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Most Grist Creek lawsuits settled

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A February 5 settlement has been reached in five of the six lawsuits involving Friends of Outlet Creek and Grist Creek Aggregates, the Covelo-based rock-crushing and asphalt-producing company; the Mercer-Fraser Company, a subcontractor for Grist Creek Aggregates; the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors; the Mendocino County Air Quality Management District, and various staff persons associated with the

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Fallis arraignment now set for Friday

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The 37-year-old man accused of kidnapping Khadijah Rose Britton of Covelo will be arraigned Friday at 1:30 pm in Mendocino County Superior Court.

More than 60 of Britton's family members, friends and supporters, many of them wearing yellow ribbons, gathered at the Ukiah courthouse Tuesday afternoon to attend arraignment proceedings against Negie Tony Fallis IV of Round Valley.

Those proceedings were continued until Friday after Fallis told the court he had been unable to obtain private legal counsel and a deputy public defender was

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Supes revise cannabis business tax

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Supervisors on Tuesday clarified several points about how Treasurer-Tax Collector Shari Schapmire is to interpret the cannabis business tax and agreed there will be no minimum tax on 2017's cannabis cultivation. In addition, supervisors agreed that, beginning in 2018, taxes on cannabis will be collected on a calendar-year basis, rather than a fiscal-year basis.

Minimum taxes apply when a cultivator has a bad year and when the product of the tax rate – when multiplied against the grower's gross receipts – yields a relatively small sum. In such a case, the

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Above, from left: Beautiful covers and spines, vintage throwbacks, and hilarious content are just some of the treasures one can find while searching the rows of the Friends of the Willits Library's Book Sale, this weekend at the Willits Community Center.



Above: These "Friends" are ready to sell, including, from left: Janey Mitchell, Beth Rosen, Lani Ulvila and Barbara Sicard.



Piles of Pages

Friends of the Willits Library annual Book Sale starts this Thursday at Willits Community Center

Readers, get ready! It's time for the annual book sale put on by the Friends of the Willits Library this Thursday through Sunday at the Willits Community Center. The sale starts on Thursday, March 1 at 6 pm for current FOWL members – but here's a secret – you can sign up that day starting at 5:30 pm and become a member and gain entrance on the first day.

Membership is \$10 for individuals and families, \$20 for businesses, \$5 for seniors, or one can pay \$100 to become a lifetime member.

The sale is open to the general public on Friday from 10 am to 6 pm, on Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm, and then again on Sunday from 10 am to 3 pm. Sunday is the special "\$5 grocery bag day," allowing shoppers to fill a bag with books for one price. Regular prices include hardcover books for \$2 each or three for \$5; large paperbacks for \$1.50 each or four for \$5; and pocket paperbacks for \$0.75 each or five for \$3.50. Kids' books range from \$0.10 to

\$1 each, and special oversized coffee table "special" books are individually priced around \$3 to \$10 each.

There's also some various media offerings, too: DVDs are \$2 each; CDs and VHS tapes are \$0.50 each; and vinyl records are \$1 each. Audiobooks are also available for about \$1 to \$4 each.

Volunteers have been working hard to organize the thousands of books since Sunday, when a crew from Sparetime Supply came to help load books on to pallets with forklifts and hand trucks, and then help move the pallets from the Friends' Conex storage container to the Community Center.

The Sparetime crew will also help after the sale; unsold books are bound for a used bookstore on the coast where they will be sorted again, and anything not wanted for that store's shelves will be divvied out to other charitable organizations.

– Maureen Moore



At left, top: Barbara Sicard makes sure all the spines face up for the sale. At left: Richa Price tries to squeeze one more book in the filled row. Above: Rows of book-topped tables fill the Willits Community Center in preparation for the upcoming book sale.

Above, from left: You never know what you'll find among the shelves at the sale – everything from a guidebook on the bidet, to model home floor plans, to the meaning of flowers and alternative therapy concepts, too.

At left: Sellers are ready to see you, including, from left: Richa Price, Vicky Titus, Janey Mitchell, Beth Rosen, Lani Ulvila and Barbara Sicard.

Below, far left: Janey Mitchell, left, and Vicky Titus condense another batch of the hundreds of boxes used to move the books from storage to the sale. Below, left: Beth Rosen, left, and Lani Ulvila sort books into their correct places.

Supes decline major revisions to Class K housing rules

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Supervisors scaled back a staff proposal for stiff and expensive new standards for Class K housing on Tuesday, but did make minor revisions to Chapter 18.23 of the Mendocino County Code, the section dealing with Class K.

The county code describes Class K housing as limited density rural housing. The section of the code governing Class K housing has been on the books since 1983 and, until

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Brooktrails to fill vacant board seat on Saturday

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Directors are expected to fill an open seat on the Brooktrails Township board on Saturday during the township's annual planning meeting at the Brooktrails Fire Department firehouse.

The March 3 meeting begins at 9:30 am and is expected to conclude shortly after noon.

Director Tim Ramming resigned his seat on the board on January 10, announcing he and his family intended to move out of the area.

Three Brooktrails residents have applied to fill Ramming's seat: Joanne Cavallari, David G. Smith and Tina Tyler-O'Shea. The three candidates

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New chief probation officer for Mendocino County

Submitted by the
Mendocino County
Executive Office

On Friday, February 23, the Honorable Ann C. Moorman swore in Izen Locatelli as chief probation officer for the County of Mendocino at the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors Chambers in Ukiah.

Locatelli began his career with the County of Mendocino in 2007 as a juvenile corrections deputy and has worked his way up through the ranks in the county's Probation Department to the top slot of chief probation officer. Commenting on his appointment, Locatelli chose to quote the immortal

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What do YOU think?

Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from readers

Forty years and counting

To the Editor:

This year it will be 40 years since I moved to Willits. I find myself reflecting, both on the changes I have seen here, and also thinking about the time we are in now, and the future we might create together.

I arrived in 1978 as part of the back-to-the-land movement which brought hundreds of urban dwellers seeing a "simpler life" to these rural areas.

At that time there were many people and groups that had been in Willits for years (or were just getting organized), each in their own way building and strengthening a sense of community: Frontier Days, the Willits Rotary Club, the Grange, the Willits Environmental Center, Soroptomists, churches ... too many to name them all.

Then, in the last four decades, with a lot of focus and dedication, people established the Willits Community Theatre, the skate park, the Country Pickers Concerts in the park, the Willits Center for the Arts, the Winter Solstice Celebration and Spiral Dance, and many more venues and traditions. Each accomplishment involved people coming together over time, envisioning and then working together to create so much that makes our community more connected and culturally richer.

These years have not been without differences of opinions and viewpoints, conflicts and challenges. Personally, I remember a time in the mid-1990s when the Willits Arch was being planned. My opinion at that time was that the money would be better spent on a youth recreation program. But at the last moment, I went to the dedication and lighting ceremony, and I am glad that I did. Many hundreds of people were there from all walks of Willits life. It was a true celebration of our town, bringing us together to appreciate what we have here: fresh air, the beauty of the land, a community where people know and care about one another, and the "Heart" of our larger community, Mendocino County.

A wise person once said: "The challenges facing our world are too big for a single solution. Everyone is needed, all ideas must be considered." This seems applicable to the challenges that we face on a local level as well. With so many forces in this world set to divide us, perhaps it is the spirit of gratitude and coming together that is most needed now, at this time of re-envisioning and revitalizing our town.

How can we create a resilient and regenerative economy that will create a place where our young families, our children and our children's children can live and thrive? Can we keep our minds and hearts open to find ways to work together to adapt to these challenging times?

What then would be possible?

Donna d'Terra, Willits

More on litter problem

To the Editor:

I want to thank Glen Hansard for his letter to the editor regarding the litter problem in Willits. Like Glen, I go out from time to time to clean up areas and streets near where I live. Many times people thank me or say that they also do the same. However, the problem exceeds the ability of a small handful of people who occasionally pick up some trash.

Last week I was noticing that the freeways are in a

terrible condition of excessive trash. I thought at least this area (freeways) was regularly taken care of. Also, as I walk around Willits, I find that not only streets, railroad adjacent property, creek and ditch areas are littered, but also a number of businesses neglect their parking lots and property area.

I appreciate that some individuals hold annual clean-ups. I would like to see the school clubs take on some of the challenge. I would like to see incentives initiated through the city ... perhaps a campaign of sorts. I would like to feel like I can relax on my walks and take in the beauty of our valley, rather than constantly see the trash.

I put out a call to others with this letter. Please join me and create avenues for cleaning up and beautifying our home. Thank you.

Hollis Rose, Willits

Phoenix Rising Garden Classes

To the Editor:

The next classes at the Phoenix Rising Garden are scheduled for the first Saturday of the month, March 3, April 7 and May 5, from 12:30 to 4:30 pm. All classes are free; donations are appreciated. The garden (and the classes) is located on the west side of North Street between Redwood and Pine in Willits.

Phoenix Rising Garden is a model village garden dedicated to education and inspiration. A byproduct of these objectives is a healthy donation of vegetables to our local food bank most of the year.

The inspiration, labor and financing for the garden comes from Ron Woolsey of Living Sculpture Studios. Woolsey is also the instructor for our monthly classes. The intention of these classes is to give you ongoing access to a model garden and someone to personally guide you through the seasons.

Woolsey began seriously landscaping in high school. After the Navy he attended Napa Junior College and studied horticulture and environmental studies. From there he would seek out the best of the best and find a way to work-study with them.

He spent two years on the educational staff with Alan Chadwick in Covelo, created the Ashland Horticulture Training Project that brought in local experts in all fields of horticulture, and he acquired a Master Gardener certificate and attended classes at the University of Ashland. Woolsey was also lucky enough to spend a summer traveling around northern California with Masanobu Fukuoka.

At Phoenix Rising we try to bend Chadwick and Fukuoka's philosophy and technique. For information on Alan Chadwick, look up Alan Chadwick Living Library and Archive. For information on Fukuoka read "One Straw Revolution."

Classes will be based on the interests of the students that show up and the needs of the garden in the season. For more information call Ron Woolsey at 707-489-5408 and leave a message when and where to call back. Good gardening.

Ron Woolsey, Willits

A teacher on 'arming teachers'

To the Editor:

To those of you who find it impossible to fathom giving up your right to own assault weapons, to those of you who believe the cost of innocent lives is the price we must pay so you can have your "rights," I say to you when will it end?

My students, my family, my friends and every citizen of our freedom-loving country has rights too. We have the right to not live in fear of being shot. We have the right to go to concerts, schools, churches, nightclubs, shopping malls, movie theaters, restaurants, universities, workplaces, and our homes without the fear of being gunned down. Our rights are laid out in the Declaration of Independence: "The right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." You have taken those rights away from us.

Instead of banning assault weapons you want to arm teachers. Why? Tell me why anyone needs an assault weapon and tell me that the benefit of allowing these weapons outweighs the cost. Don't tell me this is a "mental health issue." This is an access to guns issue. People will always have times of loneliness, depression, and sometimes even hate-filled rage, this is the human condition, but as a society it's immoral to allow people the ability to express their rage by killing and maiming

countless innocent people with a simple pull of the trigger.

Donald Trump is right, we teachers love our students and we are very protective of them. In my classroom [Blosser Lane Elementary School, fourth grade], I try and provide a place of joy and a feeling of safety for my students. We read the classics, "Black Beauty" and "Little Women." We play music and learn about Beethoven. We paint and sing and laugh, and I do my best to show them kindness and gentleness so that they will stay kind and gentle as they grow. I purposefully guard what I say in front of my students, just as I did with my own kids when they were young. Why take their innocence? Let them be children.

When we had our recent lockdown drill, I was relieved that none of my kids asked specifics about why we were doing a drill. I don't believe our young kids need to know everything about our harsh world. This is the protection I can offer my students, but I will never offer the protection that our president has proposed. Instead of asking teachers to make schools a battleground, why aren't we banning assault weapons that have no place in civilized society?

Recently Willits Unified was on heightened alert as one of our students seemed to pose a threat to the schools. Some concerned parents kept children home, teachers were visibly stressed, and administrators tried to calm nerves. We were all operating under the shadow of the recent mass shooting at Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.

Imagine if this same student, in the same situation, lived in a country that didn't allow access to assault weapons. Imagine if this student was not able to buy a gun. How would his rage manifest? A fist through a wall or a foot through a window? Maybe ... but we certainly wouldn't have to worry about a mass shooting at our schools, and we certainly wouldn't be talking about arming teachers in the classroom and making our schools a battleground.

You who refuse to rethink your "rights" to own assault weapons have blood on your hands ... and you have taken away my rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Janice Haschak, Willits

Rep. Huffman signs on to articles of impeachment

Washington, D.C. – Congressman Jared Huffman (D-San Rafael) released the following statement Tuesday, February 27 after joining as a co-sponsor of the articles of impeachment, introduced by Congressman Steve Cohen (TN-09), the ranking member of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice:

"Every member of the House of Representatives pledges to support and defend the Constitution of the United States when we are sworn into office. That carries with it the responsibility to provide checks and balances on executive power, and in exceptional circumstances, to impeach a president who has violated the law or abused power to the serious detriment of our country."

"I'm cosponsoring Rep. Cohen's articles of impeachment because they focus on the most serious and egregious examples of President Trump's impeachable actions – his obstruction of justice, his unprecedented conflicts of interest, his unwillingness or inability to credibly and forthrightly address Russia's interference in the 2016 election, and his recklessness with matters of national security. President Trump has shown contempt for the institutions and safeguards that are essential to the rule of law and the proper functioning of our democracy. That is precisely the situation that the rare remedy of impeachment was intended to address."

This resolution sets forth five articles of impeachment on the following: Trump's obstruction of justice, foreign emoluments, domestic emoluments, undermining the independence of the judiciary, and undermining freedom of the press.

You can read a summary of the articles of impeachment on Rep. Cohen's website at this link: <https://cohen.house.gov/sites/cohen.house.gov/files/Articles.Summary.PDF>

– submitted by the Office of Congressman Jared Huffman



Above, from left: Dan Miller of Cult of Ours playing clarinet. Heather Freed and Kyle Madrigal dance in clothes by Dev0. Clay Hawkins plays guitar with Clay Hawkins Xchange. At right: Heather Freed poses in Dev0 creations. Far right: Lhasa Sommers dances to Lightning Amen.

Fire Benefit

Musicians play to raise funds for Mendocino County long-term relief

Never forget. There are victims of the fires who still need our help. "We are specifically raising money for the Fire Relief Fund that is very much

in need of a boost," said Mathew Caine, Features Writer at mathew@willitsweekly.com. Kyle Madrigal, of the Cult of Ours band. "I've heard figures that say for the next decade there's going to be rebuilding in this county. This is a little effort to remind people that even though the rains are here, it's winter, and maybe the fire is just a memory for many, there are people who are still affected by it. We need to do our part to help one another because you never know, and next time it could be us. Hopefully, there won't be a next time."

The Long-Term Relief Benefit for Fire Victims at the Willits Center for the Arts was created by promoter Amanda Sears of Freq Productions. "Amanda came up with the idea and said she really wanted Cult of Ours to headline the show," Madrigal said. "I liked that she was of the same consciousness as our group. Let's bring the community together to have a good time and

remember that we need to help each other." Indeed, the community did come together to make this small gathering of bands and concerned vendors a fun and touching evening which went into the early morning hours. Proceeds will go to North Coast Opportunities Wildfire Relief Fund.

First up was Clay Hawkins Xchange, fronted by on-air KZYX personality, Clay Hawkins of the show "Dusty Roads and Dirty Strings." He finished his radio show at 3 pm in Philo and had to be on stage in Willits at 4 pm. Luckily for the attendees, the road conditions allowed Hawkins to walk through the doors in the nick of time and play an excellent set of original music with his two co-musicians, Andrew Robinson on drums and Jake Keller on bass. Hawkins lives in Redwood Valley and had many friends who lost everything and are now gone, back to families, other counties, and other states. He dedicated his performance to those victims.

After Clay Hawkins Xchange, Self Fulfilling Prophecies played their brand of creative local

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Above: Amanda Sears on stage with Self Fulfilling Prophecies. Far left: Willits Lions Club volunteers at their no-host bar, which also offers hotdogs. At left: Lhasa Sommers sees the benefit from buying a lot of raffle tickets.

Below, from left: Amanda Sears, Kyle Madrigal and Ryan Hurley. Cece Raynes wears the rainbow.

Photos by Mathew Caine



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How To
Sudoku:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a Sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Chop or cut
4. Green veggie
7. Bar bill
10. Doctors' group
11. One who buys and sells securities (slang)
12. Be in debt
13. Lively ballroom dance
15. Singer Charles
16. Polish city
19. Former
21. Dismissing from employment
23. Minerals
24. Plotted
25. Consult
26. After a prayer
27. Agents of one's downfall
30. Leaseholders
34. Supervises flying
35. Voodoo god
36. Alfalfa
41. Apply another coat to
45. Witnesses
46. Jai __, sport
47. Ones who proof
50. Recant
54. Small group with

- shared interests
55. Part of warming headgear
 56. Woolen cloth
 57. Snag
 59. Central American fruit tree
 60. Woman (French)
 61. The 22nd letter of the Greek alphabet
 62. Type of bed
 63. Soviet Socialist Republic
 64. Consume
 65. Japanese freight company (abbr.)

CLUES DOWN

1. Czech monetary unit
2. Able to arouse intense feeling
3. Elk
4. Muscular weaknesses
5. Geological time
6. Depths of the ocean
7. Burns to the ground
8. Becomes cognizant of
9. Cause to shade
13. US political party
14. Refers to some of a

17. Single
18. Type of beer
20. Ancient Iranian people
22. Grocery chain
27. Gridiron league
28. English river
29. __ and cheese
31. Peyton's younger brother
32. Long time
33. High schoolers' test
37. Respects
38. Organize anew
39. Filippo __, Saint
40. Intrinsic nature of something
41. Cheese dish
42. Ancient Greek City
43. Patron saint of Ireland
44. Produced by moving aircraft or vehicle
47. Shock treatment
48. __ Jones
49. Things
51. Having wings
52. Panthers' QB Newton
53. Third-party access
58. Satisfaction

WILLITS POLICE DEPARTMENT
POLICE LOG

February 19 to February 22

By Danya Davis, Willits Weekly

The officers of the Willits Police Department handled 153 incidents in this seven-day reporting period.

Summary of Active Investigations and Arrests

February 19

8:19 am: Officers responded to a report of harassment in the 1400 block of South Main Street.

9:04 am: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person in the 800 block of South Main Street.

10:17 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 500 block of South Main Street.

12:44 pm: Officers responded to a report of vandalism in the 100 block of Bush Street.

2:03 pm: Officers initiated a missing person investigation in the 400 block of Della Avenue.

3:50 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1500 block of South Main Street.

February 20

7:25 am: MALDONADO, Jose Guadalupe (49) of Willits was contacted in the 1400 block of South Main Street. He was arrested pursuant to 11550 H&S (Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance) and on misdemeanor charges of violation of probation.

8:42 am: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 300 block of East Commercial Street.

2:54 pm: Officers responded to a report of a sexual assault in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

2:55 pm: Officers responded to a report

of suspicious activity in the 2000 block of East Hill Road.

3:36 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 300 block of South Main Street.

6:21 pm: REGALADO, Mark Anthony (47) of Prunedale was contacted in the 100 block of East Commercial Street. He was arrested on felony charges of violation of probation and on misdemeanor charges of violation of a protective order and violation of a court order.

February 21

12:03 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 2600 block of Mitomka Way.

1:43 pm: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 100 block of Hazel Street and issued a warning.

8:49 pm: Officers initiated a missing person investigation in the 100 block of East Mendocino Avenue.

February 22

3:44 am: Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in the 100 block of West Commercial Street.

7:20 am: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 300 block of East Commercial Street.

2:11 pm: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of North Main Street.

4:05 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 21000 block of Locust Street.

5:01 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 400 block of East Commercial Street.

9:10 pm: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 100 block of Muir Lane.

LITTLE LAKE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

FIRE CALLS

February 21 to February 28

by LLFD Training Chief Eric Alvarez

02-21-18 (South Main Street)

Little Lake Fire responded to a medical assist. Fire assisted the current medical staff at scene with patient care. Fire also sent two firefighters to assist the ambulance crew during transport to Howard Memorial Hospital. 9 firefighters responded for service.

02-21-18 (North Main Street)

Little Lake Fire responded to a medical assist. Fire assisted the current medical staff at scene load the patient into the ambulance. Fire also provided one firefighter to assist the ambulance crew during transport to Howard Memorial. 12 firefighters responded for service.

02-22-18 (Sherwood Road)

Structure fire: Little Lake Fire responded to a structure fire in the Brooktrails area. Upon our arrival Brooktrails Fire had the fire suppressed. Little Lake Fire assisted in overhaul procedures and checking for further fire extension into the residence. 12 firefighters responded for service.

02-22-18 (Sherwood Road)

Traffic accident with power lines down: Little Lake Fire responded to a reported vehicle over the bank. Upon arrival a truck was viewed approximately 50 feet over the bank with a single occupant, and a downed power line was viewed across the roadway. Little Lake Fire as well as Brooktrails Fire removed the patient from the vehicle. Fire assisted the medic unit at scene to load the patient into the ambulance for transport to Howard Memorial. PG&E was notified and mitigated the downed power line. 10 firefighters responded for service.

02-22-18 (Walker Road)

Structure fire: Little lake Fire responded to a reported structure fire. Prior to our arrival the owner had closed the flue to the chimney which suppressed the fire. Little Lake Fire checked for fire extension in the attic area; no extension was located. 8 firefighters responded for service.

02-23-18 (Sherwood Road)

Vehicle accident: Little Lake Fire

responded to a reported vehicle accident on Sherwood Road. During our response Little Lake Fire was canceled by Brooktrails Fire. 8 firefighters responded for service.

02-23-18 (Highway 162, mile marker 1)

Vehicle accident: Little Lake Fire responded to a reported vehicle accident. While en route Little Lake Fire was canceled. 13 firefighters responded for service.

02-23-18 (Sherwood Road)

Vehicle accident: Little Lake Fire responded to a vehicle accident. Upon arrival a vehicle was viewed on its roof with both occupants out of the vehicle and uninjured. Fire provided general clean-up of the road way. 11 firefighters responded for service.

02-24-18 (Highway 20, mile marker 24)

Vehicle accident: Little Lake Fire responded to a reported vehicle over the bank. Upon arrival a vehicle was observed approximately 15 feet over the bank. Both occupants were out of the vehicle and uninjured. A third occupant was unaccounted for. Fire went over the bank and checked the vehicle for the third occupant; with no occupant located, Fire searched around the area. The third occupant was found by the Rescue 5430 around the "three chop gate." The occupant was cleared by medical staff at scene. 15 firefighters responded for service.

02-27-18 (Redwood Avenue)

Structure fire: Little Lake Fire responded to a reported structure fire. Upon arrival the fire was out and contained to the oven area. 9 firefighters responded for service.

02-28-18 (Highway 20, mile marker 20)

Vehicle accident: Little Lake Fire responded to a reported vehicle accident. Upon arrival the vehicle was off the roadway. One occupant was transported via ambulance to Howard Memorial. 12 firefighters responded for service.

At right: Lucy King and her clothespin fairy. Willits Branch Librarian Nicole Bird on Fairy Festival day. Dahlia and her brother Bergin enjoy coloring fairy art. Ember Hetherington shows off her butterfly glitter tattoo.



Above: Petra, Gary and Phoenix all got glitter tattoos. Below: Library Technician April Harper coordinated the Fairy Festival.



King of the Pond

The pond at the Lands of Moore was full of feather-filled drama Thursday, February 22, when one feisty snow goose made a display of his alpha status for the gathered group of Canadian geese, fellow snow geese and a green-headed mallard and his camouflaged lady friend. The pond was installed three years ago on the southwestern end of Willits. Ever since, it has been a frequent stopping point for weary winged travelers who enjoy lounging on its banks, paddling along the water and watching the occasional bird telenovela unfold.

— Maureen Moore



Above: The mallard and his lady paddle along the pond.

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Frolic of Fairies

Willits Library hosts festival featuring wings, wands and glitter

"I just sneezed glitter," said the young voice.

A frolic of fairies descended on the Willits branch of the Mendocino County Library on a recent Saturday afternoon. Resplendent in their diaphanous wings, colored hair and glitter tattoos, they proceeded to test their skills on fairy-themed coloring pages and fairy wands as well as clothespin fairies. They sustained themselves on colorful fairy bread and orange soda. It was difficult to tell who was having the most fun, the kids, the parents or the library staff who helped guide the participants in their creative endeavors.

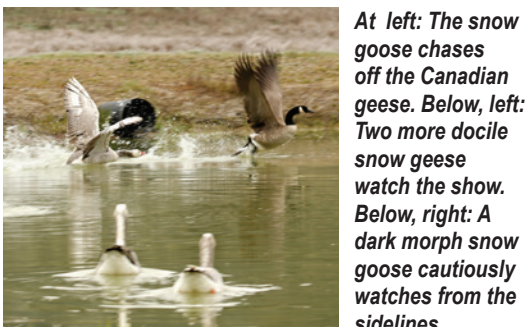
The Fairy Festival was conceived by Children's Librarian Benjamin MacBean and coordinated by Library Technician April Harper. As a special treat, MacBean read fairy fiction to the kids later in the proceedings. The event was part of the library plan to re-create the facility as a community center – a place to meet, be creative and have fun.

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At top: Tabitha Atkinson from Glitter My World created glitter tattoos for the fairies. Above, left: Tinley shows off her magic wand. Above, right: Jenna Wells works on a fairy wand. At left: Angel helps Cordelia to glue her clothespin fairy. Below: Fairy bread for the sweet tooth.

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Plenty of tasty and colorful winter greens

Michael Foley
Columnist

It may be bitter cold outside, but Willits Farmers Market is awash in produce this time of year. Yokayo Roots Farm brings two kinds of salad mix plus all sorts of tasty and colorful extras – orach, minutina, pea shoots, and edible flowers. Maci also has big bunches of radishes, white and red, bok choy, spinach, baby kale, and more. Green Uprising Farm has more salad mix, spinach, chard, kale, salad turnips, and greens for the pot. As the season advances, you'll see those bins and boxes filled with more abundance. Right now most of those great veggies are grown in unheated hoop houses, but we'll be moving outdoors gradually now, more rapidly soon, as the weather warms up.

The market has some new faces again this month, local entrepreneurs building their businesses at Farmers Market, a great place to get direct customer feedback, what every business needs to meet customer needs and wants.

Shewolf Coffee is the work of two sisters, Sarah Bailey and Rachel Deland, who have started a local coffee roaster. Mother Krista Pickens contributes her own vegan



Willits Market Manager Michael Foley, right, with beets in hand, stands with Sierra Alexander, who holds curly kale at the Green Uprising Farm table at the first market of 2018.

pastries. Rachel stated her first coffee shop in Salt Lake City at 18, using her college fund. That's when Krista jumped in with the pastries. When the family moved to San Francisco, Rachel worked in a couple of artisan coffee roasting establishments. And on coming to Willits four years ago, the trio began thinking about a cafe-restaurant. They've decided to start small, with Sarah taking lessons in coffee roasting in San Francisco and Rachel managing the retail side.

Shewolf Coffee tries to source its coffee from woman-owned coffee farms in Central America, Indonesia, and elsewhere. Their coffee is Free Trade, Songbird Safe, Rainforest Alliance certified, organic, in short all the certifications you might want. And their roasts and blends are delicious. They have fresh-brewed coffee and pastries at market every week, and they sell small packets of their coffees to take home and try.

Another newcomer is Betsy Williams. Betsy came to market once before Christmas, bringing her Dreamtime Jade products. Now she's a regular. She makes beautiful jade pendants and earrings from jadite and nephrite, the two types of jade, sourced in the Covelo area. Local streams, including the North Fork of the Eel River, have unloosed and spread jade from deposits in the mountains surrounding Round Valley. Betsy says it took her and her partner a while to recognize the jade rocks when they first moved to Round Valley, but they began taking samples to mineralogists for analysis and quickly learned to see the jade around them. Her pendants are varied in color, reflecting the two varieties of jade but also the variety in jade itself.

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‘Visit Willits’ and Community Car Show

Hello from the Willits Chamber of Commerce. We have several exciting things to share with you. The City of Willits and the Willits Chamber of Commerce

have been working hand in hand to form the “Visit Willits” board.

The Visit Willits board, focusing on tourism, is off the ground and running with project ideas.

The mission of the Visit Willits board is to “Stimulate local economic growth and to promote Willits as a destination through collaboration with community and county stakeholders.” The main purpose of this board is to “Attract visitors and enhance the local experience.” These exciting projects will not only focus on bringing in visitors to bolster the local economy, but also add value and exciting opportunities to those that are lucky enough to call Willits home.

We are proud to be working with such a great team of devoted board members to make all of this happen. Thank you, Visit Willits board members Saprina Rodriguez, Cici Viniger, Georgeanne Croskey, Mathew Caine, Roshan Patel, Becky Button, Tina Tyler-O’Shea, Jan Rodriguez, Mary Anne Petrillo, Hailey Schmidtk, Denise Rose, and Allison Findley.

We are very happy to announce the 37th Annual Community Festival Car and Motorcycle Show which will take place over Memorial Day Weekend on Sunday, May 27. Mark your calendars! This year we are excited to add an auto-related Swap Meet that both people registered to the car show, or not, can participate in. Bring your goodies down and get a crowd of car- and motorcycle-loving folks to check out your booth.

If you are a vendor, we want you! We are looking for vendors who would like to set up a booth at the Community Festival Car and Motorcycle Show. Whether you sell food, handmade jewelry, clothes, art, or offer a service, we would love to have you. This venue is a great way to get your name and your business in front of over 1,500 people in one day. Those impressions can lead to a higher awareness of your business and future customers.

If you are interested in participating in this event, either through the swap meet, or as a vendor, please contact the Willits Chamber of Commerce by visiting www.willits.org or calling us at 459-7910. We are open Monday through Friday from 10 am to 4 pm.

We want to give a special thanks to our President’s Circle for all of their support year-round in making Willits a better place to live, work, and play. Thank you, Frank R. Howard Memorial Hospital, METALfx, Sparetime Supply, Baechtel Creek Inn, and Super 8.

Allison Findley is the chamber coordinator for the Willits Chamber of Commerce. You can reach her at 459-7910 or info@willits.org.

grinding together, much jade has traces of mineralized seawater injected into the rock during formation. Betsy learned to cut and polish stone and is now taking a class in metallurgy, so she can produce silver fittings for her jade. She loves to talk about her enterprise, so stop by and ask about the jade.

Other people to meet at market include Deborah Knoles, whose passion is puer tea, a unique black tea with a robust flavor and quick caffeine kick that rapidly dissipates, allowing you to have your after-dinner tea and sleep, too. Timothy Cerrato makes his own jewelry, with a wide variety of designs and products. Timothy would love to tell you about his work. And Erin Harpster’s Lights of Gaia features both literal lights, candles to be specific, and precious stones of all sorts.

Helping you pursue your passion and earn some income from it is one of the reasons for Farmers Market. If you have a product, or a lot of produce, you would like to try to sell, stop by the Market Manager’s table on Thursday, and we can talk about how to go about it.

Willits Farmers Market is open every Thursday, November through April, at Little Lake Grange, from 3 to 5:30 pm. In May we will be moving to a new outdoor location. Stay tuned for news about our move. But in the meantime look for fresh produce, vegetable starts, local meat and eggs, Willits roasted coffee, and crafts at the indoor market.

Michael Foley is a partner in Green Uprising Farm and market manager at the Willits Farmers Market. Michael can be reached at foley.mw@gmail.com or 707-216-5549.



Jewelry maker Timothy Cerrato showcases one of his designs at his booth at the Winter Farmers Market.

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Above, from left: Some of the members of the new WEF “meat crew”: Taylor Drew, Tim King and Danny Mihelcic. Macy Goss stirs her family’s heritage bean pot.



Below, from left: WEF supporters Diana Hosford and her mother, Joan Davis, with her hopeful canine friend Mandy, get their dinner. Cowboy Willie greets the line of drive-up diners at the Rodeo Grounds. Roses, dinner bags, and sunny hills on Friday evening.



At left: The scene at the Willits Educational Foundation drive-through dinner at the Rodeo Grounds. Below: Students Maci Yokum, left, and Haley Kvasnicka delivered bags to ticket-holders as they drove through the Rodeo Grounds.

Grab-and-Go Dinner

Willits Educational Foundation’s drive-through fundraiser sells out again

The team was rising from the bean pot on a chilly Friday evening last week, as volunteers with the Willits Educational Foundation gave out big brown bags of dinner to ticket-holders driving through the Willits Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds.

The WEF drive-through dinner for four includes a whole barbecued tri tip, Caesar salad, Goss Family beans cooked in a 40-gallon tub (plus eight gallons of overflow), potato multigrain bread from Emandal, eight (!!) homemade chocolate chip oatmeal cookies, and a rose for the vase on your table, donated by Flowers for Annette.

The event sold out again this year: 210 tri tips were seared on the Granite Construction barbecue trailer, with a new group of grill volunteers who started the coals around 8 am – mentored by the longtime experts.

Olga O’Neill, Lisa Yokum and Tom Woodhouse checked drivers’ tickets at the first stop on the route, and just a couple of minutes later, student volunteers Maci Yokum and Haley Kvasnicka handed them dinner through their passenger-side windows.

Proceeds, as usual, will help fulfill more than 30 special mini-grant projects submitted by teachers and programs throughout the Willits Unified School District.

“As president of the Willits Educational Foundation,” Jenn Drew said, “I would like to thank all the people who helped us make this year’s event very smooth! The morning started off freezing, and it turned out to be a beautiful day to serve our wonderful community dinner!”

– Jennifer Poole



Far left: Kevin Kvasnicka and Jack Drew wrap tri tip for hungry diners.



At left: Annette Pinon with her beautiful roses.

Photos by Jennifer Poole

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Ongoing Events

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

“Natural Accumulations”: the February show at the Willits Center for the Arts features Willits fiber artist Ursula Patch, who “gets her inspiration from the natural environment and how it changes throughout the day and year. She favors using locally sourced animal and plant materials for her work, and her goal is to “foster strong connections between humans and their environment.” Also this month: a Jewelry Pop-Up Show, featuring work in metal, glass, paper, wire and stone from local jewelers around the county. Runs through February 25. Gallery hours: 11 am to 5 pm. Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Info: 459-1726.

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

Emandal Choral: The Chorale is open to all who wish to sing a cappella songs of peace and justice. Every Wednesday from 5 to 6:30 pm at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. Info: 367-1573.

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

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

Friday Potluck Bingo: Harrah Senior Center presents Potluck Bingo on Friday nights. Doors open at 5 pm; games begin at 5:30 pm. Minimum bingo buy-in \$5. 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459-6826.

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

German Conversation Class: Ongoing non-denominational German conversation/book reading class is open to new members (middle to advanced German speakers). No charge, but donations gladly accepted. St. John Lutheran Church, 24 Mill Creek Drive. Mondays from 7 to 8:30 pm. Info: Doris Wier, 456-9246.

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

Willits Community Drum Circle: 7 to 10 pm at the Saint Francis in the Redwoods Episcopal Church, 66 East Commercial Street. Every 2nd and 4th Friday. Free. Everyone is welcome. Info: 459-4932.

Willits Library Activities: Wednesdays: 11 to 11:30 am “Play Group,” and 3:30 to 5:30 pm “Lego Day” (bring your imagination and start building!); Thursdays: 11 to 11:30 am “Story Time”; Fridays: 5 to 6 pm “Youth Game Night” (ages 10 to 14).

Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Info: 459-5908.

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

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

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

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

Life Changes: Discussion and support group with Linda Posner, Wednesdays from 10 to 11 am. Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road.

Volleyball Open Gym: Baechtel Grove Gym, 1150 Magnolia Street. Tuesdays 7 to 9 pm, and Tuesdays at 7:30 to 9:30 pm. Some experience desired, but not required. \$5 per night; first night free. Info: Jeff at 354-1850.

Smoking Cessation Program: Free “Freedom from Smoking” class sponsored by Adventist Health Howard Memorial. Every Wednesday at AHM's Roots Restaurant, 1 Marcela Drive, 6 to 7 pm. Register today: 540-4208. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Free Sheriff's Activity League programs: at Body Works Gym, 1511 South Main Street. Teen gym: Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3 to 5 pm. Karate: Thursday, Little Dragons-ages 3 to 6, 5:15 to 6 pm. Youth Karate-ages 6 to 11, 6 to 7 pm; Teens to Adults-ages 11 and up, 7 to 8:30 pm. All SAL programs free to the public. Info: www.facebook.com/MendocinoCountySheriffsYouthActivitiesLeague or Mike Tobin: 354-0565.

Little John's: Little John's Bar and Dance Club offers Karaoke every Thursday night, from 9:30 pm to 1:30 am. “Come join the fun and sing a song.” Also, free pool every Sunday from 6 to 10 pm. 383 South Main Street. Info: check “Little Johns” on Facebook or 459-5636.

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

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

Thursday, March 1

Friends of the Willits Library Book Sale: FOWL's biggest four-day book sale of the year opens Thursday, March 1 from 6 to 9 pm at the Willits Community Center, 111 East Commercial Street, with members-only day. (It's a great time to renew your FOWL membership or join for the first time: \$10 regular, \$5 senior or \$100 membership for life). Members get first choice of all the gently used quality books of every genre, including like-new books suitable for gift-giving. Sale continues for the general public on Friday, March 2 from 10 am to 6 pm, Saturday, March 3 from 10 am to 4 pm, and Sunday, March 4, from 10 am to 3 pm. Sunday is \$5/a grocery-sized bag day. Volunteers are needed; check the sign-up sheet at the Willits Library.

“Rapture Blister Burn”: This “modern romantic drama with comedic overtones” continues at Willits Community Theatre through March 4. Written by Gina Gionfriddo and directed by WCT veteran Mike A'Dair, the play provides an unflinching look at gender politics in the wake of 20th century feminist ideals. Thursdays at 7 pm (\$15), Fridays & Saturdays at 8 pm (\$20), with a 2 pm Sunday matinee on March 4 (\$15). Advance tickets available at Mazahar, 38 South Main Street; online at brownpapertickets.com; or by phone 24/7 at 1-800-838-3006. Tickets also available at the door until sold out. The WCT playhouse is located at 37 West Van Lane (behind Shanachie Pub).

Friday, March 2

Friends of the Willits Library Book Sale: Friday, March 2 from 10 am to 6 pm, at the Willits Community Center. See Thursday, March 1 listing for more details.

“Rapture Blister Burn”: Gina Gionfriddo's “modern romantic drama with comedic overtones” at 8 pm, Friday, March 2, at Willits Community Theatre. See Thursday, March 1 listing for details.

Shanachie Pub: Grizzly & The Honeybee: Americana and harmony vocals with duo Crosby Tyler and Clover LeDean: “bluesy, backporch, country, bluegrass.” Friday, March 2 at 9 pm. No cover. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Saturday, March 3

Friends of the Willits Library Book Sale: Saturday, March 3 from 10 am to 4 pm, at the Willits Community Center. See Thursday, March 1 listing for more details.

Phoenix Rising Garden Class: The Phoenix Rising Garden, on the west side of North Street between Redwood and Pine streets, presents garden classes on the first Saturday of the month, March 3, April 7 and May 5 from 12:30 to 4 pm. All classes are free; donations appreciated. Classes will be based on the interests of the students that show up and the needs of the garden in the season. Instructor Ron Woolsey. Info: 707-489-5408 and leave a message with call-back info.

WCA Art Auction Grand Opening: Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street, is reviving the annual Art Auction, with a grand opening tonight, Saturday, March 5

and the gala bid party set for March 24. “This important fundraiser keeps the arts alive in our community and brings vibrant and relevant shows to your art center. Your participation and generous donations continue to bring performance, dance, poetry and visual arts to our community.” Open to WCA members at 6 pm, and to the public at 7 pm. Auction items will be displayed through March at the WCA, open Wednesday through Sunday, 11 am to 5 pm, to place your bid, silent-auction style.

“Rapture Blister Burn”: Gina Gionfriddo's “modern romantic drama with comedic overtones” at 8 pm, Saturday, March 3, at Willits Community Theatre. See Thursday, March 1 listing for details.

Shanachie Pub: Old River Road: Acoustic duo out of Hopland and Ukiah, playing traditional songs and covers, with Albah Farrens Jr. (vocals, dobro, Weissenborn, and guitar) and Daniel Harrington (vocals, guitar, harmonica and mandolin). Saturday, March 3 at 8 pm. No cover. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Sunday, March 4

Friends of the Willits Library Book Sale: Sunday, March 4 from 10 am to 3 pm, \$5/bag day!, at the Willits Community Center. See Thursday, March 1 listing for more details.

Senior Center Bingo: The 1st Sunday of every month. Doors open 10:30 am. Bingo starts at 11:30 am. Minimum Buy-in \$10. 2 Jackpots. Must be 18 to play. Snacks, and lunch for sale. Sunday, March 4. 11 am to 3 pm. Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459-6826.

“Rapture Blister Burn”: Final performance of Gina Gionfriddo's “modern romantic drama with comedic overtones” at 2 pm, Sunday, March 4, at Willits Community Theatre. See Thursday, March 1 listing for details.

Monday, March 5

Prom Dress

Drive: The Mendocino County Youth Project is hosting a prom dress drive from March 5 through March 16. Drop off clean gently used prom dresses at the Willits High School main office between 7:30 am and 4 pm on weekdays. Questions, contact Aurelie at 707-489-1258 or acivaz@mcyp.org.

Willits Otters Swim Team Starts: Signups for the Willits Otters Swim Team, for new and returning swimmers, are set for Monday, March 5, at the Willits City Pool at 4:30 pm, the first day of practice for the new season. Practice is from 5 to 6:30 pm, Monday through Thursday. Membership fees include: \$75 Pacific Swim membership and insurance and \$300 yearly dues (can be paid in two installments). More info: Kelley Labus 707-489-5709

Willits “Transportation Needs” Meeting: The Second Access Ad Hoc Committee of the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

invites the public to a meeting to discuss Third District second access needs on Monday, March 5 at 6 pm at the Willits Community Center, 111 East Commercial Street. Third District Supervisor Georgeanne Croskey and Fourth District Supervisor Dan Gjerde would like to hear from the public about second access needs in the Third District, and also to inform the public on what has been done on the most pressing of local second access needs, a second access for Brooktrails.

Tuesday, March 6

Twining Time at Brickhouse: John Wagenet and Anita Blu of Twining Time perform Folk/Country/Americana Roots plus new and old favorites as well as original music on the First Tuesday of each month; Tuesday, March 6 this month. 12:30 to 3 pm. No cover. Brickhouse Coffeehouse, 3 South Main Street, featuring organic coffee, gluten-free baked goods, sandwiches, and more. Info: “Twining Time” on Facebook, www.twiningtime.weebly.com or 459-1598.

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. This week's Tightwad movies: “Winchester,” “Black Panther” and “Game Night.” For showtimes: www.noyotheatre.com. 57 East Commercial Street. 459-6696.

Avenues to Wellness Talk: “Cannabis is Medicine: Changing the Narrative with Education,” a free presentation by Jude Thilman, medical cannabis educator, on Tuesday, March 6, 5:30 to 7 pm, at Willits Center for the Arts 71 East Commercial Street. “Join us to learn about the science of cannabis medicine and to get answers to your questions about this controversial plant. Jude Thilman is a medical cannabis educator and the owner of Dragonfly Wellness Center in Fort Bragg. She offers presentations to patient groups and health providers, as well as counseling for individuals seeking to learn about cannabis medicines.”

Wednesday, March 7

North County Women in Business: NCWB's monthly first-Wednesday meeting, March 7 this month, is on “How to Use Facebook to Market Your Business,” with presenter Peter Marshall, from Mendo TechNet, which offers computer repair, website design and comprehensive online marketing.

8:15 to 9:30 am. Free to Willits Chamber of Commerce members, free to first-time guests, \$5 to returning non-members. Willits Center for the Arts, upstairs gallery, 71 East Commercial Street.

Thursday, March 8

“The Cannabis Hour”: Host Jane Futcher's guests residential real estate agent Tara Moratti of Coldwell Banker Mendo Realty in Willits and commercial property agent Kevin McDonald of Coldwell Banker in Ukiah, will discuss “Cannabis Regulations and Your Property Values: Crisis or Opportunity?” Thursday, March 8, 9 am, on KZYX Radio, 91.5-FM. Will take questions at 9:40 am: 895-2448. If you miss the program, listen on jukebox.kzyx.org.

‘Main Street: Then, Now & Tomorrow’

March 11

On Sunday, March 11, the Mendocino County Museum is hosting a curator-led tour of the “Main Street: Then & Now” exhibit and a forum on the future of Main Street, in which panelists will reflect on the possibilities for – and opinions about – the future of commerce and culture in Willits. Admission is free to this event. The tour starts at 3 pm, and the forum, “Main Street: Then, Now & Tomorrow,” moderated by Kim Bancroft, starts at 4:15 pm.

Beginning at 3 pm, join Bancroft on a curator-led tour of the “Main Street: Then & Now” exhibit. Stroll back in time as the museum's Long Gallery has been transformed through a visually fascinating and historically informative exhibit on the history of Willits, with a focus on Main Street architecture, commerce and culture. The accompanying texts and other images tell the history of Willits – its commerce and culture – beginning with the Native Americans of Little Lake Valley and continuing through the early days of ranching, farming and logging, and the development of various businesses.

The “Main Street Willits: Then, Now & Tomorrow” forum features a panel of guest speakers who represent various current interests within Willits, including ranching, business, railroad and the lumber industry, arts, real estate development, the cannabis industry, Native Americans, and environmental concerns.

How do members of these communities see the potential for keeping Willits strong and thriving?

What do we need as a collective town to help one another grow?

– Submitted by the Mendocino County Museum

Friday, March 9

“The Christians”: a reading of a new play by Lucas Hnath at Willits Community Theatre on Friday, March 9 and Saturday, March 10 at 8 pm. Directed by Robert Ford. “The play tells the story of what happens when Paul, the successful pastor of an evangelical mega-church, tells his congregation that Hell does not exist. This causes a split in the church. Attempting to smooth over the split causes repercussions in Paul's marriage and in his soul.” Tickets, \$5, will be available at the door. WCT Playhouse, 37 West Van Lane.

Shanachie Pub: Jawknee Lawhorn & The Outhouse Gang: folk rock from Alabama and Los Angeles, on a West Coast Tour. Visit www.soundcloud.com/jawkneelawhornandtheouthousegang. Friday, March 9 at 9 pm. No cover. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Saturday, March 10

“The Christians”: a reading of a new play by Lucas Hnath at Willits Community Theatre on Saturday, March 10 at 8 pm. See Friday, March 9 listing for more details.

Shanachie Pub: Two Worlds Fusion: trio plays original and cover tunes, including Reggae, Soca, Calypso and Ska, as well as pop rock, blues, funk and Latin sounds. Saturday, March 10 at 9 pm. No cover. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Sunday, March 11

Ecstatic Dance Mendo: offers a 3.5 hour embodied movement journey that “offers the community an opportunity to come together and experience the healing powers of movement and dance,” on Sunday, March 11, beginning with “Movement Resonance,” a contact improv class from 10 to 11 am, and then from 11 am to 1:30 pm, Ecstatic Dance welcomes back DJ Dragonfly. From 1:30 to 1:45 pm, Sound healing. Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Families Welcome. \$15. For more info: Visit “Ecstatic Dance Mendo” on Facebook, contact Michelle at 707-972-1601.

‘Main Street: Then, Now & Tomorrow’: a curator-led tour of the “Main Street: Then & Now” exhibit at the Mendocino County Museum, 400 East Commercial Street, on Sunday, March 11, and a forum on the future of Main Street, in which panelists will reflect on the possibilities for – and opinions about – the future of commerce and culture in Willits. Admission is free to this event. The tour starts at 3 pm, and the forum, “Main Street: Then, Now & Tomorrow,” moderated by Kim Bancroft, starts at 4:15 pm, and features a panel of guest speakers who represent various current interests within Willits, including ranching, business, railroad and the lumber industry, arts, real estate development, the cannabis industry, Native Americans, and environmental concerns.

2018 Women's History Gala

March 4

The 2018 Women's History Gala, set for Sunday, March 4 at the Saturday Afternoon Clubhouse in Ukiah, has the theme: “Nevertheless She Persisted: Honoring Women Who Fight All Forms of Discrimination.” Gala organizers have chosen three Mendocino County women to honor who personify this theme: Josefina Duenas, Ronita French and Angela DeWitt.

The Gala also features inspirational speaker Sarah Lingren and featured speaker, Malia Cohen, from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors; music by Breath and the Inland Valley Women's Chorus; appetizers to start and dessert. Sponsored by the Mendocino Women's Political Coalition, the American Association of University Women-Ukiah, and Ukiah Saturday Afternoon Club. Everyone is invited to attend this historic celebration. Doors open at the club, 107 South Oak Street, Ukiah. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Call 895-3543 for more information.

– Submitted by the Mendocino Women's Political Coalition

COLUMN | At the Movies

‘Game Night’

The Story: A clever, funny slapstick comedy version of the 1997 David Fincher/Michael Douglas movie “The Game.” Husband Max (Jason Bateman) and wife Annie (Rachel McAdams) along with their friends are rabid, competitive game players in just about any kind of game from charades to Pac-Man. When one of their own is suddenly kidnapped, their game becomes serious, in a semi-serious kind of way. There are chases and guns, evil bad guys, and movie references.

Daniel Essman

Columnist



My Thoughts: I am uncomfortable discussing comedies because what makes me laugh leaves others cold, and what others find hysterically funny hardly moves me. So, either they're from another planet, or I am. That said, this high-velocity flick had me laughing out loud. McAdams and Bateman both have solid comedic timing – they make a charming and sympathetic team. I rate this movie an “A” with a plus for cleverness. Enjoy.

Parents: Too confusing for little children, also sperm jokes and blow job jokes. Don't bring the kids. I recommend it for mature teenagers and adults.

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

Save the Date

Waldorf School's Auction Gala, March 17, Little Lake Grange

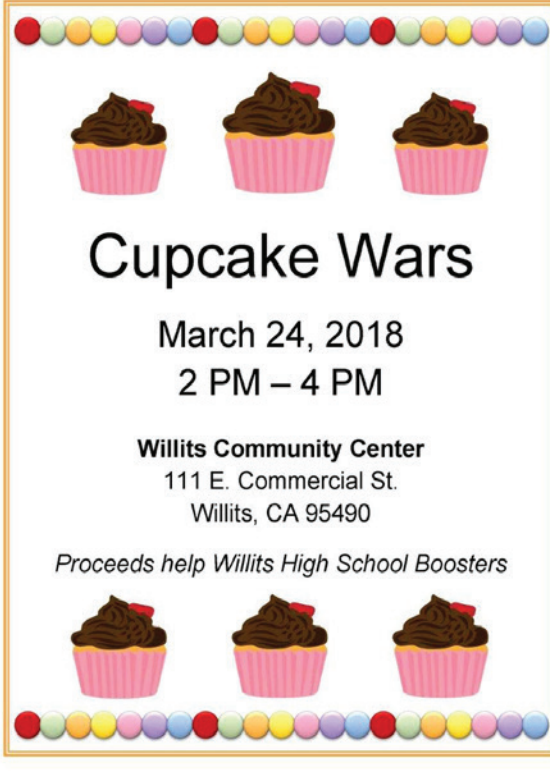
11th annual Chili Cookoff, March 23, Harrah Senior Center

Cupcake Wars, March 24, Willits Community Center



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Redwood Region Logging Conference
March 15-17 in Ukiah

The 80th annual Redwood Region Logging Conference is set for March 15 to 17 at the Redwood Empire Fairgrounds in Ukiah. Event highlights include: free Education Day for Local Schools, Banquet & Education Auction, Thursday Beer / Wine Gala with live country rock music, Vendor Booths and the Latest Equipment, Logging Show, Chainsaw Carving Exhibitions, Historical Displays, High School Forestry Competition, ProLogger Classes Available, Portable Sawmill Demonstrations, Exciting Wildlife Shows, Career Day for High School & College Students, Golf Tournament, Log Loader Competition, Logger Art Competition, Show & Shine Truckers Competition, and more. Visit https://www.rrlc.net/ for more details.

New Date!

Cannabis is Medicine:
Changing the Narrative with Education

Tuesday, March 6, 5:30-7:00 PM

Jude Thilman, Medical Cannabis Educator

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

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

Call 456-9676 for more information.
Email: info@willitscenterforthearts.org
Visit: www.willitscenterforthearts.org for more speaker info.

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• What Conditions can it Treat?

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Senior Center Lunch

Week of March 5 through March 9

Monday: Baked Ranch Chicken

Tuesday: Tuna Casserole

Wednesday: Chicken Veggie Pesto Stromboli

Thursday: Beef Tips & Noodles

Friday: Grilled Ortega Chili Chicken

Harrah Senior Center serves lunch five days per week from 11:45 am to 1 pm. \$6.50 for those 55 and older; \$8 for those under 55. Includes soup, salad, entree, vegetable, dessert, and drink. Salad Bar available all year. 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459-6826.

Sip Some Soup needs soupmakers!

The 19th annual Sip Some Soup, the annual benefit for Willits Daily Bread, is set for Saturday, March 10 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm at the Willits Community Center.

Willits Daily Bread Director Cindy Savage says more soup makers are needed to win bragging rights for their best soups and to help raise funds to feed the hungry in the Willits community. Contact her at 707-367-5669, 707-459-2579 or cindysavage6@yahoo.com to sign up for the competition.

In addition to tastes of many delicious soups – and the opportunity to vote for your favorite – Sip Some Soup also offers bread and jam from Emandal – A Farm on a River, desserts from the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and a silent auction – Items for the silent auction are also welcome. Tasting tickets are \$15 per person and \$25 per couple.

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Congrats to Sober Grad's Raffle Basket Winner

Congratulations to Laure Mondo, the winner of the 2018 Sober Grad Valentine's Raffle Basket. The basket had a value of over \$900 worth of donated goods and generated almost \$1,400 in ticket sales said Sober Grad's Joyce Waters. "Of course all of these funds will be used to put on an awesome all-night drug- and alcohol-free Sober Grad Party on June 7," Waters said.

Sober Grad always needs volunteers; people who want to help out or donate funds or items for the party, can contact the Sober Grad Committee at WillitsSoberGrad@gmail.com or by calling Waters at 459-0439.

Thanks to the local businesses who – along with parents of the Willits High School senior class – donated items for the basket: Cat's Meow, Flowers by Annette, Moon Lady, J.D. Redhouse, Tango, Mirror Mirror on the Wall, Adri's Beauty Salon, Adam's Restaurant, Mazahar, La Siciliana Italian Restaurant, Main Street Music, Monkey Wrench, and 1st Nails.

– Submitted by Sober Grad

Savings Bank staff dresses 'Casual for a Cause'

Submitted by Savings Bank of Mendocino County

Eleven non-profit organizations in Mendocino and Lake counties have received a portion of the \$11,193 contributed by Savings Bank employees and the bank during the 2017 "Casual for a Cause – Denim Days" year-long fundraising campaign. Due to the ongoing success, this effort will continue in 2018.

"Over the past six years, this effort has made a great impact in our communities with donations totaling \$77,651," said Katie Kight, director of Marketing and Community Outreach for Savings Bank of Mendocino County. "We're investing in our local youth, senior citizens, those in need, the arts, education, public safety and economic development to strengthen the quality of life in our communities."

The idea of "Casual for a Cause – Denim Days" began in January 2012 with a group of Savings Bank employees who wanted an additional way to make a difference in our communities during difficult economic times. Every Friday

Laure Mondo poses with the huge Sober Grad Valentine's Raffle Basket she won and a lovely bouquet from Flowers by Annette. Photo by Annette Pinon



The Willits branch crew at Savings Bank of Mendocino County shows off their "Casual for a Cause" denim.

and Saturday, employees have the opportunity to dress casual by wearing denim jeans to work while supporting a variety of local non-profit organizations through voluntary donations. Each month employees at a designated branch or department select the organization of their choice which will benefit by the monthly contributions.

In 2017 the following organizations received funds from this program: Community Cares Snack Pack Club, Potter Valley Youth & Community Center, Lakeport Senior Center

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Howard Memorial names Ace Barash as new hospital medical officer

By Cici Winiger, for Adventist Health Howard Memorial

Ace Barash, MD has been named medical officer of Adventist Health Howard Memorial. Aside from his new leadership role, Dr. Barash will also continue his role as director of inpatient care, overseeing the care of those hospitalized.

In his new position, Dr. Barash will focus on quality of care, patient experience, medical staff relations, and growth at Howard.

"Ace has always championed our mission and unique culture at Howard. He is loved by patients and staff and respected by his colleagues. He cares deeply for this community, and we are honored that he's chosen to continue to share his expertise and skill with Howard in this new leadership position," shares Jason Wells, president of Adventist Health Howard Memorial.

"I believe partnering with physicians in managing the complexities of the current healthcare landscape is essential. Having Ace share his insights and representing the medical staff at our hospital and clinic leadership meetings will be an asset that will push us forward to being the exceptional healthcare provider for our community that our region deserves," Wells explains.

Dr. Barash returned to Howard in 1998 after a hiatus during which he engaged in the private practice of internal medicine. He had reestablished contact with a well-known local surgeon who was also a good friend and was convinced to return to practicing at Howard. He has served as a physician in the region for nearly four decades and first cared for patients in the Emergency Room at Howard Memorial in 1983. After years of private practice, Dr. Barash says it was a breath of fresh air to partner with a hospital, and Howard was the perfect place for him.

Aside from his dedication to his patients, Dr. Barash is also known for his efforts to improve the community as whole. He has been a staunch supporter of

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sounds. They were followed by Chaga, who is fronted by Ryan Michael Hurley, who could be found between sets selling his homemade band T-shirts next to the stage. Hurley also lives in Redwood Valley. He was evacuated for a week, and came back to find his house standing although the property in general was devastated. He had to move out, but nothing could stop him from playing music. He could be heard in two of the bands who donated their time to the cause this night. Chaga, in addition to Hurley, features Tristan Schmuckley, Austin Schmaticley, Alisa Monique and Michael Scott.

Lightning Amen next blasted the growing and exuberant audience with hard-driving and eclectic sounds from this power trio consisting of Rusty Peters on guitar and vocals, Steven Keith on bass, and the aforementioned Ryan Hurley on drums. Lightning Amen proved to be a crowd favorite, getting people on their feet and dancing with abandon.

Finally, around 11:30 pm, it was time for the headliners, Cult of Ours, tonight with Tom Girdauskas on bass, Jessie Bossoni on drums, Don Lama on blues harp, Dan Miller on horns, Heather Freed on Concert Harp, Richard Jeske on various percussion instruments, and fronted by Kyle Madrigal, the multi-instrumental, multi-talented Willits resident who lent his boundless creative energy to helping put the evening together.

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Meals on Wheels, Tapestry Family Services, Hopland Volunteer Fire Department, Cancer Resource Centers of Mendocino County, Manzanita Services Inc., Navarro by the Sea Center for Riparian and Estuarine Research, Laytonville Healthy Start Center, NCO's Caring Kitchen Project, and Fort Bragg Volunteer Fire Department.

"It is people like you who open their hearts and their wallets that make our grassroots Community Cares Program happen," wrote Janet Carlson of the Community Cares Snack Pack Program. "On behalf of the entire committee I want to thank you for your generous donation that will help feed children this winter. What an extraordinary gift. It is people like you who make our community such a great place to live, and work. Together we really can make a difference."

"Thank you so much for your support to our agency during Denim Days! Your generous donation will be used to create comfort bags for children who have been detained from their biological homes and placed in a Tapestry shelter home and foster homes. These bags will help provide the children with a sense of ownership, which often goes missing when they leave their homes. Your contribution will be felt far and wide by the youth in Mendocino County, and for that we thank you" – the Foster Care Department at Tapestry Family Services

"Thank you so much for all of your efforts in raising money for the Cancer Resource Centers of Mendocino County," wrote Karen Oslund, CRCMC executive director. "We are honored that so many chose to donate, and honored to be on the receiving end of this fun project. The Cancer Resource Centers provide direct help to hundreds of people in our community who face cancer. Your support helps us to ensure that our vision, 'no one will face cancer alone,' will be a reality here in Mendocino County."

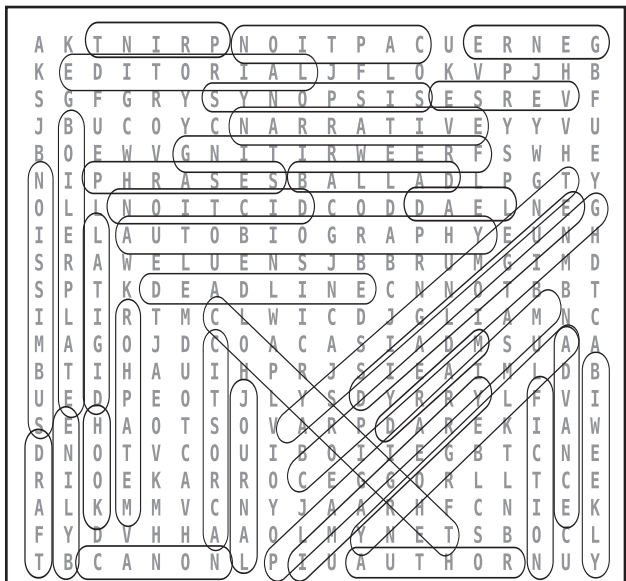
"Thank you all so much for contributing to the Caring Kitchen Project! Every \$25 covers a client's meals for the week. This means you have supported over 36 weeks of meals! Thank you. We're so happy to be part of the Willits and Ukiah communities!" – the team at NCO's Caring Kitchen Project.

As the local community bank, Savings Bank is proud of their tradition of giving back to their communities and the community support and volunteer time that their employees provide.



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Cult of Ours is impossible to pigeonhole into any genre, unless you make one up. Madrigal's musical motto must be: Expect the Unexpected and Nothing More. "Our whole ethos is built around the unknown. All we do is create in the moment," Madrigal said. "We live for the one perfect moment. We never rehearse. Nothing is premeditated. The crowd is very much of the music creation experience. I'll hear someone laugh to a particular rhythm and all of a sudden I adopt that rhythm on my guitar. We're playing the audience, and the audience is playing us. Everyone is involved."

Amanda Sears, in addition to booking the bands, brought together some generous vendors including, Willits Garden Supply, George's Geodes and Gems, Marla Fritz who came up from Sacramento with some of her striking paintings to sell, Mossy Falls Farms who brought an attractive display of essential oils and crystals, the Willits Lions Club with their hot dogs and no-host bar, and a recent transplant to our area, Dev0, a creative party and club clothing entrepreneur.

Dev0's uber-creative clothing was one of the hits of the party, with many of the audience taking the pants, jackets and accessories for test drives as they danced exuberantly. Cult of Ours was similarly toggled in Dev0's costumes adding an otherworldly air to the evening's late-night performance.

This was an evening that was hard to describe in conventional terms. An event that had to be experienced to be understood; however, it seemed to fit in perfectly with the quirky ethos of our small, mighty and generous community.

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In the last year since Librarian Nicole Bird took over the duties in Willits, use of the library has increased to the point where they have approximately 350 people a day come through the doors for various purposes, reading, research or just to spend time with others in the community.

"The library is not just about books anymore," Bird said. "It's about community, participation, recreation, fun, entertainment, education. We still like to encourage people to check out as many books as they can read."

"One of my aims in coming here was to create the library as a community center, a place to get literary needs met as well as a meeting place and a place of information. During the fires, we had some of the only internet working through a county system called Sonic and were able to allow people to contact the outside world and get the information they needed. We expanded our hours. We had the fire maps for people to see. It's good for people to come to a central place where they know they can get the information they need. We were a pickup place for the air filter masks."

The library is planning plenty of other events for the children and adults of Willits. Later this year, there'll be the annual Halloween Festival, which last year hosted over 300 people, and Legopalooza 3 is upcoming in March. At the Lego event, coordinated by MacBean, the aim is to create a huge Lego village. There are several craft programs in the works, as well as a Seed Bomb program in which self-contained growing pods of dirt, clay and flower seeds are distributed to the kids. There are also plans for singers and other entertainment at the library.

The library would like to thank Bountiful Gardens for their generous contributions of seeds and gardening books, which were distributed amongst the five Mendocino library branches. In Willits, the seeds are distributed through the Willits Library's seed library to help young gardeners get started.

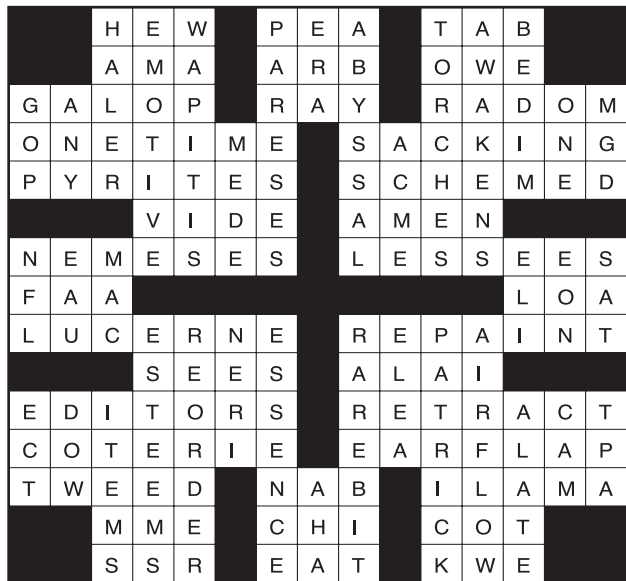
The Willits Library is open Tuesday through Thursday, 10 am to 7 pm; Friday, 10 am to 6 pm; and Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm; and is closed Sundays and Mondays.

Fairies and kids make a great mix. Fairies are about imagination and creativity. There are always fairies at the library. They hide in the pages of the books, but they can be coaxed out on special occasions if we keep an open mind.

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improving mental health services in Mendocino County, a cause that is very close to his heart. "Having seen so many patients in the ER with mental health issues, I felt guilty that I could not do more for my patients. I felt like it was my job to not only address their health issues but also address the underlying mental health issues."

He is now part of the Measure B Citizens Oversight Committee, which is tasked with, among other duties, reviewing an annual audit of expenditures and providing recommendations for the Mendocino County Board of



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Shuster's Transportation, Inc seeks Class A Drivers for Full Time Chip Truck position. Benefit package includes medical, dental, and holiday pay. Min 1 year experience and current DMV report required: (707) 459-4131.

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Giant Gym Yard Sale

Deep Valley Christian School, 8555 Uva Drive, Redwood Valley. March 2 – 8 am to 6 pm; March 3 – 8 am to 4 pm.

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Supervisors on the implementation of the mental health initiative which passed last year.

"I care deeply about this hospital and this community. Our staff does a great job, and I've always been proud of the care we provide. I'm excited to help us improve even more so we can continue to give the very best care to our patients," he explains.

Dr. Barash received his medical degree from University of Kansas School of Medicine and is board-certified in Internal Medicine.



Above: Mike Burgess, Annie Waters, Liam Uicearbhaill, Nancy Finn, Richard Jergenson, Darlene Bixler, and Susan Taylor-Proctor before the Sunday morning rush.

At right: Amanda Senseman and Eli Vaughn enjoy an early breakfast at the Little Lake Grange.

Below, from left: Frying pans laid out for quick work in the Grange kitchen. Two dozen pancakes on the grill. Two-egg portions, ready to be cooked.



From far left: Grange buttermilk pancake legend Hank Strock with Granger Annie Waters. The crowd in the Great Hall at the Little Lake Grange's Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, Richard Jergenson takes a coffee moment before opening the doors to the Great Hall.

Photos by Mathew Caine

Grange Breakfast

Buttermilk or sourdough pancakes, crispy bacon, eggs and comradery

Aside from the logistics of feeding 135 hungry people, the procurement of the healthy ingredients, the challenge of getting hot food to the tables in a timely manner, and making sure everyone is happy and satisfied, the biggest problem at the monthly Grange Pancake Breakfast is "how do you keep the syrup from getting on the eggs?" But more about that later.

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The members of the Willits Grange have been serving nutritious quality monthly breakfasts to the people of Willits for years. It is not just a meal. It is an event. People attend regularly. They look forward to the food and comradery, as does the crew, who enjoy their roles and specialties. Ten years ago, most of the current group of cooks took over the duties and refined the menu to its current form with an eye to serving the freshest and most digestible version of a pancake breakfast possible.

Annie Waters, past Grange president, explained: "We have a set menu with two kinds of pancakes. There are buttermilk pancakes which are from a 100-year-old recipe from the Page family, up in the hills. It was handed down and adapted by Hank Strock through the years," and then entrusted to Granger Richard Jergenson,

who continually experiments and tweaks the recipe in a quest to approach perfection. "It is very famous," Waters said. "It's hand-made from scratch. We also have a sourdough recipe that is fully fermented soured wheat in the old-fashioned Gold Rush style." The sourdough is the responsibility of Liam Uicearbhaill, the Grange's resident sourdough aficionado. "The starter has been passed down from another member," Waters said. "We also have a gluten-free choice, which some people order just because they like the taste."

Of course, they have eggs, almost any way you like them. "Everything is as local as we can make it," Waters said, "natural and organic as possible." They would like to buy from the local Willits farms but obtaining 20 dozen fresh organic eggs is not possible at this time, so they get the eggs and dairy from Clover Farms, which is set up to supply the amount required. Waters hopes this will change in the future with the recent trend of young people interested in agriculture.

Jergenson – known as "RJ" – makes at least 300 pancakes each time. He made 900 two weeks ago for the Sober Grad

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Breakfast at the Grange. Jergenson shared his secret ingredient with the Weekly: beer, at least in the buttermilk cakes. Don't worry, the alcohol burns off. What remains enhances the flavor and texture of the fluffy, tasty pancakes.

"We tried to put beer in the sourdough and had miserable attempt after miserable attempt," Jergenson said. "The beer helps all the chemistry. The buttermilk and the beer work together."

"Beer is good for us," Waters added. "It's another fermented food."

And then there's the bacon, about 24 pounds of it, which they are trying to source locally. "We're still trying to find a local supplier that can accommodate our needs," Waters said, "that has pigs that lead a really good life ... except for one bad day." In addition to the pancakes, eggs and bacon, sides of seasonal fruit and pure organic Amish maple syrup are available on request.

The efficient and dedicated crew has been together for several years. "We try to specialize. We just have one person for each job. The kitchen is really together," Waters said. The crew needs that efficiency at the height of the rush, around 9:30 to 10:30 am. The pancakes, eggs and bacon fly out of the kitchen with speed and precision. Jergenson can cook 36 pancakes at a time on the grill.

"My job description is 'pass-through,'" says volunteer Nancy Finn. She takes the orders and passes them through to the cooks. Susan Taylor-Proctor is on "kitchen flow." She facilitates production in the kitchen, and she also makes the gluten-free batter. Mike Burgess, an expert egg flipper, is on the specialty eggs: over easy, over hard, sunnyside up.

Uicearbhaill pre-makes the bacon and is known as "the Barker." He assembles the plates. "I take the orders. I tell Mike if we need over medium, etc. I tell RJ if we need Mickey Mouse pancakes. I bark the orders." Darlene Bixler, daughter of the revered Hank Strock of the buttermilk pancake recipe fame, is in charge of the light and fluffy scrambled eggs and has been with the breakfast since she was a young girl.

The crew works the night before preparing what they can and shows up at 5:30 to dive into production. They love what they do, and it shows in the food that they produce. But it is more than the food. It is an event. "We have these large round tables," Jergenson says. "You're going to sit down at a table and be sitting with someone who, chances are, you've never met before. You might strike up an interesting conversation or make a new friend."

The Grange Pancake Breakfast happens every fourth Sunday of the month at the Willits Grange. The price is \$8 for adult, \$7 for senior and \$5 for children.

So, how do you keep the syrup off the eggs? There are several schools of thought on the subject. Most eat the eggs first while they are hot, after making sure to butter the pancakes while they, too, are warm. Some dip the pancakes in the syrup. Another creative solution is to cut the pancakes in half to form a reservoir for the syrup and a dam to keep the foods separate. One attendee said they always tilt the plate. The last person we asked just said, "Where I come from we put molasses on our eggs." No problem.



At left: Garden Club members and guests, from left, Ann Maxwell, Shannon Furr, Scott Bryant, Kitty McDill, Charlotte Smith, Brenda Zanders, Gary Bodensteiner and Myrna Bryant.

Below: Charlotte Smith provided samples of dried and infused yerba santa for attendees to take home.

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At bottom: Photo of yerba santa taken recently along a driveway in the hills northwest of Willits.

Photo by Anita Sison

Yerba Santa

Medicinal herb highly valued by California tribes is plentiful around Willits

There's a sacred herb of many medicinal uses growing wildly in Mendocino County. No, not that sacred herb. Its name is yerba santa.

Holistic health practitioner Charlotte

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herb" at the February meeting of the Willits Garden Club.

Smith said she first met yerba santa while visiting local herbalist and teacher Donna d'Terra, at her Motherland property northeast of Willits. Motherland has habitat perfectly suited for growing the herb, with a "special type of soil – high and dry," according to d'Terra.

Despite its somewhat picky nature, we apparently have a lot of its habitat in the county, and yerba santa "is plentiful," said Smith.

According to a USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Plant Guide, long before the arrival of the first European colonizers, yerba santa "was highly valued by many California tribes," who introduced it "to the Spanish Padres at Mission San Antonio de Padua. It became one of three major medicinal herbs used at the mission, and the Spanish ... were so impressed with the plant that they gave it the name Yerba Santa – holy plant."

Its uses are many, but it's best known for its respiratory effects. According to Smith, Native Americans used it as an "infusion or syrup for congestion, coughs, mucus, and sore throats. Its main job is as an expectorant that stimulates the lungs and respiratory tract to expel mucus," she said.

Some of yerba santa's other uses include "chewing on the herb to coat the lungs and promote salivation to help with thirst, dryness, and digestion – it's been called 'hiker's helper,'" she said.

It's also astringent – it "contracts and cleans" and can be used externally as a poultice for wounds, bruises, sprains, and insect bites by either making a mash with water, or "you can just chew it like a tobacco plug," said Smith.

She recounted some first-hand experience of her husband, a firefighter with a new worker suffering with blisters on her feet that were so bad she couldn't wear her boots. A yerba santa poultice was made with water and, "over the course of 24 hours, the skin closed up, the wound was closed."

The USDA Plant Guide contained some other noteworthy Native

American historical uses of the herb, including making the "leaves and flowers ... into a 'bitter or sweetish-soapy' tasting tea that was drunk to relieve headaches and other symptoms of tuberculosis.... The Kawaiisu drank yerba santa tea instead of water for a month to treat gonorrhea.... The Salinan used an infusion of the leaves as a balm for the eyes.... Heated leaves were placed on the forehead to relieve headaches ... the sticky leaves conveniently stay in place upon the skin.... The branches and leaves were burned in steam baths to treat rheumatism. The Ohlone wove the leaves into skirts and aprons."

Depending on who you ask, the best time to harvest yerba santa is fall (Smith), summer (d'Terra – because it's a resinous plant and there's more resin on a hot summer day), or right before it flowers (herbalist Michael Moore, cited by d'Terra.)

The USDA says the "plants can be harvested at any stage, but are best in the fall when the leaves are sticky and aromatic.... The Kashaya Pomo recommend gathering the leaves just before the plant begins to produce flowers."

So, probably gathering it anytime, except now, in winter, will work to access some of yerba santa's medicinal properties.

Smith said it has a shelf life of "about a year," and she keeps some in her freezer so she never runs out – because, it is "my herb to keep me healthy," she said.

"It's like the bone of us – really strong. When I feel weak blood, I use it. It's a blood cleanser, a pick-me-up. It treats you quickly. You come alive with it. It works fast," she said.

She explained that yerba santa also enhances other herbs or whatever you use it with, cautioning that "if you are taking meds, you should use yerba santa way before taking them.... It's a good companion in the garden. If you can get it to grow in other places, it's good for your other herbs."

As marvelous as it is, yerba santa can also be a bit pesky. It likes "disturbed places ... comes after the bulldozers," said d'Terra, who spent years coaxing it out of a garden site she established in its habitat.

The Garden Club frequently has interesting knowledgeable guest speakers at its meetings – and everyone is welcome to come learn. Keep an eye out in the Willits Weekly events calendar.

It's a fun group. Call Fran Gardner, 459-8733 or Kitty McDill, 489-6203 for more information.



Cute Tessie

Tessie is looking cute with her new haircut thanks to Paws Down Perfect Grooming! Tessie is a 1.5-year-old miniature poodle looking for her forever home. She will need an owner who will spoil her and give her all the attention she will ever need. She can live with other dogs if properly introduced and will need a home without children under the age of 6.

Tessie is currently in a foster home so if you are interested in this cutie, please call us to make an appointment to see her during our open hours. Our phone number is 707-485-0123.

For more information on the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County's adoptable animals, call the HSIMC at 707-485-0123, check www.mendocinohumanesociety.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. To volunteer or help take the dogs for a walk, please join HSIMC on Sundays at 11 am for an orientation.

Happy Thumper

Thumper is a puppy, and that means he's happy, happy and more happy! He is a 6-month-old neutered male mixed-breed dog who loves toys, play time, and just about everyone he meets. At 6 months old he is already 42 pounds, so we expect him to be a big, strong, energetic dog. Thus, it's especially important that Thumper's forever guardians have the time and energy to devote to training. Thumper is at a good age to start going to doggie school to learn manners, tricks, and how to be a great dog! (Ask us for information about available canine classes in the Ukiah area.)

The Ukiah Animal Shelter is located at 298 Plant Road in Ukiah. Adoption hours are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 4:30 pm, and Wednesday from 10 am to 6:30 pm. To view photos and bios of some of the other wonderful adoptable animals here, please visit online at: www.mendocinanimalshelter.com. More info about adoptions: 707-467-6453.

Help get every dog at the Ukiah shelter out for some exercise at the "Empty the Shelter" pack walk every second Saturday of the month, coming up March 10.



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"Today's sunrise," taken at 6:52 am Tuesday morning, February 20, at Lucky Monkeys Ranch off Highway 20.

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Rain Totals in Willits

2017/18 rain year

Precipitation in the Willits area as of February 27

National Weather Service, Willits Howard Ranger Station	19.72"	Willits Weekly
Mendocino College North County Center	17.04"	welcomes reports
High Horse Willits (Mariposa Creek Road, 2,300 ft)	18.01"	of rain and other
Pine Mountain, Willits	17.01"	weather information at
Highway 20, Willits	21.09"	willitsweekly@gmail.com.
Lucky Monkeys Ranch, 2 miles west of Willits	22.01"	

The snowpack in Northern California is up for a real boost this weekend, with a Winter Storm Warning issued by the National Weather Service in effect from Wednesday at 4 pm through Saturday at 10 pm, predicting several feet of snow in the mountains along with strong winds. "Total snow accumulations of 3 to 5 feet in the High Sierra above 7,000 feet, with localized amounts in excess of 7 feet above 3,500 feet."

The NWS has also issued a Winter Storm Warning for northeastern and northwestern interior Mendocino County above 1,500 feet, from 4 am Thursday morning through Saturday morning at 10 am. "Heavy snow expected. Travel will be very difficult to impossible. Total snow accumulations of 8 to 18 inches are expected. Localized amounts of 2 to 4 feet will occur along windward facing slopes over higher elevation locations."



Above: Sophie Chavez, left, a future Willits Otter?, stands with two Otter swimmers, Evie Kale and Mia Chavez.

Below: President of the Willits Otters Swim Team Lucy Kale, with her daughter Evie, who loves the back stroke.

At bottom, left: Kelley Labus at the Otters sign-up event.

At bottom: The Willits Otters Swim Team sign-up table at J.D. Redhouse.

Photos by Donna Linville



Swim Team

Swimmers, age 5 to 18, can join Willits Otters at March 5 sign-ups

By Donna Linville, Willits Weekly intern

Would you like to be a part of the Willits Otters Swim Team? There's still time!

The Otters have been swimming in Willits since 1975. They are a non-profit organization dedicated to helping children learn important life and social skills.

From March 5 through the end of July, your little swimmers could be receiving six hours of training by a certified trained coach who will help them reach their targets and achieve new goals. Swimmers will have the opportunity to compete at the regional level with USA Swimming, a nationally recognized organization. Swimmers will also get to travel to regional meets at least one time per month and host the Willits Swim Meet in June.

Aside from developing a talent that they will keep for a lifetime, these children will be learning vital lifesaving and preventative skills. Evie Kale, age 9, is a five-year veteran of the Otters. She says that aside from learning to swim and competing, swimming with the Otters has also been a great way to make new friends. Evie has won several medals as well as friends in her five years with the team. She enjoys both the competition aspect as well as swimming for fun. The backstroke is Evie's favored stroke and even though it can be a lot of work, the focus with the Otters is always on having fun.



Evie and her teammate Mia Chavez agree that sometimes the best thing about being on the team is just "getting into the nice cool water on a really hot day."

Lucy Kale, president of the Otters and mother of Evie, says the experience has been a valuable tool for teaching her daughter responsibility, endurance and confidence. She also says it is one of the best values when comparing the cost of the program to the amount of time spent in the water. "But for me," she says, "it's a great addition."

What does it take to become an Otter? You must be no younger than 5 years of age and no older than 18. You must be able to swim the length of the pool, and you must possess a membership. The cost to become a member is \$75, which includes insurance, and \$300 in yearly dues that can be split into two payments. The sport takes little gear, requiring only a swimsuit, goggles, and cap for the season.

In addition to being trained by veteran coach Lou Meier, the Otters are excited to welcome their new coach Robert Chavez. Robert Chavez, the former principal of Willits High School, is also an experienced coach, and is very excited about this new opportunity.

You can still join! There is another sign up for new and returning swimmers on Monday, March 5 at the Willits City Pool, 299 North Main Street, beginning at 4:30 pm. Still testing the waters? Just stop by and speak with one of the many kind and caring individuals. They will have you diving into fun in no time!

For more information, call Kelley Labus at 707-489-5709.

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air district, including former Air Pollution Control Officer Robert Scaglione.

According to the settlement, the Air Quality Management District will pay Friends of Outlet Creek \$260,000, while the Mercer-Fraser Company will pay the air district \$60,000.

All the parties agree that the two authorities to construct, issued by the air district to Grist Creek Aggregates—in June 2015 (a permit to make asphalt at the site), and in October 2015 (a permit to run a crumb rubber heating and blending unit at the site) — are null and void. All parties agree that in the event either Grist Creek Aggregates or any succeeding company seeks to apply for a permit to make asphalt on that property again, that company must submit an application for a development review.

The settlement also stipulates that in the event Grist Creek submits another application for a development review for industrial activity at the site, "Grist Creek agrees to indemnify Mendocino County for all litigation costs, expenses, attorney fee awards, damages or other compensation that might be incurred in, or awarded to, any party in litigation challenging any approval of any authorizations the county issues, as may be required by the county code and which are generally applicable."

In addition, the settlement clarifies that both board of supervisors Resolution 15-054 from March 17, 2015, and its successor, Resolution 15-087, from June 16, 2015, shall be rescinded within 60 days of the effective date of the settlement.

Resolution 15-054 states that since the proposed use at the Longvale industrial site was making asphalt, and since the making of asphalt was a permitted use under another use permit issued to another company 13 years previously, that no environmental review of the proposed use was necessary.

Resolution 15-087 rescinded Resolution 15-054 while declaring the rescission of Resolution 15-054 "in no way impairs the land use entitlements of the site as they existed prior to March 17, 2015."

According to the settlement, "the parties agree these resolutions are of no legal or precedential effect on the right of Grist Creek or any other party to operate an asphalt or concrete plant at the property."

The settlement was the result of a lengthy negotiation between attorneys for the parties. It was signed by attorneys for the Mendocino County Air Quality Management District on February 5, by attorneys for Friends of Outlet Creek on February 6 and February 8, by attorneys for Grist Creek Aggregates on February 13, and by Dan Hamburg, chairman of the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors, on February 23.

Speaking to Willits Weekly in the wake of the agreement, Friends of Outlet Creek spokesperson Lynn Talkovsky, a resident of the Cherry Creek subdivision and a neighbor of the Longvale industrial site, said she and the other members of Friends of Outlet Creek are happy with the outcome.

"We're happy to be out of litigation," Talkovsky said. "We're happy to be out of litigation with the county. We are pleased that, effectively, the clock has been turned back to the way things were before those board of supervisors' resolutions in 2015. The settlement takes us back to the beginning, before there was an application to put in a plant."

"The point of all this is that, when these kinds of projects that can have a serious impact on the public health and safety come up, they need to be looked at closely and not just fast-tracked. That should be the job of our elected officials and our public agencies," Talkovsky said.

Talkovsky added the sixth lawsuit against the asphalt plant at the Longvale site was not affected by the settlement. That lawsuit was filed by Friends of Outlet Creek under the federal Clean Water Act against Grist Creek Aggregates.

That lawsuit, Talkovsky said, focuses on water issues. "It has to do with issues such as highway runoff at the site, with sediment incursion into Outlet Creek, with flooding, and with other things."

"That lawsuit is still chugging along," Talkovsky said.

The decision to fast-track the asphalt plant at the Longvale industrial site came at the instigation of former Third District Supervisor Tom Woodhouse, elected in November 2014. The resolution which, in effect, approved the project without environmental review came in March, only two months after he took office. Woodhouse resigned his supervisory seat in January 2017 due to health issues.

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words of Teddy Roosevelt: "The only man who never makes a mistake is the man who never does anything." Locatelli says he hopes to bring a fresh outlook to Mendocino County Probation, and to uphold his duties with the upmost caution and care.

Presiding Judge Moorman commented: "The court was unanimous in selecting Izen as the county's next chief probation officer, and we are thrilled he accepted. He knows the department from the ground up. He is trusted by the rank and file as well as by management and government leaders across the county. He understands the importance the Probation Department plays in our community, and he will bring fresh energy and vision to the department. He is a man of integrity, who believes in hard work and fairness. He will be a quality leader for many years to come."

Human Resources director Heidi Dunham remarked: "It is always exciting to see a dedicated, long-term county employee move up through the ranks. I am proud of Mr. Locatelli, and I am sure he will continue to be an asset to the Probation Department and to the county."

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grower is pays only a minimum tax.

Schaphire's office found it difficult to calculate 2017's minimum tax, in part because the cannabis year effectively began May 4 when the cannabis cultivation ordinance became effective. The year was made worse by the Redwood fire, which damaged cannabis crops, and not only in the fire evacuation zone.

Other than cancelling required payment of the minimum tax for cannabis cultivated in calendar year 2017, probably the most important cannabis-related decision made by supervisors on February 27 was to dismiss the notion that payment of a minimum tax on cannabis be tied to one or more growing cycles. This is proving to be difficult because some cannabis farmers plant at two- to four-week intervals, so cannabis farming becomes, in effect, perpetual.

Instead, on the advice of Second District Supervisor John McCowen and with the consent of the other board members, the ordinance will be interpreted so the minimum tax will be applied to the number of square feet cultivated. In turn, the number of square feet cultivated will be determined by the type of permit the grower has been issued. If, for example, she or he has a Type II permit, it will be assumed by the Treasurer-Tax Collector that person is growing 10,000 square feet, even if the actual amount of cultivated space is less.

This question brought a moment of dissension in the board room, as Schaphire repeatedly tried to explain to McCowen that she had received a County Counsel's Office opinion that differed from McCowen's interpretation.

According to Schaphire, one of the county's legal staff told her cannabis cultivators who had not had a good growing year, and therefore must pay the minimum tax, but who did not grow cannabis in growing cycles, were to base the minimum tax on the area actually cultivated.

McCowen argued that Schaphire could base her "minimum due" tax statement on the permit type, and confidently and legally assume that permit type was equivalent to the maximum area in square footage that would be allowed. To back up his statement, McCowen read from the cultivation ordinance, telling Schaphire, supervisors, and members of the County Counsel's Office the relevant language could be found on page 7 of the cultivation ordinance,

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were interviewed by directors during Tuesday's regular board meeting.

Cavallari has been a Brooktrails resident for 29 years. Over the last 20 years she has worked for the Brooktrails Community Services District, the City of Willits and, more recently, the City of Cloverdale, where she served as finance manager before retiring in September 2017.

Smith, director of technology at the Mendocino County Office of Education, has been a Brooktrails resident for four years. Before taking a post with MCOE in August 2015, Smith was technology supervisor for the Ukiah Unified School District starting in 2009.

Smith says he "has been in government service for much of my adult life," including stints in the U.S. Air Force and as a police officer in Springfield, Arkansas.

Twenty-year Brooktrails resident Tina Tyler-O'Shea has worked for the Mendocino County Public Health, Prevention and Planning Unit for the last 16 years, and in the field of education and human services for more than 19 years, serving "children, families and community partners through government, educational and nonprofit organizations, including a year as staff representative for the Mendocino County Health and Human Services Advisory Board."

In addition to selecting a replacement for Ramming, Saturday's board meeting will review proposed goals and objectives for the Brooktrails Fire Department, and the township's utility, recreation and administration and planning departments for fiscal year 2018-2019.



New Mendocino County Chief Probation Officer Izen Locatelli, left, with Supervisor Dan Hamburg, chair of the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors.

under the definition of square footage.

"Square footage means the maximum amount of canopy space for commercial cannabis cultivation authorized by a county permit issued to a person engaged in a commercial cannabis business," McCowen read.

Deputy County Counsel Matt Kiedrowski told McCowen he could see the linkage between the definition and the intent to levy a minimum tax based on square footage implied in the permit type, and could amend the cannabis business tax language to make it state that.

In a somewhat heated speech, McCowen then blasted the cannabis community, for whom, he charged, all the many concessions made by the board in recent months were "never enough."

"The alternative initially presented by HDL, the consultant hired by the county, was to impose a tax on square footage," McCowen reminded the board. "That would have been a minimum tax per square footage of the permit, whether they grew and sold an ounce of marijuana or not. This revised tax on gross receipts – to only tax them on what they actually sold and received payment for – was a considerable discount to what marijuana cultivators pay in almost every other jurisdiction in the state."

"We already have a rock-bottom tax structure," he said. "We also put it in at 2.5 percent. It could be increased, but only after public hearings, consideration of what's going on at the time. Other jurisdictions [are] starting at 10 [percent]. This is a classic case of, it's never enough. Whatever we do to make concessions to this industry, it's never enough. And I personally – the board may outvote me – am not prepared to back away from the tax structure we have, other than to clarify the growing cycles, which is another consideration being given that is actually a significant give-back."

The items discussed were steps in revising the cannabis business tax ordinance. As such, Deputy County Counsel Kiedrowski will incorporate the clarifications as outlined by supervisors and return to the board of supervisors with a clean copy of the revised ordinance in the near future. Then the first and second readings of the ordinance will be waived, the ordinance will likely be adopted, and will become law 30 days later.

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assigned to the case.

Mendocino County District Attorney David Eyster appeared for the people.

In the meantime, sheriff's deputies and members of the Mendocino County Sheriff's Search & Rescue Team have been scouring the rugged hills around Covelo for the missing 23-year-old woman since February 20.

"Search-and-rescue operations were still ongoing as of [Tuesday]," according to sheriff's Capt. Gregory Van Patten. However, "subsequent planned searches will have to be delayed for a few days because of the incoming weather system expected to impact Round Valley."

The Covelo area will be under a winter storm watch Thursday through Saturday morning, with heavy rain and snow in the forecast.

A \$50,000 reward has been offered by the family for information leading to the recovery of the missing woman, abducted from outside her home in the 23000 Block of Airport Road around midnight following a physical altercation with Fallis, who was armed with a derring-style pistol. She was last seen getting into a black Mercedes

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Tuesday, had never been revised.

Mendocino County Department of Planning and Building Services staff, led by Planning Official Mike Oliphant, had proposed several major revisions to the Class K ordinance.

Included in Oliphant's list of revisions were requirements that each new Class K home must have a sprinkler system and would have to comply with California wildlands urban interface building material standards. Class K buildings could be no larger than 2,000 square feet; and each new Class K building permit would come with a deed restriction stating the house could not be sold for three years.

After extensive public comment from a packed house opposing changes in the Class K ordinance and after discussion among supervisors, the board agreed to dispense with the new sprinkler system requirements and the three-year deed restriction.

Regarding the deed restriction issue, the board decided to revert to the language contained in the original version of the Class K ordinance – that a newly permitted Class K house could not be sold for one year.

The board agreed with Oliphant's other recommendations, including a requirement that all Class K houses must be on parcels that are at least 1 acre in size; that each new Class K house must undergo three site inspections by Planning and Building Services; and that people who have built a Class K house in the past and did not secure a building permit, but now wish to do so, will be held not to the new Class K standards but to the Class K ordinance as it existed at the time the house was built.

Oliphant had previously proposed that each new Class K house be required to have a perimeter foundation. However, after meeting several times with the board's Public Health, Safety and Resources Standing Committee – and after conducting some investigation on his own – Oliphant abandoned that recommendation. When he came to the February 27 meeting, Oliphant's list of recommendations included a provision that foundation types other than a perimeter foundation would be allowed in Class K housing.

Although she voted for the revisions of the Class K ordinance, Third District Supervisor Georgeanne Croskey said she encouraged Class K builders to install sprinkler systems in their homes.

"I'm fine with no sprinklers, but I want to put out my own personal recommendation that people consider putting sprinklers in their houses."

"I mean, look at the statistics: it used to be, 40 years ago, that the flashover point in your house before everything combusts and you can't get out was 17 minutes. It's now 3."

"So, you leave your children at home, and a fire happens in a room: they can't get out," she said. "I think it's worth looking at putting that \$6,000 into your house. My house doesn't have sprinklers, but my next house will," Croskey said.

Supervisors also debated whether the owners of previously built, unpermitted Class K houses, seeking to obtain a permit under the county's amnesty program, would need to conform to state wildlands urban interface standards.

They decided it depended on when the house was built. If the owner could demonstrate the house was built before WUI standards became law, then the owner would not have to comply with WUI. However, if the house was built after WUI became law, then the owner would have to comply with the stricter standards.

Staff did not know when the codes regarding wildland urban interface building standards became California law. Deputy County Counsel Matthew Kiedrowski told supervisors he would find that date and include it in the ordinance revision.

First District Supervisor Carre Brown asked whether all the deletions and revisions made by supervisors during the Tuesday meeting would require Kiedrowski to come back with a clean copy of the ordinance for a first reading. She was assisted by County Counsel Katharine Elliott and by Kiedrowski that extra step would not be required.

Therefore, a vote was taken on the ordinance, on the understanding that it would contain Oliphant's recommendations, with the revisions provided by the board of supervisors.

This first reading of the ordinance was approved unanimously.

MARCH 2018

MONDAY

POINTS DAYS 3X POINTS

All Players Club members will earn 3X Points from 10A to 10P on the days of the promotion!

TUESDAYS

50/50 HOT SEATS



6pm-10pm
(ending before 10pm)
(8 hot seats)

Hot seat drawings 2x per hour for \$25 free play and \$25 cash

WEDNESDAYS

Roosters and OWLS

8AM-12PM 6PM-10PM
EARN 50 POINTS ON PLAYER'S CLUB CARD AND RECEIVE \$10 IN FREE PLAY (ONCE PER SESSION)

HOT SEAT DRAWINGS 9AM-1PM
(2X PER HOUR ENDING BEFORE 1PM)
\$50 CASH

7PM-11PM
(2X PER HOUR ENDING BEFORE 11PM)
\$75 CASH

Scratch Card Sunday! 10am-10pm!

Earn 60 points on Player's Club Card and receive one (1) scratch card ranging from \$10 free play up to \$100 in free play or cash. (Each Player's Club Member may redeem up to 3 cards for 60 points per scratch card) per Scratch Card Sunday's Promotion.

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

 **Sherwood Valley Rancheria Smokeshop**

100 Kawi Place • Willits
Hours: Monday-Friday 10am to 6pm
Saturday 11am to 5pm • Closed on Sundays

SUPER SENIOR DAY BINGO

TUESDAYS FRIDAYS
Buy in starting at 10am for 40 points (each) to receive up to three (3) bingo card(s) and 50% meal discount to the Creek Side Café on Senior Day Special)

11am \$75 CASH
12pm \$100 CASH
1pm \$125 CASH
2pm \$200 CASH!
2pm \$50 Second Chance

BINGO! THURSDAY

12PM \$100 CASH
1PM \$125 CASH
2PM \$150 CASH
3PM \$175 CASH (2ND CHANCE \$50 CASH)
7PM \$125 CASH
8PM \$150 CASH
9PM \$175 CASH
10PM \$300 CASH (2ND CHANCE \$100 CASH)

Players Club members must have earned minimally 30 points to receive a bingo card for the 12P, 1P, 2P & 3P bingo games.
Bingo at 12P for \$100 Cash, 1P for \$125 Cash and 2P \$150 Cash, 3P for \$175 Cash for each game winner. (up to 3 Cards per guest per game)

Players Club members must have earned minimally 50 points (throughout the day) to receive a bingo card for the 7P, 8P, 9P & 10P bingo games.
Bingo at 7pm for \$125 Cash and 8P for \$150 in Cash the 9P game \$175 Cash and and \$300 in cash for the 10P game. (Second Chance \$100 Cash)

Bingo Cards can start being issued at 11A for the 12P game, and 6P for the 7P game. The 1P, 2P, 3P, 8P, 9P & 10P cards will be issued 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 3P and 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 3P game and \$100 cash for the 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 10:30 & 11P drawing), an entry will be drawn from the Raffle Barrel. The winning customer will have approx. one minute 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'S MATCH PLAY MADNESS!

9AM-3PM
BUY IN AT THE CAGE \$25 AND GET \$50 FREE PLAY ON PLAYER'S CLUB CARD

6PM-11PM
BUY IN AT THE CAGE \$50 AND GET \$100 FREE PLAY ON PLAYER'S CLUB CARD
100 POINT BUY IN AT 9PM
(UP TO 1 CARD PER GUEST, PER SESSION)

Happy St. Patrick's Day
SATURDAY • MARCH 17TH

All Player's Club Member(s) (via Player's Club Booth) that wear the color Green will receive \$5.00 in free play (once per Club Member)

YOU MUST BE WEARING A GREEN VISIBLE ARTICLE OF CLOTHING



Lucky Spring Giveaway!

Mondays – Thursdays earn entry tickets 8am-8pm
Every 100 points = 1 ticket entry

On March 31st at 4pm One lucky winner will get a Package Deal of:

(1) 48" DECK RIDEMOWER	(1) TELESCOPIC POLE SAW
(1) 20" FIREWOOD CHAINSAW	(1) BLOWER
(1) PRO TRIMMER	(1) 16" CU DUMP CART
(1) TILLER	

There will be 4 ticket drawings for \$500 in cash, randomly once an hour between the hours of 5pm and 9pm

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

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