

Motion to dismiss bypass suit denied

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U.S. District Court Judge Jeffrey White on January 23 denied a motion by the California Department of Transportation to dismiss a lawsuit brought against the state agency by the Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians and Round Valley Indian Tribes.

The tribes filed suit in 2015 against both Caltrans and the Federal Highway Administration, alleging that in building the Willits bypass Caltrans had violated federal law concerning protection of Native American cultural and historical sites.

In their legal action, the
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Par course for Haehl Creek Trail OK'd

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A "Fit-Trail" par course will soon be installed adjacent to the Haehl Creek Trail, after the Willits City Council last week unanimously approved the installation as part of a grant-funded project awarded to the Nutritional Services Department at Howard Memorial Hospital by Adventist Health.

The project must be completed by June 30.

"It was an innovative grant we requested through Adventist Health corporate, and part of that is an outreach to forge the path towards a healthier future in our communities," said Kyle Evans, director of

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Storm tops Grist Creek site

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The storm that hit California on January 10 caused Outlet Creek to overtop the embankment at the site of Grist Creek Aggregates, a rock processing and asphalt plant approved by the board of supervisors in April 2015 after a cursory environmental review.

Andrew Watson, field office chief of the Ukiah office of the U.S. Geological Survey, said the January 10 storm was not that rare an event. Flow measurements taken on the Main Fork of

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Clean those Chompers

February is Dental Month for humans and animals

Dental hygiene is important, whether it's your canines or your canine's canines! February is the month dedicated to awareness of the importance of teeth and gum maintenance and preventative measures to ensure peanut brittle – or a peanut butter dog cookie – are enjoyed with ease.

Like humans, dogs and cats can experience build-up, decay and bacteria on their teeth and under their gums, and sometimes a more extensive exam is required to help treat problem areas.

Annual exams are important, as veterinarians do check the overall health of the mouth, but sometimes with shy or hesitant animals, a full under-anesthesia dental exam is needed to really get a good look and allow the vet to treat any problems properly.

Some things to look for if you are concerned about your pet's dental health are bad breath, broken or loose teeth, pain or bleeding from the mouth, swelling in areas surrounding the mouth, or excessive tartar build-up.

Build-up on the teeth is common, and often is where bacteria lives, veterinarians say. The bacteria can even work its way into the bloodstream and cause heart problems in some cases. Another common problem with pets is with abscesses; roots can start to decay and create pockets under the gum line, which usually requires tooth extraction or removal.

Using anesthesia in these cases allows for safe fingers for the examiner, and the chance to get everything taken care of at one time: exam, cleaning, and extraction, if needed.

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Runaway SUV smashes into tire center

"I would have been dead meat," Raymond Thomas told Willits Weekly moments after an SUV crashed through the Les Schwab building on Main Street around 8:30 am last Thursday, January 26.

Thomas had come to Les Schwab for a routine tire rotation, and was sitting at one of the circular tables near the entrance, when he got a sudden craving for coffee.

"I got the cup of coffee, and I was up and stirring it when the truck came and crashed over the table and chairs where I was sitting. I would have been crushed. This coffee saved my life."

The driver of the SUV had suffered a medical emergency, "which ended up being the cause of the accident," said WPD Sgt. Kevin Leef. "He was taken by ambulance to Howard Hospital."

Other agencies responding to the accident included the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office and Little Lake Fire Department.

"It was so fast and loud, I didn't have much time to react," said Les Schwab manager Ken Kirby. "I'm just thankful nobody got hurt or seriously injured."

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Above: A gushing plume of water where a fire hydrant used to be floods onto Main Street. Before responders came to turn it off, the water was spraying some 30 feet into the air.

Signage resolution headed to Caltrans

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The Willits City Council unanimously adopted a resolution during last week's meeting to authorize and request from Caltrans the installation of six new directional signs to be located on Highway 101 and Route 20.

According to City Planner Dusty Duley, "Caltrans regulations require a city [to] adopt a resolution" in order for such signs to be installed.

After the resolution passed, Duley said city staff plans to meet with Caltrans again to formally request "two exit signs, two smaller off-ramp signs and

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Local businesses targeted with ADA lawsuits

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An attorney has "been targeting local businesses for ADA [Adults with Disabilities Act] noncompliance," City Manager Adrienne Moore told the Willits City Council during last week's meeting,

While Moore refrained from going into specifics of who the attorney is and what businesses he's been targeting in her report, Code Enforcement Officer John Sherman highlighted the danger of local businesses facing threats of litigation, using recent precedent as an example.

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Housing dominates mental health meeting

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Housing for mental health patients was at the top of the agenda during January 23's joint meeting of the board of supervisors and Behavioral Health Recovery Services Advisory Board.

Michael Pallesen of the Rural Community Housing Development Corporation told the two committees that his organization has found a likely site to construct a 30- to 40-unit, single-residency apartment complex the Ukiah Valley.

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Not in partnership with ACNA

To the Editor:

The column "Cannabis as Medicine" in last week's edition of Willits Weekly by U Joi Sandhu, physician assistant, recommended and supported the Emerald Pharms Dispensary at the Solar Living Center in Hopland to be a dispensary to visit for those interested in medical cannabis.

Her column was signed: "This column is written in collaboration with the Mendocino County Cannabis Nurses Association." I need to state that the column was in no way a partnership between Joi and the Mendocino ACNA. Joi's finished draft of her column was never presented to me to view prior to submission to Willits Weekly.

The nationwide American Cannabis Nurses Association (ACNA) does not or will not promote individual businesses in the cannabis industry. They do, however, promote licensed nurses working in dispensaries. Their main purpose is to educate nurses about medical cannabis and to create a credentialed sub-specialty in cannabis nursing that will be recognized by the American Nurses Association.

As of now, cannabis practitioners are few and far between, and nurses stand to fill that gap. This type of specialized education is paramount for the safety and advocacy for all patients.

Janice Cinek, RN, representative for the Mendocino County American Cannabis Nurses Association, Willits

Water main flushing

To the Editor:

On February 6, 2017, the City of Willits will commence its annual water main flushing and valve operating program. The purpose of the flushing program is to remove accumulated sediments that may have collected during the normal operation of the water system. The flushing is expected to take approximately one month to complete.

The flushing will start at the base of Pine Mountain and continue westerly into town. The flushing of Main Street is expected to commence on or about February 27 and could take up to one week. Main Street flushing will occur at night in order to minimize the impact to businesses. Motorists are urged to use caution in these areas, as the roads will be wet and the city's work crews will often be in the roadway.

Customers may experience a drop in pressure along with discoloration of their water for short periods in the areas being flushed. Although the water may be brownish, it is safe to drink. Care should be taken in washing clothes, particularly whites as they may be stained. Please check your water for discoloration before washing clothes.

For more detailed information about where the flushing will be occurring, customers may call 459-7104 or City Hall at 459-4601.

Cathy Moorhead, city clerk, City of Willits

Disappointed in supervisors

To the Editor:

A letter sent to Governor Jerry Brown, re: the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors endorsement of John Pinches for Third District Supervisor:

Dear Governor Brown:

I'm writing to express concern and disappointment that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors have unanimously endorsed John Pinches to serve out the four-year term of Supervisor Tom Woodhouse, based on the unproven assumption that he won't run for the position in 2018.

This is an assumption, made by Supervisor Dan Gjerde and Supervisor Carre Brown that will not be proved true for another two years. In an interview with the Mendocino Voice, when asked if he would run in 2018, Pinches said, "I'm not really planning on it, but I wouldn't totally rule it out." He added that his health issues that led to the decision not to run in 2014 were much improved.

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What do YOU think?

Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from readers

It is true that Pinches is the only one of the pool who has supervisory experience. Yet two others, Holly Madrigal and Ellen Drell, have been very involved in county governmental affairs for years and would also be able to enter into county policy discussions and decisions quickly and intelligently.

Supervisor Dan Hamburg seems to have endorsed Pinches to support his colleagues, and Supervisor John McCowen agreed that recommending Pinches "makes sense."

Sense to whom? Not to me. The appointment of Madrigal or Drell makes more sense to me. They can move the board forward, not back in time.

Robin Goldner, Willits

Drawing class seeks models

To the Editor:

The Life Drawing class at the Willits Center for the Arts meets weekly, every Thursday from 1 to 4 pm at the WCA, 71 East Commercial Street.

We are seeking models to sit and pose for our group. All body types, ages, and ethnicities are welcome. Models will be compensated for their time.

We also invite local artists to attend this weekly artistic practice. Beginners are encouraged. Contact Devi Doree Chase for more information: 459-6284.

Devi Doree Chase, Willits

Never too late to quit

To the Editor:

Did you know that within 20 minutes of smoking that last cigarette, your body begins to feel the changes that continue for years? Within 20 minutes of quitting, your blood pressure and pulse rates go back to normal, and within eight hours your breathing gets better because your carbon monoxide levels drop and oxygen level increases?

In two weeks to three months, your circulation improves, walking becomes easier, and lung function increases up to 30 percent! No matter your age, quitting smoking improves your health. By quitting, you are likely to add years to your life, breathe more easily, have more energy, and save money. You will also lower your risk of cancer, heart attack, stroke and lung disease.

It's never too late to quit smoking, and there's no better time than now. The good news is that Frank R. Howard

Memorial Hospital offers a free smoking cessation program. "The key to success in quitting smoking is to keep trying," shares Jennifer Barrett, program facilitator at HMH. "The average person makes nine attempts before they are successful as a non-smoker. So with every new attempt participants are even more likely to be successful."

Accredited by the American Lung Association, HMH's four-week program uses a behavior modification approach that helps smokers develop a personal plan of action to assist in breaking the cycle of addiction and provides strategies to prevent relapse. Smokers learn how to quit before they begin the process. The small group setting encourages participants to work on the process of quitting both individually and as part of a group.

"The good thing about this class is that they can start anytime. It is tailored to each person's needs. And even if a participant misses a week, they can easily get back on track," explains Barrett.

The class is free and meets every Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8 pm in the Summit Conference Room on the 2nd floor of the hospital located at One Marcela Drive in Willits. To register, please call 707-540-4208.

Cici Winiger, marketing & communications manager, HMH

Call for cannabis art

To the Editor:

In 2016, the Oakland Museum of California presented an award-winning exhibition called "Altered State: Cannabis in California." In the same year, the people of California voted to end prohibition of the recreational use of cannabis.

As we enter a new era of cannabis in California, what will this mean for the people of Mendocino County? Are the taboos surrounding the role of cannabis in Mendocino County's economy and everyday life truly ready to fall away? What is gained by legalization? What is lost? Most of all, what opportunities now exist to begin more open conversations about cannabis and its place in our lives as Mendocino County residents? And what if we invite these conversations to occur through the lens of art?

The Arts Council of Mendocino County invites Mendocino County artists to submit work for inclusion in an exhibit dedicated to this conversation, "Growing: Art, Life, and Cannabis in Mendocino County."

Work may be submitted in any media, and may include participatory projects that invite viewers to respond or provide immediate feedback. Inspired by the Oakland Museum exhibit, we too will offer a "Cannabis Confessional" -- a booth where you can anonymously share your personal experiences with cannabis.

Work that is documentary in nature, work that calls stereotypes into question, and work that invites viewers to question their assumptions and provide feedback is particularly welcome.

The goal of this exhibit is to use art to begin talking with each other about the role of cannabis in Mendocino life, in all its diversity, and during this time of transition. Exhibit space is limited, and works to be included will be selected based on available space as well as their capacity to contribute to a rich and nuanced conversation.

To learn more about how to contribute work for consideration, please visit www.ArtsMendocino.org and look under "ACMC NEWS," or pick up entry instructions at 309 East Perkins Street in Ukiah. Work may be exhibited anonymously at the request of the artist. Donations in support of the ACMC's exhibition program are welcome.

Deadline for entries is May 1, 2017.

All photos must be submitted by MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6 at 5 pm.

Alyssum Wier, executive director, Arts Council of Mendocino County



Above, from left: Tim King hoses down crabs fresh from the steam pots. Shopper Donna Day purchased eight crabs Sunday morning and received help wrapping and bagging from Jolene Carrillo and Rick Williams. King and Carrillo help Day decide which crabs to select. Below: Members of the Saturday morning crab crew: Bear Kamoroff, Dickey Weinkle, Rick Williams, Bruce Burton, Jolene Carrillo, Tom Herman, Jason Korte, Tim King, Jerry Turner and Gerry Gonzalez.

Crabs into Cash

Willits Rotary Club's sale nets \$6,000 for Community Fund

It was a two-load sale this year for the Willits Rotary Club -- their annual two-day sale ended up tallying \$6,000 in net profit from not one, but two loads of fresh crab last weekend.

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The sale started strong with 1,500 pounds of live crabs arriving Friday morning -- all which sold out that day.

Willits Rotarian and Willits City Mayor Gerry Gonzalez made a 6 am dash to Fort Bragg on Saturday morning to get another 600 pounds of crab to sell, which also sold out by the time the group closed up at 3 pm later that day.

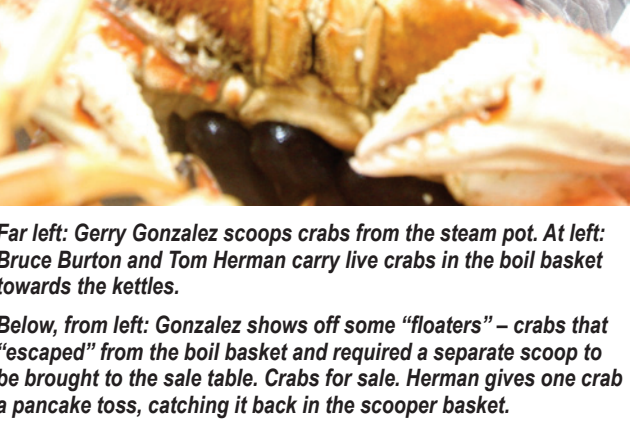
Between the two days, 50 baskets of crabs were cooked: at 20 crabs per basket, that's about 1,000 crabs.

"It was a great sale, all in all," said Rotarian Bear Kamoroff. "The money we raised from this sale goes into our community fund; usually our fundraisers have specific groups or purposes, but this is the only event which we are able to earn money to be used when Rotary is approached throughout the year to donate to or help support other, non-planned clubs or groups. This \$6,000 will go a long way this year, allowing us to help out more of the community."

Kamoroff noted Rotary's immense appreciation to Sparetime Supply for their trucks and workers, Pro-Flame for the donation of tanks and fuel, and to Dave Rupe of Sweetwater Station for use of the property for the sale.

In addition to fundraising, Kamoroff noted the fun of the crab sale event also is a great way to get the "faces" of Rotary out and give the public a great idea about who Rotary is and to encourage interactions between club members and the community.

"We'd love to get some new members joining our club --



Far left: Gerry Gonzalez scoops crabs from the steam pot. At left: Bruce Burton and Tom Herman carry live crabs in the boil basket towards the kettles.

Below, from left: Gonzalez shows off some "floaters" -- crabs that "escaped" from the boil basket and required a separate scoop to be brought to the sale table. Crabs for sale. Herman gives one crab a pancake toss, catching it back in the scooper basket.

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Before Cleaning

After Cleaning



Above: Little Lake Fire Department Chief Carl Magann, at right, surveys the damage to the the of the Les Schwab building.

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"You could hear everything before it happened," said Thomas. "It sounded like a rumbling train and the next thing we heard was the glass."

Witnesses from across the street reported seeing the vehicle, driving north on Main Street, suddenly swerve off the road, bulldoze the fire hydrant in front of Washeteria, continue at 45 to 50 mph through the Napa Auto Parts parking lot, then hit Les Schwab.

"The truck came through and hit a battery rack; it swerved through the north entrance and into the parking lot, where it spun 180 degrees and stopped," Thomas said. "We went over and the driver had a big gash in his head and was slumped at the wheel. We didn't want to move him or anything, but we checked his pulse, and he was alive.

"I was thinking diabetic coma, seizure, something like that. I worked as a paramedic years ago, and I have a background in the medical profession. My main concern was him."

The vehicle could have done more

damage, said Thomas.

"If that battery rack and the rack of rims hadn't lodged under the truck, it would have kept going," said Thomas. "He would have taken out two other vehicles."

Les Schwab employees and other volunteers acted quickly to clear the area, and the tire center was open for business the next day.

"I'm glad we had a great crew to clean up and great people in place to board up the store and service our customers and our community," said Kirby.

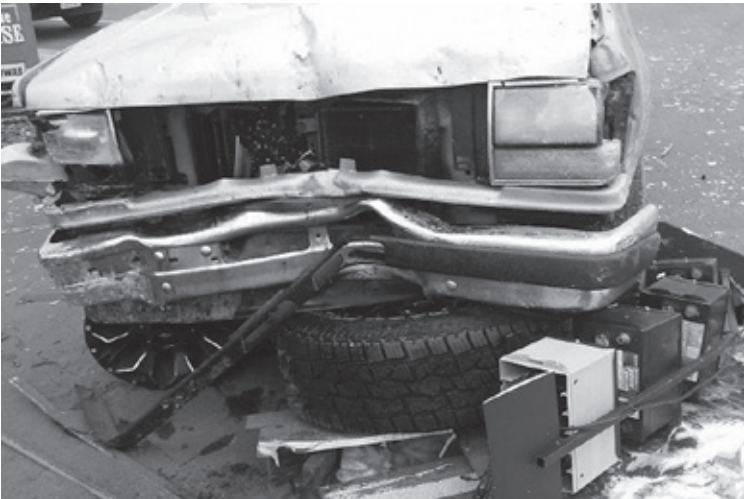
At about the same time Thursday morning, a full-size box truck heading southbound on Main Street tried to take a right turn up Sherwood Road at the light, but couldn't negotiate the hairpin turn. The truck, tilted, blocked both turn lanes – north and south – to go up Sherwood Road for a couple of hours, requiring traffic control and backing up traffic. According to the scanner, the first tow truck dispatched wasn't big enough, but at 10:40 am, a bigger tow truck was able to move the truck, clearing the roadway.



Above: This truck blocked Sherwood Road Thursday morning, after failing to make the hairpin turn.

Photo by John Wagenet

At left: Customer Raymond Thomas demonstrates what he was doing when the truck crashed through Les Schwab's lobby.



Below: The severely damaged truck with the tire and battery rack it dragged from the store.

Below: The path of damage from the SUV. Notice the fire hydrant on the ground, at center left.

Photos by Damian Sebouhian



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Dr. Chana Eisenstein of East Hill Veterinary Clinic noted standard procedure for dental visits: "Each dog and cat presenting for dental cleaning has basic blood work performed (complete blood count, chemistry, thyroid level, if indicated)," Eisenstein said. "The labs are reviewed before the pet is given pre-anesthetic sedation. After the pet is calm and relaxed, an intravenous catheter is placed, and then anesthesia is administered.

"An endotracheal tube is placed in the airway and a Doppler blood pressure monitor, pulse-oximeter are placed to monitor oxygen saturation, pulse, blood pressure, and temperature. The dog or cat is wrapped in a Hot Dogger [a warm air blanket] to maintain body temperature, and intravenous fluids are started.

"Antibiotic and pain medications are administered b y injection," Eisenstein continued. "Dogs' toenails are trimmed, the ears are checked, and then the dental begins. The teeth and gums are charted and evaluated. The cleaning consists of an ultrasonic scaler being used to remove the plaque just like when humans have their teeth cleaned. Any teeth that are dead, broken, decayed or which have suffered gum recession or infection, are extracted.

"After the teeth are clean and all extractions have been performed," Eisenstein said, "a polisher is used to smooth any micro-abrasions left by the scaler. After this, fluoride is applied to the teeth and then removed [fluoride is toxic to dogs and cats if swallowed]. The dog or cat then recovers from anesthesia, and spends the rest of the day sleeping and receiving IV fluids. Dogs and cats go home the same day."

While some animals require annual cleanings, Kahn noted that others can go several years in between without issue. Having your vet keep an eye on gumlines and build-up can help determine the frequency of exams your animal might need to remain healthy and happy. Of course, at-home cleanings can also help keep problems from developing. Dog- and cat-

specific toothbrushes are available, as are special supporting products like poultry-flavored toothpaste.

Toothbrushes for pets are different than human brushes; they are soft and angled to assist with brushing the back teeth.

Finger brushes are also available, as are single-use wipes. Pairing pet-specific toothpastes with the special brushes is also important, as human toothpastes often contain high-foaming detergents that should not be swallowed or inhaled by dogs. Pet-specific gels and oral rinses can also be used to help with oral care.

Chew toys and treats are another useful at-home care method; anti-tartar chews and biscuits are available at vets offices and pet store. Adding peanut butter to a chew toy can help encourage interest and initial palatability to encourage play (and chew!) time.

For pets, chewing on real bones can be more detrimental than beneficial. Eisenstein noted one of the most common problems in oral hygiene is dogs coming in with broken or chipped teeth from chewing on rocks or bones.

"The American Veterinary Dental College does not recommend cow hooves, dried natural bones or hard nylon products," said Eisenstein. "They are too hard, and do not mimic the effect of a dog tearing meat off a carcass. Also remember to always supervise your pets while they are chewing on a toy or treat."

Help set your pup up for dental success by having their teeth checked, brush often at home with a pet-approved system, give them tasty, safe toys and treats to chew on, and make sure to keep an eye on anything in their mouth that looks abnormal, red, inflamed or otherwise painful.

Scheduling appointments with local veterinarians can be done by calling direct: Willits Animal Hospital, 459-6723, is located at 20000 Hollands Lane at the south end of Willits, and East Hill Veterinary Clinic, 459-5236, is located at 1200 East Hill Road in the Willits valley.

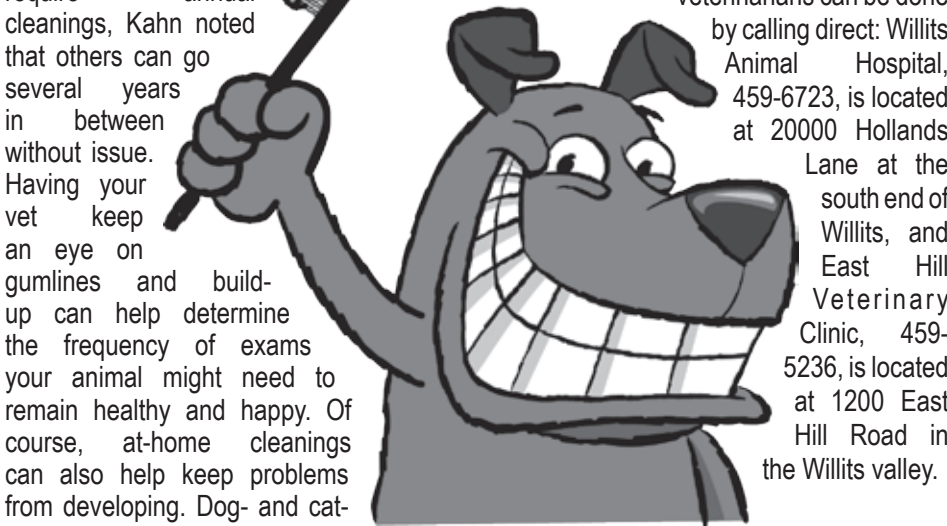


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'The Elk in the Valley'

Wildlife observer Doug Brown captured a beautiful moment with his camera last week – a little break in the rain and about 20 elk grazing in the north end of Little Lake Valley. Brown said he took the photos around 10 am on January 23. "There were over 20 or more elk on the east side of Highway 101 because of the water," he said. "These photos were taken from the county road around 10 am – no rain and bright sky fog in the hills east of here."



At top: Female elk known as "cows," listen attentively. Above: A bull elk walks by the wetlands.

Photos by Doug Brown



Furry Friends Hoping for a Home Mighty Bullwinkle

Lap-dog alert! Bullwinkle is a 6-year-old Chihuahua mix, and he's ready to crawl into your arms! Surrendered to us with his two sisters, this adorable boy is looking for a home with lots of treats, a fenced yard to play in, and a lap to nap in for the rest of his days. Bullwinkle gets along with other small dogs, and would do best in a home without small children.

If you'd like to learn more about Bullwinkle, give us a call at 707-485-0123, check www.mendohumanesociety.com, or visit the shelter at 9700 Uva Drive in Redwood Valley. Open hours: 1 to 5 pm, Wednesday through Friday; and 11 am to 3 pm, Saturday and Sunday.



Congrats

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Happy 109th!

Willits' Edie Ceccarelli celebrates on February 5

The community is once again invited to come celebrate with Willits' oldest resident, Edith Recagno Keenan Ceccarelli, who will turn 109 on February 5.

The Harrah Senior Center will be hosting a baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy lunch for Edie, and everyone is encouraged to come join her at the event, which starts at 11:30 am.

Special cupcakes and a cake have been ordered from Phil Roland, also. In prep for the festivities, Edie will be getting her hair done and a manicure and pedicure with family and friend, Evelyn Persico.

The balloon saved from Edie's 100th birthday will get its annual modification, the 8 from last year has been updated to a 9 in preparation for this year. Persico joked: "I keep playing it forward year after year, it's fun to update it and keep having it to celebrate with her!"

Last year, well-wishers filled the center, and parking lined both sides of Baechtel Road. Edie hopes to see everyone again this year, too!

– Maureen Moore



Above: Edie Ceccarelli, who will turn 109 on February 5. Below: Edie and Evelyn Persico.

Photos by Maureen Moore



Stunning Charlie

Attention, herding dog lovers! This stunning dog loves to play tennis ball fetch – with gusto! Charlie is a 2-year-old male who currently weighs 44 pounds. Charlie is friendly and happy. During his evaluation, he did well with Oliver – a large, fluffy male dog – and also with another small dog. Charlie gives kisses, and he already knows "sit," "down," and "fetch."

The Ukiah Animal Shelter is located at 298 Plant Road in Ukiah, and adoption hours are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday from 10 am to 4:30 pm and Wednesday from 10 am to 6:30 pm. Many wonderful dogs and cats, await their forever homes here. To view photos and bios of more of the wonderful adoptable animals, please visit online at : www.mendoanimalshelter.com or visit the shelter. "Please join us the 2nd Saturday of every month – February 14 this month – for our "Empty the Shelter" pack walk and help us get every dog out for some exercise!" For more information about adoptions please call 707-467-6453.



Valentine's Day Menu

– First Course –

Glass of Champagne followed by assorted appetizers.

– Second Course –

Shrimp Louie Salad paired with a glass of Parducci Sauvignon Blanc.

– Third Course –

Choice of roasted duck topped with pomegranate and sundried cherry reduction or Beef Wellington (all entrees served with vegetable and potato fritters) paired with either Parducci Pinot Noir or Garisole Cabernet.

– Fourth Course –

Mini New York style cheese cake topped with berry reduction.

Price:

\$75 per person all inclusive

Start time 7 o'clock, by reservation only, limited seating, call early with choice of entree. Plan on spending 2 hours for dinner.

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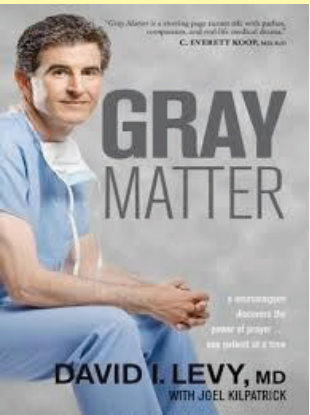
Thursday, February 2

Free Positive Parenting Group: "Systematic Training for Effective Parenting" free classes are parental guidance workshops for parents of children ages 4-12, and they will take place once a week for seven weeks, Thursday mornings, 9 to 10:30 am, at Brookside Elementary School, Room 25. Open to all families with children in the Willits Unified School District. Breakfast is included. Thursday meetings: February 2, 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9. Info: Jackie Herz, 459-3232.

Help with Taxes & Financial Planning: "Taxes and financial planning for your future should not be stressful and definitely should not be avoided.... If you are one of those people who fear this time of year, join Nicholas Casagrande of NC Financial (and real estate columnist for Willits Weekly) for a low-stress, even 'fun' conversation around why it is good, as well as important, to work with an accountant and financial adviser." Thursday, February 2, starting at 5:15 pm at Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Free admission; light refreshments and beverages will be provided. Please RSVP by emailing pamel@ncfinancialgroup.com, or calling 415-819-6934.

Willits High School Boys Basketball Home Game: Willits versus Kelseyville at WHS gym. JV game begins at 5:30 pm (coach James Arms); varsity game begins at 7 pm (coach Brandon Norbury).

"Stressed Out: Overcoming Stress in the Modern World": Frank Howard Memorial Hospital presents a free talk by neurosurgeon Dr. David Levy, author of "Gray Matter: A Neurosurgeon Discovers the Power of Prayer ... One Patient at a Time." Dr. Levy, who specializes in the treatment of brain aneurysms and other diseases of the blood vessels of the brain, including stroke, breaks down the reasons behind stress, its causes, effects and why one should keep stress under control, with simple stragies to lower your stress levels.



Thursday, February 2, at 7 pm. Free. Willits Community Center, 111 East Commercial Street.

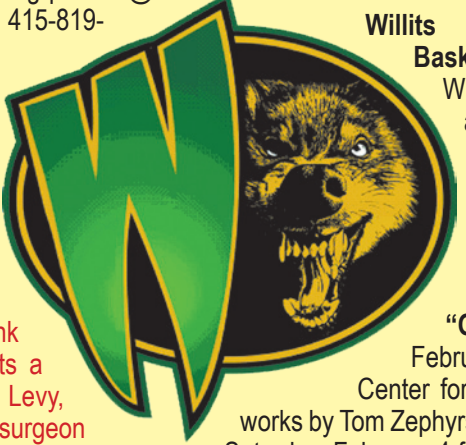
Friday, February 3

Shanachie Pub: Congo Sanchez and his group return. "Congo is the favored sideman and producer for dance bands and world music ensembles. Musically, he explores downtempo,

reggae mzcla with hip-hop overtones." Friday, February 3, at 9 pm. \$7 cover. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Saturday, February 4

Sip Some Soup: The annual fun-time soup competition "Sip Some Soup" will be held Saturday, February 4, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm, at the Willits Community Center, 111 East Commercial Street. The goal of this event is to raise money to feed the hungry in our community. There will be soups to taste and judge, Emaldad Bread and jam to eat, desserts from the Seventh Day Adventist Church and a silent auction. Cost to attend this charity fundraiser is \$15 a person, or \$25 per couple. Soupmakers still needed! Contact: Cindy Savage, 367-5669, 459-2579, or cindysavage6@yahoo.com.



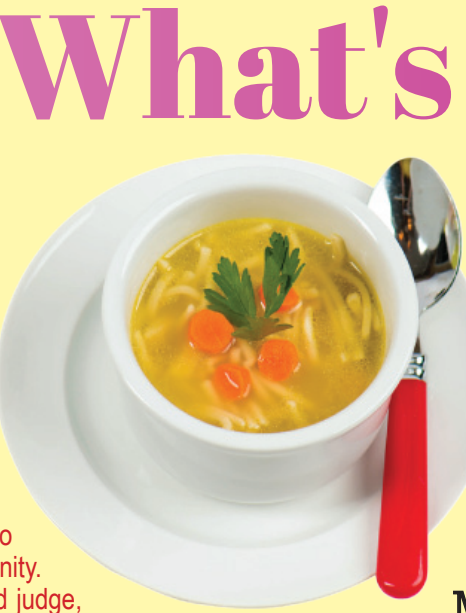
Willits High School Girls Basketball Home Game: Willits vs. Coverdale at WHS gym. JV game begins at 5:30 pm (coach Daniel Mendoza); varsity game begins at 7 pm (coach Paul Riley).

"One of a Kind": the February show at Willits Center for the Arts features new works by Tom Zephyrs. Opening reception on Saturday, February 4 from 6 to 9 pm. Also: 12 jewelers present a "Pop-Up Shop for Valentine's Day." Also, in the upstairs gallery: "Esther Hart – Retrospective." Both shows run through February 26.

Shanachie Pub: DJ. Night with all forms of House Music from 1996 to the present, deep, funky & groovy tunes, with some Latin and Jazz undertones, as well as Electro. Saturday, February 4, 9 pm. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Sunday, February 5

Sober Grad Pancake Breakfast: this annual fundraiser for Sober Grad's drug- and alcohol-free graduation night party for all Willits area graduating seniors is set for Superbowl Sunday, February 5, from 8 to 11 am at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. Breakfasts will be served by members of the Class of 2017 with other volunteers, and cooked by the Grange's pancake breakfast chefs. Breakfast includes pancakes made from scratch, scrambled eggs, bacon, orange juice, and coffee, tea or hot chocolate. Tickets \$6 for adults, \$5 for



senior citizens and \$4 for children 10 & under. Tickets are available from some seniors, and from Karen in the Willits High School office. Sober Grad's Valentine Raffle Basket will also be on display at the breakfast; the drawing will be held on February 13.

Monday, February 6

Wrestlers Spaghetti Feed: A fundraiser dinner for the Willits High School Wrestling Team. Monday, February 6 at La Siciliana Restaurant, 1611 South Main Street. Featuring spaghetti with Sugo sauce, garlic bread, salad and beverage. There will be two seatings: 6 pm and 8 pm. Tickets, \$25, must be bought in advance from team members or the restaurant. Info: 459-5626.

Tuesday, February 7

Tightwad Tuesdays at the Noyo Theatre: All 2D movies that are in their second week are \$5 on Tuesdays at the Noyo Theatre for all ages, all showings. Tightwad films this week: "La La Land," "Split," and "Monster Trucks." For showtimes: www.noyotheatre.com. 57 East Commercial Street. 459-6696.

"The Healing Power of Conflicts": Avenues to Wellness speaker series presents Doris Wier, certified relationship coach, in a discussion of how conflicts are part of our lives. "Many of us are afraid of them for good reasons! But they are also a chance to get in touch with our relationship needs and dreams. Learn new information to help you change your current perspective on conflicts, to understand fears around conflicts, to learn the roots of conflicts, and discover common traps, and ultimately improve your relationships by using conflicts for mutual understanding, intimacy and healing." Tuesday, February 7, 5:30 to 6:30 pm, at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East



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Doris has been coaching couples and individuals for over 20 years. She uses a relationship coaching process for the Willits Weekly for years. She specializes in conflicts and empowerment. She also offers Group Workshops on conflicts, and increasing positivity in a partnership.

Advance tickets: Call 459-9647 for more information. Email: daniel@willitscenterforthearts.org



What's Happening Around Town

Commercial Street. Avenues to Wellness is a program of the Howard Foundation; visit www.avenuestowellness.org for more speaker topics and a video archive of past events, or call 456-9676 or more info.

Willits High School Girls Basketball Home Game: Willits versus Lower Lake at WHS gym on Tuesday, February 7. JV game begins at 5:30 pm (coach Daniel Mendoza); varsity game begins at 7 pm (coach Paul Riley).

Twining Time at Brickhouse Coffee: John Wagenet and Anita Blu of Twining Time play the first Tuesday of every month, February 7 this month, at Brickhouse Coffee at the corner of Highway 101 and East Commercial Street. Enjoy live easy

begins at 5:30 pm (coach James Arms); varsity game begins at 7 pm (coach Brandon Norbury).

"The Sunshine Boys" at WCT: Opening night for the classic Neil Simon play "The Sunshine Boys," starring Mike A'Dair and Louis Rohlicek. Friday, February 10, 8 pm. Tickets \$15. Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane. Advance tickets for all shows available in person at Mazahar, 38 Main Street, or by phone: 1-800-3006.



Tickets: \$25 advance at J.D. Redhouse or Eventbrite online; \$30 at the door. Discounted accommodations available for Mendocino County residents at Super 8 and Baechtel Creek Inn. Cosmic Pickle Productions. Info: Da Grand Pooba: 408-656-6932.

"Trio of Trios Concert": a benefit for the Willits Food Bank. An evening of acoustic music and three part vocal harmonies with

three of Willits' own musical trios: "Chanterelle," "Twining Time," and "Just Enough," on Saturday, February 11, 7 to 9 pm at the Willits Methodist Church, 286 School Street (across from the Willits Grange). Refreshments will be available after the show. Suggested donation \$10 per person at the door. Info: Clancy at 367-0889.

"The Sunshine Boys" at WCT: see Friday, February 10 for more information. Saturday February 11, 8 pm. Tickets \$15. Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane. Info: 459-0895.

Sunday, February 12

37th Annual North Coast Striders Willits Classic: 5K and 10 mile road race. Race day registration begins at 9 am. The race starts at the Recreation Grove. The 10 mile starts at 10 am. The 5K starts at 10:30 am. Entry fee is \$20 for adults, \$10 for ages 18 & under and \$40 for families. The fee includes logo gloves and refreshments. The Willits Classic is sponsored by Frank Howard Memorial Hospital and benefits Willits High School Cross-Country and Track programs. Pre-registration is available at active.com or download a mail-in entry at striders.org. Sunday, February 12, Recreation Grove, East Commercial Street. Info: visit striders.org, or Gail Leland: 485-7821.

SonoMusette In Concert: Sunday, February 12, 2 to 4 pm. Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane. Info: 459-0895.



Anita Blu and John Wagenet of Twining Time

Saturday, February 11

"How to Grow Fruit Successfully in Willits": Learn what to grow here (and places similar to Willits that are not real close to the ocean). How to plant and care for your fruit tree with the goal of actually getting some delicious fruit to eat. Presented by Richard Jeske, home orchardist with over 30 years of experience locally as a pruner and fruit consultant. Saturday, February 11. 10 am to noon. \$5 donation. Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. Info: 459-5926.

Willits Amateur Radio Society Seminar: All ham radio operators and anyone interested in amateur radio are invited to attend. There will be discussions of tower installation, antennas and propagation, basic test equipment and how to use it, and how the countywide repeater system works. Finger foods and drinks will be served. Saturday, February 11. 10 am to 2 pm. Mormon Church, 265 Margie Drive. Info: Joyce Cader at W6MMM@gmail.com.



Roy Rogers and the Delta Rhythm Kings: Roy Rogers "electrifying" master of the slide guitar and his band, play live, Saturday, February 11. Doors open 6 pm, music starts 7:30 pm. Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street.

Willits as a Food Destination forum

February 13

The Mendocino County Food Policy Council is holding a community forum on Monday, February 13 from 2 to 4 pm at the Little Lake Grange. The topic of discussion is how to define Willits as a food and restaurant destination. "At this forum we plan to discuss the ways in which Willits can boost tourist traffic and increase local interest in our food culture. We hope to connect local food producers with area restaurants, marketing assistance, and other resources. We have invited guest speakers from different sectors of our local economy and welcome all interested parties to join in the discussion." Website: www.mendocinofood.org

Blackwood Legacy Gospel Quartet

February 15

The Blackwood Legacy Quartet, direct from Nashville, will be in concert on Wednesday, February 15, 7 pm at Grace Community Church, 25 Hazel Street in Willits. Admission is free to this community-wide, non-denominational event and a free offering will be received for the group.

The popular Blackwood Legacy Quartet blends the best of traditional Southern Gospel with today's newer Country Gospel for a unique mix that pleases audiences of all ages. The group most recently performed at the prestigious Fanny Cosby Memorial Concert, televised live from Nashville across the US.

Group owner and bass singer, Rick Price, was originally a protégée of the late Cecil Blackwood of Blackwood Brothers fame, and began his 40-year career singing with the Blackwood Brothers in 1977. Price was honored with induction into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame with the legendary group in 1998.

Blackwood Legacy Gospel Quartet



Willits Rotary Crab Dinner

February 17

Rotary Club's All-You-Can-Eat Crab Dinner – serving loads of fresh sweet crabs, salad, pasta, and French bread. Also, wine and beer will be available for purchase. Friday February 17, 2017, at 6 pm at the Willits Community Center. Dollar auction and live auction, live music by the Bassics. This event is a benefit for the Willits High School Seniors Scholarship Fund and the Willits Senior Center. Tickets are \$50, and are available at Willits Furniture, Tri-Counties Bank and the Willits Senior Center. Ask any Willits Rotarian or call Ann Alumbaugh: 459-1440, or 841-1315.

Add your event to our Calendar: willitsweekly@gmail.com

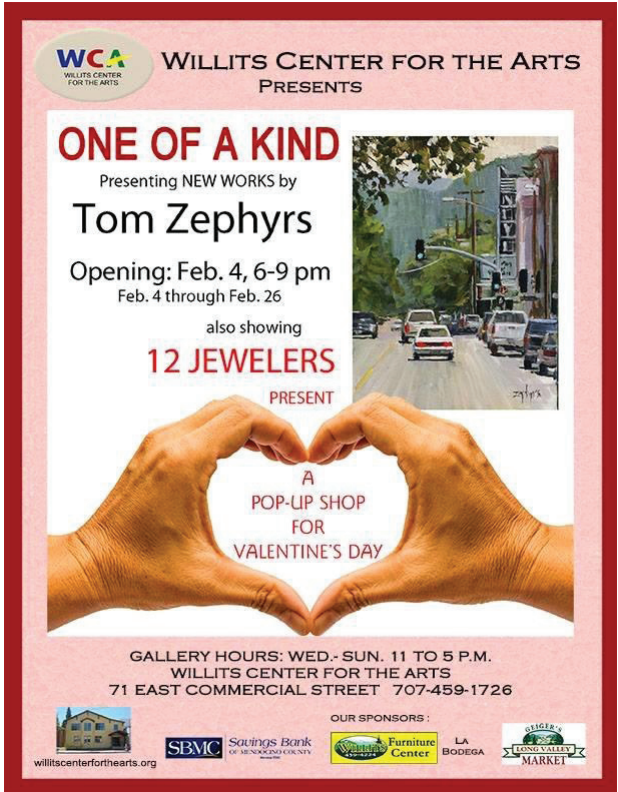
DEADLINE is end of Monday for Thursday publication

American Legion Auxiliary Annual Sweetheart Raffle

Members of the American Legion Willits Post #174 and Legion Auxiliary are now selling tickets to the annual "Sweetheart Raffle," with prizes set to be drawn on Valentine's Day, February 14.

Look for tables in front of Safeway and The Book Juggler to purchase tickets, or call either Dori Grauer at 459-6535 or Vicki Ham at 456-9858 who will see to it that you get tickets.

There will be three or more prize packages consisting of a night at a local motel, dinners or luncheons, flowers, candy, haircuts, theater tickets, movie theater tickets, video certificates, and various other special coupons for gift items, with the grand prize being "A Night on the Town," with dinner, show tickets and a night's stay at a local motel. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. Need not be present to win!



'An Evening to Remember'

February 14

Valentine Dinner to be served at the Adventist Christian School of Wilits, 22751 Bray Road on Tuesday, February 14, 2016. Romantically named "An Evening to Remember," this meal will be served in the school gymnasium which will be transformed into an "Italian Villa," with ambience, lighting and décor to make the whole experience memorable. Service begins at 5:30. The meal will feature a variety of pastas (gluten free option) and sauces, a full salad bar, and wonderful desserts. Desserts and special drinks extra. Fundraiser Tickets purchased ahead are \$10 and \$12 at the door. Tickets can be bought at The Goods Stamp Shoppe, or at the school. For more information, please call 459-4333.

Ongoing Events

Willits Winter Farmers Market: at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. 3 to 5:30 pm Thursday afternoons. Veggies, local meats and local grains, dinner, baked goods, gift items, chocolates, crafts, live music, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more.

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: 459-4932.

Tuesday Night Potluck Bingo: Potluck dinner and bingo every Tuesday at the Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road." Be sure to bring a dish to share!" 5 to 7 pm; \$5 buy-in; 50 cents per card. Info: 459-6826.

Free Seeds for your Winter Garden: "Check out" flower, vegetable, and herb seeds to plant in your garden. After the plants are done, save the seeds , label them and return them to Will Minor at Willits Public Library. Heirloom seeds only. No GMO and no hybrids! Questions? Call Will at 459-5908, e-mail him at minorw@co.mendocino.ca.us, or see him at the library desk.

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: Due to popular demand, the Willits Library is holding the drop-in knitting circle every Saturday of the month, from 3 to 4:30 pm at the Willits Branch Library, 390 East Commercial Street. "Bring your projects to share and show off! We will have expert knitters on board who can solve any problems and teach everyone to knit! Bring your own projects – we'll supply the coffee! Sign-ups are not necessary – everyone is welcome to drop in."

Library Coloring Club: Want a little color in your life? Then by all means, come to the library!

The Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street, is hosting a Library Coloring Club, every Tuesday at 6:30 pm for ages 14 and up. "We've got the crayons and the paper – you bring the imagination."

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: at Baechtel Grove gym; Sundays and Tuesdays at 7 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 HHM Conference Room, 1 Madrone Street, 6 to 7 pm. RSVP to Jennifer Barrett at 707-540-4208. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Free Sheriff's Activity League programs: at Body Works Gym, 1511 South Main Street. Teen gym: Monday to Friday from 2:30 to 5:30 pm; Boxing: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 pm; Karate: Kids aged 5 to 10 from 6 to 7 pm, Teens, Teens and Adults at 7 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, 8 pm. No cover. Jazz Night every second and fourth Thursday, 8 pm. No cover. "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, 8 pm. Sign-ups start at 7:30 pm; pre-signup list starts at 3 pm when the Pub opens. "An eclectic array of local musicians and even performers from around the world!" 50 South Main Street, behind Adam's Restaurant. Info: 459-9194

Karaoke Night at Al's Redwood Room: Every Wednesday night, starting at 9 pm. 207 South Main Street. Info: 459-2444.

Laytonville Winter Farmers Market: Mondays, November through May, from 2:30 to 4:30 pm at Harwood Hall, 44400 Willits Avenue, Laytonville. Local fresh fruits and vegetables, artisan goat cheeses, ranch meats, eggs, handcrafted clothing, live music and much more.

Senior Center Lunch

Entrees for the week of February 6 to 10

Monday: Baked Chicken

Tuesday: Pork Chop

Wednesday: Tamale Pie

Thursday: Chicken Enchilada

Friday: Chicken Fried Steak

Harrah Senior Center serves lunch five days per week from 11:45 am to 1 pm. 55 and older: \$5.50 per meal; under 55: \$7 per meal. Includes soup, entree, vegetable, bread, dessert, and drink. 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459-6826.



Above: Rings by Made in the Jade's Ted Johnson, who specializes in working with Northern California jade. At right: A painting of the Olympic coastline by Esther Hart.

‘One of a Kind’

Tom Zephyrs’ paintings featured at the Art Center’s February show

“One of a Kind,” the February 2017 show at the Willits Center of the Arts, features Willits artist Tom Zephyrs’ acrylic paintings of local Willits scenes, landscapes from the surrounding area, and still lifes. The opening reception will be Saturday, February 4 from 6 to 9 pm, with catering by Scoops.

As a convenience to Valentine’s Day shoppers, the WCA gallery will also feature a “Pop-Up Jewelry Store,” displaying the one-of-a-kind pieces of this 94-year-old Laytonville resident’s life, will also be on display in February. Hart will be on hand at the opening to discuss her paintings, from her time living in Hawaii and the rugged Olympic coastline. Hart is the matriarch of four generations of women including her daughter Donna Lee Hart, granddaughter Cece, and great-granddaughters Caruna and Celina.

An artist for 26 years, Zephyrs related that he spent his initial years exploring different art genres and mediums. For years, he favored oil paints until he discovered and switched to acrylic paints. “For the way I paint, the advantages of premium quality acrylics far outshine the advantages of oils. Modern acrylic paints are of equivalent quality and longevity to oil paints.”

Zephyrs , a former “Signature” artist with Laguna Plein Air Painters Association, is known for his plein air paintings. He left LPAPA because of the distance to Laguna Beach from Willits, but he still enjoys plein air painting. However, he is also comfortable with studio painting. “Obviously, weather and the complexity of the subject can be determining

factors,” he said. “Both are a delight.”

When asked about the challenges he faces when creating his art, he explained: “One of the essential challenges is finding and developing the source of inspiration, or as many in the arts call it, ‘the muse.’ He must ask himself, ‘What is this source? How can it be recognized and developed so that the painting has more of those qualities that are interesting to the viewer? What can keep me engaged and enticed as an artist?’”

On the business side of being an artist, Zephyrs related that the challenge of delivering his work to distant commercial galleries no longer interests him. Logistically, he loves living in Northern California, and it is just too challenging to transport his work to the galleries as he once did. Creating art for those galleries also made him question an important aspect of his personal art process. “During the painting process, if one is painting for product, it has a very different feeling to it, a very different internal dialogue, than if one is painting for the artistic intuitive experience.”

His personal motto for creating art is: “Don’t let nature get in the way of a good painting.” He goes on to explain: “For me, this is the ‘art’ in painting ... using the elements of a landscape scene or still life set-up and instilling in the painting its own special character. Rearranging, eliminating and adding.”

Willits has been home for Zephyrs for 15 years, and he has been a member of the Willits Center for the Arts for about 10 of those years. “Willits has a special, creative atmosphere to it,” he says; “fascinating and friendly people, and is the first place coming north on Highway 101 that has a different climate, trees, hills. It just feels good to live here.”

“One of a Kind” will run at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street, from February 4 to 26. Winter hours: Wednesday through Sunday, 11 am to 5 pm.

At top, from left: “Rainy Day Rural Delivery” by Tom Zephyrs. A pendant by Laura Buckner, owner of Happy Woman Jewelry, who will have many pieces in the “Pop-Up Jewelry Store.” Stone’s Throw’s wire-wrapped jewelry by Nancy Finn.

Ar left, top: “Waterside Trees” by Tom Zephyrs. At left: “Commercial & Main Street” by Tom Zephyrs.





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two directional signs” be installed “at a cost to the city of \$10,000 to \$12,000.”

“This [resolution] doesn’t require us to pay for the signage,” Duley told the council, as such funds are not budgeted. To meet the cost of sign installation, the city will have to pass a budget amendment in the near future, said City Manager Adrienne Moore.

“The resolution is just the first step in moving forward towards [implementing new signage],” said Duley. “We’ll have to work with Caltrans with the encroachment permit process to identify the exact location, size and number of signs, but we’re looking to establish a “Downtown Willits” sign in both directions before the North Main Street exit, some signs at the offramps directing people downtown, a directional sign at that first left-hand turn going into Willits, as well as a smaller sign on Highway 20 directing people to downtown Willits on the left.”

Duley said the city could possibly reduce installation costs by making the signs in-house.

“We have the capacity to make some of the signs ourselves with equipment we have down at the public works yard,” said Duley. “We’re limited on the size of the signs we can make, but that is a potential cost savings. We’ll be working with Caltrans to try to waive the encroachment permit fee if we can” and will also “explore the idea of doing the installations ourselves. As best as we can, we’ll try to use existing posts out there so we won’t have to put in new ones.

“The city is good at pinching pennies,” he said.

Fielding questions from the council about where specifically the signs would be located on Highway 101, and what they would look like, Duley explained: “Going back to the interchange itself, on the highway, you’d be traveling and just as you see a North Main Street exit in both directions, either on that sign, or before it, it would say Downtown Willits,” Duley said. “It would be your standard green sign with white lettering.”

As for the Highway 20 location, “as you arrive into Willits [from Highway 20] with Main Street and Safeway in front of you, we have that green strip of land along the south side

of Highway 20 there; we’re requesting putting a sign [indicating] Downtown Willits is to the left.”

Councilman Ron Orenstein noted all the directional signage being requested by the city was promoting downtown Willits, but “we still have the issue of south Main Street.”

“It sounds like you’re promoting the downtown section up here,” he said, “and that’s a good thing. But we’re not promoting, and maybe even ignoring, south Main Street, which contains all the gas stations in town and all the fast-food restaurants. In other words, the source of most of the general fund tax revenue that the city enjoys.

“Do we have any plans for that?”

“We’ve been requesting a multitude of signage,” Duley confirmed, “not only for the north end of town, but the south end of town as well. Last Wednesday, we had a meeting with Caltrans staff, and they were able to show us some potential additional signs they’re going to be putting into place, and that includes directional signs once you get off the exit in both directions.

“For instance, at the southern interchange, you have a sign that says Highway 20 Fort Bragg and it has the service signs,” he said. “Once you get off the offramp, we’re looking to have additional signage duplicating those service signs and pointing you in that direction.”

Councilman Larry Stranske addressed the lack of directional signage once a driver pulls off Highway 101 in either direction.

“When you get off you just run into a road, and you don’t know if it’s two miles or 10 miles to the next gas station,” he said.

Duley replied: “In the update Caltrans gave us, it did contain a mileage marker with that directional sign.”

Duley noted Caltrans is willing to work with the city to implement a Willits theme for some of the signs.

“With Caltrans still retaining our Main Street until the relinquishment, we would be required to work with them if we want to come up with our own theme and signage to start connecting the dots within the city,” he said. “They said they’d work with us if we came up

Pallesen said he could not divulge the exact location of the site, nor the identity of the owner, as negotiations have not yet been finalized.

The county has tentatively agreed to contribute \$1.3 million of Mental Health Services Act funding to the project. The money has been accumulating in a MHSA account for several years and been earmarked for housing for mentally ill patients.

Pallesen also said he has reached tentative agreements with other funding sources, but that funding remains in limbo until Mendocino County makes a firm commitment to the project. Supervisors Chair John McCowen told Pallesen the issue would likely be on the board’s February 7 agenda.

Pallesen was upbeat about the chances RCHDC can put the deal together. “If we shoot too high and don’t have enough funds, we’re not going to get funded at all,” Pallesen said. “But I am pretty optimistic at this point.”

Redwood Quality Management Company Operations Manager Camille Schraeder said her company is negotiating with owners of two separate properties to secure a building to house a 25- to 35-bed mental health crisis and residential treatment center.

Schraeder said RQMC is planning to use \$500,000 in grant money secured by the county’s Behavioral Health Recovery Services Division in 2015 to help convert the as-yet-undetermined building into a crisis-residential facility. However, she added, the deal is not yet done, and to secure the grant money, an agreement must be reached by June 30.

Crisis Coordinator Chandra Gonsales told the committees that, since July, RQMC and its mental health partners have made 860 crisis assessments (306 youth or young adults and 554 adults or older adults). The number of unduplicated people assessed for crisis was 583 (210 youth/young adults and 373 adults or older adults). The crisis line received more than 2,500 calls, and crisis workers spent 3,207 hours providing crisis intervention and an additional 2,576 hours providing after-hours care.

There were 238 inpatient hospitalizations, she said. The readmission rate was 15 percent. Redwood Community Crisis Center had a hospitalization rate of 27.6 percent.

During the second quarter of 2016, 52 percent of the calls and/or appearances at the crisis center were from family members, friends, or walk-in patients themselves; 26 percent were from law enforcement; 13 percent were from RQMC partners, including county Public Health staff and other organizations, such as Manzanita Services, Tapestry and the Mendocino County Youth Project. Nine percent were from community hospitals and clinics.

From October 1 to December 31, law enforcement provided 115 referrals to the Redwood Community Crisis Center: 46 from the Sheriff’s Office, 33 from the Ukiah Police Department, 22 from the Fort Bragg Police Department, and 12 from the Willits Police Department. Two were from the California Highway Patrol.

Sheriff Tom Allman, who attended the meeting, said he has been talking with RQMC to see if after-hours response duties can be shifted from sheriff’s deputies to RQMC staff. Allman said his goal is to do so when the potential client is nonviolent and not carrying a weapon, and when the situation arises “after hours,” that is, after 5 pm.

“A mental health crisis worker should be the first responder,” Allman said. “It would benefit our community if we had non-police officers doing this work. If we can divert even 10 percent of the calls we normally handle to RQMC, I’d be a happy camper.

“RQMC has people who go to hospitals and who go to the jail to deal with situations,” he noted. “But they don’t have anyone who goes into people’s homes.”

“A couple months ago, one person filed 21 lawsuits in the city of Napa in one month,” Sherman said. “All of [the lawsuits] were [against] small businesses.”

“An attorney came in and filed action on a client,” said Mayor Gerry Gonzalez. “The way it was described to me is that the client didn’t even know she was suing this business. It’s one of those ... I’ll call it a shakedown. Apparently, it’s allowed under the law.

“According to this business owner his insurance won’t cover it because it specifically says it won’t cover ADA issues,” the mayor said. “It’s one of those [quagmires where] you can fight it and you might win, but you might go broke paying for the attorneys to fight this attorney.”

Sherman said while “people are under the impression that current ADA and California building code accessibility regulations are required to be applied to all properties. That’s not the case.

“When a property does substantial improvement like structural upgrades, additions, or new construction, that’s when – as part of the approval process of those projects – they’re required to meet current California building code accessibility standards. ADA parking, restrooms, things like that.”

Buildings are required to “meet the code that was in effect when that work was done last,” Sherman said. “If you have a building that hasn’t been worked on since the 1970s, nobody has ever stood up and said you have to comply with current regulations.”

When asked by Councilman Ron Orenstein about how much work on a building would have to take place in order for current ADA regulations to kick in, Sherman answered: “If you do substantial work to the building that’s worth more than 20 percent of the value of the building, then you need to [be compliant].”

As an example, Sherman said: “Say you remodel one wing of your office building. Then you’re required – from the point of entry to the property to that particular space – [that it] be brought up to current accessibility standards in terms of an accessible path.

“If it’s on the second floor at the far end, you need to have an elevator,” he said. “Because this involves everything from the point of entry, your parking spaces are reviewed. That accessible path all the way to the unit that’s being altered is subject to those requirements. Now the other end of the building on the second floor has nothing to do with that. The restrooms on the way to that area, they have to be brought to standards.”

Sherman then addressed the latest ADA Barrier Removal Program.

“With public accommodation occupancies out

with a theme, but we’d have to run that by them.”

Councilwoman Saprina Rodriguez asked Duley about the logo program and what business owners need to do to get their businesses advertised.

“What Caltrans has explained to staff is that we should expect to have those logo signs on either direction at the southern interchange and for reasons I can’t quite understand – so I’ll just describe it as a technicality – we’re not getting those logo signs at the northern interchange. What we’ve asked Caltrans is for direction as to how we would request an exception to that. For instance, we have 40 to 50 restaurants, but there’s only an opportunity for people to put six logos on the food sign at the other interchange.”

Duley said any business wanting to request a logo sign should contact Aaron Dorsch of Caltrans at 445-6389 for information about the application process.

Greta Kanne, owner of The Book Juggler, compared Willits with Cloverdale, in her plea for the city to be firm with Caltrans.

“If you drive through Cloverdale, you see they have six different logo boards,” Kanne said. “They have two at each of their exits, and the logo boards aren’t just for business, they’re good for promoting to travelers that this is a community that has more than one or two things to offer.

“If [travelers] see there are five different gas stations, six different restaurants, it gives the impression this is a community of size that is worth a whole lot,” she said. “Having those boards with multiple businesses established on them indicates that it’s really worth stopping. It’s important, and I encourage you to stick it to [Caltrans].”

An email from Duley forwarded by the Willits Chamber of Commerce says the form for businesses to apply to the Caltrans Business Logo Program has a Redding address, but some locals who have sent applications to that Redding address have had them come back as “undeliverable.” Duley said the correct address is via P.O. Box 3700, Eureka, CA 95502.

For more information, Dusty Duley can be reached at 459-4601.

Parolee arrested after vehicle search

A 55-year-old Willits man is being held without bail in Mendocino County Jail after deputies arrested him last Thursday night for violating his parole.

Sheriff’s Sgt. Quincy Cromer says Rudolph Esquivel was taken into custody at about 10 pm on January 26 after patrol deputies spotted him driving in the Meadowbrook Drive and Sherwood Hill Drive area even though the DMV had suspended his driver’s license.

During a search of Esquivel’s vehicle, deputies discovered controlled substances, metal knuckles, and drug paraphernalia, Cromer said. They contacted Esquivel’s parole officer, who placed a hold on the Willits man for violating his parole conditions.

Esquivel was arrested on suspicion of violating parole, possessing metal knuckles, possessing a controlled substance, possessing drug paraphernalia, and driving with a suspended license.



Rudolph Esquivel

there, there is a barrier removal act as part of the ADA that requires the use of turnstiles and things like that.” Anything that may be seen as a barrier to people with disabilities must be moved out of the building. “It doesn’t require you to do a lot of new construction to the building, but it requires that you take out the barriers.”

Greta Kanne of The Book Juggler discussed what she and co-owner Chris Harper have done about trying to meet ADA standards.

“We believe we have removed the majority of any barriers,” Kanne said. “We’ve had regular customers with wheelchairs who have not had problems accessing the store.”

However, she noted: “Our building is over 100 years old. Because of this issue we have looked into having a specialist come and observe our property and give us an evaluation basically to figure out if there’s anything we need to be working on. Once you do that, you can have a plan in place that shows you’re moving towards compliance.

“You don’t have to make all the changes at once, and it legally covers you so you’re not in jeopardy of interfering with someone’s civil rights.”

Kanne added that being compliant with ADA is an important priority.

“For me personally, it’s not just an insurance and a liability issue, it’s doing the right thing,” she said. “Making sure that your customers have access to your business [is vital]. They have the same rights of accessibility as everybody else does.”

Sherman addressed actions owners of older buildings might consider taking.

“If your building is 100 years old, you might want to look into possibly being on a registry,” Sherman said, because doing so would “give you a whole lot of rights which you wouldn’t have with a modern building.”

Moore and Sherman are currently organizing a forum to educate concerned property owners about their rights and ADA regulations.

“I’m excited that we’re going to have some education,” said Councilwoman Saprina Rodriguez. “As a business owner, that’s what you want to know before something happens, what you need to do to make things accessible, as well as being in compliance.”

Moore urged the public to “reach out to our legislative representatives” about being at risk of lawsuits as described by Sherman’s example of the attorney in Napa.

“Our state representatives trying to change state laws is difficult,” Moore said. “But they need to know what’s going on in order to be responsive and figure out a way to deal with it. We are letting them know, and all of you should likewise let them know.”



Poets, from far left: Linda Noel, Mary Korte, and WJ Ray read at the Willits Library on January 19.

Poetic voices of Mendocino County

Linda Noel, Mary Korte, WJ Ray read at the library

"It was an accident that this [poetry reading] was scheduled before the inauguration," WJ Ray told an audience of roughly 30 poetry enthusiasts during the January 19 reading at the Willits Library, explaining that the intention for the gathering wasn't strictly an act of protest in conjunction with the world-wide marches.

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of reality, whereas politics seek uniformity in reality for the purpose of control and harmony. Poetry will be here when all the tumult is done."

WJ Ray, along with his colleagues of verse Mary Norbert Korte and Linda Noel, have represented the poetic voice of Mendocino County for decades, and their unique styles were on full display as they read poems that covered the full spectrum of the human condition, ranging from the absurd to the sublime.

Korte, a Beat Generation poet who has long since transcended that designation, and who had her first poem published by the Atlantic Weekly at the age of 14, began with a reading of "Winter," an eloquently wrenching piece of verse about surviving the winter siege of Sarajevo, where "people had to burn their books to keep warm. The collected works of Balzac were enough for two meals."

Korte switched from political commentary to personal struggle, as she read a poem about a hospital incident that nearly ended her life, written in the third-person, as if recounting the incident as an out-of- body experience. As with much of her work, Korte is a master at revealing the humor within tragic situations; when on the hospital bed, she takes the time to correct someone's grammar.

"She wanted to fly out the window," Korte read. "Doctors held her back. They got in her face. They told her 'lay down.' 'Lie down,' she said. 'I'm leaving my body,' she announced. She wanted to fly out the window. She talked about how she wanted to hang up her body in the closet and go about her business."

The poem ends with a plea towards the immortal: "That was what Dante meant when he talked about Music of the Spheres. It's because he could dance through the sky, glistering, without ever leaving his desk."

Korte ended with a poem titled "Working Man's Weed," where she cleverly uses cannabis as a metaphor for personal freedom.

"Eat your brownie first thing in the morning. You'll sleep most of the day and half the next with all night in between."

Later in the poem: "She thinks of how she can acquire bloatation, permanent pain-free thought travel along with wisdom, the kind she gets listening to river sounds."

The poem ends: "You got to remember the land. The land is everything. Way too large and too small, but with land and lumber we are called upon to make a home."

Linda Noel, whose poems have been anthologized in various publications, including her piece "Lesson in Fire" – which can be found at the Autry Museum of the American West – read verse which touched on her Native American heritage, as well as the current state of political affairs.

Some lines from "Survival Poem": "May grandma is more than a glittering fleck of memory in the shadow of gold diggers, and they called us dirty diggers because we dug for food. Sometimes I read the clouds, certainly the stars, wind, and the spoken word. I am always seeking words to find my way. Words as warriors, words as friends, words as warmth, words as belief in tomorrow for survival."

Noel read from her most recent work in progress, "Privileged Man," clearly about Donald Trump, though the

poem never names him.

"A privileged boy becomes a privileged man who becomes a robber baron, a landlord, gold holder. From a jeweled thrown he spews his directives, daring any to disagree and cast scorn into the littles beneath him, dismissing those of varied views, especially those who have never known privilege. A privileged boy becomes a privileged man who waves his tongue as if to brush-color the word in his hue and his tone."

Despite the bleakness she paints in her more recent poems, Noel, ultimately finds courage and inspiration in the spirit of community, as shown from the following lines:

"In the trenches of mud and children's bones we shall pray for young spirits to ascend with grace from mountain earth and floor beneath the rivers and the light shall fan the sparkle of stars. Let us summon compassion to counter ill-defined judgment when honesty and clarity shall prevail. Let us know the river between head and heart."

WJ Ray closed the evening with readings from his Winter Haikus, followed by some of his longer, lyrical verse.

*"Praying for my mother
A moment silent
By the winter rose vines"*

*"Falling winter
Yellow yoke sun
You break my heart"*

Ray's poem "At the Hop Up in Willits" was whimsical and surreal, and reminiscent of Bob Dylan's "Desolation Row," with long winding verses including: "The Bedouin thief shrugs in the hall and Ingrid Bergman is on the loose chasing twin devils and Groucho Marx."

Ray's most poignant poem of the evening "Blue Collar," is about how, at the age of 20, he dodged the Vietnam War draft, moved to Rochester, New York, and got a job working at a mustard factory. His verse drips with gritty, evocative imagery.

*"Returning home past midnight
Over snowy Rochester streets
I thought of Emma Goldman
And was received by my Guardians"*

*So latric and kind I knew I was blessed
They stayed up to warm food
It's toil," Mary warned in her kitchen
And her husband added, 'X number of years'
To tell me to pursue a dream of the mind
As my hands blistered and calloused
And seeds once embedded
Stayed in the yellowing flesh
A statue of confusion and pride."*

At right: Poets pose together, including, from far left: WJ Ray, Mary Korte, and Linda Noel.

Dan Roberts was in attendance, and recorded the event, to be used later for his KZYX radio show "Rhythm Running River," which airs on alternate Sundays from 2 to 4pm.

Many of WJ Ray's poems can be found online at www.wjray.net.

To read Linda Noel's "Lesson in Fire" go to: http://mendocinocoountylibrary.blogspot.com/2012/04/april-is-poetry-month_23.html

To find more information about Mary Norbert Korte and her poems, go to: <http://rbsop.lib.rochester.edu/4729>



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"We make our own pickled onions, smoke and cure our own hams," said Paradis. "I'm very pleased with that sandwich as well. A lot of people really appreciate it. It's a little different than the normal fare."

The three Big Chief owners are not new to providing a unique dining experience to the Laytonville area, as they started with a catering business several years ago, and created the annual Crawfish Boil Festival, which celebrated its 10th anniversary last summer.

"What I'm most proud of about that event is that you get people from all the various cross-sections of this town," Paradis said. "Laytonville old timers, hippies out in the hills, the fishermen – a wide cross-section of the community show up and have fun together."

The event started as a fundraiser, Paradis explained, "to support the cleanup efforts after the BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. Since then, the event raises funds for local Laytonville projects and organizations.

"We raised \$34,000 for the ambulance service this year," said Paradis. "In years past we raised money for the high school. There's a big beautiful greenhouse there that the garden program is utilizing that we helped pay for, and a smaller greenhouse at the elementary school."

Each of the owners brings his own unique perspective and skills to the Big Chief experience.

"I have more traditional restaurant experience than [Carpenter] does, but he has a lot more butchering experience. We complement each other well. [Terrill] is the front of the house guy. His focus is the world of draft beer. What we're trying to do is provide opportunities for people to try beer that they would not get anywhere else here in town."

With that in mind, Terrill is constantly changing the taps with a vast array of California brews.

"I focus on California beer, because I can drive anywhere in the state and pick up kegs directly from the brewery within the state of CA," Terrill explained. "So I'll go down to San Diego to get kegs, and down to Sacramento."

Terrill also purchases kegs of kombucha, serving the drink on tap rather than in bottles. He and Paradis were pleasantly surprised by the popularity of the drink.

"It started off, I bought four kegs," said Terrill. "Then later I had to buy a whole pallet to get sent up here."

"Working with the brewers we get a higher quality product than just the stuff you can buy in bottles," Paradis said. "People come in with their growlers and get them refilled all the time."

As far as finding the best gluten-free bread they could offer, Paradis said they conducted extensive research.

"We work with a wonderful lady down in Santa Rosa of Liberty Five Bakery; she provides all of our gluten-free bread. We did a lot of searching around, and we're super pleased to meet her. Our gluten-free crowd has responded strongly. We've had people wanting to buy the bread from us to take home, because it's a good product. We have a gluten-free batter and a dedicated fryer that's separate from the regular fryer so it doesn't get cross-contaminated. We can give you a fully gluten-free experience."

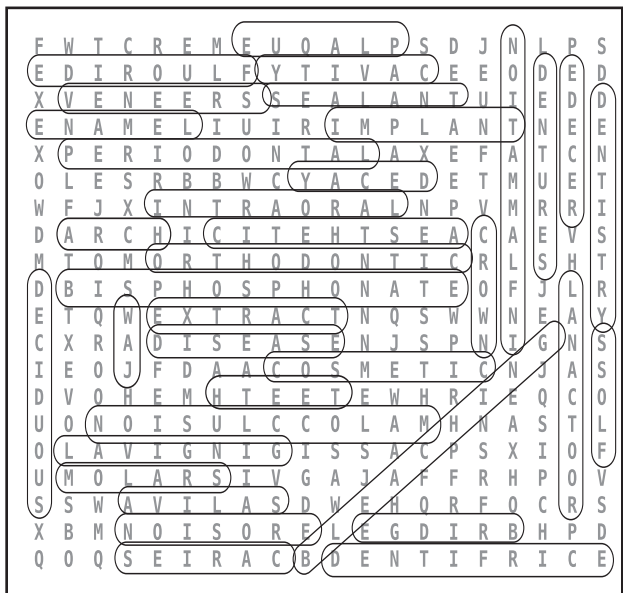
Big Chief is gearing up for Mardi Gras day, scheduled for Tuesday, February 28.

"We're going to provide crawfish here, roast a pig, and have a Mardi Gras party," Paradis said.

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LEGAL NOTICES

WW103

Fictitious Business Name Statement

2017-F0066

The following person is doing business as: **Imagination Station Preschool & Childcare Center, Inc.**, 11 North Marin St., Willits CA 95490; Saprina Rodriguez, 331 West Mendocino Ave., Willits CA 95490. This business is conducted by a Corporation: Imagination Station Preschool & Childcare Center, Inc., 11 North Marin St., Willits CA 95490.

The registrants commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 2/1/11.

Statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk on January 26, 2017.

s/Saprina Rodriguez

Pub dates 02/02, 02/09, 02/16, 02/23/2017

WW104

Fictitious Business Name Statement

2017-F0067

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **Learning Depot Academy**, 265 W. Mendocino Ave., Willits CA 95490; Saprina Rodriguez, 331 W. Mendocino Ave., Willits CA 95490. This business is conducted by a Corporation: Imagination Station Preschool & Childcare Center, Inc., 11 North Marin St., Willits CA 95490.

The registrants commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/1/16.

Statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk on January 26, 2017.

s/Saprina Rodriguez

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WW102

Fictitious Business Name Statement

2017-F0069

The following persons are doing business as: **Pacific Blue** 32301 Pearl Drive, Fort Bragg, CA 95437. This business is conducted by a General Partnership: Carlon Cathey, 411 South Street #4, Fort Bragg CA 95437, and Stephen Dunlap, 32301 Pearl Drive, Fort Bragg, CA 95437.

The registrants commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on February 1, 2017.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Mendocino on January 26, 2017.

s/Stephen Dunlap

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

Filed January 9, 2017

CASE NUMBER **SCUCVPT 1768591**

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

Petitioner **Kapila Benz** filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Kapila Benz to Kapila Ambrosios Pendragon Phoenix

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petitioner without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Date: February 17, 2017, Time: 9:30 am, Dept. E, Superior Court of California, County of Mendocino, 100 North State Street, Ukiah CA 95482

Date: 02/17/2017

s/Kapila Benz

Pub dates 01/12, 01/19, 01/26, 02/02/2017



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February 2017 Calendar

MONDAY POINTS DAYS 4X POINTS

All Players Club members will earn 4X Points from 10A to 10P on the days of the promotion!

TUESDAY POT OF GOLD PLINKO



Hot Seats
12 Random Hot Seat
Drawings

Approximate Times of Hot Seat Drawings
1P – 4P (twice per hour = 6 Drawings)
7P – 10P (twice per hour = 6 Drawings)

Winner will receive one Plinko Chip. The Winner will place the Plinko Chip in a slot of their choice on the top of the Plinko board. The plinko chip will slide down the board and will land in one of 8 prize slots. Prizes will be randomly placed at the bottom of the Plinko board.

The prizes are: “\$20 Free Play”, “\$40 Free Play”, “\$60 Free Play”, “\$100 Free Play”.

If a winning customer has less than 300 points earned (on the day of the promotion) when their name is drawn, they will win the “base” Free Play amount. If the winning customer has earned more than 300 points on the day of the promotion, they will earn a 50% bonus on the Free Play they won.

The Players Club Representative will switch the prizes on the bottom of the Plinko Board every six games. All Free Play won must be played by 2A. Customers may win up to twice each Tuesday.

HOT SEATS & Bonus Spin WEDNESDAYS Double Your Fun!

EARLY SESSION: 11A ending at 3P
2 random winners/hour
(8 total winners)

Each winner will win \$40 in Free Play
Each Hot Seat winner will also spin a prize wheel that could double their Free Play winnings.

EVENING SESSION: 7P ending at 11P
2 random winners/hour (8 total winners)

Each winner will win \$100 in Free Play
Each Hot Seat winner will also spin a prize wheel that could double their Free Play winnings.
Customers may win up to two separate Hot Seats each week for this promotion

Scratch Card Sunday! 10am-8pm!

Players Club members that earn minimally 40 points on each 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

Customers may receive only one Scratch Card each Sunday for this promotion.
-All Free play that is won via the Hot Seat drawings must be used by 2A on the same gaming day, or the winnings (Free Play) will be removed from the customer's account.

Management reserves all rights to cancel or alter any promotion with little or no notice.

SUPER SENIOR DAY

**50%
DISCOUNT
FOOD
COUPONS
ISSUED**

(to be used for that day only) when the customer has earned minimally 50 points from 10A to 7P.



\$100 GAME
12PM & \$150 FOR
\$200 GAME
8PM
\$250 GAME
9PM
\$300 GAME
10PM

Players Club members must have earned minimally 50 points to receive a bingo card for the 12P, 1P & 2P bingo games. Bingo at 12P for \$100 cash and 1P & 2P for \$150 cash for each game winner.

Players Club members must have earned minimally 75 points (throughout the day) to receive a bingo card for the 8P, 9P & 10P bingo games. Bingo at 8P (\$200 each game), \$250 for the 9P game and \$300 for the 10P game.

ANY SENIOR (55+) THAT WINS A BINGO GAME (Not a second chance) WILL WIN A \$50 FREE PLAY BONUS.

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

For the 2P and 9P & 10P there will be a "Second Chance Win". After a confirmed bingo for these three games (and the winning customer has been processed), the game will continue until a second "Bingo" is won, and the "Second Chance Win" customer will win \$50 Cash for the 2P game and \$100 Cash for the 9P & 10P game.

The "Second Chance Win" opportunity will be announced before each of the specific games.

FRIDAY NIGHT

*Ticket Entry Drawings - 20 Points/Entry
May start to redeem points for entries starting at 11A
Each drawing time has a prize value to it



**PROGRESSIVE DRAWING
PAYDAY!**

8:00PM \$100	9:00PM \$150
10:00PM \$200	10:30 PM \$250
11:00PM \$300	

At each drawing (except the 11P drawing), an entry will be drawn from the Raffle Barrel. The winning customer will have 30 seconds to claim their prize. If the number is not claimed the money for the specific drawing will be forwarded to the next drawing for the night. For example, if the 8P drawing has no winner, the \$100 will be forwarded to the 9P drawing and will be worth \$250.

For the 11P drawing, if there is no claim on the drawing, there will be an additional drawing. This process will continue until a winner has claimed the cash prize. Customers may win up to 2 times each week of this promotion.



SATURDAY FUN • HOT SEATS (FREE PLAY) February 4 & 11

Round #1:
11 AM to 12 PM – 2 random winners per hour;
12 PM to 1 PM – 2 random winners per hour;
1 PM to 2 PM – 2 random winners per hour.
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 eligible for Round #3.

Round #2:
5 PM to 6 PM – 2 random winners per hour.
6 PM to 7 PM – 2 random winners per hour.
7 PM to 8 PM – 2 random winners per hour.
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.

Tuesday, February 14 Box of Chocolates

2P to 7P
Players Club members can redeem
40 points earned on February 14, 2017
for a box of chocolates



(While Supplies Last)



SATURDAY SPORTS FUN February 22 & 24 March 1 & 4.
We will be giving away 8 pairs of tickets to the Golden State Warriors game on March 26. Earn entries (25 points/entry) on February 22, 25 and on March 1, 4

Drawings at 8P & 9P on February 25 & March 4
2 pairs of tickets for each drawing time each week. The Raffle Barrel will be emptied after the 9P drawings each week. Players Club members may win once per week and up to 2 times for this promotion.



Saturday Bingo Fun • February 18th

6PM “Buy-In” for the 7P & 8P games - 75 Points
7PM Game - \$150 Cash • 8PM Game - \$150 Cash

9:300PM “Buy-In” for the 10:00P, 11:00PM
10:00PM Game \$250 Cash
11:00PM Game \$300 Cash



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