

at harbor the
 ted skin cells are
 ily removed, the
 s are good that the
 will return. In
 ast, warts that clear
 n their own generally
 not leave a trace.
 For reasons that are as
 t unclear, the power of
 ggestion seems to play a
 rong role in eliminating
 arts in young children.
 For example, some par-
 ts have had success by
 pplying a piece of banana
 eel to the area and
 lling the child that this
 ill make the wart go
 way.
 If the power of sugges-
 on is ineffective or the
 art is on an older child
 ho is less suggestible,
 arents may treat the
 art with topical medica-
 ons that contain salicylic
 id.
 If the wart does not
 spond to topical
 eatment and is
 ithering the child, a
 ysician should be
 nsulted.
 Several methods can be
 ed to rid the body of
 arts, but some are
 nful at least to some
 ree. Some doctors
 estion whether the
 noval of warts is worth
 tting young children
 ough an experience
 ould make them
 ful of medical visits.
 eaning the wart

school year. For information, call 725-8704 after 5 p.m.

Hospital raffles economy car

MARIPOSA — The John C. Fremont Hospital Foundation announced the kickoff of its annual raffle to benefit John C. Fremont Hospi-

COULTERVILLE — Members of the the United Methodist Women are planning their annual rummage sale for Sept. 16 at the church, corner of Highways 49 and 132. Sale hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Proceeds from the project are earmarked to pay off the church's new cooling system.

Merced Family Health Centers changes name

After more than 23 years of service under the name of Merced Family Health Centers, this institution changed its corporate name Sept. 1 to Golden Valley Health Centers. The change of name is viewed by the Board of Directors and management as a step forward in the integration of services and preparedness for managed care, said Mike Sullivan, chief executive officer.

Golden Valley Health Centers will be the umbrella name for 11 community health centers plus two school based clinics. Each Health Center will be named Golden Valley Health Center.

Golden Valley Health Centers will continue to provide low cost, efficient primary care and prevention services to residents of Merced and Stanislaus counties,

Sullivan said. "The private, non-profit corporation has a mission to improve the health status of its patients by providing quality, managed primary health care services to people in the communities served regardless of language, financial, or cultural barriers."

Centers are located in Merced (2), Modesto (4), Planada, Le Grand, Los Banos, Dos Palos, Patterson, Gustine-Newman, and beginning Sept. 11, Turlock.

Currently, its staff of 41 medical clinicians (26 physicians, 15 nurse practitioners and physicians assistants) and eight dentists serve 42,000 individuals accounting for more than 150,000 visits annually. Adults and children may be seen for any medical or dental problem, including

urgent care needs. Both appointments and walk-ins are accepted.

According to Sullivan, "The new name represents our expanded services to 10 Merced and Stanislaus communities. It is important that we have a common identification among the communities we serve as we prepare for managed care."

Golden Valley Health Centers offer convenient and accessible hours of operation, which include daytime, evening, and weekend hours, as well as 24-hour access to consultation and hospitalization. Medicare, Medi-Cal, and all major insurance plans are accepted; however, no one will be turned away for lack of health insurance. A sliding-fee scale is available for those patients with limited resources.

pharmacists in Israel wonderful if pharmac everywhere would do same.

Dear Ann Landers listens to the listener Sometimes, I feel the answer is no one. Per someone who reads t ter will ask, "Could t me?"

This is for my frier came to see you today was so much I wanted I was feeling low. Sev things were weighing ly on my heart. I need to help me sort out m thoughts because I v your judgment. I was you would be very supportive and a sou strength.

Unfortunately, it d turn out that way. Yo so eager to tell me ab things you were doing the places you had be there was no chance f

DATEBOOK

WEDNESDAY

Clubs

Kiwanis Club of North Merced meets at 6:45 a.m. at Paul's Place Restaurant and Bakery, 2991 N. G St., Merced. Information: 722-8858

2 p.m. at 2886 N. G St., Merced. Information: 725-7900.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly, CA-1265, meets at 5:15 p.m. at the Bloss Memorial Hospital, 1691 Third St., Atwater.

Mental Health Association of Merced County has a round table meeting with

place from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Merced Senior Community Center, 755 W. 15th St., Merced. Information: Sharon Rammel at 385-8068 or Catherine Lunney at 358-0691.

Le Grand 50-Plus Club has a potluck at 6:30 p.m. at the Le Grand branch of

THE
BUY IT •

Sun-Sta