

Supes adopt medical cannabis cultivation regulations

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The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors on Tuesdav adopted the county's new medical cultivation cannabis regulations, capping nearly a year's worth of work on the issue. The new changes take effect on May 4.

The county's intent, according the to introduction the to ordinance, is to "regulate the cultivation of cannabis intended exclusively for medical use ... within the unincorporated areas of Mendocino County in a manner that is consistent with state law and which promotes the health, safety,

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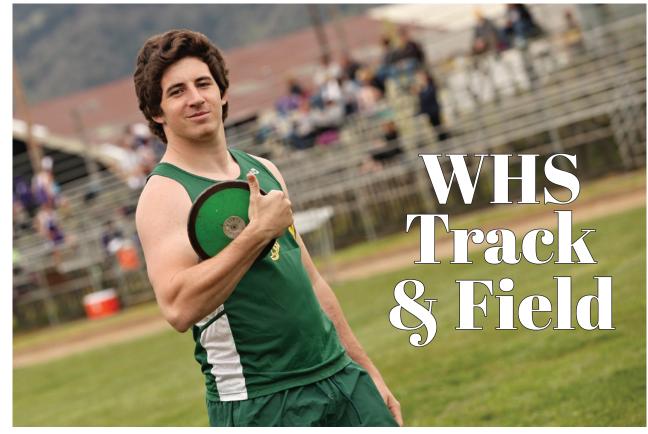
Hometown Celebration set for June 30

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Planning is underway for this year's 11th annual Hometown Celebration in downtown Willits, scheduled for Friday, June 30. The helm of the festival ship had been carefully guided by the late Lynn Kennelly of the Willits Chamber of Commerce, but her passing last fall has led Willits Frontier Days to take the reins of the project, at least for this year. "The chamber has always collaborated on the Celebration Hometown with Willits Frontier Days," said Lisa Epstein, president of the Willits Chamber of Commerce. "This year, Willits Frontier Days is taking the lead, and the chamber board is grateful for that."



Above, from left: Willits High School junior Gracie Horger throws the shot put ball. Senior Maria Sanchez smiles for the camera before starting her race. Senior Bailey Ferguson launches her shot put ball almost across the view of the Willits W high on the hill above. Freshman Patrick Turner leads his race. Below: Senior Justin Hawkins carries the discus back to the ring, and gives a thumbs up after his throw during Wednesday's track meet at Willits High School.



Willits High School hosted multi-school track meet Wednesday

Bragg,

The looming storm clouds provided an excellent, cool environment for runners, jumpers and throwers who attended the eight-school track

meet at Willits High School

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Wednesday afternoon. Willits,

Cloverdale, St. Vincent, Laytonville, Point Arena, Leggett

relay events, the long jump into the sand pit, flying over raised bars in the high jump and pole vault events, and hurtling discs and metal balls in the discus and shot put events.

Track coach John Horton said the team performed well during the meet. Although he was still tallying totals late Wednesday evening, he expects many of the WHS competitors to easily qualify for the Coastal Mountain Conference this year.

What's going on in the north end of the valley?

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Mendocino County Resource Conservation District staff members told about 50 people last Thursday night about work being done on the "mitigation lands," some 2,000 acres of grassland and wetlands at the northern end of Little Lake Valley. The land was placed into a permanent conservation easement to help mitigate effects of the Willits bypass project.

The project's budget is \$669,000 annually.

Of the 1,958 acres set aside as mitigation

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State bill would boost county road budget

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The Road Repair and Accountability Act, a state transportation bill which is up for a vote in Sacramento this week, will - if passed - eventually increase state transportation funding to Mendocino County by \$2.6 million a year. That's the assessment of the bill that was given to the board of supervisors by Chemise Cubbison, deputy director of the county's Department of Transportation.

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Animal shelter moves forward

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Supervisors on Tuesday were updated about current activities at the county's Ukiah Animal

Shelter. Manager Rich Molinari reported that from January 1 to March 31 the shelter has adopted out 134 dogs and 38 cats. Additionally, 133 animals were transferred to rescue organizations and 123 animals were returned to their owners. The liverelease rate at the shelter is 86 percent.

The Bissell Company Read the rest of Shelter Over on Page 2 and the Developing Virtue Secondary School from the City of Ten Thousand Buddhas in Talmage all attended.

The high school's Maize Field transformed from a football field to a track and field arena during the annual home meet, and it was a bustle of activity as team members simultaneously competed in racing, hurdle and

"Even though our team might be small, they are all very focused and motivated to make it to CMCs this year," said

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Above: Lady Wolverine track team members pose together with Coach John Horton, including, from left: Willits High School senior Maria Sanchez, freshman Brieana Evans, senior Jessica Velasco, junior Sofia Rihko and junior Fatima Perez. Below, left: Senior Yutaka Tso takes his chance at the long jump. Below, right: Patrick Turner makes it over the bar in his high jump practice round.



deal А announced between Gov. Jerry and Brown California legislative leaders to pass the bill, Senate Bill 1, made headlines around the state last week. SB

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Reynolds convicted in Fisher death

A 32-year-old Willits man faces up to seven years in state prison after a superior court jury on Wednesday convicted him of killing a Laytonville man with a single blow outside of Boomer's Bar last August.

Jurors started deliberating Monday morning after the sevenday trial.

Mendocino County District Attorney David Eyster declined to comment on the case after Charles Wallace Reynolds was found guilty of felony battery causing serious bodily injury, with a special allegation that Reynolds

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New Brooktrails playground equipment to be installed May 6

Volunteers will gather Saturday, May 6, to install new estimated \$100,000 by the time it is completed, Brooktrails equipment for 2- to 5-year-old children at the Brooktrails Par Neighborhood Association VP Tara Sims wrote in the Course playground.

Dan McKee "Sparetime Supply is donating Reporter willitsweekly@gmail.com site preparation services for the project," Denise Rose, Brooktrails

Community Services District general manager, told Willits Weekly on Wednesday. Other volunteer groups, including the Brooktrails Volunteer Firefighters Association, the Willits Rotary Club, and the Brooktrails Neighborhood Association will install the equipment under supervision of representatives of Santa Rosa-based Ross Recreational Equipment.

Purchase of the new equipment was made possible, in part, by a \$5,000 Community Foundation grant, which was matched by a grant from the Willits Rotary Club and Rotary in the middle." International District 5130.

part project to renovate the Par Course playground, Rose while the Willits Rotary Club is accepting donations through said. The new equipment will provide 20 play activities for its charitable foundation. young children.

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funded a national animal adoption day on March 18. On that day, adoption fees were waived nationwide, and Bissell Company picked up the fees. In Mendocino County, the animal shelter adopted out 15 dogs, five cats and a rabbit that day.

clinic for cats, along with the help of the Mendocino Spay Neuter Assistance Program, Anderson Valley Rescue, and the animal shelter's Mobile Spay and Neuter Caravan. Mendocino SNAP assisted financially with spay-andneuter services for domesticated cats, and Anderson Valley Rescue assisted financially with the same services for feral cats.

A total of 117 cats were spayed or neutered, and also received a rabies vaccination. Of those 117 cats. 80 were females who were in estrus at the time of the event. "The event prevented hundreds of kittens from coming into the shelter or into the community in late April or early May," Molinari said.

On March 15 and 16, the animal shelter hosted three veterinarians from the UC Davis Veterinary School of Medicine, who were there to assess day-to-day shelter operations. The assessment was requested by former animal shelter manager Mary Jane Montana, who called for the action in the wake of some public disgruntlement at how the shelter was being run. Those complaints surfaced in the fall of 2015.

According to a report by CEO Carmel Angelo: "The veterinarians were very impressed with the operations of the shelter. The results of the assessment are currently being worked on by UC Davis staff. The shelter hopes to receive the results soon and plans to have a presentation of the assessment on May 16."

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personally inflicted great bodily injury on 29-year-old Kenneth Wayne Fisher, causing his death.

organization's March newsletter.

In the 1960s, "Brooktrails had perhaps a population of about 100 children vacationing several times a year," Rose said. "Now we have more than 1,000 children living in the community year-round. Updating the playground is more

important than ever." The most recent U.S. Census data confirms there are approximately 1,500 youth under 19 living in Brooktrails, including 875 children under age 10.

The Par Course playground has seen better days, Brooktrails resident Becky Button told Willits Weekly in an April 2016 article. "The merry-go-round wobbles more than it spins, the zipline is stationary, and the swings are warped

"The BPOA has been organizing fundraising efforts, The May 6 installation will complete phase one of a two- including a 'go fund me' crowd-funding drive," Rose said,

"We are still looking for more community funding and The project will feature one playground for kids aged 5 support. If you are interested in donating, you can make and under and another for kids ages 6 to 14, and will cost an checks out to Willits Rotary Foundation (put Brooktrails

Playground Project in the memo line) and drop checks off with Denise Rose at the District Office," Sims said.

At the township's March 28 board meeting, Rose told directors BNA plans to solicit sponsorships from the community to help fund phase 2 of the project, which will cost an estimated \$40,000. Ideas for sponsorship packages include permanent signage, engraved paver bricks and name badges on pieces of equipment.

Several residents have "expressed interest in making donations with their name or with the name of their business." Rose said.

Layout and equipment for phase two of the project were approved last year as part of a partnership with Willits Charter School, whose students helped develop ideas for the project.

Rose said the BNA has decided to move forward with fundraising for phase 2. But township directors referred the guestion to the Greenbelt and Conservation Committee for further study.

Sims added BNA will host an Easter egg hunt at 1 pm on April 14 at Ohl Grove. "After all the fun we had last year, we are planning to hide thousands of eggs this year," she said.

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for construction of the Willits bypass, 442 acres will be dedicated enhancement of wetlands: 60.5 acres will be given to the establishment of wetlands; 201 acres On March 21, the shelter conducted a spay-and-neuter to the preservation and enrichment of riparian zones; 230 acres to the preservation of oak woodlands; and

> 6.5 acres to the establishment of new oak woodlands. The remaining 1,078 acres will be

used for "conservation grazing," highly monitored and strategic grazing done for more than one purpose.

One purpose, of course, is that cows belonging to local landowners must eat. But the cows also are being used to enhance the mitigation lands' biotic community, to encourage proliferation of two endangered species of plant life in Little Lake Valley: Baker's Meadowfoam and

North Coast Semaphore Grass.

Chris Bartow, mitigation project manager, told the audience gathered at The Hub on March 30 that he is using science and sweat to Coast Semaphore Grass. accomplish the project's objectives. Bartow used science to determine the animal-carrying capacity of

those 1,078 acres, then determined the amount of grass that would be growing on the acreage, based on soil type, grass type and the amount of rainfall that fell in 2015-2016.

From that Bartow determined those 1,078 acres could sustain 628 "animal

species native to Little Lake Valley. letting nature take its course. "We are going to do that naturally, by letting Over the past 50 years, that grass species has been threatened by Mother Nature do that as she sees the establishment of other grasses, fit." Bartow said.

Another tactic used by RCD is the removal of certain accumulations of large woody debris. Sometimes what are called "large debris accumulations" are seen as positive; they can create pools where fish can live in the summer. But other times. LDAs can block fish migration and thereby inhibit spawning. When the negative impacts of LDAs greatly outweigh the benefits. bring herds of cattle into certain areas RCD staff, after consulting with state of the mitigation lands at certain times Department of Fish and Wildlife staff, of the year. He explained how last year he brought cattle into one plot of remove the debris piles.

land where the semaphore grass had Last year, according to Scriven, set out seeds and the Harding grass RCD staff removed four log jams on had not yet seeded. The cattle were Outlet Creek. They also hauled out 90 brought in to graze; they liked the tons of garbage that had settled in the Harding grass but wouldn't eat the valley's seven creeks. semaphore grass. Result: the Harding

RCD Executive Director Patricia grass was consumed before it set Hickey said Willits local Marisela seed, meaning no Harding grass on de Santa Anna has been hired to that plot of land in the future. Instead, coordinate bird surveys within the the valley will get another plot of North mitigation lands. Hickey noted bird populations are declining throughout Fisheries biologist Joe Scriven, the United States, but suggested working with the RCD on the mitigation that trend could be reversed on the project, is focusing his efforts on mitigation lands.

revitalizing and enhancing 7.81 miles In 2016, Hickey performed surveys of creek and stream passage, spread on 18 sites at various grassland across seven creeks in Little Lake areas, on nine sites in wetland areas, Valley: Baechtel Creek (0.05 miles), and on 24 sites in riparian areas. Berry Creek (1.94 miles), Davis Creek For the grassland sites, she found (1.73 miles), Mill Creek (1.69 miles), 39 species of birds, including 342 Outlet Creek (2.07 miles), Upp Creek individuals. In the wetland areas. she



Above, from left: Actors Tony Rakes, left, and Lindy Peters. Tony Rakes in his role of the captain of sailing brig, The Frolic. Actor Lindy Peters.

At right: Tony Rakes, Linda Pack and Nichole Phillips.

Museum Road Show

Acclaimed ensemble of local actors brings Mendocino County history to life

The 4th annual Museum Road Show begins its run in Willits on Friday, April 7, at the Willits High School stage. Doors open at 7 pm, with pre-show music, and the play starts at 7:30 pm. After Willits, the production travels to Point Arena, Ukiah, Philo and Fort Bragg.

The Road Show, produced by the Mendocino County Museum, is based on transcriptions of archived oral histories, contemporary newspaper accounts and other primary sources. The timeframe for this year's show is the last half of the 19th Mathew Caine century.

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The same core group of actors, Kate Magruder, Ricci Dedola, Nichole Phillips, Billy Hetherington, Tony Rakes and Lindy Peters, has been doing the Road Show together since the beginning, four years ago. They are a team of seasoned professionals who know each other's timing and rhythms - essential for this production, because due to limited rehearsal time, they need to hit the ground running. Artistic Director and designer Linda Pack also performs in the show.

A major section of the production, done as a play within a play in four acts, is about George E. White, the "Cattle King of Round Valley." White was into spiritualism and cults and had a "medicine woman," J.J. Whitney of San Francisco, who took financial advantage of him. Another segment is about The Frolic, the sailing brig that shipwrecked on the Mendocino Coast north of Point Cabrillo in 1850

There are several stories about the birth of the timber industry – it was due to an attempt to salvage The Frolic that stories of the towering redwood trees made it back to San Francisco – and the river runs.

One somber section is about the Indian "War" in 1859/60, when white settlers fomented a war against the Indians in order to drive them from Native lands in Round Valley. This is the first time the Road Show company has dramatized this part of Mendocino County history. It is from the point of view of the white settlers, as they are the ones who wrote the stories. Even so, there are horrified accounts of what happened. Company members said

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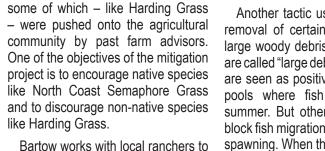


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Magruder. From far left: Tony Rakes drives the stagecoach. Kate Magruder. Linda Pack, left, and Billy Hetherington. Actor Ricci Dedola.

Below, left: Nichole Phillips. Below, center: Rvan Kroll. Erin Brazill and Joev Goforth of **Poonkinney Antique** provide the musical background for the Museum Road Show

Below, right: Billy Hetherington and Ton



Eyster said he might comment following Reynolds' May 10 sentencing hearing before Judge John Behncke.

Reynolds remains free on bail while the Mendocino County Probation Department conducts a background investigation, a social study and sentencing recommendations in the case.

Deputy District Attorney Luke Oakley prosecuted the case; Reynolds was defended by Ukiah attorney Justin Petersen.

This report was based on a press release from the Mendocino County District Attorney's Office.

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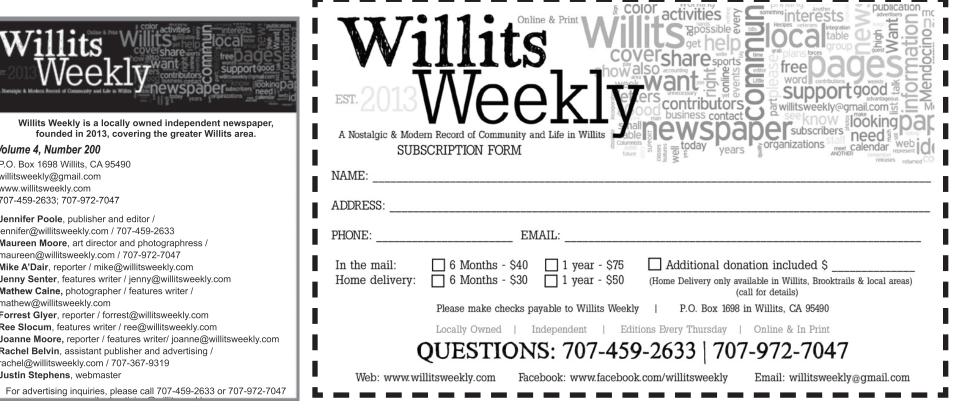


units" for the six months of the 2016 (0.19 miles), and Wild Oat Canyon dry season. By pre-arrangement with Creek (0.15 miles). local ranchers. Bartow knows 520

Possibly the most important single cows were grazed there in 2016. act undertaken thus far by the RCD is "That's well below the carrying to fence cattle out of the creeks, he capacity of that land," he said. He said. The RCD staff has determined pointed out the carrying capacity will that setting their fences 100 feet away change every year, depending on how from the watercourse on each side much rainfall we get. of the creek will greatly contribute to the enhancement of the 201 acres Bartow said part of his job is to of protected riparian zone that is a graze the cows strategically. To do component of the project. that, he, his staff and other local

contractors, have put up 23 miles Scriven said one of the goals of the of fencing, dug four wells, and set project is to "increase the sinuosity" out 43 water troughs. Some of the of several of the creeks. That means, fences are electrical fences that are to change them from what they are easily installed in order to "focus" the now, which is essentially man-made animals so they will graze when and ditches designed to move water out where they are wanted to graze, and of the valley as quickly as possible, more importantly, will graze on what and to turn them into more natural, they are wanted to eat. winding watercourses. For example, one of the grass When asked how RCD plans on species targeted for enhancement doing that, Bartow said it would be that. But as for general public access,

is North Coast Semaphore Grass, a done by keeping cattle out and by that is not going to happen.





found 43 species of birds, including 176 individuals. From the riparian sites, she found members of 45 species, including 463 individuals. In the future, de Santa Anna will track what is going on out there. Hickey noted covenants for the longterm management of the mitigation lands are currently being written. She said the land is owned by Caltrans, and that it was possible, but not certain, the Mendocino County RCD could end up owning the property in

perpetuity. She also said she was certain public access to mitigation lands would be very limited.

"We might try to set up some kind of program with the high school, where students can go out and learn about what we are doing out there - learn about wetlands environment, that sort of thing," she said. "We'd like to do



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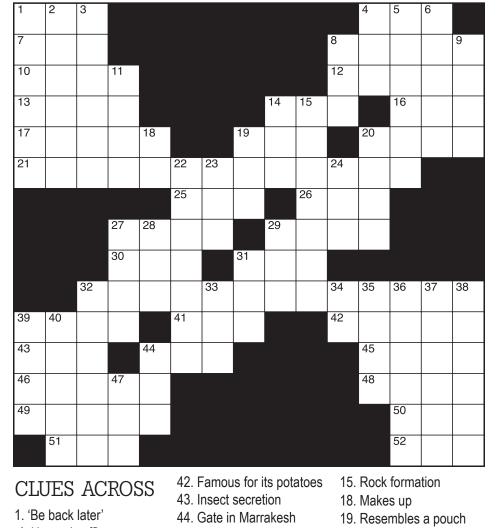
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Clockwise from top left: Hailey Walker's "Politics," on top, with words and images describing her views on life, with Jaden Doak's drawing of a very polluted Earth titled, "Earth." WHS art teacher Carolyn Bakewell with WHS music director Chris Olds. People enjoy browsing the art at Art Under 20. The Willits High School Jazz Band performs at Art Under 20. "Positive." created by Kyli Buccat in Carolyn Bakewell's art class at WHS.





Ree Slocum

This month's 'must-see' exhibit of student art at the WCA Friday's art opening at the Willits Center for the Arts featured the annual Art Under 20 exhibit, which will show for the month of April.

The event was started by Willits High School art teacher Kathleen Kirkpatrick in 2000. Because she saw the quality of talent in her students, Kirkpatrick wanted to honor their work and share it with the community. When the newly restored WCAs galleries were finished, and shows were being scheduled, Kirkpatrick

made sure Art Under 20 was on the schedule.

Features Writer ree@willitsweekly.com Carolyn Bakewell, the current WHS art teacher, did her student teaching experience with Kirkpatrick, and soon after they job-shared

until Kirkpatrick retired over 10 years ago and the art classes became Bakewell's responsibility. Early on, she began including the other Willits area high schools in the show: Sanhedrin, the Willits Charter School, and La Vida. For the past two years, students from Lavtonville High School have participated, too.

Every year Art Under 20 is different. There's always something new. Sometimes it depends upon what's going on in the school community, the community at large or the world. "This year, with the political stuff,"

Bakewell said, "you'll see a lot of political, environmental, and social commentary." As one of the assignments in her art class, she asked students to focus on one of the issues. Some of the art on the walls are examples of her students' reactions to that assignment.

Zachariah Dellette had a history class last year. "My teacher, instead of pulling Read the rest of Art up a picture of Hitler, he pulled up a picture of Kitler [a nickname for cats made Over on Page 11 amous by the internet due to facial markings that look like Adolph Hitler's



At top, left: Kathleen Kirkpatrick, former WHS art teacher, at left, and Carolyn Bakewell, current WHS art teacher. Above, left: The crowd at the Art Under 20 opening Friday evening. Above, right: Emily Harmon, her grandmother, Valerie Kendrick, and Troy Walters enjoy looking at the art together. Both high schoolers have art in the exhibit. Below: Kayley Rowan Middleton and her puppet Goliath kid around for their audience.









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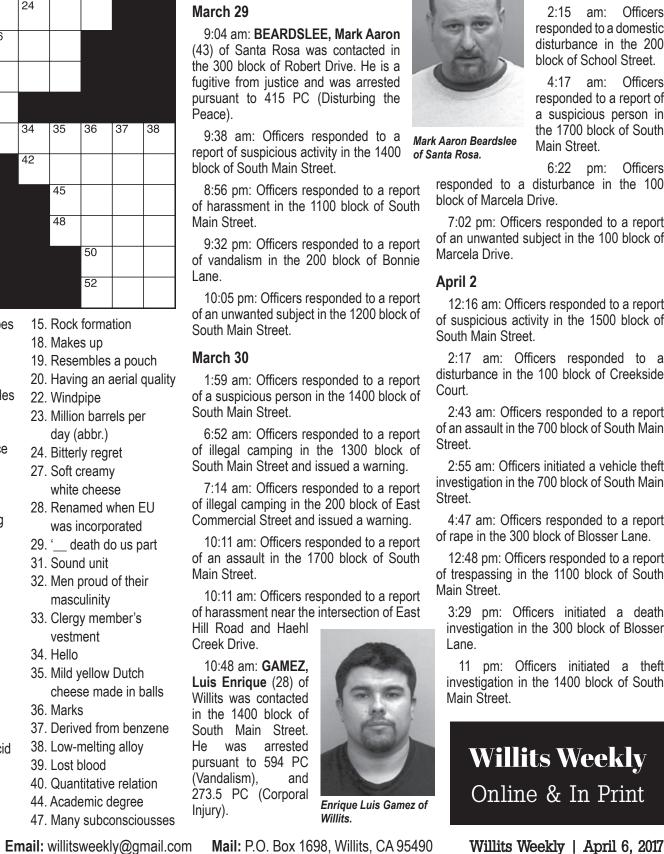
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KZYX FM Radio election results

Erica Harrold, who was running

uncontested for the 4th District seat,

dropped out after the ballots had been

mailed, but won 431 votes. Her seat will be

"I am very grateful to everyone who

participated in the election," said Meg

Courtney, president of the Mendocino

filled by a board appointment.

Mendocino County Public Broadcasting announced election results Monday for three open seats on the nine-person KZYX Radio Board of Directors.

Members of the Philo-based community radio station elect board members, selecting from candidates who run for the three-year terms.

Larry Minson of Willits, who ran County Public Broadcasting/KZYX Board uncontested and won 491 votes, will be the of Directors. "It is time for the board to roll new board member from the 3rd District. up its sleeves and get to work on robust Minson has been involved in media since fundraising, future planning, and updating contributing to "The Seed" magazine in Chicago in the 1960s and has worked on many productions at the Ukiah Players Theater. College."

Jenness Hartley of Calpella, an appointed incumbent, won an at-large seat. Hartley, a schoolteacher and the KZYX board secretary and meeting facilitator, clinched her spot with 453 votes, defeating candidates John Sakowicz (171 votes),



The rest of From Page 1 Track

Horton. "They have all been working very hard to qualify by scoring a high enough percentile against the other schools in Mendocino County. They're already off to a great start."

Horton noted a few students who stood out to him during the meet Wednesday, including senior runner Maria Sanchez, freshman runner and high jumper Patrick Turner, and long jumper Aiden Bertolino. Sophomore Roman Knight and senior Justin Hawkins both stood out in the discus event, Horton said, and Knight did well in shot put as well.

"Turner will certainly be one to watch," said Horton. "He's already qualified in three events to attend CMC."

A team of students from Sanhedrin High School helped out with stats at Wednesday's meet, Horton said, including Sarah Duncan, Cheyenne Faustina, Ashley Huffman, Damian Foxx and Mandy McCloud.

The track and field team is now getting ready for the next meet, which will be held at 3:30 pm in at Clear Lake High School on April 19. The public is welcome to attend and *until the end during their relay race.*



At top, left: Aiden Bertolino lands in the sand pit after his long iump

At top, right: Patrick Turner, right, gets ready to start his race against Cloverdale and Fort Bragg runners

Above: Coach John Horton orchestrates the meet. At right: Maria Sanchez grabs the baton from

teammate Fatima Perez during a relay race. Below: Cloverdale and Fort Bragg runners push it

Photos by Maureen Moore



Calling all Sweethearts!

bylaws and policies, meanwhile continuing Willits Frontier Days is searching for the efforts to collaborate with various academic and vocational programs at Mendocino next young lady wanting to be added to the

held to test candidates' riding ability, rodeo Courtney is retiring from her 4th knowledge, and poise and personality. District seat on the KZYX board; board Contestants compete in a riding pattern, vice president Jane Futcher, an at-large answer questions from judges, prepare member from Willits, is also retiring. a speech, model western wear, and help submitted by Mendocino County sell tickets to the upcoming Fourth of July events

Applications are available online at www. WillitsFrontierDays.com and can be filled roster of Sweethearts. The annual contest is out online and emailed or printed out and mailed to P.O. Box 800 in Willits.

The application deadline has been extended until right before the Sweetheart meeting scheduled for May 1. For additional information on the Sweetheart contest, contact Evelyn Persico at 459-5790.







New Willits Librarian Nicole Bird, at right, sits at the welcome table for Sunday's new book festival, with new library technician Karen Mattson, at left.

New Librarian Nicole Bird takes the reins at the Willits Branch Library

Willits library is great, right? It's a welcoming, comfortable place. There's a room for community meetings, a kids' space, access to any book in any library in Mendocino, Lake, or Sonoma counties, computers, Wi-Fi, activities, a seed library, a place to sit and quietly read, and much more.

Joanne Moore Features Writer

better. Nicole Bird comes to Willits with 17 years of experience working in public libraries and private and public universities. She's brimming with enthusiasm, ideas and energy and also

brings a solid academic background to her work. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts and her Master of Library Science degree from Southern Connecticut State University.

Asked if she had "visions for Willits," she gleefully responded, "Oh yeah, oh yeah." Frassinello, Her vision of new programs and transformations of the library's physical spaces, she explained, will grow from observing and forming relationships with people in her new Chef Kyle community. Her process involves "coming into a space and learning about the people . Evans: team members not asking questions to discern what people want, observing how people interact and what draws people in. Community members create the programs, which evolve to meet the Winiger and community's needs." Julie Goyke.

Bird believes that public libraries serve a lot of different purposes, not the least of which is to "expand your mind," and that the objectives of any new program or physical change, are "education, recreation and literacy." She envisions "comfortable reading areas for kids, teens and adults," local author talks, training on use of resources, programs that involve interactive and active participation "instead of just watching," and accommodating the reality that people have different ways of learning, which requires different ways of teaching.

Bird has made her home in Brooktrails, and her passion for her new job and community could be felt in the warm sunny air at last Sunday's New Book Festival. Brimming with good cheer and loads of information, Bird welcomed the arrival of the first patrons, with the Skunk Train whistling in the background. A woman walked in, picked up a book bag, and said, "Books!" and was off with a gleam in her eye. A few minutes later, a young boy entered and said, "Candy!" setting off with a similar gleam. A young girl followed and listened, eyes also gleaming, as Bird described the upcoming "Be Your Own Princess" event

For Bird, it's a process, and we're in it together. So keep your eyes and ears open, participate, and share your ideas as our library evolves and only gets better.



Bountiful Gardens holds open house on Saturday

Local heirloom seed company Bountiful Gardens is gearing up for spring with new, Saturday retail hours. "With our new locally crafted seed racks," sales manager Nick Rodionoff said, "it will be easier for people to come and find what they need. Many locals don't realize that we carry over 600 varieties of seeds, and ship them all over the world." Bountiful Gardens sells seeds for vegetables, herbs, grains, flowers, and even trees and berries - with some of the seeds produced from plants grown

here in Willits. Bountiful Gardens, located in the Evergreen Shopping Moreno. Center, 1712 D South Main Street, hosts an open house this Saturday, salesperson April 8, from 12 to 5 pm, to kick off the new Saturday hours and retail area at Bountiful Gardens, holds for local walk-in customers, which also offers a selection of high-quality some of the garden tools and supplies. There will be vegetable starts for sale - some items that will to be given away - and local gardeners will be on hand to answer garden be available at questions. Info: 459 6410. the open house

on Saturday, – Jamie Chevalier, Bountiful Gardens April 8.



Howard Memorial Hospital recognized for commitment to employee wellness

By Cici Winiger, for HMH

HMH's

Frank R. Howard Memorial Hospital was one of 10 companies and organizations nationwide to receive gold-level recognition in 2017 for its commitment to workplace wellness. The Wellness Council of America uses a rigorous set of criteria when evaluating organizations that compete to be recognized as among America's healthiest companies.

The Well Workplace Gold Award recognizes quality and excellence in worksite health at a level with a comprehensive program that produces results. HMH is one of nine Adventist Health organizations to receive the gold-level recognition; two additional Adventist Health organizations received silver recognition. In total, 11 of the 15 companies to receive a WELCOA award in 2017 were affiliated with Adventist Health

HMH's wellness program is led by Read the rest of Over on Page 13 a wellness committee made up of HMH





Well, there's a new librarian in town, and it's about to get even

cheer on the Willits High School team.

BROOKSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 20 Spruce Street Online Kindergarten Registration will be: Thurs., April 27 & Fri., April 28, 2017 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM at Brookside Library Our Kindergarten program is for children 5 years old by September 1, 2017 Our 2-Year Transitional Kindergarten Program is for children turning 5 between Sept. 2 and Dec. 2, 2017* Please Bring: 1. Emergency contact information

2. Active e-mail address 3. Birth certificate

4. Immunization records (please bring any immunizations you have)

5. Your child, for a 20 minute assessment done at the time of registration. Please expect to spend extra time if you have not preregistered. (We will have computers available to help you register.)

Your student will receive a FREE "Welcome" bag, on a first come, first served basis.

*Students who turn 5 between December 3, 2017 and February 3, 2018 will be placed on a waiting list to entoll for TK. Enrollment decisons will be made in August and will be based on: testing, student maturation and space avilability.

If you have any questions, please call the Brookside office at (707) 459-5385 or visit our website at brks.willitsunified.com



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Friday, April 7

Willits High School Tennis Home Tournament: Willits vs. Pt. Arena. Friday, April 7. WHS tennis courts, 299 North Main Street. (coach Dave Smith).

4th annual Museum Road Show: Opening night in Willits for this year's production of the Mendocino County Museum "Road Show," featuring true local stories of historical Mendocino County brought to life, with all new materials this year. Seven actors will portray more than 50 characters accompanied by a brand-new Road Show band, Poonkinney Antique. This year's stories include the Frolic shipwreck, and the birth of the lumber industry; schooners and stagecoach lines: the truth about the Mendocino Indian "Wars"; artist-painter Grace Hudson, her love for the Pomo; plus the scandalous/comical tale of the Cattle King of Round Valley and the Fraud Queen of Spiritualism. The Museum Road Show 9 am) to 6 pm. Keynote speaker on Saturday: opens its countywide run in Willits, Friday, April 7 at 7:30 pm at Willits High School, 299 North Main Street. Doors open 7 pm. Advance tickets \$18 for adults, \$14 for seniors (65 and over) and youth (20 and under). At the door, tickets are \$20 and \$15 for seniors/youth. Available online: www. MendocinoMuseum.org, by calling the Mendocino County Museum at 459-2736, or just visit the museum, 400 East Commercial Street. Open 10 am to 4:30 pm, Wednesday through Sunday.

"God of Carnage" at WCT: the French satirical comedy, "God of Carnage," by Yasmina Reza, opens Friday, April 7 at the Willits Community Theatre for a three-week run. This award-winning play, translated from the French by Christopher Hampton, is directed by poet, actor and musician David Partch. It features an all-star cast of local actors. "God of Carnage" has earned overwhelming

international acclaim, winning the Tony Award for Best Play and the Lawrence Olivier Award for Best Comedy. The New York Times has termed the play, "A study in Pavid Partch the tension between civilized surface and savage instinct ... a satisfyingly primitive entertainment." "God of Carnage" runs at WCT through 23, with shows on Thursdays at 7 pm for \$15, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm for \$20, and some Sunday

adult language and situations. Advance tickets are available at Mazahar, 38 South Main Street; online, www.brownpapertickets.com; or by phone 24/7 1-800-838-3006. Tickets also available at the door until sold out. Willits Community Theatre. 37 West Van Lane (behind Shanachie AGAINST CHILD Pub).

Shanachie Pub: Emerald City local musicians "stripped down, upbeat and melodic." Friday, April 7.9 pm. No cover. Shanachie Pub, 50

of Mendocino Cannabis Resource, LLC has Sit n Sew: Monthly drop-in sewing group meets 16100 North Highway 101, 6 miles organized a two-day conference about marijuana cultivation, sales, marketing and legal frameworks: " The Essential Two-day Conference on California Medical Cannabis Compliance & Cannabusiness Development." County regulations, environmental regulations, Medical Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MCRSA), and the economics and fundamentals of building and maintaining a "cannabusiness." Tickets \$250 for both days; tickets can be split so two people can each go one day. Available: mendocinocannabisresource. com/mcr-2017-registration/, or in person at the Headroom, 215 Main Street, Willits. Saturday, April 8 and Sunday, April 9, 10 am (doors open activist Pebbles Trippet on "History of Mendocino Cannabis Activism," with the day's program focusing on "Cannabis Compliance," and on



scholarship to attend: 223-4367, or MendocinoCannabisResource@ gmail.com.

"Eel River Forest Health": Eel River Recovery Project holds a public event on forest health on Saturday, April 8 from noon to 6 pm, at

Sunday:

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Ed

with

on

by Yasmina Reza

the Willits Hub, 630 South Main Street. THE WILLITS "Forest health is a key to maintaining biodiversity, our clean water supply, **God of Carnage** production of wood products and the prevention of catastrophic fire. The hristopher Hampton condition of forest lands within the Eel River is highly variable, but with many areas are in need of improvement." Doors open at 11:30 am, with coffee and refreshments served. Representatives of the Redwood Forest Foundation (Richard Geinger) April 7 - 23 and the Institute for Sustainable 13th 20th @7 pm - + 21st @8 pm - 4 Forestry (Jeff Hedin) will make 23rd @2 pm presentations and join a panel and the Native American perspective of forest health (Ernie Merrifield) will also be

shared. Followed by a BBQ from 4 to matinees at 2 pm for \$15. The play contains 6 pm. No charge for admission; donations accepted. Those interested are encouraged to support ERRP and Willits Hub crowdfunding by aoing to www.EverRibbon.com/ribbon/view/64018 before April 15. The forest health field trip planned for April 9 has been postponed until early

June. See www.eelriverrecovery.org for more information.

What's Happening Around Town

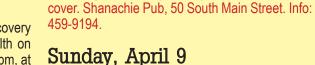
April 8, from 1 to 5 pm. Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Information: Rachel at 354-0605 Bountiful Gardens Open House: Bountiful Gardens hosts an Open House on Saturday, October 8 to kick off its new Saturday hours and retail area for local walk-in customers. See over 600 kinds of seeds: vegetable seeds, herbs, grains, flowers, plus trees and berries, and also guality garden tools. Vegetable starts for sale, and some to be given away. Local gardeners will be on hand to answer garden guestions. Also, cookie sampling! Saturday, April 8. 12 to 5 pm. Bountiful



291 School Street Info, or to request a

459-9194.

and boogie. Saturday, Friday, April 8. 8 pm. \$5



Mendocino Cannabis Resource Conference: Day two of the conference. See Saturday, April 8 listing for details.

"God of Carnage": awardwinning French satirical comedy at Willits Community Theatre. 2 pm matinee today. See Friday, April 7 listing for more details.

Celtic Harps at WCT: Internationally famous Celtic duo of Lisa Lynne harp and Aryeh Frankfurter will perform a night of stories, humor and virtuosic

music on multiple instruments, including Celtic harp, Swedish nyckelharpa, Ukrainian bandura, bouzouki, cittern, and more. Sunday, April 9.7 pm. Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane.

Tickets \$15, available at Mazahar, 38 South Main Street; at brownpapertickets.com; or by phone 24/7 at 1-800-838-3006.

Tickets available at the door until sold out Monday, April 10

Annual Red Balloon Release: Willits Garden Club Meeting: the Bikers Against Child Abuse monthly Garden Club meeting is set for (B.A.C.A.) will release one red Monday, April 10, with guest speaker balloon skyward for every 10 Ruthie King, director of the Grange

at the Willits Library. Free to all and open to the south of Willits, West of 101, south public. Bring your sewing machine, tools, and of Ridgewood (Seabiscuit) Ranch. any project you would like to work on. Saturday, Guests are welcome, there is no charge. Info: contact Fran Gardner 459-8733 or Kitty McDill 489-6203.

Tuesday, April 11

Marjo Wilson at the Brickhouse: Marjo Wilson performs new acoustic music at Brickhouse Coffee, as part of her second Tuesday Acoustic "Just for Fun" shows. Free shows for the family. This month, Tuesday, April 11, "Come meet Cotton Dandee on his birthday. Sing-a-long, clap-a-long to his brandnew music project, 'Going for a Drive.' Gardens in the Evergreen Shopping Center, 1712 Music for all ages. Doors open 6 pm, show starts 7 pm. Brickhouse Coffee

3 South Main Street. Info: 367-5078, or www \$5 cover. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. rjowilsonband.com.

Info: 459-9194. Tightwad Tuesdays at the Noyo Theatre: All 2D movies that are in their second week are \$5 Saturday, April 15 on Tuesdays at the Novo Theatre for all ages.

Free Monologue Workshop: Don and Annie all showings. This week's Tightwad movies: "Beauty & the Beast" and "Ghost Samson will provide free, in in the Shell." For showtimes: person assistance in writing and evaluating original www.noyotheatre.com. 57 East monologues for anyone Commercial Street.

Thursday, April 13

"Tools,

Celtic Harps at WCT

Willits Library Presents: Claudia Wenning will read from her new book "Quantum Level Transformation: The Handbook."

> Techniques and Meditations for Awareness and Vital Balance: A Transformational Journal of Discovery." Thursday, April 13, 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Willits Library, 390 East

> > Friday, April 14 Willits High School **Baseball Home Game:** Willits versus Middletown:

varsity plays at the WHS field, 4 pm (coach Rick Yadon); junior varsity plays at City Field, 4 pm (coach Darren Wisdom) Info: Christy Wisdom or

Jennifer Barrett at 459-Willits High School Softball Home Game: Willits versus Middletown. WHS softball field, 4 pm. 7700.



again, too, for the 2017 Sunday, April 16

am. Sunday, April 16. St. John Lutheran Church, 24 Mill Creek Drive. Info: 459-2988.

Lions Easter Egg Hunt: Willits Lions Club's 88th annual Easter Egg Hunt starts at noon on Easter Sunday, April 16. The Lions hand-dye 2,000 eggs every year. Free to attend; hunt is for children 12 and under. Kids are grouped by age, "so even the littlest hunters are assured a chance to find an egg." Willits High School, 299 North Main. Rain or shine. Traditional egg hunt in the WHS baseball fields if the weather allows; otherwise the Lions

Easter Egg Hunt: Brooktrails Neighborhood Association is sponsoring a free Easter Egg Hunt maureengetsmail@ in Ohl Grove Park, 24999 Clover Road, Brooktrails. Sunday, April 16. 1 pm. Info: www.ourbna.org.

will host a "drive-up" hunt. Info: 354-8262.





'Ghost in the Shell interested in performing

The Story: This movie was derived from the popular anime flick of the same name. In the beginning. Hanka Corporation gave her (Scarlett Johannson) the name Major and an enhanced cyborg super-body that can make her invisible and capable of superior strength. The word "ghost" in the title refers to her identity and thoughts, while the "shell" is her sexy

Daniel Essman cyborg body. She's got Columnist bad-ass partners to whom she can radiobroadcast her thoughts. The reason

she exists, she thinks, is to fight

My Thoughts: The movie is

brilliantly colored, beautiful and

spooky and corporate. It's a future

cityscape filled with oppressive,

sky-high holographic figures

bowing, gesturing, dancing. To

what purpose? I'm not entirely sure;

perhaps they are huge advertising

icons that are colorful but not

meaningful. Also, there are mincing

terrorists. But it's not that simple.

CUPCAKE WARS WHS Jr. Boosters to benefit WHS Booster Club



photos are \$5 per

group, and will be

available to download

from the gallery site:

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zenfolio.com/

easterbunnyphotos.

Shanachie Pub: "Blues

lovers, get ready for

a rare treat: the A.C.

Myles Band plays

"takes no prisoners'

Southern Rock & Blues,

and Blues Rock on

Friday, April 14. 9 pm.

an original monologue at

Willits Community Theatre

this summer, as part of its

annual sell-out "Speakeasy

Monologue" performances

Workshops are voluntary

informative and informal.

Saturday, April 15, 1 to 2:30 pm. Willits Library, 390

East Commercial Street. For more information

Annie or Don Samson, 707-459-9014 or email

Questions?

972-7047

gmail.com.

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Monologue Workshop

April 15, 2017 ~ 2-4pm Willits Community Center Christy Wisdom or Jennifer Barrett@459-7700

robots in geisha white-face makeup which are super creepy. And Major/Scarlett, faux-Shanachie Pub's Anniversary Party: The naked in her cyborg skin, is a sexy, yet un-sexed Pub's 17th Anniversary Party features Afrofunk ongoing attention grabber. Some actors' first Experience, "original Bay Area funk, Afrobeat, method when developing a character is to find Reggae, and more" with "chunky rhythms mixed the character's walk. Johannson as Major has a with tasty funk-to-metal guitar grooves and thug-bulldog, forward-leaning posture; she walks blazing horns." Saturday, April 15. 9 pm. \$7 cover. like she means it, like she wants to bust through Shanachie Pub. 50 South Main Street. Info: 459a wall

> Parents: I do not know what a child would make of this visually noisy flick. But I think it would fill

Ongoing Events

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

"Art Under 20": The April show at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Runs through Sunday, April 30. Art work from about 125 student artists from Willits and Laytonville. Gallery hours: Wednesday through Sunday, 11 am to 5 pm. Info: visit www. willitscenterforthearts.org.

Bi-Monthly Parkinson's Information and Support Meeting: Join Linda Posner and guests every 2nd and 4th Monday, 10:30 to 11:30 am. Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road, Info: 459-1941

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

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

The 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. "We look forward to seeing you at the Willits Library!"

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."

Willits Library Activities: Tuesdays: 3 to 5 pm, "Wii Day" (video games); Wednesdays: (except the first Wednesday of the month), 9 to 10 am, "Tracing Your Past" (research your family tree, must pre-register) and 3:30 to 4:30 pm, "Lego Day" (bring your imagination and start building); Thursdays: 11 to 11:30 am, "Walkers and Crawlers" (stories, songs and a craft with the children's librarian); Fridays: 3:30 to 4:30 pm, "Therapeutic Coloring Club" (get creative as you unwind); Fridays: 5 to 7 pm, "Youth Game Night" (Magic the Gathering, Force of Will, Pokemon, board games, puzzles, chess and more, geared for ages 10 to 14); Saturdays: 1 to 2:30 pm, "The Crafty Librarian" (fun crafts for the whole family). Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Info: Wendy Copperfield 459-5908.

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.

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

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



South Main Street. Info: 459-9194

Saturday, April 8

and prizes will be awarded.

Deadline: April 21st

Size no larger than

All mediums welcome

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Mendocino Cannabis Resource **Conference:** For the second year, Karen Byars bacaworld.org.

The Art of The Seed

and interpret plant species from our Seed Lending Library.

Help us create an art exhibit that inspires our community

to grow, share and save seeds. This exhibit will be juried

Artists Reception:

Thursday, May 4th

Seed Lending Library

Entry Forms and

The Willits Library is calling artists of all ages to depict

cases of child School of Adaptive Agriculture. Social abuse and neglect in Mendocino time starts at 12:30 pm with coffee County. "B.A.C.A. is here to help." and refreshment: speaker starts at 1 Saturday, April 8. Noon. City baseball pm. Meeting ends at 4:30 pm. Golden field. East Commercial Street. Info: www. Rule Mobile Village Clubhouse,



Cannabis Workshop

Workshop to assist cannabis cultivators with their applications

April 19 and 20, 2017

The Department of Agriculture is hosting workshops to

assist cannabis cultivators with the application process.

communities

These are site specific to assist those in outlying

April 19th from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Garden Club, 375 Harwood Road, Laytonville CA

April 19th from 2:30 – 5 p.m.

Veterans Hall, 360 N. Harrison Street, Fort Bragg CA

April 20th from 4 - 7 p.m.

Ukiah Fairgrounds, Fine Arts Building

1055 North State Street, Ukiah CA

April 20th from 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

These will be joint workshops, with representatives from

the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board in

the Cannabis Waste Discharge Regulatory Program and

California Department of Fish and Wildlife in attendance to

assist cannabis cultivators with the paperwork required

Please call our office at (707) 234-6830, or email mendoreg@co.mendocino.ca.us before April 14th to

register.

from their agencies.

its Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road, Willits CA

bunny DIX Happy Easter! Mphotographress – Photos Maureen Moore! No Easter at St. John Lutheran Church: Easter

appointments – just drop in Breakfast, 9:30 am. Egg hunt for the children and smile for the camera! (weather permitting), 10:15 am. Resurrection Just like always, digital celebration worship service with special music, 11

Sonoma Clean Power

meeting

Monday, April 17

new default electricity provider, starting in June,

invites the Willits community to Willits City Hall, 111

East Commercial Street, on Monday, April 17, at

6 pm to learn about SCP, its services, competitive

pricing, and commitment to renewable sources

of electricity and a cleaner environment. Info:

Sonoma Clean Power 1-855-202-2139, or visit

This Week At KLLG

KLLG 97.9 Willits Hometown Radio needs a

minimum of 30 people to donate \$50 in order to

start streaming online! We hope to reach that goal

by April 20, which is the end of our fundraising

campaign: fundkllgradio.causevox.com. We are

offering a free engineering training to anyone

interested in being an engineer at the station

every Tuesday in April from 6 to 7 pm. Visit http://

kllg.org for more info and programming chedule.

- Michelle Cummings

sonomacleanpower.org/mendocino.

Sonoma Clean Power, Mendocino County's

their dreams with senseless, violent imager which you, as parents, would have a duty to untangle. So ... not for children. Don't bring them. Teens and up.

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



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High School, La Vida eople. Marinated, BBQ'di Charter School and New Tri-Tip, Baked Potatoes, Horizons School. Since it's Salad, Rolls, Cookies, and inception in 1987, no High a Beautiful Rose from School Senior has died on

Graduation Night. Flowers by Annette. Those interested in performing an original monologue

at Willits Community Theatre this summer may attend two free public workshops scheduled to assist performers in the writing and staging process. Participants write their own personal monologues and work in a collaborative process in preparation for their performances on stage.

The first workshop will be held on Saturday, April 15 from 1 to 2:30 pm at the Willits Library. The second workshop will be on Saturday, May 20 from 1-2:30 pm at the Willits Community Theatre. The workshops are open to anyone interested in finding out more about writing monologues. Samson says, "This is an ideal opportunity to explore the

Get your event in our calendar: willitsweekly@gmail.com Deadline is Monday for Thursday editions!

Volleyball Open Gym: at Baechtel Grove gym; Sundays 7:30 pm and Tuesdays at 8:30 pm. Some experience desired, but not required. \$5 per night; first night free. Info: Jeff at 354-1850.

> Smoking Cessation Program: Free "Freedom from Smoking" class sponsored by the Frank R. Howard Memorial Hospital. Every Wednesday at the HMH Conference Room, 1 Madrone Street, 6 to 7 pm. RSVP to Jennifer Barrett at 707-540-4208. Walk-ins are always welcome

Free Sheriff's Activity League programs: at Body Works Gym, 1511 South Main Street. Teen gym: Monday to Friday from 2:30 to 5:30 pm; Boxing: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 pm; Karate: Thursday, Little Dragons-ages 3 to 6, 5 pm to 6 pm; Youth Karate-ages 6 to 11, 6 pm to 7 pm; Tweens to Adults-ages 11 and up, 7 pm to 8:30 pm. All SAL programs free to the public. Info: www.facebook.com/ MendocinoCountySheriffsYouthActivitiesLeague or Mike Tobin: 354-0565.

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

Monologue Writing Workshop Saturday, April 15

monologue format, try out ideas, and discuss with

others what makes a good monologue good." The monologues must be original, no longer than five minutes and delivered without a script.

The Speakeasy Original Monologue shows have been very popular sell-outs the last three years and have proven to be one of WCT's most successful and popular events. The shows this year will be held at the WCT playhouse on Saturday and Sunday, July 22 and 23. For more information: Annie or Don Samson, 707-459-9014 or email: joker@instawave.net

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Phone: 707-459-2633, 707-972-7047

Sober Grad Senior Tri-Tip Dinner Center April 28 – Tickets now on sale Lunch Sober Grad's biggest fundraiser of

Week of April 10 the year, the Tri-Tip Dinner, is set for through April 14 Friday, April 28 this year, and tickets are now on sale for this drive-through Monday: Lima Beans/ Ham take-home dinner for four, including a full tri-tip marinated overnight in Tuesday: Hamburger Cathy Goss' secret marinade and, Steak grilled to perfection by Dan Pinon, Wednesday: Meat Loaf Doug Goss, Art Cooley and crew, Thursday: Taco Salad four baked potatoes with sour cream and butter, salad, four of Tam Adams' Friday: Baked Chicken yummy rolls, four cookies, and a rose Harrah Senior Center from Flowers by Annette, which is all serves lunch five days per bagged up and delivered to the ticket week from 11:45 am to 1 holder at the Rodeo Grounds as they pm. 55 and older: \$5.50 drive through. Tickets, \$50 for dinner per meal; under 55: \$7 for 4, are available – pre-sale only – per meal. Includes soup, at Cat's Meow, from members of the entree, vegetable, bread, Class of 2017, or call: Linda Matz dessert, and drink. 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459- 459-6201, or Karen Theil at WHS 459-7700 ext. 1504. 6826.

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The running club for kindergarteners through 12 graders, sponsored by the Sheriff's Activity League, will meet monthly on Wednesdays, beginning April 19, 3:30 pm, at the ball fields between the dog park and the Mendocino County Museum. The cost is \$10 for 2017 for participants, which includes a yellow SAL + Kids on the Run T-shirt, and free race entries. "Train for Races, Have Fun, Get Strong; Win Awards." Info: Michelle Kluskiewicz 267-608-6262, or Gina Henebury 485-1794

2nd Annual Career Fair Local businesses encouraged to sign up

The Willits Chamber of Commerce is partnering with Willits High School for the 2nd annual Career Fair. Participation by our enthusiastic Willits businesses will allow over 500 students from the high school and other local schools a solid opportunity to get to know how a real business works and explore the variety of career options right here in Willits. Set for Wednesday, April 26, from 8 am to 12 pm at the Willits High School gym, 299 North Main Street. The deadline for local businesses to sign up to participate in this career fair is Friday, April 14. To register, contact Nicole Burke at 459-7700 or nicoleburke@willitsunified.com

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Mendocino County Science Fair award-winners from Willits, Laytonville

Congratulations to all the students from Baechtel Grove Middle School, Blosser Lane Elementary School, Laytonville Elementary School, Laytonville High School, La Vida Charter School, Sherwood School, Willits Charter School and Willits Elementary Charter School whose science projects won awards at the Mendocino County Science Fair in Ukiah on March 18.

Six Willits students and three Laytonville students have qualified to display their work at the 66th annual California State Science Fair in Los Angeles on April 24 and 25. More than 900 participants from 400 schools throughout the state are expected to present over 800 science projects at this year's competition, to be held in the California Science Center in Exposition Park, for nearly \$60,000 in awards.

State Science Fair Qualifiers

Jada Smith, "Hydroponic vs. Soil,' Baechtel Grove Middle School Sadie Howard, "Pee is for Power," Laytonville Elementary Kadee Golightly, "Cosmetic Chemistry," Laytonville Elementary Stephany Brundage, "Definite and Random Theoretical Probability when Determining a 10-locus Genotype for Rabbit Color," Willits Charter School Mariah Cox, "Insulation Effectiveness," Laytonville High School Chloe Breen, "The Disadvantages of Imidacloprid," Willits Charter School Jessica Cronin, "The Effect of Electrolyte Supplements on Endurance Racing,' Willits Charter School Nakolo Anderson Joens-Poulton, "Oh Come On, Wash Mel." Baechtel Grove Middle School Alyssa Fraser, "The Effects of Fertilizer on Java Moss," Baechtel Grove Middle School

Hunter Paris. "The Effects of Barrel Length on Projectile Distance," Willits Charter School River Hickman, Finlay Moore, "The Purrrfect De-Stresser." Willits Charter School

Class A Awards

Class A: Elementary Division -Grades 3-4 - Earth Science 2nd, Enzo Vaccaro, Soren Pinelli, "It is Rocket Science," Sherwood School

Grades 3-4 - Life Science Blosser Lane Elementary Class A: Elementary Division -

State Science Fair Alternates Class A: Elementary Division -Grades 5 - Earth Science 2nd, Jacob Kubin, "Geology Dash," Blosser Lane Elementary 3rd, Achsa Hill, "Waves in Time," Willits **Elementary Charter School**

1st, Audrey Sherf, "Fragrant Flowers," Willits Elementary Charter School 3rd, Isabel Young, Kendahl Potter, "The Blind Spot," Sherwood School

Class A: Elementary Division -

Class A: Junior Division - Grades 6-8

Swearengin, "Crystal Clear," Baechtel

3rd, Harley Lukenbill III, Tyler Dalton,

Grades 6-8 - Life Science A (Zoology/

2nd, Jada Smith, "Hydroponic vs. Soil,"

Axel Parmerly, "Aerodynamic Airplanes,"

1st, Nickolas Galindo, Miranda

Baechtel Grove Middle School

Class A: Junior Division -

Botany/Biology/Microbiology)

Baechtel Grove Middle School

Grades 5 - Life Science

Earth Science

Grove Middle School

Class A: Elementary Division -1st, Griffin O'Rear, "Rock with Your Flock, Willits Elementary Charter School 2nd, Atley Carpenter, "Rainbow Flowers,"

Grades 3-4 - Physical Science/Math 2nd, Sofia Lopez, "Slimed!," Blosser Lane Elementary 3rd, Christian Moog, "The Infinite Flame," Willits Elementary Charter School

Far left: County Science Fair award-winners from Sherwood School, taught by Gina Hirsch, from left: Nora Martin, Isabelle Young, Kendahl Potter, Soren Pinelli and Enzo Vaccaro. At left: County Science Fair award-winners from Willits Elementary Charter School, from left: Achsa Hill, Audrey Sherf, Rhyan Holder, Christian Moog and Griffin O'Rear.

Below, left: Baechtel Grove Middle School students Jada Smith and Alyssa Fraser, who both qualified to go on the California Science Fair in Los Angeles. Below, right: Baechtel Grove Middle School students Laila Britton and Bryanna Gijon, in front of their award-winning project, "Bring on the Heat," with teacher Tessa Ford.



Class A: Junior Division -Grades 6-8 – Life Science B (Environmental/Ecology/Medicine/Health/ Behavioral/Social Sciences) 1st, Sadie Howard, "Pee is for Power," Laytonville Elementary

Class A: Junior Division -Grades 6-8 - Physical Science (Physics/ Chemistry/Biochemistry/Math/Computer) 2nd (tie), Kadee Golightly, "Cosmetic Chemistry," Laytonville Elementary 2nd (tie), Hunter Paris, "The Effects of Barrel Length on Projectile Distance," Willits Charter School

Class A: Senior Division -Grades 9-12 - Life Science A (Zoology/ Botany/Biology/Microbiology) 1st, Jessica Cronin, "The Effect of Electrolyte Supplements on Endurance Racing," Willits Charter School 2nd, Cera Bacci, "The Ich," Willits Charter School

Class A: Senior Division -Grades 9-12 - Life Science B

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Class B: Senior Division (Environmental/Ecology/ Medicine/Health/ - Grades 9-12 Displays/ Behavioral/Social Demonstrations Sciences) 1st, Eileah Frye, 1st, Chloe Breen, "Succulents in Terrariums: "The Disadvantages The How To!," Willits of Imidacloprid," Willits Charter School Charter School 2nd, Lacey Maxwell, 2nd, River Hickman, Finlay Yulissa Hernandez, "What Moore, "The Purrrfect De-Happens When You Get Stresser," Willits Charter Too Angry?," Willits Charter School School Class A: Senior Division **Class C Awards** - Grades 9-12 - Physical Class C: Elementary Science (Physics/ Division - Grades 3-5 Chemistry/Biochemistry/ Classroom/School Projects Math/Computer) 2nd, Mr. West's Class, 1st, Stephany Brundage, "Understanding Earth's "Definite and Random Theoretical Probability Magnet," Blosser Lane Elementary when Determining a 10-locus Genotype for Rabbit Color," Willits Class C: Junior Division Charter School - Grades 6-8 Classroom/ 2nd, Mariah Cox, School Projects "Insulation Effectiveness," 1st. La Vida 6-8. "Critters Laytonville High School and Plants of the Ridgewood Ranch," La Vida Charter School Class B Awards Class B: Elementary "Evelvn Smith Excellence Division - Grades 3-5 in Science Award" from Displays/Demonstrations Mendocino County Office 1st, Maritza Jacobs, "That's of Education not a chicken!?," Blosser High School, Stephany Lane Elementary Brundage, "Definite and 2nd, Nora Martin, "Carbon Random Theoretical Cycle," Sherwood School Probability when 3rd, Rhyan Holder, "Fizz Determining a 10-locus Between my Toes," Willits Genotype for Rabbit Color," Elementary Charter School Willits Charter School Class B: Junior Division **Biophysics Award from** - Grades 6-8 Displays/ **Biophysical Society** Demonstrations Sadie Howard, "Pee is 2nd, Drew Hoteling, "The for Power," Laytonville Little Engine That Could," Elementary Laytonville Elementary Thanks to Willits Science 3rd, Bryanna Gijon, Laila Britton, "Bring on the Heat," Fair Coordinator Erin **Baechtel Grove Middle** Vaccaro for providing these School results.

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mustache], and spent half the period on a website called catsthatlooklikehitler.com. I like cats, and dictators are interesting." The 11th grader showed two pieces inspired by that experience, including "Ein Katzen, Ein Reich!! Ein Puhrer!!!"

Young artist Kyli Buccat had an "I Am" assignment to describe herself with one word. She created the word "Positive" beautifully in a mixed-media drawing. Another piece of art that attracted attention was a puppet named Goliath by Laytonville 11th grader, Kayley Rowen Middleton. Caroline Carpenter is Middleton's art teacher. Goliath is a multi-media creation, 3.5 feet tall, whose mouth is moveable and whose hands are on sticks, much like the famous Muppets puppets. Middleton enjoyed grooming Goliath and showing how the puppet could be worked during the event. As friends, artists, parents, family members and the public viewed the art, the Willits High School Jazz Band, with instructor and director, Chris Olds, treated everyone to a selection of their upbeat jazz. Hips were swaying and a few people took a turn or two with swing dance steps in the galleries. The impressive musicians included lan Watson on drums, Bernado Lopez and Alexis Martinez, both on tenor sax, Orion Hernandez on alto sax, and Patrick Turner on trumpet, playing with band director Olds on alto sax. Bakewell was happy to say that the Willits Unified School District has hired a full-time art teacher at Baechtel Grove Middle School for next year and will hire another full-time music teacher at WHS. She's thrilled that every student will have the experience of art during junior high. "A lot of times, by the time they get to high school, [some students] are a little bit intimidated by making art since they haven't been doing it ongoing.... Now they'll have a head start." There are well over 100 creative, beautiful, insightful, thoughtful and sometimes disturbing pieces at the show. Art Under 20 is a must-see exhibit. Bring your wallet, since many pieces are for sale at reasonable prices.

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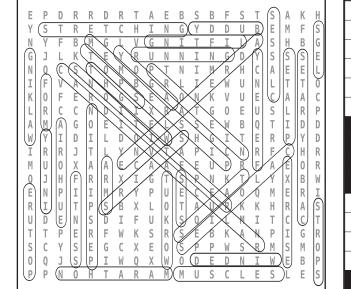
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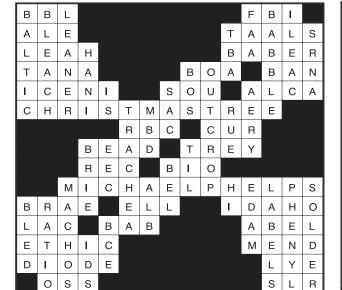
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At top: Rossi Jensen shows off her "Sunflowers," with tones matching her beautiful blouse. Above: Divora



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Winner makes art for 44 hours straight at marathon arts fundraiser

Forty-four hours after the Draw Til You Drop art marathon event began Saturday morning, the last contestant emerged victorious. Willow Jackson outlasted all other artists, going one hour past Rachelle Martinez, and two hours past thirdplace winner Dina Riggi, who won the contest last year with a mere 29 hours of art-making. But then, it really wasn't about winning. It was about raising money over \$13,000 - for the good work done by the Arts Council of Mendocino and the Willits Center for the Arts, which hosted the event this year. Next year the event will be hosted in Ukiah at the Senior Center.

Mathew Caine eatures Writer athew@willitsweeklv.c

The funds go to such programs as the "Get Arts in Our Schools" program, or GASP, which sends visual, performing and literary artists into the schools to promote an appreciation and understanding of the arts.

Each of the original 24 participants solicited pledges for each hour they would be able to continue creating their art. The longer they worked, the more money they raised. Many different genres of visual arts were practiced over the 44 hours, including painting, mosaics, weaving and printing.

According to Elizabeth Raybee, mosaic artist from Potter Valley and organizer of this year's event, the longest-ever Draw Til You Drop event was 72 hours, in San Francisco, and was only halted due to workmen having to start tearing out the ceiling.

All artists are expected to stay for at least 12 hours; anybody who goes over 24 hours gets a prize. The three artists who go the longest get an extra prize, as do the three artists who raise the most money. The participant who outlasts all others receives prizes as well as one piece of art from all the other contestants. Prizes are donated by a generous array of local businesses, among which are Emandal Farm (Artstay), Kate Wolf Festival (tickets), Skunk Train (tickets) and many others.

During the first day food was donated by Emandal, Safeway, Grocery Outlet, Kemmy's Pies, Mariposa Market and others. There was a stage in the middle of the room for the participants to be entertained by the Emandal Choir, poetry and book readings, musical combos, and more.

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One by one, the artists went home tired and sleepy, but happy to have been in such good company and to help raise money for the promotion of the arts in Mendocino County.



Eel River forest health explored at the Willits Hub on April 8

The Eel River Recovery Project is hosting another public event woodlands occupied 36 percent of the North Fork Eel River at the Willits Hub on forest health on Saturday, April 8 from noon to 6 pm. Representatives of the Redwood Forest Foundation and the Institute for Sustainable Forestry will make presentations and join a panel, and the Native American perspective of forest health will also be shared. Forest health is a key to maintaining biodiversity, our clean water supply, production of wood products, and the prevention of catastrophic fire. The condition of forest lands within the Eel River is highly variable, but with many areas are in need of improvement.

The Redwood Forest Foundation Inc., or RFFI, is a non-profit corporation that is based on the community forest model. Richard Geinger is on their board of directors and will represent them at the April 8 event. In 2011, RFFI acquired a loan from the Bank of America for \$65 million and bought large portions of the watersheds on the west side South Fork Eel River between Piercy and Leggett. Restoration of streams flowing from RFFI lands is also essential for restoring coho salmon. The land was heavily logged by the previous owners, and the amount of large-diameter trees available for logging currently is low. RFFI instead logs smaller trees in a stand to reduce competition for water and nutrients, in a practice known as "thinning from below." This reduces moisture stress and competition for light for remaining trees, so they may grow much more rapidly, and their resistance to insect infestation and disease is greatly improved.

The long-term legacy of logging has also profoundly altered the hydrology of watersheds and the amount of water produced. Studies of the upper Mattole River watershed, in an area bordering the Eel River watershed to the west, by Humboldt State University professor Andrew Stubblefield and others found that 40- to 60-year-old second-growth forests that are "over-stocked" use much more water than old growth forests.

A Friends of Eel-sponsored Eel River flow study confirmed this finding in lower South Fork Eel tributary Bull Creek, where flows have decreased 50 percent since 1950. Although the watershed is now in Humboldt Redwood State Park, half of the watershed was clear cut in the 1950s and 1960s. Since more than half of forest lands within the Eel River watershed were similarly logged in that time period, it is likely that increased forest evapotranspiration is a significant part of the equation for decreased water supply.

Ernie Merrifield is an elder of the Round Valley Indian Tribes and sits on the Eel River Recovery Project Board of Directors. Merrifield will explain how indigenous peoples used controlled burns in the winter and spring to maintain a landscape mosaic of grasslands and oak woodlands that produced abundant game animals that they could eat. Their diet also relied on acorns, so preventing encroachment of conifers in oak woodlands also maintained their food supply.

Studies by Six Rivers National Forest indicate that native oak

The rest of Museum From Page 3 New glass for Les Schwab

Les Schwab Tire Center in Willits got its new glass windows installed this week, after the dramatic accident at the end of January when an SUV swerved off Main Street and crashed into the building.

Les Schwab manager Ken Kirby said there were about a dozen 6 feet wide by 5 feet wide windows that needed to be replaced – as well as new double doors – as part of the repairs, which are being done by contractor Todd Hollifield. Round Tree Glass put in 1865, who painted the Pomo

The repairs will be completed in full in a couple of weeks. "We still have some sheetrock to do," Kirby said, "and a little bit of floor work, wiring, and repairs to the metal outside, the bottom of the windows."

Les Schwab opened back up the same day after the January 26 accident, and has been open regular business hours ever since, but "now it looks as though watershed historically, but that the extent of oaks is now 9 percent of the basin area, despite the fact that much of the watershed is in wilderness. This suggests Native Americans were in harmony with nature and used fire to improve conditions for the benefit of the animals and themselves. Native burning practices are being revived by the Kruk Tribe in the Klamath basin, and their co-management relationship with the Klamath National Forest may be a model that could also be applied in the Eel River watershed.

In addition to maintaining grasslands and oak woodlands, controlled burns can also be used to remove fuels from the forest floor, which reduces the risk of catastrophic fire. Although fires were frequent in the Eel River watershed during the recent drought, most burned slowly along the ground and naturally reduced fuels. An example is the Lodge Fire that burned extensive areas of the Elkhorn Ridge and Cahto Peak Wilderness Areas in the South Fork Eel River watershed, which are managed by the Bureau of Land Management. According to BLM fire staff, hot burn areas that caused stand replacement were

rare and instead the fire substantially benefitted forest health. The Institute for Sustainable Forestry will be represented by Jeff Hedin, who will explain the importance of non-industrial private timberlands and the need for forest health improvement on them. Vast areas of forests in the Eel River watershed are now owned by people whose interest is in rural residential development or growing cannabis, not logging, but the lands they bought were often previously logged. These forests will not improve in health over time, and instead will be prone to insect infestation and future catastrophic fire

Private land owners can often address forest health issues with grant money provided by the California Department of Forestry, but some cost-sharing or in-kind work must be supplied. Reducing stand density near homesteads and gardens not only reduces fire risk, but may also reduce molds and fungus that sometimes attack cultivars. Cumulatively, watershed-wide improvements in forest health can also restore hydrology and increase future water supply.

On Saturday, April 8 at 11:30 am the doors at the Willits Hub at 630 South Main Street will open, with coffee and refreshments served. Presentations and a panel discussion will proceed from noon to 4 pm and will be followed by a BBQ from 4 to 6 pm. There is no charge for admission, but donations will be accepted. People are encouraged to support ERRP and Willits Hub crowdfunding by going to www.EverRibbon.com/ribbon/view/64018 before April 15. The forest health field trip planned for April 9 has been postponed until early June. See www.eelriverrecovery.org for more information.

- Patrick Higgins, managing director, **Eel River Recovery Project**

it was hard to address these actions of through www.MendocinoMuseum.

> 1245 South Main Street Willits, California 95490 Monte Lieberfarb, M.D.

The rest of HMH From Page 7

employees from various departments who collaborate to motivate employees through innovative promotions, education and activities. Meeting the WELCOA Well Workplace criteria has been a goal of HMH and Adventist Health since 2011 when the wellness committee was formed.

"We believe that improving the health of our community starts with our own team. They are our best asset, and taking care of them is just as important as the work that they do with taking care of our patients. This national recognition affirms that we're on the right track," said HMH CEO Jason Wells.

The wellness team meets regularly to come up with programs to help their fellow employees stay healthy. Last year, HMH staff participated in a "Walktober"

challenge, in which employees were encouraged to take walks around the hospital campus. This year, the wellness team started implementing a "stoplight" food labeling system in the restaurant to help employees and community members make healthy choices Each item was carefully examined by a registered dietitian, who looked at its calorie, sodium, fiber and sugar content. Adventist Health's LivingWell whole-person health and wellness program provides additional resources and incentives for healthy behaviors.

The hospital also offers "Happy at Howard" events for stress reduction, emotional wellness and relationship building. Support is also offered to those who want to guit smoking through free smoking cessation classes. Discounted memberships to gyms and fitness centers are also available to employees.

"I am inspired by the results we see from our wellness activities and programs. Each year, we have consistently seen a reduction in the overall health risk of our employees, and the value in that is immeasurable. Our employees are living healthier, fuller lives, and we hope that the activities and support provided will continue to inspire our staff in their wellness journeys,"

concludes Leslie Smith, employee

wellness coordinator.

org, by calling the Mendocino County Museum at 459-2736, or by visiting the museum at 400 East Commercial Street in Willits during open hours, 10 am to 4:30 pm, Wednesday through Sunday.



the new windows in.

the early Mendocino County settlers, but they felt it was necessary to bring them to the surface. This year's production also has a section about painter Grace

Hudson, born in Potter Valley Indians, trying to preserve what

she thought to be a dying culture. This year there will be a

series of chats after some of the performances – including opening night in Willits - for those who wish to explore further some of the

stories or even add their own. Elizabeth Whipkey-Olsen, M.D.

Advance tickets are \$18 for

music has always been

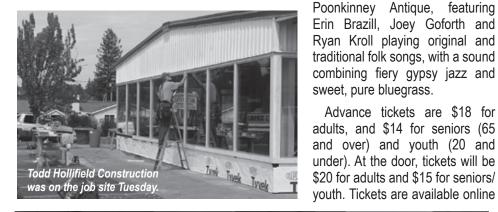






we're open," Kirby said, and the staff is pleased to have windows again, too. a part of the Road Show, and

this year, there's a new band, – Jennifer Poole





Kate Black, P.A. Candiec Dolbier D.O.

To My Patients At Baechtel Creek Clinic,

It is with great sadness that after 23 years providing medical services in Mendocino County I am being called to relocate elsewhere and will be leaving my practice as of July 1, 2017. Many times over the last two plus decades I have considered myself incredibly lucky to have found my way to this beautiful place and amazing practice of medicine. To be able to care for up to five generations in one family and see infants grow up and become parents themselves has been a breathtaking privilege. Family Medicine does not get better than this! I thank you all for enabling me to practice medicine here and for your trust in me and my medical partners for your care.

I will be leaving you in the kind and compassionate care of my partners who I am confident will be able to provide you with continued medical services.

I am hoping that many of you will be able to make an appointment with me in the next few months so that we can enable a very smooth transition of care and say our goodbyes!

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Para mis pacientes de la Clínica Baechtel Creek,

Con gran tristeza quiero anunciar que después de 23 años de prestar servicios médicos en el Condado Mendocino, he sido transferida y dejaré a partir de Julio 10. del 2017. En éstas más de dos décadas me he considerado increíblemente afortunada de haber llegado a este hermoso lugar, y poder practicar la medicina en su mejor expresión. Ha tenido el privilegio sin igual de haber podido cuidar a cinco generaciones en una misma familia y de ver a los niños crecer y convertirse en padres ellos mismos. ¡No hay nada mejor en la medicina familiar!

Les agradezco a todos los que me permitieron practicar la medicina aquí y me confiaron a mi y a mis socios médicos su cuidado. Los dejó en el cuidado amoroso y compasivo de mis socios, de quienes tengo la confianza que continuarán prestándoles los servicios méedicos.

Espero que con muchos de ustedes en los prósimos meses podamos tener una cita médica que nos permita hacer una transición sin tropiezos y despedirnos.

With gratitude and best wishes, Con todo mi agradecimiento y mis mejores deseos,

Carla Lorozehamp MD Carla Longchamp M.D.



Furry Friends Hoping for a Home

Playful Rufus

Rufus is a very sweet dog who plays and acts like a puppy – with that great puppy happiness. He is a 2-yearold neutered male herding-type dog. Rufus is an active dog, and he knows some basic obedience, like "Sit" and "Shake." He likes playing with toys, and he was good during his evaluation when he met our tester dog, Oliver. Herding dogs are very smart and they excel at obedience and agility training. If you enjoy interacting with your dog, whether in class formats or throwing a Frisbee, Rufus may be the dog for you.

The Ukiah Animal Shelter is located at 298 Plant Road in Ukiah, and adoption hours are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 4:30 pm, and Wednesday from 10 am to 6:30 pm. Many wonderful dogs and cats await their forever homes here. To view photos and bios, please visit online at: www.mendoanimalshelter.com. More info about adoptions: 707-467-6453. Please join us the 2nd Saturday of every month, April 8 this month, for our "Empty the Shelter" pack walk and help us get every dog out for some exercise!

Young Slick

This young man is full of energy and ready to go! He needs training in basic commands, but really wants to please - he just doesn't know how yet.

With the right amount of exercise, love and attention, he will be a great addition to any family. Slick could benefit from having an older dog around to help him learn the ropes, and older children and a big yard would certainly be great. He's here waiting for the perfect forever home come see if he would fit your family!

For more information on Slick or other adoptable animals, call 707-485-0123, check www.mendohumanesociety. com, or visit the shelter at 9700 Uva Drive in Redwood Valley. Open hours: 1 to 5 pm, Wednesday through Friday; and 11 am to 3 pm. Saturday and Sunday.



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At top, left: Peas like this "Dwarf Grey Sugar" are one of the sweet pleasures of spring. Now is time to plant. At top, right: Jessi May shows off a nice bunch of home-grown garlic. Above: Spring is time for fresh greens. Plant a few lettuce seeds every week for a continuous supply. Below: Lettuce comes in a range of luscious colors. This "Red Sails" is both cold-hardy and colorful. At bottom: Asian greens like this bok choy love cool spring weather.





COLUMN | Garden Tip of the Month

April: Planting, boosting

This is the time of year when we gardeners get excited about planting things. Most gardeners know that the cabbage family (broccoli, kale, cabbage, cauliflower and turnip) can be planted out now,

along with peas and lettuce. But Jamie Chevalier have you ever thought about Columnist

growing your own quinoa? Quinoa is one crop that loves our typically cold nights. It comes from the Andes, and will not make grain in places that are warm around the clock. You can start it now in flats, to transplant out in May. Or direct sow in early May and then thin to 12 inches apart. Don't try to use grocerystore guinoa for seed - it is usually adapted to tropical day lengths. Bountiful Gardens has the best selection of guinoa varieties in the U.S., most of which were grown right here in Willits and love our Willits climate.

April is also the time to boost those plants that have survived in the garden all winter. Kale and other greens would love a side-dressing of compost. Garlic enters its most critical period of growth now. If you planted garlic last fall, it has been making roots and leaves during the winter. From now on, the bulb will form. The photo was taken April 1 and shows one of our garlic plants – so far it looks like a leek. During the next two months, the bulb will get 10 times bigger than it is now.

To fuel that growth, your garlic patch needs a boost right now. You can top-dress with compost, earthworm castings, manure, or any organic nitrogen source. You can make manure tea, or weed tea out of the green weeds in your yard. As they soak in water, weeds, grass clippings or compost materials break down into nitrogen and other essential nutrients. Aerate the water by stirring vigorously twice a day to prevent foul-smelling anaerobic bacteria (or use an aquarium pump). In four or five days, you should have a liquid food for your plants (less time in warm weather).

If this style of low-cost DIY natural fertilizer appeals to

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and general welfare of the residents and businesses within those areas by balancing the needs of medical patients and their caregivers for enhanced access to medical cannabis, the needs of neighbors and communities to be protected from public safety and nuisance impacts, and the need to limit harmful environmental impacts that are sometimes associated with cannabis cultivation.'

The cultivation ordinance has three phases. Phase I begins when the ordinance takes effect and lasts until January 1, 2018. In Phase I, the ordinance permits cannabis cultivation in 10 zoning districts: Rural Residential 5, Rural Residential 10, Agricultural, Upland Residential, Rangeland, Forest Land, Timber production Zone, Industrial 1, Industrial 2 and Pinoleville Industrial. In Phase I, cultivation permits will be sold to applicants who can demonstrate that they were cultivating before January 1, 2016.

Phase II, which lasts from January 1, 2018 until January 1, 2020, continues the allowances of Phase I, with the addition of granting cultivation permits for 1A (medium size, indoor, artificial light) and 2A (large size, indoor, artificial light) permits types to new growers, but only in the county's three types of industrial zones (Industrial 1, Industrial 2 and Pinoleville Industrial).

Finally, on January 1, 2020, Phase III begins. Phase III opens up the granting of all permit types but on only seven zoning areas: Rural Residential 5, Rural Residential 10, Agricultural, Upland Residential, Industrial 1, Industrial 2 and Pinoleville Industrial. For all of these zoning districts, except for permits issued for land that has been zoned agricultural, applicants must document water availability. If they are intending to use surface water, they will need to secure a watershed assessment or to present a statement of water right. If they are intending to use groundwater, they will need to supply the Department of Agriculture with a water availability analysis. If they are cultivating in an area that is supplied by a water district, they will need to for kids and family attendees, too. show a "will serve" statement.

According to the ordinance, existing cultivation will be permitted where it exists in the smaller residential zones for a sunset period of three years. After the sunset period is up, the cultivator must either move or cease cultivating. Another option could be the creation of an overlay ordinance for specific areas, or in additional exemption language. Both the overlay ordinance and the additional exemption language have yet to be written.

The cultivation ordinance provides for exemptions to the ordinance for qualifying patients with a valid medical card, and for caregivers. The exemption language provides that these growers can cultivate on up to 100 square feet. If they are caring for other medical patients, they can grow cannabis on up to 100 square feet each for up to two patients.

After the unanimous vote adopting the ordinance was taken, only two people from the public got up to speak. Comments were congratulatory and brief. Comments were longer and more pointed at the close of the supervisors' afternoon cannabis item, when key county staff discussed the county's readiness for May 4, when the medical cultivation ordinance goes into effect. Of the 16 members of the public who spoke after that item, 13 took a critical attitude toward the ordinance.

Susan Timon said fees were a major concern of hers. Cynthia Cole accused the county of "possible overkill" on the number of inspections, which she described as three over a 6-month period, not counting at least one inspection from the water district. Kelly Barnes, who described herself as a cannabis cultivator who is now growing on a 10 acre suburban residential tract, complained that she did not see a clear path to keep growing cannabis after the close of the sunset period. Cannabis cultivation in the Suburban Residential zone is not permitted. Barnes could get a permit as an existing grower but unless she is the beneficiary of an overlay provision or an exemption policy, she would have to find another location to grow after July 1, 2020. Ashley Oldham told the supervisors that they need to get the other ordinances up and running as soon as possible. The board of supervisors will be discussing the 9.30 ordinance on April 17 and will hold a workshop on the facilities ordinance on May 2. Laytonville's Chris Brennan congratulated the supes for passing the ordinance but said it would be worth nothing without vigorous enforcement. "Without enforcement and honest administration, what do you have? You just have a piece of paper." Brennan said. Paul Trouette of Lear Asset Management and the Mendocino County Blacktail Association also congratulated the supervisors on their work and gave a plug for the cannabis compliance unit, an idea that was mentioned by Undersheriff Randy Johnson (see accompany story in this edition). "A code enforcement unit would be a fabulous idea," Trouette said. Jude Thilman, a cannabis dispensary owner from the coast, spoke of the cultivation ordinance in very critical terms. "Mendocino County is acting in a greedy and shortsighted way," she said. "Greedy in the sense that they've taken the hint from these consultants that they've hired, that they should levy permits and taxes. Measure AI is an egregious example of how patients are going to suffer because it will enact a 5 percent of gross sales tax on cultivators and dispensaries. Who else gets a 5 percent tax? Everybody I've mentioned this to is appalled. How are you supposed to stay alive? So, greedy in the sense of high taxes, high permit fees, lots of taxes, and then shortsighted in the sense of, if the small farmers go down the toilet, do the people who are sitting in this room, do the board of supervisors and their staff think that they are going to get rid of cannabis in Mendocino County? No.... You get rid of all the small craft cannabis cultivators and entrepreneurs who are trying to make Mendocino their home, trying to create a robust, thriving, cross-sectoral industry here ... And you think those big guys aren't going to come swarming in? And this poor little board of supervisors and their little county staff won't know what hit 'em



The rest of Hometown | From Page 1

The first Hometown Celebration took place on July 2, 2007, put together by the Willits Chamber of Commerce, the chamber's Local First Committee, and Willits Frontier Davs.

Current Willits Frontier Days Vice President Marcy Barry is co-chairing the Hometown Celebration committee this year along with J.D. Redhouse's Ashtan Bloomquist. "We know what a huge project it is to undertake," Barry said, "and we're happy to help run the event officially this year and take some of the pressure off the chamber and the small group who has been doing it for the last several years. Helping run the event is a great way for Willits Frontier Days to say 'thank you' to those folks, and to the merchants, too, who have worked to make happen in the

To help take the burden off of the merchants as well, Willits Frontier Days has eliminated the participation fee and has covered the costs of promotional "Hometown Celebration" banners that will be provided to participating

Jeff Cook, member of Willits Frontier Days and music coordinator for the Fourth of July events, is helping run the musical selections this year, and hopes to plan a "battle of the bands," where participating bands will play, free of charge, at locations throughout the downtown celebration area, and attendees will be encouraged to vote for their favorite. The winning band will get to play on the main stage at the Music Rodeola, held during the barbecue in the Rec Grove Park on July 4.

J.D. Redhouse's Bloomquist is spearheading a scavenger hunt: Businesses who sign up to participate will donate a gift certificate to their store and select one item for attendees to find. Cards will be printed with the list of participating businesses, and their specific item (a pair of size 27x32 Wranglers or a 12 ounce bottle of Moroccan Oil, etc.). Attendees will be asked to go into the businesses (or visit the businesses' booths), find the item, and get their tag signed off by an employee.

"We really want to encourage people to go into businesses they may have never entered, or check out new items other stores may now be stocking," said Bloomquist.

Below: John and Charline Ford of John Ford Ranch participated in Hometown last year with the Willits Farmers Market. At right: Christine Johnson at her LuLaRoe booth. At right, below: Danya Davis shows off her assortment of Jamberry nail wraps on display last year.





Above. left: Hometown patrons order from Pilon Kitchen's food truck. Above, right: Tom and Sara Mann, Willits business owners, eniov the 2016 Hometown Celebration.

"There's no purchase necessary for the shoppers, we just want to get them inside, and have them see what our local merchants now offer."

Completed cards can be left at participating businesses, and winners will be drawn to receive the gift certificates donated by the businesses.

"Having customers participate gets them in the door the first time, winning a certificate will get them back in a second time – where they also might find something over the value of the certificate," explained Bloomquist. "Then, hopefully, they'll be more likely to come back in a third time after becoming familiar with all the stores have to offer. We're hoping it will really increase awareness for the businesses, and be a fun, no-cost activity for the attendees."

Many Hometown Celebration favorites will be back this year, as will some new additions. Food vendors will be welcome to sell snacks and bites; the Boy Scouts will be running the monkey bridge; a bounce house will be available for jumping and fun; face painting, family photos businesses, as well as working to include some free events and a display from the Shifters Classic Car Club and the Willits Wild Bunch are all planned.

> Willits Frontier Days invites business owners and community members to give input about what they want to see as part of their Hometown Celebration. Planning meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend, and any interested persons should contact Bloomquist at ashtan@jdredhouse.com to get on the list for meeting reminders and notes. Meetings are being held at the Willits Frontier Days office on East Commercial Street.

All businesses throughout Willits are welcome and encouraged to participate in Hometown Celebration. While the event will be held downtown as usual, there will be plenty of booth spaces available for businesses that don't have a traditional store front, or that are located in the central and southern portions of town.

Entry forms to participate in the event are available now on the Willits Frontier Days website: www.WillitsFronteirDays. com. The forms can be filled out electronically and emailed to willitsfrontierdays@gmail.com or printed out and mailed to the Willits Frontier Days, P.O. Box 800, or dropped off at J.D. Redhouse, located at 212 South Main Street. Entry forms are due back by May 15.





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you, there is a wealth of information appearing these days about "Korean Natural Farming," which uses brewed teas and ferments instead of bought fertilizer. Gardening is an endless topic for research and wonder - have fun with it this spring!

More tips and articles on seed-starting can be found in the "How-To" and "Seasonal" pages of Bountiful Gardens'

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From Page 1 Road |

I would generate \$52 billion over the next 10 years for transit

Cubbison said while passage of the measure is expected to bring \$8.2 million annually to Mendocino County, a responsible analyst would have to subtract the money already coming to the county through various transportation bills the new law will replace. That average total of those monies is \$5.6 million. The net gain to Mendocino County, if the act passes, will be \$2.6 million annually.

"While it's not an ideal package, it will definitely help," Cubbison said. "We will be able to accomplish some things with that. I don't think it's a new \$8 million. But it will stabilize a lot of things we are doing."

The Road Repair and Accountability Act will raise \$26.5 billion per decade, beginning next year and for each decade into the future, through new fees and excise taxes. It increases the gasoline tax by 12 cents a gallon, adds 20 cents a gallon to the diesel fuel excise tax, imposes a fee increase of between \$25 and \$175 (based on vehicle value) on vehicle registration fees, and imposes a new \$100 annual fee on zero emission vehicles. The zeroemission vehicle fee starts July 1, 2020.

Department of Transportation Director Howard Dashiell concurred with Cubbison as to the benefit the act will bring that in 2013, the county's Pavement Condition Index was years."

estimated to be 42 (out of a scale of 100). "To get to a transportation infrastructure - roads, highways and public PCI of 50, we would have to spend \$9 million a year on corrective maintenance," he said. "Although I am excited about the new bill, it's not really what we need to get our roads even up to an average condition."

> Mendocino County's representative in the state Senate, Mike McGuire, is a co-author of SB 1 and chaired the Senate Governance and Finance Committee hearing where the bill had its first - successful - vote before moving the Senate floor for a full vote.

> Cubbison told supervisors Tuesday the biggest obstacle facing the Department of Transportation was recruitment and retention of employees. She noted the department's cohort of road, maintenance and shop employees has dropped by 41 workers over the past 15 years. She pointed to a disparity in hourly wages as the root of the problem.

> According to Cubbison, starting pay for line road crew employee in Mendocino County is \$15.33 an hour; top pay for that position is \$18.65. In Lake County, those numbers were \$18.42 and \$22.39; for the City of Ukiah, the range was \$18.42 and \$22.88; and for Caltrans the numbers were \$19.02 and \$22.85.

"We are definitely experiencing some difficulty in recruitment and retention," Cubbison said. "Despite multiple attempts to increase positions, we've only been to Mendocino County. Dashiell reminded supervisors able to add two or three employees over the past three

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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.

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

TUESDAY

POT OF GOLD PLINKO

Hot Seats 12 Random Hot Seat Drawings

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

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

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

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

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

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\$100 Cash for the 10P game

the prize amount is "split" between the two winners

to receive a bingo card for the 12P, 1P & 2P bingo games

Bingo Cards can start being issued at 11A for the 12P game, and 7P for the 8P game. The 1P, 2P, 9P & 10P cards will

For the 2P and 10P there will be a "Second Chance Win"

Chance Win" customer will win \$50 Cash for the 2P game and

The "Second Chance Win" opportunity will be announced

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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

day) to receive a bingo card for the 8P, 9P & 10P bingo games. ANY SENIOR (55+) THAT WINS A BINGO GAME (Not a second chance), WILL WIN A \$50 FREE PLAY BONUS.

Round #1:

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

Round #3: 9 PM to 10 PM – 3 random winners per hour. Each winner will win \$100 in Free Play. Customers will have to play a minimum of \$40 to be eligible for Round #3. Round #2:

5 PM to 6 PM – 2 random winners per hour. 6 PM to 7 PM – 2 random winners per hour. 7 PM to 8 PM – 2 random winners per hour Each winner will win \$75 in Free Play. Customers will have to play a minimum of \$30 to be eligible for Round #2.

Round #4:

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

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

SATURDAY GIVEAWAY · APRIL 8

SHERWOOD

SATURDAY TAX DAY April 15

2 random winners/hour (8 total winners) Each winner will win \$40 in Free Play Each Hot Seat winner will also spin a prize wheel that could double their Free Play winnings.

EVENING SESSION: 7P ending at 11P 2 random winners/hour (8 total winners) Each winner will win \$100 in Free Play Each Hot Seat winner will also spin a prize wheel that could double their Free Play winnings. Customers may win up to two separate Hot Seats each week for this promotion



Starting at 1pm, Players Club members that earn 80 points on Saturday April 8, could redeem their points for a Utility 8 in 1 Screwdriver Flashlight and Tape Measure (set) (While Supplies Last).



Limited quantity

Scratch Card Sunday! 10am-8pm!

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

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

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

SATURDAY SPORTS FUN MAY 17, 20, 24 & 27

We will be giving away 10 pairs of tickets to the San Francisco Giants game on June 10th.

Earn entries (25 points/entry) on May 17, 20, 24 and 27th. Drawings at &P & 9P on May 20 & May 27 2 pairs of tickets for &pm drawing and 3 pairs for tickets for the 9pm drawings each week.

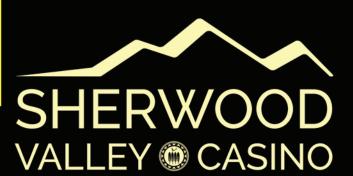


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