dólares por los árboles

frutales, y 25 dólares por los cítricos. Podrán escoger entre duraznos, nectarines, manzanas, peras, naranjos, limones, etc.

Además, si tiene preguntas sobre como podar, o plantar los árboles que compre. Los amigos de la biblioteca tendrán expertos a la mano que le ayudarán con sus preguntas. El dinero recaudado de la venta será usado para comprar libros nuevos y programas para la biblioteca.

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Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PURPOSE: The Yolo County SELPA/ Superintendents' Council will conduct a public hearing to receive comment by members of the community on the Yolo County SELPA Annual Service Plans, with CASEMIS service definitions, and Annual Budget Plans for 2010-2011.

DATE: Wednesday, March 23, 2011
TIME: 9:05 a.m.
LOCATION: Yolo County Office of Education
Superintendents/Board Room
1280 Santa Anita Court, Suite 100
Woodland, CA 95776-6127

Posted this 1st day of March 2011.

s/Camille Giometti-May, Ph.D.,
Assistant Superintendent, Yolo County SELPA

Published March 10, 2011

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
Feb. 25, 2011
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2011-174
Fictitious Business Name
ABJ Contracting
707 Valley Oak Dr., Winters, CA 95694
Name of Registrant:
Audres Bermudez, Jr.
707 Valley Oak Dr., Winters, CA 95694
Business Classification: Individual
Starting Date of Business: N/A.

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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk
Published March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2011

Trustee's Sale

LOAN: 125 / GREYHAWKE I OTHER: 4845997 T.S. #: 10195-BK NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 1/7/2008. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE is hereby given that REDWOOD TRUST DEED SERVICES, INC., as trustee, or successor trustee, or substituted trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by GREYHAWKE I, LLC, a California limited liability company, recorded on 1/22/2008 as Instrument No. 2008-0001871-00 in Book --, Page -- of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, California, and pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded 12/6/2010 in Book --, Page --, as Instrument No. 2010-0035740-00 of said Official Records, WILL SELL on 4/1/2011 At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA at 12:45 PM AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States), all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State hereinafter described: See EXHIBIT "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof EXHIBIT "A" PARCEL 1: THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH RANGE 1 WEST, M.D.B. & M., ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF. EXCEPTING THEREFROM: ALL OF THE MINERALS OF EVERY KIND IN, UNDER, OR THAT MAY BE EXTRACTED FROM THAT REAL PROPERTY, AS RESERVED IN THE DEED FROM RONALD E. WALTENSPHIEL, ET UX, RECORDED AUGUST 11, 2003, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2003-0048582-00, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS. PARCEL 2: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF RANCHO RIO DE LOS PUTOS, SAID POINT BEING NORTH 65 DEGREES 16' EAST 1631 FEET FROM THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF HILL SUBDIVISION, FILED OCTOBER 3, 1888, IN BOOK 44 OF DEEDS. PAGE 1, YOLO COUNTY RECORDS, SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE SOUTH EAST CORNER OF PARCEL FIVE AS DESCRIBED IN THE DEED EXECUTED BY JAMES L. MCCLISH, ET UX, RECORDED MAY 27, 1947, IN BOOK 269 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, PAGE 169 THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING ALONG THE EAST LINE OF MCCLISH DEED NORTH 0 DEGREES 13' WEST, 1193 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF; THENCE EAST 20 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE WEST LINE OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE DEED EXECUTED BY PRESTON G. RHODES, ET UX, RECORDED MARCH 4, 1943, IN BOOK 178 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, PAGE 135; THENCE ALONG THE LAST NAMED LINE SOUTH, PARALLEL WITH SAID WEST LINE, 1131 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT ON THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF RANCHO RIO DE PUTOS; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. EXCEPTING THEREFROM THAT PORTION DESCRIBED IN THE DEED TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, RECORDED APRIL 29, 1958, IN BOOK 540 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, PAGE 525. ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM: ALL OF THE MINERALS OF EVERY KIND IN, UNDER, OR THAT MAY BE EXTRACTED FROM THAT REAL PROPERTY, AS RESERVED IN THE DEED FROM RONALD E. WALTENSPHIEL, ET UX, RECORDED AUGUST 11, 2003, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2003-0048582-00, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS. PARCEL 3: PARCEL 1 OF PARCEL MAP NO. 3761 IN THE CITY OF WINTERS, COUNTY OF YOLO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON MAP FILED SEPTEMBER 27, 1990 IN BOOK 9, PAGES 100 AND 101 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPTING THEREFROM AN UNDIVIDED 1/2 INTEREST IN AND TO ALL OIL, GAS, PETROLEUM, NAPHTHA, OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES AND MINERALS OF WHATSOEVER KIND AND NATURE, AS RESERVED BY EDWIN L. LEDGER AND AGNES L. LEDGER, HIS WIFE, IN DEED TO JAMES L. MCCLISH AND ELIZABETH MCCLISH, HIS WIFE, DATED APRIL 17, 1958, RECORDED APRIL 23, 1958, IN BOOK 540 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, PAGE 164. PARCEL 4: PARCEL 2 OF PARCEL MAP NO. 3761 IN THE CITY OF WINTERS, COUNTY OF YOLO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON MAP FILED SEPTEMBER 27, 1990 IN BOOK 9, PAGES 100 AND 101 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPTING THEREFROM AN UNDIVIDED 1/2 INTEREST IN AND TO ALL OIL, GAS, PETROLEUM, NAPHTHA, OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES AND MINERALS OF WHATSOEVER KIND AND NATURE, AS RESERVED BY EDWIN L. LEDGER AND AGNES L. LEDGER, HIS WIFE, IN DEED TO JAMES L. MCCLISH AND ELIZABETH MCCLISH, HIS WIFE, DATED APRIL 17, 1958, RECORDED APRIL 23, 1958, IN BOOK 540 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, PAGE 164. PARCEL 5: BEGINNING AT A CONCRETE MONUMENT WHICH WAS PLACED OVER THE OLD STONE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, M.D.B. & M., AND RUNNING THENCE WEST 2646.92 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID SECTION 16 TO A CORNER FENCE POST AT THE QUARTER SECTION CORNER ON THE SOUTH OF SECTION 16; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 3 1/2' EAST 884.55 FEET ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 16 TO A 1 1/4 INCH BY 2 FEET 11 INCH IRON PIPE; THENCE EAST PARALLEL TO AND 884.55 FEET DISTANT AT RIGHT ANGLES NORTH FROM THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID QUARTER SECTION 2595.82 FEET TO A 1 INCH BY 1 INCH BY 2 FOOT 9 INCH IRON BAR ON THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF THE COUNTY ROAD, WHICH EXTENDS FROM WINTERS TO MADISON; THENCE CONTINUING EAST ON THE SAME COURSE 50.2 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE OF SECTION 16, MAKING THE TOTAL LENGTH TO THIS COURSE 2646.02 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 884.5 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, M.D.B. & M. PARCEL 6: BEGINNING AT A 1 1/4 INCH BY 2 FEET 11 INCH IRON PIPE WHICH IS ON THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF AND NORTH 09 DEGREES 03 1/2' EAST 884.55 FEET FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, M.D.B. & M., AND RUNNING THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 03 1/2' EAST 884.55 FEET ALONG THE SAID WEST BOUNDARY LINE TO A 1 1/2 INCH BY 3 FEET 5 INCH PIPE; THENCE EAST PARALLEL TO AND 1769.40 FEET DISTANT AT RIGHT ANGLES NORTH FROM THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF THE SAID QUARTER SECTION 2,595.12 FEET TO A 1 INCH BY 1 INCH BY 2 FEET 9 INCH IRON BAR ON THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF THE COUNTY ROAD, WHICH EXTENDS FROM WINTERS TO MADISON; THENCE CONTINUING EAST ON THE SAME COURSE 50.0 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID SECTION 16 MAKING THE TOTAL LENGTH OF THIS COURSE 2645.12 FEET WHICH IS NORTH 1769.40 FEET FROM A CONCRETE MONUMENT, WHICH WAS PLACED OVER THE OLD STONE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 16; THENCE SOUTH 884.55 FEET ALONG THE LAST MENTIONED BOUNDARY LINE; THENCE WEST PARALLEL TO AND 884.55 FEET DISTANT AT RIGHT ANGLES NORTH FROM THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID QUARTER SECTION 50.2 FEET TO A 1 INCH BY 1 INCH BY 2 FOOT 9 INCH IRON BAR ON THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD, WHICH EXTENDS FROM WINTERS TO MADISON; THENCE CONTINUING WEST ON THE SAME COURSE 2595.12 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, MAKING THE TOTAL LENGTH OF THIS COURSE 2646.02 FEET, BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, M.D.B. & M. PARCEL 7: BEGINNING AT A 1 1/2 BY 3 FOOT 5 INCH IRON PIPE WHICH IS ON THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF AND NORTH 00 DEGREES 03 1/2' EAST 1769.40 FEET FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, M.D.B. & M., RUNNING THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 03 1/2' EAST 890.16 FEET ALONG THE SAID WEST BOUNDARY LINE TO A CORNER FENCE POST AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER SECTION; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 47' EAST 2644.23 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER SECTION; THENCE SOUTH 880.15 FEET ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID QUARTER SECTION TO A POINT WHICH IS NORTH 1769.40 FEET FROM A CONCRETE MONUMENT WHICH WAS PLACED OVER THE OLD STONE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER SECTION; THENCE WEST PARALLEL TO AND 1769.40 FEET DISTANT AT RIGHT ANGLES NORTH FROM THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF THE SAID QUARTER SECTION, 50 FEET TO A 1 INCH BY 1 INCH BY 2 FOOT 9 INCH IRON BAR ON THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD, WHICH EXTENDS FROM WINTERS TO MADISON; THENCE CONTINUING WEST ON THE SAME COURSE 2595.12 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, MAKING THE TOTAL LENGTH OF THIS COURSE 2645.12 FEET AND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST. EXCEPTING THEREFROM PARCELS FIVE SIX AND SEVEN ABOVE MENTIONED ALL OIL, GAS, AND OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES, LOCATED BELOW A DEPTH OF 500 FEET FROM THE SURFACE AND FURTHER RESERVING THE RIGHT OF SURFACE ENTRY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPLORING FOR, DRILLING FOR, EXTRACTING, AND OTHERWISE ENJOYING THE RIGHTS TO SUCH HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES SO RESERVED, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, SUCH RIGHT OF SURFACE ENTRY SHALL BE LIMITED TO A ONE SQUARE ACRE PARCEL TO BE LOCATED ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY AND DESIGNATED BY GRANTEE OR GRANTEE'S SUCCESSOR OR ASSIGN. THE ONE ACRE SITE SO DESIGNATED MUST BE SQUARE OR NEARLY SQUARE IN CONFIGURATION, AND MUST HAVE UNRESTRICTED ACCESS TO A PUBLIC ROAD, BY A DEED TO AFCO GROUP, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, RECORDED MAY 22, 1989, IN BOOK 2026, PAGE 552, OFFICIAL RECORDS. SAID LAND AND OTHER PROPERTY IS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN RECORD OF SURVEY MAP FILED FOR RECORD ON AUGUST 2, 2006 IN BOOK 2006 OF MAPS AT PAGES 141 THROUGH 144, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF YOLO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA. APN: 038-050-012, 038-050-067, 038-050-068 and 030-210-004 A.P.N.: 038-050-012, 038-050-067, 038-050-068 and 030-210-004 The property address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **27980-84 Timber Crest Road and 27981 Walnut Lane, Winters, CA** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the undersigned within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of sale is: \$24,434,713.00. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided therein, and the unpaid principal balance of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note(s), fees, charges and expenses of the trustee and the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: March 1, 2011 REDWOOD TRUST DEED SERVICES, INC., as said Trustee ATTN: ROBERT CULLEN P.O. BOX 6875 SANTA ROSA, CA 95406-0875 By: ROBERT CULLEN, President SALE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT: WWW.PRIORITYPOSTING.COM OR THROUGH THE TRUSTEE'S SALE LINE AT: (714) 573-1965 P808575 3/10, 3/17, 03/24/2011

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
Feb. 24, 2011
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kristina A. Hunt, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2011-168
Fictitious Business Name
Legacy Iron
15 Court St., Woodland, CA 95695
Business Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 8193, Woodland, CA 95776
Name of Registrant:
Randy J Eyraud
18643 Lone Oak Lane, Woodland, CA 95695
Business Classification: Individual
Starting Date of Business: N/A.

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Fictitious Business Name

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Feb. 10, 2011
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2011-128
Fictitious Business Name
Knolle Electric
16520 Co RD 56, Guinda, CA 95637
Business Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 141, Guinda, CA 95637
Name of Registrant:
James W Knolle
16520 Co RD 56, Guinda, CA 95637
Jess W Knolle
18580 Co RD 71, Brooks, CA 95606
Business Classification: General Partnership
Starting Date of Business: 2/8/2011.

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FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Lupe Ramirez, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2011-115
Fictitious Business Name
Eary Leather Works/Bronc & Bling
26415 Woodland Ave., Esparto, CA 95627
Business Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 125, Esparto, CA 95627
Name of Registrant:
Krista Allean Eary
20663A County Road 79, Capay, CA 95607
Bruce Neil Eary
20663A County Road 79, Capay, CA 95607
Business Classification: Husband and Wife
Starting Date of Business: 02/01/11.

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Statement of Abandonment of Use of Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 7, 2011
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Lupe Ramirez, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2010-960
The person or entity listed below are abandoning the use of the following fictitious business name.
Apearlis Designs
23 N Grand Ave., Woodland, CA 95695

The fictitious business name was originally filed in Yolo County on 11/09/2010 and is being **ABANDONED** by the registrant listed below:
April Meyer
23 N Grand Ave., Woodland, CA 95695
The business was conducted by: an Individual
s/April Meyer

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
Registrant Signature April Meyer
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk
Published March 10, 17, 24, April 7, 2011

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 7, 2011
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Lupe Ramirez, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2011-197
Fictitious Business Name
Miss April May's Creations
23 N Grand Ave., Woodland, CA 95695
Name of Registrant:
April Meyer
23 N Grand Ave., Woodland, CA 95695
Business Classification: Individual
Starting Date of Business: 3/7/11.

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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk
Published March 10, 17, 24, April 7, 2011

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
Nov. 9, 2010
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2010-962
Fictitious Business Name
Max Muscle
Knockoutz Fitness Center
36 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Name of Registrant:
Dianne Carlos
4931 Kokomo Dr., Sacramento, CA 95835
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 11/9/10.

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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk
Published Feb. 17, 24, March 3, 10, 2011

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Notice of Public Hearing

CITY OF WINTERS

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

PUBLIC NOTICE

CONTRACT NO. 08-02-C1

Sealed bids for the work shown on the plans entitled: CITY OF WINTERS; DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT PLANS FOR STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 2 IN WINTERS, CA

Bid forms for this work are included in a separate book entitled: CITY OF WINTERS; DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BID FOR STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 2 IN WINTERS, CA

Bid Opening is scheduled for April 7, 2011, 2:00 p.m. in the City Clerk's office.

General work description: installing brick pavers in vehicle and pedestrian areas, AC pavement, PCC sidewalk, curb and gutter, pavement seal coat, signage and striping, and wheel stops; installing pre-cast pilasters and planters, benches, waste receptacles, planters, bike racks, bollards, street lights, street light conduits, and street light pull boxes; installing trees, tree grates, shrubs, groundcover, and irrigation system; installing storm drain inlets, manholes, and piping; installing irrigation service, and wet tap relocation of a fire hydrant; demolition removal and disposal of AC paving, PCC curb and gutter, and PCC sidewalk; demolition, removal and disposal of existing storm drain structures and pipe, trees and tree grates; abandonment in place of existing storm drain pipe, removal and salvaging of various items; verifying and determining disposition of various existing utilities; and sandblasting of PCC sidewalk.

The UDBE Contract goal is 9% percent.

THIS PROJECT IS SUBJECT TO THE "BUY AMERICA" PROVISIONS OF THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1982 AS AMENDED BY THE INTERMODAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY ACT OF 1991.

The contractor shall possess either a Class A license or a combination of Class C - 8, C - 12, C - 27, and C - 32 licenses at the time this contract is awarded.

Plans and Specifications may be examined at the: City of Winters Public Works Department office in City Hall at 318 First Street Winters, CA or at Ponticello Enterprises Consulting Engineers office at 1216 Fortna Avenue Woodland, CA.

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

Engineers Estimate is \$562,000.

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done have been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, and available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet web site at http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD. The Federal minimum wage rates for this project as predetermined by the United States Secretary of Labor are set forth in the Bid book and in copies of this book that may be examined at the offices described above where project plans, special provisions, and bid forms may be seen. Addenda to modify the Federal minimum wage rates, if necessary, will be issued to holders of Bid book. Future effective general prevailing wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

Attention is directed to the Federal minimum wage rate requirements in the Bid book. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the general prevailing wage rates determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate. The Department will not accept lower State wage rates not specifically included in the Federal minimum wage determinations. This includes "helper" (or other classifications based on hours of experience) or any other classification not appearing in the Federal wage determinations. Where Federal wage determinations do not contain the State wage rate determination otherwise available for use by the Contractor and subcontractors, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the Federal minimum wage rate, which most closely approximates the duties of the employees in question.

CITY OF WINTERS

Nanci Mills, City Clerk

Published March 10, 17, 2011

Help Wanted

Personal Care Asst. FT/AM Shift (7am-3:15pm), FT/PM (3pm- 11:15pm), FT/NOC (11:00pm-7:15am). Provide compassionate care to seniors' w/Alzheimer's & other Dementia related conditions. Duties incl., cooking, cleaning, assisting w/ADL's. 1 yr. exp. working w/elderly is REQUIRED. Apply: Courtside Cottages of Vacaville 431 Nut Tree Rd. Vacaville, CA 95687 Fax 707-449-9950 NO PHONE CALLS. Email: nadiiaa@courtsidecottages.com

6-1tp

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3-4tp

Help Wanted

Pest Control Service/Sales Rep for California's leading pest control co. We are seeking a motivated self-directed person to represent a co. dedicated to excellence. F/T, benefits. Bkgrd. ck. & drug screen req'd. Must have good DMV. Apply at 811 Eubanks Dr., Vacaville or online at www.clarkpest.com

3-4tp

Termite Inspector for one of Calif. Leading pest control co. This position requires inspecting commercial/residential structures. Must hold a branch III FR license. FT/Benefits, 401K, bkgrd. ck. & drug screen req'd. Good DMV. Apply @ 811 Eubanks Dr. Vacaville or online @ www.clarkpest.com

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Classified Advertising

Minimum cash ad \$5.00

Minimum charge ad \$10.00

Deadline is Tuesday at noon

795-4551

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name

FILED Yolo Superior Court Dec. 16, 2010

By V Perez, Duputy Case Number: PT10-3048

Superior Court of California, County of Yolo 725 Court Street Woodland, CA 95695

Petition of Jared Aaron Smith for change of name

Order to show cause for change of name

To all interested persons: Petitioner: Jared Aaron Smith filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name Jared Aaron Smith, to proposed name Jared Aaron Crisologo-Smith.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Date: March 23, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. Dept. 15.

The address of the court is 1100 Main Street, Ste. 300, Woodland, CA 95695

Date: Dec. 16, 2010

David W. Reed

Judge of the Superior Court

Published Feb. 24, March 3, 10, 17, 2011

Trustee's Sale

Trustee Sale No. 745114CA Loan No. 0642605919 Title Order No. 100713398-CA-MAI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/6/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 4/1/2011 at 12:45 PM CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 04/17/2006, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument 2006-0015045-00 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, executed by: Barbara Wolfe, a single woman, as Trustor, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., (MERS), Solely As Nominee For Lender, Golden Empire Mortgage, Inc. dba Gem Capital Funding , it's successors and assigns., as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Legal Description: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$472,957.11 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 713 Lupine Way, Winters, CA 95694 APN Number: 003-524-002 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. Date: 2/25/2011 California Reconveyance Company, as Trustee Casimir Nunez, Assistant Secretary California Reconveyance Company is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: (714) 730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priority-posting.com P806684 3/10, 3/17, 03/24/2011

Storage Lien Sale

STORAGE LIEN SALE

There will be a lien sale at Winters Self Storage (W.S.S.), 807 Railroad Ave., Winters, CA 95694 on March 15, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. This sale is authorized by Chapter 10, commencing with sect. 21700 of the Calif. Business and Professionals Code All items are sold on an "as is" basis without warranty or guarantee for Cash Only. We reserve the right to reject any or all offers. Purchase items must be removed from W.S.S. immediately following the sale. The following is a general description of items to be sold: tool box, chairs, table, plastic storage bins, shelf with bins, misc. household items belonging to: B-26 CHRISTINA BRUNSON. Auctioneer Bond # 0342850. s/Charles Green, Manager

Published March 3, 10, 2011

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER FEB. 23, 2011

FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK

Linda Smith, Deputy

FBN NUMBER 2011-166

Fictitious Business Name

Double D Electric

8379 Quail Canyon Rd., Vacaville, CA 95688

Name of Registrant: Dallas Davis

8379 Quail Canyon Rd., Vacaville, CA 95688

Business Classification: Individual

Starting Date of Business: 8-15-2005.

s/Dallas Davis

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State of California, County of Yolo

FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder

Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER Nov. 9, 2010

FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK

Linda Smith, Deputy

FBN NUMBER 2010-962

Fictitious Business Name

Max Muscle

Knockoutz Fitness Center

36 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695

Name of Registrant: Dianne Carlos

4931 Kokomo Dr., Sacramento, CA 95835

Business Classification: Individual

Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 11/9/10.

s/Dianne Carlos

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State of California, County of Yolo

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Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk

Published Feb. 17, 24, March 3, 10, 2011

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No: H519777 CA Unit Code: H Loan No: 0018260430/JAIME Investor No: 21067319 AP #1: 027-785-012 POWER DEFAULT SERVICES, INC., as duly appointed Trustee under the following described Deed of Trust WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (in the forms which are lawful tender in the United States) and/or the cashier's, certified or other checks specified in Civil Code Section 2924h (payable in full at the time of sale to T.D. Service Company) all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property hereinafter described: Trustor: MARTHA JAIME Recorded August 23, 2005 as Instr. No. 2005-0041493 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County; CALIFORNIA, pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded November 18, 2010 as Instr. No. 2010-33740 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County CALIFORNIA. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED AUGUST 17, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. 1939 HERSHEY DR, WOODLAND, CA 95776-5143 "If a street address or common designation of property is shown above, no warranty is given as to its completeness or correctness)." Said Sale of property will be made in "as is" condition without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest as in said note provided, advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. Said sale will be held on: MARCH 22, 2011, AT 9:00 A.M. "AT THE NORTH ENTRANCE TO THE WEST SACRAMENTO CITY HALL, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA At the time of the initial publication of this notice, the total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the above described Deed of Trust and estimated costs, expenses, and advances is \$431,749.76. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. Pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: February 14, 2011 POWER DEFAULT SERVICES, INC. as said Trustee, as Authorized Agent for the Beneficiary KIMBERLY THORNE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY T.D. SERVICE COMPANY 1820 E. FIRST ST., SUITE 210, P.O. BOX 11988 SANTA ANA, CA 92711-1988 We are assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing. If available, the expected opening bid and/or postponement information may be obtained by calling the following telephone number(s) on the day before the sale: (714) 480-5690 or you may access sales information at www.tafcoreclosures.com. TAC# 928039 PUB: 02/24/11, 03/03/11, 03/10/11

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER February 11, 2011

FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK

Lupe Ramirez, Deputy

FBN NUMBER 2011-133

Fictitious Business Name

Gansberger, Inc., DBA Travelrite

975B Olive Dr., Davis, CA 95616

Business Mailing Address

27171 County Rd. 89, Winters, CA 95694

Name of Registrant: Gansberger, Inc.

27171 County Rd. 89, Winters, CA 95694

Business Classification: Corporation.

Starting Date of Business: 1/2/1997

s/Theodore T. Gansberger

If applicable: Corporation Name: Gansberger, Inc. Official Title: Pres.

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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder

Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER FEB. 9, 2011

FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK

Linda Smith, Deputy

FBN NUMBER 2011-123

Fictitious Business Name

Complete Healthcare Concepts

848 Harvard Bend, Woodland, CA 95695

Name of Registrant: Debbie Porter

755 Fawn Ct., Vacaville, CA 95687

Kim Kernohan

848 Harvard Bend, Woodland, CA 95695

Sherri Olswang

36495 Co. Rd. 24, Woodland, CA 95695

Business Classification: Co-Partners

Beginning Date of Business: The Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 11/9/10.

s/Debbie Porter s/Kim Kernohan

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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER Jan. 21, 2011

FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK

Lupe Ramirez, Deputy

FBN NUMBER 2011-70

Fictitious Business Name

ConSurv International

Pacific Rim Nutritional Consulting Group

140 B Street, Suite 5-273, Davis, CA 95616

Name of Registrant: John M. Gerlich

140 B Street, Suite 5-273, Davis, CA 95616

Business Classification: Individual

Starting Date of Business: 07/05/06.

s/John M. Gerlich

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Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 10149111 Title Order No. 100696110 APN No. 003-523-003 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/10/2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER." Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by DAVID W. KNIGHT AND RACHELLE H. KNIGHT, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 11/10/2004 and recorded 11/23/04, as Instrument No. 2004-0053735-00, in Book , Page), of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, will sell on 04/07/2011 at 10:00AM, At the North entrance to the City Hall, 1110 West Capital , West Sacramento, Yolo County, CA at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any of the real property described above is purported to be: 704 IVY COURT, WINTERS, CA, 95694. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$437,582.30. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and ex-penses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. If required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale duly recorded with the appropriate County Recorder's Office. DATED: 03/09/2011 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone/Sale Information: (800) 281 8219 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. FEI # 1006.129703 3/10, 3/17, 3/24/2011

Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Winters and the Winters Community Development Agency will conduct a public hearing on March 15, 2011, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, California. Purpose of the public hearing is to consider approval of a CDA sale and City of Winters Purchase Agreement for Real Property, which will transfer to the City of Winters, as purchaser, the following Real Properties in Winters, California, currently belonging to the Community Development Agency:

- 1) 318 Railroad Avenue (APN # 003 204 005) – current building tenant is JJ's Saloon
- 2) 314 Railroad Avenue (APN # 003 204 006) – current building tenant is Cody's Restaurant
- 3) 23 Main Street (APN # 003 204 012) – undeveloped lot
- 4) 110 East Baker Street (APN # 003 370 038 – 99 year ground lease (CDA owns the land) to Bruin Orchards LLC (CHOC) who constructed the Winters Village apartments (affordable multi-family) \$3,500
- 5) Grant Avenue and East Street (APN #s 003 370 028, 003 370 029, & 003 370 030) – undeveloped parcels currently referred to as "Grant Avenue Commercial
- 6) 311 First Street (APN # 003 204 002) – lot that is improved with an unoccupied steel building

Sale and Purchase of the Properties shall be based on the following facts and terms:

- A. The Community Development Agency of the City of Winters is organized and operates under authority of Part 17 of Division 24 of the California Health Safety Code and pursuant thereto is authorized to exercise all of the powers and is subject to all of the duties and obligations of a community redevelopment agency pursuant to the California Community Redevelopment Law ("the CRL") and
- B. The Agency is further authorized to effectuate and implement the Redevelopment Plan of the City of Winters the Redevelopment Plan originally approved by the City Council of the City of Winters; and
- C. The Agency owes debts to the City, which the Agency wishes to satisfy in part through a proposed Purchase and Sale Agreement; and
- D. To effectuate and implement the Project and the Redevelopment Plan the City intends to enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement through which the Agency will certain real properties to the City, and the City will then lease those properties to the Agency; and
- E. The City of Winters is authorized to purchase real property and to receive consideration in repayment of debts owed to it pursuant to its authority as a general law City and pursuant to the California Government Code; and
- F. The Purchase and Sale Agreement, for the reasons specified in the Purchase and Sale Agreement, will advance the interests of the City remediate blight and further the Redevelopment Plan in connection with the conveyance of the Property; and
- G. Pursuant to Section 33433 of the CRL the Agency has made available for public inspection and review a summary report the Summary Report on the Purchase and Sale Agreement; and
- H. Pursuant to Sections 33341 and 33433 of the CRL the Agency is authorized to dispose of the Property for redevelopment purposes pursuant to the Redevelopment Plan upon the approval of the City Council after a public hearing and upon findings being made by the City Council that the consideration for the disposition is not less than the fair market value according to the highest and best use of the Property in accordance with the Plan, or not less than the fair reuse value at the use and with the covenants and conditions and development costs authorized by the disposition agreement and that the disposition of the Property will assist in the elimination of blight; and
- I. Pursuant to Sections 33431 and 33433 of the CRL a joint public hearing of the Agency and the City Council on the proposed disposition of the Property and approval of the Purchase and Sale Agreement shall be properly noticed and conducted on March 15, 2011, and at that public hearing every person interested in the disposition of the Property or the Purchase and Sale Agreement shall have an opportunity to appear and be heard or to submit their comments in writing.
- J. The City Council has authorized Bartholomew & Associates, a certified appraiser, to appraise each of the properties at fair market value, which appraisals shall be available at the hearing.
- K. The City Council has determined that the proposed Purchase and Sale Contract qualifies as a governmental funding mechanism pursuant to 14 CCR section 15378 which does not involve a commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant environmental impact As such the Purchase and Sale Agreement does not qualify as a project for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- L. The City Council and Community Development Agency shall consider and possibly act on a "lease back agreement," enabling the Community Development Agency to continue to perform its duties and to fulfill the Redevelopment Plan.

Copies of the proposed Purchase Agreement and supporting documentation are available for inspection or copying, pursuant to the California Public Records Act, at the office of Winters City Clerk, City Hall, 318 First Street, Winters, California.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Winters, City Clerk, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694 or you may telephone (530) 795-4910, extension 101, before 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 2011. In addition, a public information file is available for review at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays. If you plan on attending the public hearing and need a special accommodation because of a sensory or mobility impairment/disability, please contact City Clerk Nanci Mills, (530) 795-4910, extension 101 to arrange for those accommodations to be made.

Dated: March 1, 2011

John C. Wallace,
City Attorney, City of Winters

Published March 3, 10, 2011

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