

Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Mayor Woody Fridae (right) presents a plaque to City Manager John Donlevy to honor his 10 years of service to the city. A reception was held for Donlevy at the Oct. 4 city council meeting.

WFD gets Dixon assist

◆ Dixon Fire Department will provide management services for Winters

By DEBRA DeANGELO
Express editor

Before digging in to business at the Oct. 4 meeting, city council members opened with a shower of appreciation for City Manger John Donlevy, who completed 10 years of service with the city on Sept. 10. Beyond just the usual accolades and proclamations, Donlevy's family was in attendance at the surprise celebration, and fresh fruit pie was enjoyed by all.

Mayor Woody Fridae noted Donlevy's decade at City Hall, saying he has "served with dynamic energy, creative vision and the highest expectations

for the city of Winters." Fridae said Donlevy has a total of 27 years in public service, and brought broad range of experience to his position. Included in his Winters accomplishments are major park improvements, downtown revitalization and several capitol projects, such as the construction of the Bobbie Greenwood Community Pool, Community Center patio and amphitheater and the public safety facility, the renovation of the trestle bridge and tennis courts, and several projects currently underway including the installation of water meters, the construction of the Putah Creek Nature Park, and the expected construction of the new car bridge and the Burger King/Arco project.

Fridae also mentioned Donlevy's community service, in-

cluding serving as a board member for City Managers Department of the League of California cities, as a national soccer referee, and as a past president of the Rotary Club of Winters.

"You aren't the city manager who has served the longest, but you are the city manager who has led the city through the most changes and improvements, and we owe you a debt of gratitude," said Fridae.

Each councilmember in turn offered praise for Donlevy as well.

"You've done a fabulous job for us and we appreciate it, and we need to remember to tell you that more," said Tom McMasters-Stone.

"I am blown away," responded Donlevy to all the praise,

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Middle school will address falling scores

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff writer

It was Winters Middle School's turn to present at the Oct. 6 school board meeting, and Principal Sandra Ayón and teacher Greg Moffitt had the tough task of discussing a drop in scores on the API tests from 2010 to 2011, after fairly steady increases over the last few years.

"We went from a 620 API score all the way to a 782 last year," said Moffitt of the decade trend. "And then we unfortunately now have an API that is at 745. Our new goal this year is to make five points, and be at 750."

"So what happened?

We really wish it was one thing, that we can point to and fix it and make it better. If you look at what happened in the four subgroups that really influence the API, Hispanic, white, socioeconomically disadvantaged and English learners, they all lost points on last year's STAR test."

Moffitt explained that staff knew this was coming, because the signs were there throughout the school year.

"We were able to predict with the data we had that this was going to be a problem, and we felt then, back in December, that we

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Hotel on next agenda

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 18, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The agenda includes:

~ Downtown hotel request for proposal; approval to proceed

~ Emergency repair funding; car bridge and trestle bridge

~ Facility fee waiver request

~ Rehabilitation and renovation of 318-A First Street (former police station)



Courtesy photo

Getting a head start on Harvesting the Moment are, from left, Shannon Mariani, Kristen Schroeder, Andrea Barry, Sara Ogando and Dawn Barrera. The event takes place on Saturday, Nov. 5, at 5:30 p.m. at St. Anthony Parish Hall. Tickets are \$65 per person, available at the St. Anthony Parish Hall office.

HARVEST THE MOMENT

By SHANNON MARIANI
Special to the Express

The second annual "Harvest the Moment" Dinner & Dance is planned for Saturday, Nov. 5. Last year, we had a fabulous event characterizing our goodwill and hard-working community here in Winters. Our founding fathers would be proud of how

we celebrated our fruits and gathered as a community. We want to thank all of the businesses, individuals, and families that supported our event either by attending or donating to make a great evening.

We invite you to join us again this year to celebrate our local businesses and to support our community. Our community of Winters, found-

ed in 1875, has maintained its small town feel generation to generation. Original historic homes and ranches offer a glimpse of the past while advances in technology and modern amenities allow for more convenience and efficiency. Yet despite these advances, the residents of Win-

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Workshop will focus on improvements to alley

The community is invited to discuss plans and ideas to "activate" the alleyway between the first block of Main and Abbey streets, known as "Newt's Expressway" on Wednesday, Oct. 26, from 6-8 p.m. at the Old Winters Fire Station, 10 Abbey Street.

An element of the city's adopted Downtown Master Plan, the Alley Activation plan would include creating a pedestrian and bicycle friendly alley, with outdoor seating and other features that will result in an inviting outdoor space to accent the down-

town and its local businesses.

The workshop is sponsored by the City of Winters, Local Government Commission (LGC), Terry Bottomley of Bottomley Associates, and local business and property owners. This project is funded by a grant from

LGC through the Sacramento Region Air Quality and Infill Streamlining Program (ISP).

For more information, call Mary Jo Rodolfa, 795-4910, extension 111, or Nelia Dyer, 795-4910, extension 114.

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

Date	Rain	HI	Lo
Oct. 5	.42	69	51
Oct. 6	.05	68	51
Oct. 7	.04	67	43
Oct. 8	.01	77	47
Oct. 9		80	50
Oct. 10	T	80	55
Oct. 11	.02	70	59

Rain for week: .54
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Last year to date: .03
Average to Oct. 11: .59

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OBITUARY

Deborah Holland

A loving mother and great friend, Deborah Ann Holland died Sept. 26, 2011, with her son Wayne and some dear friends by her bedside.

Born in Sumter, S.C., on Dec. 9, 1956, she was 54. Family members describe her as a beautiful, warm-hearted and devoted mother, homemaker and friend. She was a single mother who devoted her life to raising and supporting her son Wayne in whatever he did. This led to many wonderful years of involvement in various organizations and programs. She volunteered for PTA, Waggoner Elementary School, Winters Little League, Pony League Baseball, Winters Swim Team and Grad Nite, and was a member of the Lions Club.

She was a great fan of all sports in the Winters community and would travel to far away games to cheer for the teams. Friends say she could tell you how good the food was at snack bars from Sutter to Oroville and Willows to Wheatland — she knew them all.

"She will be so greatly missed in the parents section at our events, but we take solace in knowing we have an angel rooting from above," said one parent.

She is survived by her son, Wayne O. Holland III of Winters; mother Phyllis Morton of Arizona; sister Suzanne Ropers of Texas; and brother Stanton Eschwig of the Bay Area.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Wayne O. Holland Jr.

A celebration of her life was held on Saturday, Oct. 8, at 11 a.m. at the Creekside Recreation Park in Winters. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to any of the organizations with which she volunteered.

Weekly police report

Sept. 30

~ 5:36 p.m. Kevin Douglas Rowell, 21, of Winters, was stopped eastbound on Grant Avenue waiting to make a left turn into the driveway of the Winters Mobile Home Park. Guadalupe Gomez, 58, of Winters, was stopped behind Rowell's vehicle. Kimberly Renee Olivas, 50, of Winters, was driving eastbound on Grant Avenue and collided into the rear of Gomez's vehicle causing Gomez's vehicle to collide into the rear of Rowell's vehicle.

Oct. 4

~ 6:20 a.m., 200 block of Railroad Avenue, a front door window of a business was broken with a thrown rock. Damage: \$202.
~ 4:25 p.m., a set of lock keys were turned over to the police department.
~ 7 p.m., Nicole Denise Sanders was stopped westbound on Grant Avenue waiting to turn onto Third Street. An unknown driver of an unknown vehicle was traveling westbound on Grant Avenue, struck the rear bumper of Sanders' vehicle and fled the scene.

Oct. 5

~ 1:01 a.m., Kyle James Borba, 28, of Winters, was arrested for domestic battery.



Borba was booked at Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

Oct. 6

~ 2:16 a.m., first block of Main Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.

Oct. 7

~ 11:19 p.m., Blanca Estela Canchola Rodriguez, 24, of Woodland, was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.
~ 1:40 a.m., an officer was driving eastbound on Russell Boulevard and observed an inoperable vehicle license plate lamp on a vehicle. The officer attempted to make a traffic enforcement stop on the vehicle. The vehicle accelerated and fled from the officer and eventually turned southbound from Russell Boulevard into an orchard. The vehicle collided with a tree but continued southeast through the orchard. The vehicle

Oct. 8

~ 12:57 a.m., Benjamin Astorga-Garcia, 25, of Winters, was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

~ 1:40 a.m., an officer was driving eastbound on Russell Boulevard and observed an inoperable vehicle license plate lamp on a vehicle. The officer attempted to make a traffic enforcement stop on the vehicle. The vehicle accelerated and fled from the officer and eventually turned southbound from Russell Boulevard into an orchard. The vehicle collided with a tree but continued southeast through the orchard. The vehicle

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YESTERYEAR



File photo

In the fall of 1963, members of the Olive-Pleasants Valley volunteer fire department are shown here with their new fire truck, furnished by the Vacaville rural fire district. Firemen are, left to right, Russell Pleasants, Larry Fafek, Dan Pede, Howard Kingsbury, James McCandless, Don McCandless and Collin McCandless.

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October 26, 1961

The Courtland Chargers defeated the Winters Warriors in a football game played in Courtland Friday by a score of 26 to 19. Don Dote, Paul Bryan and Byron Randolph each scored a touchdown for Winters.

The Winters Boat Club will hold its annual Halloween Dance and Costume Ball this Saturday at John's Club, starting at 9 p.m.

The Winters Planning Commission will hold two public hearings on zoning of the Major Vista area, recently annexed to the City of Winters. The hearings will be held on November 14 and November 28, at 8 p.m. each evening.

Ralph Gonzales and John Muller went hunting in the Truckee area last weekend. No luck.

A birthday party was held Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Martin honoring Mack Anthony Cody, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Cody, Jr., on the occasion of his first birthday. The Martins are grandparents of the honoree.

Miss Juanita Estepa was over from Sacramento State College to spend the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Estepa.

October 25, 1946

The Shell Oil Company has brought in its second successful gas well in the Winters vicinity, Well No. 2, being located on the Florence Snavelly property southeast of here. Well No. 1, brought in early this year, is on the McCune property, also southeast of Winters.

An enthusiastic crowd of local residents, including the high school band, greeted the first Pacific Greyhound bus, which came into Winters according to schedule at 8:40 a.m. Wednesday. Mrs. Alice Lee Estepa has been named agent for Winters and the bus depot is located at Alice Lee Lunch on Railroad Avenue.

A defective flue was allegedly responsible for the fire that destroyed the Al Crawley home on Russell Street Wednesday.

Coach Glenn Harper's Warriors went on the war path in the second half at Clarksburg Friday, winning 19 to 7. Don Rominger led the attack, crossing the goal all three times on straight plunges.

Sgt. James Martino has returned from Guam where he was stationed the past 11 months with the U.S. Army. He expects to be discharged next month.

Foxy's Fall Bike Ride will come through Winters

The Foxy Fall Bike Ride, sponsored by the Davis Bike Club, has reserved Rotary Park, including the gazebo and Community Center parking lot on Saturday, Oct. 15. The

race will last from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is expected to attract approximately 600 riders.

For more information, call Tracy Jensen at City Hall, 795-4910.

Berryessa down .10 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa fell by .10 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 1,760 acre feet of water to storage, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 426.08 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,298,099 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 140 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 26 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam.

Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 57 acre feet of water per day during the week.

October 23, 1896

John S. Nixon, Democratic candidate for the assembly stated that if elected, he wouldn't sell out to anybody, unless he got enough to come back home and divide up with his constituents.

Charles Bentley and wife came home after a two week's trip to Napa, Santa Rosa and the coast.

The W.C.T.U. will give a chicken dinner on election day in some building on Main Street. Meals 25 cents.

Lee Neering, who lives on Putah Creek about ten miles above Winters, burned his foot severely while trying to put out the blaze of an exploded lamp this week.

Rev. J.C. Hayden, the new minister for the district, will preach at the Methodist Church South next Sunday morning and evening, and at Pleasant Valley school house at 3 p.m.

Mrs. McFall and her two children, Claudie and Carl, and Mrs. Jeans went to Sacramento this week.

Miss Bertha Wyatt, accompanied by her cousins, Mrs. A.L. Marshall and Miss Lulu Wyatt went to the city Monday. She will spend a week there.

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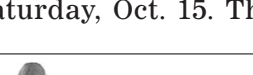
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HARVEST

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ters have remained committed to protecting their close-knit community. Local companies and citizens have rallied together over the years to support our schools, businesses and youth activities such as 4-H, FFA, AYSO and Little League. Due to their support, these programs are thriving and we're seeing new families come to Winters as well.

The common thread for many folks living in the area is agriculture; it's the lifeline of our community and should be celebrated! Now, with the changing of the seasons, many area farmers will be harvesting their land. It's a busy time.

The food cultivated in our Winters soil makes its way to homes, restaurants, grocery stores and roadside stands locally and across the miles. Farming is hard work, as many know all too well. There comes a time when the work is done to take pause and celebrate the good stewardship of the land.

A special dinner, dance and auction have been planned for Saturday, Nov. 5, at the St. Anthony Parish Hall to honor the harvest and all those that participate in it. The evening will begin at 5:30 p.m. with cocktails, wine and beer. Appetizers will include Lester Farms Bakery artisan breads and specialty tapenades, and a gourmet nut bar presented by Mariani Nut Company.

Main Street Cellars will be testing your wine buds with some fabulous wines; there will be dried fruits paired as sweet and savory appetizers by Mariani Packing Company, and Turkovich Family Wines will be

pairing wine with their very own specialty cheeses. Preserve will knock your socks off with their locally raised and cured prosciutto and preserves.

Dinner will be served starting at 7 p.m. — abundant family-style platters of harvest salad and roasted vegetables sponsored by Terra Firma Farms and Sun West Farms Wild Rice; pit roasted Savory Panorama organic 100 percent grass-fed beef, Field to Family all natural air chilled chicken; lamb raised by our local FFA members; Tuscan white beans; Berryessa Gap red wine and white wine from Beringer Vineyards out of the Napa Valley will be served complimentary during dinner. Turkovich & Main Street Cellars will also be among the wines represented throughout the evening. Finally, for dessert, guests can visit the coffee and dessert bar, offering locally made gourmet desserts.

A silent auction at the start of the evening and an exciting "live" auction during dinner will raise funds to support the many community outreach programs of St. Anthony's parish. But guests won't be done there — local favorite DJ, Troy Barnett, will be spinning some rocking tunes for an evening of dancing.

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

Contact Shannon Mariani for more event information, smariani5@yahoo.com/795-0522. The St. Anthony Youth Group will be providing childcare. To arrange for childcare, contact Madi Long, 219-9476.

Street closure planned

The street closure for the slurry seal has been moved up from the most recent target date of Oct. 24 (up one week) based on earlier receipt and installation of many of the "furnishings" (tree grates, bollards, pilasters etc.). The new

date for the street closure to slurry seal is Monday, Oct. 17.

Updates to this schedule will be provided as new information becomes available.

For more information, call Dan Maguire, 795-4910, ext. 118.

Free food to be distributed

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible Winters residents on Thursday, Oct. 20, at First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, 12-1 p.m. and at Yolo Housing (El Rio Villa), 62

Shams Way, 3-4 p.m.

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

For more information, call the Food Bank, 668-0690.

ASSIST

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and recounted his first visit to Winters in July 2001 while considering taking the position of city manager. He was given a tour and introduced to various community members, and said he met "the nicest group of people I can imagine."

"Everyone was so gracious," he added. "This city has done some of the nicest things for me and my family. I've been able to raise my kids in a great place. I owe more to this city in gratitude and appreciation than you could imagine. My wife Kathy and my kids - we've learned to love this town."

Donlevy also acknowledged the staff at City Hall for the various achievements that have taken place over the last decade.

"From a professional standpoint, we've accomplished a lot because of the great teamwork. I have great joy in being able to work with the people I have. A heartfelt thank you."

"It's all about teamwork. Nobody's ever won a game all by themselves. I've benefited from the fact that I work with some great people. Now let's eat some pie."

Fire department proposal

Recapping the city's reversal of its relationship with the Winters Fire District earlier this year, which created a new City of Winters Fire Department and fire services outside city limits being performed under contract to the city, Donlevy noted that there are some other significant changes taking place at the fire

department: the department has relocated to the new safety facility and Chief Scott Dozier plans to retire at the end of November after nearly 35 years of service to the community, 10 of which have been in the fire chief position.

In the past, the fire district hired personnel, but now this duty falls upon the city, and Donlevy noted that the selection of a new fire chief comes at "a really critical time." He emphasized the timing of hiring a new chief right as the fire department is adapting to the much larger, full time public safety facility.

"I don't think it's been any secret that the public safety facility represents a real turning point for public safety services within the city," said Donlevy. "It puts us at a crossroads where we're moving toward a completely new paradigm in how we provide fire services. Just yesterday, we went into 24/7 fire service."

The challenge, he said is "how to fill the job of chief - how can we allocate the best resources into this position, especially during this period of transition, to be the most effective and achieve the highest level of success"

Donlevy outlined three options. The first was to recruit from the outside, but noted that hiring a recruiter is expensive and that the results may be less than optimal because the pay scale in Winters is lower than elsewhere in the region. The second option was an internal promotion from existing fire department personnel, but the concern is that the transition to the larger, full-time public

safety facility is "something that's completely new."

"We don't really have anybody within the department that has dealt with many of the issues that we expect to deal with as we expand our services," said Donlevy.

The third option is something other cities, counties and regions are exploring: a shared services model. Donlevy explained that Dixon's fire chief approached him in May and noted that Winters was about to go through what his department went through 10 years ago, and proposed sharing a fire chief and bringing in experienced personnel to the Winters Fire Department to help guide the process along. In addition, sharing services with Dixon would give Winters access to a fire marshal and would include the development of an overall operational plan for the public safety facility.

Besides Dixon's fire chief, there will also be two division chiefs participating in the shared services who will spend one day per week working the shifts alongside Winters personnel.

"It's an ideal concept," summarized Donlevy, noting that the arrangement provides "a vast amount of expertise, and opportunity for development for our personnel."

The shared services are proposed for three years, costing \$90,000 the first year and then an increase of three percent in each of the remaining years to factor for inflation. The total cost of the arrangement is capped at \$278,181. Donlevy said that this actually saves the city

a lot of money, because the cost of hiring a fire chief in salary and benefits is \$155,000 annually, or \$465,000 over three years. The shared services arrangement therefore is expected to save the city \$186,189 over three years.

Donlevy emphasized that "this is not the Dixon Fire Department coming in and taking over Winters. They will wear Winters shirts, and will look and act like Winters Fire."

"It's really win-win. From our side, we will gain expertise that we just simply couldn't afford. They win because we will have opportunity to develop their personnel in many ways also. Overall, this is a very dynamic proposal, it saves the city money over the life of the contract, and the personnel are employed and paid by Dixon."

Council member Mike Martin asked for details on the amount of time needed for an emergency response in Winters, which could be a 20 minute drive from Dixon. Donlevy confirmed that it could take as long as 20 minutes for a duty chief to arrive in Winters, but one will be on-call to Winters round the clock.

"They will be receiving all of our calls, all of the time. That is a huge benefit. These three are also the duty chiefs in Dixon, and ride on the engine during fire calls."

"I think this is a fabulous idea," said council member Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, noting the benefits of bringing in the Dixon personnel.

"You have some good captains current-

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Opinion

LETTERS

Honoring Ida Wallace

On behalf of Project Linus of Yolo County, we would like to thank the family of Ida Wallace for donating fabric and the Quilter's Dozen quilting group for making 11 beautiful quilts.

We would like to pay tribute to Ida Wallace's life by remembering her publicly. Jeannie Spangler, a member of the quilting group, explained the donation this way:

"Ida was a member of our Quilter's Dozen group for many years. She was a longtime Winters resident and she and her husband owned the Winters Express."

"She was an amazing quilter with a wonderful sense of color. She made a 'going away to college' quilt for all of her grandchildren as well as many wedding and baby quilts."

"She died last February at the age of 90. After she passed away, her daughter-in-law, Sherri Wallace, who is also a quilter asked our group to take Ida's fabric stash. We decided to cut the fabric into four and a half inch squares and make



baby quilts. We arranged the fabric by color palette and handed out the packets to the members who were interested. We tried to keep Ida's 'character' in the quilts."

Thank you again to everyone who participated in this endeavor.

DIANE McGEE
Chapter Coordinator
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Project Linus of Yolo County

SPCA can help with feral cats

Dear Debra,

Thank you for your disturbing, yet necessary, editorial regarding the feral kitten. It's

triggered me to respond to help inform Winters residents that resources are available to help feral cats in our community, of which there are many.

There are many reasons that people don't spay or neuter their cats; one is because it's expensive. Having pets costs money, and being a responsible pet owner means getting your cat spayed/neutered among other things.

Thankfully there are low cost clinics available, which are listed on the Yolo County SPCA website (<http://www.yolospcas.org>). Additional resources are available on their website to assist those who know of a feral cat colony and want to help but don't

know how or what to do. Look under "low cost spay and neuter" on the left side of the site and you will find information for both ferals and clinics.

My family and I have been caring for a feral cat colony near our home in Winters for almost five years with the help of Yolo County SPCA. During that time we have safely trapped and spayed/neutered eight cats, two of which decided they liked being domesticated and became our pets. The others were all released back to where we found them and we feed them daily.

Without the SPCA's help, we would not have known about low

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I am the 99 percent, and you probably are too

Even the corporate-owned mass media can only willfully ignore things for so long (flag-draped coffins returning from Iraq and Afghanistan notwithstanding). Little by little, the "Occupy Wall Street" protests have forced their way into the news reports. Boston, San Francisco, Chicago, even our own Sacramento have been occupied this month, with people gathering together to protest the disemboweling of middle class jobs as well as the corporate takeover of Capitol Hill.

Disenchanted 20-somethings — justifiably frustrated after graduating from college and discovering they're rewarded with crushing debt and no hope for employment — ignited this movement, and the media downplayed it. But the young people persisted. What else did they have to do anyway, right? It's not like they can find any work. But when video clips emerged of four women, sitting on the sidewalk and penned in by police officers, and then suddenly shot in the face with pepper spray by a New York policeman — that was the flashpoint. The country finally took notice. Sadly, the news came via YouTube. But at least it came, and the media can no longer sweep Occupy Wall Street under the Amanda Knox or Biggest Loser rugs.

The video of one of the shrieking women was particularly poignant — not only was she blinded by the pepper spray, she is deaf. Imagine begin unable to rely only on your eyes to know what's going on around you, and suddenly you're blinded too. For sitting on a sidewalk. In America. While exercising your

Constitutional right to free speech and assembly. By a police officer. What's next? Kent State redux?

Stop hey, what's that sound, my friends.

After the pepper spraying of the women hit mainstream awareness, Occupy Wall Street really gained traction. Celebrities started getting involved, but more important, union members threw in their support and joined in with the Occupy protests; the working (or not) middle class was on board.

One of the rally cries of the Occupy protests really hooked me: "We are the 99 Percent" and "I am the 99 Percent." It brings it all into focus: the 1 percent of Americans that have 42 percent of all the wealth in this country, who pay less taxes than you or I, who have profited directly from the recession, who own every politician on Capitol Hill — they are the source of financial misery for the 99 percent. They own the corporations that outsourced our jobs to China and India and profited from our foreclosures.

I googled "99 percent" and discovered <http://wearthe99percent.tumblr.com/>. Their home page says, "We are the 99 percent. We are getting kicked out of our homes. We are forced to choose between groceries and rent. We are denied quality medical care. We are suffering from environmental pollution. We are working long hours for little pay and no rights, if we're working at all. We are getting nothing while the other 1 percent is getting everything. We are the 99 percent."

The website hosts hundreds of photos (and more every day)

of people holding hand-lettered posters outlining their struggles, each ending with "I am the 99 percent." It's not just 20-somethings anymore. It's the long-term unemployed. It's grandparents. It's single mothers. It's middle-aged folks who've been laid off and had the heart cut from their careers far too early for retirement. It's people with advanced degrees. It's teachers, social workers, veterans. And then I realized... it's me. I am the 99 percent.

Since the recession began, my wages were frozen. The syndicate I wrote for collapsed. My health insurance costs went up, along with the cost of everything else, from gasoline to groceries. The interest rates on my credit cards rose, even though I've never had a late payment and always pay extra. And, because my expenses rise while my income dwindles, the balance on my credit cards ratchets a little higher each month.

Besides my day job, I have a massage practice to help make ends meet. Since the recession began, my massage business dropped by 60 percent. When people are short on money, they cancel their massage appointments. Groceries come first.

In 2002, I was comfortably able to buy a new car. Nine years later, with my car at the end of its useful life, I can't afford a new one. I also can't afford the repairs on the one I have. And so, the credit card balance ratchets up again.

Financially, I'm treading water. I'm paddling like hell... but getting nowhere. And it's getting harder to keep it up. I gulp water from time to time, and worry what will happen if I'm unable to paddle anymore. I'll sink straight to the bottom. Sometimes it feels like I'm already sinking, little by little.

I did everything right. I played by the rules. I went to a great college. I got good grades. I've worked hard for 38 years straight. And with retirement on the horizon, I realize that I won't actually be able to retire because the 1 percent has siphoned away most of my retirement fund, and Social Security will be bankrupt right by the time I need it.

The American Dream? American Pipe Dream is more like it.

Yes. I am the 99 Percent.

And yes, I'm angry. I don't know what to do with that anger quite yet, other than to throw support to the Occupy Wall Street movement. Civil disobedience may be our only hope, because politics won't solve the problem. The Democrats cower before the 1 percent, and the Republicans are its whore. Ironically, the Tea Party and the Occupy Wall Street movements — the Far Right and the Far Left — are in complete agreement on this: Our government has become Wall Street's bitch. And we've had enough.

Everybody look what's goin' down.



DEBRA DeANGELO
BECAUSE I SAY SO



CHARLES R. WALLACE
A QUICK OPINION

GREAT CARRIERS. I'll cross my fingers and knock on wood, and say it out loud, I don't get sick very often. I'm a terrible patient, and don't like the aches and pains that come with a low-grade fever. My better half just laughs when I pull out a thermometer and try to gain some sympathy.

We took the cutest grandkids in the world to the San Francisco Zoo on Saturday. I'm not sure when the last time I was there, but it has been decades. Our daughter Laura mentioned that Brett had been sick the day before, but seemed fine, now. Jenna looked just as cute as ever, and I didn't think much of it when she took a swig from my water bottle. I was more worried about her sticky, cotton candy, hands than germs.

The zoo is always a great place to take kids, and adults. There is plenty to see, well spaced out and lots of educational material explaining the different habitats. We were there in time to watch the grizzly bears eat, which is a little too graphic for most people. There are two bears and they put two fish in a large pond. They throw apples, yams, and heads of lettuce around and then let the bears out. They thrash around in the water and the fish ends up in their mouths. It was gone in a second with only red stained water left behind.

You can get up close and personal with a lot of the animals and watching a grizzly bear a couple of feet away was a little unsettling. How thick is that glass? I walked by the tiger den which has been reinforced with added glass. In 2007 a couple of punks teased the tiger, leaving one of their shoes in the pit. The tiger leaped out of her enclosure and tracked them across the park, killing one and wounding the other, before being shot to death by a police officer. The police should have just shot the kids and left the tiger alone, but they get in trouble for doing that, too often.

Laura called to ask how we was doing on Sunday, and I told her we were fine. She told me Jenna had been throwing up all night. Great news. I didn't get what Jenna had, just the aches and pains. If you visit the zoo, remember it is right on the coastline and can be a little chilly. Saturday was perfect, Monday was a different story.

LAST CAR SHOW. Every once in a while someone comes up with a good idea. I'm not sure who from the Buckhorn started the Main Street Car Show, but it has turned out to be a great event. The last show of the year was Tuesday afternoon/evening and I'm sure there are plenty of people who wished it would go on year round. Mother Nature would have a lot to say about that, and some of the cars are just too nice to be left out in the rain.

If you get a chance, tell the people who work at the Buckhorn that you appreciate all the work they put into bringing the cars to Winters. It wasn't always this successful and I know that there must have been times when they thought the car show was a mistake, but I glad they hung in there.

Have a good week.

Policy for Letters to the Editor

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

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

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We reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters must be legibly signed by the writer, or if emailed, must indicate the writer's name.

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Letters submitted anonymously will not be printed.

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

THANKS . . .

We are so grateful to our family and friends for their loving support before and after the loss of our wonderful and beloved Mom and Grandma, Madeline Jimenez. The delicious meals, comforting cards and phone calls, lovely flowers and visits to our home will forever be remembered. The donations to Yolo Hospice in her name are especially appreciated.

Our Mom was loved by so many and that was never more evident than the standing room only attendance at her funeral. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for honoring our Mom with your presence at her service and for sharing with us your favorite memories of her. She will be missed beyond measure.

JAMES and PATRICIA JIMENEZ
and **EMILY LAYTON**

SCORES

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needed a drastic change. That's why we came to the board last year to ask for one. And thankfully, you guys approved it."

"These changes include the seven period day," said Ayón. "We added 16.5 days. Science and history gained almost 10 minutes a day. They have more time for reading, writing and research, in preparation for the Common Core Standards in science and history, that are starting to get rolled out."

The change also includes math intervention, which Ayón is calling math enrichment. Part of the change is including the math enrichment in the school day, a change from having students stay after school. The enrichment course is worked into a circuit of classes that include Introduction to Computers, Eco/Health, Spanish and Ceramics, so that students who advance in the enrichment class can exit to the other classes and not be stuck in math enrichment continuously.

Discussing challenges, Ayón said the fact she did not have a vice principal meant she was spending major parts of her day with discipline.

"When it comes to discipline, I'm it," said Ayón. "At middle school, discipline is huge and it's constant. It can take me all day. I need to be in the classroom. Teachers need to see me in there, students need to see me in there. Without a VP, it's really difficult to do both jobs."

In response to a question from trustee David Hyde, she had good news — the new schedule with more shorter periods helped to reduce discipline problems.

Trustees asked about difficulties of teaching under the new regime. Ayón answered that it is more of everything, more time with more students, more grading, more correcting, more parent contact.

"Just more, more work, really," she said.

"We all had to read-just," said Moffitt, speaking of new larger class sizes caused by ongoing cost cutting. "I don't think we intended it all to happen at once."

Part of the reason for cost-cutting is the declining enrollment that has been a condition of Winters schools for 11 of the past 12 years, as controller Mary Kay Callaway reported later in the meeting. Her report was upbeat, however, because the attendance number of 1,594 was 17 students higher than the 1,577 predicted, though the higher number is still 24 lower than the number for the same month the previous year. The change means a loss of \$33,075 in revenue over the previous year.

Sidewalk

At the same meeting, the board was asked to

ratify a proposed dedication to the city of land along the north edge of the Waggoner School fields, which the city has grant funding to make into a sidewalk. The donation would save the city \$20,000 as well as speed up the process, because of CalTrans requirements. The 10-foot wide path would amount to 1/16th of an acre, and the city would take on costs associated with the project. The school would retain an easement for access.

The staff report described the project as providing a safe pathway for students and improving the school's appearance. A "yes" vote would establish a public hearing at the subsequent meeting.

"I think it's a good thing for the kids and for the city as well," said Chief Business Officer Gloria Hahn, speaking on behalf of facilities director Gary Castillo.

"Still, not all the details are worked out," said attorney Addison Covert, "because there are two public agencies that are involved here. The exact location of that property still needs to be confirmed by the engineer that's working for the city."

This lack of detail brought an objection from trustee Mike Olivas.

"The exhibits were written without the description of the easement," said Olivas. "It's really vague. That's just not the way it's done. I don't understand why he can't get the information."

"My understanding," said trustee Rob Warren, "is we are getting the ball rolling so we can have the public hearing. We're not agreeing to anything tonight, just forward-

ing this on."

"That's right," said Covert, "You're not making any commitment tonight to go forward other than to conduct a public hearing later, to move forward with the project. You could continue the public hearing until you are satisfied."

"I would feel comfortable moving forward with the resolution," said president Dan Maguire, "knowing we have the mechanism of just continuing the public hearing until we have everything that is to the satisfaction of this board. It does give us the ability to move forward."

A motion to start the public hearing process was made, and failed to pass, 3 to 3.

New superintendent

The board ratified the appointment of Interim Superintendent Marilyn J. Corey, who will be paid \$550 per diem for 165 days of service, from Oct. 5, 2011 to June 29, 2012, for a total of \$90,750. There will be an opportunity for people to meet the new superintendent at the district office on Wednesday, Oct. 12, from 3-5 p.m.

After a closed session, the board announced it had agreed to a \$4,200 stipend for Emilie Simmons, for her work as acting superintendent.

The board recognized the achievement of middle school student Christina Cortez. The board also recognized parents Crystal Apilado, Erika Ceja, and Annette Drummond for their volunteer work, as well as Acting Superintendent Emilie Simmons.

The next school board meeting is on Thursday, Oct. 20, 6:30 p.m. at the district office, 909 West Grant Avenue.

Here's the point



Photo by Debra DeAngelo

Pointing out where you can go to help the Winters FFA are, from left (back), Buckhorn server Troy Watson and manager Heath Hughes, and FFA members (front) Abby Mariani, Daniela Salas and Andrew Gonzales. All you have to do to help the Winters FFA is show up and eat on Thursday, Nov. 3, from 5-9:30 p.m. Mention the Winters FFA, and 10 percent of your purchase will benefit the FFA, including the weekly Thursday special of Burgers & Beer.

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cost and feral cat clinics or how to trap them. We have also been involved with socializing feral kittens so they can become adoptable. This is a slow process, but worth it in the end when once-wild kittens become loving family pets.

Feeding ferals is not enough. They need to be trapped, neutered/spayed and released, or socialized and adopted. Please citizens of Winters — be responsible and get your cats (and dogs) spayed or neutered. And if you know of a feral cat colony, please contact the Yolo SPCA for assistance.

ALICIA PENZEL

Wintun history featured

Join Putah Creek Council for the final 2011 CreekSpeak on Thursday, Oct. 20, at 7 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial Center Club Room, 203 E. 14th Street in Davis. CreekSpeak is sponsored by Putah Creek Council.

Victoria Bevolden, Lake Berryessa ranger, will discuss the Wintun Native Americans who lived in the Putah Creek watershed and Berryessa Valley.

A \$5 donation is requested from those who are not active Putah Creek Council members. For more information, visit www.putahcreekcouncil.org or contact Sara Tremayne, sara@putahcreekcouncil.org or 795-3006.

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City Manager John Donlevy had his family with him when he was honored for 10 years of service at the Oct. 4 city council meeting. From left are AFS "son" Javier Salido Moreno from Spain, and Sam, Emily, John and Kathy Donlevy.

ASSIST

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ly, and it will be exciting to see them grow during this process," said Aguiar-Curry.

Fridae agreed, adding that transitioning from volunteer to 24/7 coverage could be challenging.

"We need somebody to do the staffing and work on a plan for new building and how the whole operation works," said Fridae. "This seems like a good idea as a bridge. We've got this great staff, a new building, a new type of operation being 24/7, and we need a little assistance to get through this training period."

McMasters-Stone, emphasized that the arrangement is not intended to be a criticism of the Winters fire personnel.

"I want to be clear to the public that our firefighters don't need to hang their heads to anyone in comparison. Sometimes when you have these discussions, even when an idea is put forward with best intentions, it's a small town and things are not always received that way."

He also objected to "rumors that this is a precursor to consolidation."

"It would be easy to appoint someone from the inside, but it's not the right time," he continued. "We will benefit from getting some training. Having a duty chief respond in 20 minutes says a whole lot. It's a huge vote of confidence. Anyone who would try to interpret this as something that it isn't should pay attention to that."

"It's an exciting time. I like it."

The council then invited Dozier to comment. He glanced at his watch and began

by noting that he will be the Winters Fire Chief for another 46 days, 22 hours, 33 minutes and 42 seconds.

"But who's counting," said Fridae.

Dozier then expressed support for shared services with Dixon.

"This new station - they're writing a whole new chapter. They're turning the page. I agree with (McMasters) Stone. This should only be a bridge, and I definitely don't feel our guys should hang their heads. The program has my full support. It leaves the door open for some challenging training that's good for the department."

Dozier noted that one of the Dixon Fire Chiefs, Ron Karlen, is a former Winters firefighter and lifelong Winters resident. Following Dozier's comments, Fridae thanked him for helping the city transition to the new facility even though it delayed his retirement, which he'd hoped would be last winter. Fridae said Dozier's assistance as a project manager additionally saved the city a lot of money.

"I've never quit anything I've ever started, and wasn't about to quit on this project," responded Dozier.

With no more discussion, the council unanimously approved a motion to authorize Donlevy to work with the City of Dixon on a contract for shared fire department services, and invited Karlen to comment.

"We have worked with Winters for many years," said Karlen, also emphasizing that the shared services arrangement is "no reason for them to hang their heads low." He described Winters firefighters as "very professional," and

said he is looking forward to a growing relationship with the Winters Fire Department.

"We will challenge them," said Karlen. "We have a lot of pride from bringing our station from three-person to eighteen-person in a short time. We're taking this on as a motivational drive and passion for fire service."

Other items

~ The discussion of a downtown hotel Request for Proposals calendar and process was continued to the Oct. 18 meeting.

~ The council unanimously approved moving \$136,000 into a an escrow account with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service the establishment of conservation easement and mitigation bank for the elderberry beetle, as part of the Putah Creek Nature Park construction. Martin and Fridae both grilled Donlevy on what exactly the money would be used for. Donlevy explained the money will only actually be spent if the city doesn't properly relocate elderberry bushes along the creek, which are home to the endangered elderberry beetles.

"If you follow through, you get the money back," said Donlevy.

~ With Anderson recusing himself because he lives within 500 feet of the proposed project and McMaster-Stone stepping down because he was absent for several weeks and missed the discussion, the council unanimously approved a recommendation from City Attorney John Wallace to reconfirm the original lease assignment for property at 314 Railroad Avenue.

Community

Winters history authors to be featured

The public is invited to meet the four authors of Winters history books in a series of illustrated talks to be held from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Winters Community Library community room, beginning on Monday, Oct. 17. These informal programs are cosponsored by the Winters History Project Committee, the Winters Community Library, the Winters Friends of the Library and the Yolo County Historical Society.

Joann Leach Larkey, Yolo County historian and author of "Winters: A Heritage of Horticulture. A Harmony of Purpose," will be the first featured speaker. She will talk about her experiences researching and writing this book, which

documents the development of the Winters area from prehistoric times until the present era. Her book was published in 1991 by the Yolo County Historical Society. Larkey will also include a slide show of some of the unique photographs that were reproduced in the book and will invite questions from the audience.

The "Meet the Authors" series continues on Monday, Nov. 28, with a presentation by Tom Crisp, longtime Winters High School teacher and author of "An Anecdotal History of Winters High School (with a little town history thrown in for good measure)" that was self-published in 2011.

On Monday, Jan. 23, the fea-

tured speaker will be educator, historian and author Gloria Lopez who will talk about the writing and publishing of "An American Paella, Becoming American While Staying Spanish: A Century of Memories in Winters, California," which she and her husband Michael Autry published in 2007.

The series concludes on Monday, Feb. 13, with speaker Dorothy M. O'Neil, author of "Images of America: Winters," which was published in 2009 by Arcadia Publishing.

All four programs will be held at the same time and place. For more information, call the Winters Community Library, 795-4955.

Household, electronic waste drop-off planned

Waste Management will hold its annual Household Waste (HW) and Electronic Waste (E-Waste) Drop-Off Event for Winters residents. The event will take place on Saturday, Oct. 22, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the City of Winters Corporation Yard located at 19 East Baker Street.

As part of Waste Management's contract with the City of Winters, on Saturday Oct. 22, residents will be able to drop off

items such as used motor oil, latex paint, televisions, computer monitors and fluorescent light bulbs at the Winters Corporation Yard at no charge. All that is needed is a California drivers license with the resident's current address.

Waste Management provides this service in an effort to beautify neighborhoods, and curb illegal dumping along roadsides. These drop-off events allow Waste Manage-

ment to safely and appropriately dispose of these hazardous materials.

Items not accepted at the Oct. 22 event include but are not limited to: medical or infectious waste, fireworks, explosives, hazardous and agricultural waste. For proper disposal of these items call 666-8856.

Items that will be accepted include batteries, used motor oil, latex paint, televisions,

computer monitors, fluorescent light bulbs, and mercury thermometers.

Because the Winters High School Grad Nite committee is holding an e-waste drop-off fundraiser at the same time in the Mariani parking lot at Railroad and Grant, the city will donate ewaste from this collection event to the Grad Nite fundraiser.

For more information, call Waste Management, 795-1201.

Volunteers needed to assist with flu vaccination clinic

The Yolo County Health Department, in partnership with the City of Winters will hold a free seasonal influenza vaccination clinic on Saturday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Community Center.

Volunteers with a variety of skills are needed to staff the

mass vaccination clinics. Volunteer opportunities include: Runners to assist staff and help clients, traffic control and interior security, inventory control, paperwork and medical records collection, translation, greeting clients and providing information, and medical

screening to identify vaccines to be given.

Volunteering to help at vaccination clinics can count towards high school community service hours.

For more information or to sign up, send an email to volunteer.coordinator@yolocounty.org.

The Yolo County

Health Department also provides seasonal flu vaccine for \$10 as part of the regularly scheduled public health immunization clinic held every Wednesday, 2-5 p.m. at the Yolo County Health Department, located at 137 N. Cottonwood Street in Woodland.

POLICE

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cle collided with another tree causing the rear passenger side wheel to break free. The driver exited the vehicle and fled on foot. The officer pursued the driver on foot but was not able to locate him. The driver appeared to be a Hispanic adult male approximately 25 years of age, wearing a black hat, white T-shirt and blue jeans. The driver appeared to be about 5-foot, 9-inches tall and weighing about 160 pounds. The regis-

tered owner of the vehicle, a Woodland resident, was contacted and she advised the vehicle was stolen and reported it to California Highway Patrol. Anyone with information regarding the driver of the vehicle is asked to call Officer Hearn at 795-4561.

Oct. 9

~ 1-8:45 a.m., first block of East Main Street, a rear vehicle window was broken by a thrown rock. Damage: \$500.

~ 4:00 a.m., Ysidro Chico Arismendez, 27, of Williams, was issued a notice to ap-

pear for being an unlicensed driver.

~ 8:50 p.m., at Grant Avenue and Morgan Street, a vehicle was found blocking the eastbound lane of Grant Avenue. It was determined the vehicle was unsafe to operate and the vehicle was towed.

Oct. 10

~ 5:03 a.m., first block of Main Street, an officer responded to an audible business alarm. Employees were on scene and it could not be determined what caused the alarm to activate.

~ 9:35 a.m., Hector

Jimenez, 25, of Winters, was arrested on an outstanding Yolo County sheriff's bench warrant charging him with violation of probation on a previous charge of driving under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol content of more than .08 percent. Jimenez was transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ 10:11 a.m., 100 block of Main Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm that was activated by a power outage.

Winters Friends of the Library

Coming Up This Month

Friday, October 14

Quiz Show Trivia Contest

7 p.m., Winters Community Center

Bring a five-person team to compete, or come to cheer your favorites!

First prize \$200—Second prize \$100

Entry fee: \$100 per team, \$125 at the door

Tickets: \$5, 12 and under \$2

All proceeds benefit the Winters Library

Monday, October 17

Meet the Authors of Winters History Books

Joann Larkey, author of *Winters: A Heritage of Horticulture, A Harmony of Purpose* (1991)

7 p.m., Winters Library

No charge—Donations welcome

Wednesday, October 19

Film Noir Classics

Double Indemnity

7 p.m., Winters Library

No charge—Donations welcome

Information: wfol.org or (530) 795-3173

Calendar

Thursday, October 13

Destination Imagination information meeting, 7 p.m., Tree House Children's Center, 418 Haven Street

Friday, October 14

Chamber of Commerce meeting, 7 a.m., Winters Visitors Center, 11 Main Street
WFOl Quiz Show, 7 p.m., Community Center

Saturday, October 15

Davis Bike Club's Foxy Fall Bike Ride, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Rotary Park

Monday, October 17

Winters History Book Authors; Joanne Larkey, 7-8:30 p.m., Winters Community Library, community room

Tuesday, October 18

Paella Dinner Music Department Fundraiser, 4:30-6:30 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m., Cody's Restaurant
City Council meeting, 6:30 p.m., council chambers, City Hall

Wednesday, October 19

WFOl Film Noir, "Double Indemnity," 7 p.m., Winters Community Library

Ongoing

Thursdays: Winters Rotary Club meeting, noon, The Buckhorn; **Bilingual Storytime**, 6:30 p.m., Winters Community Library; **Alcoholics Anonymous meeting**, 8 p.m., 305 First Street.

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

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

Wednesdays: 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

Free Food Distribution, Thursday, Oct. 20, at First Baptist Church, 512 First Street, 12-1 p.m. and at Yolo Housing, 62 Shams Way, 3-4 p.m.

Grad Nite E-Waste Recycling fundraiser, Saturday, Oct. 22, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., corner of Railroad and Grant

Household Hazardous Waste, E-Waste collection, Saturday, Oct. 22, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., City Corporation Yard, 19 East Baker Street

Alley Activation Workshop, Wednesday, Oct. 26, 6-8 p.m., old firehouse, 10 Abbey Street

Winters Harvest Festival, Friday, Oct. 28, 5-8 p.m., first block of East Main Street

FFA Buckhorn Fundraiser, 5-9:30 p.m., The Buckhorn

Yolo County Health Department flu vaccination clinic, Saturday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Community Center

Harvest the Moment, Saturday, Nov. 5, 5:30 p.m., St. Anthony Parish Hall

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Entertainment

Trivia challenge takes place Friday

By REBECCA FRIDAE
Special to the Express

Winters trivia, world geography, sports, literature, history and science; these are just some of the topics of the Winters Friends of the Library's Quiz show questions to be answered this Friday, Oct. 14, at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.

The early registration deadline has been extended and there is still room for a few more teams. If you register at the library by closing time on Thursday, Oct. 13, the cost per team is \$100. For an extra \$25, teams may register at the event.

Teams may be sponsored by businesses or civic organizations in

town, or by interested people willing to test their knowledge against others. Individuals who have no team may also register at the door, and teams of five will be put together before the game. All-student teams will be sponsored by WFoL, providing there is space.

Mayor Woody Fridae will be master of ceremonies, and the judges will be Sarah Ferguson, librarian; Mary Lou Linvill, co-president of WFoL; and Richard Cowen, retired professor.

It costs \$2 to be part of the audience and to cheer on a favorite team. Come be amazed at what your friends and fellow community members know about trivial, random items such as "What country in 2006

had the most Rolls Royces per capita?" (Hong Kong); or, "What 1944 movie starred Dana Andrews and was about a police detective falling in love with a portrait of a murder victim?" (Laura)

The winning team receives a \$200 prize and the participants' names will be engraved on the perpetual trophy in the library.

WFoL puts on the Quiz Show as a fundraiser to help pay for library programs, books and materials. Rules and question categories are available at the library now, and will be at the Community Center for the event. Refreshments will be available for a small donation.

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

Pop quiz

Think you're ready for the trivia contest? Here's a sample question:

■ Which state is the only state whose east and west borders are formed by rivers?

For the answer, see bottom of the page (printed upside down)



Courtesy photo

I See Hawks in LA will perform at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at The Palms Playhouse, 13 Main St., Winters.

'I See Hawks' in Winters

KATE LADDISH
Entertainment
correspondent

"We got a big gig at The Palms in Winters tonight!" sings the popular LA-based band, I See Hawks in LA, in their song "Yolo County Airport" — and, on Friday, Oct. 14, at 8:30 p.m., this will once again be true.

I See Hawks in LA's joyous blend of country rock, psychedelia, soaring three-part harmonies, and wry lyrical sensibility has established it as one of the great bands in the California country tradition of The Byrds, Gram Parsons and The Flying Burrito Brothers. Far from being echoes of bands gone by, however, the Hawks' restless exploration of American roots music (including country, bluegrass, steel-driven honky-tonk, and psychedelia) and lyrics ranging from evocative to acidic to

wistful to playfully ironic has garnered them praise both here and abroad and caused their music to be dubbed "cosmic American music."

I See Hawks in L.A., with singer/ frontman Rob Waller, Paul Laques on guitar and steel guitar, Shawn Nourse on drums, and Strawberry Alarm Clock alum Paul Marshall on bass, has been described by no less an authority than Grammy winner Dave Alvin as "a talented, literate bunch of soulful musicians creating honest and wise roots music for the ages. I See Hawks are indeed one of California's unique treasures."

In their usual wry style, The Hawks describe their latest CD, "Shoulda Been Gold: 2001-2009," as "a 17-song greatest non-hits collection." "Shoulda Been Gold" draws on the Hawks' previous four albums

— and contains five new songs. Clearly, The Hawks' trademark tongue-in-cheek self-assessment popularized in "Yolo County Airport" from their previous release, "Hallowed Ground," is alive and well, as is their inability to simply rest on what has come before.

"Shoulda Been Gold" has risen to the top ranks of several Americana charts, garnered high praise from Spin, Mojo and other top-flight sources, and earned the Hawks a favorable interview on NPR.

Tickets are \$15 and are available at Pacific Ace Hardware in Winters, Armadillo Music in Davis, Watermelon Music's outlet in Woodland, and at the door if not sold out.

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

Dixon hosts Oktoberfest Beer Stroll

The Downtown Dixon Business Association will host its annual Oktoberfest Beer Stroll on Saturday, Oct. 15, from 4 to 8 p.m., in the downtown core along Highway 113.

All are invited to come sample beer and watch baseball. A raffle will include great memorabilia from some famous names in

baseball.

Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the event. The ticket price includes a glass and tasting map. Participants must be at least 21. This event is not recommended for children.

For more information, call the Downtown Dixon Business Association at (707) 678-8400.

Wine tasting benefits Madrigals

"A Taste of Yolo County" wine tasting event will support the Davis High School Madrigal Singers on Sunday, Oct. 16, from 2 to 5 p.m. at Osteria Fasulo, at 2657 Portage Bay East in West Davis.

Advance tickets are for \$20 at Watermelon Music or by contacting Arne Hyson at madda.darne@comcast.net or 759-8548, or at the door for \$25 each.



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Winters Theatre Co. goes 'FrUiTCaKeS'

This fall, the Winters Theatre Company will present the comedy "FrUiTCaKeS" by Julian Wiles at the Winters Community Center.

Mix together a batch of fruitcakes, three dozen Christmas trees, 10,000 outdoor Christmas lights, a chicken pox epidemic, two southern spinsters, an estranged old man, a lost cat named Tutti Frutti and a Christmas hog named Buster and you've got

the recipe for a fun-filled and touching evening filled with holiday cheer.

Into this world comes Jamie, a kid who has run away from home and come as far as her money will take her. At first she thinks this town's inhabitants are "nuttier than fruitcakes," but soon comes to admire this nutty little town.

A moving story of alienation, understanding and reconciliation, "FrUiTCaKeS"

provides audiences with a heaping helping of holiday warmth and Christmas cheer.

Tickets for the Gala Opening at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18, are \$15. All other performances on Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 19 through Dec. 3, are at 8 p.m. and on Sundays, Nov. 27 through Dec. 4, at 2 p.m.; tickets are \$10 general and \$6 for seniors and students. Tickets: winterstheatre@gmail.com, 795-4014.

'Junky's Last Stand' is part of Festival

"Junky's Last Stand," written and produced by Jeff Falyn and Lyndsay Dawkins of Winters, will be presented at 2 p.m. as part of the Cool Davis Festival, which starts at noon Sunday, Oct. 16, at the Veterans Memorial Center, 203 E. 14th St., Davis.

The festival is a family event, teaching ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The play, free and appropriate for all ages, takes a humorous look at how kids can make healthy food choices.

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Sports

JV football breaks school scoring record

◆ Ray, Lowrie total 485 yards, eight touchdowns in league opener against Wheatland

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

Trevor Ray and Jacob Lowrie not only led the Winters JV football team to a Butte View League opening victory over the Wheatland

Pirates, they helped lead the JV team to a record-breaking night.

The Winters Warriors defeated the Wheatland Pirates 62-41 on Friday, Oct. 7, in Wheatland, setting a school record for the most points scored by a team (varsity or JV) and for the most points totaled in a game according to Winters High historian Tom Crisp.

The previous record was set by the 2006 varsity team when it beat Rio Vista 61-14 in the Warriors'

season opener.

Winters totaled more than 511 yards of total offense and scored nine touchdowns, a two-point conversion and six PAT kicks.

"All of this yardage starts up front with the offensive line," said coach Tyson Allen. "Connor Brickley, Hunter Miller, Kaimi Drumright, Mason Rodriguez and Ryan Soto did a heck of a job of allowing our backs to get to the next level."

Ray led the Warriors, rushing for

219 yards on 16 carries, scored two touchdowns and a two-point conversion. Lowrie rushed for a career-high 162 yards on 11 carries and three touchdowns. Christian Corrales carried the ball five times for 16 yards. Corrales also completed two of four passes for 21 yards and a touchdown. Lowrie completed one of two passes for 25 yards and a touchdown. Ray caught Lowrie's pass for a touchdown.

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Curry brings Adidas to Winters High football

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

Megan Curry, a former Winters resident and daughter of Winters City Council member Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, equipped the Winters Warriors varsity football team with a whole new uniform on Thursday, Sept. 29.

Curry went above and beyond, giving back to the community she grew up in. On the day before the Warriors' homecoming game, the players

walked into the team room after practice to find brand new, top-of-the-line uniforms made by Adidas. New jerseys, new pants, new socks, a towel and wristbands for every player were laid out on the bench in front of each player's locker.

If that wasn't enough, KCRA Channel 3 news was there to cover it. The segment aired that night on the news at 11 p.m., with Del Rogers covering the story. Adidas also

supplied the players with new cleats just a few days before this.

Curry, a member of Adidas Team Sales that covers Colorado, Utah, Nevada and Central and Northern California, presented the Warriors with their new uniforms and explained to the team that they would be wearing the same uniforms that several NFL and college teams are wearing. The uniforms are

See **ADIDAS** on page **B-3**



Photo by Eric Lucero

Four Warriors show off their new Adidas uniforms with Adidas representative Megan Curry. From left are Jacob Lucero, Kendric Moore, coach Daniel Ward, Curry, Chris Mayes and Austin Calvert.

Montgomery breaks another school swim record

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports

The Winters High School swim team hosted Willows and Gridley on Wednesday, Oct. 5, in a non-scored meet. Winters didn't back off though as the Warriors took advantage of the opportunity to compete mostly against themselves.

"Because of the size of the other schools, this meet was not scored and

was more of a chance for some of our swimmers to swim events that they do not usually swim," said coach Kevin Chester. "The highlight of the meet was the boys 200 free where DJ Tice and Colten Montgomery raced each other trying to break the school record."

The previous record was set by Brandon Myers (1:53.90) in 1995, in a very close race. That record was

broken by Montgomery with a time of 1:53.31. Tice came in a close second with a time of 1:54.14.

"Between these two boys, we have had four records broken this year," Chester said.

Montgomery now holds records in the 200 free, 100 free (49.64), and 100 back (58.81) and Tice broke the 100 fly (54.93). Both of them contributed to breaking the 200 Medley relay (1:46.87).

"These two boys have been working hard and by the times they are posting up they are looking like strong contenders to win not only at sections but at Top 16 where we swim against all the Division I schools," Chester added.

"As for the rest of the meet we had some other notable swims, one coming from freshman Vanessa Arellano in the 100 free (1:01.58), one from Daniel

Navarrette in the 100 free (1:08.74) — he is very close to qualifying for sections and for this being his first year swimming, he is doing a fantastic job.

"The other notable swim came from Angelica Arellano coming close to season-best times in her 100 fly (1:16.17) and 500 free (6:20.75). Our next home meet is a regular dual meet against Durham and should be a great one."

Armstrong wins football contest

Five contestants picked 23 out of 28 games correctly in the Winters Merchants Football Contest last weekend, with Ted Armstrong winning the first prize of \$30 on the basis of the tie-breaker score in the California-Oregon game.

There were 58 points scored in that game, with Armstrong picking 57; Debbie De Los Santos, 60; Fred De Los Santos, 55; and Jack Holt, 52. Debbie De Los Santos receives the \$15 second prize.

All of the other contestants had 22 or fewer correct selections. Another contest is in this week's Express.

Warriors can't keep up with Pirates

By **ERIC LUCERO**
Express sports


The Winters Warriors varsity football team lost a disappointing game on Friday, Oct. 7, as it traveled to Wheatland for its league opener and came home with a 48-21 loss.

The Warriors had a hard time stopping the Pirates' air attack. Winters held the high-powered Wheatland ground game to 143 yards — about half of what

they average — but the Pirates threw for 170 yards against the Warriors' defense. Winters didn't help themselves out offensively either as the team turned the ball over five times with three fumbles and two interceptions.

Nick Mariani completed six of 21 passes for 152 yards and a touchdown to lead the Warriors' offense. Mariani also rushed for 81 yards

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Rachel Myers

Rachel Myers, a senior on the Winters High School varsity volleyball team, is athlete of the week.

Myers' "team first" attitude has made a big impression on coach Stacie Velazquez.

"Rachel steps up to play whatever position I put her in," Velazquez said.

"She keeps her team's head high and pumps them up when they need it. The whole game, she is shouting and cheering on her team."

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Schools

Winters High School band students to perform in Causeway festival

Three students from Winters High School have been selected to perform in the Causeway Youth Band Festival, sponsored jointly by the wind departments of UC Davis and Sacramento State University.

The event brings together top students from 47 area schools to perform in two festival bands — one with seventh- to ninth-graders and one with 10th- to 12th-graders.

Winters High School students Erick Bedolla (clarinet), Jonathan Jordan (trumpet), and Angelica Arellano (oboe) will play in the 10th- to 12th-grade festival band. The students will participate in a series of intensive rehearsals beginning Oct. 16 and culminating in a 7

p.m. concert on Sunday, Oct. 23, at the Mondavi Center at UC Davis. Also performing will be the UC Davis Concert Band and the Sacramento State Symphonic Wind Ensemble. The conclusion of the concert will feature all 350 performers combining to perform Samuel Hazo's "Novo Lenio."

The bands will be led by UC Davis Concert Band Director Pete Nowlen, Sacramento State Director of Bands Robert Halseth, and by featured composer/conductor Samuel Hazo.

Hazo is an internationally recognized composer, having written for university and public school ensembles, television, radio, and the stage. His music is included in the series, "Teaching Music

Through Performance in Band."

Hazo has been a music teacher at every educational grade level from kindergarten through college, including tenure as a high school and university director. He was twice named "Teacher of Distinction" by the Southwestern Pennsylvania Teachers' Excellence Foundation.

Hazo's own compositions will be featured at this Causeway Youth Band Festival, and he will conduct key rehearsals and performances for each age level.

Tickets are \$6/students, \$12/adults, and are available at the Mondavi Center Box Office and at www.mondaviarts.org.

E-waste fundraiser benefits Grad Nite

A free electronic waste drive-through drop-off fundraiser is planned on Saturday, Oct. 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mariani Nut Company parking lot, at Railroad and Grant avenues, to raise money for Grad Nite for the Winters High School Class of 2012.

Participants can drive through and volunteers will unload electronic waste. Items that will be accepted include monitors, televisions, desktop and notebook PCs, VCRs, stereo equipment, speakers, keyboards, mice, PDAs, digital cameras, zip drives, telephones, cell phones, printers, copiers, laser and multifunction scanners and fax machines.

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The event is sponsored by CEAR INC., California Electronic Asset Recovery, a California state-approved electronic waste collector and recycler.

For more information, call 979-7786 or visit www.cearinc.com/news.htm.



Courtesy photo

Participants in the Third Annual Trike-A-Thon are First Adventures preschoolers (top) Lane Brown and Parker Booker, and (bottom) Riley Hurst and Alex Duran.

Third Annual Trike-A-Thon planned at First Adventures

Students at First Adventures daycare invite local families to participate and help children of St. Jude's Hospital and learn bike safety at the same time. A Trike-A-Thon is a fun, week-long curriculum that teaches children riding safety and teaches them about helping others at the same time.

On Oct. 14, students will bring their bike or riding toys to school and practice the rules they've learned that week. They plan to ride their bikes around the city blocks in support of the kids at St. Jude's Hospital.

"Building on last year's success, we'd like to invite other kids in the community to join us," says Judy Whitley, owner of First Adventures. "The Trike-A-Thon is a great way to teach the children about helping others and bike safety while having

fun"

At First Adventure Preschool, students learn a different lesson each day, like always wear a helmet; never ride in the street; always be careful near driveways; always watch where you're riding.

In tandem, each of the preschoolers is asked to go into the community and get sponsors to donate money to help St. Jude patients battling cancer and other catastrophic diseases.

If any local businesses are interested in participating by donating, contact First Adventures or pledge online at www.stjude.org — look for First Adventures. Donations are due by Oct. 21.

For more details, contact Whitley at 795-4757 or firstadventures@att.net. The Trike-A-Thon website is www.stjude.org/trike.

Martial artists move up



Courtesy photos

Dan Epling, at left, has earned his purple belt at Javier Martial Arts. Sifu Louie Javier says Epling is a role model to the students, is a math tutor and is committed to his art. Above, other new belt promotions at Javier include, from left, Jacob Hamilton, yellow; Jules Jiminez, blue; instructor Javier; Luis Diaz, yellow; and Marin Spalding, purple.

Students of the month

Winters Middle School has announced its Students of the Month for August/September. Congratulations go out to sixth-graders Lalea Drumright and Sergio Martinez, seventh-graders Elidia Palmerin and Devon Muldong, and eighth-graders Morgan Nicholas and Brenda Bernal.

Each of these outstanding students will receive an awards certificate, a dance pass and a gift certificate for free hamburger.

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JV

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Lowrie caught a nine-yard touchdown pass from Corrales and Ben Case caught a 12-yard reception. Ray also ran back a 68-yard kickoff return for a touchdown. Luis Montes made six of eight PAT kicks.

Despite the 41 points the defense gave up, the Warriors did a good job of sticking to their game plan. Winters made the big plays when it needed to, led by the hard hitting of Case at middle line-backer.

Case totaled 11 tackles and had one sack. Ray had nine tackles. Jacob Ivory had eight tackles, Roger Padilla had six tackles, Chaz Mathews, Lowrie and T.J Anderson each had five, while Alex Jimenez, Chris Kays and Niko Rojas each had three. Mathews added two sacks and Rodriguez had one.

ADIDAS

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made of a new type of material that fits the players very tightly, but allows them to move very comfortably.

“That was amazing,” said coach Daniel Ward. “I don’t know how to thank Megan for what she and Adidas have done for us. We are the smallest school on our schedule and usually we are looking at how nice other facilities are, or how nice their uniforms are. It’s nice to go to other schools and have them be jealous of our new uniforms. Obviously it doesn’t make you a better football team, but it helps the kids feel better about themselves.”

WARRIORS

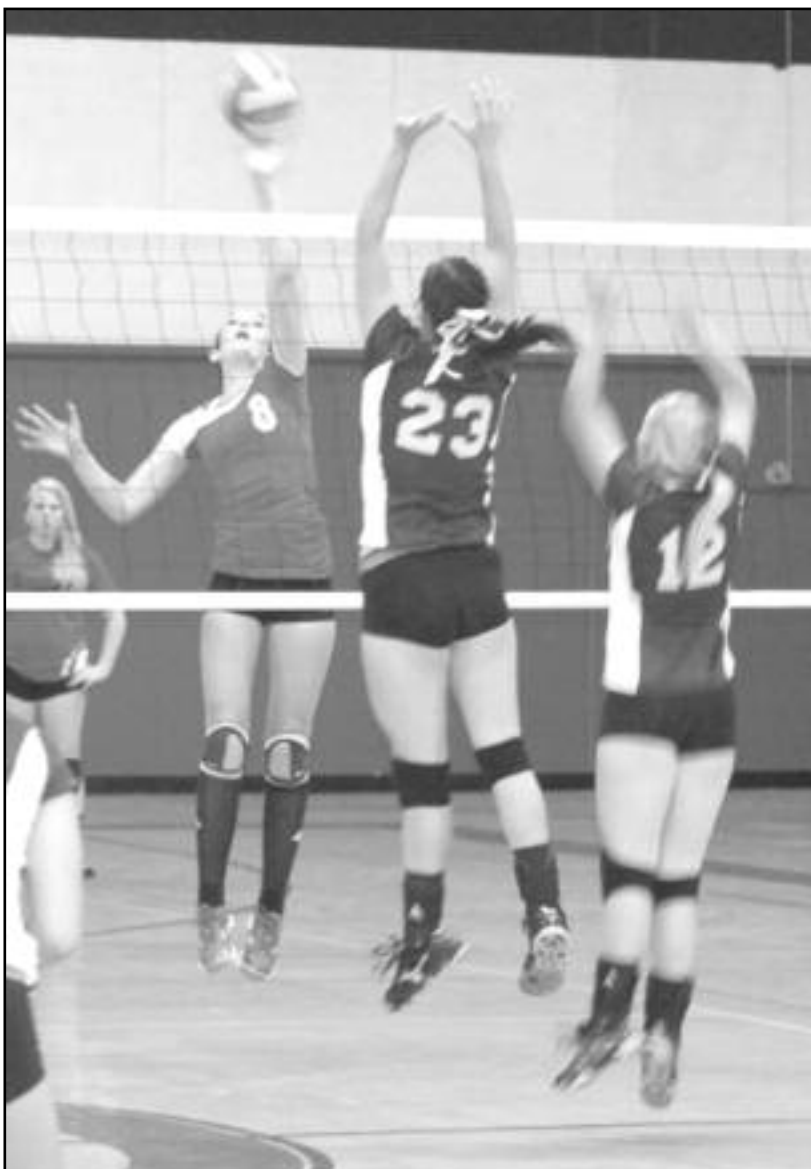
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on nine carries and a touchdown. Jacob Lucero was held to 43 yards on 13 carries and a touchdown. Trevor Wright had 21 yards on two carries. Chris Mayes rushed for 19 yards on four carries and Kyle Nichols had four carries for 11 yards.

Kendric Moore caught three big passes for 101 yards and a touchdown. Omar Herrera showed that he can do more than just kick the ball into the end zone as he caught a pass for 36 yards. Mayes caught a 10 yard pass and Nichols caught a five yard pass. Herrera made three of three PAT kicks.

Moore led the Warrior defense with 14 tackles. Herrera had nine tackles. Wright had eight tackles, Austin Murphy, Lucero, Keli Callison and Fernando Del Rio each had six, Brentley Weismann had five and Daniel Lopez had four, while Nichols and Austin Calvert each had three tackles. Callison had a sack, Mariani had an interception and Lucero recovered a fumble.

Bump, set, spike!



Photos by Eric Lucero

The Winters Lady Warriors varsity volleyball team lost a close Butte View League game last Tuesday, Oct. 4, at home against the visiting Wheatland Pirates. Winters lost three games to two but no other stats were available at press time. At left, Mallory Dunn (8) goes up high and spikes the ball during a game against visiting Pierce High School on Sept. 27. Jacqui Plasencia (12), above, sets the ball during a recent home game.

California Raptor Center hosts fall open house

The public is invited to the fall open house at the California Raptor Center from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22. The open house and a hawk walk are free, but donations are especially needed at this time because of budget cuts and will be gratefully accepted.

There will be special presentations at 10 a.m. and noon. A new cage facility will be dedicated at 9:30 a.m. The structure includes five isolation cages where the birds will recuperate away from the public eye and a flight cage where they will have a chance to develop their wing strength before release. A hawk walk will start at the center’s gate at 8 a.m. and finish at 9 a.m. (bring

binoculars).

The CRC cares for injured raptors (eagles, hawks, vultures and owls), rehabilitating and releasing them back to the wild whenever possible. Birds that cannot be released are trained to take part in the education program.

The open house is designed to show visitors what the center does. The special presentations will demonstrate fascinating features of raptor biology and ecology, and visitors will be able to see many non-releasable raptors in display cages as well as birds out on the glove, including Mikey, the red-shouldered hawk, and Spar, the American kestrel, which have both been featured with

Huell Howser on public television. The onsite museum will be open. T-shirts and other CRC souvenirs will be for sale.

Directions: From Interstate 80 take the UC Davis exit. Turn south on Old Davis Road heading to south campus, away from the main campus. Cross the railroad tracks and keep going to the Putah Creek Bridge where there is a low-profile blue and gold California Raptor Center sign. Do not cross the bridge. Instead, turn left onto the paved levee road and follow it for one block until it dips down off the levee. Then turn right into the CRC parking lot. Parking is free. For a map, visit www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/calraptor

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Features

Asthma not only for children

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What gives? When I was a kid, I had asthma. Then it went away completely. Now, at age 37, it's come back. As a child, I took only one medicine, and did well. Now I have a number of medicines and inhalers, and I'm confused. Will you simplify asthma for me? It isn't the same as it used to be. Do you think I have developed allergies that brought it back? — H.F.

ANSWER: In the more developed countries of the world, around 15 percent of children and 12 percent of adults suffer from asthma. Asthma resolves for many children as they reach adolescence, but it can come back. Adults also can develop asthma for the first time. It's not strictly a childhood problem.

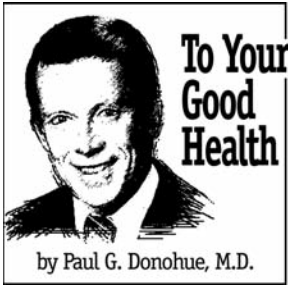
Cough, wheezing and shortness of breath are the signs of an asthma attack. Asthma comes in attacks separated by periods when the asthmatic is well. The goal of treatment is to extend the well periods and shorten any attacks, something that wasn't all that possible when you had only one medicine as a child.

The basis of an attack is constriction of the breathing tubes, the airways, the bronchi. Along with narrowed airways, inflammation strikes them, and they fill with thick mucus. The combination makes it difficult to get air into and out of the lungs. Exhaling is particularly difficult.

Triggers for asthma attacks include cold air, exercise, viral infections like the common cold and allergens. If your doctor believes that allergens are leading to your asthma attacks, then testing for them is worthwhile. For many, allergy doesn't lead to bouts of asthma.

Exercise as a trigger needs some clarification. Everyone gets short of breath when exercising, but recovery is quick, within five minutes. Breathlessness brought on by an exercise-induced asthma attack lasts much longer, 30 to 60 minutes.

An attack of asthma often can be stopped in its tracks with an inhaler medicine like albuterol (Ventolin and Proventil). For longer



control, cortisone inhalers or inhalers containing cortisone and a long-acting drug that expands airways keeps a person attack-free. Advair is an example.

The booklet on asthma has a more detailed explanation of the common illness and its treatments. To obtain a copy, write: Dr. Donohue — No. 602W, 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 glossopharyngeal? My doctor says I have it. He has me on medicine for it. — K.L.

ANSWER: The glossopharyngeal (GLOSS-oh-fair-IN-gee-ul) nerve is one of the 12 cranial nerves, nerves that come directly from the brain. They are the nobility of the nerve kingdom. The glossopharyngeal nerve is the nerve of taste and the nerve that activates some throat muscles.

Glossopharyngeal neuralgia consists of episodes of knife-like pain in the throat and back of the tongue. Swallowing, chewing and even talking can provoke an attack. Carbamazepine, gabapentin, phenytoin and valproic acid are some of the drugs used to curtail such attacks. Surgically freeing the nerve from an encircling and pulsating artery is another treatment for this condition.

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

These are tomorrow's good old days

A lot of the vintage car enthusiasts who go to the Classic Car Show on Main Street near the Buckhorn on the second Tuesday of the month enjoy seeing artifacts that remind them of days when things were supposed to have been better. But were they really?

In the 1950s, a new car cost about six months' salary (before taxes). That's not true today. Cars of that era were cumbersome and less reliable. Having 100,000 miles on the odometer was the exception rather than the rule. It's true, gas was a bargain then, and the service station people would even pump the gas and also wash the windows. That's kind of the way it is in Oregon now, but people there aren't exactly gushing in delight over their good luck.

I made a long awaited trip to France this summer, a place I hadn't been to in 48 years. From 1960-63, I lived there as a military dependent. We were confined to Army-built housing and lived in our own English-speaking world, and had limited contact with the French population. I guess this was a misfortune because my impressions of France then were couched in a fog of unreality.

The France I remember was a place of delicious bread, beautiful castles, weird cars, bountiful flea markets and brightly colored French Francs. I expected in 2011 that it would be a vastly different country changed beyond recognition, but it seemed to be almost much the same as it had always been for me. Of course, like any other place in the

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ROBERT FISCHER



world, there are people bathed in nostalgia trips.

In a place called Salbris, south of Paris, there was a gathering of Deux Chevaux owners from several countries having the time of their lives. The two-cylinder 28-horsepower 2CV car has been out of production since 1990, but there are a lot of fanatics who dearly love the vehicle because it reminds them of their long lost youth. This conjunction of these like minds only happens once every four years and few of them are willing to miss it. The next world meet will be in Poland, where some older people long for the days when the Commies ran the place and everyone knew what to expect.

All over Northern Europe, there are growing right wing political parties wanting to turn back the clock, hoping to woo the nostalgia vote. In France is the Front National, a gaggle of people who want France to be the country as they remembered it. Jean Marie Le Pen, who was only long ago regarded as an old kook heading a fringe party, has been replaced by his attractive daughter Marine, who is successfully bringing the party into the mainstream as it enters the spotlight. She could even get elected someday. If she does, France will pull out of the Euro and ship back all the Algerians, Morrocans and Black Africans that somehow got in from France's old colonial empire. Will this be an improvement? There's an old saying, "Don't wish for

something because you might even get it."

The magical era of the '50s or even earlier have a spellbinding appeal, but those days, even if seen through rose-colored glasses, had a few drawbacks. Racial prejudice and the injustice spinning off from it was commonplace. Polio was still around. It took longer to get anywhere.

I remember getting paddled with "the board of education" in Dallas Texas public schools, a practice that has long since been abandoned, and wouldn't be acceptable today. Honestly speaking, there are some people today that think that hitting students was a great way to get discipline out of them and make them study harder, and wish chain gangs could come back since prisoners seem to get off too easy in these troubled times. It was a time when people knew their place in the scheme of things and didn't rock the boat. A spade was a spade.

Thirty years from now or even in a shorter time, people will be looking back at 2011 as a time of tranquility, economic stability (with a stable 9 percent unemployment rate), low inflation, and cars that seemed to run forever (even though they all looked alike), and when one could buy as much stuff as one wanted to without it being rationed. The truth is that the good old days from the perspective of the future, are right here and now.

The Garden Bug

Depending on your location, fall is a good time for **planting trees**, as they need time to root and acclimatize before the onset of the freezing temperatures of winter. In the southern United States, however, which do not experience an intense winter, planting can take place during the winter months.

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Goalpost is black. 2. Boy has baseball glove. 3. Part of fence is missing. 4. Tree is different. 5. Boy has a helmet. 6. Shoe is different.

Pleased to meet you

Name: Enrique Jimenez
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Hobby: Classic cars
Favorite thing about Winters: "People are so friendly. It feels good when somebody knows you."
Fun fact: I'm a Cowboy's fan and everybody knows me for that.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Someone from your past could arrive with welcome news concerning your future. Meanwhile, avoid taking sides in a workplace confrontation until you have more facts to go on.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A decision about a relationship could have longer-lasting consequences than you might imagine, so be sure of your facts before you act. A trusted friend can help.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A strained relationship could be restored with more personal contact between the two of you. Letting others act as your go-between only adds to the ongoing estrangement.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) New facts could mean taking a new path toward a goal you've been hoping to reach. However, be sure all your questions are answered before you undertake to shift directions.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This is a good week for all you fine Felines to turn your attention to some important considerations, such as your health, your job situation and the status of important relationships.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Avoid making a quick decision about a matter that needs more study. Keep your mind open for possibilities, even if they don't seem plausible—at least not yet.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might welcome the emphasis on openness in relationships that mark this period. But it's a good idea to avoid sharing personal secrets with people you hardly know.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) There are still some questions that need to be asked and answered before you can feel confident enough to make a potentially life-changing decision.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Some lingering effects from a now largely resolved workplace confrontation could make things difficult for you. Act on this before it becomes serious.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You feel you're finally in control of your own life after months of making compromises and concessions you never felt comfortable with. Congratulations.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) No sooner do you decide to pass on one job offer than another suddenly turns up. This one might not have everything you're looking for, but it's worth checking out.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Congratulations. With Jupiter's strong influence dominating this week, don't be surprised to get some good news about a troubling financial matter.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are usually kind and loving. But you can be highly critical of those who don't measure up to your high standards.

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Nuestras Noticias



California pone el ejemplo

El gobernador Jerry Brown firmo el sábado pasado el segundo paquete de la legislatura que otorga ayuda financiera a los estudiantes indocumentados en California, ahora ellos pueden aplicar para las becas que tiene el estado de California si los estudiantes deciden aplicar para el colegio o la universidad. La primera parte de la ley que el firmo en Julio aprobaba becas privadas y préstamos a los estudiantes. La actual ley dice que los estudiantes indocumentados que se han graduado de una escuela secundaria en California que puedan comprobar que están en el camino de la legalización pueden pagar la universidad como si fueran residentes. Esta nueva ley les permitirá aplicar por ayuda estatal.

Esta segunda parte de la ley requiere que los estudiantes reúnan los mismos requerimientos que los demás estudiantes que aplican por ayuda financiera, pero especifica muy claro que solo calificarán para ayuda estatal hasta que todos los residentes legales hayan aplicado. El haber firmado esta ley, pone nuevamente a California como ejemplo en cómo se debería de lidiar el problema de migración de una forma positiva. Otros estados ya han firmado leyes similares. Esta ley es diferente a la ley que el gobierno federal no ha podido firmar. Esta es una ley que brindara oportunidades a aquellos estudiantes que busquen una educación superior, porque para muchos estudiantes es un sueño ir a la universidad, ahora tendrán la oportunidad de asistir si en verdad reúnen las calificaciones para asistir. Es un beneficio para todos, para los estudiantes mismos de mejorar sus vidas y las de sus comunidades.

Mientras tanto ¿que está pasando con los problemas de este país? ¿Hasta cuando nuestros políticos se van a poner realmente a trabajar en los problemas de afectan la vida de la mayoría de nosotros? Creo que los demócratas y republicanos enfrascados para ver quiénes son los que menos se interesan por nuestros problemas, se van a esperar hasta después de las elecciones del próximo año para empezar a resolver los problemas.

La parálisis política que vive Estados Unidos tiene una sola explicación: Republicanos y Demócratas no están dispuestos a trabajar juntos. Los Republicanos quieren quitarle la presidencia a los Demócratas y los Demócratas están haciendo todo lo posible para mantenerla. Y mientras el país se desmorona.

El presidente desde ahora está trabajando en su reelección, aunque su trabajo principal sea gobernar al, y los republicanos pregonan a los cuatro vientos que ellos solo buscan el bien del país, hipócritas, están bloqueando todas las propuestas del presidente y, al final de cuentas, aquí no pasa nada.

Creo que ya nadie recuerda la ilusión y esperanza que Obama trajo cuando fue elegido como presidente, todo eso ya desapareció, hoy vivimos en un país que prácticamente esta en un hoyo, económico y político, no se ve para que rumbo vamos, o si vamos a un lado o simplemente estamos en retroceso. Si esto es así, ahí seguiremos hasta que nuestros políticos demócratas y republicanos, dejen atrás sus intereses partidarios, y se pongan a trabajar para lo que fueron elegidos.

Nuestro primer y gran problema es la economía, el gobierno norteamericano tiene un déficit gigante, vive de prestado, gasta más de lo que recibe en impuestos y no tiene un plan para enfrentar el problema. Esto, tarde o temprano, va a explotar con terribles consecuencias para todos. Los más afectados, sin duda, son los 14 millones de personas sin empleo, los 46 millones de pobres y las miles de familias que han perdido sus casas en el país más rico del mundo.

Y cada vez que hay problemas económicos en Estados Unidos le echan parte de la culpa a los inmigrantes. Urge hacer algo con los 11 millones de indocumentados en el país. Pero como no hay voluntad política en el congreso para una legalización, entonces muchos estados han decidido implementar sus propias leyes migratorias. El último en hacerlo fue Alabama. Su ley HB56 es la más antiinmigrante de todo el país.

Desilusiona tanto ver que esta generación de políticos haya decidido que el país completo debe esperar las elecciones del próximo año, mientras ellos maniobran para destruir a sus enemigos y ganar la presidencia. ¿Qué clase de democracia tenemos?

Medidores de agua

En el cobro del agua la ciudad ha puesto cuanta agua gastamos por mes, esto lo ha hecho desde hace seis meses, y lo ha hecho para que nos demos cuenta de cuanta agua gastamos en nuestra casa, ya que a partir de enero, vamos a comenzar a pagar por el agua que usamos, ya no va a ser un cobro igual para todos. La ciudad ha puesto medidores en las casas, y estos tienen un transmisor que mandan la lectura al personal de la ciudad cuando ellos manejan en nuestro vecindario con una computadora y una antena una vez al mes.

Con este sistema el departamento del agua puede evaluar el gasto mensual de agua, ellos miden el, gasto de agua en pies cúbicos donde 100 ccf son igual a 748 galones de agua. El uso promedio en septiembre para Winters fue de 29 ccf. Muy

superior a los 12 ccf a nivel nacional. Podemos ver lo que usamos cada mes y hacer la comparación de cuanto pagamos, y va a ser una buena razón para si no queremos pagar más, tratemos de arreglar las goteras que tengamos en la tubería afuera, en el baño, en la cocina, etc.

Aun así en el mes de septiembre se tuvieron 29 casas usando más de 100 ccf, agua suficiente para llenar la alberca del pueblo hasta dos pies de agua, 156 casas consumieron arriba de 50 ccf, 300 casas usaron 13 ccf o menos y 40 casas usaron entre 2 y 6 ccf. El próximo año las casas que usen 13 ccf o menos verán reducido su pago de agua comparando con el pago general que se tienen ahora. El nuevo sistema puede detectar goteras de agua, de acuerdo al reporte de septiembre, se

reportaron fugas de agua en 421 casas de las 1 796 que se tienen en el sistema, esto da la oportunidad de reducir el uso de agua si arreglamos las goteras. El 20 por ciento de las casas que tuvieron un alto consumo de agua, mostraron un cuarenta por ciento de fugas de agua.

¿Y el pago del drenaje? La ciudad no tiene un medidor para saber que se va por el drenaje, pero cobra por el uso de agua. ¿Y cuando regamos el pasto? El agua que ponemos en el pasto no acaba precisamente en el drenaje. Podemos ahorrar agua si arreglamos las fugas de agua, si regamos el pasto por periodos cortos de tiempo y durante los periodos más frescos del día, además si es posible cambie el sistema de irrigación y por ultimo poner plantas que usen menos agua.

Ayuda con pasaportes

La fundación Winters Healthcare está patrocinando un Consulado móvil en Winters el próximo 15 de Octubre. El Consulado General de México en Sacramento, informa que el próximo sábado 15 de octubre, se llevará a cabo un Consulado Móvil en Winters, CA, con el propósito de atender al mayor número de mexicanos posible. Durante la jornada, se expedirán matrículas consulares y pasaportes; asimismo, se dará información sobre el programa de asistencia legal por línea telefónica JURIMEX, protección

a mexicanos y otros servicios consulares.

El Consulado Móvil se realizará de 9:00 a.m. a 3:00 p.m., en: St. Anthony's Catholic Church, 511 Main Street, Winters, CA 95694. El Consulado Mexicano te facilitara tu pasaporte mexicano o matricula consular con la acreditación de la documentación apropiada. Recuerden que el consulado es una agencia representando al gobierno de México que ofrece ayuda, apoyo, asistencia y protección a los ciudadanos mexicanos residentes en Estados Unidos. Necesitas hacer una

cita para obtener tu matricula o pasaporte mexicano, puedes hablar al tel. 877-639-4835.

Si necesitas una matricula deberás traer tu certificado de nacimiento original, certificado de matrimonio para mujeres casadas, fotografía una prueba de dirección. Para un pasaporte mexicano debes traer certificado original de nacimiento, tres fotos tamaño pasaporte, foto que te identifique y certificado de matrimonio para mujeres casadas. Los aplicantes deben traer los originales de todos,

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Con la realización del Consulado Móvil en Winters, California, el Consulado General de México en Sacramento avanza en su programa de acercamiento con la comunidad mexicana. Para mayor información, favor de comunicarse al teléfono: (916) 329-3533.

Reciclaje de aparatos eléctricos

El sábado 22 de octubre se tendrá un evento para recaudar fondos para Grad Nite de Winters High School, si tiene aparatos electrónicos que ya no le sirven y que solo le están

estorbando, puede llevarlos al estacionamiento de Mariani de 9am a 1pm.

Solo llévelos ahí, y habrá voluntarios que le ayudaran a descargarlos, los artículos

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histórica cuando hablamos de fruta, los estudiantes tienen fruta fresca para el almuerzo todos los días. Además la directora del comedor dice que también es como educación de agricultura, porque conecta a los estudi-

antes con la abundancia de comida que se tiene en el área de Winters.

Hay un grupo que se formo para apoyar el consumo de la comida que se produce en los alrededores para que se siga ofreciendo en las escuelas de Winters.

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The History Channel

- On Oct. 27, 1873, an Illinois farmer named Joseph Glidden submits an application to the U.S. Patent Office for his design for a fencing wire with sharp barbs. Glidden's two-strand barb wire design changed the face of the American West.
- On Oct. 28, 1886, President Grover Cleveland dedicates The Statue of Liberty, a gift of friendship from the people of France to the people of the United States, in New York Harbor. Originally known as "Liberty Enlightening the World," the statue was to commemorate the Franco-American alliance during the American Revolution.
- On Oct. 24, 1901, a 63-year-old schoolteacher named Annie Edson Taylor becomes the first person to take the plunge over Niagara Falls in a barrel. Taylor reached the shore alive, if a bit battered, 20 minutes after her journey began.
- On Oct. 30, 1938, Orson Welles causes a nationwide panic with his broadcast of "War of the Worlds" — a realistic radio dramatization of a Martian invasion of Earth. The radio hoax included an announcement of a large meteor crash in New Jersey and the annihilation of 7,000 National Guardsmen.
- On Oct. 26, 1986, Red Sox first baseman Bill Buckner lets an easy ground ball dribble between his legs and roll down the right-field line during the 10th inning of the sixth game of the World Series. The game was tied and, thanks to Buckner's error, the runner on third had time to score, winning the game for the Mets and forcing a tiebreaking seventh game — which, in the final innings, the Mets also won.

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