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## The Bitney Springs High School News

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The Bitney Springs High School News is an electronic publication distributed to parents, students and the community. If you have information for an upcoming issue, please E-mail [jan@tincatmedia.com](mailto:jan@tincatmedia.com) or leave a phone message at 530.477.2274.

### WHO IS DOING WHAT

Several new committees have formed this year. To get involved with any of the following efforts, please contact the individuals listed below:

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
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| Volunteers              | Francesca Spencer              | 639-2767 (home);<br><a href="mailto:frannie@spencerbiz.com">frannie@spencerbiz.com</a>   |

### MARKETING

The Marketing Committee has completed a draft of the Marketing & Public Relations Plan. If you would like to view a copy, or if you would like to get involved in various marketing and public relations activities, please call Jan at 477-2274 or send an e-mail [jan@tincatmedia.com](mailto:jan@tincatmedia.com).

## ULTIMATE FRISBEE -- Tulare, CA – January 6/9th, 2006

Two Bitney Springs High School students, Miles Ross (junior) and Colin Winter (sophomore) topped their respective divisions in Tulare at the 2006 National Archery Association California State Indoor Championships. Ross (16) won Gold in the Junior Compound division, and Winter (15) took gold in the Cadet Recurve (Olympic Style) division. Winter also won first place in the CA Indoor JOAD (Junior Olympic Archery Development) Championships that took place the evening before the NAA competition. The two accomplished archers are members of The Nevada County Gold JOAD competitive archery team, hold multiple State Records and have attained "Gold Olympian" (Ross) and "Silver Olympian" (Winter) score achievement levels within the NAA JOAD program. Their next major events will be the US JOAD & National Indoor Championships, which are held regionally and take place this year at the end of February. Visit The Nevada County Gold JOAD Archery Team at: [www.nccn.net/~sross](http://www.nccn.net/~sross)

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## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

- ☞☞ January 16<sup>th</sup>—No school on Monday, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.
- ☞☞ January 17-20—Finals Week. School is dismissed at 12:30 p.m. each day.
- ☞☞ January 24-25, 3:30-4:00— Auditions for Freshman/Sophomore Talent Show
- ☞☞ January 26<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m.—Tibetan Monks visit the school on.
- ☞☞ Winter Ball
- ☞☞ January 27<sup>th</sup> – Winter Dance at Elks Lodge
- ☞☞ February 28<sup>th</sup> –Sacramento Opera trip (Puccini's *Turandot*) with Mr. Wood
- ☞☞ March 10—Freshman/Sophomore Talent Show –

## HOMEWORK ONLINE

Keep track of grades and assignments on line at <http://www.bitneysprings.net/parents.html>

## RECYCLING

Kate Allen is coordinating the recycling program at the school, which will begin in January. Start saving your cans and #1 plastic. Bins will be located outside of the school near the parking lot for easy drop off.

## ON-GOING MEETINGS –GET INVOLVED

The Parent Council meets at 6:00pm at the school on the **first Monday** of every month. The next meeting is February 6. The Charter Council meets at 6:00pm on the **second Monday** of each month. The next meeting is February 13.

## WISHING FOR....

In addition to needing DVD players and VCRs and newer computers with Ethernet connections, and a vacuum cleaner.

## PLEDGING

One third of our families have already made a pledge. Our goal is 100% participation. If you haven't pledged, please make a commitment to support Bitney—the only high school in Nevada County that can boast "**a supportive, college prep environment with small classes, enthusiastic teachers, and personal attention in an atmosphere of mutual respect.**"

## ENROLLMENT UPDATE

As of today, 104 students are attending Bitney. Our enrollment goal for this year was 120 students, so if you know of students who are "**lost in the crowd**" at another high school, please tell them (or their parents) about our school and community.

### THINGS TO DO – Volleyball, Fencing, Soccer, German, Dance,

Try out for Nevada County Girls Softball – Saturday, January 21 10a.m. -2p.m. at 49er Family Fun Park in Grass Valley or LOP Round Table Pizza. Call the bat line 273-5228 for details. Register online at [www.ncgasa.com](http://www.ncgasa.com)

A recreational co-ed volleyball team has formed. Ray Patton is the coach and practice is at the Union Hill gym on Wednesday Evenings.

The Nevada County Fencing Club invites students to come learn the art of Fencing. Monday nights 6:45 P.M. at the Grass Valley Veteran's Building. Call Dr. Robert Woodhall at 432-1750 for details, or pick up a flyer in the office. Bitney students participate for free and receive PE credit.

If you want to play soccer, sign up in the glass case outside of the office.

Echappe Dance Art Theater, the newest dance studio in Nevada County invites kids, teens and adults—ballet, tap, jazz, hop hop, modern, belly dance, musical theatre and more. 763 South Auburn Suite B, Grass Valley, CA. 530.271.1200. <http://echappe.org>. The first class is FREE.

## KAYAKING ELECTIVE

Hey students, always wanted to learn to kayak down a white water river? Here you go. Coming this spring, Bitney Springs is offering a white water kayak elective. It's true. Off campus, five Saturdays and Sundays in March and April, on local rivers. Lead instructor is Mr. Bruce Herring. Additional instructors, along with boats, gear, shuttles, and encouragement provided by Wolf Creek Wilderness.

Fee: \$325(which is over 40% discount off normal Wolf Creek prices). We need a minimum of five adventurous souls to make it happen, and the class maximum is eight. If there are a lot more than eight interested, a second class will be added in May. Five PE credits are yours for completion of the course. Questions? Talk to Mr. Herring.

## LEND A HELPING HAND

Local contractor, Greg Zaller, is building homes in Helcot Pakistan. He is currently raising funds for the project. For more information contact Rebecca Hughes-Hartogs at 273-8690

## BITNEY CLASSIFIED ADS

Have something you would like to sell or trade? Have a want? E-mail it to [Jan@tincatmedia](mailto:Jan@tincatmedia) and it will be listed in the next newsletter.

**FOR SALE:** feeding silo, trampoline, girls mountain bike in excellent condition, oak single chest bed (bedding available), outdoor plants and starter trees. Call Yuri at 477-9173.