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## WELL hosts **'Building Community**' talk

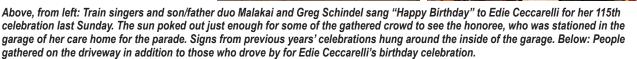
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It was a full house this past Saturday, despite the winter cold and rain, as an intrepid group of Willitsarea residents of all ages crowded into the Willits Fire Station 54 on Commercial Street. Sponsored by Willits Economic Localization, those attending were there to discuss the many challenges that Willits and the nation face, including the state of our food systems, housing and the lack thereof, the need for community revitalization, importance the of entrepreneurship in small communities, and more.

WELL is a 501(c)(3)non-profit membership organization formed in 2004, which envisions an enduring local economy that provides health and security for the Willits community. Its mission statement reads as follows: "To foster the creation of a local, sustainable economy in the Willits area by helping residents to learn valuable skills and take action, and by partnering with other organizations to share knowledge and support projects that build a thriving economy."

The meeting, led by Jane McCabe, gave a wide range of eclectic and community-minded people









# **Cheers to** 115 years

Willits' Edie Ceccarelli has 115th birthday on Sunday, February 5 with drive-by parade and two cakes

The clouds parted and the sun shone on the damp group of family, friends and onlookers - and on the decorated cars, too - for the 115th birthday celebration

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Tuesday On the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors directed County Counsel Christian Curtis to craft a resolution "clarifying" certain rules of "vegetation modification," i.e. tree removal, for cannabis cultivation permit applicants.

In general, the board directed staff towards ways to add more flexibility for applicants to overcome tree removal issues, which have bogged some down for months or even years in their permit process.

As described by county staff at the meeting, the 10A17 county cannabis ordinance, passed in 2017, has strict regulations against clearing of any new "restricted species" of trees for cultivation areas, though it does allow for exceptions for safety reasons or if the trees are dead or dying.

However county staff explained that there's been a lot of confusion on what classifies as a safety reason, and with other definitions in the vegetation modification section of the ordinance.

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the opportunity to meet and share their passions for community building and problem solving. Speakers ranged from founding members of WELL to recent transplants to Willits, all connected by their desire to see positive change in the Willits community. A bit of poetry, a few songs, and food and refreshments

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#### Public invited to Willits Science Fair

#### Submitted by Willits Science Fair

Willits The annual Science Fair takes place from February 10 through 16 at the Willits Community Center. Judging of student projects will take place February 10 through 12, and classroom visits are set for February 13 through 16.

The public is welcome to come tour the projects on Wednesday, February 15, from 3 to 6 pm. Qualifying projects are eligible to compete at the 2023 Mendocino County Science Fair on March 12 at the Redwood Empire Fairgrounds In Ukiah.

Willits Community Center is located at 111 East Commercial Street. More info: sciencefair@ willitsunified.com or https://sites.google. visit com/willitsunified.com/ sciencefair/home





Above, left: Before making her appearance at the celebration, Ede enjoyed a last-minute cup of butterscotch ice cream. Above, right: A party-goer gave Edie the perfect gift: a bag of Hershey's Kisses, which Edie promptly asked to be opened by Holy Spirit Care Home owner, Perla Gonzalez, right, and enjoyed mid-parade. Below, from left: Law enforcement and civilian vehicles drove by the Holy Spirit Care Home in the Haehl Creek subdivision for the 115th birthday parade. At bottom, left: Nick Kombs and Jim Montalvo of Auto Mart wave out from the antique police car driving on the parade route. Below, right: Press Democrat photographer, Kent Porter, left, smiles with Edie's cousin-by-marriage Evelyn Persico and Press Democrat's retired reporter Chris Smith.



of Willits' eldest resident, Edie Ceccarelli.

Not only does she hold the title in Willits, but Ceccarelli is also the oldest person in the United States, and the third-oldest verified living person in the entire world.

Read the rest of Edie

Over on page 5

## County added to 'major disaster' declaration

#### Submitted by County of Mendocino, SBA

The Federal Emergency Management Agency in partnership with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, the United States Small Business Administration, Mendocino County and Disaster Recovery and Office of Emergency Services have been tracking, documenting, and verifying storm damages for several weeks with the goal of bringing additional recovery resources to Mendocino County.

As of February 2, 2023, the County of Mendocino has been added to the major disaster declaration for California's severe storms and flooding. The county has been approved for both public assistance and individual assistance to support recovery efforts related to damage and / or losses from the storms that began on December 27, 2022.

The county is currently working with state and federal partners to establish Disaster Recovery Centers. FEMA Disaster Recovery

Read the rest of Disaster Over on Page 4

# What do **YOU think?**

Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from our readers

#### Thank you

To the Editor:

Thanks to the Weekly and Mathew Caine for covering the Willits Charter School talent show in your February 2 issue. Those shows surely rock for all that the kids bring.

It's also really great how much the Weekly devotes to consistently covering our young people and their allimportant creative, athletic and scholastic endeavors. Good clean fun all around.

And congrats to the school for developing their new SPAC facility for students athletics and performing arts. I can't imagine a better, healthier venue funded and built for our young people.

#### Steve Hellman, Willits

#### Senior Center menu for the week

Willits Senior Center is serving lunch in its indoor dining room, and continues to serve drive-through and walk-up lunches, too. Lunch is available Monday through Friday, from 12 to 12:45 pm, inside and outside the Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. Price is \$7.

Thursday, February 9: Chicken Fritter, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Veggie, Roll

Friday, February 10: Bacon Breakfast Burrito, Fruit Salad

Monday, February 13: Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread

Tuesday, February 14: Beef Stroganoff, Veggie, Roll Wednesday, February 15: Chile Rellenos Casserole,

**Rice & Beans** 

Thursday, February 16: Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Veggie, Roll

Friday, February 17: Teriyaki Chicken Stir Fry

February Pancake Breakfast: Sunday, February 12 from 8 to 11 am. Menu choices: 1. Pancakes with eggs cooked the way you like them, and choice of sausage or bacon. 2. Biscuits & Gravy with eggs cooked the way you like them. \$8; \$7 Senior Center members; \$6 children under 8. Extra meat sides: 3 slices bacon, \$2; 3 sausage links, \$2.

Activities: Bingo every Friday night, 5 to 7 pm. Exercise class every weekday morning from 9 to 10 am

Meals on Wheels: The Senior Center Meals on Wheels program delivers lunch Monday through Friday. To sign up call Deb at 459-6826, who can help fill out the application form. Call 459-6826 the day before needed to schedule home meal delivery. Delivered throughout Willits.

Transportation for seniors: Call 459-5556 to schedule. Pick up and drop off for grocery shopping, banking, doctors' appointments. Senior Center Thrift Shop: 459-2176

#### **Ecology** Action holds first Grow Biointensive workshop on Zoom

Submitted by Ecology Action

Ecology Action is excited to announce we are holding our annual Spring Introductory GROW BIOINTENSIVE® Workshop, online via Zoom, over four consecutive Saturdays: February 25 and March 4, 11 and 18, 2023.

Our in-person workshops are usually held over a single three-day weekend, requiring travel, food, lodging, and more time from participants. This year, everyone with an internet connection can participate from the comfort of their homes and gardens, while enjoying the same informative curriculum as our in-person workshops, over a relaxed four-Saturday time frame.

In place of live demonstrations on topics like double-digging and bed preparation, we have prepared demonstration videos detailing these methods, with question-and-answer sessions after we watch together as a group. Many of us use Zoom to connect with friends, family and work; for those new to the program, Zoom is about as simple to use as YouTube.

GROW BIOINTENSIVE Sustainable Mini-Farming is the original regenerative, sustainable, organic agriculture, rooted in heritage farm-craft and proven with science. John Jeavons and Ecology Action developed GB over 50 years of field research and teaching, based on centuries-old agricultural principles that enable you to feed yourself by feeding your soil with healthy, nutrient-rich compost grown right in your garden.

Jeavons wrote the best-selling book on the subject: "How to Grow More Vegetables, Fruits, Nuts, Berries and Other Crops Than You Ever Thought Possible with Less Water On Less Land Than You Can Imagine!" and he leads the workshops assisted by Matt Drewno, Mini-farm manager for Ecology Action's research and demonstration site Victory Gardens for Peace on the Mendocino Coast.

Both Jeavons and Drewno are Certified Master-Level GROW BIOINTENSIVE teachers. If you're interested in learning proven ways to grow great soil and abundant harvests in less space with less water, energy, and fertilizer not new fads but time-tested approaches – we would love to see you at this workshop.

Over the course of the workshop, you'll learn how to use up to 66% less water, save up to 94% in energy, and grow soil up to 60 times faster than nature - all while increasing your garden yields - plus much more.

This is an introductory course where we discuss a range of topics, from seed-starting and compost- building to harvesting crops and saving seeds. The program provides a strong introduction to Ecology Action and the GROW BIOINTENSIVE method of sustainable and regenerative gardening and farming. Many workshop participants enjoy it so much they move on to our more advanced courses or even

take an internship with us after completing the

Don't miss this opportunity to learn simple

yet powerful techniques that will keep you

growing food for a lifetime, right where you

are! Cost is \$380 per person and includes

a digital workshop manual. Other required

publications need to be purchased if you do

not already own them. Get more information at

growbiointensive.org/workshop.html and start

a new chapter in your sustainable life today.

Or contact: Ecology Action, 707-459-0150 or

Registration closes February 23, 2023. We

Ecology Action is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit

organization, established in 1971. Our mission

is to teach people worldwide to better feed

themselves while building and preserving the

soil and conserving resources. You can read a recent article about our work here: http://

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around-world-learn-how-they-can-grow-far-

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four-Saturdays workshop.

#### 'Borrow' a State Parks pass at your local library

#### Submitted by Mendocino County Library

California State Parks and the California State Library have partnered with California public libraries to create an opportunity for library card holders to enjoy our state parks for free.

The Mendocino County Library is happy to announce the opportunity for safe and equitable outdoor access to all Mendocino County residents who hold a library card to check out the passes provided through the California State Library.

These passes will allow free vehicle day-use entry at more than 200 participating state parks.

This amazing resource exists as part of a three-year pilot program through the California State Parks and the California State Library. The California State Budget for 2021/22 included initiatives for equitable access to our state parks and open spaces for all Californians. A \$9.1 million one-time General Fund investment was included in the budget to launch a state parks pilot to expand parks pass distribution.

"Libraries are trusted community hubs where Californians know they can find what they need to work, play, and thrive," said California State Librarian Greg Lucas. "This partnership with State Parks now allows Californians to 'check out' California's great outdoors at their community library."

Mendocino County Library has received a total of 95 parks pass hangtags distributed to each of our six branches and the Bookmobile. Each branch has passes that may be reserved and some that are available on a walk-in basis. Mendocino County Library card holders will be able to check out the pass and then return them to the library branch for other community members to enjoy

Each pass is valid for the entry of one passenger vehicle holding up to nine individuals or one highway-licensed motorcycle at participating state park units.

For more information on this program, including an interactive map, visit www.parks.ca.gov/?page\_id=30806

For more details, visit www.mendolibrary.org/borrow/ california-state-library-parks-pass

Visit your local Mendocino County Library branch or contact the Mendocino County Cultural Services Agency at 707-234-2873.

#### Willits Library holds community forum February 10

The Willits Branch Library is hosting a drop-in community forum on Friday, February 10, 2023, from 11 am to 1 pm. We are asking the public to help us complete our strategic plan by letting us know what they want the library to look like in the next five years. Your opinions are important to us and will help guide decisions made around the County Library.

This event is open to all ages. We want to hear from everyone about what they like, dislike, and want to see in their library. Staff will be available for the duration of the drop-in period for any community members that have questions

Light refreshments will be provided. For more information, please visit www.mendolibrary.org or contact the Willits Library at 707-459-5908.









diligently to produce a product he can be proud of. Grant Fisher meticulously does the cross-hatching on his peanut butter cookies. Fourteen-year-old Grant Fisher carefully measures out the proper amount of peanut butter. At far left: Richard Jergenson peruses the selection of cookie dough. At left: The Farmers Market sample tray offers oatmeal raisin and peanut butter

Below, left: Grant's newest addition to his repertoire: chocolate crinkles. Below, right: Grant's peanut butter cookies are ready to go in the freezer and be sold at the Farmers Market

Above. from left: Grant Fisher works



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Photos by Mathew Caine



Frozen cookie dough now available at the Willits Farmers Market from 14-year-old entrepreneur

"Grant saw a need," said proud mom him to have the training and knowledge in Evelvn Fisher about her entrepreneurial order to fulfill his chosen track. son. Grant Fisher. "All he saw were the

Safeway slice 'n bakes. There was Mathew Caine nothing like he's athew@willitsweeklv.com doing, using mostly organic ingredients, you start a business. We were going to do

high-quality butter, and those sorts of this anyway, so it just coordinated really things. They're homemade. We're testing gluten-free recipes. We're working on finding something that works well because we don't want to have just any cookie. It has to be high quality.

"Right now, he makes raw cookie dough balls," said Evelyn, "frozen so Crants you can just take them Goodies from the freezer and put them on a pan and place them in your oven. He makes chocolate chip, peanut butter, and oatmeal raisin, currently.

"We're about introduce chocolate crinkles. which are

amazing. They're a deep dark-chocolate aiding him at this point. cookie with chocolate chips inside as well. "I'm helping Grant with the business Before you bake them, you roll them in now," said Evelyn, "but part of his powdered sugar. When they bake, they entrepreneurship program is to understand crack, so you get this contrast between the how to keep records and all of the financial dark chocolate and the white powdered parts of a business, going through the sugar. We've been testing recipes and he permitting process of all the different finally found one he liked. We tweaked that entities that required permits and recordone a little bit," explained Evelyn.

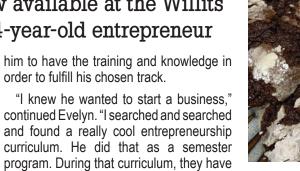
"He's done this from both the business side - 'how do you start a business' and 'what's that process?' He's gone through all

of the legal requirements. all the certifications. permits. This isn't a kid in a popsicle stand. Because I homeschooled. I've been able to customize towards my sons' interests. I've been able to nurture what Grant already knows what he wants to do."

Of course, Grant is too young, at 14, to sign contracts and hold the proper licenses. However, his mom is

age.

Above: Grant Fisher's current array of products is ready for sale at the Farmer's Market. At left, below: Grant Fisher works with his mentor, teacher, and mother, Evelyn Fisher, due to his young





The Senior Center is in need of volunteers to help with the many activities here at the center, including volunteer Meals on Wheels drivers. "Volunteers are one-third of our workforce, which allows us to offer many services to our members and community." To learn more about volunteering: 459-6826

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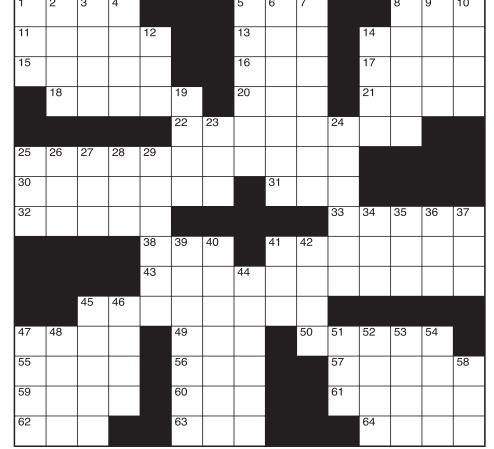
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## WILLITS POLICE DEPARTMENT **POLICE LOG**

January 15 to January 21 By Danya Davis, Willits Weekly

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> carrying a loaded concealed weapon, sale and/or transport of drugs, and possession of a controlled substance for sale, and on misdemeanor charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of

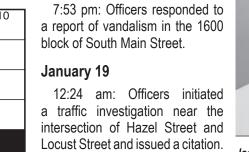
John Goss of Laytonville. drug paraphernalia.

#### January 16

1:24 pm: Officers initiated a traffic January 21 investigation in the 1600 block of South Main Street and issued a citation. January 17 6:20 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 100 block of State Street January 18

4:16 am: ARMS, Daniel Leigh (35) of Susanville was contacted in the 800 block of South Main Street. He was arrested on misdemeanor charges of domestic battery, driving with a suspended license, no evidence of current registration, and failure to appear. 2:36 pm: Officers responded to

a report of vandalism in the 500 block of Raymond Lane.



Joshua Leonard of Willits. 1:01 am: KENYON, Douglas

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pinned to her coat with help from Diana Gomez. Almost ready for her party, Ceccarelli awaits the final touch: a fancy red hat lent to her by Jill Persico, that Ceccarelli personally selected from a hatbox filled with options. Members of the Scouts BSA, Troop 42 carried American flags at the front of the parade including from left: Mason Caspino, Isabella Lopez-Mora and Annalee Gonzalez.

Below, left: Genaro B. Gonzalez, Jr., business partner of Holy Spirit Care Home's owner Perla Gonzalez, shows Ceccarelli the beautiful four-tier cake made for the celebration by Schat's Bakery in Ukiah. Below, right: A group of friends and family gathered for a photo with a county proclamation shown off by Third District Supervisor John Haschak, including from left, in back: Cici Winiger, Caprice Hardy, Christian Hardy, John Haschak, Evelyn Persico and Chuck Persico. In front, from left: Edie's niece Beverly Davidson of Red Bluff, Jill Persico and Lee Persico.

From page 1 Edie

A celebration was held for Ceccarelli on Sunday, February 5 outside her residence, the Holy Spirit Care Home in Haehl Creek which included a driveby parade, two cakes, and even a rendition of "Happy Birthday" sung to her by the Skunk Train singers, Greg and Malakai Schindel.

lined up ahead of time and stretched throughout the subdivision and beyond.

warm in the misty rain.

Owner of the Holy Spirit Care Home, Perla Gonzalez, sat by Edie's side, reminding her who people were and accepting cards, flowers and gifts brought for the birthday girl.

Cars and trucks were decorated and "I wanted to express my thanks to Evelyn and her family, my wonderful employees, and to Dr. Olson and the

Ceccarelli was stationed at a table medical staff, for always being there for

in the home's garage, tucked in with Edie," said Gonzalez, who has cared blankets and a heater to keep her for Edie at the home for the past eight years.

The weather cooperated for just long Evelyn Persico, Edie's cousin-byenough, however, for the gathered marriage, has been a large presence crowd to give their well-wishes. in Edie's care and life, and visits her

> frequently at the home. "I'm so pleased to see the turnout for

this year's celebration," said Persico. "There were tons of people, and it's so touching to see how many who might not have even known her wanted to come and celebrate her big day."

– Maureen Jennison



Below, from left: This chocolate and strawberry cake was made for Edie Ceccarelli's 115th birthday by the crew at the Roots restaurant at Adventist Health Howard Memorial. Emergency vehicles were decorated with balloons and more to celebrate as they drive by the care home. Umbrellas were needed while waiting for the parade to start Sunday, but the sun did pop out just long enough for most to enjoy the event. At bottom, left: Colorful daisy spinners, placed by Kristi Ross and students from St. Mary of the Angels Catholic School of Ukiah, filled the front lawn of the care home, cheering up the visuals of the gray day. At bottom, right: Edie Ceccarelli poses from behind the birthday table with two cakes, two signs, and a lot of love and support on her big day.





Drive and issued a citation. January 20 9:42 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1100 block of South Main Street. 12:33 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 100 block of South Main Street. 1:28

responded to a report of suspicious activity near the intersection of Casteel Lane and North Main Street. 10:50 pm: Officers

in the 700 block of South Main Street and issued a citation.

12:09 pm: GUNDERSON, Joshua

(52) of Ukiah was contacted in the 700 block of South Main Street following a theft investigation. He was arrested on misdemeanor charges of shoplifting,

disorderly conduct (alcohol), and possession of drug paraphernalia. 1:14 pm: Officers responded to a

disturbance in the 500 block of Coast

7:08 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 800 block of South Main Street. 7:13 pm: Officers initiated a hit-and-run

vehicle collision investigation in the 800 block of South Main Street. 9:48 pm: LEONARD, Joshua Miles (23) of Willits was contacted in

the 100 block of North Lenore Avenue. He was arrested pursuant to 211 PC (Robbery), 422 PC (Criminal Threats), 242 PC (Battery), 148 PC (Resisting Arrest), 836.6 (B) PC (Attempted

Escape from Custody),

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591.5 PC (Damaging a Paul (56) of Willits was contacted Communication Device), near the intersection of Mill Street and Coast on felony charges of failure to appear, and Street. He was arrested on misdemeanor on misdemeanor charges of vandalism.

#### MCSO reports in-custody death

#### By Lt. Sotiris Siderakis, for MCSO

On February 7, 2023, at about 12:30 am, an intoxicated 64-year-old male from Ukiah was brought into Mendocino County Sheriff's Office custody for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Refuse Disposal in State Water, and a Violation of Parole. The arrestee was on parole for Failure to Register as a Sex Registrant.

The arrestee was brought into the Mendocino County Jail's intake room where he was evaluated by our inhouse medical staff. Our medical staff took the arrestee's vital signs and cleared the arrestee to enter the facility. The arrestee was housed in the Jail's Sobering Cell where the arrestee was monitored for a minimum of four times per hour.

At about 6 am, Corrections staff were checking on the arrestee housed in the Sobering Cell, the sole occupant of the cell. Corrections staff did not get a response from the inmate, and summoned our in house medical staff. Staff checked the arrestee for a pulse,

Staff started resuscitation measures and called for an ambulance to come to the jail. When the fire and ambulance staff arrived, they assisted the jail staff with life-saving measures until death was pronounced at approximately 6:32 am.

The Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Investigation Bureau was called to investigate

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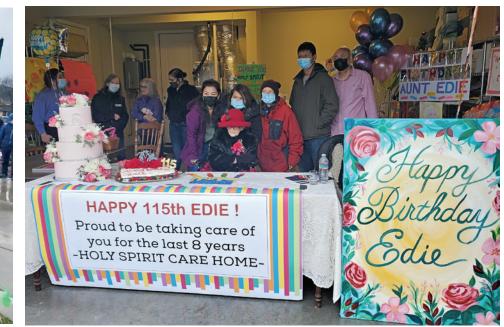
Juaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz and Ventura counties.

SBA can lend up to \$200,000 to homeowners to make repairs to their

primary residences and up to \$40,000 to help homeowners and renters replace their personal property. The application deadline for physical damage assistance is March 16, 2023. Applicants may apply online at https://

disasterloanassistance.sba.gov. Those who have questions should contact the SBA Customer Service Center at FOCWAssistance@sba.gov or by phone at (800) 659-2955, Mondays through Sundays from 9 am to 9 pm, Central Time.







# What's Happening Around Town

Thursday, February 9

"Talk with your Supervisor" forum at Brickhouse Coffee: The first of a series of open discussions with Third District Supervisor John Haschak, on the second hursday of the month, from 10 to 11 am. "Bring your ideas and solutions to making Mendocino County a better place for all" - Supervisor Haschak. February 9, 10 to 1 am. Brickhouse Coffee, 3 South Main Street

Est. 1926 Willits Farmers Market: The weekly Farmers Market at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. The freshest local produce, local meat, farm fresh eggs, delicious meals, tasty treats, live music, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more. Enjoy "Tobin's Tales" story time from 3:30 to 4 pm. Thursday, February 9, 3 to 5:30 pm.

> Inland Mendocino Democratic Club February Meeting: Current and future Democrats are invited to the Inland Mendocino Democratic Club's monthly hybrid in-person/zoom meeting on Thursday, February 9 at 6:30 pm. Agenda of the in-person meeting includes a members election for the future officers of the club. Slam Dunk Pizza, 720 North State Street, Ukiah, The Zoom meeting will be hosted at https://us02web. zoom.us/j/82566353751 Meeting ID 825 6635 3751, Passcode 518110. To call in: 1 669 900 6833 More info: inlandmendodems.org

WHS Boys Basketball vs. Kelseyville: The Willits High School boys Varsity and JV basketball teams take on Kelseyville at home - the last home games of the 2022 season. The Varsity game starts at 7 pm and the JV at 5:30 pm. Thursday, February 9 at WHS, 299 North Main Street.



a rich, percussive,

pm. Shanachie Pub, 50B South Main Street. S.R. Laws at Shanachie Pub: "Originally from

California, S.R. cut his teeth as a songwriter in Austin, Texas ... wry lyrics, energetic rhythms and memorable melodies!" Visit www.srlawsmusic.com. Thursday, February 9, 7 pm, following the Tap.Root set. Shanachie Pub, 50B South Main Street.

Library Community Forum: Willits Library hosts a drop-in community forum on Friday, February 10 from 11 am to 1 pm. "We are asking the public to help us complete our strategic plan by letting us know what they want the library to look like in the next five years.... We want to hear from everyone about what they like, dislike, and want to see in their library." Light refreshments provided. Info: visit www.mendolibrarv. org or call the Willits Library at 707-459-5908.

21 and over. Friday, February 10 doors open 4:45 pm, poker starts at 6 pm. \$100 buy in gets you \$10,000 in chips. Dinner included donated by Willits Grapplin Pack and Curtis Collicott. To help repair the roof at the former Seventh-Day Adventist Church school the youth wrestling club's home base. Tickets available at the

189-8562 or willitsgrapplinpack@ amail.com



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#### Friday, February 10

Commercial Street. Prizes addec WILLITS WPG wrestling gym, 22751 Bray Road, Monday – Thursday, 5 to 7 300 EAST COMMERCIAL STREE IN WILLITS pm. Or contact Wayne Shull, 707-

WCA presents Ami Davis and "Art of the 21st Century": This free presentation is "a trip through this century's most astounding art of the past several decades. Speaker Ami Davis says: "This century has produced a complex

global art community like never before. From the bizarre performances of Matthew Barney to the domestic installations of Andrea Zittel, twenty-firstcentury art challenges our assumptions and notions of value, authenticity, and entertainment." Davis is executive director at New Museum, Los Gatos, and a frequent panelist and presenter at national museum conferences. Friday, February 10, 6:30 pm. WCA, 71 East Commercial Street. UMU | New Museum Los Gatos

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" opens at Willits Community Theatre: "The classic play that pits human reedom against institutional order and conformity.

The conflict between R.P. McMurphy and Nurse Ratched is one of the classic stories in American theater." Based on Ken Kesey's 1962 novel, directed by Billy Hetherington, and featuring Joshua Sternberg as McMurphy and Kelly Kesey as Nurse Ratched. Opening night, February 10, at 7:30 pm. Continues Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm, and Sundays at 2 pm, through February 26. ickets are \$20 and available at www. wctperformingartscenter.org. WC1 Playhouse, 37 West Van Lane.

Towse at Shanachie Pub: "Towse is a folk-pop collective fronted by London-based singer-songwriter & multi-instrumentalist, Grace Fellow. Grace will be accompanied by Mendocino born and raised fiddler, Corwin Zekley." Visit www.towselikehouse.com. Friday, February 10, 8 pm. Shanachie Pub, 50B South Main Street.

#### Saturday, February 11

Willits Photography Club monthly meeting: "Join us every second Saturday at 10 am." At the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street.

Valentine's Day Vendors: Mendo Crafts presents vendors and Willits Kids Club vendors on Saturday February 11 at Imagination Station, 11 North Marin 11 am to 5 pm. Come check out local vendors for a special Valentine's Day token

choices: 1. Pancakes with eggs cooked the way you like them, and choice of sausage or bacon. 2. Biscuits & Gravy with eggs cooked the way you like them. \$8; \$7 Senior Center members; \$6 children under 8. Extra meat sides: 3 slices bacon, \$2; 3 sausage links, \$2. Central America, and blending it with that good old Willits Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road.

Happy Valentine's Day!

practice your new skills. "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" at Willits Willits Library, 390 East Community Theatre: Showing on weekends Commercial Street, 707)through February 26. Sunday, February 12 show at 2 pm. Tickets are \$20 and available at www. in wctperformingartscenter.org. WCT Playhouse, 37 County-West Van Lane.

Mendocino Our Story": the first of a series at the Mendocino Tuesday, February 14 County Museum, starting Saturday, February 1'

available so you can

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with "Back to the Land Willits Garden Club Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, Generational Storytelling" February 14 at 11:30 am at the Golden Rule Mobile from 1 to 3 pm, with Village Clubhouse (Ridgewood Ranch RV Park) Guest Panelists: Emmy Planned program: Beth Brennerman of Laytonville, Good, Casey and Mark practitioner of off-grid living, O'Neil, Don & Chiah natural harvesting, seed saving Rodrigues, and Annie and sustainable living, makes a Waters. Local historians presentation about food security. Potluck lunch. Everyone welcome. Info: www.wilitsgardenclub.org. 2MuchFun! at

Szechuan That dynamic. Restaurant: musical duo, 2MuchFun!, returns to the Szechuan Asian Restaurant 47 East Mendocino Avenue, for a Valentine's Day

evening of songs from the '60s and '70s. Tuesday, February 14, 6 to 8 pm.

#### Wednesday, February 15

Willits Stamp Club: the Stamp Club's February meeting at the Willits Library is set for Wednesday, February 15, from 3 to 6 pm. "Bring your collection and enjoy an evening perusing stamps. Refreshments provided. Willits Library, 300 East Commercial Street, 707-459-5908.

#### Thursday, February 16

Willits Farmers Market: The weekly Farmers Market at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School

Street. The freshest local produce, local meat, farm fresh eggs, delicious meals, tasty treats, live music, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more. Enjoy "Tobin's Tales" story time from 3:30 to 4 pm. Thursday, February 9, 3 to 5:30 pm.

"Who's Who in Local History" is a monthly presentation and discussion at the Willits Branch Library, presented by Denise, Library assistant and resident historian. Join us Thursday, February 16 at 5:30 pm "as we explore a different character, or characters, from our past and examine what contributions they have made in local history." Followed by discussion and refreshments. Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street.

Friday, February 17

Dave Pierce solo at Brickhouse: Guitarist/Vocalist

Little Lake Grange on Friday, February 17. Featuring Afro Brazilian Funk Dance Music by headliners SambaDá. "SambaDá musically unites the Americas, drawing from percussion based styles of South and funk and reggae back beat." Also the Cosmic Family Band and Ancestor Radio Productions. Doors open 5:30, show: 6:30 to 11 pm. \$20 advance; \$25 at the door; kids 12 and under are free. Advance tickets at Flying Dog Pizza. Food provided by Smokey's BBQ. Beer, wine and mojitos. Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street.

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Saturday, February 18



part of a series of seed sharing events across the county sponsored by the Mendocino County Granges. Saturday, February 18, from 12 to 3 pm at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street, in Willits. "We encourage all local gardeners to participate by requesting seeds from others and offering seeds they've

saved from their own gardens." There will also be information about seed saving, including which plants

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Helen Eve at Shanachie Pub: A solo show by Singer/Songwriter/Guitarist Helene Eve, who's played eclectic styles of music in many moods - bluesy, jazzy, funky, contemporary pop, country, folk and originals - at music venues throughout Mendocino County. Saturday, February 18, 8 pm, at Shanachie Pub, 50B South Main Street.

#### Sunday, February 19

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" at Willits **Community Theatre:** Showing on weekends through February 26. Sunday, February 19 show at 2 pm. Tickets are \$20 and available at www. "Who's Who in Local History" at the Willits Library: wctperformingartscenter.org. WCT Playhouse, 37 West Van Lane.





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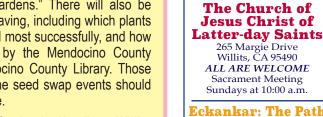
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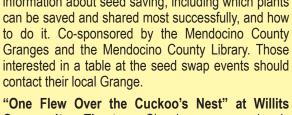
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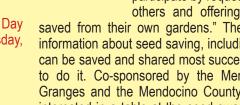
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Seed Swap at the Willits Grange:







TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE CONTACT Richard Jergenson and WAYNE SHULL 707-489-8562 Annie Waters share their WILLITSGRAPPLINPACK@GMAIL.COM experience documenting and collecting the history of cannabis and counterculture, and display collections from the Counter Culture Museum and Archives on

Wednesdays and select Saturdays through March 19. The public is invited to view their displays and engage in conversation with the special guests. Saturday, February 11, 1 to 3 pm.

Tickets \$7, includes Museum admission. Mendocino County Museum, 400 East Commercia Street. Info: call 707-459-2736

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Clav Hawkins Duo at Shanachie Pub: "Blending rapid-fire fingerstyle slide guitar

and honest, heartfelt songwriting, Clay Hawkins creates his own unique brand of acoustic rock. With long time co-conspirator Andrew Robertson on the upright bass, the duo play what some say is, 'Late Night, Boot Stomping, Road Music from the Heart." Visit clayhawkins.com. Saturday, February 11, 8 pm.

## Shanachie Pub, 50B South Main Street. Sunday, February 12

gtm1950@gmail.com

Presents, High off the Land

A CALL TO ARTISTS

Senior Center Pancake Breakfast: The Willits Senior Center's monthly second-Sunday Pancake Breakfast is set for Sunday, February 12 from 8 to 11 am. Menu





drive-thru food distribution in Willits, second and fourth Thursdays of the month, located in the parking lot of the soccer and baseball fields, 9:30 to 11:30 am. Groceries to go, senior basket (for low-income seniors 60 or older), and diapers.

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**Ongoing Events** 

Nancy & Victor Palomino at WCA: Willits Center for the

Arts presents its February show, featuring ceramics by

Nancy New and paintings by Victor Palomino, an artist

born in Bogota, Colombia, and currently living in Ukiah.

Nancy New, a Willits resident, has honed her skills as a

potter for over 50 years. The show runs through February

26. Gallery hours are Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 11

am until 5 pm. Info: visit www.willitscenterforthearts.

org or call 707-459-1726." WCA, 71 East Commercial

Shuffleboard Sunday at Flying Dog Wood Fired

Pizza & Vinyl: "Sign-ups start at 4 pm. Game starts at

4:45 pm. \$5 sign-up fee, teams of two, winner takes the

pot! We'll have the games on all day. Beer, wine, pizza,

we've got everything you need!" Flying Dog Wood Pizza,

The Redwood Empire Food Bank: Twice-monthly

Street.

65 South Main Street

"Garraoke" at Diggers Bar: Karaoke night the second and fourth Friday of every month, with host and DJ Garrett Moore. "From 8 pm to midnight, then get down until closing!" Diggers Bar, 244 South Main Street.

Willits Boules Club, Tuesdays and Fridays at 1 pm: The outdoor boules course is located across the street from the Willits Skate Park. Info: bbruneau@bbruneau. com.

Free Kids Karate Classes at Body Works Gym: Sheriff's Youth Activities League offers a free karate program for kids at the Willits Body Works Gym, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 pm. Beginner to intermediate group, youth 7 years old and above. There is an annual \$20 SAL insurance/registration fee (waivable). For more info call or text Mike Tobin Sensei at 354-0565. Body Works Gym, 1511 South Main Street.

#### Shanachie Pub Ongoing Events

Shanachie Pub. 50B South Main Street

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."

Saturday Scramble: Every 2nd and 4th Saturday from 3 to 6 pm, hosted by Tyler B. Bring any instrument you can play and sign up to perform a 15-minute set with other local musicians. "Meet new musicians, discover new genres and explore your creativity!'

Tyler Grass & The Sherwood Mountain Boys: Every first and third Thursday evening of the month at 7 pm. "Come check out some of our favorite locals playing bluegrass & more!"

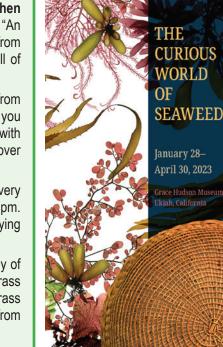
Bluegrass String Jam: Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month starting at 3 pm – welcomes all Bluegrass musicians! An official jam for the California Bluegrass Association, "so you never know which members from out of the area may drop in!"

"Willits Hold 'Em" Poker Tournament fundraiser to benefit the repair of the Willits Grapplin Pack gym roof: "Due to the awesome response and support from the community the location has been moved to a larger facility": Sparetime Supply Warehouse, 300 East

Seed Sharing and 'The Curious World of Seaweed' exhibit Seed Swap events in Grace Hudson Museum, through April 30

"The Curious World of Seaweed" at the February 3 through March 12 Grace Hudson Museum in Ukiah features "Seed Sharing: Keeping Heirloom the artwork and research of Josie Iselin, Seeds in our Gardens & on our photographer, author, and designer of "The

Curious World of Seawood" book. "Iselin's Tables" is a series of seed-sharing writing and art focusing on seaweed, kelp, events throughout Mendocino and sea otters puts her on the forefront of County, from February 3 through ocean activism, presenting and working March 12. Some upcoming local with scientists and environmental groups seed swap events: Friday, February to preserve the kelp forests of our Pacific 3, from 1 to 3 pm at the Covelo Coast." Exhibit runs through April 30. Grace Library/ Round Valley Farmers Hudson Museum, 431 South Main Street, Market. Saturday, February 11, Ukiah. Info: 707-467-2836 or visit www. from 10 am to 3 pm at the Redwood gracehudsonmuseum.org



Computer Literacy for Everyone: First meeting of this new program at the Willits Library, on Saturday, February 11, from 11 to 11:30 am, and continuing weekly. "This program has a variety of topics including email, google products, social media, and more. After an introduction in the meeting room, the computers will be

'A Touch of Mendocino Mendocino County County'

> Speaker series at the Library starts February The Willits Branch of the Mendocino County Library

hosts a new monthly speaker series on the last Thursday of the month, "A Touch of Mendocino County." This program will include a variety of topics, including art, weaving, history, and basketry. "For those who wish to embrace and celebrate all that is uniquely Mendocino County, Valley Grange; Saturday, February please join us at these talks to learn

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Movie Times for February 10 thru February 16

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18, from 12 to 3 pm at the Little something new." This week's talk, Lake Grange in Willits. "We encourage all Thursday, February 23, 11 am to local gardeners to participate by requesting 12 noon, is on Painter and Sculptor seeds from others and offering seeds they've Rebecca Johnson. Willits Library, saved from their own gardens." Co-sponsored 390 East Commercial Street. Seating by the Mendocino County Granges and the is limited; first come, first-served. Mendocino County Library. Those interested in Info: visit www.mendolibrary.org or a table at the seed swap events should contact call the Willits Library at 707-459-5908. their local Grange.

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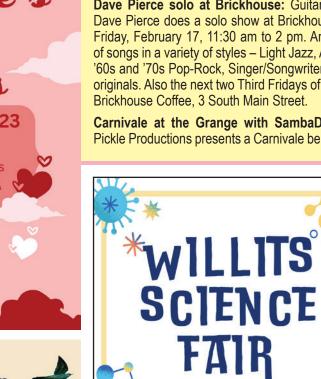
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All tickets: \$20



Dave Pierce does a solo show at Brickhouse Coffee Friday, February 17, 11:30 am to 2 pm. An afternoon of songs in a variety of styles - Light Jazz, Americana, '60s and '70s Pop-Rock, Singer/Songwriter, Folk, and originals. Also the next two Third Fridays of the month. Brickhouse Coffee, 3 South Main Street.

Carnivale at the Grange with SambaDá: Cosmic Pickle Productions presents a Carnivale benefit for the

Judiging will take place February 10-12

Wednesday, February 15 from 3-6 pm.

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Join us at the Willits Brach Library as we explore a different character, or charac ters, from our past and examine what contributions they have made in Local history. Denise, our resident historian and Library Assistant will be our present er. The presentation will be followed by discussion and refreshments. The purpose of this program is to learn how people in our past have made a difference in the world as we know i



#### **Canine Adoption Events** at the Ukiah and Fort Bragg Animal Shelters

Half-off dog adoption fees! Spayed/neutered dogs 6 months and older. All adoption fees waived for eligible longstay dogs! "To see our adoptable dogs, and for information about the adoption process, visit mendoanimalshelter. com." Ukiah Shelter, 298 Plant Road, 707-467-6453. Fort Bragg Shelter, 19701 Summers Lane, 707-961-2491.

Rev. Rosemary Landry, paste Worship Celebration Sundays - 10:30 a.m. uildren's Sunday School - 10:45 a.r 459-2855 ebook: www.facebook.co you want to be included in this column please cal **April Tweddell** 

#### Weekly Events at the Willits Library

#### Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Info: www.mendolibrary.org

Story Time: Tuesday through Friday "It is LEGO time at the library. Bring your each week, with Spanish-language storvtime on Fridays, 10:30 to 11 am. "Start your morning listening to a story. Join us in the children's area of the library." supportive and creative suggestions and

Penny University Coffee Klatch: Tuesdays, 11 am to noon. "We will meet in the Willits Library meeting room to discuss various topics while enjoying a cup of joe."

feedback." Hosted by Librarian Benjamin MacBean. Willits Library meeting room. Games at the Library: First and third Fridays of the month, 4 to 5:30 pm. Open Source Design, Artistic "Calling all board, card and tabletop role-playing game players! All ages and

imagination and start building."

Writer's Block Group: Wednesdays,

from 11 am to noon. "Open to young-

adult and adult writers to share their

ideas and writings in an environment of

Expression, and Engineering Club: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3 to 4:30 pm. player levels welcome. Bring your own "Open to everyone with an interest in open source and everyone who wants to develop their creative and engineering

dames to add to the fun!" Spinning & Knitting: Every Saturday at the library from 1 to 4:30 pm. "All skill levels welcome! Spinning circle 1 to 2

LEGO Club: Tuesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 pm. pm, Knitting circle 2 to 4:30 pm."

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#### COLUMN | AT THE MOVIES

#### 'Knock at the Cabin'

The Story: Horror home invasion slaughter flick set within the Christian Mythos of Armageddon. Set in a cabin in the woods, Eric (Jonathan Goff) and Andrew (Ben Aldridge) are a gay couple living with their adopted (maybe 10-year-old) daughter Wen (Kristin Cui). She's

adorable and collects

quartet of strangers

grasshoppers.



approach the cabin, Dan Essman one of whom is steroidal

muscle-bound and fully tattooed Leonard (Dave Bautista). Despite his truly fearsome size, he's actually kind and soft-spoken. He informs Eric, Andrew, and little Wen that one of them must willingly choose to sacrifice his (or her) life in order to prevent God from destroying the World.

A helluva choice, and by implication almost Satanic.

My Thoughts: But this is an M. Night Shyamalan movie, and I always feel his flicks are like crackerjack. After you've eaten the caramelized peanuts and popcorn, you search the empty box for the promised prize, but there ain't one. And you're disappointed. And your tummy hurts.

The premise of the screenplay is that God will save the World if Eric, or Andrew, or little Wen commits suicide. Somehow, in Shyamalan's whack job pseudo-Christian theological pretzel-ism, it's actually Mankind who controls God. A notion both morally topsy-turvy and pretentious.

I really want to call this self-important flick "Shyamalan Candy." It's all soggy-soft nougat. Gushy, chewy, vaguely sweet, and bleah! On the plus side: the flick is bloody and suspenseful. (Spoiler!) Though some characters do get chopped up with quite creative and quite unusual metal choppers, the gory charcuterie takes place quite tastefully off-camera.

Parents: Don't bring your kids. Teenagers might like the flick. When I was 13, I probably would have thought it was profound.

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





## 'Carnivale'

#### Grange concert to feature SambaDá and the Cosmic Family Band on February 17

"And SambaDá is that, they put on a really great show."

The event will be a benefit for the Little Lake Grange to

help them push through some financial challenges they've

been dealing with recently, brought on by a lull in activity

during the COVID era, high-cost repair work needed on the

Carnivale

"This isn't going to go away quickly," said Pooba, who is a

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building, and other factors.

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On February 17 music will once again fill the main room overwhelming request for something different," said Pooba. of the Little Lake Grange for "Carnivale," a show featuring the Afro-Brazilian samba-funk band SambaDá, openers the

Cosmic Family Band, festive food Forrest Glyer from Smokey's BBQ, and more.

villitsweekly@gmail.com According to show organizer Pooba, this will be the first larger-

scale concert at the Grange since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, and many in the community have been asking for more such events in Willits.

"The reason this is happening is because of an

Bragg in January.



Cosmic Family Band



Dandha da Hora, center right, Below: The Cosmic Family Band plaving at Koko's in Fort

## **LEGAL NOTICES**

WW415	WW410
WW415 Fictitious Business Name Statement 2023-F0051 The following people are doing business as Greenstone Landscapes, 6301 Ridgewood Road, Willits, CA 95490. Registered owners: Johan and Erin Henckell, 6301 Ridgewood Road, Willits, CA 9549. This business is conducted by a married couple. The registrant commenced to transact business name listed above on July 30, 2008. FBN statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk- Recorder on January 27, 2023. /s/ Johan Henckell Publication dates: February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 2023	WW410 Fictitious Business Name Statement 2023-F0012 The following person is doing business as Mendo Timber Construction i Mendo Timber, 3815 Chinquapin Drive, Willits, CA 95490. Registered owner: Eric C Hackney, 3815 Chinquapin Drive, Willits, CA 95490. This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A. FBN statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk- Recorder on January 10, 2023. /s/ Eric C Hackney Publication dates: January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 2023

WW411 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER

**ESTATE OF:** JOANNE WIMBERLY

Case No. 23PR00009

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of Joanne Wimberly

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Judy Shelly in the Superior Court of California, County of Mendocino The Petition for Probate requests that Judy Shelly be appointed as Personal Representative to administer the estate of the decedent

The Petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held In this court as follows: Date: March 2, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in Dept. TM of the

Mendocino County Superior Court, located at 700 S Franklin Street, Fort Bragg, CA 95437. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should

appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and in Probate Code Section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.



**Mendocino County invites** applications for:

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\$113,464 - \$137,924

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> **Corrections Deputy** \$54,184 - \$65,873

**Deputy Air Pollution Control Officer** \$90,896 - \$110,489

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**Deputy Public Defender I/II** \$74,921 - \$103,168

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\$58,156 - \$70,699 Substance Abuse Counselor I/II \$45,739 - \$64,376

For a complete list of current job openings and to apply:

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nore! Interested in petting involved? We need enthusiastic, energetic and excited people to help with all the Chamber needs. For offic: (707) 459-7910 and lisk for Lou Celaya, the olunteer coordinator.	John Ford Ranch Beef John Ford Ranch still has the 50 lb. Rancher's Choice Box for \$375.00 and the 25 lb. Hamburger Box for \$160.00. Please contact Debbie Arkelian @ 459-5049.
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## Ami Davis Art of the 21st Century

Ami is committed to making art relevant and accessible to all audiences. She holds an M.A. in Art History from CSU San Jose, and a B.A in Art History from UC, Santa Cruz. She has served institutions such as the J. Paul Getty Museum. She is currently the executive director of NUMA museum.

Friday, February 10

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Attorney for Petitioner: Jennifer M. O'Brien, NEARY and O'BRIEN, 110 S Main St., Ste. C, Willits, CA 95490, Telephone (707) 459 - 5551

Publication Dates: February 2, 9, 16, 2023

#### WW413 **NOTICE OF SALE OF GOODS** TO SATISFY SELF STORAGE FACILITY LIEN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code, Section 2328 of UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provision of the Civil Code.

The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the 11th day of February, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. or immediately following the GLENMARK SOUTH auction, on the premises where said property has been stored and which are located at GLENMARK NORTH 395 North Main Street, Willits, CA 95490, County of Mendocino, State of California the following:

Karen Sue Davis 523 Tal Johnson 513 530 Kerry Lane Heather Schmidt 206 149 Sierra Simaro Susan Tacker 156

The goods are described as: Bicycles, bicycle parts, furniture, artwork. meditation bowl. misc tools. misc totes

Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in cash only. All purchased items sold as is, where is, and must be removed at the time of the sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and the obliged party. Glen Green

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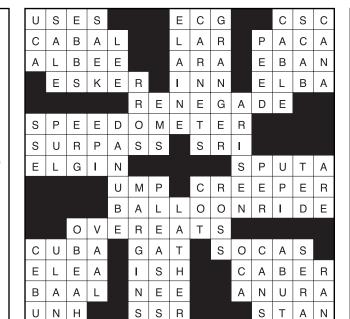
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#### The rest of Goodies

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"It was a little more difficult because he's 14. Banking presented a problem. It was a little bit of an issue as to not being straight forward and easy to accomplish but we figured out a way. The Savings Bank of Mendocino County was great about helping us to figure out how to make this work until he's old enough to sign contracts and other age-limited aspects

"We take credit cards and debit cards through Square. I had to sign those contracts," Evelyn explained. "We couldn't do a business savings or checking account. We ended up navigating all the little hurdles."

Currently, Grant and his Goodies can be found every Thursday, at the Willits Farmers Market in the Little Lake Grange, from 3 to 5:30 pm, where he rents the kitchen to prepare his tasty, take-homeand-bake treats, but look for his business to grow.

"We're going to continue to make the cookies here for a while," explained Evelyn. "Grant's plan is to eventually add the Ukiah Farmers Market and hopefully be picked up by Mariposa Market and / or The Co-op, and see where it goes from there. He likes baking all sorts of things, so at some point he might branch out into other baked goods or mixes.'

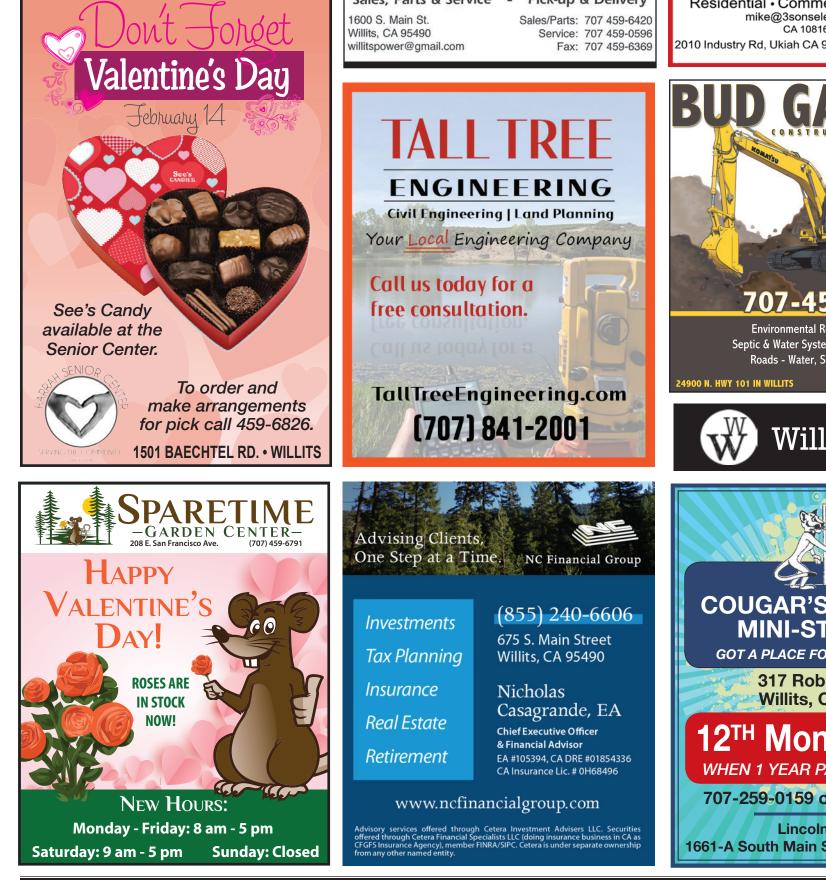
One of the features of Grant's frozen dough is that the buyer can choose to bake one or the entire bag, depending on whether they want a late-night snack or treat the whole family to fresh baked cookies.

Grant can be found sometimes in the grange kitchen, working on his tasty peanut butter cookies which require a little more advanced preparation. "I put them on the pan, smush them [do the crosshatching with a fork on each], and then I freeze them on the pan," explained the young business owner.

"Before the market sets up, we bag all the cookies," said Grant. "Then we replace them in the freezer, so they stay frozen until we place them in the cooler under the table. The cookies need to be baked at 375 degrees for about 12 minutes."

Grant would like to encourage people to preorder and then come pick them up at the Farmers Market. He has an Instagram and Facebook page and can be reached at grantsgoodies@icloud.com.







### **Cheerful Phoenix**

Phoenix is sweet and loves to play with toys. This 3-vearold is curious about her surroundings and likes to explore. Although she is very happy and loving with adults, she would

do best in a home with no young children. The Mendocino County Animal Shelter, located at 298 Plant Road in Ukiah,

requires a reservation to view adoptable animals. Call 707-467-6453 to make an appointment to meet Phoenix or our other canine and feline quests. Make sure to pre-fill out the adoption application available at www.

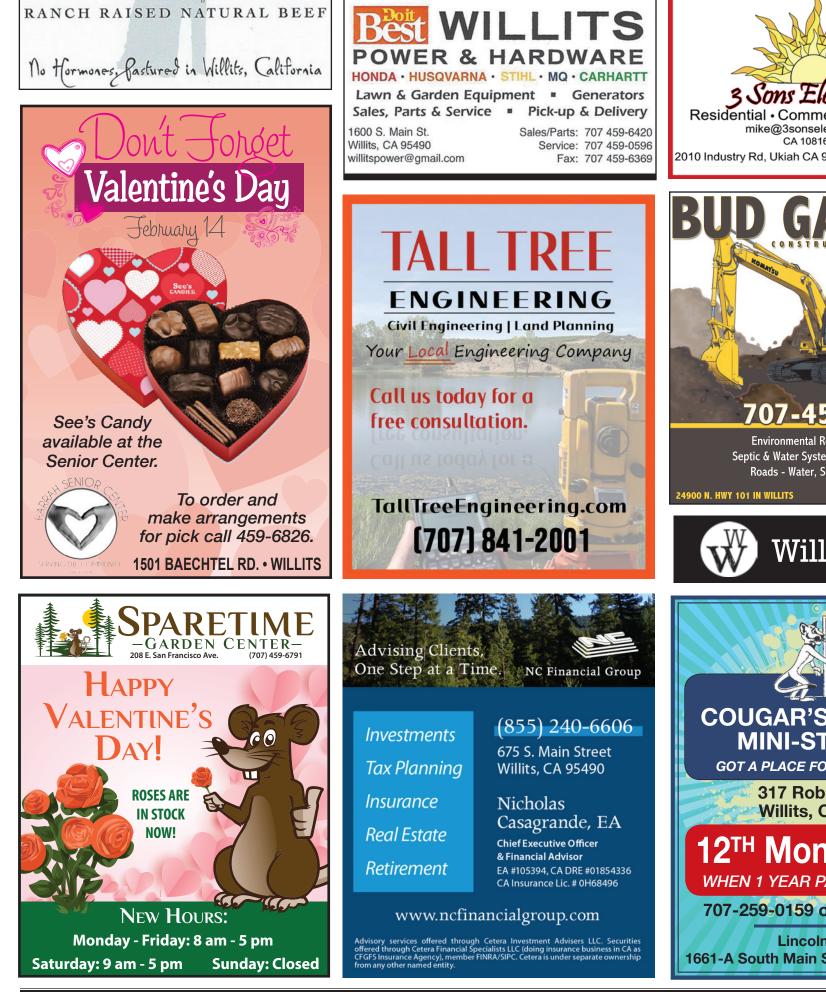
> Full-throttle Daphne

mendoanimalshelter.com.

#### Daphne is a real cuddler. She loves people and wants to crawl up into laps. She is also a firecracker! Daphne loves to play with other dogs and really loves to fetch. She

is a true character, full of fun and love.

Daphne has a lot of stamina and is a fairly demanding breed of herding dog, who is looking for a job and plenty of action! She is protective, a bit on the dominant side, full-throttle, and a ready to take on the world kind of gal.





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She is super bright, agile, affectionate, eager and alert.

To learn more about Daphne or view other adoptable animals, visit www.milofoundation.org or the Milo Foundation Sanctuary Facebook page. The sanctuary is currently doing

pet adoptions by appointment only due to COVID-19. Please complete a pet-adoption application before requesting an appointment. You can reach the Milo Foundation at 510-900-2275.

#### Golden Maria

Maria is the most beautiful girl and looking for her second shot at love! Maria is easily a volunteer and staff favorite. She loves people of all shapes and sizes - even young kiddos who were smitten with her. This lovely lady even likes other dogs! Maria has the most gorgeous golden eyes that draw you in! We don't know about you, but we think Maria is the best gal who deserves an equally best home. Is that with you?

The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino is located at 9700 Uva Drive in Redwood Valley

Friday from 1 to 5 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 11 am to 3 pm. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays. You may also look at our available dogs and cats on our website: www. mendohumanesociety.com, our Facebook page, and on www. petfinder.com.



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were shared, as members Many community and interested participants members spoke to the settled into the evening. need for more support for Willits youth, homeless Community organizations people, town beautification, such as the Little Lake potential collaborations Grange, Willits Center between organizations, and for the Arts, the Blue much more. Zones Project, Manzanita Services Inc., and more It was an inspiring

evening of old friends and were represented, along sharing new ideas and with Green Uprising Farm, making connections, with the School of Adaptive regular meet-ups planned Agriculture, the Mendocino for the coming months. Grain Project, and many

other farmers, gardeners To learn more about and environmentalists. WELL, check out their website at www.well95490. Individual wellness org or their Facebook page, practitioners and other small or email WELL at office@ business owners added well95490.org or phone to the conversation, and them at 459-1493. founding WELL member

and city council member Join WELL or renew your Madge Strong, along with membership at a sliding-Third District Supervisor scale rate of \$20 to \$35 for John Haschak, were also in individuals, or \$35 to \$50 attendance, giving updates for a family, by sending on the latest challenges in a check to P.O. Box 42. Willits and other areas of Willits, CA 95490 or join via PayPal at www.well95490. the county, as well as the progress being made on a org. Donations are also variety of ongoing projects. welcome!

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longtime grange member. "So I felt I needed to step forward and do what I could to help raise money for them.'

Brazilian Papiba Godinhno formed SambaDá in Santa Cruz about 24 years ago, and he said that the lineup for the band will be a bit different than usual for this show, with five of the seven performers being Brazilian musicians, including two percussion players and the bass player.

"So we have a very, very genuine sound right now playing a lot of different songs with a very authentic Brazilian sound," said Godinhno, who plays guitar, cavaco and percussion, and sings for the group. "It's great to have musicians who are used to playing professionally in Brazil play with us, because they bring this really fun, authentic sound and I notice that our shows are like very groovy. They bring very beautiful sounds for our sets."

The "Carnivale" theme of the show is in reference to the massive celebration in Brazil which begins February 17, and Godinhno said that SambaDá plans to bring that spirit to the Willits show.

"I have a feeling because it's Carnivale time, Dondha [Da Hora] and I, we get excited ... so all people should expect a high-energy show," Godinhno said.

Dondha da Hora is the longtime singer, percussionist and dancer for the band, who Pooba said is considered to be one of the top-three samba singers in the world. SambaDá has played in Willits before, including for a

New Year's Eve show at the Grange in 2016, and Godinhno said they're happy to be returning.



Above, left: WELL founding member and city council member Madge Strong sings at the recent WELL meeting on building community. Above, right: Lucy Bartholomew from the Blue Zones Project contributes her perspective on thriving in community. Below: Diverse community members meet to share their perspectives on surviving and thriving in Willits



The rest of From page 1 Rules

Essentially, applicants have had to show proof that any trees removed from a cultivation area were either done so prior to May of 2017, or were done so due to safety reasons, which has been problematic in many cases. After more than three hours of discussion between the staff, the board and community members, most were in agreement that the status quo should not continue, since too many cannabis applicants who are in

general "good stewards of the land" approval to remove it. were being held up due to restrictions in the ordinance which are vaguely written and much more strict than for any other purpose in the county. So one direction the board gave to county counsel was to define "developing a cultivation site" in such a way to allow the removal of restricted species of trees to build things like roads, irrigation ponds and ADA bathrooms needed for the sites. In other words, applicants still couldn't receive permits to grow cannabis anywhere restricted trees have been cleared since 2017, but

if the trees were cleared for the supporting structures and roads that would be OK. This was the most lenient of three

options given to the board for the definition. Another direction given by the board

was for staff to generally trust affidavits signed by applicants as proof of a reason for tree removal, unless clear contradictions in their statements there come up through inspections or from

state agencies. For the rules on affidavits, the supervisors asked that Curtis incorporate the language of longtime cannabis attorney Hannah Nelson who had written a 12-page memo to the board on the vegetation

They were also advised by the the county create an ordinance that Mendocino Cannabis Department to would incentivize or reward that behavior." he added. "And so that's move their garden to another spot according to Sischo, but that spot was why we have the ordinance we have actually too close to a waterway and Maybe it wasn't perfect. Maybe there would've been in violation was a different way of phrasing the ordinance, but that was I think the As a result of all the delays, Sischo reason for the ordinance we have. said they were refused a cannabis equity grant they applied for due to the County Counsel Curtis said that tree issue, and a dead tree eventually

to make actual amendments to the ended up falling on one of their 10A17 cannabis ordinance, such hoop houses as they were awaiting as allowing more tree removal for cultivation, would take a much longer time period and possibly need an "I am relieved that no one was hurt environmental impact report. And with from the fallen tree inside the garden.

a state license deadline coming up but also upset that I had to wait so on July 1, he warned against such a long to know if it was OK to deal delav with the dead trees on my property," said Sischo. "I've spent thousands "So what we've been trying to do of dollars dealing with the dead trees is prioritize the things that hopefully and countless hours trying to prove

won't be quite that lengthy," he said they were indeed dead and were not "That doesn't mean that you can't cut down to expand our cultivation still do that longer process. But the applications that are in now are probably going to have to get to a

"I've had a permit since 2017, and determination before we can finish I consider myself an environmentalist that.' and a land steward," she continued. "Unfortunately it's been very stressful Curtis said that about 20 to 30 and financially draining coming applicants were currently being held into compliance. It should not be up by vegetation modification issues, this difficult to be legal and obtain a which is a small percentage of the license, especially as a good player hundreds of applicants who are still in

and a tax-paying community citizen." the permitting process. Third District Supervisor John Fifth District Supervisor Ted Haschak said he had personally Williams, as he has at other recent visited Sischo's property and seen the meetings, urged strongly for leniency garden area, and saw no reason why in regulations in order to get more a permit shouldn't have been allowed applicants through.

He tried to push for the county to find "I think that they're very good a way to get all 30 applicants being stewards of the land and it's a held up by the vegetation modification beautiful setting," he said. "And if we issues through the permitting process, can't get a permit for that farm, then but could get no such guarantee from there's something really wrong with the program. And to put them in the "I think you could draw a parallel veg mod hell' for these last couple between 'The Trial' by Kafka and what years is really an injustice too I think. I these cannabis applicants have gone hope that we can fix that." through," said Williams, "And I think Curtis talked about some of what our staff's put in a lot of work and led to the heightened vegetation appreciate it .... But I zoom out and management restrictions on tree I look at the bigger picture here. I'm removal for cannabis farmers in 2017. elected by the people to represent the "The reasons for that are a bit people, and sitting out there looking at odd, and it really comes from the this, it seems outrageous. unique history of this ordinance," he "Six or seven years in and we're said. "The board wanted to create a talking about a few trees removed a ministerial process and it wanted to do long time ago," he added. "And how a mitigated negative declaration at the to prove, and how to trust them and adoption of the ordinance. under what conditions and did they "And what that means is that sell the wood, how did they dispose we've got some restrictions in here of it.... I feel like we're going to get that are built into the ordinance as sued.... I think we're going down a environmental protection measures really bad path here. that go beyond what you might have MCA asks state to intervene in other areas," he continued. "And so if you're cultivating for the purposes While it isn't the lawsuit that of cannabis, certain acts that would Supervisor Williams feared, on otherwise be permissible ... are Wednesday morning the Mendocino simply prohibited under the existing Cannabis Alliance did announce that ordinance. they had submitted a 16-page letter to California Governor Gavin Newsom Fourth District Supervisor and other state officials "documenting Dan Gjerde was the only current the county's failure to establish a supervisor in office at the time the 10A17 ordinance was enacted, and process capable of moving small and legacy cannabis cultivators towards talked about some of what led to the state annual licensure." heightened vegetation management restrictions on tree removal for "We are out of time," said MCA cannabis farmers. Executive Director Michael Katz in the announcement. "The bottom line "Remember at the time this is that there is no functional permit ordinance was written I think the program in Mendocino, and no plan to common thought was that the price of cannabis was about \$2,000 a pound," create one. We cannot move forward he said. "And there was quite a bit if the county continues to obstruct of public testimony raising concerns local licensees. We need the state to intervene, and intervene now, if our that people were going to come into Mendocino County - which in fact legacy cultivators are to survive." people did come into Mendocino (Willits Weekly plans to cover the County - buy up land and start MCA letter and the response from the clearcutting the hillsides. state and the county more thoroughly "And so they didn't want to see in upcoming weeks.)



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Pooba encourages those attending to dress up and wear costume-style masks for the festive event if they like.

"I think it's sort of appropriate, being that we've been in the COVID thing, that it's 'Carnivale,' so it's appropriate to mask up," he said with a laugh.

Godinhno is also a master of capoeira, and said that he's planning to do a demonstration of the martial arts a dance form during the break between bands, and hopes that other enthusiasts in the area will join him.

Pooba said he also has other surprises in store for the "halftime entertainment" portion in between bands, but didn't want to reveal them yet.

Leading off the evening at 6:30 pm will be the Cosmic Family Band, a local six-piece group who also has an eclectic style with fiddle, guitars, bass, and two percussionists in the mix.

Original band member Chris Cichacki said the group has been playing together for more than five years now, and described their sound as having a "psychedelic folk-rock" jam-band feel that at times incorporates jazz, gypsy music, and bluegrass.

"We play all original music that is a reflection of this world that we live in and our lives and how it affects us," Cichacki said. "And it comes out in all different ways."

Smokey's BBQ will be selling food at the event, and Pooba said the menu, while not finalized yet, is planned to include seafood gumbo, ribs, kale salad, red beans and rice, and cornbread.

The Lion's Club will be running the bar at the event, serving beer, wine and mojitos, and Pooba said that members from other local groups like the Willits Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club have also shown support.

"Working together with different organizations and also the residents of Willits – it's what it's going to take to bring this town back," Pooba said. "We really need that. We've gone through some hard times ... It's really important that we as a community work together in the spirit of what we have, and while having fun doing it!"

Pooba said he plans on putting together a few more big shows in the Willits area before the end of the year, including a second annual "Blues & Brews" concert.

For Carnivale, doors will open at the Grange at 5:30 pm on February 17, and the show will go from 6:30 to 11 pm. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, and you can purchase them at Flying Dog Pizza in Willits. Kids 12 and under get in free.

modification subject, and spoke at the meeting "The affidavit is to be accepted as sufficient proof," she said, "unless a CalFire violation or code enforcement violation specifically contradicts the affidavit, or other evidence wholly

contradicts the affidavit."

While Curtis said he would like to tweak the language a bit from what Nelson suggested, he said that something close to that should work. Curtis did recommend that the county go with CalFire stipulations for when a tree is allowed to be removed for safety reasons, though it wasn't entirely clear if the board wished to go

Nelson talked about some of her clients who had gone through "veg mod hell," trying to appease the county over months or even years to get some limited tree removal approved as they attempted to become fully

One of those clients was Theresa Sischo, who also spoke at the meeting, telling about the long saga since 2017 of she and her husband attempting to obtain an annual license

for cultivation She said that they had picked a spot on their property which a 2013 fire had struck to put a cannabis garden of less than 5,000 square feet, obtained legal counsel, and applied for a permit in 2017.

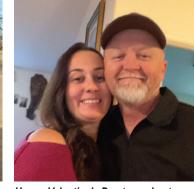
To her surprise they eventually received a "veg mod" notice from the county, and were told to hire an arborist to document any dead and dying trees in the garden area, which she did.

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## Happy Valentine's Day to and from the Willits Community



Dani & Carson, I love you both to the moon and back I can't wait to watch you two become parents! Happy Valentine's Day! Love, Mom/Mimi.



Happy Valentine's Day to my best friend, soulmate and my rock. I love vou Robert.



Happy Valentine's Day to Harper and Kolson. Love Pop and Gigi.



Happy Valentine's Day to my soldier. I love you to the moon and stars and back. I am so proud of you Tyler. Love, mom.



Happy Valentine's Day to the best, sweetest and cutest little grilled cheese sandwich eater ever. We love you, Maggie!



Happy Valentine's Day! We love you all! Love Dad and Mom.

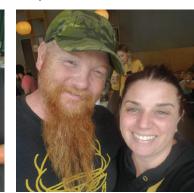


Happy Valentines Day, Wayne. I'll love you with my whole heart forever! Love, Suzen.





Hollie and Casey loving life in Vietnam. You're always my sweetie, especially on VDay!



Loves you the mostest, Happy Valentine's Day! Love our little Maggs, too.



Happy Valentine's Day to my love, Stacy Gregory. Love, Jules.



Thank you mom, for always believing in me and for your continuous love and support. Liam and I love you! Happy Valentine's day!



Happy Valentine's to my Forever Valentine! I'll always love you more.



The love of my life and best friend, Darren!! I love you, Necole.





I love you!! JB Vandermei and Colleen Pappadakis.



Teagan, Grandma & Grandpa love you so much & we love watching you grow and explore. Happy Valentine's Day princess.

Kiley Marie and Allie Grace you're growing up too fast. Thank you for always making every day Valentines Day with you two. Love Dad and Mom.



Happy Valentine's Day Nik. I am very proud of the young man you have grown up to be. I love you to infinity & beyond. Love, mom.

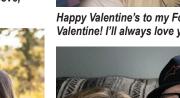


Heather and Andy snowboarding up in Lake Tahoe enjoying an early Valentine vaycay. Love you both to the moon and back! Love, your soul sisters for life.













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