

Clash over commission appointees

By **DEBRA DeANGELO**
Express editor

Dr. Sellers Field wasn't the only place where fireworks went off last week. The July 5 city council meeting threw sparks of its own as council members clashed over the appointment of three new planning commissioners. Mayor Woody Fridae and city council member Tom McMaster-Stone presented their choices, and council members Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Mike Martin and Harold Anderson promptly shot two of them down.

McMasters-Stone first provided some background for filling the seats, held by commissioners Bruce Guelden, Glenn DeVries and Corinne Martinez, all three expiring on June 30. Guelden and DeVries reapplied for their seats, and Martinez did not. There were 13 applicants, said McMaster-Stone, and he

and Fridae met with and interviewed them all.

"At the end, we sat down and had a long discussion about the different applicants, their strengths and weaknesses," said McMaster-Stone, noting that there was a range of experience amongst the applicants, some without any involvement in city functions at all and others involved with several city committees and commissions. He said he and Fridae considered whether it was an appropriate time to give new applicants a chance or better to stick with familiar, experienced applicants. "Do you go back to the same well or not."

He and Fridae finally selected applicants with a mix of experience, recommending the reappointment of incumbent Guelden, along with community member Sally Brown, who has an extensive

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Photo by Debbie Hemenway

Phyllis Ramos and grandson Tommy Ramos had the playground to themselves one recent morning.

Preserve our playground

◆ Parents form group to restore dilapidated wooden play structure

By **DEBBIE HEMENWAY**
Staff writer

In November 1989, after months of planning and publicity and fundraising, hundreds of Winters residents of all ages converged on City Park for three days of what might best be compared to an old-fashioned barn raising.

By Sunday evening, in what had been an open space on the northeast corner of the park, stood an elaborate wooden play structure, complete with towers and bridges and walkways and a slide that goes through the gaping mouth of a not-so-scary dragon.

The playground, designed by architect Robert Leathers, of Ithaca, New York, to incorporate the wishes of Winters children, was given a life expectancy of 20 years — with

perfect maintenance. Twenty years has now come and gone, and the maintenance, for a variety of reasons, has been less than perfect. Now a new group of parents has come together to revitalize the play structure and the other parks in town as well.

Laura Mariani "started to noticed that the parks were not doing too hot," she says, when her own son, now 4, began frequenting the play-

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Photo by Dawn Van Dyke

Winters campers needn't drive far to camp alongside a beautiful creek now that Canyon Creek Resort is opening its campsites and facilities for day passes.

Up the creek

◆ Canyon Creek Resort offers family fun just minutes from home

By **DAWN VAN DYKE**
Express correspondent

Canyon Creek Resort, just 15 minutes west of Winters on Highway 128, is a full service recreational resort featuring family-friendly activities and beautiful natural surroundings. The members-only resort boasts full RV hook-ups, tent sites, cabins, day-use facilities, two pools and a full slate of activities.

While only the store and café are currently open to the general public, the owners, Kraig and Ann Marie McCleod, are working with General Manager John Clifford to find ways to encourage Winters residents to take advantage of

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WEATHER

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

Date	Rain	HI	Lo
July 6		103	67
July 7		100	64
July 8		100	64
July 9		98	60
July 10		95	56
July 11		94	70
July 12		88	56

Rain for week: 0

Season's total: 0

Rainfall season begins
July 1, ends June 30



In 'Errors'

Courtesy photo

Cienna Rominger (right) as Adriana and Thea Kwan as Dromio are amongst the cast of Winters Shakespeare Workshop's production of Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors," Friday and Saturday, July 15 and 16, 8 p.m. at City Park. Admission is free and home-made refreshments will be sold. Winters Shakespeare Workshop, now in its 14th season, is a summer youth enrichment program of the Winters Friends of the Library for teens ages 13-19. For more information call 795-3476.

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OBITUARY

Truth Elizabeth Hough

After battling leukemia for 17 years and lung cancer for 24 days, Truth E. Hough passed away on Friday, June 17, 2011. She was born on Dec. 15, 1936, and was raised in Washington along with her identical twin sister, Ruth I. Mihelich. In 1954, she graduated from Winthrop High School in Winthrop, Wash.



She married the love of her life, Robert J. Hough on July 3, 1955. For 28 years of her married life, she was an Air Force wife. She lived and traveled extensively all over the world, especially the United States during their active duty and retirement years. She was a former Winters resident.

In 1982, she graduated from Solano Community College with honors and a degree in psychology.

She is survived by her husband of almost 56 years, Robert Hough; eight children, Robin Hutchison (Rodger), James Hough (Carol), Randall Hough (Connie), Tracy Nguyen (Henry), Joseph Hough, Truth E. Snow, Kimberly Kramer and Corey Hough; 14 grandchildren, Amanda Hutchison, Melody Hutchison, Stephanie Hough, Jeffrey Hough, Norman Hough, Tianna Hough, Victoria Nguyen, Jacqueline Nguyen, Robert Snow, Roger Snow, Truth S. Snow, Elizabeth Snow, Loren Kramer and Danielle Kramer. Mother, Truth I. Lyons; siblings, Ruth Mihelich, Ronald Miller (Lila), Donna Shamseldin (Sam), Dennis Miller (Judy), also multiple nieces and nephews.

Truth's life will be celebrated during a Memorial Service on Wednesday, July 20, at 6 p.m. at Cooper Ave Baptist Church, 804 Cooper Ave., Yuba City.

Two stabbed by strangers

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

Two Winters men were stabbed by a stranger on Friday, July 1, while walking in the area of Niemann Street and Moody Slough Road around 12:37 a.m. According to a statement issued by the Winters Police Department following a request for information from the Express, Winters residents Cody Ryan Shafer, 20, and Jeronimo Aguilar, 19, became involved in a verbal altercation with a stranger as they were walking. The suspect allegedly charged

the men with a knife.

Shafer sustained a cut to his right arm and Aguilar sustained a stab wound to the right side of his abdomen. Both were transported to the UC Davis Medical Center via AMR ambulance.

The suspect fled the scene before police arrived, and was identified by a witness at the scene. Police officers located the suspect, who sustained unknown injuries in the confrontation and was transported to Sutter Davis Hospital by AMR.

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Weekly police activity report

June 23

~ Time unknown, 1100 block of McArthur Avenue, forcible entry was made to a vehicle and two subwoofers were stolen. Loss: \$100.

July 1

~ 12:37 a.m., Niemann Street and Moody Slough Road, a suspect, unknown to the victims, became involved in a verbal altercation with victims as they were walking. The suspect allegedly charged the victims with a knife. Cody Ryan Shafer, 20, of Winters sustained a cut to his right arm and Jeronimo Aguilar, 19, of Winters sustained a

stab wound to the right side of his abdomen. Both victims were transported to UCD Medical Center via AMR. The suspect fled the scene prior to police arrival. The suspect, a 17-year-old Vacaville juvenile, was identified by a witness at the scene, located, found to have sustained unknown injuries and was transported to Sutter Davis Hospital by AMR.

~ 11-11:58 a.m., 200 block of Railroad Avenue, a bicycle was stolen. The suspect was located and the bicycle was recovered. The case is being forwarded to the District

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YESTERYEAR



File photo

Police Chief Richard Washabaugh, Justice Court Clerk Myrtle Kidder and Constable Yolo Briggs of the Winters Judicial District all shared in a retirement dinner held Jan. 7, 1977, in the home of Judge and Mrs. Joseph A. Martin. The Winters Judicial District court ceased operations Dec. 31, 1976.

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YEARS AGO

July 27, 1961
Fourteen students passed the hunter safety course here, offered by John H. Griffin and Richard E. Dozier. Receiving certificates were David Akao, Bobby Bruhn, Dewane Collins, Alphas A. Constant, Randall Godden, Scott Graf, Bill Keeton, Gary McCoy, John McNaughton, Phillip Rose, Jim Taylor, Larry Youdell, Donnie Young and Ronnie Young.

Erwin W. Meier, first to hold the newly created job of Yolo County executive, will explain the duties of his office at a session of the Yolo County Chamber of Commerce tonight in the Yolo Fliers Club.

Mrs. W.G. Brinck Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Bryce of Davis spent a few days at the coast this week.

65
YEARS AGO

July 26, 1946
Robert A. Young, Allen Doll, Carl Franke and Walter Skinner were among the Winters residents in attendance at the Shriners convention held in San Francisco this week.

P.R. Witt, who has served as S.P. agent here since last January, transferred to Oakland this week. Mr. Hansen will succeed Mr. Witt.

Chris Martinez has purchased the residence of Mr. and Mrs. L.R. Carpenter located at the corner of Third and Baker streets.

The betrothal of Miss Rosie Lopez of Winters and August Bonillo of Yolo has been revealed here and Thursday evening members of the Woodcraft order complimented the bride-elect at a kitchen shower.

Fire department activity report

July 4

~ 400 block of Main Street, lift assist
~ 400 block of Main Street, lift assist
~ 100 block of Main Street, bench on fire
~ 400 block of Main Street, trash can fire
~ 400 block of Main Street, lift assist

July 5

~ 400 block of Edwards Street, fence fire
~ 29000 block of County Road 28, allergic reaction to bee sting
~ 800 block of West Grant Avenue, allergic reaction to medication

July 6

~ Taft Court and Roosevelt Avenue, investigation of gas odor
~ Mutual aid to Dixon Fire, Boyce Road and Bowman Road, bike accident
~ 700 block of Valley Oak Drive, unknown medical
~ 200 block of Edwards Street, unknown medical aid

July 7

~ 500 block of Edwards Street, fire alarm sounding
~ 200 block of Almeria

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Berryessa down .58 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa dropped by .58 of a foot during the past week, with a reduction in storage of 10,496 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 432.07 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,405,009

acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 580 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 43 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam.

Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 407 acre feet of water per day during the week.

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fee to attend.

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For more, call Yolo Hospice, Bereavement Services, at 758-5566 or (800) 491-7711.

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a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays (closed each day for lunch from 1 to 2 p.m.

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background with community groups including the Winters Friends of the Library and the city pool committee, and community member Richard Kleeberg, a relatively new face to city politics.

“There are likely big fans of all three, and opposition to all three — we discussed that at length as well,” said Mc Masters-Stone. “Based on feedback we’ve gotten since, we were correct — there are fans and opponents of all three people. It’s a small town, and when you’re active, you generate fans and enthusiasm, and sometimes you cross paths with people.”

Fridae then thanked all of the applicants for “their willingness to step forward and serve in this capacity for the city.”

McMasters-Stone made a point of noting that he and Fridae were in agreement about all three applicants, but hinted that he anticipated that the agreement ended there.

“This is business. This is what they pay us to do. I didn’t twist the mayor’s arm and he didn’t twist mine. If we don’t have a third vote, then that’s the way it is.”

Following a moment of silence and without any discussion, Aguiar-Curry moved to appoint Guelden, and applicants Bill Biasi and Luis Reyes. Martin immediately seconded the motion.

Fridae pointed out that he and McMasters-Stone wanted to appoint at least one female applicant to the commission, which is all male following Martinez’ departure, and noted that some applicants “had institutional memory and a history of what’s gone on in the (city) council... someone to bring in new enthusiasm, new blood once in awhile is good.”

“We wanted to see that different constituencies are balanced and represented. That’s why we chose the ones that we did,” said Fridae.

Then followed another moment of silence, broken by Anderson.

“My colleague mentioned there’d be opposition,” said Anderson. “This is the first time I can recall being this opposed to a recommendation. Too much opposition isn’t always a good thing. It would create too much disagreement.”

Visibly displeased with the reception of the planning commission recommendations, McMasters-Stone said loudly, “They clearly discussed this ahead of time and had their minds made up,” and accused Aguiar-Curry, Martin and Anderson of violating the Brown Act, to which Anderson immediately objected. McMasters-Stone continued.

“The behavior since this recommendation came out has been objectionable. The lobbying has been going on heavily. I’m clear on that. I’m not saying you’ve been lobbying each other, but it is clear that you have your minds made up.”

Martin responded that when he initially heard the recommendations, he was “pretty much surprised,” but insisted he didn’t express that.

“I didn’t want to get into a discussion with you at that time. At no time did I agree with you on any of those appointments.”

“You said I have no problem with any of those three people,” rebutted McMasters-Stone, but then apologized if he had indeed “caught you by surprise.”

“I had time to think about it. No one has influenced me on this council,” said Martin.

“I didn’t hear it from anyone else. Woody called me,” added Aguiar-Curry.

In what seemed like an attempt to persuade the three dissenting council members, Fridae then alluded to what was likely the sore spot: applicant Brown was a key player in the appeal of the planning commission decision to approve the Burger King project last fall.

“I would like to say, in reference to Harold’s comments, I believe when we move forward, when we get another appeal like we did with Burger King, it’s going to slow us down economically. It’s important to build consensus.

“If you get people who are part of a group that dissents or questions the decision making process, they’re not left to wonder about conspiracies or deals being made. It’s a way to build consensus. I felt that having some representation from the group that filed the appeal would be a wise thing to do. Then we’d have people getting the correct information and who would become part of the team. That was my motivation.”

Former planning commissioner Corinne Martinez, who was in the audience, approached the podium to comment.

“I would like to encourage this council to take the mayor’s advice to heart here and embrace some diversity,” said Martinez. “It’s a much more robust and rich decision when there’s diversity that is listened to and brought into the discussion. I think that’s important to the city, regardless of who these people are.”

Another momentary silence followed, and McMasters-Stone abruptly called for a roll call vote. Despite the obvious disagreement expressed previously, each council member voted “yes” on Aguiar-Curry’s motion, which passed unanimously.

Following the meeting, McMasters-Stone and Fridae were asked to explain the apparent conflict between their recommendations and ultimate vote. Both expressed essentially the same thing, reluctance to vote against Reyes and Biasi and have them join the commission on a split vote.

“Luis Reyes and Bill Biasi were innocent bystanders in whatever it was that played out that night,” stated McMasters-Stone. “They are good candidates that did not deserve to be put in place by a split council.”

Fridae responded that he was “disappointed that the majority did not see the value of our recommendations. But I did not want the new members coming on to see this as a vote against them. All of the candidates were

good and would bring good experience to the table. I am confident that they will do a good job.”

Redistricting update

Donlevy reported that workshops that have taken place regarding the redistricting of Yolo County strongly indicate that residents in the fifth district want to remain in the fifth district.

“Every single map drawn for Winters included the city staying within the fifth district,” he said, adding that city staff prepared a resolution indicating this wish.

Aguiar-Curry has also been attending the meetings, and said Capay Valley and fifth district Woodland residents wish to remain together.

“The final say is in August,” said Aguiar-Curry. “If you are in favor of us staying in district five, I would recommend you attend the supervisor meeting and voice your opinion there, or we can support this resolution.”

Regardless of outcome, “we’re always going to be the minority,” said Martin. “Davis and Woodland are the majority vote. I told the (redistricting) committee that I thought Winters related better to Woodland because it is a farming community. Many farmers in the community relate better to Woodland than to Davis.”

He also voiced concerns about “Winters being so isolated” if it becomes part of the Davis district, which is “mainly a student population.”

McMasters-Stone emphasized that the motivation to move Winters into the second district is because district five is so large by area. Aguiar-Curry noted that the geographical size of the district isn’t the issue.

“It has to be divided up by 40,000 people per district. District one had huge growth, Davis had zero growth, and unfortunately, we get caught up in the mix,” she said.

McMasters-Stone noted that the challenge in the redistricting process is that “everyone wants to have their way.” He further noted that the fifth district has significant agriculture concerns, such as pressure to do away with the Williamson Act, which is not the case in the other four districts.

“If only one supervisor has an ag background, it’s a tough row to hoe,” said McMasters-Stone, but added “There’s gotta be change. People don’t like change.”

He added that most of what was occurring at the redistricting meetings “was just emotion, not wanting to change — not logic, not continuity, not common sense.”

Following further commentary, the motion to approve a resolution to keep Winters in the fifth district passed unanimously.

Beekeeping

“Let’s hope this thing doesn’t have as much sting as the last thing I handled,” quipped McMasters-Stone, as he introduced the issue of citizens keeping bees within city limits, which has come in conflict with county animal control laws. He explained that at least one local bee-

keeper was cited by animal control for his hives, and that the city has never really established a beekeeping policy.

“We just adopt the things they put before us. I don’t know that we were consciously aware that beehives were prohibited within city limits. I wanted to make sure it was something we actually agreed with. We don’t have to adopt all of animal control’s rules.”

Martin expressed concern for back yard beehives that may be situated near a neighbor who is allergic to bee stings. Aguiar-Curry asked whether beekeeping is an animal control issue or farming issue when it comes to permits. Donlevy responded that the county agriculture commissioner is the authority on bees.

“I would like to delve into this topic in greater depth as well,” said Anderson. “Without pollination, where are we? Pollinators are in short supply these days and in declining populations. My father had beehives his entire life, right in the middle of town, and nobody ever complained. Bees are not the enemy.”

Fridae noted that bees aren’t usually a concern until the population outgrows a hive and then there’s a swarm to find a new hive that sometimes ends up in an attic, for example.

Martin seemed reluctant to endorse backyard beekeeping.

“I am a farmer and I’m not opposed to bees, but see the pitfalls of having four or five hives in the backyard. They know no boundaries when they’re searching for honey.”

Donlevy suggested that the council revisit the issue, with a more complete report and representatives from the ag commission and animal control to answer questions.

Budget update

Shelly Gunby, the city’s financial director reported to the council that the state did produce a budget on time, but “not a budget that any of us like.” She said the



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Mayor Woody Fridae presents a 25-year plaque to maintenance worker Terry Vender at the July 5 city council meeting for his years of service to the city.



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

At the July 5 city council meeting, Mayor Woody Fridae presented a 25-year plaque to Nanci Mills, Director of Administrative Services and city clerk, for her years of service to the city.

budget includes Bills 26 and 27, which gut redevelopment programs statewide. Gunby said Winters will be required to pay \$524,000 to the state initially, and about \$125,000 per year thereafter.

“They’ve shown that they don’t really care what the constitution says or what the people say, they want to take the money from the agencies and make the agencies make the tough decisions,” said Gunby, adding that the League of California Cities is filing a lawsuit with the state supreme court over the matter. In the meantime, Gunby said Winters’ redevelopment agency is “operating as if we can’t make any more con-

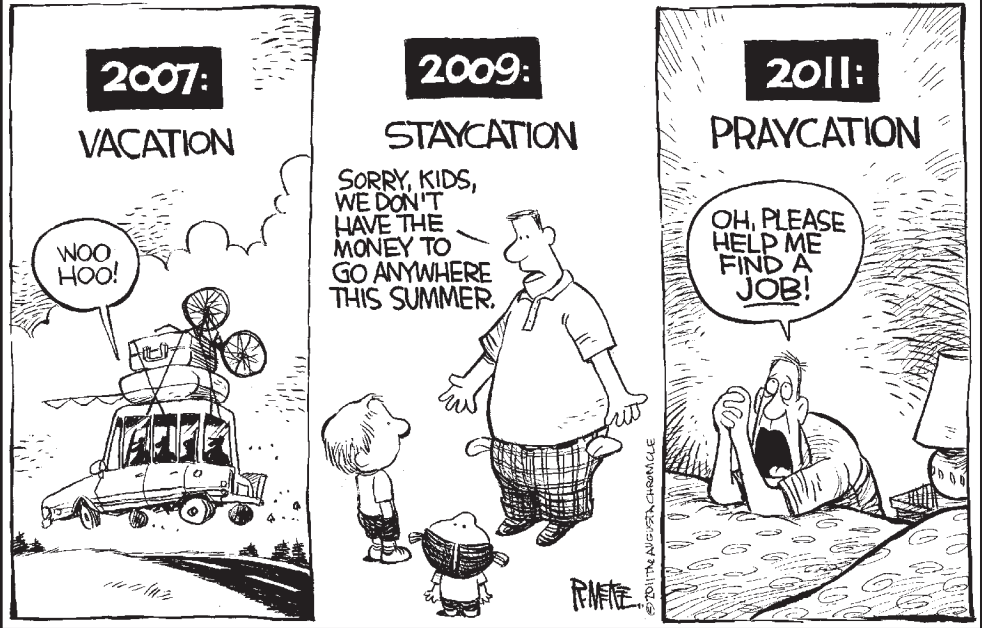
tracts. We are consulting with legal counsel to look at options.”

Gunby assured the council that all the measures the city has taken to protect itself in the face of a redevelopment collapse has been “transparent and above board.” She further reported that the state intends to withhold portions of the vehicle license fee that it previously had been providing to cities in the form of grants for law enforcement funding. Losing this money amounted to \$25,000 for Winters, \$15,000 of which will come from the General Fund.

Donlevy added that the city has sent \$524,000 to the state in

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Opinion



LETTERS

Be a friend of our parks

Mark your calendars for the first Friends of Winters Parks clean-up/repair day on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 7:30 a.m. to noon. Grab your work gloves, hammers and rakes and come on down to City Park and give us a hand.

City Park is in need of some major TLC and Friends of Winters Parks needs a lot of help to make it a clean, safe and enjoyable park for all Winters families. There will be jobs for all skill levels, although due to the scope of the some of the repairs and for the safety of all involved, all workers need to be at least 14 years old.

Please bring any tools you can (labeled with your name and number). Drinks and food will be provided and there will be a raffle for some great prizes for all who donate their time making the park a better place for Winters families.

The Friends of Winters Parks will be hosting a community ice cream social on Saturday, Aug. 13, at 6 p.m. to celebrate the improved park and going back to school. This will hopefully be the

first of many park events and will be a time for the community to enjoy an evening at the park. So come on down to City Park after dinner and enjoy an ice cream sundae.

Friends of Winters Parks is a community volunteer group that is working to clean up and repair the parks in Winters with the ultimate goal of replacing the aging wood structure at City Park, which has sadly reached its life expectancy. Our next meeting will be Monday, July 25, at 6:30 p.m. at City Park. Everyone is welcome to join us and help in the final planning of our clean-up/repair workday.

Please visit our Facebook page, Friends of Winters Parks, or email ljtocco@yahoo.com for more information. We are looking forward to a fun and productive community workday. Please join us.

FRIENDS OF WINTERS PARKS

Not all MBs created equal

Dear Mr. Donald K. Sanders,

Although we have never met, we have exchanged complimenta-

ry emails prior to this time. However, I think perhaps you have overstepped the rules of the Polite Columnists' Society.

You are quite right that you might expect retribution for the thoughts you expressed in your last column. But it is not for the actions you contemplated (stealing columns) but for the actions you manifested in front of the whole world of Winters.

In brief, you demonstrated Wrongful Research Techniques.

Dear me, Mr. Sanders, you should know that there is many a slip 'twixt cup and lip in using Google as a search engine. Were you not suspicious when you googled Margaret Burns and got over 20,243,641 hits in 0.18 seconds? You see, there are many of us in the world, and outside of it, if you paid any attention to the obituary and cemetery records for Margaret Burns in most of the formerly Celtic world.

We are a powerful and active class of people, we Margaret Burnses (known collectively as MB).

Allow me to correct

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CHARLES R. WALLACE

A QUICK OPINION

WHAT RECESSION? I'm doing my part to spend us out of a recession. It has been a busy summer, once it heated up. The addition of grandkids has changed our lives. It isn't the same as when the tenants were home, but trying to keep up with two little ones is a full time job.

While our daughter and son-in-law spent a few days in Las Vegas, Sherri and I watched the kids. I've mentioned before that you don't babysit your grandchildren, you watch them. We spent Wednesday night with them and then spent a night in Sacramento at the Embassy Suites. This is part of the Hilton chain and it is pretty nice with an indoor pool, free happy hour and breakfast.

Having a five year old and a three year old in a pool is a little nerve racking. We had a pool when our kids were young, and Laura fell in when she was about three or four. It was during the winter and she had on a heavy coat. I was outside with her and heard the splash and then watched as she floated towards the bottom. I pulled her out of the pool and she was screaming, which I took as a good sign. She also came out with about 20 gallons of water in her jacket.

I was using a hair dryer to dry her off in the bathroom when Sherri came home. I didn't have time for a cover up, there was still a lot of water on the floor leading to the bathroom. The incident didn't bother me too much, but watching grandkids is a different story. Jenna, the five year old, can swim just enough to make you worry she will jump in when no one is looking. Brett, the three year old, just sits on the steps and watches what is going on around him. I was trying to watch both of them, at all times. So was Sherri.

A trip to the zoo, fairytale land, the train museum and Old Sacramento tired me out. We took them back to Ripon on Sunday, dropping them off at their regular day care provider's home and headed back to Winters. I had Sherri drive, I took a nap on the way home. I regularly don't take naps, by the way. I'm not sure when I've slept so well.

There were plenty of people out and about while we were entertaining the kids. We were spending money like we had it. If you buy one grandchild a gift, the other one gets one too. If one wants a hot dog, order two, same with milk or orange juice. Forget about dieting with the kids around. There is ice cream in the freezer and when you are doing the dishes, you might as well finish off the last of the mac and cheese.

There were a lot of young families out and about, but there were plenty of people our age with young ones in tow. Sherri commented that there are a lot of extended families living together now-a-days. "Can you imagine doing this everyday?" she asked. No I can't. My hat is off to all those grandparents that are raising their grandkids, for whatever the reason. Someone said it will keep you young, I doubt it. But it will help you sleep better.

FIREWORKS. I enjoyed seeing the fireworks return to our skies this year. The committee should be commended for raising the money for this year and getting a head start on funding next year's display. The main people were Joe the Butcher, Dawn Barrera, Nanci Mills, Susie Stocking John Rodriguez, Viona Hague, John Donlevy and me trying to stay out of the way. Dave Kidder stepped back into his role as lead pyrotechnician with help from his wife, Viola, Joe the Butcher, Brad Lopez, John Donlevy and Barbara Karlen. I'm sure there were a lot more people involved, so thank you all for putting on a great show.

Have a good week.

Policy for submitting Letters to the Editor

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

Letters should not ex-

ceed 500 words. We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter. Letters must indicate the writer's name. We may

withhold writers' names from publication upon request if there is a legitimate reason, such as fear of reprisal.

All these drug commercials aimed at consumers who can't purchase them

After mulling over the "logic" behind our medical marijuana laws recently, it was serendipitous that one night last week, I didn't set my DVR correctly and was subjected to television commercials during the evening news.

Normally, I leave the DVR on NBC and hit "rewind" to the beginning of the news, and fast-forward through the commercials. There's nothing I want to watch badly enough on TV to sit through commercial breaks, and thanks to my beloved DVR, I don't have to.

On this particular day, I was exhausted, plopped onto the recliner to watch the news, discovered the TV on the wrong channel, and frankly, it was just too much effort to hit "pause" and go do something else while some commercial cushion built up. I decided to just endure the commercials.

Rather than getting annoyed, I viewed it as an opportunity to glimpse into middle America's television experience... see what sort of manure is being pumped into our collective American subconscious these days.

I expected a montage of fast food and

fast cars, dish soap and laundry soap, diapers for young and old, but what I discovered was far more insidious. So insidious that I was reenergized, and leapt from my comfy recliner and started taking notes.

Here's what was being peddled to America during one 30-minute show:

~ Pradaxa, for irregular heartbeat (atrial fibrillation).

~ Restasis, for chronically dry eyes.

~ Enbrel, for rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis.

~ Cialis, for erectile dysfunction.

~ Plavix, to prevent blood clots that cause heart attack or stroke.

So what, you say. Why shouldn't drug companies advertise their products. I'll tell you why. Because Average Joe or Jane American doesn't know diddly-squat about biochemistry. Ninety-eight percent of the population doesn't have the educational depth or breadth to understand what these drugs do to the human body, and the two percent that does has "M.D." after their names. And that two percent doesn't get its medical information from commercials.



DEBRA DeANGELO

BECAUSE I SAY SO

The average person can't purchase these medications without a prescription. Period. These products are being pitched to consumers who can't actually consume them. At top dollar during the evening news on a major network, no less.

Why.

Why target an audience that can't actually purchase your product. There's only one logical answer: because it's working.

Every commercial recommends talking to your doctor about taking these drugs. Excuse me? Talk to my doctor about taking this or that medication? I don't want to talk to my doctor about medications, I want my doctor to talk to ME about medications! I expect her to be fluent on medications and what they might do for me, and to me, not vice-versa.

What sort of bizarre alternative universe have we stumbled into, where patients are educating their doctors about medica-

tions? I'm horrified to consider that doctors are actually being persuaded by their patients to prescribe some really heavy-duty drugs. But clearly they are. Or the drug ads wouldn't exist. Companies don't throw millions of dollars into advertising unless it's paying off.

Beyond the lunacy of promoting the idea that patients must educate their doctors about medication, the ads invariably end with a high-speed summary of all the medical contraindications for taking the drug (as if your doctor has no clue about your medical history or the drugs you're already taking) as well as the potential side effects, ranging in severity from blurred vision to cardiac arrest. Some of the side effects are worse than the condition for which the drugs are prescribed.

Consider Enbrel: "Serious infections have happened in patients taking Enbrel. These infections in-

clude tuberculosis and infections cause by viruses, fungi or bacteria that have spread throughout the body. Some patients have died from these infections. Patients treated with Enbrel also may be at risk for other serious side effects including nervous system problems, such as multiple sclerosis, seizures, or inflammation of the nerves of the eyes; rare reports of serious blood problems (some fatal); heart failure, including new heart failure or worsening of heart failure you already have; new or worsening psoriasis; allergic reactions; immune reactions, including a lupus-like syndrome, lymphoma and other cancers."

Not only can Enbrel cause these diseases, it can actually worsen the condition for which it's been prescribed! I'd rather have full-body arthritis than roll the dice with this poison.

But, the ad features a friendly-looking golfer (People! He's an actor!) who can now hit the links, thanks to this drug. And that's what we remember,

and that's why we ask for the drug, and... that's why doctors prescribe it? Really? Because patients want it? Where are doctors getting their medical degrees these days? Bizarro U?

To bring this full circle, in the mainstream medical industry, trying medical marijuana for my developing arthritis is out of the question. But taking Enbrel (particularly if I advise my doctor that this is what I need, based on my extensive medical background) is perfectly legitimate; it's far easier to get a drug that could cause a cornucopia of horrific diseases than an alternative "drug" that doesn't.

Why.

Ka-ching, that's why. Big Pharma doesn't make any money off back yard pot, and selling drugs is big business, whether on a dark alley or at the pharmacy. But drug makers need dealers. In the case of Big Pharma, the pusher clearly has M.D. after his/her name. Which ultimately makes no sense, because doctors don't profit from drug sales. So why are they complicit?

Why?



Photo by Debbie Hemenway

This wooden play structure, designed by Roberth Leathers and built as a community project in 1989, is little used now. Friends of Winters Parks hopes to bring local parks back into the center of community life.

PRESERVE

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ground with his classmates at Winters Parent Nursery School. The playground was in poor repair and seemed to her and other parents to be not completely safe, both in terms of its physical condition and in terms of some of the activity that occurs there. They also noticed how little used the structure was compared to the beehive of activity that it had been in its early years.

Rather than simply abandon the recreational areas, they decided to “put our eyes and ears back on parks” and work to make them places for families to gather. When conversations with City Manager

John Donlevy revealed that finances would simply not allow the city to undertake the work that needs to be done, they formed Friends of Winters Parks to take on the project themselves.

Friends of Winters Parks has been meeting since spring and has a core group of about 25 members. Conversations with Leathers revealed that a replacement with new materials and modified design would cost some \$250,000, which is nearly four times the original pricetag. While they hope to eventually replace the current playground with an updated structure, their plan for the present is to repair and revive what already exists.

Because the group is sensitive to the history of the project, some of its members having been among the children who helped build the structure 22 years ago, they want to be certain to keep that history alive in whatever they do.

The first public activity sponsored by Friends of Winters Parks is a clean-up and repair day at City Park on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 7:30 am until 12:30 pm.

“Anyone who wants to help is welcome,” Mariani says, “even if all you know how to do is push a broom. We need volunteers — tons of volunteers.”

Refreshments will be provided and there will be a raffle during the morning.

Looking ahead to ongoing events, the



Photo by Debbie Hemenway

The only way to escape the City Park Playground dragon is through his mouth and down the slide.

Friends are sponsoring an ice cream social at City Park on Saturday, Aug. 13, and are talking about concerts and movies in the park as future possibilities.

“Our main aim is to get the community together to support all our parks,” Mariani

says, adding, “I would not pick another place in the whole world to raise a family.”

Friends of Winters Parks can be found on Facebook. They can also be contacted via email at ljtocco@yahoo.com.

Council meeting canceled

The regular July 19 city council meeting has been canceled. The council meets next on Tuesday, Aug. 2, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. Anyone may attend.

Sponsors are needed

Sponsors are needed for this year’s Earthquake Street Festival, which takes place on Friday, Aug. 26, 5-11 p.m. on downtown Main Street. Sponsorships of \$125, \$250 and \$450 are suggested. To help make sure this annual event continues, contact the Winters Chamber of Commerce for sponsorship information, 795-2329.

FIRE

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Place, chest pains

July 9
~ 90 block of Niemann Street, medical aid, unresponsive victim
~ 100 block of Abbey Street, lift assist

July 10
~ 400 block of Abbey Street, possible stroke

AARP Driver Safety Class offered

The City of Winters is sponsoring an AARP Driver Safety class at the Community Center, Aug. 22 and 24, 1:30-5:30 p.m.

This eight-hour class helps older drivers ages 50 and up become more aware of changes that occur due to aging and how to adjust driving accordingly. The course

reviews basic rules of the road and typical violations that occur with older drivers.

Taking this course may help drivers save money on automobile insurance. The State mandates that an automobile insurance discount be given to people completing a driver improvement course. The course is

taught by an AARP Driver Safety course volunteer. The fee for the course is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-AARP members.

Enrollment applications are available at City Hall or the Community Center. For more information, call Tracy Jensen, 795-4910, extension 100.

Putah Creek Committee to meet Monday

The Winters Putah Creek Committee will meet on Monday, July 18, at 7 p.m., in the council chambers at City Hall.

Discussion items include the North Bank improvement, an up-

date on parkway and realignment projects, a discussion on a draft notification plan and the nomination and election of a committee chair and vice chair.

LETTERS

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some of your statements in the Winters Express of July 7, 2011.

I, the MB living in Winters, am not the VP and Director of Global Health, etc. I am also not a high official in the US Department of Agriculture.

I, citizen of Winters, did not write a book called LYNX, though I have written some poetry. You can find the real Winters MB in the Journal of the American Medical Association with a contribution called “Dancing Circus of My Brain.” Could you relate to that, Mr. Sanders?

You got one thing right. I was president of the Board of the Yolo Community Foundation, a very fine organization whose mission is to promote philanthropy in Yolo County. We have several interesting programs to assist in doing that.

It is some other MB who has dabbled with hydrodynamic shear in leukocytes.

I do admit to being involved in many research projects such as analyzing trace elements in retinas, as recently reviewed in a paper from Taiwan entitled, “In Vivo Monitoring of the Transfer Kinetics of Trace Elements in Animal

Brains with Hyphenated Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry Techniques” and studying interglial gap junctions in photoreceptor degenerations.

Thank you, Donald K. Sanders, for the compliment of wanting to steal my column.

But, be aware, there are great numbers of Margaret Burnses hovering in this world and the next, and you need to sharpen your research techniques or you could be met with a class-action suit by all the MBs in the world. The thought should make you shudder.

MARGARET S. BURNS

Community

Chamber sponsors first 'agri-tour' at Four Winds

The Winters Chamber of Commerce will present its first "agri-tour" on Saturday, July 23, with a Winters Ag Exploration tour of

Four Winds Growers in the hills west of Lake Solano Park.

The day begins at 9 a.m. with a check-in at Steady Eddy's,

followed by the tour of the sprawling citrus ranch owned by John "Cedar" and Mary Helen Seeger from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Participants will learn about citrus and other edible ornamentals for the garden. The Four Winds family created the dwarf citrus in 1950.

Next is guided "Winters Walk," from noon to 1:30 p.m., featuring historic downtown Winters, and citrus marmalade, crackers and wine-tasting at Turko-vich Family Wines, homemade citrus sangria at Rootstock, chocolate samples and wine tasting at Berryessa Gap Winery, and a display of citrus-themed fabric for tablecloths, runners and quilts at Cloth Carousel.

The day concludes with lunch at Ficelle at 1:30 p.m.

The tour cost is \$40.

To register, call the Winters Chamber of Commerce at 795-2329.



Courtesy photo

John "Cedar" Seeger shows off some of the oranges from trees raised at Four Winds Growers.

A little bit of Winters in Mendocino



Courtesy photo

Shaunie, Mike, Ameryn and Matt Briggs display their Winters Express in front of a trophy abalone sculpture while spending time in Mendocino.

Free food to be distributed in Winters area

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible Winters residents on Thursday, July 21, from noon to 1 p.m. at

First Baptist Church, 512 First St., and 3 to 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 at 668-0690.

On the road with the Express



Courtesy photo

Maya Tice holds the Winters Express overlooking the Grand Canyon while on a 17-day road trip with her UC Santa Barbara roommates that started on June 14. The girls visited Yellowstone National Park and Old Faithful Geyser, Mount Rushmore and Tice's grandparents in Park Ridge, Ill., near Chicago, as well as Niagara Falls, Boston, New York, Washington, D.C., Jamestown Settlement, Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, New Orleans, Four Corners, Grand Canyon and also family of Tice's roommates in Wyoming, Ohio near Cincinnati, and Cathedral City near Palm Springs and Santa Barbara. They returned to Winters on June 30. The girls camped or stayed with family and friends along the way.

Warmer weather brings out mosquitoes in area

Summer's warmer temperatures after a wet spring means more mosquitoes.

"The late spring rain and above average rainfall for this year has left a lot of standing water," said David Brown, manager of the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District. "As the warming trend continues we will see many more mosquitoes."

The combination of excess water and warm temperatures create the ideal conditions for mosquitoes to breed.


In addition to vacant homes with neglected swimming pools, the district is also

encountering mosquito problems around homes with raised foundations.

Residents are urged to report problems and to drain stagnant water around their yard.

As the number of mosquitoes go up, this will also mean an increased risk of West Nile virus. The disease, which can be transmitted by infected mosquitoes that feed on infected birds, appears to be permanently established in this area. One bird has tested positive in Sacramento County.

To report mosquito breeding problems: (800) 429-1022, www.FIGHTtheBITE.net.



PUBLIC NOTICE OF EMERGENCY PERMIT
Fremont Environmental Services, Inc.
Winters, California

PERMIT EFFECTIVE: June 8, 2011 - June 22, 2011

On June 15, 2011 Fremont Environmental Services, Inc. (FES) requested an Emergency Permit from the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). FES proposes to store approximately 6240-gallons of oily water contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) contained in tanker truck. DTSC requires an Emergency Permit for the requested storage because FES does not have a permit past the six-day limit of hazardous waste.

The Emergency Permit request is for storage of hazardous waste past the six-day limit. As FES does not hold a facility hazardous waste permit for the location where the storage will take place due to its condition, the DTSC has determined that an Emergency Permit will be issued.

DTSC finds there is a potential imminent and substantial endangerment to human health and the environment. As such, DTSC is issuing this emergency permit to FES effective June 8, 2011 through June 22, 2011.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) - DTSC has determined that this Emergency Permit is exempt from the requirements of CEQA as an action necessary to prevent or mitigate an emergency. A Notice of Exemption (NOE) will be filed which starts a 35-day time period for any legal challenges to DTSC's CEQA determination for this Emergency Permit. This activity is necessary to prevent an emergency because the material cannot be stored, handled, or shipped off-site without posing a threat to the environment, property, and human health.

The Emergency Permit, NOE, as well as the full Administrative Record for this project are available for review at the following location:

Department of Toxic Substances Control
8900 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, California 95826

For additional information regarding DTSC, please visit our website at www.dtsc.ca.gov.

<p>ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD - For further information regarding the Emergency Permit for FES, please contact:</p> <p>Michael Zamudio DTSC Project Manager (916) 255-5535 MZamudio@dtsc.ca.gov</p>	<p>FOR MEDIA INQUIRIES</p> <p>Veronica Lopez-Villaseor DTSC Public Participation Specialist (916) 255-3651 or (866) 495-5551 (Toll free) VLopezV@dtsc.ca.gov</p>
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NOTES TO THE HAZARDOUS WASTE - You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378 (TDD). Please ask them to contact Veronica Lopez-Villaseor at (916) 255-3651 regarding FES.

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Calendar

Thursday, July 14

Winters School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., school district office, Walnut Room

WfoL Free Summer Concert, 7 p.m., Rotary Park

Dive In Movie, "Grease," swimming at 7 p.m., movie at 8 p.m., Bobbie Greenwood Community Swimming Pool

Friday, July 15

Winters Shakespeare Workshop's "The Comedy of Errors," 8 p.m., City Park, Fourth and Main streets

Saturday, July 16

Winters Shakespeare Workshop's "The Comedy of Errors," 8 p.m., City Park, Fourth and Main streets

Monday, July 18

Winters School Board special meeting, 6:30 p.m., school district office, Walnut Room

Putah Creek Committee meeting, 7 p.m., City Hall, council chambers

Tuesday, July 19

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

Wednesday, July 20

Orchard Village Apartments Grand Opening, 1:30 p.m., 955 Railroad Ave.

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 St.

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

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

Wednesdays: Soroptimist meeting, 7 a.m., call 795-4631 or 795-2828 for location information; **Narcotics Anonymous meeting**, 7 p.m., 62 Shams Way

Upcoming events

Saturday, July 23, Winters Ag Exploration tour, Four Winds Growers, sign up at the Chamber of Commerce, 795-2329

Friends of Winters Parks clean up, City Park playground, 7:30 a.m. to noon.

Monday Aug. 22 and Tuesday, Aug. 23, AARP Driver Safety Class, 1:30-5:30 p.m., Community Center

Earthquake Street Festival, Friday, Aug. 26, 5-11 p.m., downtown Main Street

(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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From the Ground Up: Apricots have roots in Yolo ag history

By ANN EVANS and
GEORGEANNE
BRENNAN
Special to the Express

Apricots are a big part of Yolo County's agricultural history, especially in and around Winters. The Winters Express noted in its June 28, 1946, edition that 464 rail cars of apricots had been shipped out that year.

The packing sheds once lined the railroad tracks that crossed Putah Creek and came up Railroad Avenue, but the only remnants now are the iconic railroad bridge, a couple of renovated packing sheds at Elliot and Main, an old box factory with corrugated siding just north of them, and, running along the sidewalk on the east side of Railroad Avenue from the bridge to Abbey Street, etchings in the sidewalk where the tracks once were.

The apricot crop was once so critical to the economy of the town of Winters that for many, many years the school term ended in mid-May so that the children could be at home to help with the harvest or cut apricots in the dry yards. Even today, many Winters adults of a certain age can tell stories about the youthful summers they spent with their friends, cutting apricots in the dry yards.

Even though we grew up more than 500 miles apart, Ann in Berkeley, and I in Laguna Beach, we both treasure the memory of the apricot trees in our own backyards. We climbed them, picked their fruit, ate them out of hand, made pies with them, and when the crop was at its fullest, made jam and canned them. Ann also sold them door to door.

When I moved outside of Winters about

25 years ago, an apricot orchard was right across the road from me and my neighbor kindly gave me permission to pick at will. When I walked through that orchard during apricot season, I would eventually wind up at Johnny Lopez's drying yard and what a glorious sight that was — surrounded by the deep green leaves of the orchard was an open area with hundreds of wooden trays spread across the ground, each covered in a layer of cut, pitted and sulfured apricots, drying in the bright June sun like a huge, golden blanket.

Sadly, my neighbor's orchard was ripped up 10 years ago, "because you can never make money on apricots" the farmer told me. It broke my heart to see the beautiful trees I had walked among for more than a decade tossed on their sides, roots exposed against the sky, their branches broken in the fall as the backhoe flipped them out of the earth. In a few days they were gone, pushed into a pile and burned and, shortly after, rows of spindly young walnut trees took their place.

This story was repeated during the 1990s throughout the Winters area. One reason was the always-present risk of rain during February pollination for the early-blooming apricots. The main reason, though, was that newer apricot varieties, Castlebrite and Patterson, had been developed and were being planted heavily on the upper west side of the San Joaquin Valley, around Patterson and Westley, and fruit from that warmer, drier area ripened earlier and got to market

when the prices were high.

The Winters farmers, looking at the weather risk and diminishing returns, started shifting their orchards into almonds, prunes and walnuts. However, one semi-nostalgic farmer told me that they always saved at least one tree of the Blenheim apricots for themselves. They knew a good thing, just like anyone does who has ever had a ripe Blenheim apricot.

The Blenheim, sometimes called Royal Blenheim, is renowned for its impeccable sweetness and flavor. The Royal Blenheim was boarded onto the Slow Food USA's Ark of Taste in the last few years to help preserve it by calling attention to its flavor and increasing the market demand for it.

Happily there are some growers still growing Blenheims in the area, and you can find them at fruit stands, like Double R Ranch Fruit Stand and The Fruit Tree in Winters, and Manas Orchards in Esparto. Also, like in the old days, apricots and other fruit are available by the flat or lug at Double R Ranch and Manas Orchards.

At the Davis Farmers Market, Jeff and Annie Main of Good Humus Farms sell the Blenheim apricots they planted soon after they bought their farm in 1976. Royal Derby is another old fashioned, flavorful variety to look for. Shop now, because the apricot season is a brief one. Should you miss it, however, peaches, nectarines, and plums will be available until deep into summer and available by the lug box.

Where to buy apricots
Double R Ranch Fruit Stand



Courtesy photo

Cody Klimper at Double R Ranch fruit stand in Winters with new crop apricots.

(530) 795-2862
9224 Gaddini Road,
Winters
Putah Creek Road
exit on northbound
Interstate 505

Loren Warren's
OMRP (Old Man's
Retirement Plan)
Two miles east of
Winters on Road
32/Russell Blvd.

The Fruit Tree
415 Grant Ave. (Highway 128) on the western edge of Winters

Manas Ranch
530-787-3228
ManasRanch.com
25838 Road 21A,
Esparto (1/2 mile west of Highway 16)

Lester Farms (Dried Fruit)
(530)795-2693
Lesterfarms.com
4317 Margaret Lane,
Winters

Rustic Tart of Apricots and Goat Cheese Cream Serves 6 to 8

This can be made with virtually any seasonal, fresh fruit, such as plums, peaches, nectarines, figs or pears. For larger fruit, cut into thin slices. Don't be

alarmed when the filling swells and puffs.

The Ingredients

6 to 8 apricots, pitted and cut into quarters
One 12 x 14 sheet frozen puff pastry, thawed as directed by manufacturer
2 to 3 ounces soft goat cheese
½ cup plus one tablespoon sugar
1 egg
1 to 2 tablespoons heavy cream

Putting It Together

Preheat oven to 375° F.

On a floured work surface, spread open the puff pastry sheet. With a rolling pin, roll to a scant 1/4-inch thick. To make a tart, trim the corners to make a round. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper and transfer the round to the paper. Pinch the edges up to form a generous ½-inch rim. Place in the freezer and chill 15 minutes to firm edges.

In a bowl, whisk together the goat cheese, ½ cup of the sugar, the egg, and cream until a smooth paste forms. Spread

the paste evenly over the bottom of the pastry round. Do not overfill as the weight of the fruit causes it to sink, pushing up the paste. Arrange the apricots, cut side down, in concentric circles on top of the paste, about one inch apart. Sprinkle the two tablespoons of sugar evenly over the apricots. Bake until the pastry is puffed and browned and the apricots are soft and slightly golden, about 30 minutes. Remove from the oven, cover loosely with aluminum foil, and let stand for 10 minutes.

With a long knife, loosen the round from the parchment paper so the tart won't stick when cut into slices. Serve warm.

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

Volunteers needed to serve on county boards

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors needs candidates to fill vacancies on several county advisory bodies.

The board and committees with vacancies include the Assessment Appeals Board, Audit Committee, Childcare & Development Planning Council, Commission on Aging and Adult Services, Community Services Action Board, Emergency Medical Care Committee, Health Council, Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Advisory Board, Salud Clinic Advisory Board, South Davis

General Plan Citizen's Advisory Committee, Waste Advisory Committee, West Plainfield Airport and Esparto Community Service District

For more information on advisory bodies and specific vacancies, and to submit an application, visit www.yolocounty.org (click on "Government," then "Board of Supervisors," then "Advisory Bodies") or call the Clerk of the Board's office at 666-8195.

Interested community members also may contact their Yolo County Supervisor.

Fibromyalgia support group to meet

The Northern Cal Fibro Friends will meet from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 16, in the conference room of the Vacaville Hospital, 1000 Nut Tree Road in Vacaville.

The goal is to share new information about fibromyalgia and encourage members.

There is no charge for the meeting but donations are appreciated.

For more, contact Valma Honeyfield at valmagrace@comcast.net, or 756-9153.

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CLASH

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May of this year and last.

“They’ve basically stolen all of our liquidity,” said Donlevy, noting the many projects in town that have been funded by redevelopment. “The only way for us to find \$524,000 would be to go to our General Fund reserves, and that would basically steal half of it.” However, he did offer some hope.

“We’re a very lean operation, and at the end of the day, I think we’re going to be okay,” said Donlevy, adding however that providing community services will be “very difficult.”

Noting that the city does receive sales tax money, Donlevy reported that gas and alcohol sales bring in the most revenue to the city.

Three of top five sales tax producers are gas stations,” he said.

Noting that the city is now approaching the end of a two-year budget, Donlevy said the city must “keep looking ahead” and said the Burger King/Arco project is likely to be the only project we’ll have in town next year.

Martin asked what is to happen of the Cody’s and JJ’s properties, recently purchased by the city with redevelopment funds. Gunby explained that

the titles of these properties were transferred to the city, and “based on advice of three attorneys, we had the property appraised, we did everything above board and they were transferred into the city’s name.”

Martin said he remained concerned that the state may try to confiscate those properties. “They may try,” responded Donlevy.

Gunby said the state has a “look back period,” and can investigate redevelopment transactions that have occurred since Jan 2011.

“We are being punished for Prop 22,” commented Aguiar-Curry, expressing disappointment with the lack of support for redevelopment shown by state representatives Lois Wolk and Mariko Yamada. She voiced support for a local sales tax that was proposed by Corinne Martinez during the non-agenda items segment earlier in the meeting. She praised the two-year budgeting strategy, and asked, “Now we’re back at the two year limit — what are we going to do and how are we going to do it?”

Gunby replied that city staff will have a clearer idea of what is happening at the state level with redevelopment in October.

“We have some levels of uncertainty, but we’ve already started working on some contingency plans,” she

said, including “re-tasking” city staff. “It’s hard to make any decisions until we know what’s going to happen at the state level. We’re still looking at a lot of uncertainty. We want to make decisions with as much fact as we can muster.”

Donlevy said city staff will be meeting with financial and legal advisors to get an assessment of the city’s position in regards to redevelopment, and will make recommendations at a future meeting, possibly next month.

“There’s a good chance that as early as August 16, we could be adopting a resolution that says goodbye to our Community Development Agency,” said Donlevy.

Aguiar-Curry distributed a “boiler plate” letter provided by the League of California Cities that is being used to voice objection to the state’s redevelopment grab, and requested the council submit one. However, the item was not on the agenda. Following some discussion, the council agreed that the letter fell within the realm of the budget discussion, and unanimously moved to send the letter following approval from City Attorney John Wallace.

Other items

~ Housing Coordinator Dan Maguire reported the city received two proposals for the vacant proper-

ty at 318 Railroad (JJ’s), and that staff is in the process of reviewing those proposals. One of the applicants, Rory Linton, expressed his concerns about the inadequate length of time offered on the leases and recommended a two-year lease with a three-year option to make the properties more attractive. Recommendations on the proposals are expected at the Aug. 2. council meeting.

~ Donlevy announced that the grand opening for Orchard Village will be celebrated on Wednesday, July 20.

~ In the non-agenda items segment, Corinne Martinez noted that state sales tax dropped from 8.25 to 7.25 on July 1, and recommended that the city consider increasing the local sales tax by “a modest .125 percent increase, which would make us on par with Vacaville and Dixon, and would more than double our sales tax revenue.” She added that “It is a “worthy discussion.”

~ Proclamations and praise were extended to city employees Nanci Mills and Terry Vendor, both of whom received 25-year service awards. Both were received with standing ovations and applause, and their accomplishments were celebrated with fresh apricot pie for all.

The council meets next on July 19.

Decline in property values continues

Yolo County Assessor Joel Butler has released the 2011/12 tax roll showing a continuing decline in the roll value from last year. The number of properties that have been reduced below their Proposition 13 Factored Base Year Value has grown from over 16,000 to more than 18,000.

The reduction to this year’s roll was partially offset by new construction, properties changing ownership that had older base year values and agricultural properties, along with properties at their Proposition 13 value, receiving the inflation factor of 0.753 percent. The inflation factor derived by the State Board of Equalization is well below the 2 percent maximum increase. The results are a net decrease to the Yolo County tax roll of less than 1 percent to a value of \$19,715,449,214.

The unincorporated areas of Yolo County fared best, increasing by 4.2 percent over last year. This is reflected in Williamson Act values of the strong agricultural economy, high yields and rising crop prices.

The city of Davis remained essentially flat at 0.06 percent increase. The city of Winters fared much

better than last year with less than 1 percent decline (-0.88 percent). The cities of Woodland (-3.91 percent) and West Sacramento (-2.4 percent) fared only slightly better than the prior year.

“Staff has been diligently working for months to review more than 25,000 properties for possible declines in value,” said Butler. “These employees have done a tremendous job in reviewing home values to help avoid the need for filing appeals.”

Values will be available on the Assessor’s website (www.yolocounty.org/index.aspx?page=1603) by July 18. To access the value of your property, have your Assessor Parcel Number or street address available. For those without Internet access, call (530) 666-8135.

New this year, will be the ability to file assessment appeals online. Once posted, the online application can be found at www.yolocounty.org/Index.aspx?page=1520. Effective July 2, a \$45 filing fee for assessment appeals is required.

Due to budgetary constraints, the Yolo County Assessor’s Office is closed on Fridays.

POLICE

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Attorney for a complaint of theft.

~ 2:4 p.m., 100 block of Edwards Street, a wallet was stolen from a residence. Loss: \$160.

July 2

~ 7 p.m., Fourth and Main Streets, an unknown male suspect followed a female victim in a suspicious manner, making the victim uncomfortable.

July 3-9

~ 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., 3300 block of Grant Avenue, an unlocked vehicle was entered and a speaker box and amplifier were stolen.

July 4

~ 11:31 p.m., Jose Everado Regalado-Mendoza, 21, of Sacramento was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having an inoperable vehicle tail lamp.

July 5

~ 12:02 a.m., 400 block of Creekside Way, a vehicle window was broken. Damage: \$200.

~ 10:05 a.m., a 17-year-old Vacaville juvenile was arrested for two counts of assault with a deadly weapon other than a firearm. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a parent on a notice to appear.

~ 3:58 p.m., on Myrtle Drive, an officer assisted a Yolo County Sheriff deputy with a violation of a court order.

~ 6:29 p.m., Aaron Alexander Aceves, 26, a transient, was picked up at Solano County Jail, transported to Yolo County Jail and booked on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with violation of probation.

~ 8:30 p.m., 800 block of West Grant Avenue, a suspect was found to be in possession of methamphetamine. The case is being forwarded to the District Attorney for a complaint of possession of a controlled substance.

~ 8:30 p.m., Hector Cruz Hernandez, 38, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having unlawful tinted vehicle windows.

July 6

~ 5:48 p.m., County Road 90, an officer responded to an audible business alarm. Officer located an unsecured door. The business was cleared and secured.

July 6-11

~ Time unknown, 700 block of Railroad Avenue, graffiti was scratched into a bathroom mirror. Damage: \$170.

July 7

~ 2:17 p.m., 600 block of Foxglove Circle, an officer responded to an audible residential alarm. It was determined the alarm was activated accidentally.

~ 4:30 p.m., Railroad Avenue and Edwards Street, parties were involved in a mutual fight.

~ 6:51 p.m., 300 block of Rosa Avenue, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

July 8

~ 8:23 a.m., a found coin purse and contents were turned over to the police department.

~ 11:11 a.m., Jonathan Edward Valdez, 32, of Woodland was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver’s license.

~ 5:17 p.m., Tanya Marie Clarke, 24, of Yuba City was pulling into a parking space in a parking lot on the 100 block of East Grant Avenue. As Clarke was pulling into the space, an unknown driver of a vehicle was backing up from another parking space, struck her vehicle from behind and left the scene.

~ 5:30-6 p.m., 100 block of East Baker Street, an apartment door was kicked in causing damage to the door and door frame. Damage: \$700.

~ 6:30 p.m., a vehicle registered to Tiburcio Quezada, Jr. of Win-

ters was legally parked facing southbound on Walnut Lane. An unknown driver of a vehicle collided into the parked vehicle causing damage to the driver side rear view mirror and left the scene.

July 9

~ 5:58 a.m., 200 block of First Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was secure.

~ 7:01 a.m., 200 block of First Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was open and it could not be determined why the alarm activated.

~ 12:12 p.m., Jose Martin Bermudez, 46, of Esparto was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

July 10

~ 11:07 a.m., Jose Manuel Reyes-Madrigal, 41, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

~ 11:45 a.m., Ashley Katherine O’Neil, 20, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver, having inoperable vehicle stop lamps and failing to provide proof of insurance.

~ 12:25 p.m., 200 block of Railroad Avenue, officers responded to an audible alarm. An unsecured door was located. The building was cleared and secured.

STABBED

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The suspect, a 17-year-old Vacaville male juvenile, appeared at the Winters Police Department on July 5 and was booked on charges of two counts of assault with a deadly weapon other than a firearm.

Because the suspect sustained injuries in the attack that “would have made it complicated to transfer him to juvenile hall,” said Lieutenant Sergio Gutierrez, he was released to a parent with a notice to appear. The case is being forwarded to Yolo County Juvenile Probation.

Gutierrez explained that laws governing juveniles and adults are different, permitting law enforcement to cite and release juveniles to the custody of parents if it seems appropriate rather than transport them directly to juvenile hall.

Gutierrez said charges have been filed against the suspect, and an investigation is ongoing. At this point, it appears that the suspect was acting alone. He was in Winters that night while visiting a friend.

As for possible gang-related activity, Police Chief Bruce Muramoto stated that there does not appear to be any connection.


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Entertainment

'Dive-in' movie time



Photo by Justin Hyer

All ready for the dive-in movie on Thursday, July 14, are, from left, Dominic Rodriguez, Emily Dodic and Ashley Rodriguez. The movie "Grease" will be shown at the Bobbie Greenwood Community Swimming Pool. Swimming starts at 7:30 p.m., and the movie "Grease" begins at 8 p.m. There is no charge to watch the movie from the deck, and the cost is \$1 to swim. Bring a lawn chair, blanket or towel to sit on. Everyone is welcome.

Mondo Vagabondo to play at gazebo

Mondo Vagabondo Orchestra will heat up the stage with a free outdoor performance on Thursday, July 14, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Rotary Park gazebo, on Main Street at Railroad Avenue, in front of the Community Center.

Mondo Vagabondo presents a total musical experience, with cabaret-style jazz and blues interspersed with comedy and the-atries. The seven-piece Vacaville-based band explores that unique time in musical history when the rural blues and folk music of the Deep South headed north to blend with ragtime, creating the distinctive jazz of Louis Armstrong and Duke Ellington. For more about the band and a preview of their music, go to www.MondoVagabondo.com.

The performance is part of the Winters



Courtesy photo

Members of the Mondo Vagabondo Orchestra perform cabaret-style jazz with a twist of blues. The full, seven-piece band will play at a free outdoor concert on Thursday, July 14 at 7 p.m. at the Rotary Park Gazebo in Winters, as part of the Winters Friends of the Library summer concert series.

Friends of the Library summer concert series. Invite your friends and neighbors, bring a blanket or lawn chairs or sit on the grass, sip a cool drink and enjoy some fine live music on a summer evening.

The Friends of the

Library will have pizza, ice cream and cold drinks for sale, and all proceeds will support the Winters Library. Quality used books will be for sale too.

For more, contact Keith Cary at kcary@dcn.org or 795-3173.

Get satisfied with Unauthorized Rolling Stones at The Palms

The Unauthorized Rolling Stones look like the original, strut like the original and rock like the original. Formed by Rudy Colombini who embodies Mick, he has created a true phenomenon with Dave Garcia as Keith Richards, Mark Banning as Ron Wood and Kenny Crampton as Bill Wyman.

Experience the intensity and

rock 'n' roll raunchiness of the Rolling Stones up close with the Unauthorized Rolling Stones. Recognized as the leading Rolling Stones tribute band in the world, and quoted again and again by many die-hard Rolling Stones fans, "The Unauthorized Rolling Stones are better than the real thing." Executives at IMAX and Paramount

Pictures call them the No. 1 Rolling Stones Tribute in the country, IMAX chose The Unauthorized Rolling Stones for its national cross-promotion for the Martin Scorsese film "Shine A Light."

The Unauthorized Rolling Stones will be at The Palms on Saturday, July 16, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and 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. The Palms is at 13 Main St., Winters.

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

Nathan James fuses invention, tradition

Bluesman Nathan James' three piece band forges a cumulative sound that combines elements of 1920s acoustic blues, amplified juke joint hill country, and 1950s uptown blues mixed with 1960s soulful R&B. Influences range from Tampa Red to B.B. King to James Brown and the Famous Flames.

This is not your average blues power trio that leans towards the "blues rock" formula. Instead, each member in the band knows all the nuances of the different feels and tones. Knowing how to get people's attention, Nathan will often go out solo from the

bandstand and burst into a frenzied ragtime breakdown that can lead to a washboard solo on his custom LED lit "Washtar Git-board."

Never one to follow convention, and always one to think for himself, James has created a musical identity with his homemade instruments and self-taught skills. Whether you catch James as his true one man band pickin' and scratchin' on his own invention of washboard guitar, stomping out time on his custom suitcase drum set while singing and blowing harmonica or kazoo, or leading his trio, you are sure to be moved

and impressed with the unique energy and soul that he possesses. Joining James is harmonica ace Mark Hummel and RW Grigsbey on bass.

Nathan James will be at The Palms on Wednesday, July 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and 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. The Palms is at 13 Main St., Winters.

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



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Nathan James will perform blues music at 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 20, at The Palms, 13 Main St., Winters.

Delta style blues show planned

Taste wine and enjoy blues duo Chicken and Dumpling from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 15, at Root Stock, 22 Main St. Back by popular demand, Chicken & Dumpling is an acoustic blues duo featuring Charles "Chicken" Oriel on the guitar and Julia "Dumpling" Simon on the bass.

The duo plays the down home, Delta style blues of Robert Johnson, Big Bill Broonzy and Muddy Waters, in addition to the classic women's blues of Bessie Smith and Sippie Wallace. Chicken & Dumpling also cover contemporary blues artists like Bonnie Raitt and Eric Clapton, as well as jazz standards.

All are invited to stop in and receive a 10 percent discount on all French linens during the show.

For more, call Root Stock at 794-6008.

The Keri Carr Band, featuring singer Keri Carr, will perform at 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 15, at The Palms.

Courtesy photo



Golden-voiced bandleader Carr returns to Palms

When Sacramento's top traditional country/honky tonk band Rowdy Kate, fronted by singer and songwriter Keri Carr, disbanded recently, it left a void in the region's music scene.

Well, not to worry, because Carr is back with her new band, the Keri Carr Band, which expands upon the honky-tonk country-based sound she brought with Rowdy Kate and heads into the territory of the late '60s/early '70s country/

country rock sound of such bands as Flying Burrito Brothers, Emmylou Harris, Little Feat and more.

The sound includes terrific three-part harmonies, great instrumental skills and high-level songwriting. The new band features the lovely singing voice of Carr; Steve Randall on guitar; Richard March on guitar as well as contributing original songs; Larry Carr on drums; RW Grigsbey on bass; and Beth

Grigsbey on supporting vocals.

The Keri Carr Band will be at The Palms on Friday, July 15, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, at \$15, are available at Pacific Ace Hardware in Winters, Armadillo Music in Davis, Watermelon Music's new branch in Woodland, online at tickets.com, and at the door if not sold out. The Palms is at 13 Main St., Winters.

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


Davis Chorale invites singers to brunch on July 16

Those interested in singing with the Davis Chorale are invited to a "Meet the Chor-ale" Brunch on Saturday, July 16, from 11-2:30 p.m. at the Deem home, 108 Evening Bay Place in Davis.

The brunch offers prospective

singers a chance to meet Artistic Director Alison Skinner, other chorale members and learn more about singing with the group. Rehearsals for the new season are set to begin in mid-September.

RSVP to alison@vapinc.org.



Coming up

Thur. July 14 - Pete Anderson
Fri. July 15 - Keri Carr Band
Sat. July 16 - The Unauthorized Rolling Stones

See the rest of our schedule online at palmsplayhouse.com



Photo by Dawn Van Dyke

Quilting enthusiasts Debbie Redding (left) and Linda Vairetta show the squares they're working on during their stay at Canyon Creek Resort.

RESORT

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the benefits of living so near a recreational jewel.

According to Clifford, the owners are putting together a special package for Winters residents, including day use and cabin rental rates as low as \$25 per night.

"It's something we're putting together for local people, to give them a reason to come out here," says Clifford. "A country club type thing, that's kind of the idea."

The store and café are currently undergoing renovation, and the resort boasts a new wood-burning pizza oven, with pizza dinners served on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights.

Canyon Creek Resort has over 1,000 members, most of whom come from within a two hour radius to enjoy the tree-lined, creekside campsites, full RV hook-ups and wide variety of activities; each campsite sleeps up to 10 people. Members can camp at Canyon Creek Resort and its sister resort, Delta Shores, in Isleton, for \$2-\$10 per night, 365 days per

year.

A complete recreation schedule, from church on Sunday mornings, to Bingo on Saturday nights, includes arts and crafts for adults and children, and ice cream socials on Saturday afternoons, two pools, (one for families, one for adults), a spa, horseshoe pits, water games and scavenger hunts. In addition, a variety of special events take place throughout the year including Fourth of July, New Year's Eve and Easter. Visitors can enjoy live music provided by a variety of bands or DJs, and karaoke. Taking advantage of Putah Creek and Lake Berryessa, visitors can participate in catch and release trout fishing and kayaking, hiking or swimming.

Part of the plan for creating the local package is to allow visitors to come up to the resort, enjoy the live music, dancing or karaoke, and then have a place to stay for the night instead of driving home. The deluxe, air-conditioned cabins (part of the local package) feature double and bunk beds, full baths, kitchens and satellite



Photo by Dawn Van Dyke

It's an angle of Monticello Dam that most people don't get to see — unless they're visiting Canyon Creek Resort, situated just below the dam along Putah Creek.

television. Cabins and trailers have excellent views of the creek and Monticello Dam. The park has 24-hour security.

The resort also has its own water system and offers showers and a laundry facility.

The owners are constantly coming up with new ways to serve their members, and amenities to entice new visitors.

"Eventually we'd like to put in a gym," says Clifford.

Another extension of the campground is also in the planning stages.

Anyone interested in finding out more about the benefits of membership or the local package can call 794-4133 or visit Canyon Creek Resort to tour the site.

For more information, visit www.vistaresorts.net.



Photo by Dawn Van Dyke

Head pizza oven cook Chris Bradley makes breakfast biscuits for Canyon Creek Resort members and patrons of the restaurant, which is now open to the public.

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Input on local conservation sought

The Yolo County Resource Conservation District (RCD) will hold its annual Local Work Group meeting at the Farm Bureau on Aug. 4, 9 a.m. to noon. This is an opportunity for farmers and ranchers, agencies and organizations to provide feedback to the RCD and the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) on local conservation needs, strategies and natural resource issues.

The NRCS and the Farm Service Agency (FSA) administer Farm Bill funding through a variety of conservation and on-farm loan or cost-share programs such as the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). These programs provide financial and technical assistance for improving natural resources on working lands.

The Local Work Group meeting provides a forum for landowners, farmers, tribal members and ranchers to comment on the effectiveness of these conservation programs, and for helping to develop local priorities for resource concerns specific to Yolo County. The priorities developed at this meeting increase local relevance of Farm Bill programs and contribute local ranking criteria for the next fiscal year's conservation project funding.

Anyone interested may attend.

Sports

Davis man to soar through the air in X-Alps race

◆ For training, he often glides over the Winters area

By **MARAGERT BURNS**
Special to the Express

The scenery is unparalleled, and so is the effort — paragliding or hiking along the arc of the Alps in a 900-mile race that covers 10 to 12 days. Only the fittest and most skilled pilots can survive, and one of those is a Davis man.

Honza Rejmanek is the only American among 32 competitors in the X-Alps 2011 race from Salzburg, Austria, to Monaco, which begins Sunday, July 17.

“We had over 100 applications from all over the world and it was very difficult to decide who would be accepted as a competitor this year,” the race organizers said. “We selected for skills, stamina and guts.”

Rejmanek, 36, certainly fits that description. This will be his third time in the X-Alps competition; in

2009, he finished third in a field of 30 participants. Most did not complete the race.

This will be the fifth biennial X-Alps race since 2003. Pilots start by hiking out of Mozartplatz in Salzburg and paraglide and hike over and in the Austrian, Italian, Swiss and French Alps until they finally glide down to a raft in the Mediterranean Sea a quarter-mile off the coast of Monaco.

The athletes can choose their own route but they must make specified mountain peak turnpoints within a circumscribed distance. The course has eight turnpoints, including Dachstein in Austria, Tre Cime in Italy, the Matterhorn in Switzerland, Mont Blanc in France, then Mont Gros in France, just 5 kilometers from the finish point on the raft off Monaco.

Although the air distance is 864 km, the actual distance traversed may be 1,400 km or more (roughly 900 miles). It depends

on the weather and the pilots’ individual decisions about paragliding or hiking, and how they read the weather, terrain, their abilities and their fatigue.

Every 48 hours, the last participant is eliminated from the race. The race ends 48 hours after the first pilot lands at Monaco.

The race is completed in 10 to 12 days. Pilots must carry all their own flying and hiking gear (about 25 pounds) as well as tracking devices that allow the race to be monitored in real time. They can cover ground only by flying or hiking.

Race rules permit flying only between sunrise and sunset, so athletes walk as much as they can at night. This year, the athletes are required to rest between 11 p.m. and 4 a.m.

The endurance athletes are allowed one supporter on the ground. That person provides food, advice and encouragement, massages, first aid,



Courtesy photo

Honza Rejmanek flies over the northwest edge of Davis as he trains for the X-Alps Endurance Race, which begins Sunday, July 17, in Austria. Highway 113 cuts across the middle of the photo.

map-reading, strategy, whatever is necessary. His vehicle is a home on wheels during the race.

Rejmanek came to Davis from the Czech Republic with his parents when he was 10 years old. He always wanted to fly and thought he would try hang-gliding. Then he

toyed with the idea of a paramotor — a paraglider with a motorized seat. But the moment he realized it was more convenient to pilot a paraglider on air currents alone — you can stuff your gear in a backpack and keep going and going — he was sold.

Rejmanek was certified as a paraglider pilot before he got his driver’s license. He worked in a UC Davis lab and saved his money to buy his own gear, while his parents helped by paying for lessons. In 1994, while a student at UC Santa

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Courtesy photo

The Winters Major All Star team includes, from left, (front) Cira Hernandez, Ireland West, Miah Barrera, Ashley Drummond, Jordanne Mariani and Makayla Rojas; (back) manager Keith Rippee, Lexi Soto, Baylee Rippee, Maddy Welch, Annie Dunn, Morgan Garcia, Baylee Shaw and coach Terry Shaw.


Gamblers go 2-1 in Fourth of July tournament

◆ Moore makes all tournament team

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Winters Gamblers competed in the annual Fourth of July Tournament last weekend in Yountville and came out winning two out of three. Kendric Moore was named to the All Tournament team for the Gamblers after batting 4 for 6 with a .667 average in the first two games.


On Friday, July 1, the Gamblers played Napa R&L and picked up a 5-3 victory to start the tournament. The Gamblers had to play



Parents Meeting

Wednesday, July 20
Winters Middle School Amphitheater
6 - 8 p.m.

All parents and guardians are urged to attend. We will be having sign-ups for football, cheer, and the Warrior Pride Fun Run.



Come be part of a great youth organization and make 2011 our best year ever!

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

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Winters Major All Stars suffer hard loss

The Winters Major All Star team traveled to Rio Vista on Tuesday, July 5, for the first in the best of three games to determine the winner of the District 64 Softball Major Girls 11-12 Year Old Tournament.

Ireland West pitched a complete game, with five strike outs in a hard loss of 9-4. She had two single hits, offensively scoring on one. Jordanne Mariani, Cira Hernandez, Miah Barrera and Ashley Drummond all had single hits.

Baylee Rippee and Baylee Shaw managed to get on base on a dropped third strike and each scored. Winters started strong with getting on

base, and made some good defensive plays.

On Wednesday, July 6, Winters again came in strong with its hitting and defensive plays. Mariani pitched two innings with Drummond coming in to finish up the game with four strike outs in a tough loss of 8-7.

West and Mariani had two singles with Mariani scoring once; Rippee had three singles, scoring once, Annie Dunn had a single hit and also got on base on a dropped third strike, scoring twice. Morgan Garcia and Maddy Welch each had single hit each scoring.

PISANI'S ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Kendric Moore



Kendric Moore, a member of the Winters Gamblers summer league baseball team, is athlete of the week.

Last weekend, Moore was selected to the Annual Fourth of July Joe DiMaggio baseball tournament at the Veterans Home in Yountville after having an impressive weekend at the plate.

Moore batted 4 for 6 with a double and three RBI to help lead the Gamblers to a 2-1 record.

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Schools

A sparkling celebration



Photo by Charley Wallace
Sisters Millie, at left, and Madeline Pinkston, celebrate the nation's birthday by playing with sparklers on the Fourth of July in Winters.

‘Peter Pan’ closes out DMTC’s Young Performers’ season

The Davis Musical Theatre Company’s Young Performers’ 2010-11 season will close with a production of “Peter Pan.” Performances begin July 15 and continue through July 24 at the DMTC Performing Arts Center, 607 Pena Drive in Davis. Curtain times are Fridays at 7:15 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays at 2:15 p.m., and a special Saturday evening performance

on July 23 at 7:15 p.m. “Peter Pan” is a musical based on the classic story by James M. Barrie. On the magic shores of Neverland, we meet Peter, the boy who won’t grow up, as well as the Lost Boys, the light of Tinkerbell, Captain Hook, pirates, mermaids, Indians, Crocodile and Nana the dog, joined by Wendy, John and Michael, the innocent, happy

children of Mr. and Mrs. Darling. This new musical version of this most endearing of all theatrical fantasies is a captivating and amusing show for all ages. The cast includes actors from throughout Sacramento, Yolo and Solano counties. Tickets are \$7 per person. To reserve seats, call 756-3682 or visit www.dmtc.org.

School board meets Thursday, special meeting planned

The Winters School Board will meet on Thursday, July 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the Walnut Room at the school district office, 909 W. Grant Ave. The agenda includes:

- ~ Communication and reports
- ~ Disclosure of the tentative 2010/11 collective bargaining agreement with the Winters California

School Employees Association (CSEA) ~ Agreement with Saf-T-Net, Inc. for Alert Now services ~ Ad hoc committee to respond to Grand Jury ~ Consent agenda (minutes, warrants, etc.) The school board will meet the following Monday, July 18, for a closed session to

confer with legal counsel regarding anticipated litigation regarding the claim of George W. Griffin vs. the Winters Joint Unified School District. The board will reconvene to open session to report any action taken in closed session. Time is scheduled prior to the closed session for public input on non-agenda items.

Magic, mummies and puppets coming to Davis libraries

Visit Yolo County’s Mary L. Stephens Branch Library and South Davis Montgomery satellite branch in Davis in July for some exciting programming from around the world, including chocolate tasting, puppet shows, mummies and a fabulous magic show by Caddwyn the Magician. The Stephens branch is at 315 E. 14th St. and the South Davis Montgomery satellite branch is at Marguerite Montgomery Elementary School, 1441 Danbury Ave. Young children and their families can learn about mummies at the “Mummies Alive” program on July 16 at 11 a.m. at the South Davis Montgomery satellite branch. Adults can participate by attending the Davis Summer Read Book Talk on “The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America’s Great Migration” on July 17 at 2 p.m. The discussion, based on the book by Isabel Wilkerson, will be led by historian Krystyna von Henneberg. Teens will enjoy the duct tape wallet making event on July 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Stephens branch. Teens who have signed up for Summer Reading can also attend an end-of-

summer raffle event where someone will win a prize for participating in the program on Aug. 7 at 2 p.m. Sure to be a popular event, Caddwyn the Magician will perform magic tricks for children on July 20 at 7 p.m. at the Stephens branch. A “Witches Brew Puppet show” will be featured on July 27 at 3 p.m. at the Stephens branch and on July 30 at 11 a.m. at the South Davis Montgomery satellite branch. Learn more about Iran on Aug. 8 at 11 a.m. at South Davis Montgomery satellite branch. Presenter, Holly Bishop, who recently traveled to Iran, will discuss the culture and share samples of Iranian writing. This is a family friendly event. All the events are free and library facilities are accessible for people with disabilities. Sponsors of Yolo County Library’s Summer Reading Program include the California Library Association; First 5 Yolo; Friends of the Davis Public Library; Friends of the Esparto Regional Library; West Sacramento Friends of the Library; Clarksburg Friends of the Library; Friends of the Knights Landing Library; and Winters Friends of the Library.

Teen bereavement group available

A Yolo Hospice Stepping Stones teen drop-in bereavement group is available on an ongoing basis. All teens attend a short preliminary meeting prior to their first visit to the group. Interested persons should call Valerie Frankel at Yolo Hospice Bereavement

Services at 758-5566 or (800) 491-7711, for more information and to set up an initial interview to determine if participation in the group is appropriate. There is no charge to participate in the group. The drop-in group meets weekly at Yolo Hospice, 1909 Galileo

Court, Suite A, Davis, on Thursdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m. The group is lead by Nancy Johnston, LCSW, who has extensive training and experience working with grieving teens. The Yolo Hospice Stepping Stones program is designed to help teens using art, music and discussion.

Summer on the gridiron



Photo by Eric Lucero
Winters High School football team members play at Gold Beach Football Camp in Oregon.

Notes from Africa

By BARNABAS CARO, MONIQUE BORGERHOFF MULDER and TIM CARO
Special to the Express

We finally arrived in Dar es Salaam on a Sunday morning in June, to a wall of heat — even though it is “winter” here just south of the equator. From London’s Heathrow Airport we had texted our friend Abdul, a local taxi driver. Luckily, he was waiting at the airport for us, even though we were late due to a detour around the Libya no-fly zone.

Abdul is far cheaper than the airport taxi drivers who wrest huge fares from green tourists who are keen to get to their hotel and AC. By breakfast, we had reached the small house we share with Steve and Angie. Our first question, as always, was how’s the umeme (electricity)?

In 2006, most of Dar, as well as many of Tanzania’s major urban centers, had intermittent power — only on Fridays and Sundays — for mosque and church in this multi-faith nation. The rest of the time people just sweated it out — no fans, no AC (even for those lucky few with units installed), no light, and no juice for refrigerators, computers and other luxuries. Since then, the situation has oscillated, sometimes worse, sometimes better.

Most electricity in the country is generated by the Mtera Dam that blocks the Great Ruaha River in the center of the country. However, toward the end of the dry season or in dry years, the water level drops too low and back-up is required. The back-up is the rub.

Five years ago, a hitherto unknown company called Richmond agreed to provide a large generator to supply the Tanzanian grid to relieve the 2006 blackouts. However, they failed to deliver and a few months later Richmond passed its contract to another mysterious company called Dowans, equally unsuccessful service providers. Power became a national scandal, and heads rolled up to the level of the Prime Minister, when it turned out that Richmond/Dowans were paper companies — P.O. Box numbers only; politicians were on the boards of directors; huge amounts of money exchanged hands; and still no evidence of a working generator!

We were hoping the situation would be better. We had heard that the ghost power companies were claiming that the Tanzanian Government has not paid its dues despite not receiving any power, and taken its case to the International Court of Arbitration.

Unfortunately the court ruled against the government. So the crooks are going to get their ill-earned payments, and there is still no decent power system, to the embarrassment of the current president who promised electricity in his campaign manifesto five years ago.

So we have up to 12-hour power cuts on a fairly regular basis — day or night, on any day of the week. Unfortunately there is little or no advance notice, so you can’t plan when to use your laptop, fill the fridge, take a shower (as the pump is run on electricity) or instead seek solace on an Indian Ocean beach. Stores suffer particularly badly: along the narrow streets in town, hundreds of small portable generators roar relentlessly outside, filling alleys with diesel fumes and increasing costs for business owners. At home we don’t have one of these, so we sweat it out, opportunistically firing up and draining down our laptops.

One thing to come out of the electricity debacle, however, was the creation of a new national park — called Usangu, in the center of Tanzania. At the start of the scandal, the power crisis was blamed on insufficient water entering the Mtera Dam rather than nonfunctioning generators. Fingers were pointed at an influx of water-thirsty pastoralists and local rice farmers into the flood plains of the Great Ruaha River watershed, upstream from the dam.

Presidential decree forcibly removed all local people from the area to form a large 4,700 square kilometer new national park. Curiously, the large rice farms (the users of most of the water) were left intact, owned by rich influential people and politicians.

For the displaced peasants the outcome was bad — a case of conflict between conservation and people where the latter lose out. For elephants and other large animals, on the other hand, life became a lot better — they could make their homes again in the swamps.

Often problems in Tanzania have a silver lining, for some at least — something important to remember when the power finally dies on your computer and you haven’t saved your work.

On vacation with the Express



Photo by Brant Brumbeloe

Pictured above is the “Freaky Family” 2011 reunion held at Camp Norge near Alta. At the center of the group, Winters High School math teacher Raena Lavelle is holding a copy of the Winters Express. Fourth from the right (standing) is Tanya Silva, a Russian ice skater and athlete in the Salt Lake City Olympic games. Donald Sanders (The King of the Freaky Family) is in the rear, left of center. The photo was taken by Brant Brumbeloe, reclined in the front.



Courtesy photo

The Calvert family recently returned from a vacation in the Caribbean, where they took their favorite newspaper, the Winters Express. This picture was taken in Grand Cayman, British West Indies. From left are Danny Campos, Caitlin Calvert, Austin Calvert, Traci Calvert and Don Calvert.

Did you take the Express on vacation?

Show your hometown pride! Send your photo, along with the names of those in the picture and where the photo was taken, to news@wintersexpress.com to be considered for publication.

Seeking the tallest sunflower

NAMI-Yolo, a local education, advocacy and support organization working to improve the lives of people with psychiatric disorders, is looking for the tallest sunflower in Yolo County.

To enter, take a photo of you, your family or friend beside your sunflower; measure and record its height in feet and inches; send the photo and measurement, your name and phone number to friends@namiyolo.org or to NAMI-Yolo, P.O. Box 447, Davis, CA 95617, by Sept. 30. More: 756-8181, www.namisunflowers.org.

Features

Artery plugging can make walking painful

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Please explain peripheral vascular disease. I have never heard of it, and neither have people I have asked. — C.D.

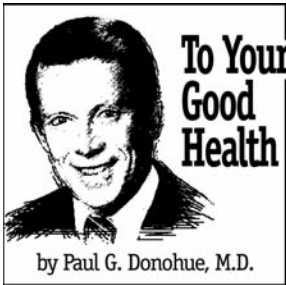
ANSWER: Peripheral vascular disease also goes by the name peripheral artery disease. Have you seen the TV ad where the young boy and his grandmother are walking through a store where there's a display on peripheral artery disease? The boy asks his grandmother if she has it. It's extremely common. It's the leg's equivalent of heart artery disease. Both have to do with arteries clogged with plaque — a buildup of cholesterol, fat and other materials.

Pain on walking is the prominent symptom of this illness. The pain occurs because the working leg muscles aren't getting enough blood. They complain by sending pain signals. Calf pain is common when the obstruction to blood flow is in a thigh artery. Stopping and resting relieves the pain.

High blood pressure, a family history of this condition, a family history of heart disease, smoking, diabetes and increased cholesterol all contribute to it. The most important contributor is aging.

The family doctor can detect peripheral artery disease by noting a decreased pulse at the ankle. Greater evidence is obtained by comparing ankle blood pressure to arm blood pressure. The two should be equal. If ankle pressure is lower than arm pressure, the reason is a blockage in leg artery blood flow. Treatment is similar to treatment for obstructed heart arteries. Affected people have to lower their cholesterol, lower their body weight, lower their blood pressure, stop smoking, control blood sugar and stay active by walking to the point of pain, resting and then continuing to walk. Doctors usually also must prescribe medicines to lower cholesterol and to facilitate the passage of blood through narrowed arteries.

Sometimes an operation on the clogged artery is necessary. Often this can be done with a catheter that has a balloon tip. The



catheter is threaded to the point of obstruction and inflated to open up the artery. Then a stent — a metal device — is placed to keep the artery dilated.

The booklet on peripheral vascular disease gives the details of the illness and its treatments. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 109W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What can you tell me about medical foods? My doctor has put me on Limbrel to treat my osteoarthritis. He says it's safe and has few side effects. After five days of use, I feel much better. — F.G.

ANSWER: Medical foods are foods that are more than nutrients. They have a place in the management of some illnesses. Limbrel, for example, contains flavonoids. These compounds act as antioxidants, neutralizing the harmful byproducts of cell chemistry. They also soothe inflammation like swollen, achy arthritic joints. I like the way Limbrel is marketed. It's available only through prescriptions and without a huge amount of hype. I can't say everyone gets the same results you did. Stick with it if it's working for you.

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

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I can't help myself



EDMUND LIS

WHAT'S THE POINT?

Long story short, I was talking to someone recently about how I was dealing with a situation that I wasn't particularly happy about. I was concerned about future problems that may arise because of what he was doing, when he said something that I found very profound and haven't been able to stop thinking about.

"You can't help yourself," he said. He was talking about the ramifications from how I was dealing with the situation, but that's not relevant to the rest of the story.

I was amazed at how perceptive he was in being able to pick up on one of my major flaws, because truth be told, I can't help myself. For as long as I can remember, I've been doing things that I knew I shouldn't be doing and were somewhat self-destructive, but I did them anyway.

When I was a little kid, I used to sneak into my father's study and look through his desk drawers. Once I found some "dirty books" and I can say that was quite the eye-opening experience. When I was a little older, I babysat some of the neighbor's kids and used to look through their stuff as well. One of our neighbors worked for the FBI and one night I found his revolver in a cupboard above the refrigerator. That really scared me so I quit being so nosy after that.

When I was in junior high, I got in trouble for playing with fire. My friends and I used to light strips of magnesium and watch them burn because it reminded us of the stuff they used on Mission Impossible to cut through metal. The way I got caught was stupid and I knew better, but I took a test tube full of gasoline on

a school field trip where it came open in my pocket while riding in one of the teacher's cars. I almost got kicked out of school for that one.

In high school, I started doing all sorts of thing I knew I shouldn't do. I skipped classes, smoked Camel non-filters, drank booze, did pot and enjoyed the occasional trip with the help of some psychedelics. I argued with my parents and lost any direction I had in earlier years. It all became just about the party and having fun with my friends. I hated studying (now I would have been diagnosed with attention deficit disorder) and school, so I didn't go to college even though I had the opportunity.

As an adult, I continue to be self-destructive — not physically, because I quit all my smoking and only drink moderately, I continue professionally sabotaging myself and I can't help it.

I've been fired from two good-paying management jobs because I couldn't keep my mouth shut or my displeasures to myself. The first time I "tattled" on my substance-abusing boss to his mother (see my column titled "I should have taken the watch") and the second time, I had the owner's daughter working for me and she was (and I don't say this lightly) an idiot. She drove me crazy and I guess I ragged on her one too many times because out of the blue, my position was eliminated (her brother later told me the truth).

Then there's the

story of Steady Eddy's Café in the Flint, Mich., farmers market and how I gave it away. This was our second restaurant and it was a restaurateur's dream (in hindsight). We were only open on market days, so only four days a week, it was an all-cash business, the equipment was included, and the rent was very low.

We had year-round steady business and on Saturdays we kicked butt. We were non-stop from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. It was a comfortable income and the work wasn't that hard, but as usual, I got bored and burnt out.

One day in our third year, my wife Diane got really mad at me for some joke that the cook and I were pulling on her and she stormed out for the day. I got angry back and said, "Let's just sell the place." I placed an ad in the paper and had a buyer within the week. That was 15 years ago and he ran it until his death in 2009. His daughter runs it now, and it's still called Steady Eddy's with most of my items still on the menu.

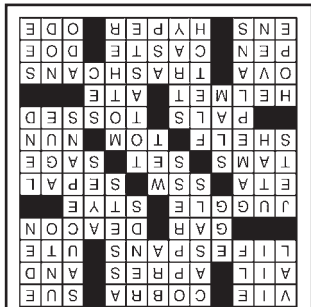
So what have I learned about why I sabotage myself? I'm not sure, but as my therapist told me years ago, one of these days I need to get over "my fear of success."

(Archives of Edmund's columns are available online at www.whats-the-point-edmund.blogspot.com)

Pleased to meet you



Name: Ashley Shaw
Occupation: Senior at Winters High School
Hobby: Playing soccer and swimming
Favorite thing about Winters: "The small community — everyone knows each other very well and we all support each other."
Fun fact: Was the very first Winters has talent winner with her Tahitian dance.



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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You dislike waiting for promises to be fulfilled and for commitments to be kept, but resist your headstrong tendency to push things along. Your patience will be rewarded.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Expect continuing opposition to your plans from die-hard detractors. However, your determination to see things through will carry the day. A Pisces has romantic ideas.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might be too close to a troublesome workplace situation to deal with it successfully. Step away in order to get a better perspective. A solution soon becomes obvious.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might suspect that someone you trust has misled you on an important matter, but a more balanced view of things reveals a misunderstanding to be the culprit.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Big Cat's animal magnetism has rarely been stronger. You can either just bask in all that admiration or use it to your advantage, especially in the workplace.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Someone who previously balked at cooperating with you on a project suddenly has a change of heart. Accept both help and advice with grace.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Some hazy issues still need to be cleared up before you can move on with your new plans. A friend from the past reaches out to re-establish old ties.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Continued positive fall-out follows that risky workplace decision you made sometime ago. Your pay-off will soon prove to be more substantial than you expected.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A personal relationship continues to be affected by a recent unexpected turn of events. Things need to work themselves out without finger-pointing.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) It's a wonderful week for all you capricious Goats to kick up your heels with friends or family members in some well-earned fun and frivolity.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Caution is advised before making a financial commitment to someone you don't really know. There are better ways to build friendships than with risky fiscal dealings.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Travel plans continue to be favored. A change of scenery brings new opportunities, both personally and professionally. Be open to the possibilities.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a strong sense of loyalty that shows itself best in your relationships with family and friends.

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King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Compete

4 Hooded snake

9 Take to court

12 Be unwell

13 After (Fr.)

14 Moreover

15 "Three-score and ten" durations

17 Multipurpose truck

18 Needlefish

19 Church official

21 Throw and catch repeatedly

24 Eyelid woe

25 Greek H

26 Away from NNE

28 Calyx component

31 Scottish caps

33 Prepared measures

35 Judicious

36 Ledge

38 Sallow or Hanks

40 Sister

41 Chums

43 Threw

45 Footballer's headgear

47 Consumed

48 Fertility clinic supply

49 Refuse

holders

54 Writing implement

55 Level of society

56 Female deer

57 Type

58 High-strung

59 Praise in verse

DOWN

1 Actor Kilmer

2 Threw, in old Rome

3 Subordinate

4 Cellist Pablo

5 Weigh heavily upon

6 Lingerie item

7 Tears

8 Wealth

9 Some cookware

10 "Do — others ..."

11 Paradise

16 Early bird?

20 Favorable votes

21 "West Side Story" gang

22 Hexagonal state

23 Strategies

27 Moist

29 Chills and fever

30 Give for a time

32 Bang the door

34 As you like it, in a recipe

37 Chevy Chase sleuth role

39 Mid-May honoree

42 Wander off

44 Moment

45 Crosby crony

46 Still

50 Venomous viper

51 Commotion

52 "Wynken, Blynken and —"

53 Witness

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The Garden Bug

Zinnias

Named for a Dr. Johann Gottfried Zinn who first described them, these plants had to wait to become popular. Colorful 1½-inch 'Lilliput' types were developed in France in the 1880s, and the first large, double-flowered zinnias appeared at around the turn of the century; but stardom came at last when the "California Giant" won a gold medal from the Royal Horticultural Society of England. Sources: National Garden Bureau

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. No stripes on gift. 2. No socks on girl. 3. Girl's shirt is different. 4. Balloons are added. 5. Window pane is added. 6. Boy's shirt has dots.

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Nuestras Noticias



JUAN FERNANDEZ

EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

Los mismos políticos

Seguimos comentando sobre lo que significa la democracia en este país, en donde tenemos dos partidos políticos, los republicanos y los demócratas. Ya sabemos que si en la presidencia esta un republicano y el senado lo controlan los demócratas, hay siempre una constante lucha por imponer sus proyectos, y viceversa si el presidente es demócrata como es el caso presente, y el senado es republicano como lo es actualmente, entonces tenemos un gobierno que prácticamente se la pasa en el estira y afloja con los proyectos que n os pueden beneficiar a toda la sociedad. Para mí se me hace ridículo el que viviendo en el país más rico del mundo, el país que se jacta de tener una de las mejoras democracias en el mundo, y sin embargo que pocos logros se tienen en beneficio de toda la sociedad.

Por la manera en que se comportan los miembros de los dos partidos, a veces pienso acaso no serán simplemente lo mismo, solamente maquillados unos de republicanos y los otros de demócratas, en donde pareciera que su verdadero trabajo es el de apostar a ver quien le pone más trabas al otro, y esto hace que las actividades en el Congreso lleguen a niveles de radical paralización y donde el revanchismo político se pone por encima de los intereses genuinos de la nación.

Cuando un grupo asume el control de una de las ramas del Congreso, como ahora sucede, el diálogo, que debe servir de norte al debate de los asuntos políticos, se sustituye por la intransigencia y la rigidez en las posiciones encontradas. El partido que controla cualquiera de las dos Cámara, hace lo posible por dejar a un lado al otro partido, el partido que es minoría es relegado a un segundo plano y no tiene la oportunidad de asumir un puesto de importancia en los diversos comités donde se deciden los asuntos a discutir. No solo eso, sino que las opiniones de la minoría prácticamente no cuentan, convirtiéndose el Congreso en el lugar más antidemocrático del sistema. Los que controlan los comités son los que deciden qué asuntos van o no a debatirse en la sala del Congreso.

La intransigencia se ha convertido en norma política. Cuando los Republicanos tomaron el control de la Casa de Representantes en las pasadas elecciones, el Senador Republicano Mitch McConnell expresó, que la meta de los Republicanos era evitar la reelección del Presidente Obama. Más que una declaración política y una amenaza, la declaración del Senador, era un llamado a la obstrucción a todo lo que pudiera ser considerado positivo para la nación y que se constituyera en un voto de confianza del pueblo hacia el Presidente.

No es extraño por tanto, que ante los graves problemas de la presente crisis económica, el Congreso, que es el organismo que motoriza las iniciativas, se encuentre casi totalmente paralizado por motivo del revanchismo político y la falta de apertura de los dos grupos que controlan el poder. Así que el servir a quienes votaron por ellos, el pueblo, se hace a un lado para buscar los intereses de los propios partidos, no los del país.

Los dos partidos son responsables de lo que sucede, ya que, ellos mismos son los que han creado las reglas de juego que hoy prevalecen y que conducen al estancamiento y la paralización. Si bien el pueblo da el poder a un grupo, eso no significa que el otro grupo sea silenciado hasta el punto de la no existencia. Los votos que una minoría adquiere también cuentan y significa que ese sector ha recibido del pueblo la potestad para llevar un mensaje en el debate de los asuntos en el Congreso.

El Congreso que hoy tenemos es la antítesis de la misión que la constitución atribuye a este poder del estado. Si el Congreso se sale de las poderosas atribuciones que le da la constitución, estamos abocados al estancamiento y la paralización en la solución de los problemas nacionales. Esa es la realidad que hoy vivimos. De persistir el obstruccionismo, no hay lugar a dudas que iremos hacia atrás y los problemas se harán más graves.

Cuidado con las estafas

El afán por alcanzar el “sueño americano” impulsa a muchos a tratar de lograrlo a como dé lugar, engañando incautos y a personas honestas y de sano vivir. Esos son los vendedores de engaños. Para lograr su propósito se valen de todos los medios que las circunstancias les ofrecen: teléfono, cartas, panfletos, internet, radio, televisión y hasta visitas a las casas. Hacen negocios por las vías legítimas pero eso no quiere decir que lo que hacen sea honesto y desprovisto de engaño. Esos señores tienen a manos nuestros nombres y apellidos y por supuesto, nuestras direcciones.

A través de sus cartas, hechas por profesionales, nos transmiten mensajes, que nos hacen creer que somos gentes importantes y mercedoras de las ofertas engañosas que se encubren bajo bonitas palabras. Es más, nos hacen sentir estúpidos porque no hemos aprovechado la oferta que nos hacen, de hacernos ricos y realizar el “sueño Americano.”

¿Acaso no ha recibido usted una de esas cartas? De seguro que sí, llegan a diario a través del correo. Tienen su nombre y apellido. Le ponen a usted la felicidad en sus manos

por unos pesos y a veces hasta sin poner dinero. Solo basta tomar el teléfono y hacer una llamada. Pero en muchos casos aquí es que está la trampa; en hacer la llamada. Nunca llame a nadie. Recuerde que aquí, cosas como esas, que le harán cambiar la vida, no se logran gratis.

¿No ha recibido la oferta de pasar unas vacaciones junto a su familia en el maravilloso mundo de Disney World? El único requerimiento que le piden es hacer una llamada con su tarjeta de crédito en manos. Una vez usted provee el número de su tarjeta, está a merced del que está detrás del teléfono, el que usted no conoce y ni tiene la menor idea de dónde le llama. Nunca dé el número de su tarjeta a nadie, a no ser que sea una transacción directa de persona a persona o con una institución que usted confía o conoce. Y otra cosa, ponga bien claro las implicaciones económicas y los costos de esas “maravillosas” ofertas. La mayoría de las veces las pesadillas son más amargas que los sueños.

Varias veces me han mandado por correo avisos de que me he ganado un lujoso bote y que lo único que tendo que hacer es

llamar a un teléfono que la postal trae en letras bien claras. Si usted recibe una de estas tarjetas, tirelas a la basura aunque usted haya soñado toda la vida con tener un bote. Recuerde que el objetivo de estos señores que envían estas tarjetas es despertarle este sueño para engañarle de la manera más tonta. No se olvide que la única vía de realizar los sueños es el trabajo, lo contrario, lo que le trae a usted son pesadillas o malos ratos.

Hay otros que te envían una tarjeta invitándote a una esplendorosa cena gratis para ayudarte a arreglar tus finanzas y para que sigas sus “sabias” orientaciones económicas, de cómo invertir acciones en la máquina de producir dinero conocida como “Wall Street.” Esos corredores de sueños se han hecho muy populares hoy día, no por el éxito económico de sus clientes, sino por el gran número de ellos que han ido a parar a la cárcel a causa del fraude en que indujeron a los que depositaron su confianza en ellos. Hasta iglesias y líderes religiosos han caído víctimas de este engaño.

Aquí se vende mucho el “sueño” del buen vivir. Por eso, no son pocos los

seminarios y los panfletos que llegan a tu casa para motivarte a la caza del éxito rápido. A estos les llaman los “motivadores” y son los que han hecho fortunas y cosechado el éxito vendiendo el “sueño” a otros. Según estos señores, lo que nos falta a la mayoría, es agresividad y deseo de éxito en los negocios. En sus charlas nos venden el ticket hacia la fortuna, la única diferencia es, que usted se lleva los sueños para su casa y esos señores, 40 o 50,000 dólares en el bolsillo para aumentar sus fortunas.

Es bueno soñar, pero la vida no se construye con sueños, aunque digan que soñar no cuesta nada. Pero cuando usted tiene que pagar para escuchar los vendedores de sueños, usted está en mal negocio porque usted está cambiando el esfuerzo de su trabajo por un sueño y recuerde lo que dijo el poeta: “Los sueños, sueños son.” Recuerde también, que los sueños, la mayoría de las veces, se convierten en engaños. Por tanto, no se deje timar por los que venden engaños porque la moneda con que usted paga es el fruto de su trabajo y el trabajo no es un sueño.

Facundo Cabral

La muerte del cantautor Facundo Cabral ha dejado tristeza a las personas que lo admiramos, a los que hemos seguido su música, sus reflexiones, su poesía, y ese particular estilo musical que tenía para denunciar las injusticias en Latinoaméri- ca, les quiero compartir algunas de las frases que este ciudadano del mundo nos dejó:

Cada mañana es una buena noticia, cada niño que nace es una buena noticia, cada hombre justo es una buena noticia, cada cantor es una buena noticia, porque cada cantor, es un soldado menos.

Cuando me marché de mi casa, niño aún, tenía siete años, mi madre me acompañó a la estación, y cuando subí al tren me dijo: Este es el segundo y último regalo que puedo hacerte, el primero fue darte la vida y, el segundo, la libertad para vivirla.

Mi madre nunca pudo aprender nada puesto que, cada vez que estaba por aprender, llegaba la felicidad y la distraía. Nunca usó agenda porque hacía sólo lo que amaba y eso, se lo recordaba el corazón. Se dedicó sólo a vivir y no le quedó tiempo para otra cosa. Si amas al dinero a lo sumo

llegarás a un banco, pero si amas a la vida, seguramente llegarás a Dios.

Pregunté a un viejo Tarahumara porque no usaban armas para defenderse de los cuatreros, y me dijo: “Si las armas fueran necesarias, habríamos nacido con ellas.

Escapa de los que compran lo que no necesitan, con dinero que no tienen, para agrandar a gente que no vale la pena. Si los malos supieran lo buen negocio que es ser bueno, serían buenos, aunque sólo fuera por negocio.

El bien es mayoría, pero no se nota porque es silencioso. Una bomba hace mucho más ruido que una caricia, pero por cada bomba que destruye, existen millones de caricias que construyen la vida. La ignorancia es un modo inconsciente del mal.

Somos hijos del amor, por lo tanto no es difícil sospechar que nacemos para la felicidad. Fuera de la felicidad son todos pretextos. Además debemos ser felices por nuestros hijos, pues nada hay como recordar padres felices.

El que no está dispuesto a perderlo todo, no está preparado para ganar nada. La pobreza no es una virtud, salvo que favorezca tu libertad.

El conquistador por cuidar

su conquista, se convierte en esclavo de lo que conquistó. Es decir, que jodiendo se jodió.

Por el mundo caminado, he podido comprobar que el que fácilmente halaga, fácilmente insultará. El amor nunca se muere, sólo cambia de lugar. No hieras ni ofendas a nadie, pues de uno en otro, puede volver a tú convertido en una bomba.

Dios te quiere feliz y para ser feliz hay que hacer lo que uno ama; porque el amor te acerca a todo, porque el amor es valiente; es la antítesis del miedo, que es el peor dictador.

Nunca voy con los que lloran y siempre con los que cantan. Los paisanos de mi pueblo cuando tienen un dolor, en lugar de andar llorando, cantan debajo del sol.

La sociedad humana esta tan mal por las fechorías de los malos, como por el silencio cómplice de los buenos. Bienaventurado el que no cambia el sueño de su vida por el pan de cada día.

Bienaventurado el que sabe que compartir un dolor es dividirlo y compartir una alegría es multiplicarla.

Siempre, con lo que tengas, se puede, se debe empezar de nuevo. Tenemos el deber de ser felices.

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Cruz, he had a chance to study abroad. A five-week vacation paragliding in the French Alps near Chamonix sealed his fate.

“It was heaven,” he says.

In the 1990s, he was an apprentice then a certified instructor and taught in Pacifica. He also became a tandem instructor, a license that allows him to take a passenger up with him.

In 2000, he and some friends bought a paramotor and set up a touring company in Costa Rica giving tandem rides to ecotourists.

“We didn’t make much money but we didn’t lose any,” he says.

It was there that he received an offer to do tandem paragliding in Sun Valley, Idaho, a popular paragliding site during the summer.

“Sun Valley has very strong flying conditions with high thermals that give you enormous lift,” Rejmanek says. “After Sun Valley, other places are relatively mellow, even the Alps.”

On a chairlift there, he met his wife, Barbora, also from Czechoslovakia and also a pilot.

That summer he also met Dave Hanning, who has been his supporter in the past two races.

“Dave is invaluable as a supporter,” Rejmanek says. “Not only is he a paraglider pilot himself, but he has been a mountain guide on both Rainier and McKinley. He has experience at organizing expeditions. He is my lifeline — makes sure I have the proper food and enough of it.

“I may use 6,000 to 8,000 calories a day during the race. He makes sure I stay hydrated appropriately and keeps up my motivation. Plus which, he is really gregarious, talks with other people and makes life pleasant.”

Rejmanek’s flying experiences were crucial to leading him to study atmospheric sciences. He has a master of science degree from UCD.

When he isn’t competing or training, he works in the atmospheric

sciences department at UCD, doing studies that are collecting up-to-date data on water usage in various crops. Right now, he and his colleagues are working with rice farmers.

How does he train for this race?

“I am continuously in training in the sense that I have to keep up my flying skills and keep myself in good condition,” he explains. “About six months before the race, I am much more conscientious about making sure I get good flying days in more frequently.

“I am aware that hiking is not my strongest point, so I am constantly working on that for endurance. Going for a hike with Martin, my son (almost 2 1/2), on my shoulders is perfect. He weighs about 25 pounds, the same as my backpack, and it gives us good time together.”

In addition to the physical demands of flying and walking, Rejmanek also emphasizes the need to do what he calls “precarious landing practice.”

“Launching is a relatively slow process, but landing comes abruptly,” he says. “In this race, it is necessary to have confidence that you can land in a tight, awkward place. We are often above the tree line and landing on scree — loose rocks. That is very important for this race.”

Rejmanek finishes training a couple of weeks before the race begins. You might have seen him walking from Davis through Winters and on up to Lake Berryessa, the highest point in the near vicinity.

“This race is a great game, a great adventure,” he says. “For me, it is a great luxury to be able to fly and hike for nearly two weeks in beautiful country with amazing athletes.”

To support Rejmanek’s efforts, donations can be made online at <http://www.honzair.com>.

The race begins at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, July 17, in Salzburg, Austria. It can be followed in real time on the website, <http://www.redbullXAlps.com>.

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GAMBLERS

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nine innings before knocking off the Napa team behind the arms of Austin Calvert and Kyle Tobler. Calvert threw the first 4 1/3 innings, giving up three runs on four hits, while Tobler threw the last 4 2/3 innings, giving up one hit and no runs.

At the plate, Moore had a huge game, batting 3 for 5 with a double and two RBI. Max Van Dyke batted 2 for 4 with a double and scored two runs. Tobler also went 2 for 4 with a double and one run scored. Rocco Romero batted 2 for 5

with a run scored. Adam Martinez and John Rowell each went 1 for 2 with an RBI. Calvert batted 1 for 4 with a run scored and Austin Murphy went 1 for 5 with an RBI.

On Saturday, July 2, the Gamblers lost game two, 14-4, to Daly City. Josh Meyers, Calvert and Trevor Ray all shared in the loss on the mound, giving up 14 runs on nine hits.

Romero batted 1 for 2 with an RBI and a run scored. Rowell went 1 for 2 with a run scored. Van Dyke batted 1 for 3 with a double and three RBI. Moore batted 1 for 1. Tobler was 1 for 3 and Cristian Garcia scored a run for the

Gamblers.

Winters bounced back in game three as the team defeated Millbrae, 7-4, on Sunday, July 3. Tobler threw a complete game, giving up four runs on eight hits. Joe McIntire batted 2 for 3 to lead the Gamblers at the plate. Martinez went 1 for 2 with two runs scored. Murphy batted 1 for 2 with a double, two runs scored and an RBI. Meyers batted 1 for 1 with two RBI and a run scored. Romero batted 1 for 4 with a big triple, three RBI and a run scored. Van Dyke went 1 for 3 with a run scored. Tobler was 1 for 4 and Moore had a sac fly RBI.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TSG No.: 5239483 TS No.: CA1100226857 FHA/VA/PMI No.: APN:038 180 027 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 08/17/04. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On August 3, 2011 at 12:45 PM, First American Trustee Servicing Solutions, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 08/25/04, as Instrument No. 2004-0038693 00, in book , page , of Official Records in the Office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of California. Executed by: WILLIAM B. CLARK and CHENEENE R. CLARK, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) At the North entrance to the City Hall located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA. All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 038 180 027. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **309 CREEKSIDE WAY, WINTERS, CA 95694.** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$284,337.80. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Trustee or the Mortgagee's Trustee. The beneficiary or servicing agent declares that it has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporations a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the Notice of Sale is filed and/or the timeframe for giving Notice of Sale specified in subdivision (s) of California Civil Code Section 2923.52 applies and has been provided or the loan is exempt from the requirements. Date: 06/29/11, First American Title Insurance Company First American Trustee Servicing Solutions, LLC 3 First American Way, Santa Ana, CA 92707 Original document signed by Authorized Agent, Chet Sconyers -- FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (916) 939-0772. First American Trustee Servicing Solutions, LLC May be Acting as a Debt Collector Attempting to Collect a Debt. Any Information obtained may be used for that purpose. NPP0184616 07/14/11, 07/21/11, 07/28/11

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Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS #: CA-11-436489-AB Order #: 5286439 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/2/2003. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. TRUSTEE(S): AARON C. WILKINSON, A MARRIED PERSON** Recorded: 7/18/2003 as Instrument No. 2003-0042293-00 in book xxx , page xxx of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California; Date of Sale: 8/4/2011 at 12:45:00 PM Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$268,379.23 The purported property address is: **101 MARTINEZ WAY WINTERS, CA 95694** Assessor's Parcel No. 003-423-015 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, please refer to the referenced legal description for property location. In the event no common address or common designation of the property is provided herein directions to the location of the property may be obtained within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale by sending a written request to Nationstar Mortgage LLC 350 Highland Drive Lewisville TX 75067 Pursuant to California Civil Code §2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: [1] 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; [2] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52. 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 deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Trustee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 714-573-1965 or Login to: www.priorityposting.com Reinstatement Line: 619-645-7711 Quality Loan Service, Corp. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. **THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. IDSPub #0006588 7/14/2011 7/21/2011 7/28/2011

Trustee's Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S No. 1323708-10 APN: 003-471-012-000 TRA: 002000 LOAN No.: Xxxx8300 REF: Delucchi, Richard IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED February 04, 2003. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On August 09, 2011, at 9:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded June 11, 2003, as Inst. No. 2003-0007435-00 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, executed by Richard G. Delucchi III, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank At the rear (north) entrance to the city hall building 1110 West Capitol Avenue West Sacramento, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: Lot 82, subdivision no. 3188 d7 creek subdivision, units 3 and 4, filed for record June 17, 1986 in book 14 of maps 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33 Yolo county records. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **1022 Kennedy Drive Dr Winters CA 95694** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$143,492.21. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. For sales information: Mon-Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (619) 590-1221. Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: July 13, 2011. (R-384718 07/14/11, 07/21/11, 07/28/11)

Notice of Public Hearing**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Winters will conduct a public hearing by the **Winters Planning Commission on Tuesday, July 26, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 318 First Street, Winters, California**, to consider recommending to the Winters City Council the adoption of an ordinance to amend Title 17 of the Winters Municipal Code to prohibit the establishment and operation of businesses and uses prohibited by state and Federal law.

The City's Municipal Code does not specifically recognize or regulate the establishment of businesses that may conflict with state and/or federal laws. As a means to address the potential establishment of businesses and uses that may contravene state and/or federal law, an ordinance has been prepared to prevent the establishment of businesses and land uses that are prohibited by either state or federal law.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to provide citizens an opportunity to make their comments on the ordinance known. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Winters, Community Development Department, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694 or nelia.dyer@cityofwinters.org by 5 p.m. of the scheduled date of the public hearing described in this notice. In addition, the staff report will be available on the City's website by Thursday, July 21, 2011. The website address is: http://cityofwinters.org/administrative/admin_council.htm.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in these hearings, please contact City Clerk Nanci Mills at (530) 795-4910, ext. 101. Please make your request as early as possible and at least one-full business day before the start of the hearing.

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If you wish to challenge the action taken on this matter in court, the challenge may be limited to raising only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Community Development Director.

For more information regarding this agenda item, please contact Nelia Dyer, Community Development Director at (530) 795-4910, ext. 114.

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Josie Ramirez, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2011-564
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The Sweet Life Photography
1725 Elston Circle, Woodland, CA 95776
Name of Registrant:
Fiona Broward
1725 Elston Circle, Woodland, CA 95776
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: 7/5/2011.
s/Fiona Broward

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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Josie Ramirez, Deputy Clerk
Published July 14, 21, 28, August 4, 2011

Trustee's Sale

Trustee Sale No. 227092CA Loan No. 0686195934 Title Order No. 602109545 **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/15/2004. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** On 8/4/2011 at 12:45 PM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 12/22/2004, Book , Page , Instrument 2004-0058603-00, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California, executed by: MICHAEL EADS AND KATHLEEN EADS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Trustor, WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, 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. 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: \$575,649.26 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: **29284 THE HORSESHOE OR ROAD 87 WINTERS, CA 95694** APN Number: 030-280-45-1 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: 7/11/2011 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee DEREK WEAR-RENEE, 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.lp-sasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priorityposting.com P853402 7/14, 7/21, 07/28/2011

Public Notice**PUBLIC NOTICE****NOTIFICATION OF****WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT****YOLO COUNTY LOCAL PLAN MODIFICATION PROGRAM YEAR 2011-12**

The Yolo County Workforce Investment Board has modified the Local Five-Year Strategic Plan to comply with State requirements under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA). WIA programs are administered by the Yolo County Department of Employment and Social Services (DESS) and services are provided through the One-Stop Career Centers in Woodland and West Sacramento. U.S. Department of Labor funding is provided through the California Employment Development Department as determined by the California Workforce Services Division.

The initial Five-Year Plan was approved by the Yolo County Board of Supervisors in March 2000 and is now under review for the extension and modification to the plan. The plan modification is available by calling (530) 661-2750 ext. 4023 or at <http://www.yoloworks.org/gspub/index.asp?docid=425>. Any persons who have questions or wish to comment on the plan modification may write to Nancy O'Hara at DESS, 25 N. Cottonwood Street, Woodland, CA 95695. Comments will be accepted from June 24, 2011 through July 23, 2011. Copies of the plan summary are available for review at the two DESS locations: 25 N. Cottonwood Street, Woodland and 500-A Jefferson Blvd, West Sacramento; between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday.

Published June 30, July 7, 14, 21, 2011

Notice of Public Hearing**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Winters will conduct a public hearing by the **Winters Planning Commission on Tuesday, July 26, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 318 First Street, Winters, California**, to consider recommending to the Winters City Council the adoption of a resolution for the Grant Avenue Design Guidelines and an ordinance amending the text of Winters Municipal Code (WMC), Chapter 17.36 (Design Review).

During the spring of 2011, the Economic Development Advisory Committee and City staff developed design guidelines for Grant Avenue. The study area includes properties contiguous with Grant Avenue from I-505 to East Street. The overall goal of the project was to engage the community in a discussion about potential design of buildings and land along Grant Avenue and develop a set of design guidelines for these properties. Staff is proposing to amend Chapter 17.36 (Design Review) to include both the Form Based Code (WMC Chapter 17.58) and the Grant Avenue Design Guidelines as sources to consider for design review of new construction or modification to existing buildings. The guidelines are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15060(c)(3) and 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines. The ordinance is exempt from the CEQA under Section 15061(b)(3) and 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to provide citizens an opportunity to make their comments on the resolution and ordinance known. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Winters, Community Development Department, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694 or nelia.dyer@cityofwinters.org by 5 p.m. of the scheduled date of the public hearing described in this notice. In addition, the staff report will be available on the City's website by Thursday, July 21, 2011. The website address is: http://cityofwinters.org/administrative/admin_council.htm.

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For more information regarding this agenda item, please contact Nelia Dyer, Community Development Director at (530) 795-4910, ext. 114.

Published July 14, 2011

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June 8, 2011
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN Number 2011-491
Fictitious Business Name
Joe's Fish & Game Shop
26256 Capay St., Esparto, CA 95627
Name of Registrant:
Joseph Camacho
26256 Capay St., Esparto, CA 95627
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: N/A.
s/Joseph R. Camacho

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FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
June 20, 2011
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Kimberli Quam, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2011-522
Fictitious Business Name
Necropsy Services Group
1046 Olive Dr #3, Davis, CA 95616
Business Mailing Address
P.O. Box 749, Winters, CA 95694
Name of Registrant:
William L Spangler
40 Parkside Dr, Davis, CA 95616
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: 7/1/2008
s/W L Spangler

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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
Kimberli Quam, Deputy Clerk
Published July 14, 21, 28, 2011

Notice of Public Hearing**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Winters will conduct a public hearing by the **Winters Planning Commission on Tuesday, July 26, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 318 First Street, Winters, California**, to consider an application for Site Plan/Design Review and a Conditional Use Permit for the construction of a 1,056 square foot manufactured structure to house a field office for the American Council for Food Safety & Quality proposed to be located on East Abbey Street adjacent to the Mariani Nut Processing Warehouse. The location of the business is in the Downtown Form Based Code Area, which is governed by Chapter 17.58 of the Winters Municipal Code (WMC). The project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Sections 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) and 15332 (In-Fill Development Projects) of the CEQA Guidelines. The Planning Commission will take final action on the project unless appealed to City Council.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to provide citizens an opportunity to make their comments on the project known. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Winters, Community Development Department, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694 or nelia.dyer@cityofwinters.org by 5 p.m. of the scheduled date of the public hearing described in this notice. In addition, the staff report will be available on the City's website by Thursday, July 21, 2011. The website address is: http://cityofwinters.org/administrative/admin_council.htm.

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Published July 14, 2011

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The variance is requested for two reasons. The first reason is that the channel realignment will likely require diversion of moving surface water around the work area. To accomplish this, it may be necessary to operate pumps 24 hours a day, seven days a week during construction. The pumps are expected to be located on the south side of Putah Creek away from residential areas. The contractors will be directed to reduce noise levels as much as practical in an effort to achieve levels at or below those outlined in the City's ordinance. However, this variance is being sought as a contingency in case there are unanticipated circumstances which preclude contractors from achieving noise levels specified in the Noise Control Ordinance.

The second reason for the variance request is that the construction window is limited to dates ranging from August 1, 2011 to October 15, 2011. These dates are mandated by the California Department of Fish and Game 1600 series permit. In addition, the project is funded by public grants and portions of construction funds must be spent in calendar year 2011 or risk forfeiture. For these reasons, the variance is being requested to allow construction days to include Saturdays.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to provide citizens an opportunity to make their comments on the variance known. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Winters, Community Development Department, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694 or nelia.dyer@cityofwinters.org by 5 p.m. of the scheduled date of the public hearing described in this notice. In addition, the staff report will be available on the City's website by Thursday, July 21, 2011. The website address is: http://cityofwinters.org/administrative/admin_council.htm.

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FBN NUMBER 2011-566
Fictitious Business Name
GB Farms
23451 County Road 91B, Woodland, CA 95695
Name of Registrant:
John Scott Gunter
23451 County Road 91B, Woodland, CA 95695
Business Classification: Individual
Beginning Date of Business: July 1911.
s/John S. Gunter

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FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
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