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Retirement board: Good news, bad news for county

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There was good news and bad news in the actuarial valuation for Mendocino County the Employee Retirement Association for fiscal 2016-2017, which was discussed at Tuesday's board of supervisors meeting.

The good news is that the 12 months between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017 was a great year in terms of return on investment.

However, to start to understand the numbers in the report, two concepts understood: must be market value and the counterintuitive term valuation value.

Market value is simply what the asset is worth now, in current money. Valuation value is what the asset is worth when subjected to various assumptions by the actuary. One of the most influential of these is "smoothing," which means gains and losses experienced by the retirement fund are spread out over a five-year period. A second element of valuation value is the rate of inflation that is factored into calculations of the asset's value.

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Above, from left: Students smile up at the camera. Aidyn McFadden shows off her cookie and cocoa. Mara Moratti, left, gets gloves on and ready to serve with fellow WEB leaders, Victoria Hernandez, Danielle Barry and Paris Hansberger.



Above: WEB leaders pose with their donation from the Willits Police Department including, back row, from left: Rosita Carrillo, Janie Ruiz, Rogelio Chavez-Lopez, Tiana Dalton, Courtney Potter, Rosemary Grieve, Mara Moratti, Danielle Barry, Paris Hansberger and Randy Gonzalez. Front row, from left: Giovan Banuelos, Michael Kale, Lily Barrett, Ella Lane, Cody Escobedo, teacher Liesl Hendrix, Viviana Zuniga, Victoria Hernandez, Leticia Lopez, Kayleigh Laferty and Nakolo Anderson Joens-Poulton.

'Where Everyone Belongs' Students support students through Baechtel Grove Middle School WEB Club

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Making the move from one school to another can be a scary challenge, but a group of students are doing their best to ease transitioning youngsters who make the move from Blosser Lane Elementary

School to Baechtel Grove Middle School through the middle school's WEB Club ("Where Everyone Belongs").

WEB leaders are made up of a group of eighth-grade students - many of whom were on the receiving end of the WEB Club when they were incoming sixth-graders. Before the beginning of each school year, the club holds an orientation, barbecue

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and parent meet-and-greet to introduce new sixth-graders to a group of friendly, supportive

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At top: Sylvia Wartell and Alexis Zynda photograph the event for the yearbook committee. Below, left: Mason Oltjenbruns is pleased with his cup of cocoa. Below: WEB leaders Cody Escobedo, left, and Rosemary Grieve, right, sit with a table of sixth-graders at Friday's social.

Fire recovery updateš at Redwood

Valley meeting

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Mendocino County government staff met with the public at a January 17 community meeting at Eagle Peak Middle School, assuring residents all is well, crews are working, and the county is doing everything possible to help people recover from the October fire that devastated Redwood Valley and Potter Valley.

Army Corps of Engineers Commander Incident Colonel Eric McFadden reminded fire victims of the enormous scope of the debris cleanup phase of the recovery effort. Over the four counties ravaged by the fires, McFadden said, more than 1 million tons of debris have been cleaned up over the past two months.

"This is the largest debrisremoval project since the 1906 earthquake," he said.

McFaddenacknowledged work has been slowed by three different contract snafus, including a fumble that occurred between phase one and phase two in December and, most recently, a bid protest filed by AshBritt Inc. on January

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Willits man indicted for illegally importing leopardhunting trophy

A federal grand jury has indicted a Willits man with importing wildlife contrary to law and mislabeling wildlife intended for importation, according to California's Northern District office of the U.S. Attorney's Office.

According to last week's indictment, Adam Thatcher Lawrence traveled to the Republic of South Africa in August 2011, where he hunted and killed a leopard, a protected species under both the Endangered Species Act and the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.

Lawrence allegedly did not have the required permits to kill the leopard in South Africa, or to bring it into the United States, so he secretly transported the leopard's skin and skull into the Republic of Mozambique then told the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service he had hunted and killed the leopard there in May 2012.

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Main Street loses some shade

Jennifer Poole Editor & Reporter willitsweekly@gmail.com

Workers from the California Department of Transportation Sunday morning removed nine of the 13 trees scheduled to come down on Main Street before the sidewalk replacement project begins this spring. Four more trees will be taken down this Sunday.

Last August, Caltrans Resident Engineer Geoff Wright told the Willits City Council he estimated 20 to 24 trees would have to be removed, explaining it was due to American Disabilities Act compliance issues related to sidewalk reconstruction.

After then-City Manager Adrienne Moore and Willits nurseryman Dave Watts did a walk-through with Caltrans staff, the number

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Pot overlay consultant talks with supes

Mike A'Dair Reporter mike@willitsweekly.com

Paul Junker, project director for Michael Baker International, laid out a potential game plan Tuesday for drafting ordinance amendments to the county's medical cultivation cannabis ordinance that will set guidelines, conditions and processes for participating proposed overlay in additions to the ordinance.

The opt-in section of the overlay additions is seen as a kind of magic wand to transform a restrictive cultivation ordinance into a more permissive one - for neighborhoods that want that. At the same time, the "opt-out" portion of the proposed overlay language is seen by some as transforming a cultivation ordinance that is far too liberal into a piece of legislation that will protect neighborhoods from what some citizens see as the scourge of the cannabis industry.

The overlay additions were initially proposed in November and December

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Thank you

To the Editor:

For several years the members of the Brooktrails Women's Club have sponsored a quilt raffle to build its

scholarship program. The guilts have been made by some of the members of the club. We have been able to provide up to three scholarships a year for many years. We could not have done this without the support and generosity of this community! And we are grateful. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!

The members of the Brooktrails Women's Club are happy to announce the winner of last year's guilt is Kasey Hallifield. Congratulations, Kasey!

> Betty Lemmer, vice president, Brooktrails Women's Club

We need redundant connections

To the Editor:

I was pleased to see that North Bay legislators have introduced Senate Bill 833, which may dramatically improve the notice that citizens receive in the event of an emergency. Landline and cell phone notification systems, such as are already in place in our county are of great utility.

Unfortunately, they do not address the problem that Willits faced in the October fires. Our landline system was working locally, but was cut off from the world by the failure of a microwave tower. Similar failures knocked out our cell phones and our internet connections for everyone not on satellite

What we need is redundant connections for the landline, cell phone, and internet connections to the world. Without that, this bill is meaningless.

Liam UiCearbhaill, Willits gmail.com

Local Food Pledge

To the Editor:

We are writing to share an idea for the new year that has been bouncing around our heads for a while - Local Food Pledge 2018-2019. We are organizing a local food pledge drive in 2018 that would create a group of 25 to 50 people (or more!) committed to eating a high percentage of local food (you determine the precise details of your local food pledge) from June 2018 to June 2019. And, we would like to help connect the local food pledge group to local farmers, ranchers and food producers. The goal would be to add new energy and momentum to our local food movement. Here is some of the background thinking.

1. In the context of the overall population of Mendocino County, 25 to 50 people may seem like a small number. But, this number of people eating only local food could hearty block of buying power flowing directly toward the education. support of our local farmers and ranchers. Many of the farmers markets are in decline in our county, and small farmers continue to struggle to make ends meet. We need to get more serious about supporting and growing our local food economy.

2. A local food pledge campaign could be really fun! The pledgers will become a support group for each other. We will challenge ourselves to build and hone an essential set of practical skills and knowledge to increase local resilience, to network with local farmers and hopefully to enlarge the land-base of locally grown food. With pledgers and farmers working together (and some of us will be both pledgers and farmers/gardeners), we will need to focus

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special attention on honing our skills to grow high caloric crops such as potatoes, beans, squash, corn, and other grains. We will need to hone our wildcrafting skills learning to collect, process and cook with acorns, collect other wild plants, roots and mushrooms.

We will need to support our local livestock farmers, and build our own skills in raising chickens, ducks, lamb, pigs, cattle and, of course (my favorite) expand the practice of goat dairving on small acreage. The vegetable and fruit side of it may be a little easier, especially during the warmer growing months. We will need to expand and develop our skills processing, preserving, fermenting, canning, drying. Yes, it will be a lot of work. But, many hands make light work ... and more fun.

Please join us for our next planning meeting on Saturday January 27 at 11 am at Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street in Willits. Here is the list of homework that will help you come prepared for the next meeting.

1. Prepare your individual food profile. What do you eat each week? How much of your diet do you currently source locally or grow yourself? What are your core food needs? (Think about high caloric foods that grow well locally potatoes, beans, winter squash, corn, rye, other grains, meats, eggs, dairy.)

2. Write your own food pledge. What percentage of your food budget will go to buying local? Or, will you eat locally on weekdays, but not on weekends? Or, will you eat locally with a few exceptions like coffee, chocolate, spices, etc.?

3. Gather information on local farmers, ranchers and producers that may be able to provide these foods.

Bring your homework and join us for our next meeting! With best wishes for a year of abundant local food! For further information. contact 707 216-5549 or homesteadingsara@

> Sara Grusky and Michael Foley, Green Uprising Farm, Willits

John Haschak for supervisor To the Editor:

As a voter who has lived in the Third District of Mendocino County for over 50 years I am thrilled to support the candidacy of John Haschak for Third District supervisor. John has been a Willits resident since the age of 11 and a teacher in the Willits schools for the past 28 years. John's very professional experience includes 15 years as president of the Willits Teachers Association. As WTA president, John's responsibilities included attending and reporting on all of the monthly and special Willits school board meetings which he did faithfully for almost two decades. As the teacher representative, John Haschak create many thousands of dollars of demand monthly, a served as a strong voice for students, teachers, and public

> John's experience also includes seven years chairing the California Teachers Association Budget Committee, where he was responsible for developing and passing an annual budget of \$185,000,000

I look forward to John's tenure as supervisor; he is a dedicated and dependable hard worker whose passion and effort show up in his results. John cares about issues and those who are affected by those issues. He is also an incredible listener who will hear concerns and address John wants voters to know that he would not have supported the significant, recent hike in BOS salaries. If elected John will request that his salary raise is commensurate with pay raises for the majority of county employees. I am impressed that John Haschak's past experience includes service as a Peace Corps volunteer in Guatemala. It follows that his role in education is that of a Spanish teacher, currently working with upper elementary Spanishspeakers who are continuing to learn to speak and read English.

5. Ensure a balanced, fiscally strong Mendocino County budget.

John Haschak is very concerned about what lies ahead, preferring to work toward shaping the future rather than watching it from the

sidelines. Please join me in electing a proactive, hardworking, caring, effective leader for our 2018 Third District supervisor. Vote for Supervisor John Haschak June 5.

Susan Bradley, retired teacher, Laytonville

Open letter to Assemblyman Jim Wood

To the Editor:

I just listened to a recording of your January 11 meeting with the Inland Democratic Club of Mendocino County, and I feel compelled to refute the many omissions and misstatements in your comments regarding health insurance in general, and SB 562 in particular.

You say repeatedly that you believe in "universal healthcare" which is admirable, but I did not once hear you utter the words "single payer" or "Medicare for all." What this omission tells me is that you believe the future of health insurance in California should be left in the hands of the private for-profit health insurance industry, and that a publicly administered single payer system is off the table.

Your reasoning for this position - basically that Trump will never hand over Medicare, Medicaid, or VA funds to California, making a publicly administered system unaffordable - is hopelessly shortsighted. Those of us who have been in the single payer movement for a long time don't expect that it will happen overnight with the passage of SB 562. What we do expect is for the state of California to have a single payer plan on the desk of the new Democratic president on January 20, 2021. Your artificially imposed short-term deadline is no excuse for selling out a public single payer option in favor of permanently locking in the private for-profit health insurance racket.

I shouldn't even have to say this next part because it's so obvious, but it seems to be completely lost on you and your select committee: The reason a publicly administered single payer health insurance system is so essential to the future of universal healthcare in California is that single payer is the only way to achieve the "cost containment" that you claim to be so concerned about with SB 562.

It's really very simple, administrative costs with single payer are a fraction of the cost of multi-payer private forprofit corporations, which will save billions of dollars. Also, single payer eliminates hundreds of millions in advertising expenses, executive salaries and stockholder profits, money that can then be used to pay out health insurance claims. As long as you continue to support multi-payer private for-profit health insurance, you will be trapped into thinking of cost containment only in terms of cutting benefits: this to me is unconscionable.

Perhaps the reason you discount the actuarial soundness of a public single payer system is because you are relying on the discredited preliminary Senate Appropriations Committee financial report that predicted SB 562 will cost \$400 billion a year, a report which deliberately underestimated the administrative cost savings of a single payer system. An independent study ("Economic Analysis of the Healthy California Single-Payer Health Care Proposal" (SB-562), May 2017) by the Political Economy Research Institute of the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, (which your select committee has conspicuously refused to consider), gives a detailed actuarial analysis of SB 562 with hard numbers on how it would work. (I suggest you read it!) That single payer works is confirmed by the fact that every other developed nation on Earth has some form of publicly administered single payer health insurance system; so it is disingenuous of you to argue otherwise. I've heard you deny that large campaign contributions you receive from the health insurance and pharmaceutical industries have any influence on you, but to be blunt, I think it is condescending of you to expect your constituents to believe that these special interests give you money out of the goodness of their hearts. They want you and your select committee to keep them in their highly lucrative business, and that is exactly what you are doing against the interests of your constituents. In your recent meeting with the Inland Democratic Club of Mendocino County you made the offhanded remark that Speaker Rendon "is my boss." Wrong Assemblyman Wood, your constituents are your boss, and it's high time you started working for us instead of your high-rolling corporate donors.





Above, from left: Holly Madrigal displays her winnings at the Rotary Club's annual CrabFest. A happy winner displays the "Supreme Willits Weekend" package for which she bid \$400. Naomi and Sarah Strickland take a break from serving up food to pose for the camera. Bonnie Riley hedges her bets.

At left: Enthusiastic participants raise their paddles in the Quarter Auction. Below: Edie Ceccarelli, sitting, wins the Heads and Tails contest, with auctioneer Rachel Britten, on stage, and Linda Buletti and Bruce Burton, at right.

Photos by Mathew Caine



CrabFest 2018 Rotary Club serves up 500 pounds of crab for

annual 'senior and senior' fundraiser

Five hundred pounds of crab was continue the program.

almost not enough. Being altruistic must As the diners entered the room, they make people hungry. As usual, the people were given the opportunity to purchase of Willits came together to support an the use of numbered paddles to be used annual fundraising event, the Rotary Club in the Quarter Auction where they could CrabFest. Proceeds from the \$50 all-you-"buy in" to have a chance to win items. If can-eat crab dinner and several auctions at they opted in and paid their quarters, they the event will benefit both the Willits High would then raise their paddle. Each chance School Scholarship Fund for members cost one to four quarters depending on the of this year's senior class and the Harrah item. Numbered chips were then pulled Senior Center. from a container, and the person with the

Mathew Caine This year, it was corresponding paddle won the gift. Features Writer mathew@willitsweekly.com more difficult than

usual for people a variety of yummy Kemmy's pies to eat to come out to help fund these worthy for dessert or to take home. Most pies did causes, due to economic uncertainty, crab not leave the room - the perfect post-crab availability uncertainty, and the current flu treat. epidemic, but Willits residents once again showed their generosity and goodwill. Oh ... and they had a lot of fun doing it. baked ziti, and mac and cheese. Though

the opening dishes were very fresh and Ann Alumbaugh, organizer of the event, tasty, people tried to save as much room as would like to thank the many volunteers and possible for the tender, steaming mounds especially the Future Farmers of America of crab which topped off the meal. high school kids and the Willits High School

Leadership Program for their invaluable After dinner, Golden Rule resident and

At the next table people could purchase

The dinner began with bread, salad,

success.



Above: FFA and the Willits High School Leadership Program members help serve up dinner. Below, left: Five hundred pounds of crab were served at this year's CrabFest. Below, right: The no-host bar provided a selection of non-alcoholic beverages as well as beer and wine.







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1. The creation of sustainable job opportunities while protecting our environment.

2. The building of much-needed infrastructure, especially in our rural areas, including and especially rural broadband internet connections.

3. Proactive measures to prepare Mendocino County for natural disasters.

4. The enactment of common-sense cannabis regulations.



Unhappy constituent,

Jon Spitz, Laytonvile

assistance in making the CrabFest the continuing success that it has become. The kids helped to set up the Community Center, served the various courses, and stayed to put everything away and even mop up at the end. The members of the leadership program receive community service credits.

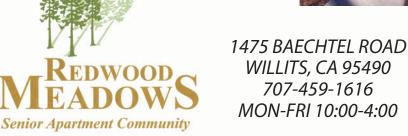
Alumbaugh noted that the scholarship program serves approximately 10 or so students each year. The recipients are chosen through interviews and the awards are based on several factors. Last year, 10 students received \$1,500 scholarships to aid in furthering their education. According to Alumbaugh, the Rotary Club often keeps in contact with the recipients to see how they are faring. One such recipient did so

well after high school and college that he returned the \$1,000, gifting it back to help

Redwood Meadows is an active independent senior community featuring 101 apartment homes, primarily a mix of one and two bedroom apartments which are single story 4-plex cottage-type set amongst seven acres of park like landscaping.

We are a smoke-free and pet friendly community. We boast a community center where activities are held like card games, Bingo, birthdays and socials. We also have a barbecue area for residents to get together for social functions.

Redwood Meadows is conveniently located adjacent to the William F. Harrah Senior Center with a thrift store, cafeteria and taxi service, and Howard Memorial Hospital is just blocks away.



auctioneer extraordinaire. Rachel Britten. took the microphone to run the auctions. First was the aforementioned Quarter Auction which had the crowd excitedly throwing their quarters into the metallic buckets on each table and thrusting their paddles in the air to win a variety of fun and useful gifts.

Next was the live auction, in which the bidding was hot and heavy for items such as a beautiful redwood picnic table which fetched \$1,000, a picnic basket containing all things Willits and useful for an amazing weekend, which went for \$400, a vear's supply (one a month) of Kemmy's pies, a two-bedroom suite in Lake Tahoe, and a septic tank service.

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January 15

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production help from the public.

business, now CPGbulksales.com.

known for its high-quality glitter line, Glitter My World.

Former Good's Stamp Shoppe owners Bill and Emmy

Good sold their Willits storefront building and its contents

in 2014, but the Goods, including their daughter, Keena,

kept the family-owned California Paper Goods part of the

In keeping with the Good's Stamp Shoppe's mission,

CPG is a craft business website where one can find other

websites that sell bulk craft paper, kids craft goods, shrink

plastic, glitter and other craft products. With satellite

warehouses in Ohio and New Jersey, the business has

On April 8, 2014 the Glitter My World part of what they

offer went viral on the internet after a Facebook page

with 70,000 followers endorsed the CPG glitter because

it is extremely well-made and manufactured in the United

States. Within minutes of the posting, orders started to

pour in on the CPG computers. "[On that day] it went from

one order every minute to every half minute and finally

evened out at one order every three minutes," Keena

Goode recalled. Tabitha Atkinson, Keena Good's personal assistant, added, "And these weren't small. These were

Ree Slocum

done well.

Features Writer ree@willitsweekly.com

The glitter shoot on Saturday

was for a marketing video for

CPGbulksales.com, a craft business

website started in Willits that is well-



of overall CPG sales. Since the glitter went viral, the sales In last week's Willits Weekly Calendar, a compelling are now at 90 to 95 percent. announcement read, "Casting Call: Looking for actors

The previously mentioned casting call asked for people and off camera help for 'fun and silly' glitter video." The to help out in various roles. Some actors were going to announcement went on to say that they were turning the wear poodle skirts, guitar players were to play glittered old Starchild Chocolate building into a video set, filling guitars, and customers were going to purchase glittered the display case and counters with fake glittered cakes, props. They also needed people dressed in their normal donuts, cookies and candies, and looking for acting and street clothes as extras.

> Two months previously, Keena Good had decided to have fun with inspiring her customers as to how to use the CPG's Glitter My World glitters in dazzling and catchy ways. Many of her customers are in video and film production and use the big flake glitter and regular glitter in costumes, props and makeup. With Keena's education and background as a technical director in film and theater, creating another video was the obvious answer.

> Staff members, who are artists themselves, were given free rein to create kitschy, glitter-full, and inedible pies, cakes, cookies and props to fill the '50s style "Pretty Props Sweets Shop." Some actors were dressed in '50s- and '60s-style clothes and had their eyes, lips and cheeks glittered by either Asia Laurent or Sara Basaldua, CPG's makeup artists. The shop employees and artists had glittered makeup applied and wore pink poodle skirts with matching tops, scarves, shoes and hats.

> Bobby Brumbeck, Tabitha Atkinson, Chris Zeigler and Lindsey Keefauver played key roles in the short sketch. Also acting in the sketch were the "Sundae Girls": Diza Hope, Zhana Ortiz and Sara Basaldua. Sheila Dolstad from Ukiah was the protagonist who asks, on her way out of the shop, if she can eat the glittered props she's just purchased. After her question, the shop comes alive with the "Sundae Girls" turning to her singing "No, No" to the

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From far left: The kitschy sweets are excellent props for the video to show glitter's versatility. The Glitter My World logo. The fourtiered cake prop used in the Glitter My World video. At left, below: The cast who played key roles in "Glitter My World" with Keena Good, in blue in back row, and vibrantly glittered props.

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LITTLE LAKE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FIRE CALLS

January 18 to January 25 bv LLFD Training Chief Eric Alvarez

responded to a reported traffic accident. (North Highway 101, Exit 568) Upon arrival a vehicle was observed into the K-rail blocking the number 1 lane. With Traffic accident: Little Lake Fire the assistance of CalFire, responded to a reported traffic accident. Rescue 5430 and Engine 5480, the scene Upon arrival an empty semi-truck with was secured and single-lane traffic control a 40-foot flatbed had jackknifed while was established. Rescue 5430 assisted the exiting the off ramp, causing exit 568 to become obstructed to oncoming traffic. medic unit on scene to load a single patient into the ambulance, and the patient was The driver was uninjured and was able to transported to Howard Memorial Hospital. move the truck, which cleared the roadway. After checking the roadway for any fluid The roadway was then cleared, and all fire resources were released. 12 firefighters responded for service.

01-21-18 (North Main and Commercial) Traffic accident: Little Lake Fire

responded to a reported traffic accident. Upon arrival a CHP vehicle had stopped a runaway vehicle utilizing the patrol car. No injuries were reported, Willits Police Department assumed traffic control, and all fire resources were released. 11 firefighters responded for service.

01-22-18 (Locust Street)

Medical assist: Little Lake Fire responded to a medical assist. During the response, Little Lake Fire was cancelled. 4 firefighters responded for service.

01-23-18 (Timberline Road) Structure fire: Little Lake Fire responded to a reported structure fire in Brooktrails. During the response, Little Lake Fire was cancelled by Brooktrails Fire; the incident was downgraded from a structure fire to a reported fire in the oven. 7 firefighters responded for service.

huge orders!" Before this the glitter was 15 to 20 percent





Glitter

At left, top: Keena Good films a store owner, played by Lindsey Keefauver, picking up her prop cake at the "Pretty Props Sweets Shop." At left, bottom: Sheila Dolstad, center, is flanked by the "Pretty Props Sweets Shop" employees, Tabitha Atkinson, Lindsey Keefauver, Destiny and Crystal telling her "No! No!" Above: A cake prop displayed in "Pretty Props Sweets Shop." The shop was set up in the former Starchild Chocolate shop on North Main Street in Willits. Below: More fake sweets. Some almost look good enough to





Emergency Road Service

	MAZE RUNNER: THE DEATH CURE	THE SHAPE OF WATER	3 BILLBOARDS OUTSIDE EBBING, MO
Next Week:	(PG13) 2 hrs 22 mins Fri: 5:30 & 8:35pm Sat: 2:25, 5:30 & 8:35pm Sun: 1:25, 4:30 & 7:35pm Mon-Thurs: 4:30 & 7:35pm	(R) 2 hrs 3 mins Fri: 5:40 & 8:20pm Sat: 3:00, 5:40 & 8:20pm Sun: 2:00, 4:40 & 7:20pm Mon-Thurs: 4:40 & 7:20pm	(R) 1 hr 55 mins Fri: 5:15 & 7:45pm Sat/Sun: 2:45, 5:15 & 7:45pm Mon-Thurs: 5:15 & 7:45pm
The Darkest Hour	Movie Times for 1/26 thru 2/1	This Week's Tightwad Tue	esday Titles are in RED - All tickets: \$5



BAGELS AND CREAM CHEESE ~ 3.95. Add Tomato, Zucchini, Olives, Spinach, Sprouts, Red Onion, Capers, .50 Avocado 1.50

(served on homemade hoagie roll or hambuger bun wichoice of fries, cole slaw or cucumber salad) CUBANO PANINI~10.95 ham, pork tenderloin, swiss cheese, dill pickle mustard.

Below: Bianca Nieto, a recent WHS grad, does back squats. At right: Michael Hollrigel believes: "One must block out their thoughts that keep them stagnant and put in 110 percent all the time to succeed." Far right: Michael Holligrel and Coach Colvig at Square Photos by Jenny Senter







CrossFit Wolverine work-out at WHS welcomes all ages and abilities

Like so many people, when December practicing healthy movement and staying rolled around, I started looking toward the fit." Colvig said misconceptions about the average CrossFit member are not New Year and thinking about resolutions. I uncommon. People watch CrossFit games was ready to do something serious about

getting into better Jenny Senter shape. I walk a lot but realized after a recent Features Writer trip to Scotland,

I contacted Michael Colvig, the CrossFit

Wolverine coach, to see if I would be in

over my head. He assured me that my

fears of being the "only one who couldn't"

were unfounded. He told me that he would

modify my workout and that if I just "kept

terminology and moves came naturally.

Once we crossed the threshold, we felt so

welcomed! Coach Colvig and the members

were so helpful in getting us started on our

journey toward fitness. Colvig stresses

that, "Anybody can do CrossFit, because

each movement can be scaled down to fit

According to the CrossFit website, the

the abilities of the individual."

love of hill-climbing.

could I do the work-out?

the hardest part.

Online

Email:

on TV, he said, and "see amazing athletes compete, while the reality of a CrossFit affiliate is that it is normal people seeking a healthy, fun lifestyle."

where I did a lot of hill climbing, that I need An athlete from childhood, and the to add some core strengthening exercises first Patriot League individual swimming to my work-outs to continue my new-found champion from Colgate College in 1996 (winning three individual events), Colvig

was introduced to CrossFit at a swim I looked around at my options in Willits, coaching clinic in 2008. He spent the next and there are plenty of options. I decided to two years learning everything he could keep it simple and travel the least distance about CrossFit in order to teach it to high from my home. CrossFit Wolverine, in the school athletes and the Willits Otters age fitness center (the old media center) at group swimmers to help them improve their Willits High School, fit the bill perfectly, but

> In 2009, a student encouraged him to start a CrossFit affiliate in Willits and CrossFit Wolverine was born. Their first work-out was at 5:30 am on January 2, 2010, and from that point on, the CrossFit Wolverine work-outs have been Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at 5:30 am.

moving," that I would be fine until the CrossFit Wolverine member Jennifer I talked my husband into joining me on Maples shared that "CrossFit has been January 1 for our first work-out. Walking a game changer for me. I have always through the door to the fitness center was been active, but what I was missing was a challenge." She went on to explain that

CrossFit is not only a physical challenge, it's a mental challenge. "It's taught me that I can accomplish the difficult," she said. "Nothing is impossible. Believe me there are those mornings where that WOD [Work-out of the Day] looks impossible, but I just tell myself this will be the hardest part of my day. Everything else I have to deal

with will just be a piece of cake. Talk about a strass raliovar

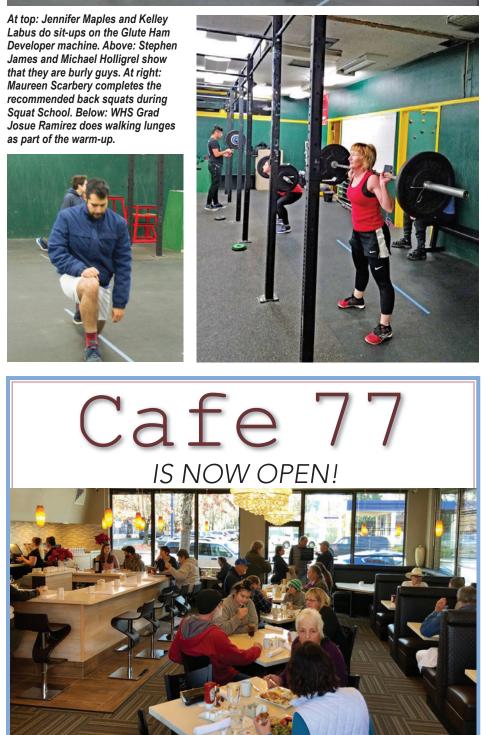






Labus do sit-ups on the Glute Ham Developer machine. Above: Stephen James and Michael Holligrel show that they are burly guys. At right: Maureen Scarbery completes the recommended back squats during Squat School. Below: WHS Grad Josue Ramirez does walking lunges as part of the warm-up.





SPECIALTY SPREADS ~ 4.50 TUSCAN : Kalmata Olives, Sun Dried Tomatoes, & Roasted Red Peppers. VEGGIE : Bell Peppers, Onion, Zucchini. HORSERADISH DILL and JALAPENO CHEDDER. EGG BAGEL W/ CHEDDER ~ 5.95. ADD Ham, Bacon, Turkey 2.00 ea. BAGEL & LOX ~9.95 Smoked Salmon, Red Onion, Capers And Cream Cheese Substitute Specialty Spread 1.00 EGGS ~ All eggs come with fresh fruit and toast. Add country potatoes 2.00 BISTRO SCRAMBLE~7.25 2 eggs w/sautéed onion & cheddar Cheese. PESTO SCRAMBLE~9.95 2 eggs, Pesto, Spinach, Avocado & Parmesan Cheese. FRIED EGGS CRUSTED w/ ALMONDS PANKO and PARMESAN CHEESE~ 9.95 topped with hollandaise served over grilled asparagus. EGGS BENEDICT~11.95 English muffin, Canadian ham, poached eggs & hollandaise sauce. w/sautéed spinach 10.95. w/ bacon &avocado 13.95 BUILD YOUR OWN 3 EGG OMELETTE w/ onion & cheddar~8.95. Add lox, ham or bacon: 2.00 ea. Add zucchini, mushrooms, tomato, spinach, olives, peppers, capers: .50 ea. Add hollandaise: 1.00 CHICKEN & WAFFLES~ 11.95 served w/sweet honey butter & maple syrup or sausage gravy. Extra maple syrup 1.50 BISQUITS & GRAVY~7.50 Jumbo hand made bisquit with sausage gravy. POTATO BOWL~8.95 country potatoes, 2 eggs any style, black beans, bell pepper, cheddar cheese, onion & &tomate pico de gallo. Add bacon, sausage or chorizo. 2.00 ea. Add country sausage gravy 2.00 QUICHE~5.95 (meat or veggie) w/ fruit & salsa 7.25 sauce. BREAKFAST BURRITO~8.25 sausage, egg. potato, bell peppers, black beans, cheddar cheese & pico de gallo VEGGIE BURRITO~8.25 eggplant, zucchini, egg, onion, peppers, cheddar cheese & pico de gallo Add ham or bacon 2.00. BRIOCHE FRENCH TOAST~ 7.95 w/fruit compote, honey butter & crème fraiche or honey butter & maple syrup. Extra maple syrup 1.50. SALADS

AHI SALAD~13.95 Raw veggies tossed in peanut ginger vinaigrette w/ wasabi peas, chow mein noodles & seared ahi tuna w/ wasabi drizzle.

SEARED FLANK STEAK SALAD~13.95 Baby spinach, arugula, cucumber, red onion & tomato tossed in champagne vinaigrette.

GORGONZOLA SALAD~9.95 baby spinach, arugula, marinated tomato tossed in balsamic vinegar & herb infused olive oil. Topped w/gorgonzola crumbles. Add chicken 4.00 Add shrimp 6.00

LARGE HOUSE SALAD~8.50 mixed greens, red onion, cucumbers, drizzled w/champagne vinaigrette,

Topped w/house made croutons. Add chicken 4.00 Add shrimp 6.00

CAPRESE SALAD~9.50 fresh mozzarella, tomatoes, olive oil, basil & balsamic reduction.

CAPRESE PANINI~10.50 fresh mozzarella, tomatoes w/basil mayo, balsamic reduction & ribbons of fresh

OVEN ROASTED TURKEY PANINI~10.95 garden veggie cream cheese, roasted red bell pepper, spinach & Havarti cheese

FRENCH DIP~12.95 tender roast beef, melted provolone cheese w/rosemary au just

MENDO CHEESE STEAK~13.95 seared flank steak, melted provolone w/creamy cheesy spinach spread.

HOMEMADE MEATBALL SUB~11.95 wimelted provolone & marinara sauce.

KOREAN PULLED PORK~12.95 spicy pulled pork w/pickled veggies, cucumbers and cilantro.

SEARED FLANK STEAK~14.95 on naan bread w/arugula & horseradish cream sauce.

TRIPLE DECKER CLUB~12.95 ham, turkey, bacon, Havarti cheese, lettuce, tomato & mayo on homemade sourdough bread.

ITALIAN SUB~11.95 black forest ham, salami, provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato & red onion wherb infused olive oil & red wine vinegar

AMERICAN SUB~11.95 ham, turkey, salami, provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato & red onion w/red wine vinegar &herb infused olive oil.

SHRIMP OR OYSTER PO-BOY~13.95 deep fried Cajun style jumbo shrimp w/spicy mayo, lettuce

CRUNCHY FRIED FISH SANDWICH-11.95 deep fried rock cod w/ cheddar cheese, cole slaw & tarter

THE BOBBER~11.95 blackened pacific rock cod w/cole slaw & tarter sauce.

CRUNCHY FRIED CHICKEN SANDWICH~12.95 bacon, lettuce, jalapeno cream cheese

GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH~12.95 blackened wimango salsa & pineapple slaw.

BISTRO BURGER~10.50 1/3 lb. organic grass fed beef, melted cheese, lettuce, tomato, red onion & mayo. Add bacon 2.00 avocado 1.50.

BLUE BURGER~11.95 bistro burger w/ melty blue cheese. Add bacon 2/00

BBQ BURGER~13.95 1/3 organic grass fed beef, Korean bbq pork & pineapple slaw.

ROASTED VEGGIE SANDWICH~10.95 oven roasted eggplant, zucchini, bell pepper, melted Havarti cheese, olive tapenade & cream cheese.

BRIOCHE GRILLED CHEESE~9.50 cheddar & Havarti. Add tomato .50

HUMMUS~9.50 hummus, roasted red bell pepper, cucumbers & sprouts on toasted sourdough.

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mission of the CrossFit Foundation is "to improve health and fitness through

Maples went on to say that since joining education, research, philanthropy, and CrossFit 18 months ago, she has lost advocacy." Colvig adds that CrossFit "is inches, sleeps better, has gained muscle, a fitness methodology that focuses on and is more conscious of what food she functional movements that are constantly eats. She looks forward to breaking more mixed in a variety of ways and intensities.' personal records. "What makes it even There is a perception that one has more fun," she said, "is the community to be "burly" to join CrossFit, to which

and friendships I've formed with CrossFit Colvig replied: "Each session is a mix of Wolverine, It's like finding your tribe, Coach individual instruction and group instruction. Colvig has created and continued running Due to having so many people who have a super program." experience with our program, nearly

Michael Hollrigel started CrossFit everyone has pointers as you learn the Wolverine in June 2016. He believes that movements. No, you do not have to be "CrossFit provides a great anaerobic and 'burly' to lift weights; I often encourage aerobic work-out with muscle confusion newcomers to start with the PVC pipe so one never plateaus. One can do the and light weights to learn movements

first. Ninety percent of the people doing Read the rest of Over on Page 15 CrossFit CrossFit are *not* burly, rather normal people



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Thursday, January 25

"The Cannabis Hour": Host Jane Futcher with guest Brian Applegarth, founder of Emerald Country Tours and the California Cannabis Tourism Association, will "talk about the possibilities for drawing visitors to the Emerald Triangle and for sharing Northern California's unique culture with the curious traveler." Thursday, January 25, 9 am, on KZYX Radio, 91.5-FM. Hear the archived version at jukebox.kzyx.org.

Last Chance for January WCA Show: WCA show features the work of Doug Browe ("Continues") and Darrell Carpenter ("Looking in Two Directions"). Runs through January 28. Gallery hours: Wednesday through Sunday, 11 more details. am to 5 pm. Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Info: 459-1726.

Willits Farmers Market: New winter market vendor from Yokavo Farms savs she'll be back up to Willits this week with her salad mixes, spinach, radishes, minutina (a cold hardy heirloom Italian green) and more. Thursdays from 3 to 5:30 pm at Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. Veggies, local meats and local grains, dinner, savory and sweet baked goods, gift items, jams and jellies and savory preserves, balsamic vinegars, local honey, artisan and fair trade chocolates, crafts, knitted goods and jewelry, live music, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more.

Willits Bridge: All levels welcome to come play bridge. Thursday, January 25. Willits Library Conference Room. Mini-lesson by teacher Donna Vaiano from 4:30 to 5 pm; game begins at 5 pm. Information: Donna, 459-9035.

Diabetes Management Classes: Howard Hospital's Clinical Nutrition Manager Annie Frassinello leads another series of Thursday evening classes related to diabetes topics. Thursday, January 25, the class topic is "Nutritional Class #2," and the classes continue on Thursday, February 1 with "Meds, Monitoring and Activities" and on Thursday, February 8 with "Coping and Reducing Risks." From 5:30 to 7:30 pm at the Seabiscuit Conference Room, Howard Memorial Hospital, 1 Marcela Drive. RSVP: Dietitian's Office: 456-3132.

Friday, January 26

Rotary Crab Sale: Willits Rotary Club members will be selling

freshly boiled crabs – while they last – on Friday, January 26 and Saturday, January 27 starting around 9 or 10 am, at the corner of Main Street and East San Francisco. Depending on available supply.

"A Hot Winter's Night": the annual celebration of the creativity, imagination and joyful spirits of Willits High School's Visual and Performing Arts students. Friday, January 26 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Alan Garcia Auditorium at Willits High School, 299 South Main. Music, dance, drama,

Auditions for two shows at WCT

What's Happening Around Town poetry, and a visual arts exhibit. Plus soup dinner fundraiser from 5 to 6 pm WILLIT'S CHARTER SCHOOL in the Wolverine Café, ~PRESENTShosted by the Leadership LICE Class. This event is free, and all are invited. Free supply. WONDERLAND" る正 treats during intermission, too. See article elsewhere Euphonium FRI., JAN. 26TH 7PM on Calendar page for SAT., JAN. 27TH 7PM SUN., JAN. 28TH 2 PM \$ 10 ADULTS / \$5 STUDENTS TICKETS AVAILABLE IN OFFICE "Alice in Wonderland": 1431 S. MAIN ST. Willits Charter School's production Carroll's 10:45 am. Lewis fantasy directed by Billy

January 26 at 7 pm. Saturday, January 27 at 7 pm, and Sunday, January 27 from 2 to 4 pm at the Village Hearth, January 28 at 2 pm. \$10 adults, \$5 students. Advance tickets available at the WCS office, 1431 South Main Street.

Friday,

Shanachie Pub: Cosmic Family Band – "an original psychedelic family band that's happy to Saturday, February 10, 2 to 4 pm. More info: www.

and Positivity." Friday, January 26 at 9 pm. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194. Visit www.facebook.com/Cosmic-Family-Music-128751681189230.

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Saturday, January 27 CERT Basic Training: Are you prepared? Get free CERT -Community Emergency Response Team – training at CalFire Howard Forest Station, 17501 Highway 101, Willits. Saturdays, January 27

> to 5:30 pm. CERT Training is "a fun and empowering way to learn disaster preparedness, survival skills, rescuer safety, teamwork, fire safety and suppression, basic disaster medical operations, and light search and rescue" Get knowledge, skills and tools to help support yourself, friends, neighbors and family in times of disaster. Sponsored by Mendocino County Office of Emergency

Services, Redwood Ford and NCO Volunteer Network. Contact NCO to register: 707-462-1959 or kharrison@ncoinc. org.

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or Auditions also start on Saturday, January 27 at 7 pm for "Rio Hondo," a western-movie-comedy-spoof written by Bill Robens and directed

by Lee Stipe. "Rio Hondo" auditions **Cosmic Family Band** continue Saturday, February 3 and Saturday, February 10 at noon and also Friday, February 3 and February 10 from 8:30 am

February 9 at 7 pm, all at WCT Playhouse, 37 West Van Lane. Info: contact Lee at 456-9654 or lee_stipe@hotmail.com. See article elsewhere on Calendar page for more details.

"North Fork Eel River Forest Health Revealed": presentation by Tom Keter, retired Six Rivers National Forest archaeologist, on the state of North Fork Eel River watershed forest health. Saturday, January 27 at 6:30 pm. Willits Hub, 630 South Main Street. Doors open at 6 pm with hors d'oeuvre, beer and wine. No charge for admission or refreshments but donations welcome. Info: Robin Leler at 459-0155 or ERRP Managing

Director Pat Higgins at 707-223-7200.



– on Friday, January 26 "Alice in Wonderland": Willits Charter School's is intended for first and required responders. and Saturday, January 27 dramatic production of Lewis Carroll's fantasy but also for anyone who wants to know how to starting around 9 or 10 am, at the corner of Main Street 27 at 7 pm. See Friday, January 26 listing for more and East San Francisco. details.

Depending on available Shanachie Pub: Pick & Pull – "Old Time High 4 Euphs 4 Him: A Brass Concert presented by the Willits Seventh-day Adventist Church, 399 Info: 459-9194. West Mendocino Avenue.

Saturday, January 27 at Sunday, January 28

Cotton Dandee & Marjo

in Covelo: "A Tea & Time

Hoedown" on Saturday,

directed by Billy Hetherington. Saturday, January

Octane Acoustic Hillbilly Dance Music" featuring Fred - upright bass fiddle; Keith - guitar, mandolin, starting Sunday, January 28 from 2 to 5 pm. Prebanjo, vocals; and other locals. Visit www. facebook.com/pickpullmusic. Saturday, January 27 at 9 pm. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. register.

Little Lake Grange Pancake Breakfast: 8 to 11 am, Sunday, January 28 (and most fourth Sundays). "Join your friends at the Grange breakfast! \$8 buys you a plate of the best 'scratch' pancakes & local farm eggs to be found anywhere around. Our tasty breakfast is a wonderful combination of comfort foods...." Choose sourdough wholegrain, Hank's Famous Buttermilk Pancakes or Gluten-Free, Beeler's Quality Bacon, organic local farm fresh eggs, real butter, juice, organic coffee

or tea. \$8; \$7 seniors, \$5 children under 10. Extra: sides of organic fruit Amish organic and maple syrup. Little Lake Grange #670, 291 School Street (2 blocks south of Commercial

Street; 1 block west of Main Street) Skunk Train Crab & Crémant: Ride the Skunk Train on Sunday,

January 28 to enjoy a crab chowder lunch and Scharffenberger Cellars Crémant sparkling wine as part of the Crab & Wine Days Festival. Train leaves the Willits Depot at 11 am. Tickets are \$66 age 13 and up; \$56 for ages 2-12; \$10 for under 2; \$10 dogs Reserve tickets online https://www.skunktrain.

com/ or call 707-964-6371 Shear Envy Multi Consultant LuLaRoe Event: LuLaRoe clothing sale, Sunday, January 28, from

1 to 4 pm at Shear Envy Salon, 1706 South Main Street

"Alice in Wonderland": Willits Charter School's dramatic production of Lewis Caroll's fantasy directed by Billy Hetherington. Final performance, Sunday, January 28 at 2 pm. See Friday, January 26 listing for more details.



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save a life, such as family members of patients at high risk for sudden death from cardiac arrest. Includes adult, pediatric and infant CPR. Free to the community; \$25 fee (refundable on completion of the class); two-year certification. Classes every month at the Seabiscuit Conference Room,

registration required Call 456-3156 for more information or to Monday,

January 29 Shanachie Pub: lan Carrol lan Carroll, visiting from Pennsylvania, a

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music and street performer, plays fiddle and drum. Traditional music influenced by ragtime piano, old-time fiddlers, folk guitar,

> Celtic and Middle Eastern music. Visit http://www.iancarroll.net. Monday, January 29 at 8 pm. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Noyo Theatre for all ages, all showings. This week's Tightwad movies: "The Darkest Hour." For showtimes: www

> noyotheatre.com. 57 East Commercial Street. 459-6696.

Thursday, February 1

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Room, Howard Memorial Hospital, 1 Marcela Drive. RSVP: Dietitian's Office: 456-3132.

"Heartsaver" CPRAED Class: Free Violin Concert by Jaime Jorge: Adventist offered by Adventist Health Health Howard Memorial presents a free Howard Memorial. "Taught by community concert by violin virtuoso Jaime our certified instructors, the Jorge, on Thursday, February 1 at 7 pm at the Heartsaver" CPR AED course Willits Community Center, 111 East Commercial

Calvin Taylor in Concert Senior Wednesday, February 7 Center

Street. "Jaime Jorge is a talented violinist who also has an inspiring story to share. Jaime began playing the violin at the age of 5. Born and raised in communist Cuba ... when Jaime was 10, his family came to the United States, where Jaime received a Christian education and violin lessons with eminent violinist and teacher Cyrus Forough.... Since 1988 he has traveled over 6 million air miles and has played in North, Central and South America, Europe, Australia, Asia and Africa (six continents in all and over 70 countries). He has recorded and released 17 albums."

Saturday, February 3

WCT Auditions: Willits Theatre Community holds auditions Saturday, Hondo," a western-movie-

February 3 at noon for "Rio comedy-spoof written by Bill Robens and directed by Lee Stipe. "Rio Hondo" auditions continue Friday, February

9 at 7 pm and Saturday, February 10 at noon, at the WCT Playhouse, 37 West Van Lane. Info: contact Lee at 456-9654 or lee_stipe@hotmail.com. See article elsewhere on Calendar page for more

details. Haschak for Supervisor Meet and Greet: Come and meet Willits teacher John Haschak, candidate for Third District supervisor, at this campaign event Saturday, February 3 at Brickhouse Coffee, 3 South Main Street. "Hear Haschak's ideas for creating a more dynamic, sustainable economy, improve infrastructure and disaster preparation, including a second access route for Brooktrails, a sensible cannabis ordinance, and making County government transparent and accountable." 4 to 6 pm. Complimentary tea, coffee and treats. No

charge, donations accepted Sunday, February 4

Sober Grad Pancake Breakfast: Sober Grad's Annual Pancake Breakfast at the Grange is set for Super Bowl Sunday, February 4! "Our breakfast is a fantastic way to start your Super

Bowl Sunday!" Menu includes the Grange cooks' delicious pancakes made from scratch, scrambled eggs bacon, OJ, and coffee, hot chocolate or tea. 8 to 11 am Little Lake Grange, to 11 am at The Grange. \$6 adults; \$5 seniors; \$4 kids 10 and under. To



go breakfasts will be available.

'The Shape of Water'

The Story: This is a fantasy flick, an action thriller, and very much a love story. It's 1962. Elisa the lonely mute (Sally Hawkins) is a janitor at a Cold War top-secret

Ongoing Events

Willits Farmers Market: Thursdays from 3 to 5:30 pm at Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. Veggies, local meats and local grains, dinner, savory and sweet baked goods, gift items, jams and jellies, balsamic vinegars, local honey, artisan and fair trade chocolates, crafts, knitted goods and jewelry, live music, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more.

Tools for Fire Victims at the Farmers Market: Every Thursday, the Farmers Market and the School of Adaptive Agriculture are collecting tools for those who lost their homes in the Redwood Complex Fire. Please bring donated tools to the Farmers Market on Thursday afternoons from 3 to 5:30 pm at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. If tools are dull, Keith Rosen will sharpen them during the market. If unable to transport tools, contact Market Manager Michael Foley 216-5549 to arrange pick

Willits International Folk Dancing: Every Thursday from 7 to 9 pm. Learn recreational cultural dances from around the world Beginners welcome. No dance experience necessary. No partner needed. \$5 per class. Willits Charter School, 1431 South Main Street. Info: Megan Wolf, 530-647-6512 or megster1989@ vahoo.com

Willits Frontier Twirlers: Square-dancing workshops held every Monday from 6:30 to 7:45 pm, at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. "Dancers are encouraged to come regularly as new moves are taught every session. Bring your partner or come as a single dancer and join our fun-loving club!" \$5 per person, per night.

Friday Potluck Bingo: Harrah Senior Center presents Potluck Bingo on Friday nights. Doors open at 5 pm; games begin at 5:30 pm. Minimum bingo buy-in \$5. 1501 Baechtel Road. Info:

Twice-Monthly Parkinson's Discussion and Support Group: Meets 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 10:30 to 11:45 am. In the Conference Room at Willits Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459-1941

German Conversation Class: Ongoing non-denominational German conversation/book reading class is open to new members (middle to advanced German speakers). No charge, but donations gladly accepted. St. John Lutheran Church, 24 Mill Creek Drive. Mondays from 7 to 8:30 pm. Info: Doris Wier, 456-

Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Group: Meets every Tuesday at 6:30 pm, at the Muse, 31 East San Francisco Avenue. Info: 456-9425 or honemann@yahoo.com.

Willits Community Drum Circle: 7 to 10 pm at the Saint Francis in the Redwoods Episcopal Church, 66 East Commercial Street. Every 2nd and 4th Friday. Free. Everyone is welcome. Info: 459-

Willits Library Activities: Wednesdays: 11 to 11:30 am "Play Group," and 3:30 to 5:30 pm "Lego Day" (bring your imagination and start building); Thursdays: 11 to 11:30 am "Story Time" Fridavs: 5 to 6 pm "Youth Game Night" (ages 10 to 14). Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Info: 459-5908.

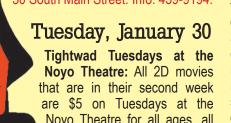
Willits Seed Lending Library: Offering information on seed saving and gardening. Seeds of flowers, herbs, and vegetables are free to seed library members, and seed donations are gladly accepted

Al-Anon Meeting: Thursday nights from 5:30 to 6:30 pm at the Baechtel Creek Village Community Room (behind Rite-Aid) at the Evergreen Shopping Center. Saturdays at 10 am at St. Francis Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall, 66 East Commercial Street. "Al-Anon Family groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience strength and hope to solve their common problems. We believe that alcoholism is a family illness and that changed attitudes can aid recovery."

Drop-In Knitting Circle: Every Saturday of the month, from 2:30 to 4:30 pm at the Willits Branch Library, 390 East Commercial Street. "Bring your own projects or your yarn and needles; we have people who should be able to help solve problems and/or help you learn to knit or crochet. Sign-ups are not necessary everyone is welcome to drop in." Info: Lotus Baker at 456-9037, or lotusb3@earthlink.net.

Soroptimists International of Willits: Women's service club aimed at the betterment of girls and women. Meets second and third Tuesdays of every month, noon to 1 pm, at Old Mission Pizza, 1708 South Main Street, in the back room. Women interested in community service are welcome: new members are encouraged to join at any time.

Life Changes: Discussion and support group with Linda Posner, Wednesdays from 10 to 11 am. Harrah Senior Center, 1501 **Baechtel Road** Volleyball Open Gym: Baechtel Grove Gym, 1150 Magnolia Street. Sundays 7 to 9 pm, and Tuesdays at 7:30 to 9:30 pm. Some experience desired, but not required. \$5 per night; first night free. Info: Jeff at 354-1850. Smoking Cessation Program: Free "Freedom from Smoking" class sponsored by the Frank R. Howard Memorial Hospital. Every Wednesday at the HMH Conference Room, 1 Madrone Street, 6 to 7 pm. RSVP to Jennifer Barrett at 540-4208. Walk-ins are always welcome



The Willits Community Theatre will be holding auditions for two power-packed shows in coming weeks.

First, WCT will be holding auditions for "Rio Hondo," a western-movie-comedyspoof written by Bill Robens and directed by Lee Stipe. Stipe is looking for 15 men and seven women between the ages of 20 and 60, with, hopefully, an accent on guys and gals who are younger than 40. This comedy has lots of shoot-outs, and there is a need for actors who come on for just a minute or so before biting the dust. There will be doubling and tripling of smaller roles. The show is scheduled to run from June 22 through July 8, over the Fourth of July and Frontier Days holidays.

Auditions for "Rio Hondo" will be held on Saturday, January 27, Saturday, February 3 and Saturday, February 10 all at noon and also Friday, February 9 at 7 pm, all at Willits Community Theatre Playhouse, 37 West Van Lane, just one block west of Shanachie Pub. For more information about "Rio Hondo" contact Lee at 456-9654 or lee_stipe@hotmail.com.

Also, WCT will be holding auditions for a staged reading of "The Christians" by Lucas Hnath. One of the most popular plays in the U.S. in 2017, "The Christians" is a taut drama that tells the story of an idealistic Christian minister who is slowly pushed out of his church because of his theological shortcomings. The show will March 9 and 10.

the men should be 40ish, the third may be older. The women may be 20 to 40 years

old.

Willits Community Theatre Playhouse. For 30, 2018 more information about "The Christians,' contact Robert Ford at 354-3132 or

enjremodeling@yahoo.com. - submitted by the kzyx.org, or by leaving a message at the station, 895-2324

for the Common Good'

Starts January 27

'Building an Economy

Mendocino College North County Center offers a series of collaborative Saturday morning workshops on "Building an Economy for the Common Good in Mendocino County" at the Willits campus. This seven-class series of workshops will identify the entities in Mendocino County that are creating a sustainable, vibrant, empowering and just future for our communities. This effort is inspired and advised by the national effort of the US Solidarity Economy Network to map solidarity economy enterprises across the country. You can see their map at http://solidarityeconomy.us/ We are creating a separate map that we plan to merge with the national map once the project is completed. Workshops will be held Saturday mornings 10 am to noon, every two weeks starting January 27.

We call this process "building the bicycle while we are riding it." We began with a series of workshops in the fall on the coast. Now we are excited for you to join us to continue the process in the New Year. It has been an exhilarating project identifying, interviewing and mapping entities that are working to make life in Mendocino County ecologically, economically and socially beneficial for all.

More info: contact instructors Jim Tarbell at 964-1323 (rtp@ mcn.org) or Carrie Durkee at 937-2554 (cdurkee@mcn.org). To register, call Patti Gulyas at Mendocino College, 707-468-3236 or go to www.mendocino.edu/workshop-registration

> - Submitted by Jim Tarbell, author/editor of "Justice Rising"

KZYX needs board members

Mendocino County Public Broadcasting, KZYX and KZYZ, be directed by Robert Ford and will run on has an openings on its board of directors for the Willits, Laytonville, North County area and two at-large positions

For "The Christians," the director is and is accepting applications now. Applications are available seeking three men and two women. Two of on-line at http://kzyx.org

> To fill one of these positions you must have been a station member in good standing by December 31, 2017, be able to carry out the responsibilities of a member of the board

Auditions for "The Christians" will be held of directors, a list of which is available on the "elections" on Saturday, January 27 at 4 pm, at the webpage, and submit an application by 5 pm on January

> The application is available online or from the station, and you may submit it with your ballot statement by email, regular mail, or in person. Questions may be sent to bod@

Willits Community Theatre during regular business hours.

2018 CLASS SCHEDULE ffering Heartsaver CPR AED classes for FREE. Taught by ou January 28 | 2:00 - 5:00 pm instructors, the Heartsaver® CPR AED course is in February 18 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm for all individuals who have a duty to respond to a cardiac emerge because of job responsibilities or regulatory requirements March 13 | 6:00 - 9:00 pm April 11 | 6:00 - 9:00 pm The course is also for anyone who may want to know how to save : May 20 | 1:00 - 4:00 pm June 21 | 6:00 - 9:00 pm August 2 | 6:00 - 9:00 pm \$25 fee (\$75 Value) September 17 | 6:00 - 9:00 pm October 3 | 6:00 - 9:00 pm TWO YEAR CERTIFICATION November 14 | 6:00 - 9:00 pm Adventist Health All classes will be in Spaces are limited. Call 707.456.3156 to register. Prior registration required

A Hot Winter's Nigh



Willits High School

Music Art Drama Dance Poetry Food Friday, January 26, 2018

Leadership Soup Kitchen: 5:00-6:00 in the Wolverine Café

Love

Showtime: 6:30-8:30

Presented by the WHS Visual & Performing Arts Department •A New Year's Gift to the Willits Community

The Willits Adventist Church welcomes Calvin Taylor, pianist and recording artists, for a free public concert of Lunch sacred music on Wednesday, February 7 at 7 pm at Willits Adventist Church, 399 West Mendocino Avenue. 459-5714. Week of January 29 Visit www.calvintaylormusic.org. through February 2

Calvin Taylor, known for his unusually-large hand span Monday: Turkey of over 1 1/2 octaves, presents sounds and colors at the Tetrazzini keyboard which would normally require four hands. Playing Tuesday: Oven Baked piano by ear at 5 years of age, Taylor began formal lessons Chicker on his seventh birthday, and was serving as a church organist at the age of 14. In high school, Taylor was a Wednesday: member of both the Los Angeles Junior Philharmonic and Hamburger Steak w/ the Southwest Youth Symphony, went on to Oberlin College Onion Gravy Conservatory of Music with a full scholarship, and has since Thursday: Tamale Pie performed for numerous orchestras and has toured around the world. Taylor has recorded more than 10 solo albums, Friday: Grilled written music books, and currently records for Master Disc Cheese & Tomato Records. No charge; a free-will offering will be received. Info: Soup 615-295-5795.

Harrah Senior - submitted by the Willits Adventist Church Center serves lunch

five days per week Willits Otters Swim Team from 11:45 am to 1 pm. \$6.50 for those 55 Upcoming 2018 season

and older; \$8 for those Signups for the Willits Otters Swim Team, for new and under 55. Includes returning swimmers, are coming up on Saturday, February soup, salad, entree, 10 at J.D. Redhouse, from 10 am to noon or Monday, March vegetable, dessert, and drink. Salad Bar 5, at the Willits City Pool at 4:30 pm. available all year. 1501

Swimmers hit the water on Monday, March 5! Practice is Baechtel Road. Info: at the Willits City Pool 5 to 6:30 pm, Monday – Thursdays. 459-6826 Membership =fees include: \$75 Pacific Swim

membership and insurance and \$300 yearly dues (can be paid in two installments).

Swimmers will receive six hours of certified trained coaching March through the end of July to develop lifelong and lifesaving skills with

specific stroke instruction and the opportunity

recognized organization, USA Swimming. Swimmers travel to regional meets at least

Meet in June. We are thrilled to welcome new coach Robert Chavez this year in addition to veteran coach

Lou Meier. More info: Kelley Labus 707 489-5709

- Submitted by the

Willits Otters Swim Team

Daniel Essman American laboratory where an extraordinary Columnist amphibian humanoid is being held captive. It/he is an intelligent being with fins and gills and scales and very sharp teeth. Elisa very quickly finds

herself enthralled by the creature. One faction in the laboratory wants to steal the it, another wants to cut it up and study it. Elisa has to make a difficult and courageous choice..

My Thoughts: I'm not worthy. This movie is so much better than I am. It is tender, violent, fantastical, humorous and thrilling. The writer/ director Guillermo Del Toro (cowritten by Vanessa Taylor) has

put together a story born out of magical realism I've never quite seen before. It pays homage to film history, musicals, and movies in general. It has scenes that are visually stunning. The cast is perfect. Sally Hawkins has powerful and touching screen presence. Richard Jenkins delivers. Michael Shannon is a dark, brooding storm . very scary. Don't miss this movie.

Parents: Not for children. There's nudity and a couple sex scenes. It's rated "R" and that seems right. Teens and up.

Willitsian Daniel Essman prefers his reality attenuated by the wisdom of the imagination

A Hot Winter's Night

"A Hot Winter's Night" is happening Friday, January 26 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Alan Garcia Auditorium at Willits High School. It's a small town celebration of our WHS students, their creativity, imagination and joyful spirits.

We have a great show lined up, and everyone in the community is invited to attend! Our visual and performing artists are sure to surprise and delight you, as we welcome the new to compete at a regional-level nationally year with music, dance, drama, poetry, and a visual arts exhibit.

The leadership class will be hosting a delicious soup dinner fundraiser from 5 to 6 pm in the Wolverine Café. You will also enjoy free, scrumptious treats during intermission. All one time each month and host the Willits Swim this festivity will be enhanced by family, friends and community!

The event is planned and produced by our very own WHS visual & performing artists, under the guidance of Carolyn Bakewell in Visual Arts, Diana McNally-McCall in Music, Jill Walton in Poetry, Kelley Case-Brackett in Leadership, and Jessie Rees in Culinary Craft "A Hot Winter's Night" is the Visual & Performing Arts gift to our community. This event is free for all! For further information call Diana McNally-McCall at 459.7700 X 1536 or email dianamcnallymccall@willitsunified.com or Carolyn Bakewell at 459.7700 X 1533 (WHS) email carolynbakewell@willitsunified.com

– WHS Visual & Performing Arts

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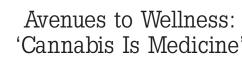
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Free Sheriff's Activity League programs: at Body Works Gym, 1511 South Main Street. Teen gym: Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3 to 5 pm. Karate: Thursday, Little Dragonsages 3 to 6, 5:15 to 6 pm. Youth Karate-ages 6 to 11, 6 to 7 pm: Tweens to Adults-ages 11 and up, 7 to 8:30 pm. All SAL programs

free to the public. Info: www.facebook.com/ MendocinoCountySheriffsYouthActivitiesLeague or Mike Tobin: 354-0565.

Shanachie Pub: Singer-songwriter Aaron Ford every first Thursday at 7 pm. No cover. Jazz Night every second and fourth Thursday. 8 pm. "Local musicians ... take jazz standards and infuse them with funk, hip hop, world, and free form jamming. The outcome is unexplainable." Open Mic Night every Wednesday. Sign up for the lottery for 20 minute time slots from 3 pm, when the Pub opens. to 7:30 pm. Music starts at 8 pm. "An eclectic array of local musicians and performers from around the world, often turning into an evening full of unexpected surprises." Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street, behind Adam's Restaurant. Info: 459-9194.

Laytonville Farmers Market: Mondays, from 2:30 to 5:30 pm at Harwood Hall, 44400 Willis Avenue, Laytonville. Local fresh fruits and vegetables, artisan goat cheeses, ranch meats, eggs, handcrafted clothing, live music and much more.



Avenues to Wellness presents: "Cannabis is Medicine: Changing the Narrative with Education," a presentation by Jude Thilman, medical cannabis educator Tuesday, February 6, 5:30 to 7 pm, at Willits Center for the Arts 71 East Commercial Street.

Cannabis has been used as an herbal healing therapy for centuries. Researchers understand the science behind medicinal cannabis, but the public remains ill-equipped to choose and use the cannabis medicine that is right for them. Join us to learn about the science of cannabis medicine and to get answers to your questions about this controversial plant.

Jude Thilman is a medical cannabis educator and the owner of Dragonfly Wellness Center in Fort Bragg. She offers presentations to patient groups and health providers, as well as counseling for individuals seeking to learn about cannabis medicines.

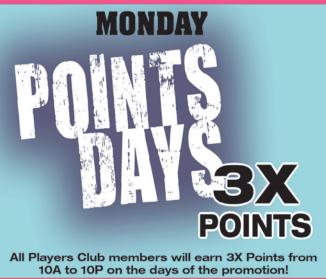
Sunday February 4th Super Bowl Sunday 3pm-8pm All Player's Club Member(s) (via Player's Club Booth) that wear a football jersey will receive \$5.00 in free play (once per Club Member)

Scratch Card Sunday!

Players Club members that earn minimally 40 points on ach specific Sunday, will receive one (only one) Scratch Card (via the Players Club). Each Scratch Card will have a prize (cash or free play), which will be:

\$10 Free Play \$20 Free Play \$50 Free Play \$75 Free Play \$100 Free Play \$20 Cash \$50 Cash \$100 Cash

rs may receive only one Scratch Card each Sunday for this pre All Free play that is won via the Hot Seat drawings must be used by 2am on the same gaming day, or the winnings (Free Play) will be removed from the



Wednesday February 14th ears 2pm-5pm (once per hour 2pm- \$100 free play, 3pm- \$150 free play 4pm- \$200 cash , 5pm- \$300 Cash





HOT SEAT DRAWINGS \$200 cash / \$100 Free play 2x per hour \$100 cash / \$100 free play for \$25 free play & \$25 cash

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COLUMN | Cannabis Diary

Community brainstorms possible cannabis tourist attractions

Cannabis tourism might well rejuvenate Willits' ailing

economy and help small farmers stay in business. That was the conclusion of eight panelists and the keynote speaker at the CannaTourism forum Sunday, January 21, at the Willits Little Lake Grange. Jane Futcher "Farmers are in the most

Contributing Reporter difficult situation and don't know what to do next," said the event's

organizer Annie Waters, referring to cannabis cultivators who lack the financial resources to get county and state licenses as costs soar and the wholesale price of cannabis plummets.

"Willits is suffering, even bleeding from the bypass," said Waters, noting that even a Caltrans employee she knows recently missed the exit for Willits. "How many of you missed the exit today?" A few hands went up.

\$150

More than 100 people from Mendocino County, Humboldt and the Bay Area were on hand Sunday to brainstorm ideas for cannabis tourism in the county and beyond. After the speakers, the audience

broke into small groups to address tourism issues and ideas, such as creating: cannabis farming and herbal medicine classes; a commercial cannabis kitchen and / or restaurant and cooking school; bud and breakfasts, cannabis Airbnbs, and

cannabis farmers' markets. "A lot of my friends in Willits have closed their stores," Waters lamented, urging the audience to share creative and attractive cannabis tourism ideas.

Keynote speaker Brian Applegarth of Emerald Country Tours and the new California Cannabis Tourism Association, is already running cannabis tours in Sonoma County. He presented impressive statistics on the hundreds of millions of tourist dollars

pouring into the Bay Area every year. He urged a region-wide Northern California "Cannabis Trail" approach to tourism from Santa Cruz to Arcata, emphasizing the region's "unique Bohemia" heritage and culture.

"I can see the magic of Mendocino," Applegarth said. "Sonoma gets more tourism than Mendocino. How do we get people up here?" His tours highlight Northern California - he's only conducted 12 so far - focusing on Sonoma's cannabis heritage, including the back-to-the-land movement, arts and crafts, and the spiritual dimensions of cannabis.

"At this stage, I'm here to support Mendocino County," Applegarth said.

The diverse panelists who proceeded Applegarth offered dreams of their own. Richard Jergensen of Willits has collected more than 1,000 pieces of cannabis memorabilia that tell the history of cannabis in Mendocino County. He thinks a cannabis history and education museum and multifaceted event center and hotel or camping site in Willits would be a tourist magnet.

Amanda Reiman, a cannabis policy expert and vice president of Flow Kana in Redwood Valley, underscored the importance of creating the right type of tourism atmosphere, particularly if cannabis consumption is involved. "If someone

Cannabis tour operators, Reiman said, would need state tourism licenses and permits, but would not need a cannabis business or cultivation permit because they themselves would not be directly handling, selling, distributing or dispensing cannabis.

Local appellations and Mendocino County terroirs will also pique interest and draw visitors, said Genine Coleman of the Mendocino Appellations Project. Senate Bill 94, she pointed out, requires that the Department of Food and Agriculture designate the county of origin of permitted cannabis and allows licensed cultivators to establish appellations. She said tourists are intrigued by appellations and terroirs such as Champagne and Roquefort in France. But drawing tourists is challenging and takes time. "We need strategic partnerships helping develop agricultural tourism," Coleman said.

Brooke Horowitz of the Emerald Exchange sees permitted farmers markets as a great way to lure travelers and cannabis lovers, allowing them to meet

local farmers and participate

in "lifestyle" events that might

include yoga, health and

wellness classes, and an

introduction to the healing

benefits of the cannabis plant.

Karen Byars of Mendocino

Cannabis Resource provided

some permitting information,

stating that cannabis farmers

venue options for cannabis

events, making more venues

Humboldt Cannabis Tour

founder Matt Kurth, 33, a

former river guide, said he

doesn't think small cannabis

farmers with half-acre farms

can survive financially without

tourism because of falling



markets and event organizers need event permits from the Above: "We need to demystify and create a new state for every event they conversation about cannabis." said keynote speaker put on. Applicants must Brian Applegarth, right, at Sunday's CannaTourism forum, apply 60 days in advance with Jane Futcher. Below: "We are known the world and host the event at a over," said Swami Chaitanya of Laytonville. "We don't state-approved facility - a give up," said Nikki Lastreto. They urged local farmers fairgrounds or an approved who can't make it as permitted cultivators to consider agricultural association site. Several panelists said that the state needs to expand the



prices and the expenses of permitting. "Farmers who can't make it," he said, "can move into tourism. They would be the perfect guides. I'd hire them."

available.

The always-entertaining Swami Chaitanya of Swami Select brand out of Laytonville said many local residents don't realize that Mendocino County is known all over the world for its cannabis. He said he was traveling in Goa, in Asia, some years ago when he met a traveler who said, "I know Laytonville. I used to trim there."

"We have to turn trimmers into tourists," said Swami, who agreed that former cultivators are "perfect docents" to lead tours.

Nikki Lastreto of Swami Select underscored the attractiveness of Mendocino County to new as well as experienced cannabis users and tourists. "People are ionesin' to come up here," she said. "It's a wonderful weekend trip." "We don't give up, and we don't stop," Lastreto said. "And

we just keep going." Participants appeared upbeat and energized by the event,

but when Waters asked for a volunteer to organize a followup meeting on cannatourism in Mendocino County, she had no takers.

Jane Futcher hosts "The Cannabis Hour" every other Thursday at 9 am, on

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Bingo Cards can start being issued at 11A for the 12P game, and 6P for the 7P game. The 1P, 2P, 3P, 8P, 9P & 10P cards will be issued adter the earlier game has ended. If two customer's claim the win together, the prize amount "split" between the two winners.

For the 3P and 10P, there will be a "Second Chance Win". After a confirmed ingo for these three games (and the winning customer has been processed he game will continue until a second "Bingo" is won, the the "Second Chance Vin" customer will win \$50 Cash for the 3P game and \$100 free play for the 10P game. The "Second Chance Win" opportunity will be announced before each of the specific games.

> Saturday February 10th Winter Warmth 12pm-2pm

3 ticket drawings for a \$300 Clothing gift card to Willits Power

Get your ticket entries starting at 10am Every 60 points = 1 ticket entry Drawings at 12pm, 1pm, and 2pm very 60 points = 1 ticket entry

One lucky winner will get a Package Deal of: (1) 48" DECK RIDEMOWER, (1) 20" FIREWOOD CHAINSAW, (1) PRO TRIMMER (1) TILLER, (1) TELESCOPIC POLE SAW, (1) BLOWER & (1) 16" CU DUMP CART

SATURDAY FUN HOT SEAT DRAWINGS!

Round #1: 11 AM to 12 PM - 2 random winners per hour (6 winners total) Each winner will win \$50 in Free Play. Customers will have to play a minimum of \$20 to be eligible for Round #1.

Round #3: 9 PM to 10 PM – 3 random winners per hour. Each winner will win \$100 in Free Play. Customers will have to play a minimum of \$40 to be eliaible for Round #3.

6 PM to 8PM – 3 random winners per hour (6 total winners) Each winner will win \$75 in Free Play. Customers will have to play a minimum of \$30 to be eligible for Round #2.

Round #4: 10 PM to 11 PM – 3 random winners per hour Each winner will win \$150 in Free Play. Customers will have to play a minimum of \$50 to be eligible for Round #4.

All winner(s) must use their promotional "Free Play" by 2AM the night they won, or the Free Play will be removed from their account. Customers may win up to two (2) times each Saturday of this promotion.

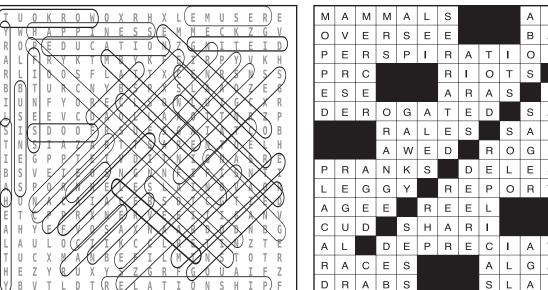


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gets too stoned, it is not a good experience," Reiman said. KZYX/Mendocino County Public Broadcasting. Brian Applegarth will be her guest "People are coming for vacation. You want them to come back on Thursday, January 25. Futcher is the author of five books, including "Women and tell their friends. You can't undo a bad experience. We're Gone Wild," a memoir about moving to Mendocino County. starting at a whole new level of education. Take it seriously. Further the cause of reforming marijuana prohibition. Turn the stigma around."

Reiman said during a break that farmers who grow a few plants for personal consumption but don't have permits can invite cannabis tours to visit their farms. They are allowed to give away, but not to sell, up to an ounce of their own cannabis. They could offer cannabis medicine classes to tourists or teach tourists to make cannabis-infused organic meals during their visits and would not need a cultivation or tourism permit.







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Senior Program Manager
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For a complete list of current job openings
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Help Wanted

Baechtel Creek Medical

Clinic is looking for a full-

time receptionist. Spanish

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Piper the Terrier

Piper is a 6-year-old bundle of wire hair and energy! This little terrier mix is so cute Morty is a 2-year-old neutered male mixed-breed and full of life. He loves kids, and loves to run and play and play and play! He's such a dog. He knows "Sit" and "Shake," and we'd guess sweet little guy, but the family that adopts him will have to accept the responsibility of he's got a few more tricks up his sleeve. He loved maintaining his daily medical routine of feeding him a grain-free diet (due to food allergies) playing catch and keep away with a tennis ball.



and regular allergy medications. With this Morts is a great size, and he is a very handsome diet and these medications, he can be a dog with stunning markings (especially his 16 white happy active canine companion for your toes!) Morty was playful with a female dog he met, family for many years to come! Come meet and barky with a male dog, who then did not want this little guy and see for yourself. to play with him! If considering this nice dog for For more

information on the adoption, make sure you have plenty of time in your Humane Society for Inland Mendocino schedule for playing and having a good time! County's adoptable animals, call the

The Ukiah Animal Shelter is located at 298 HSIMC at 707-485-0123, check www. Plant Road in Ukiah. Adoption hours are Tuesday, mendohumanesociety.com, or visit the Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 4:30 shelter at 9700 Uva Drive in Redwood pm, and Wednesday from 10 am to 6:30 pm. To Valley. Open hours: 1 to 5 pm, Wednesday through Friday; and 11 am to 3 pm, view photos and bios of some of the other wonderful

adoptable animals here, please visit online at: Saturday and Sunday. To volunteer or help SPIRITUAL www.mendoanimalshelter.com. More info about take the dogs for a walk, please join us on Sundays at 11 PATHWAYS adoptions: 707-467-6453. am for an orientation.

at Baechtel Grove

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on his way to metaling in the North Coast Classic

Weight Class: 138-pound

Wrestling

Dominic Bertolino,

16, Sophomore

How Long Playing the Sport: Two

years at Willits High and three years

Breakfast of Champions: Cereal

Pro tip: "I just try and grab whatever

Traditions: ""I don't have any

traditions, but my dad also wrestled

in high school and I really liked the

submitted by Coach Brian Bowles

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OBITUARY

Amazing Grace Assembly of God Church 803 Coast Street P.O. Box 489. Willits Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.r Pastor, Bill Nobles

Information: 456-9668 EVERYBODY IS WELCOM Eckankar: The Path of Spiritual Freedo

•Sound of Soul events Membership Discourses Spiritual Discussions •ECK Light & Sound Services More information Call 707-456-9934

Grace Community Church

Celebrating Life In Christ 25 Hazel Street, Willits Adult Sunday School - 9:30 a.r Coffee Fellowship - 10:30 a.m Worship Service & Children's Church - 11 a.m Mid-week Bible Studies Potluck every 2ND Sunday Alan Klier, Lead Pastor 459-3106

St. Francis Episcopal Church l North Main Street, Willits 707-459-3066

hurch Services/Communio 10:00 a.m. Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. ALL ARE WELCOME The Rev. Betsy Bruneau

Willits Seventh-Day **Adventist Church** 399 W. Mendocino Avenue 459-6390

Stan Caylor, Pastor Sabbath School - 9:15 a.m. Worship Serivice - 10:45 a.m 1st Sabbath of every month *family potluck at the school.* 22751 Bray Road, Willits

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Christ centered, progressive churc ALL ARE WELCOME Above: Sanhedrin High School early graduate Ricardo Haschak, 286 School St. (at Pine) center, with his parents John and Janice Haschak. Rev. Rosemary Landry, pasto Worship Celebration

Congrats Sundays - 11:00 a.m.

Handsome Morty



Wrestling Nicole Karkar. 17. Senior

How Long Playing the Sport:

Breakfast of Champions: Bagel and cream cheese

Traditions: ""I always eat Craisins at every meet!"

Family: "My sister, Dana, also used to wrestle at Willits High School.

Nicole went undefeated in

girls tournament, pinning all of Dominic has a positive, tenacious, never-quit attitude. He went 4-1 in the tournament this last weekend and is her opponents. She is the team captain for both boys and girls because of her excellent leadership skills.

submitted by Coach Brian Bowles

Patricia Risch Patricia "Pati" Sue Risch of Willits died peacefully in her sleep at her home on hursday, December 7, 2017. Pati was born in Eureka, California on September 13, 1934. She spent her childhood in Lake County and much of her

adult life in Willits raising eight children. Pati and her husband, Donald, owned and operated Risch's Cabinets where Pati did the bookkeeping.

Pati had many interests she enjoyed -

strongest among them was reading. Her favorite author was Anne McCaffrey and her Dragonriders of Pern. Pati also loved music and for years would keep a journal of the Rick Dees Weekly Top 40 along with The Crook and Chase Countdown.

She loved all animals, and enjoyed plants and gardening.

Pati was den mother for Cub Scout Pack 4, and she also accompanied many Boy Scout outings as the driver for Troop 79 – both clubs in Willits.

Patricia met her husband in Willits and was proud to say they had been married 53 years. During those years they raised their own eight children as well as many official and

The rest of Winter Fund Drive raises \$26,575 so far

As of January 17, Willits Community Services and Food Bank has raised \$26,575 towards its 2017 Winter

Fund Drive goal of \$34,000. WCS has been providing essential human services to the greater Willits and north Mendocino County communities since 1981, providing a safety net of human services that help cushion the effects of short- and longterm unemployment, poverty and crisis.

To help WCS reach its fundraising goal, checks made out to "Willits Community Services" can be mailed to WCS, 229 East San Francisco Avenue, Willits, CA 95490, or dropped off during office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from noon to 5 pm.

Or donate online through the PayPal Giving Fund. Open this link: https://www.paypal.com/fundraiser/hub, then search for "Willits Community Services." Or through Ebay Charities. Open this link: http://charity.ebay.com/ charity/search/ and search for "Willits Community Services."

WCS has received contributions for the Winter Fund Drive from the following donors since the last update: Robert and Margrete Arnold; Bill Barksdale & Joe Dowling; David & Ellen Drell; John Ford; Bill & Frances Gardner; Galen Hathaway; Steve Kovner & Cypress Ross; Donald & Janet Lamprich; Daniel Loughry; Patricia Madigan; Mendocino County Resource Conservation District; Don & Mary Louise Morris; Olga & Noel O'Neill; Padula Lumber Co.; Kris & Rick Pierce; Peggy Randrup; Ann Seifert; Sherwood Valley Rancheria; R.E. & M.L. Simonson & P.J. Cartwright; the Surgery Department staff at Howard Memorial; and two anonymous donors.

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These and other actuarial tricks are factored into an assessment of value.

For Mendocino County's actuary, Segal Associates, and for many other professional actuaries. looking at assets and losses in terms of the valuation system of value is the preferred method

During fiscal 2016-17, the various portfolios invested in an array of markets by the retirement association returned 15.80 percent on investment, calculated as a market valuation of value. That's more than double what the MCERA had most recently assumed as its estimated rate of return, which, for most of the 2016-2017 fiscal year, had been pegged at 7.25 percent.

When calculated as a valuation value of assets, the return on investments was 8.46 percent, which is still well over the estimated rate of return of 7.25 percent. In pure money terms, the investment gain was \$3.9 million. This is good news compared with the results of fiscal 2015-16, which was a deferred investment loss of \$24.7 million

Also, in April 2017, the MCERA board adopted a new estimated rate of return of 7 percent.

Despite this double hit of good news, the employer's contribution rate for 2017 increased \$1.96 million, from \$19.8 million in 2015-2016 to \$21.76 million in 2016-2017

Total assets of the retirement fund (calculated using the valuation value of assets model) increased to \$475.2 million. Total liabilities of the fund increased to \$679.5 million. As a result, the unfunded actuarial accrued liability, known as "UAAL" - the amount of the

The rest of Consultant | From Page 1 Fire | From Page 1

9, sending work crews home for a week. 2016 by the Mendocino County Planning AshBritt lifted the bid protest in Napa, Lake and Mendocino counties on January 12, and subcontractors ECC and Ceres were

McFadden said currently the Army Corps is anticipating debris removal will be completed in March. Contacted by telephone on January 22, Lee Howard, Mendocino County manager

for the North Coast Builders Exchange, said the recent shutdown of the federal government had not affected work on the 2017.

cleanup "They are going great guns," Howard said. "This past weekend they cleared 20 sites.'

back at work on January 14.

Mendocino County Planner Mike Oliphant detailed all the various permits and plans required as part of the building permit process. Oliphant said people seeking a building permit need to submit an application, a plot plan of their property, a floor plan of their new house, a framing plan, a foundation plan, an elevation plan showing a side view of the planned construction, a statement showing the new project has met the requirements of the "wildland urban interface" protocols, two copies of engineering specifications, a project approval from CalFire, project approval

from the Redwood Valley Fire District, two copies of Title 24 energy documents, and plans for sprinkler installation prepared by a C16 state-licensed contractor.

Asked why the county is requiring payment for all these plans and permits, Oliphant reminded the audience that supervisors have directed that payment can be deferred until the building permit application has received final approval.

Department of Planning and Building Services Interim Director Nash Gonzalez said the insurance plans of many property owners cover rebuilding, and permit costs are covered in most rebuilding insurance

policies. Gonzalez also explained why the county decided to make homeowners pay for all of these various permits. "For the county to waive [payment] means the county would be showing the federal government it has money it doesn't have and means the county would be waiving the opportunity to recoup any federal funds that might be available for this disaster."

University of California Cooperative Extension Forest Advisor Greg Giusti said the fire, which burned 36,000 acres in

central Mendocino County, was devastating aware of any other jurisdiction that has done for trees, estimating some 3.6 million trees this would be affected by the flames. Junker told the supervisors that he was Many were burned up, he said. Many

daunted by the request by the board of more were killed although they remain supervisors and by the non-cannabis standing; and even more appear to have growing community that Michael Baker survived the fire but will die over the next few years, due to insects or opportunistic

Commission, while it was reviewing the of Methamphetamine). then-proposed cultivation ordinance. While supervisors agreed in principle with the responded to a report of commission, they never discussed in detail harassment in the 100 block

how the overlay zones would work. of Alder Court. County CEO Carmel Angelo announced 9:56 in March 2017 that she was beginning work responded to a disturbance in on a request for proposals for a consultant the 1700 block of Elm Lane. to craft the overlay amendments. Michael Baker International was awarded the January 18

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\$143,000 contract for the work in October 8:36 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1200

block of Poplar Avenue. County staff and the board of supervisors have been working on drafting and refining 8:45 the cultivation ordinance, and other responded to a report of rape ordinances dealing with other aspects of the in the 100 block of Creekside medical cannabis industry, almost without Court.

stint since April 2016. 8:59 am: Junker said he anticipates coming back to responded to a report of supervisors with an outline of his proposed harassment in the 100 block recommendations by March 1. He and his of Williams Street. team will then create a final draft of the 2:44 pm: ordinance amendments and bring these to William Andrew (36) of

the board of supervisors "within two to three Ukiah was contacted near months" of March 1 – which would mean the intersection of Central roughly June 1. Street and Barbara Lane,

Following that, the ordinance amendment He was arrested pursuant would go to the county planning to 490.5 PC (Shoplifting) commission for its review, a process that 21510 (B) PC (Possession could take a month or two. After planners of a Switchblade), on review the proposed changes and make felony charges of receiving recommendations, the amendments would stolen property, and on return to the board of supervisors. That misdemeanor charges of means the final ordinance overlay zone possession of a controlled amendments, and a model for addressing substance, possession of exceptions to the ordinance, would come drug paraphernalia, resisting back to supervisors by the middle of August. a peace officer, and petty

Junker put special emphasis on the first thef step of the process, the one he said should 5 pm: Officers initiated a be happening in about six weeks. At that missing person investigation point, Junker said, he would be bringing "an in the 100 block of East annotated outline" back to supervisors. Mendocino Avenue.

Asked what he meant by "annotated 11:05 pm: Officers outline," Junker said: "You would have the responded to a report of a big pieces, and we would give you the steps suspicious person in the 100 on how you get to that. It would give you block of Manor Way. an opportunity to say, 'Yes, that's the right approach,' or, 'No, that's not it."

January 19

One of the options Junker will be 8:30 considering is whether communities who responded to a report of vandalism in the 900 block of wish to opt in or opt out would vote on the question. At another point, board Chairman South Main Street. Dan Hamburg asked Junker whether he 8:55 am: MARSHALL was aware of any other cities or counties William Neil (38) of Willits in the United States that have done what Mendocino County is attempting to do with

was contacted in the 1400 block of South Main Street these overlay rules. Junker said he wasn't He was arrested on felony charges of burglary.

am:

Officers

10:13 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 21000 block of Eva Claire Street.

International also work on the "opt-out" side 10:44 am: Officers of the ordinance additions. This request

responded to a report of

suspicious activity in the 1400





Since 6th grade Weight Class: 142-pound

hildren's Sunday School - 11:15 a.m. 459-2855 acebook: www.facebook.co f you want to be included ir this column please call: April Tweddell (707) 972-2475

Sanhedrin High School is proud to announce the early graduation of Ricardo Haschak. On January 15, 2018, a small ceremony took place so Ricardo could enlist in the U.S. Marine Corps. On behalf of the Willits Unified School District, we congratulate Ricardo and thank him for serving his country.

unofficial foster children, altogether around 25 children.

Pati had a particular fondness for lighthouses and the WWE wrestler/actor Dave Bautista. She was a multifaceted and many-layered woman who could find common ground and conversation with almost anybody.

Patricia Sue Risch is survived by her children: Anthony and Christine Risch, Donald William and Anne Risch, Virginia Defranco, Robyn and Pasey Ortwein-Risch Shiloh

- submitted by Willits Unified School District and Chris Risch-Wiley, Tracy Knight, and Jessica and Joe Brodmerkle. As well as 30



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retirement association's current projected total liability for all retirees, for which funds do not currently exist to pay that liability – increased by more than \$19 million. from \$185.28 million to \$204.34 million.

Supervisors made little comment after listening to Andy Yeung, vice president of Segal Associates, present the MCERA Actuarial Valuation Report.

Fourth District Supervisor Dan Gjerde, the board's representative to the MCERAboard, moved to accept the report, with two provisos: The first was that supervisors should direct county staff to make its payment to your choice alone," Giusti said. MCERA earlier in the year; the second was that, in the future, when the county's pension obligation bond is paid off, funds previously earmarked for payment of the tree is dead, you have a year or 18 months. bond should be used to pay down the UAAL.

However, supervisors John McCowen (Second District) and Georgeanne Croskey (Third District) balked at Gjerde's motion, saying they could not support it with those two addenda. McCowen said he did not reject Gjerde's motion out of hand, and that at least the first suggestion should be discussed as a separate agenda item in the future.

Gjerde removed his two addenda, moving that only the report should be accepted. That motion was approved unanimously.

The rest of From Page 1 Leopard |

The 38-year-old north county man then reportedly applied for permit paperwork from Mozambique, South Africa and the United States to import the leopard skin and skull into the United States, each document falsely stating the leopard had been killed in Mozambigue.

In April 2013, Lawrence brought the leopard parts into the United States based on those false statements.

Lawrence has been charged with one count of importing wildlife contrary to law, and one count of mislabeling wildlife intended for importation, and was scheduled to appear in federal court in Oakland on engineer's report to build in an existing January 18. If convicted, Lawrence could face up to 25 years in Army Corps has removed your foundation

prison, and a fine of \$500,000. The prosecution is the result of a three-year

investigation by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office of Law Enforcement

Attorney's Office, Northern District of California

tree diseases.

Junker told supervisors, was not included Many of these trees, he said, should now in the scope of work that was part of the be considered hazard trees and will have to be removed. Asked later in the meeting if "partially burned firs or pines" were a fire question. danger and if they must be cut down, Giusti said there is no law that requires property

owners to cut down dead or dying trees; the decision to remove the trees is up to the individual. "That's your decision. It would be commitment is to get there.

He also reminded residents there is a time frame in which to take action. "If the out portion of the work might mean an adjustment to the contract. but the wood is going to get weaker and it

will fall eventually," he said. Mendocino County Recovery Director but, ultimately, we have to get a little bit Tammy Moss Chandler noted the county further down the road before we know. We will provide an arborist to advise property may have to come back to the board with a owners on whether a tree needs to be taken request that we expand the scope of work," down or not. he said. A question-and-answer period followed

the presentation. Someone asked: "What are we supposed to do with debris left on our property after the Army Corps and its subcontractors" have completed their work?

"It will be up to the property owners to clean that up," said Chandler. "If you have insurance that covers debris cleanup, use that. We can work with you on that."

Another citizen asked about the need for a geotechnical evaluation of the foundation area of a former homesite after the foundation had been removed and the soil scraped. The questioner asked: "Why did the county change the rules concerning the requirements on footings and the necessity of having a geotechnical engineer in order

to build in an existing footprint?" "We do not require a geotechnical footprint," Oliphant replied. "Only if the

and disturbed that existing area to a depth greater than 12 inches are we going to require a compaction and soils analysis test by a civil, structural or a geotechnical engineer. That's not changing the rules.

This report was based on a press release from the U.S. That's been in the California Building Code for many decades.

block of South Main Street. request for proposals. Nevertheless, he said his firm wants to address the opt-out January 20 10:38 am: Officers initiated "We understand the need," he added. a vehicle theft investigation in "We're already working with a group. We the 300 block of South Main must be a little bit further down the road Street. before we know whether we can do it. My

1:18 pm: Officers responded to a report of Later in the meeting, he refined his harassment in the 100 block comments, noting that adding the optof East Commercial Street.

> 2:58 Officers pm: responded to a report of vandalism in the 100 block of East San Francisco Avenue. pm: Officers 5:53 responded to a report of an

unwanted subject in the 100 block of West Van Lane.

Officers

Second District Supervisor John pm: Officers 6:23 McCowen pointed out that Junker and his responded to a report of an firm should be able to complete the work unwanted subject in the 100 under the provisions of the existing contract block of North Main Street. because decisions made by supervisors

during the Tuesday discussion would pm: Officers 9:33 likely free up money for the opt-out work. responded to a report of an For example, the original RFP said the unwanted subject in the 100 block of South Main Street consultant would have to have more than a

dozen town-hall style meetings throughout January 21 the county. Those were deleted, and several am: Officers

community-centric meetings - meetings 6:43 held in the communities that will be directly responded to a report of rape affected by the opt-out or opt-in language in the 2600 block of Mitomka were written in instead. Way

"We think we have the budget to do this

Some \$32,400 was also reserved for 8:31 am: making the overlay additions consistent responded to a report of a with the county's position that the entire suspicious vehicle in the 100 cultivation ordinance does not pose a threat block of Kawi Place. to the county's environment.

12:52 pm: Officers initiated McCowen told Junker that the board had a vehicle theft investigation agreed the opt-in aspect of the overlay zones near the intersection of would only legitimize cannabis cultivation School Street and Wood for existing growers, who are growing at the Street. existing level of 2,500 square feet. 5:13 Officers pm: Junker seemed relieved by this decision, responded to a disturbance and told supervisors: "You just made my job

in the 800 block of Railroad a lot easier with that last direction. Avenue

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held at Little Lake Cemetery on

husband, Donald John Risch, and grandchildren Chyanne Nicole Risch and Rylan Stone You Will Always Be in Our



Willits residents part of Ukiah Women's March

If the signs were an indication, the second Ukiah Women's March on January

20. 2018 in downtown

Ukiah, meant different Jenny Senter Features Writer

were protesting the issues that women have been battling for over 100 years (if not forever), but many people took to the streets to protest the Republican Party's policies. The large group of women, men and children, marched from Alex Thomas Plaza, went to

the courthouse where speakers were able to share their concerns, and then ended back at Alex Thomas Plaza.



At top: Alex Harter, back, Pat Yoxall, Marisela de Santa Anna, Thayer Craig, Jeanene Abbott, Cindy Morninglight and Mary Delaney from Willits met at Alex Thomas Plaza to march together. Above, left: Willits High School teacher Carolyn Bakewell, center, ran into two of her students, Alyssa Fraser and Jada Smith, at the march. Above, right: Willits residents Rebecca Daun-Widner and Charlie Widner came out to support all women's rights.



Happy 110th Birthday, Edie!

Willits' beloved and beautiful Edie Ceccarelli is about to become a "super-centenarian' - she's turning 110 years old on Monday, February 5, 2018. When Edie turned 100 years old, she planned a birthday celebration at the Senior Center and invited the whole community. Everyone is invited to celebrate this year, too, with birthday cupcakes and a no-host lunch at the Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. The Senior Center serves lunch from 11:45 am to 1 pm; 459-6826. Tickets are \$6.50 for those 55 and older; and \$8 for those under 55.

Those who'd like to send Edie a birthday card for the occasion - she loves to receive mail and her favorite color card is pink - are encouraged to send cards to Edie Ceccarelli, care of Holy Spirit Residential Care Home, 414 Grove Street, Willits CA 95490.

According to Boston University's New England Centenarian Study, which Edie has been a part of for the last few years, "super-centenarians" - those 110 years of age or older - are rare, occurring at a

rate of about 1 per 5 million people. In 2010, the study reported, there were about 60 to 70 supercentenarians in the U.S. As of 2017. the international study enrolled its 150th supercentenarian, "thus constituting by far and

away the largest sample of Willits was well-represented with at least such subjects in the world." 30 attendees, if not more. Willits Mayor What has the study dis-Madge Strong and Vice-Mayor Saprina covered? First, exceptional Rodriquez were there, along with members longevity "runs strongly in

things to many of the of the Emandal Chorale, who sand as they families," although lifestyle women there. Some marched choices are key. Few cen-When asked to comment on why she

tenarians are obese or have marched, Rodriguez said: "I marched histories of smoking, and to demonstrate my democratic right to preliminary study suggests free speech. I marched for equality. I they are better able to hanfelt it important to join other woman who dle stress than other people. understand the challenges we still face A study of Seventh-day in America today. I was surrounded by a Adventists, the group of Americans with "perhaps" Read the rest of **March**

Over on Page 15 the longest average life expectancy in the U.S.,

> choices," that is, "they Edie Ceccarelli of Willits at home at the Holy Spirit Residential tend to be vegetarian, they Care Home on January 12. don't smoke, they regularly

lot of time with their families and with their religion."

exercise, and they spend a

Edie herself gave her parents, Augustino and Maria Recagno, immigrants from Italy around the turn of the century, credit for her genes for good health and longevity, and also for giving herself and her six siblings a very happy childhood with a true appreciation "for the blessings of life."

Surely Edie's daily walk for many years - and her well-known love of dancing - has also kept her happy and healthy over the years.

"The family walked everywhere," said Edie's friend Evelyn Persico. "Her father never owned a car. They grew their own food, and did hard physical work. It was a different life back then.'

– Jennifer Poole

Photo by Jennifer Poole



March From Page 14 The rest of

movement of people that want peace and equality for all. Each day we need to stand and fight for the rights of the oppressed, regardless of race, gender, or origin of birth."

The general feeling was of empowerment, with many **Bv Michael Foley** attendees vowing to be more proactive in government to effect a change.





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20 Jacob Arms, power forward, Sophomore

33 Aaron Colvig, shooting guard, Sophomore

40 Pablo Avalos, shooting guard, Sophomore

Head Coach: Mark Westerburg

Overall record as of January 23, 2018:

50 Justin Amador, shooting guard, Senior

21 Darrell Buzzard, shooting guard, Junior

12 Nathan Maples, center, Junior

23 Josh Betts, point guard, Senior

24 Justin Bays, point guard, Senior

32 Lance Burgess, center, Senior

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WHS Varsity Boys 2018 Basketball Roster

5 Drake Wisdom, shooting guard, Sophomore

ale and	Above: Tanya and Ivan Ramming prepare to show their support for not only women but for immigrants.
	At left: Willits Vice Mayor Saprina Rodriguez at Saturday's march in Ukiah.
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COLUMN | Market Thursdays

New winter market vendor: Yakayo Roots Farm

The dark days of winter are fading. Already! And Willits Farmers Market has more produce each week. The "Persephone Days," those deep winter days with less than 10 hours sunlight per day, when most plants just don't grow, are ending for us on January 26. But winter crops have been putting on growth for two or three weeks now. My own Green Uprising Farm brings more produce each week

More exciting, we have a new produce vendor, Maci Rodrigue from Yokavo Roots Farm in Ukiah. Maci brings two beautiful salad mixes, plus Asian and other specialty greens, and lovely, pink radishes. Maci was excited about the market, doing as well her first time in Willits as she and her partners have been doing at the Ukiah Saturday market. Besides farmers markets, Maci sells her produce through the Ukiah Natural Foods Coop and at area restaurants. Yakayo Roots will be coming every week from now on

If you missed Robert Goleman last week, be sure that he will be back this Thursday. Robert had family in town for the first big reunion in 30 years or more, so he reluctantly stayed home last week. Robert brings chocolates every week, and with Valentine's Day coming up, he'll have an extra supply and some nice gift boxes. Amanda Fairall will also be back, having attended to the kidding of all her son's 4-H goats last week. Amanda has started canning "tasters" of her creative jams and jellies. You can take home a very

Photos by small jar and see how your loved ones respond. ennv Senter

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WHS Varsity Girls 2018 Basketball Roste

5 Madison Forrester, forward, Sophomore

2 Morgan Riley, point guard, Senior

10 Eden Hincker Tye, guard, Junior

22 Stephanie Webb, forward, Senior

24 Jessica Buzzard, post, Sophomore

Head Coach: Paul Riley

Overall record as of January 23, 2018:

4 Heidi Herold, guard, Junior

20 Kiley Butler, forward, Junior

23 Araceli Arellano, post, Junior

Shoppers may have noticed that we have a new chef in the kitchen. Yusuf Aden, known as Josie, has Varsity Boys Basketball Standings Varsity Girls Basketball Standings been bringing the tastes of Ethiopian food to Willits

vacation from cooking. Ethiopian food is typically served on a bed of injera, a bread made from lightly fermented teff flour. Teff is the smallest of the grains, indigenous to Ethiopia, where it is heat and drought hardy. The light injera soaks up the juices of the foods, so the diner starts by tearing off pieces of injera to pick up food as you would a tortilla for a chile verde or colorado dinner, then enioving the flavor-soaked bread at the end of the meal.

Typically, an Ethiopian meal features a meat dish or two, lentils, and at least a couple vegetable dishes, but Josie also does a strictly vegetarian plate. And injera has next to no gluten. The spicy berbera chile flavors much of the food. If you find Josie's offerings overwhelmingly hot, let him know. He is learning to cook for an American audience and plans to expand from farmers markets to catering and, eventually, his own restaurant.

Inland Ranch and The John Ford Ranch are on hand every week with pork, lamb and, from the Fords, beef. The Fords feature specials every week.

And this is the time of year when hens begin producing more regularly, getting ready to set, if allowed, and raise a batch of chicks. Expect more and more farm fresh eggs at market. When the flow becomes overwhelming, I'll offer my usual recipes for turning a lot of eggs into delicious main dishes.

Willits Farmers Market is open from 3 to 5:30 pm every Thursday, in the Great Hall at Little Lake Grange. Rain or shine it's warm inside, with hot coffee and tea and live music every week. We are currently hoping to relocate the summer market downtown, in the parking lot next to Main Street Music. If you feel strongly in favor or against, stop by the market manager's table and let me know. See you at market!

Michael Foley is a partner in Green Uprising Farm and Market for several weeks market manager at the Willits Farmers Market. Michael now, while Jaynene takes a can be reached at foley.mw@gmail.com or 707-216-5549.

The rest of From Page 7 CrossFit

prescribed work-out or scale it for one's capabilities. I've found that most often what holds people back from progressing in any work-out program is their mind. They tell themselves they can't do it or they are too tired or it's too hard. That is not the case. One must block out their thoughts that keep them stagnant and put in 110 percent all the time to succeed.'

Kelley Labus appreciates that "the encouragement and camaraderie that the group provides makes you feel like you can overcome any challenge. Any age, any level, everyone is supported," she said. CrossFit Wolverine member since 2012,

Maureen Scarbery said: "Everybody thinks to do CrossFit, you have to be really fit and young. That is not the case in the CrossFit

she regrets it all day Colvig's advice is to "make a commitment to just show up on a regular basis and learn what the program is all about. Eight years ago, I made just one goal, and that was to just show up each day. Yes, I've earned my way towards fitness, yes, I've gotten stronger, but most of all, I've shown up, and that has made all the difference."

If you are interested in CrossFit Wolverine, just show up at the fitness center at Willits High School, a little before 5:30 am on Monday, Wednesday or Friday. Adults from the community are asked, prior to starting their first work-out, to commit to monthly donations, by check, to the CrossFit Wolverine student fund at Willits High School. community. Adults can work out right next The money will be used to purchase equipcenter to improve the CrossFit Wolverine, but



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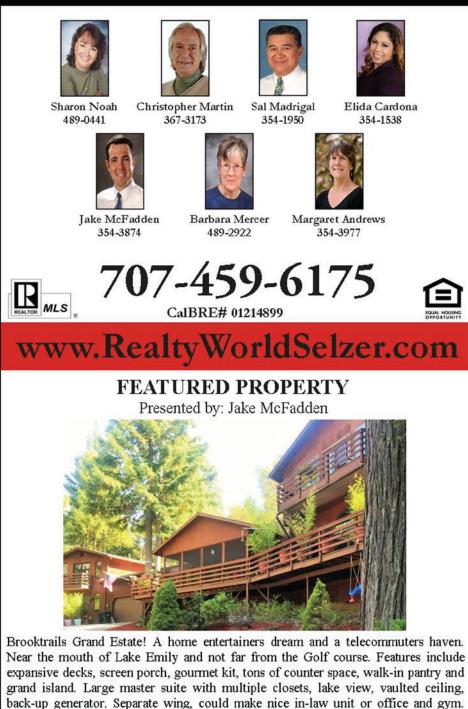


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eighth-graders who will each be a welcoming face on campus when school starts.

This orientation was the main function of the WEB program when it was started 11 years ago, but under the direction of BGMS teacher Liesl Hendrix for the past nine years, the club has expanded to include year-round activities and support.

"We now offer year-round academic support, social events and tutoring assistance," explained Hendrix. "These last nine years the program has really come into full swing, and we're providing lots of fun all year for our students."

Activities span from academic, in-class lessons on social aspects, like how to study, how to be creative, and how to work as a group, to tutoring in math, science or other classes, and to social activities like field days, structured play, and gatherings to catch up with each other, check in to see how the students are doing, and see if there are any specific needs.

"Are the kids being bullied?, does someone need help with math homework all of a sudden?, is there something we can be doing to help?" said Hendrix. "The socials give the WEB leaders a chance to really check in with the younger students in a group setting."

Last Friday, the WEB Club had just one such social gathering where the leaders provided hot cocoa and marshmallows, and a choice of cookie to the herd of sixth-grade students who attended the event.

"WEB leaders, Spread Out!" Hendrix instructed, giant cocoa packet in one hand and a cubic yard of wooden stirrers in the other as the sixth-graders filed in to the room Friday afternoon.

WEB leaders, all in their matching green and vellow shirts, sprinkled themselves among the benches and tables that lined the walls of the BGMS cafeteria. Conversations were a mix of real-life issues and defining life choices, talking about their days and classes, and whether or not the obvious cookie of choice was chocolate chip or peanut butter.

Leaders also gathered at the social to pose with a check the club received from the Willits Police Department in the amount of \$2,500. BGMS' art class, under the guidance of teacher Laurie Burghardt, created a giant presentation-sized check for the photo op.

"We're so grateful to the Willits Police Department for donating the WEB Club this money," said Hendrix. "The funds will go to help buy supplies our program needs to put on these events and run these projects."

To learn more about the WEB club, contact Hendrix at 459-2417.





At top, left: Caltrans crews work on removing trees and cleaning up debris on Sunday morning.

At top, right: Small branches high in the air were removed with help from a

bucket lift. Above: The stumps will remain in place until work on the sidewalks starts in late spring.

At right: Dropping a tree in front of Mazahar.





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of trees slated to be cut and chipped was reduced to 13.

"The decision about which trees were necessary to remove," Mayor Madge Strong told Willits Weekly, was made in consultation between Caltrans. Moore and Watts. "Our heartfelt thanks to Dave for his consultation," Strong said.

"Every effort was made to identify trees that really were necessary to remove due to, in many cases, disease and potential hazard," she continued, "so I'm confident that we're doing everything we can to minimize loss of trees. One of the problems with the existing trees was that the species that was planted was vulnerable due to their sidewalk locations." All the trees will eventually be replaced with trees that are more appropriate for the sidewalk growing conditions, Strong said.

Caltrans Public Information Officer Cori Reed said the tree crews - all in-house Caltrans workers - said the work went smoothly, with no traffic problems. The work was scheduled for Sunday mornings "to minimize disruption to businesses and motorists," a Caltrans press release stated. "Residents will notice tree stumps remaining for a period of time until the actual work on the sidewalk begins."

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