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# No update on missing **Brooktrails** man

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There is no update from the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office or from the family about the search for Riley John Hsieh, 24, who was last seen in Brooktrails on March 27.

The family has created a "Missing Riley Hsieh" page on Facebook, with photos, posters and updates, if any.

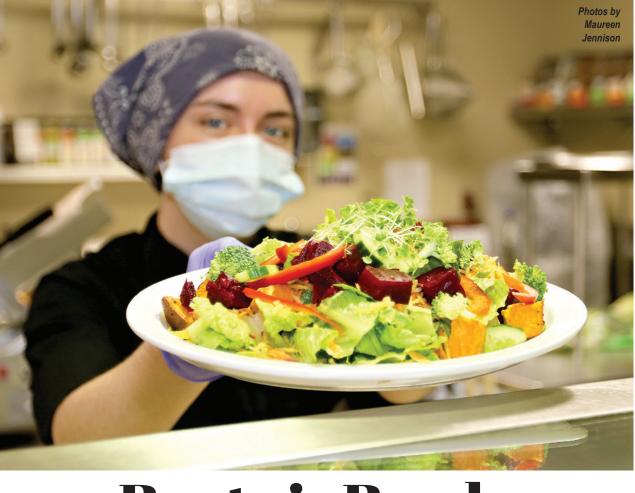
"It has been 2 weeks and we still have not found my brother" reads a recent post on the page. "We are still searching for Riley. Please continue to be on the lookout and report any sightings to the Mendocino Sheriff's Office. We appreciate the continued support."

Hsieh, an Asian American male, 5 feet 10 inches tall, was last seen wearing a gray robe, blue pants, and carrying a light blue or green bag. A security recorded camera him leaving his Hawk Terrace home in Brooktrails around 11:15 am on Monday, March 27. The Sheriff's Office has reported two possible sightings in the area later that day.

Mendocino County Sheriff's Office has asked the public who live in the



Above, from left: Roots' Darren Alfaro mixes up sauce in the Adventist Health Howard Memorial kitchen. Dr. Luddington stops by between surgeries to grab a bite to eat. Maria Lara made the homemade, fried-to-order tortilla chips for nachos. Below: Loy O'Malley presents a delicious colorful salad packed with lots of fresh and local ingredients for a healthy lunch.



# **Roots is Ready** Adventist Health Howard Memorial's Roots Restaurant is open to the public again for breakfast, lunch and dinner

For those who have been anxiously awaiting the official announcement, the time is now: Roots Restaurant is open once again! While the usual Maureen Jennison

Creative recipes, meat and vegan options and low prices also make the restaurant a tasty and affordable option for breakfast, lunch and dinner. thought when it comes to

"We're so happy to be opening back up to the public and

# **BOS** sets May 5 as **MMIWP** Awareness Day

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At their meeting on Tuesday the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors approved several proclamations from the Consent Calendar to recognize various causes over the next month or including declaring SO. May 5 as the "Mendocino County Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and People (MMIWP)."

Several from local tribal attended communities the meeting and spoke emotionally during public comments about the breadth and impact of the problem on so many indigenous people.

As a show of solidarity and to bring awareness to the issue, the county and many others are encouraging people to wear red on May 5, and there will be a Round Valley MMIWP event that day in Covelo with singers, talking circles, crafts, a community potluck, dancing, and youth activities.

The event will take place at 76699 Covelo Road, beginning at 3 pm, and

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tow yard

By Sgt. J. Walstrom,

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Brooktrails subdivision to

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## **CHP** reports suspected suicide north of Willits Submitted by CHP Garberville

On April 9, 2023, at approximately 2:30 pm, Lavtonville Resident Post officers from the Highway California Patrol's Garberville Area, responded to a 9-1-1 call of a possible suicide on North Main Street (old US 101) at Upp Creek Bridge, north of Willits.

Medical personnel on scene declared the victim deceased. The victim is a 64-year-old female from Willits.

Evidence on scene overwhelmingly indicates committed the victim suicide, and there is no threat to public safety in that area.

CHP officers are investigating the death to fully determine the cause and manner of death with the assistance of the Mendocino County Sheriff's Coroner's Division.

If you or someone you know is contemplating suicide, please seek assistance immediately, call 9-8-8 or other trusted suicide prevention hotlines.

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eating voluntarily at a hospital cafeteria is nothing short of

... um, probably not ... feelings about eating at Adventist Health Howard Memorial's Roots Restaurant couldn't be more opposite.

The restaurant uses fresh produce from the adjacent Commonwealth Garden which is currently supplying Roots with sprouts, turnips, green onions, herbs and lettuces and as the weather turns warmer, additional produce will include everything from tomatoes to zucchini, melons, potatoes and more.

seeing all the new and returning faces come in to enjoy a meal," said Mark Maples, Nutritional Services director for Adventist Health Howard Memorial. "Howard Memorial is focused on being community-based and now we're finally able to go back to providing great food to not only our patients and staff, but to the public too."

Maples and the crew of 25 at the Roots kitchen had a soft opening back on January 1, getting the new

> Read the rest of Roots

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While officers were en-route, the reporting party updated WPD Communications that the female had taken the vehicle and fled the scene. An officer nearly at the scene reported seeing the vehicle fleeing south on North Lenore Street.

A WPD sergeant also responding to the scene observed the vehicle run the posted stop sign of Lenore Street to East Commercial Street. The sergeant, with his emergency lights activated, attempted to block the stolen vehicle, which turned west-bound in his direction.

The suspect maneuvered the vehicle directly at the police car and accelerated at the sergeant's stopped

Read the rest of Fleeing Over on Page 9

Above: A four-generation lunch is enjoyed by Sharon, Marissa, Shauna and baby Vander at Roots Restaurant. Below, left: Catering head Kristin Gilmore-Myers, Nutritional Services Director Mark Maples, and Kitchen Supervisor Tracy Crippen smile together. Below, right: Kristin Gilmore-Myers expertly flips a pan of fresh veggies on the Roots Restaurant stove.







# What do **YOU think?**

Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from our readers

### Spring Market on Health

#### and Wellness

#### To the Editor:

The Spring Market 2023 on Health and Wellness will be at the Little Lake Grange, Willits, April 30, from 11 am to 3 pm.

Please note: we were able to open up more spaces for practitioners and vendors. Contact Claudia Wenning. PhD. CFMP, at claudia@claudiawenning.com for details.

Vendors will be present with health and wellness-related items and services, freshly prepared food, music, a raffle, and special presentations.

We are excited to announce the inaugural presentation of the Mobile Apothecary /Free Clinic, in collaboration with the Mendocino County Herb Guild, and a keynote speech by Dr. Terry Turner, DO about Access Health Choices, focusing on current primary health concerns, and on creating a network of accessible health care options locally.

Additional talks to be announced soon.

Providers and vendors will have talks and presentations at their booths throughout the day.

Lunch options, plant starts, and vegetables will be available for sale.

There will be ample opportunity to connect with one another and see what our community offers to improve our health and wellness. The event is a fundraiser for the Little Lake Grange building repairs. See you there!

Claudia Wenning, Willits

## Mendocino College to host Spring Career Fair, April 26

#### Submitted by Mendocino College

The Mendocino College Career Hub will host its Spring Career Fair on Wednesday, April 26, from 11 am to 1 pm and 4 pm to 6 pm in Pomo Plaza at the Ukiah Campus at Mendocino College.

This event will provide opportunities to network, recruit, and interview candidates for potential internships, seasonal work, part-time jobs, and fulltime employment. It is open to all residents living in Lake and Mendocino counties, and attendance is free of charge.

Employers interested in hosting a recruitment table at the event should register before April 12, 2023. To register, visit https://forms.office.com/r/vGz7g0ampn or email the Career Hub at careerhub@mendocino. edu.

Job seekers are encouraged to bring copies of their resumes and come prepared to network and/or interview. Mendocino College students can schedule time with the Mendocino College Career Hub in preparation for the Career Fair by stopping by Room 1250 in MacMillan Hall or emailing careerhub@ mendocino.edu.

# THIRD DISTRICT SUPERVISOR'S REPORT **April 2023**

update

## By Supervisor John Haschak

Spring is here with rain showers, green grass, and blue skies at times. This winter has been a wild one. The roads and infrastructure have taken a beating. The March snowstorms were declared a disaster by the county and the state. We are waiting for a federal disaster declaration. If and when this happens, both public and individual assistance will be offered, and FEMA will most likely come back to help with navigating the bureaucracy.

The opening of the Laytonville Library was certainly a cause for celebration! Dedicated people from the Laytonville area really made it happen. They were certainly persistent. It was great to see support from the County and other Friends of the Library groups. The new library is a beautiful space, and the focus will be on getting people the books and resources that they need. Libraries also serve an important service as a community center.

Change is happening with the county's cannabis program. The director resigned, and experienced county staff is leading the department for now. The state and county are working on new pathways to licensure. The department's budget has been a real problem, with numbers bouncing around in a mindboggling way.

With the fiscal team from the Executive Office now overseeing the process, the numbers should be clearer and consistent. The goal is to get cultivators to their state annual licensure. We now have the Mendocino Cannabis Alliance working with the Willits Environmental Center with this goal in mind.

The Public Records Act is meant to ensure openness and transparency in government. County ordinance 4507 was adopted to limit the number of unnecessary, frivolous public records requests. This is a statewide problem especially in the last few years with numerous requests focused on elections and COVID.

The answer must be greater transparency and accessibility to records via the county's website, better organization of records, and possible modifications at the state level. I have attended several discussions about this issue at the California State Association of Counties. With the ordinance that we have, I believe we are creating a liability for the county. That is why I have twice proposed rescinding the ordinance. I await another supervisor to join me to get this on the agenda.

Please reach out to me at haschaki@ mendocinocounty.org or 707-972-4214.

2023.

# Personal-use firewood

permits now on sale Personal-use firewood permits are now on sale for wood

## Report on 'Building Community' events

#### By Madge Strong, WELL

An enthusiastic group of about 45 people met at the Willits Harrah Senior Center on March 19 for the second "Building Community" event sponsored by Willits Economic Localization - a follow-up to the inspiring first event on February 5 at the new Willits Firehouse.

The March 19 meeting took it to a new, action-oriented level. Six people introduced six topic areas to the entire group. Then we broke into six groups for discussion of ideas, what is already going on, the challenges, and identifying projects to keep the momentum going! Brief notes and the contact people for those topic areas are:

• Health: They're planning a Spring Market / Health Fair at Little Lake Grange for April 30 and another event on June 4 about physiological and emotional healing. They also have developed a Mobile Apothecary that will be set up in different locations and events. Contact: Claudia Wenning claudia@claudiawenning.com.

• Local Food / Ag: Themes include 1. making Willits a "garden city" (growing more of our own food); 2. training young people as gardeners and farmers; 3. developing new models for assuring farmers an income; 4. land-use planning for community gardens and new farms; and 5. education and celebration for creating a new food culture. Contact: Michael Foley foley.mw@ protonmail.com or 707 510-7473.

• Warming Center: Other communities have succeeded in establishing warming centers as a safe place for people without shelter; how has it been done and let's get it done here in Willits! Contact: Helen Falandes, helenfalandea@yahoo.com.

• Youth: They are planning a Career Fair, connecting with organizations and local businesses. Also want to address drug education. Contact: Raghda Zacharia raghdazacharia@aol.com, 707-478-7745.

• Seniors: The Senior Center is preparing to revitalize their garden with at least one major work party. Contact: Richard Baker wsidirector@willitsseniorcenter.com, or 459-6826.

• Business Support: Chamber of Commerce is planning "Meet & Greets" at local businesses and the annual Car Show; also updating their website. Contact: Lisa Kvasnicka, president@willits.org or 459-7910.

Some of the break-out groups are already working on these projects; other topics and projects may be added in the future.

WELL invites interested folks to join in planning follow-up. Our upcoming "Building Community" planning meeting is Monday, April 17, 5:30 pm at the Willits Environmental Hub (two doors south of Mariposa Market). Contact: Madge Strong, mstrong@willitsonline. com.

We're tentatively proposing to reconvene all community participants for "Building Community No. 3" on Sunday, June 11, 4 pm, to review what's been done and what's next. Save the date!

Senior Center menu
for the week
Willits Senior Center is serving lunch





# **Pawfect Easter**

Humane Society of Inland Mendocino County holds egg hunt with scavenger hunt and adoptions

holds periodic events at which little ones can play games while their adults can view possible

Mathew Caine future pets. Last Saturday, the day Features Writer before Easter, the facility held an mathew@willitsweekly.com

Easter egg hunt, with about 100 kids running out into the field with their brightly colored baskets, looking for some of the 500 plastic eggs, containing bits of taken more into our FELV cottage community." confection.

As the noon start approached, shelter employee Elizabeth Bohanan led the kids, like the Pied Piper, to the field where the eggs had been carefully strewn amongst the tall grass. They dutifully lined up, ready to go, waiting shelter has been in existence at the current location. for the signal to cross the yellow-tape barrier.

As the countdown commenced, the kids got ready, making sure that their baskets were in order and began to spot some of the closer candy-bearing eggs. When Bohanan's young assistant said "go!" the candy-seekers were ready to spring into action and attacked the field with a sugar-induced fervor, stampeding into the grassy area to pick up as many eggs as possible.

The Easter egg hunt, along with the Kitty Bingo (where currently at capacity and needs kind, loving citizens of the the kids needed to fill in a card with various types of cats area to either foster or adopt these needy animals. They they found in the cat hut and the raffle (where families are a no-kill shelter but when at capacity, they can no could win gift baskets and / or a giant stuffed bear, named longer take in animals from the constantly over-crowded Fred) entertained the young ones while the adults spent county animal shelter. some time considering some of the animals in residence. Several of the fostered animals were brought back to the shelter for the day to enable possible adopters to get to

The Humane Society of Inland Mendocino County, special. Today, tomorrow, and then Wednesday through a no-kill shelter at 9700 Uva Drive in Redwood Valley, Sunday next week," said Hanzlik. "All adult dogs that are spayed, neutered, and ready to go will be only \$50. Spayed and neutered cats are \$25. Our senior dogs and cats are free. Our FELV (feline leukemia) cats are free as well. They're fine if they're not with other animals. They can only be with other cats that also have FELV. We had good success in adopting those cats out last year and we've

> One of the upcoming events to help provide funding for the shelter is a gala, which is coming up on May 6, 5 to 10 pm at Barra Winery, 7051 North State Street, Redwood Valley. This year, it is celebrating the 30 years that the

There will be live music, a locally sourced dinner from Black Dog Catering, a live and silent auction with such prizes as a three-night stay in Jacksonville, OR (threebedroom house, trolley tickets, and gourmet food basket), a Burmese dinner for four, admission for six to the Sigma Winery and Ranch tour and tasting, a three-night stay in Oakhurst (three-bedroom house).

The Humane Society of Inland Mendocino County is

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Acts 2:37

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unday Bible Study-10:00 a.m

Sunday Worship-11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service-

6-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study-

7-8:00 p.m.

P.O. Box 489, Willits

#### **Bible Church** 290 S. Lenore Ave Willits.CA 95490 Where love is first and the Bible is central Sunday Services: 10:00 a.m. - Worship ılt Sunday School 9:00 a.n Info? 707-459-1905 vww.agapebiblechurch.com

Above, from left: This pit-bull mix is ready for a family who can love it. Jenny Hanzlik, the administrative director at Humane Society of Inland Mendocino. stands in front of the dog kennels. There are plenty of cats that need a new home. At left: The pack of kids spring on their quarry. Below: Ella is ready to run after some eggs. At bottom: A young hunter dons her best cat ears to search out the candy-filled plastic eggs.



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#### t. Anthony of Padua **Catholic** Church

61 W. San Francisco Ave. Willits, CA 95490 Father Aaron Bandanadan Mass times: Confessions by appointment 459-2252 Sunday Mass inside: 9:00 a.m. English 10:30 a.m. Spanish Saturday Mass: 5:30 p.m. Covid guidelines apply.

l North Main Street, Willits

707-272-0177

Sunday Service - 10 a.m.

In-person and on Zoom

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The Rev. Betsy Bruneau

St. John

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Sunday 10:00 to 11:00

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24 Mill Creek Drive

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Wednesday

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where all are welcome

Saturdays



Community members should connect with CareerPoint Mendocino by emailing MendocinoAJCC@CareerPointNorthBay.org or calling 707-708-3828 to get help with any career needs.

The growing list of organizations in attendance

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collection from the Mendocino National Forest. The permit and tags cost \$2.00 per cord with a minimum purchase required of \$20 for 10 cords. The maximum number of cords that can be purchased is 12 cords per household. Permits are valid through December 31,

Visitors can purchase a permit in person at the Supervisor's Office in Willows, 825 North Humboldt Avenue; (530) 934-3316 or from the Upper Lake District Office, 10025 Elk Mountain Road; (707) 275-2361

It is suggested to bring a completed permit request form to ease the purchase, and to call to confirm days and hours.

Permits may also be obtained via mail by downloading a firewood permit request form at https://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/mendocino/ firewood and following the mail-in instructions. Please allow three weeks to receive the permit, tags and the map of cutting areas on the forest. A third-party authorization form to allow another person to cut wood for the permit-holder is also available upon request.

It is illegal to remove firewood from the forest without a valid permit. Any wood removed from the forest must be dead and on the ground. The maximum length for a piece of wood to be removed is 6 feet

A cord of wood is a well-stacked pile measuring 4 feet by 4 feet by 8 feet. A chart with truck bed sizes and approximate cord capacity is available online at https://bit.ly/3kxoocW.

Firewood collected within Lake and Mendocino counties is subject to state and federal guarantines to limit the spread of the Sudden Oak Death pathogen. Firewood taken from these counties can only be transported into other SOD quarantined counties, including Alameda, Contra Costa, Humboldt, Marin, Monterrey, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma and Trinity counties.

After several rounds of winter storms, access into the forest on both county roads and forest roads has been significantly impacted. Visitors should call or check for latest conditions and closure alerts at https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/mendocino/alerts- notices

The Mendocino National Forest consists of 913,306 acres along northern California's coastal range. The forest includes the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument, four designated wilderness areas, two designated wild and scenic rivers, Red Bluff Recreation Area, and the Chico Seed Orchard. Headquartered in Willows, the forest maintains district offices in the communities of Covelo and Upper Lake.

in its indoor dining room, and continues to serve drive-through and walk-up lunches, too. Lunch is available Monday through Friday, from 12 to 12:45 pm, inside and outside the Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. Price is \$7. Thursday, April 13: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Veggie, Biscuit Friday, April 14: Baked Ham, Sweet Potato, Veggie, Roll Monday, April 17: Ham, Scalloped Potato, Veggie, Roll Tuesday, April 18: Ground Beef Tacos, Rice & Beans Wednesday, April 19: Loaded Baked Potato, Chicken Nuggets, Green Salad Thursday, April 20: Mini Pepperoni Pizza, Chicken Nuggets, Green Salad Friday, April 21: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Veggie, Roll Activities: Bingo every Friday night, 5 to 7 pm. Exercise class every weekday morning from 9 to 10 am. Pancake Breakfast every second Sunday, 8 to 11 am; May pancake breakfast is set for Sunday, May 14.

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

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

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

"When the facility becomes full with too many animals, we stop intake and work with the people who need to surrender their animals and have them hold off until we have room," explained Jenny Hanzlik, administrative director of the facility. "That's worked out pretty well for us in the past and we provide supplies and crates to make that happen. We utilize our community and our fosters to make it work."

know the animals.

Until Sunday, April 16, the shelter is "running an adoption





According to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, an average of 920,000 animals are euthanized each year in U.S. So, if you are in the position to adopt an animal, please consider checking out the many worthy options at the Humane Society.

All the available pets are listed on the website https:// mendohumanesociety.com with photos and statistics about each of the inhabitants. Click on "Adoption" to get started viewing the animals. Some may be out at foster homes; however, they will be brought to the shelter upon request for possible adopters to meet them.

For further information, call 707-485-0123 or email info@hsimc.org.



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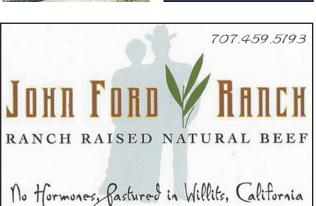
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Nicholas

Bear awaits the results of the raffle to see who will take him home. This foster family -Silas, Sam and Taj - brought Chloe back for the adoption event. Grandma registers her kids for the Easter egg hunt. Below: This little Chihuahua is

looking for a good home.

Pastor Rosemary Landry Sunday Worship at 10:30 am 286 School St. (at Pine) 707-459-2855 wumc@willitsonline.com <u>www.willitsumc.org</u> cebook: facebook willits um f you want to be included ir this column please call: April Tweddell (707) 972-2475 april@willitsweekly.com



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Above: A few of the 500 eggs filled with candy and other goodies are ready for the HSIMC Easter egg hunt. At left, from far: Fred the Teddy

# Willits Weekly's **Puzzle Page**

Sudoku, Word Search & Crossword

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which the numbers arrested pursuant to 243 (E)(1) PC vill appear by using the (Domestic Battery) and umeric clues already on felony charges of rovided in the boxes. The false imprisonment. nore numbers you name, 11.44ne easier it gets to solve

ALEXANDER, Donald Frank (45) of Willits was contacted in the 1500 block of South Main Street. He was arrested pursuant to 422 PC (Criminal Threats) 240 PC (Assault), 415 (1) PC (Disturbing the

Peace), and 602 PC (Trespassing). **Donald Alexander of Willits** 

12:33 pm: Officers responded to a report of vandalism in the

am:

100 block of Williams Street. 11:58 pm: Officers responded to a report

of a suspicious vehicle in the 600 block of Crest Drive.

#### March 20

RECIPES

RESTAURANT

SECTIONS

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SERVICE

TABLE

TAKEOUT

TURNOVER

12:22 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 1300 block of South Main Street and issued a citation.

12:39 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 1400 block of South Main Street and

6:29 pm: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle near the intersection

of Margie Drive and Nancy Lane. 6:56 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the

issued a warning.

11:02 pm: SALAMONE, Ronnie Ira Pack (34) of Willits was contacted in the 100 block of Kawi Place. He was arrested on felony charges of violation of parole.

## March 21

issued a citation.

8:51 pm: Officers conducted a stop near the intersection of Central Street and Monroe Street and issued a warning.

The officers of the Willits Police 100 block of East Oak Street and issued a Department handled 74 incidents in this warning. 10:13 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 1400 block of South Main Street and

issued a warning.

#### March 24

WILLITS POLICE DEPARTMENT

**POLICE LOG** 

March 19 to March 25 By Danya Davis, Willits Weekly

> 2:24 am: JENNISON, Erin Victoria (44) of Willits was contacted in the 100 block of East San Francisco Avenue. She was arrested pursuant to 1203.2 PC (Violation of Probation).

> > 11:02 am: Officers conducted a stop in the 100 block of Highway 20 and issued a warning. 1:53 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 1700 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

2:32 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 800

7:25 pm: Officers conducted a stop near the intersection of North Main Street and State Street and issued a citation

10:16 pm: Officers conducted a stop near the intersection of Sherwood Road and North Main Street and issued a warning.

#### March 25

1:46 am: MILLER, Kyle Wade (34) of Willits was contacted in the 300 block of South Main Street. He was arrested pursuant to 23152 (A) VC (Driving Under 100 block of East Commercial Street and the Influence of Alcohol), 23152 (B) VC (Driving with a Blood Alcohol Content of 0.08 Percent or Higher), 69 PC (Resisting an Executive Officer), and on misdemeanor charges of driving with a blood alcohol content of 0.15 percent or higher.

> 10:41 am: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 400 block of East Valley Street.

11:56 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 800 block of South Main Street.



# The bunny was back

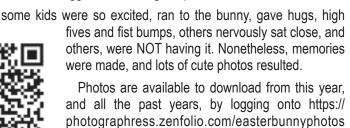
Easter Bunny made annual appearance at J.D. Redhouse to celebrate spring holiday

The line stretched to the side door for almost the entirety of the two-hour event at J.D. Redhouse on Thursday, April 6 for the annual Photos with the Easter Bunny and his live, furry friends event.

The event is held as a 50/50 fundraiser for the Soroptimist International of Willits non-profit group, as SIW members and bunny wranglers Keely and Heidi Ahders of Ahders Acres provide the darling and impressively tolerant live bunnies to be held and snuggled with during the photo session.

As always, some kids were so excited, ran to the bunny, gave hugs, high

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Above, from left: Kids of all ages

including: Maggie Jennison; Sam and Swayze Munderloh; Mariah,

Ronald Dukes, and Charli Pierce

smiled with the Easter Bunny

Kassidy and Ellalee Lavine;

At left. top: Sofia Yanez. far

left, and Bennett Quinliven, at

left, were both happy to see the

At left, below: Clayton and big

sister, Oaklee Seminoff. at far

Handschug smile with festive ears, along with mom Shawna

Photos by Maureen Jennison

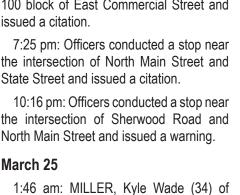
left, sat together to meet the bunny. At left: below: Sisters

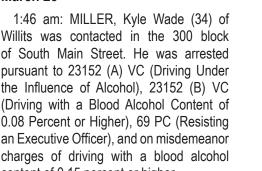
Alaska and River Perry-

and Colter Basler.

bunnies.

# **March Madness** may have ended but at Sherwood the fun is just beginning!





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4:14 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 800 block of South Main Street and issued 8:31 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the a citation. 700 block of South Main Street and issued

> 5:34 pm: Officers conducted a stop near the intersection of North Highway 101 and Black Bart Drive and issued a citation.

6:01 pm: FULWIDER, Ryan William (39) of Camel, California was contacted at an unknown location in Willits. He was arrested 7:09 am: Officers responded to a report pursuant to 529 PC (False Impersonation). of illegal camping in the 300 block of East 9:30 pm: Officers conducted a stop in Commercial Street and issued a warning. the 1700 block of South Main Street and 1:45 am: Officers initiated a theft issued a citation investigation in the 500 block of South Main 10:53 pm: Officers conducted a stop in

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Looking for something to celebrate?

Learn more about these, or see a list of other days at https://www.listofnationaldays.com/

April 13: National Make Lunch Count Day, Save The Elephant Day, DJ Day National Peach Cobbler Day, National April 17: National Bat Appreciation Day, Scrabble Day, National Thomas Jefferson National Cheeseball Day, National Ellis Island Family History Day, National Haiku April 14: National Dolphin Day, National Poetry Day, National Nothing Like A Dame Ex-Spouse Day, National PAN American Day, Kickball Day, Ford Mustang Day, Day, National Pecan Day, National Reach World Hemophilia Day, Blah Blah Blah Day As High As You Can Day, That Sucks Day,

April 18: National Animal Crackers Day, National Columnists' Day, National April 15: National Glazed Spiral Ham Day, Lineman Appreciation Day, Amateur Radio National Rubber Eraser Day, National Day, Pet Owner Independence Day, Piñata Take A Wild Guess Day, National Tax Day Day, National Titanic Remembrance Day,

April 19: National Amaretto Day, National Garlic Day, National Hanging Out Day, April 16: National Orchid Day, National Oklahoma City Bombing Bean Counter Day, National Eggs Benedict National Commemoration Day, Banana Day, Bicycle Day, National Healthcare Decisions Day, National Wear Your Pajamas To Work Day, Day, Poetry And Creative Mind Day



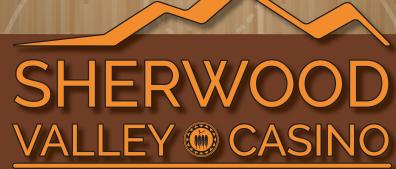
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# What's Happening Around Town

WCT Auditions: Auditions for an original

Thursday, April 13

play written by Mike A'Dair, "Hymn to Her," on Willits Farmers Market: The weekly Saturday, April 15 at noon, and Wednesday, April Farmers Market at the Little Lake 19 at 7 pm, at Willits Community Theatre, 37 Grange, 291 School Street. The West Van Lane. Call is for four women and four freshest local produce, local meat, men, ages 18 to 35, and one woman, 50s, 60s. farm fresh eggs, delicious meals, For scripts email producer at michaeladair69@ tasty treats, live music, the new

edition of Willits Weekly, and more. Enjoy "Tobin's Tales" story time from 3:30 to 4 pm. Thursday, April 13. 3 to 5:30 pm.

Est. 1926 Inland Mendocino Democratic Club: Monthly hybrid in-person / zoom meeting held in Willits this month, Thursday, April 13 at 6:30 pm at the Willits Environmental Center, 650 South Main Street. Featuring a panel on "Our Water: Drought, Flood, What's Next?" with First District Supervisor Glenn McGourty, Sean White from the City of Ukiah, and Adam Gaska, member of the Russian River Control Board. More info: inlandmendodems.org

> Winterlark at Shanachie: San Francisco Bay Area singer-songwriters Kristin Olson, upright bass. and Sweeney E. Schragg, guitar, bring "urban folk musicality that blends literate lyrics; bossa nova and soul rhythms; and the harmonic, melodic, and improvisatory traditions of jazz." Thursday, April 13 at 7 pm. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street.

## Friday, April 14

WCA Art Talk: This month's Willits Center for the Arts "Art Talk"

is set for Friday

April 14 at 6:30

pm, upstairs in

the Great Room.

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LITS CENTER FOR THE ARTS \_\_\_\_ Art Talks Mary Okin Ph.D. California Art, Wayne Thiebaud April 14, 2023

California artist Nayne Thiebaud. WCA, 71 East Commercial Street. Info: 707-459-1726 or www. willitscenterforthearts.org

## Saturday, April 15

Samba Dance Class at WCA: Brazilian Samba dance class at Willits Center for the Arts. Saturday, April 15, 5:30 to 7 pm. Led by Carmen Day, with live drumming. Samba percussionists welcome. \$12. WCA, 71 East Commercial Street. Questions: Call or text Carmen at 707-671-3052; sunshinebubblelove@gmail.com.

vahoo.com

Funkacillin at Shanachie: Shanachie Pub's browse our garden and 23rd anniversary party, Saturday, April 15, home project books, as features Funkacillin, "ready to funk down the well as children's, fiction, house with some old school and original funk and non-fiction titles, with music that will get you groovin' and boogieing an abundance of specials. on the dance floor!" Saturday, April 15 at 8 pm at Books are priced at 50 cents

Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. to \$1. Volunteer cashiers are still needed. If you can help with a 2-hour shift, please sign up at the library,

Sunday, April 16 'Feel the Love' Benefit for Grea Schindel:

Willits



dropped off at Shanachie California art, and takes the Pub or Flying Dog Pizza, Wednesday through Saturday from 3 to 9 pm by Friday, April 14. More info: visit "Hal Wagenet" on Facebook or call Cyndee at 707-972-3736.

"What's Freedom Got to Do with It?": A harmonies of jazz One-Woman Show by performance artist Carla Starla at the Grange, part of an every-thirdwhat Sunday series. Sunday, April 16, from 5 to 7 pm always at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. to hear." Doors open at 4:20 pm. Comedy: 5 to 5:30 pm; Healing Segment: 5:30 to 5:45 pm; Intermission Shanachie & Snacks; DJ Set w/Live Vocals: 6:15 to 7 pm. 50 South \$10: ages 18+ welcome. Street.

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and seasonal positions

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April 15

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May 6

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could have / should have been listed here

or under another day's heading?

Email us! Send copy-and-paste text,

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Monday for Thursday's publication!

Friends of the Willits Library's Spring Book

390 East Commercial Street, or call Melinda:

Dave Pierce solo at

Brickhouse: Guitarist/Vocalist

Coffee, 3 South Main Street.

Blue Luke at Shanachie:

"Blue Luke" Andrews is a

prodigy guitarist, born and

raised in Dos Rios, Mendocino

County: "Imagine a band that

Library

**Spring Book Sale** 

April 21 st- 23rd

Friday, April 21

Sale: This weekend at the

Willits Library conference

room from 10 am to 5 pm on

Friday, April 21, Saturday

April 22, and Sunday April

23. On Sunday all books

will be only \$3 a bag. Come

# Saturday, April 22

Friends of the Willits Library's Spring Book Sale: 10 am to 5 pm Saturday, April 22 at the Willits Library. See Friday, April 21 listing for more

WHS Boosters Club Quarter Auction: A Dinner & Quarter Auction plus a no-host bar fundraiser for the Willits High School Boosters Club. All-in paddle \$40; \$5 paddle only; paddles

details

are purchased at the door. Taco Dinner, \$15/ plate; hosted by Baechtel Grove Eighth Grade Class. Saturday, April 22 at the Willits Senior Center, 2502 Baechtel Road. Dinner: 6 pm; Auction: 7 pm.

Helene Eve at Shanachie: Singer Songwriter / Guitarist Helene Even plays "Bluesy, jazzy, funky, contemporary pop, country, folk and many originals – a variety of styles - all in one night. Saturday, April 22 Fri April 21st 10 am to 5pm Sat April 22nd 10 am to 5 pm Sun April 23rd 10 am to 3 pm at 8 pm at Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street.

#### Sunday, April 23

Friends of the Willits Library's Spring Book Sale: 10 am to 5 pm Sunday, April 22 at the Willits Library. \$3 for a bag of books today. See Friday, April 21 listing for more details.

## **Ongoing Events**

Dave Pierce does a Third Art Under 20: 24th annual exhibit Friday of the month solo show celebrating student artists, from Willits at Brickhouse Coffee, Friday, High School, Willits Charter School and April 21, 11:30 am to 2 pm. Potter Valley High School. Works in An afternoon of songs in a painting, printmaking and drawing, and variety of styles - Light Jazz, also in woodworking and welding. Willits Americana, '60s and '70s Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Pop-Rock, Singer/Songwriter, Street. Show runs through April 30; Folk, and originals. Brickhouse galleries open Friday through Sunday, 11 am to 5 pm.

> Living Jukebox at Brickhouse: Join Richard "Tootreese" Jeske and Don Willis for some songs you might know, from rock to country to R&B. Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 12 to 2 pm at Brickhouse Coffee, corner of Main Street and

Commercial. Brown Bag Lunch Program:

Sack lunches served at the City Park (or across the street in case of rain) every Saturday from 1 to 2 pm. Come early to be assured a lunch! Provided by various churches and community organizations.

Shuffleboard Sunday at Flying Dog Wood Fired Pizza & Vinyl: "Sign-ups start at 4 pm. Game starts at 4:45 pm. \$5 sign-up fee, teams of two, winner takes the pot! We'll have the games

on all day. Beer, wine, pizza, we've got everything you need!" Flying Dog Wood Pizza, 65 South Main Street.

# Shanachie Pub

#### **Ongoing Events** Shanachie Pub, 50B South Main Street

Open Mic Night. Every Wednesday. Sign up for the lottery for 20-minute time slots from 3 pm, when the Pub opens, to 7:30 pm. Music starts at 8 pm. "An eclectic array of local musicians and performers from around the world, often turning into an evening full of unexpected surprises." Saturday Scramble: Every 2nd and 4th Saturday

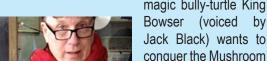
from 3 to 6 pm, hosted by Tyler B. Bring any instrument you can play and sign up to perform a 15-minute set with other local musicians. "Meet new musicians, discover new genres and explore your creativity!" Tyler Grass & The Sherwood Mountain Boys:

Held third and fifth Thursday evening in March at 7 pm. "Come check out some of our favorite locals playing bluegrass & more!"

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



The Story: You've played the computer game! Now see the animated Hollywood Movie! The evil blackmagic bully-turtle King



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King Bowser is in love

# Dan Essman

with Princess Peaches (Anya Taylor-Joy), the ruler of the Mushroom People. The independent Brooklyn plumbing contractors Mario (Chris Pratt) and Luigi (Charlie Day) aka the Mario Bros. pledge to aid the enchantingly beautiful Princess Peaches in her defense of her mushroom-

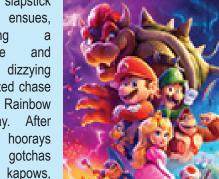
headed people. Also, to help her stay single. Along the way, Donkey Kong (Seth Rogen) and his gorilla followers ally themselves with Mario and Luigi. Much silly slapstick action ensues, includina massive and quite dizzying motorized chase on a Rainbow Highway. After many

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# **Ongoing Events**

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

# Story Time: Tuesday through Friday each

week, 10:30 to 11 am. "Start your morning listening to a story. Join us in the children's area of the library."

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

Open Source Design, Artistic Expression, and Engineering Club: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3 to 4:30 pm. "Open to everyone with an interest in open source and everyone who wants to develop their creative and engineering skills."

LEGO Club: Tuesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 pm. "It is LEGO time at the library. Bring your imagination and start building."

Writer's Block Group: Wednesdays, from 11 am to noon. "Open to young-adult and adult writers to share their ideas and writings in an environment of supportive and creative suggestions and feedback." Hosted by Librarian Benjamin MacBean. Willits Library meeting room.

Games at the Library: First and third Fridays of the month (and fifth Friday, March 31, this month!), 4 to 5:30 pm. "Calling all board, card and tabletop role-playing game players! All ages and player levels welcome. Bring your own games to add to the fun!"

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



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Healthcare and Wellness Talks, Herbalists, Naturopath, Functional Medicine, Body care and Body treatments, Food Vendors, Education

April 30th, 2023, from 11 am to 3 pm Little Lake Grange, 291 School St, Willits, CA 95490 A fundraiser for the Little Lake Grange. For info call 707 371 6103



from 11 am to 1 pm, and 0) from 4 to 6 pm, at the Ukiah campus, Hensley Creek Info: www.mendocino.edu or "Mendocino College Career Hub" on Facebook.



on Seaweed," a panel discussion and presentation. Hillary Renick (Noyo), Eric Wilder (Kashaya Pomo), and Meyo Marrufo (Robinson Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians) will each share their thoughts about aspects of seaweed important to North Coast Native cultures. The event is free with Museum admission: \$5 general; \$12 per family; \$4 for students and seniors; and free to members, Native Americans, and standing military personnel. Museum, 431 South Main Street, Ukiah is open 10 am to 4:30 pm on Saturday. The current exhibit: "The Curious World of Seaweed," features the luminous work of seaweed artist Josie Iselin [and] explores the surprising science and history behind seaweed, along with the longstanding connections indigenous peoples have to this plant, and the human impact that threatens its existence." Info: www.gracehudsonmuseum.org or call (707) 467-2836.



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

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

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

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



Bros become much beloved superheroes. My Thoughts:

Why do we want famous actors voicing the characters in so many Hollywood cartoons? What does their fame add? Do

we need A-List actors such as Jack Black or Seth Rogen or Anya Taylor-Joy for our enjoyment? Who cares? Who goes to see an animated flick because of them.

Consider the legendary Mel Blanc. Unquestionably, Mel Blanc is the greatest character actor in animated film history. He is the voice of Bugs Bunny, Daffy Duck, Porky Pig, Tweety, Sylvester, Elmer Fudd and the list goes on, and on, and on.

Except for our admiration, we film lovers did not care that all those quirky easily identifiable voices came from just one self-effacing man. So phooey to the movie star nonsense.

Parents: This flick is rated PG. I think some of Bowser's minions are quite scary for little children. Some of these toothy hyper-aggressive creatures will show up in children's dreams. I'd say ages 8 and up

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

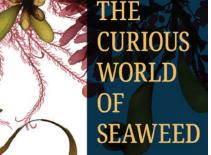


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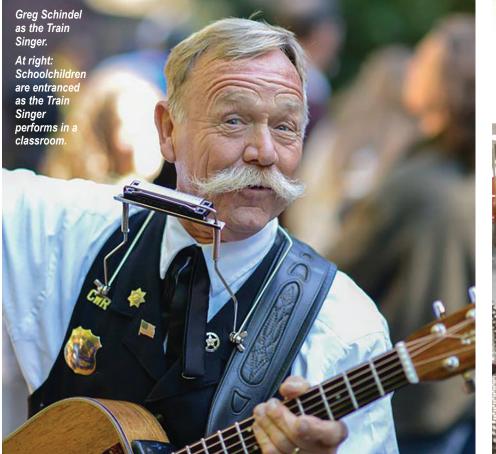
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# **'Feel the Love'**

## Locals organize benefit for medical expenses for Train Singer Greg Schindel

As part of an ongoing effort to help the much-beloved The Sherwood Mountain community member, musician, teacher, friend and Train Boys, Devi Genouone, Singer Greg Schindel in his battle with cancer, a special Richard Jeske and Co., "Feel The Love" fundraiser will be Kyle Madrigal, Malakai

held on Sunday, April 16, from 2 to

7 pm at the Willits Center for the Arts

Schindel, and

performances!

be the auctioneer.

Those who attend can look

group collaborations and

Admission will be \$10

with additional donations

welcome, and longtime

event organizer Pooba will

Since Greg's wife, Donna,

announced his diagnosis

in an online post in late

March, there has been a

tremendous outpouring

of love and support in the

community and beyond to

stage 4 metastatic prostate

A GoFundMe page which

Donna and the family put up

led to an enormous response

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to contribute to medical bills and forward to some fun-filled expenses The event will include an auction and live music

performances with many local favorites.

Donations of items for the auction can be given through April 14, some of which will be bid on in silent auction style and some live at the event – all of the proceeds will go to Greg and his family.

Those with items to donate can drop them off from 3 to 9 pm Thursday, April 13 and Friday, April 14 at Shanachie Pub (459-9194) or Flying Dog Pizza (459-4747), or send emails to rosiewagenet@gmail.com with photos and descriptions of what you're wanting to donate. Gift certificates for goods and services are also very much welcome as donations.

People can also contact Cyndee Logan at 707-972-3736 help Greg in his battle with for questions and information regarding the benefit.

cancer. Hal Wagenet, one of the lead organizers of the event, said that donations are still coming in, but some of the high-ticket items for the live auction so far include a Dean Jumbo Cutaway Rosewood guitar from Hal's collection, a Pacific FS series drum set, an antique Mauser musket made in 1891, a Model 1312 Ovation guitar, a two-day and emotional support, and overnight bed & breakfast stay at the Seabiscuit ranch, a two-family overnight campout at the Wagenet pond catered by Brickhouse Coffee, and a Lazy Boy Lift chair.

For the silent auction, many locals and businesses have donated a variety of items and services to the cause, including art, photo shoots, food, a wine rack with wine included, guitar luthier work, haircuts, a fruit press, handmade afghans, various gift certificates, and more.





numerous comments of praise and love coming from locals who have known Greg strangers, who have shown us immeasurable kindness for many years, as well as from others who saw him in their and generosity.

travels performing as the Train Singer on the Skunk Train. Hal Wagenet has been friends with Greg for several The rest of From page 1 **MMIWP** 

you can call Elizabeth at 707-654-5918 for more information.

Diana Billy-Elliott, vice chairwoman for the Hopland Band of Pomo Indians, spoke first during public comments at Tuesday's board meeting regarding the MMIWP proclamation.

"This is something that we feel is very, very important for the county to have the awareness of," she said. "A lot of times our people go missing and are murdered at rates that are much higher than any other race, and we don't get the attention through the media and the news as many others do. So for me, this is a step in the right direction, to have Mendocino County have the awareness past of the missing and murdered indigenous women and people.

"We stand with and we honor our families and all of our communities that have had loved ones that have gone missing or have been murdered, and we always want to make sure that we're keeping them in our thoughts and our prayers," she continued. "When this happens to one of our tribal communities, it happens to all of us. And again, we are members of this community, and to have this recognized and moving forward and for years to come, it really means a lot to me."

The county proclamation touched on several troubling statistics related to the MMIWP issue.

"According to the National Criminal Justice Training Center Missing and Murdered Native Women are two and a half times more likely to experience violent crimes," it read, "and two times more likely to experience rape or sexual assault crimes in their lifetime, and make up 40% of victims of sex trafficking.

The same justice center also found that "1.5 million American Indian/Alaskan Native Women, more than four-fifths of them, have already experienced violence in their lifetime, and homicide is the 3rd leading cause of death among 10- to 24-year-olds and the 5th leading cause of death among 25- to 34-year-olds.... Unidentified persons statistics from 2022 accounted for 5,487 Indigenous Missing Person incidents; 4,251 of those under the age of 20; 1,236 over the age of 21. and at the end of 2022, 1,593 of the cases things," said Kendall. "A few things that have were still open.'

"The County of Mendocino is committed to commemorating the lives of missing and murdered indigenous people whose cases are documented and undocumented in public records and the media, and demonstrate solidarity with the families of victims in light of those tragedies," the proclamation stated, "and recognizes there is more work to be done to address this nationwide we help you?' And we had some horrific crimes crisis."

Deborah Ramirez is the tribal chairwoman for the Little River Band of Pomo Indians, and shelter director for Project Sanctuary, a domestic violence and sexual assault prevention and response program in Ukiah. She also spoke in support of the proclamation at the meeting.

"We want to acknowledge the domestic violence and the sexual assault that happens to our women and our children and our men and families when

Jabez W. Churchill, who works for the Pinoleville vehicle in the west-bound lane, Pomo Nation as a behavioral specialist, talked of nearly striking it head on. a tradic experience that occurred in his life many

years ago. "My first awareness of the issue that we're here dave for is from 1973," he said. "My girlfriend's body however, lost sight was found in an orchard up here. And that wound of the vehicle after is still open. So this is not a new issue, it's one it ran a red light that's long gone insufficiently addressed. And it's turnina north on late, but I'm glad that you are focused on it now. North Main Street. Thank you so much.'

While the area, the WPD Another who spoke asked for a moment of sergeant located silence for those whose lives had been lost in the the vehicle near the intersection of

"My name's Priest Martinez, and I'm a human State Street and being above all first, and I just want to make sure Humboldt Street. that we recognize that just losing life, it shouldn't

take that much to get to where we are today," he As the sergeant said. "And so if we can have a moment of silence and all of us stand. We've got to recognize those victims that we have from the past and give them our respect, that's why we're here, for them. And driver was walking away from the then for the future we ask that the creator takes us vehicle west-bound in the 100 block to the place where we need to be so we can work of State Street. with each other."

Board Chair Glenn McGourty was clearly emotionally moved after hearing these testimonials. and his voice broke a bit as he expressed the county's solidarity for the cause.

"I'd just like to say we can't fix old hurts, but we can go forward and try to prevent bad things from happening," he said. "We're very much partners with you, you can see that our board is in solidarity with you as part of our effort to keep our community safe, and that means everybody. Either everybody counts or nobody does."

The MMIWP proclamation was sponsored by Second District Supervisor Maureen Mulheren and the Sheriff-Coroner's Office. Mendocino County Sheriff Matt Kendall said that he sees the relationship between tribal communities and county law enforcement as being very positive in recent years.

"I would like to thank a lot of our tribal leaders coming in who have worked with me on various happened this year and in the past couple of years, we've been working a lot on the MMIWP projects. The communications between tribes and local government, I don't believe it's ever been

"Every time that I call during an emergency," he went on, "and we ask for something the answer is, 'Yes, and now what is the question, and how can last year that were almost immediately solved due to a good working relationship with our tribal partners and tribal governments. They picked up the phone and let us know what was going on and where, and I really appreciate this and I appreciate the partnership that we have."

#### National Dispatchers Week

Kendall also spoke about another proclamation passed by the board on Tuesday, recognizing April 9-15 as "National Public Safety Telecommunicators we talk about the missing and murdered," she

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without incident. The driver and solo occupant of the vehicle was identified as Kimberly Livingston The vehicle then fled west at a (41, Fort Bragg). She was taken into

high rate of speed. The sergeant custody for CVC 10851(a)- Vehicle chase. Theft, CVC 2800.2

- Felony Vehicle Pursuit, and PC 245(c) - Assault with a deadly weapon on a peace officer.

Department would like to thank the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office for their response and

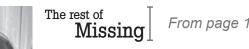
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Kimberly Livingston of Fort Bragg. assistance with this approached the matter vehicle, a witness

in the area pointed out to him the Editor's Note: As per the Mendocino County Jail booking log on Wednesday afternoon, Livingston was still being held on \$50,000 bond

for the three felony charges. The driver was taken into custody





check their exterior-facing security cameras from Monday, March 27 at 11:15 am to the current date in an attempt to locate any footage of the missing man.

Mendocino County Search & Rescue Team deployed to the Brooktrails subdivision to search for Hsieh on March 29 and March 30.

Anyone with any information is urged to call the Sheriff's Office 24hour dispatch center at 707-463-4086

Above and below: Mendocino County Search & Rescue team members, with local and regional mutual aid partners, assemble in Brooktrails on March 30 before resuming their search for Riley Hsieh. At left: Riley Hsieh, missing since Monday, March 27.



Some of the musicians who are scheduled to play at the event, along with Greg who is planning to perform, are Hal Wagenet and Nicole Aguilar, Mitchell Holman,



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On Facebook and in messages to me, Greg expressed his appreciation for all the support.

"The outpouring of loving kindness and healing thoughts and prayers have been like being in a current of love washing away my fears and tears (not all of them)," he said on Facebook. "Healing prayers back at each and every one of you. We can't thank enough. Never ending gratitude."

While many generously donated to that GoFundMe effort, the ongoing medical expenses and need for support continue. Donna said the best way to donate at this point is through the Feel The Love benefit event.

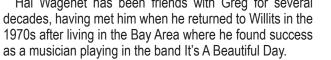
As Donna described in her original post on the GoFundMe page, Greg's cancer "is advanced and aggressive," and with just Medicare and no supplemental insurance, the hormone therapy, radiation treatments, and other expenses quickly exhausted their initial savings.

Donna also said in a March 30 update that Greg was diagnosed with an abdominal aortic aneurysm, and will likely need to have surgery at a hospital in San Francisco.

"We are so grateful for the overwhelming response to the GoFundMe, as our road has now gotten more steep and difficult," she said in that post. "We are blessed to have a loving community of supportive family, friends and even

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"Greg really is a local icon and has brought nothing but joy and harmony into our lives here over a period of about 40 years," said Hal.

He also talked about how he saw Greg's Train Singer persona come into fruition in the early years.

"When Greg makes a song part of his repertoire, he can deliver that song, and it will be delivered flawlessly and with great personality, a good intro, and a curly mustache all the way," he said.

On the GoFundMe page Donna described some of Greg's life and how he has impacted the community and the world

> "Greg created and became the persona of Train Singer," she said. "His famous mustache, sparkling smile, and kind face have welcomed folks aboard the California Western Railroad Skunk Train since 1988. [He] has brought joy and smiles to thousands of people from around the world!'

Greg has Read the rest of also written Over on page 12 Schindel and played

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said. "That's why Project Sanctuary is here, to acknowledge that domestic violence and sexual assault are a big part of this horrific crime against our communities.

Another proclamation approved by the supervisors on Tuesday was to recognize April 2023 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month in Mendocino County.'

Jena Conner, deputy director of Family and Children Services for the county, spoke in support of this proclamation, and for the MMIWP one as well

"April is time to highlight that preventing child abuse and neglect takes a community," she said. "Friends, neighbors, parents, caregivers, business leaders, elected officials, educators, community organizations, tribes, and county departments all have a role to play in building right, safe and successful futures for the children and youth of Mendocino County

"Communities benefit when children and families are supported, and prevention cannot and does not happen alone, it takes all of us," she added. "Just as it takes all of us to prevent child abuse and neglect, it also takes all of us to stop the violence against indigenous women and people, many of whom are parents. Their disappearance or murder has caused irreparable trauma to their children and families. Thank you for bringing awareness to both of these important issues."

A couple people who spoke at the meeting in support of the MMIWP proclamation talked of very personal losses that they and their families had suffered.

Patricia Ray Franklin of the Scott's Valley Band and Round Valley Band of Pomo Indians, said she was named after her Aunt "Patsy" who had been murdered.

"I know many native families," she said. "I think nearly all of our native families were touched by this atrocity in our native communities, and it's unfortunate. But what I really wanted to share today is that I'm really thankful to you for bringing this forward and doing this proclamation, because, you know, it's a start, and we need to start somewhere. So it's a sad thing, but also there's progress here with all of you having an open heart and an open mind to do something about this. So thank you."

(Dispatchers) Week in Mendocino County" Kendall had high praise for the dispatchers who work for the county, as did the dispatch manager,

MCSO Lieutenant Quincy Cromer. "These are a very unique breed of people that we have that work for our county, and it's my privilege to brag about them this morning and call attention to the work they do on a regular basis," said Cromer. "We have 12 dispatchers that work in our dispatch center, and two supervisors, and they answer over 82,000 calls a year that come into our dispatch center. That's over 6,700 calls per dispatcher, per year. They're very overworked.

"Many times when the community calls our dispatch center, that is the first contact that anyone has with our county," he continued. "And they are very professional multitaskers, they do things same time. They have eight different computer screens, many different radio channels and countless telephone lines that ring at any moment.

"Their main focus is to maintain the safety of the community and the safety of our members that are out in the public, including our deputy sheriffs and sergeants," Cromer continued. "And they do that every single day to make sure they all get to go home at night and to help get the resources to those that need them in the community."

Sheriff Kendall said that the 82,905 total number of calls to the dispatch center last year does not include "radio traffic coming from patrol vehicles, from the Department of Fish and Wildlife, from CalFire and other people that we dispatch for." He also said 16,642 of the dispatch center calls were 911 emergency calls, and 66,263 came in directly "on the business lines."

"Dispatchers speak with people during the worst moments of their life," said Kendall. "They walk people through when a child goes missing, they walk people through giving CPR, they walk people through things that are just mind-boggling to me."

Other Mendocino County proclamations passed from the Consent Calendar by the supervisors included recognizing April 16-22 as "Volunteer Appreciation Week," April 23-29 as "Crime Victims/ Rights Week," April 22 as Earth Day, and April 2023 as "Alcohol Awareness Month." Links to all the proclamations can be found on the April 11 Agenda link at www.mendocinocounty.org

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every day that many of us cannot manage at the includes: Savings Bank of Mendocino County, GRID Alternatives, City of Ukiah, US Cellular, Mendocino College HR Department, Mendocino County Youth Project, Special Education Department, SSU. C&S Waste Solutions, Mendocino County Office of Education, The Works, Inc., Adventist Health, CareerPoint North Bay - Mendocino, MCHC Health Centers, DripWorks METALfx, Mendocino County Human Resources, CHP – Ukiah, COPE Health Scholars, NCO Head Start Child Development Program, Geiger's Markets, Redwood Valley Calpella Fire District, Compass SLS & ILS, Mendocino County Sheriff's Office, Scotts Valley Tribal TANF, Lake County Behavioral Health Services, Sherwood Valley Casino, Rocky Point Care Center, Mendocino Coast Clinics, Granite Construction, Lakeport Post Acute,

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Above, left: Former Brooktrails director Tony Orth adds his knowledge of the department. Above, right: Fire Chief Jon Noyer tells attendees about the needs of the department as Chad George and Steven Duran accompany him. Below: Duty Officer Steven Duran gives tours of the equipment in the bays.



At left: Brooktrails Township Manager Tamara the Polaris UTV so versatile in rescues.

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Alaniz and fellow-Rotarian Helen Simms enjoy a light moment while listening to the specifications of the department. At left, below: This is where the Brooktrails Fire Department wants to build a second small bay to house rescue equipment. Below: A view of some of the modular attachments that make

Photos by Mathew Caine



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# Needed Improvements

Brooktrails Fire Department holds open house to discuss proposed assessment increase

What if there was a fire and nobody could come because the department was underfunded, not enough volunteers could get time off work, or the equipment was old and needed replacing to work correctly. So far, Brooktrails has been lucky.

Like most small-town fire departments, they have a lot of needs and challenges but they have, through hard work and knowledge and perseverance, been able to meet all the calls, be they for fires, automobile accidents, or any other traumatic

events that require trained professionals to respond in order to mitigate damage and / or injury. Mathew Caine

These mostly volunteers put their time and lives on the nathew@willitsweekly.com line and now are asking the residents of Brooktrails to authorize an extra assessment each year, an extra \$16 per month to help keep the

department in tip-top shape, replace aging machinery, build a new extra bay, and help hire the full-time staff needed so the department is able to respond adequately.

Brooktrails held an open house for residents to ask questions and speak on the proposed assessments and rates. As part of the open house, Brooktrails Fire Department Chief Jon Noyer, along with Duty Officer Steven Duran and firefighter Chad George, gave a tour of the equipment and the bays where the engines and other equipment are housed.

Nover showed the area where a new building is desired, which will house some of the emergency supplemental equipment (small engine, water tender, UTV) that is currently squeezed into the old bays with very little room to work. The building, according to code, would have to be built at least five feet from the existing structure. Nover stated that it is difficult to estimate how much such an edifice would cost due to the rate of inflation. He also mentioned that it was cold in the office because the heater gave out.

"It's the original heater," explained Nover. "There's no air conditioning except for the chief's office and the staff office. On hot days, and it does get hot here, the training room is unbearable. We have a garage door that was replaced last year and the one next to it will probably need to be replaced soon."

In addition to immediate repair needs, "We need to build our reserves," Nover continued. "Right now, to buy fire apparatus, you're looking at a three-to-five-year wait. Vendors are coming back to the buyers and asking for more money because of the cost of doing business. One vendor asked for an additional \$100,000 for an \$800,000 build. It's hard for us to budget what we need to spend, with inflation affecting the cost of the items we are waiting to be built. \$500,000 today could be \$750,000 down the road."

"Right now, we're going with three in various positions of rank and experience," explained Noyer. "The goal is to get us to be adequate with rank so our firefighter would be a duty officer who Read the rest of would be able to take control of Over on page 12 Brooktrails

One of the biggest challenges in this local fire department is the availability of

he district on their shift. That's

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WW428 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER **ESTATE OF: WALTER RONALD HAYNES** Case No. 23PR00044

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of Walter Ronald Havnes:

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Robert A. Sanchez in the Superior Court of California, County of Mendocino. The Petition for Probate requests that Robert A. Sanchez

be appointed as Personal Representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The Petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any,

be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows

Date: May 12, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. In Dept. E of the Mendocino County Superior Court, located at 100 N. State St., Ukiah, California 95482.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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

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Director Maples, Kitchen Supervisor Tracy Crippen, and Catering head Kristin Gilmore-Myers have been working with the crew, gaining momentum and adjusting to the number of patrons. Even with the rainy weather dampening some assumed attendance, the crew now feels confident that with the warmer weather, practice in place, and lessened restrictions, they're ready.

Breakfast will be served from 7 to 10 am, and includes wellness staples like vegan sausage, eggs, oatmeal and the like, but also a daily "Chef's Special" dish which could include waffles, pancakes, croissant sandwiches, breakfast 3 to 6 pm. burritos. French toast or omelets.

Hot cups of coffee are also available again - Maples noted that Roots is now serving Thanksgiving Coffee, but not just any regular blend, but a custom Roots blend.

"We love that some members of the community just want to come in, grab a cup of coffee, and hang out with their friends or other members of the community, spending some time catching up with one another," said Maples.

Lunch is the main jam in the Roots kitchen, and will be served from 11 am to 2 pm, and there will always be a meat and vegan-friendly choice offered each day. Some recent and upcoming April lunch dishes have included: teriyaki bowls with meat or veggie protein; open-faced turkey sandwiches; crispy Asian chicken salad; salmon and portobellos; steak fajitas; chicken parmesan; Thai beef, and a baked ziti pasta. Tuesdays always have a Mexican theme, and not just tacos, but steak nachos, chicken enchiladas, and other meaty and veggie options.

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All applications due by Friday, April 28. Questions: 707-459-1400 000000000

Dinner offerings are when the team gets to be creative and come up with dishes which use the day's surplus items they have on hand, making sure to use up and not waste the ingredients in the fridge or pantry. Dinner is served from

Even with the local ingredients and wide variety of options, Roots prides themselves on offering a low-cost option for dining in, or taking food to go.

"We offer a well-rounded breakfast for usually less than \$12, and a tasty and fresh lunch or dinner for usually less than \$10!" said Maples. "We're cheaper than going out elsewhere in town."

Maples also encouraged anyone interested in becoming a cook or joining the Roots team to keep an eye out on the Adventist Health Howard Memorial Health website where job openings are posted as positions become available.

Roots Restaurant is located on the eastern end of Adventist Health Howard Memorial's main building located at 1 Marcella Drive. More info: 707-459-6801 and watch for upcoming posts of the monthly menus on the Adventist Health Howard Memorial Facebook page: www.facebook. com/AHHowardMemorial.

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# Tickets available for Sober Grad Tri-Tip Dinner

#### Submitted by Willits Sober Grad

Tickets for the annual Tri-Tip Dinner to benefit the Sober Grad Party are now on sale! This dinner is not to be missed!

It's a "Dinner for 4": a whole, perfectly marinated and barbequed tri tip by Jenn Drew's excellent BBQ crew; 4 baked potatoes donated by Cattlemen's Restaurant w/sour cream and butter; a loaf of fresh bread made by Tam and Kashya Adams of Emandal; salad for 4 with dressing from Mariposa Market ; 4 yummy cookies made by Kay Moen of Moen Medical Billing; and a rose from Flowers by Annette!

You couldn't ask for anything more delicious, and it's all for only \$60! It's also a DRIVE THROUGH, so you don't even have to get out of your car! Pick up is on Friday, April 21 at the Willits High School Ag Farm from 4 to 6 pm.

Tickets are limited, and the dinner is by pre-sale only. You can purchase your ticket from one of the following: Cat's Meow, Karen in the Willits High School office, or from many seniors. For more information contact Linda at Cat's Meow, 707-459-6201.

Other donors who make this amazing dinner a reality are: Cantua Insurance donated all the salad components; foil and sour cream have been donated by the Sheriff's Office; Loose Caboose donated all of the containers; Ukiah Paper Supply donated the bags; the butter is being purchased by a senior parent; and another parent worked with Geiger's Market in Laytonville to donate 150 pounds of tri tip which represents about 50 tri tips!

It does take a village or four! All of this has been accomplished by board member Rachel Cash! Thank you to all!!



Above: WHS Class of 2023 seniors show off flyers for the annual Sober Grad drive-through dinner, including, from left: Alexa Nunez, Isabela Lopez-Mora, Sheyla Sanchez, Gracie Bouthillier, Kayla Jimenez, and Grant Forrester.

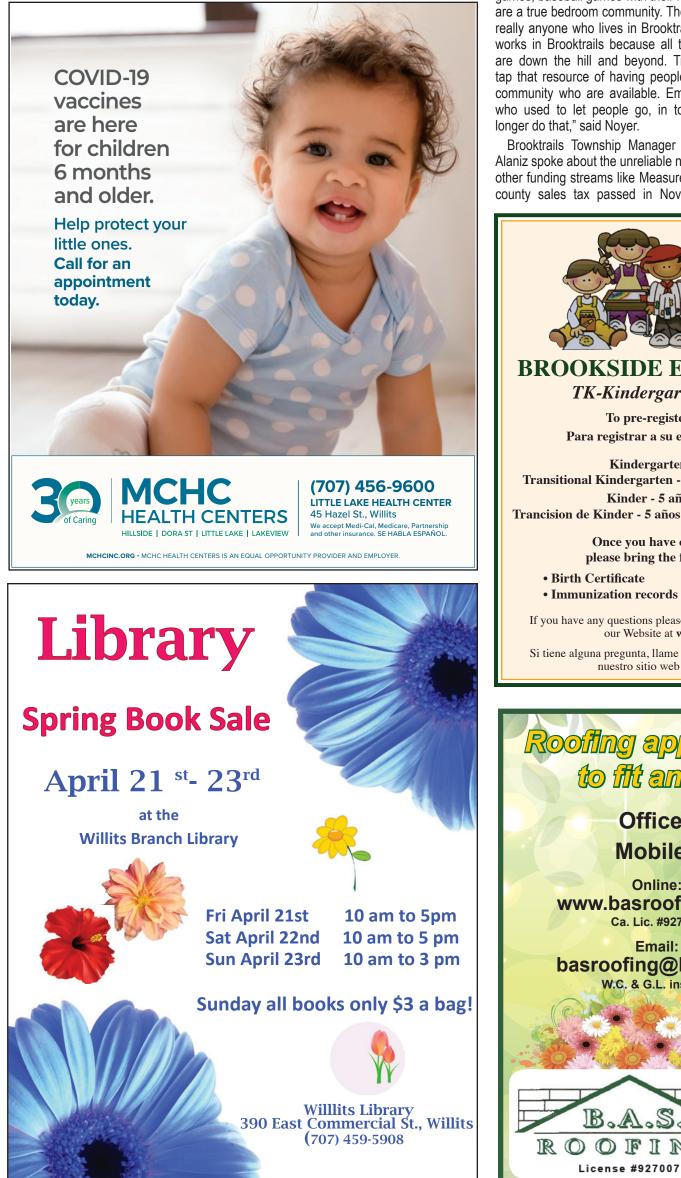


Photo courtesy Willits Sober Grad



his original music with the "Northern California Transcendental Folk Jazz" group Kindred Souls, which has featured his son Malakai and daughter Heidi plaving and singing alongside him over the years.

In addition he's been a teacher and performing arts director in the Willits Unified School District, director of hymns and music for 35 years at the St. Francis in the Redwoods Episcopal Church, and a regular contributor to the local radio station KLLG with his fun and boisterous show "The Bipolar Express."

On a personal note, I count myself as someone who has been fortunate to get to know Greg over the years, and he has always inspired me with his amazing sense of humor, huge generous heart, and wonderful music.

I encourage all that can help him in this time of need for him and his family to do so. Hope to see you all this Sunday for "Feel The Love"!

"I really don't know what to say except I'm overwhelmed by all the loving kindness, healing thoughts, prayers, and support," Greg told me in a message. "It's beautiful! Willits community is buoying me up out of periods of dark thoughts. I am completely overwhelmed by the loving community in which we live. I am grateful for the opportunity to publicly thank everyone in person on Sunday. Also a couple of tunes. I welcome anyone who wants to join in the music."

Fire Department



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#### something we're working towards.

"Steven [Duran] and I are both qualified to take over the district. We're about six months away from being able to hire anyone else. Finding and hiring people is hard. Quite honestly, people who have the experience and knowledge that we want aren't really reachable.

"We do a lot of in-house training. Volunteers are few and far between. The volunteers that we do get have soccer games, baseball games with their kids. We are a true bedroom community. There isn't really anyone who lives in Brooktrails that works in Brooktrails because all the jobs are down the hill and beyond. Trying to tap that resource of having people in the community who are available. Employers who used to let people go, in town, no longer do that," said Noyer.

Brooktrails Township Manager Tamara Alaniz spoke about the unreliable nature of other funding streams like Measure P (the county sales tax passed in November):

"Good luck on the Measure P funds. We don't know how much we're getting. We haven't received it. We don't have estimates except what the Fire District Association has put together. We lost our share of the cannabis tax. We are in the waiting mode for Measure P, if it fruits as the essential services tax to Mendocino County General Fund."

Although the Brooktrails Fire Department can really utilize the extra proposed funds, "If it doesn't pass, we will still provide the high-level service we have been able to provide," said Noyer. "It might be reduced. There is a lot of uncertainty about the external funding we get from the county. This is our way of securing funding for this department and this department only. It can't be used anywhere else. It can't go to the water department or parks and rec. It is solely for the fire department; for operations, for staffing, and putting funding away for equipment and equipment replacement."



#### BROOKSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL **TK-Kindergarten Registration Now Open**

To pre-register go to www.willitsunified.com Para registrar a su estudiante ve a www.willitsunified.com

Kindergarten - age 5 by September 1, 2023 Transitional Kindergarten - age 5 between Sept. 2, 2023 and April 2, 2024 Kinder - 5 años antes de Septiembre 1, 2023 Trancision de Kinder - 5 años en medio de Septiembre 2, 2023 a Abril 2, 2024

> Once you have completed the online registration, please bring the following documents to Brookside:

- Birth Certificate
- Certificado de nacimiento
- Registros de inmunización (vaccunas)

If you have any questions please call the Brookside office at (707) 459-5385 or visit our Website at www.willitsunified.com/o/brookside

Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a la oficina de Brookside al (707) 459-5385 or visite nuestro sitio web www.willitsunified.com/o/brookside



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