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Supes OK fee hikes

for cannabis, parks, and more

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On a 3-2 vote, supervisors on Tuesday approved a bundle of fee adjustments for the departments of mental health, environmental health, the Cultural Services Agency and the cannabis unit.

"No" votes were cast by Third District Supervisor John Haschak and Fifth District Supervisor Ted Williams.

Most of the fees were increases, some of more than 100 percent.

The most controversial fee adjustments concerned

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Supes revise draft coast cannabis ordinances

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Supervisors on Tuesday reviewed and revised two new draft ordinances which, when approved, will regulate cannabis cultivation and cannabis facilities in the county's coastal zone.

The ordinances do not affect cannabis cultivation or cannabis facilities in the town of Mendocino. That town is governed by the board of supervisors and the Mendocino Town Plan.

The documents represent a major shift from

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Willits men held in Subway robbery

Two Willits men are in county jail after being arrested last week on suspicion of robbing an Ukiah Subway store in early December 2018.

Police found 20-yearold Dorian Michael Coon collapsed outside a Pear Tree Shopping Center store after having been seriously wounded by an armed civilian during the robbery of the North Orchard Avenue, Ukiah, sandwich shop shortly before 7:30

Coon had allegedly brandished a firearm at store patrons during the robbery, according to a Ukiah Police Department press release. The firearm was later identified by police as a BB gun that closely resembled a pistol.

Coon's alleged partner in

Read more of Robbery

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Above: Apple blossoms and late summer-feeling sunshine – what can be better? Below, left: These alliums were just beginning to pop open Tuesday in the warm weather. Below, right: Lavender lilacs are already emitting their lovely fragrance in the afternoon breeze.

Willits' Bloom Boom

Sunshine and a good soaked earth makes summer feel very close

Sunshine and a well-soaked earth makes summer feel very close The first few days of this last week of April sure has warmed the bones and branches of flora and fauna in the Willits valley – not to mention the moods of many humans, too. The few hot days have kicked the blooms into overdrive, with apple and pear trees showing their best, and the lovely lilac bushes, tulips, alliums, camellias and even some irises starting to show their pretty petals. Along with the warm weather, finally having the area reservoirs filled up and over-capacity with the winter rains helps to create hope that the drought its really over. However, even with the reported 50 to 60 inches of rain this year at various locations around Willits, there's still plenty of reason to take

heed of fire safety and prepare your property for the late summer months. On Saturday, May 4, Sherwood Firewise is hosting a Fire Safe Expo at the Brooktrails Community Center from 10 am to 5 pm. The theme of this event is "Be Prepared for Fire Season." Read more about the event on page 11 and check out Willits Weekly's rain box on page 2 – will this week's report be the last of the 2018/19 rain season?

– Maureen Moore



Baechtel Grove Middle School: 'constant fix and repair'

About 300 sixth- through eighth-graders go to Baechtel Grove Middle School.

And, not unlike what most agree is the middle school and middle child experience

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itself, the school
has some tough
issues to deal

with that haven't been getting enough attention.

"It's unlike other schools ... very different than the high school," said Willits Unified Superintendent Mark Westerburg. "The problems here are everywhere here. Every room in the structural part of the building needs repair.

"It's a 60-year-old campus ... [and] it's time for a facelift," he said.

First up for building-wide repair is

– everywhere the roof overhangs the building's walls.

Pointing to "water coming out of the wood," Westerburg commented, "it's all rotted wood below the eaves.

"We have to fix the water damage ... take the gutters off and pull the wood off," he said. "All the soffits and drains in the entire building need replacing.... It's going to cost a lot."

Next up is plumbing – both inside and outside, throughout the building.

"No sinks work in the art room," said Westerburg. "And no sinks work in the [three] science rooms ... [where] there's supposed to be one per table."

The problem with the sinks is actually an "outside problem ... [created by] rusted and broken pipes" that bring the water into the building, he said. "We have to put new lines in."

Unfortunately, some of the "rusted broken" pipes are now located under asphalt.

These hard-to-get-at pipes were put in the ground "back in the day before the portables," he said, referring to the portable buildings on the campus.

And "back in the day" there was grass overlaying the pipes. After "the portables" the grass gave way to asphalt.

Asphalt itself is also a school-wide problem, with "sidewalk issues all over the place," said Westerburg.

is "super-high windows."

Again, "back in the day," walls

Another major building-wide issue

Again, "back in the day," walls of mostly windows were popular to

The rest of BGMS From Pa





Above, left: Superintendent Mark Westerburg points to a water-damaged eave, typical of the entire Baechtel Grove Middle School building. Above, right: This small quad area would be "a nice outdoor space if it was cleaned up, fixed up," said Westerburg. "It's used for nothing now."

Fire chiefs applaud

Willits Fuels Reduction project

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Willits Fire Chief Chris Wilkes and Brooktrails Fire Chief Jon Noyer both expressed great satisfaction with the news that the state of California had prioritized – and funded – a fuels reduction project that will help protect greater Willits and Brooktrails from wildland fires.

The Willits Fuels Reduction project ranked 20th on the list of 35 highpriority projects statewide that CalFire identified as

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Fire Safe Council

on a roll

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Mendocino County
Resource Conservation
District Executive Director
Megan McCluer told the
board of supervisors
Tuesday that the county's
Fire Safe Council is coming
back from the ashes and is,
in fact, flourishing.

According to McCluer, after the October 2017 Redwood Fire, local interest in the work of the Mendocino County Fire Safe Council increased exponentially. This led the board of supervisors to ask the Resource Conservation District to take over

Read the rest of Council

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Blosser Lane students show achievements at school board

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It was a mostly upbeat Willits Unified School Board meeting at Blosser Lane Elementary School on April 10.

Good news on math, counselors, and bus drivers, good participation in planning meetings, recognition for jobs well done, and a surprise graduation took up most of the time. Less sanguine discussion of inadequate state funding for schools and rising rates of child and teen suicide occupied a lesser portion of the evening.

The meeting started with demonstrations of Blosser

Read more of Achievements

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Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from our readers

Stellar examples

To the Editor:

You have done it again! I opened your paper, and on the front page is the sweetest 4-year-old face I have seen in some time brightening my day.

Johnny Mandujano Cardona and his dad, Jose, collecting 12,964 coupons to support Johnny's school. At \$.10 each that looks like over \$1,296 for his school. I will be looking at my boxtops for those coupons and hope others in our community will boost Johnny's totals also.

Thanks Cordona family. You are stellar examples of caring community members and have made my heart sing with your generosity and care.

Carlin Diamond, Willits grandma

Shout out to Willits Flowers To the Editor:

I don't usually do this type of thing, but I want to give a heads up and a shout out to one of our fairly new downtown merchants. That would be Willits Flowers owned by Will Gonzalez.

I had an occasion to stop by the flower shop last week and Will had the most beautiful and unusual bouquet ready to deliver.

and know of his talent with flowers, and have seen his demonstrations of flower arranging. Something awesome to watch!

His shop has specialty items for sale, and you can be assured if you order flowers from Willits Flowers, they will arrive beautiful and "turned off" and upset after everyone who

He does not know it, but I secretly call him "The Monet of Bouquet."

Wilma Schaffer. Willits

Setting the record straight

I'd like to set the record straight on several issues in the article titled "Supes, citizens climate group at odds," in the April 18, 2019

edition of Willits Weekly.

First: Though David Drell did use the word "machinations" to describe a complicated flowchart, put forward by Deputy CEO Steve Dunnicliff, linking the proposed Climate Action Advisory Committee to the board of supervisors through multiple departments and organizations, Drell never said or implied that he thought the supervisors were "guilty of using" that complexity "to insulate themselves from citizen power," as claimed in the article. The claim of a deliberate ruse seems to

I have known Will for guite some time have been an invention of the reporter, of the staff person's duties and authority, who, by the way, never questioned Drell on that point or on any other point having to do

> Second: Although board Chair Carre Brown did express publicly that she felt spoke on this issue criticized the Dunnicliffproposed chain of command arrangement for the CAAC, Supervisor Brown never said publicly that she was "turned off ... particularly by a statement from Willits resident David Drell," as claimed in the

> Without some reference to how the reporter knew Supervisor Brown's alleged feelings toward Drell, one has to wonder if this too is "fake news." (Why this reporter would concoct a feud between Drell and Chair Brown is a mystery. Drell has been a minor player in the Climate Advisory Committee effort, and was only one of several speakers from the public on this issue.)

> Third: Contrary to the article's claim that the CAAC start-up group "urged supervisors to entrust the county's climate action program to a volunteer," the start-up group has always assumed that a staff person to the committee would be a paid employee. The disagreement regarding the staff position was not volunteer vs. paid, but the breadth

and what entity would actually hire the staff person – Mendocino County, or some other organization such as the Mendocino County Resource Conservation District, which was the option put forth by Supervisor John

Notwithstanding Supervisor Brown's expression of discouragement. the full board restated its commitment to support the establishment of a Climate Action Advisory Committee, and endorsed, almost verbatim, the proposed structure for that committee put forward by the start-up

Despite this unanimity, the article concludes with the reminder that Supervisor John Haschak was the lone vote against the rest of the board's decision to work with the start-up group on the staff person's job description. Without explanation, this "cliffhanger" might cause the reader to conclude that Supervisor Haschak's commitment was weakening. It wasn't. It simply reflected a difference in how to move forward. Moving forward was clearly a commitment shared by all five supervisors.

Opinions are fine in editorials and letters. but opinion and conjecture in a news article are a disservice to all.

Ellen Drell. Willits

Grand Jury application deadline extended Superior Court judge. Training for grand

The Honorable Jeanine B. Nadel, chair of the Grand Jury Recruitment/ Selection Committee, has extended the deadline to submit applications to serve on the 2019/2020 Grand Jury to May 24, 2019. The 2019/2020 Grand Jury will be sworn in at the end of June 2019 (date to be announced).

Service on the Civil Grand Jury is an excellent opportunity to learn about the inner workings of government, while providing a valuable service to the community. The 19 members of the Grand Jury serve for one year and are empowered to investigate the operations of county, city and district governments; provide civil oversight of local government departments and agencies; and respond to citizen complaints.

The Grand Jury sets its own agenda and meeting schedule. Much of the work is performed in small committees, allowing for considerable flexibility in the work schedule and meeting locations.

Grand jurors are compensated \$25 per full panel meeting, and \$10 per committee meeting and committee attendance at public meetings. Mileage is reimbursed at the current County of Mendocino rate. There is free onsite parking. Prior to being nominated, each Mendocino, at 100 North State Street, qualifying applicant is interviewed by a Room 303 in Ukiah, or 707-467-6437.

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- Not convicted of a felony

· Not personally active in any campaign of a candidate for elective office

Applications and related information are available on the Superior Court of California, County of Mendocino website. The application may also be obtained in person at the Superior Court, 100 North State Street, Room 303, Ukiah or by calling the Grand Jury at 707-463-4320.

For more information contact: Kim Weston, administrative assistant. Superior Court of California, County of

Evacuation planning grant for Sherwood Road corridor

Submitted by Sherwood Firewise Communities

The Community Foundation of Mendocino County has awarded a Community Resiliency and Preparedness Fund grant to the Sherwood Firewise Communities for evacuation planning education and emergency communication system development.

The grant includes planning sessions for evacuation preparedness, a series of workshops for involving community members in evacuation preparedness, and practice drills to be familiar with various evacuation routes and procedures.

There is also funding for improving emergency communications for all Sherwood Road corridor residents through SafetyNet, a "21st Century Phone Tree" that provides early incident notifications to subscribers via phone calls, emails and cell texts.

This local neighbor-to-neighbor network augments the existing Mendocino County Sheriff and Office of Emergency Services MendoAlerts emergency alert system by providing relays of incident dispatches that may impact the Sherwood corridor communities including Brooktrails, Spring Creek, Sylvandale, and The Gates, Sherwood Ranch and Sherwood Rancheria subdivisions, and all Sherwood Road

SFC is sponsoring a Sherwood Firewise Expo on Saturday, May 4 from 10 am to 5 pm at the Brooktrails Community Center. Have fun with your neighbors while learning about evacuation planning, home hardening, emergency communications and funding for fire preparation. Exhibitors and speakers will provide information about emergency preparedness while participants enjoy food, music, games and contests with lots of valuable prizes. Children are welcome, with a treasure hunt designed especially for them.

A Red Hot Raffle offers valuable prizes including two hours of chipping services from Family Tree, go bags from Rebuild Northbay, Skunk Train tickets, a pet carrier from J.D. Redhouse, an emergency prep kit from Costco, and many more goods and services from local businesses. Raffle tickets may be purchased now and through May 4 by calling 485-2613 or emailing info@sherwoodfirewise.org. The prize drawing will be done at the end of the Expo, and you don't have to be present to win.

Rain Totals in Willits

Precipitation in the Willits area as of April 24

(Note: Willits Weekly's "rain year" started September 29, with the first local rains. This week's rain report might be the last of the 2018/19 rain season!)

National Weather Service, Willits Howard Ranger Station	58.36"	as of 4/24/2019 at 12 pm
Mendocino College North County Center	46.13"	as of 4/24/2019 at 12 pm
Willits sewer plant	56.18"	as of 4/24/2019 at 10 am
High Horse Ranch	51.59"	as of 4/24/2019 at 12 pm
Highway 20, Willits	59.96"	as of 4/24/2019 at 12 pm
Lucky Monkeys Ranch	54.85"	as of 4/24/2019 at 12 pm

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At right: "Rollo the Reading Rooster" announces the book sale at the entrance to the Willits Community Center. At right, center, top: "Cooking Books" was just one of many categories of books for sale. At right, center, bottom: Volunteers

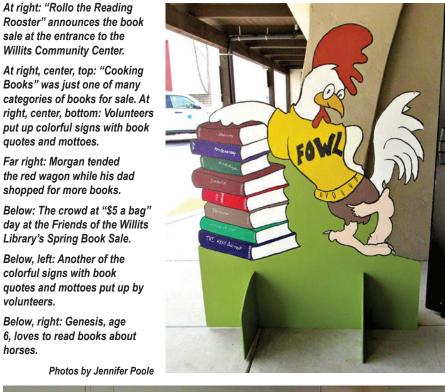
Far right: Morgan tended the red wagon while his dad shopped for more books.

quotes and mottoes.

Below: The crowd at "\$5 a bag" day at the Friends of the Willits Library's Spring Book Sale.

Below, left: Another of the colorful signs with book quotes and mottoes put up by volunteers. Below, right: Genesis, age

6, loves to read books about Photos by Jennifer Poole









Book Sale Friends of the Willits Library treats readers to a

huge selection of affordable books "I got a bargain," said one smiling book lover as she lugged bags of used books to her car from the Friends of the Willits Library's Spring Book Sale.

This was on Sunday, April 14, "\$5 a bag" day, and there were plenty stocking up on reading material at the Willits Community Center. To make things easy, the FOWL volunteers provide red wagons every year for those buying more

Jennifer Poole

Books are divided into categories, neatly placed in rows, for ease of scanning titles. There were paperbacks and hard cover books,

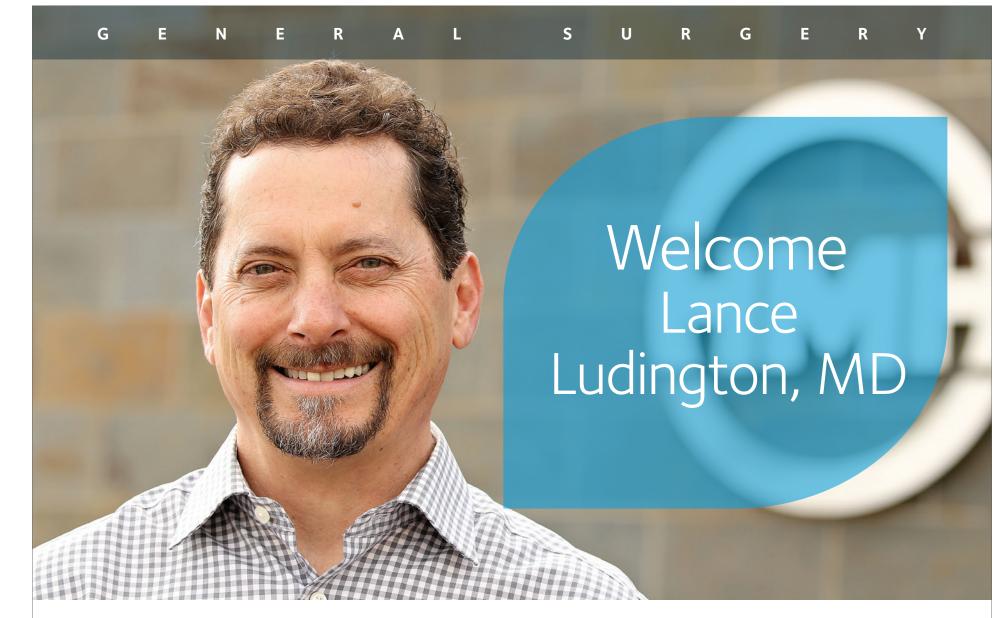
older, new-ish and even vintage books. Kids' books, health books, cookbooks ... most any kind of book you could think of. The "special" books on the front table – lovely large art and travel volumes among them - were a real steal on that last day of the book sale. And there were "free" boxes of books in the corner.

Most of the bargain-hunters on Sunday were adults, but there were kids at the book sale, too. Morgan was hauling a red wagon for his dad, who was intently browsing. "We usually come every year," Morgan said. Genesis, age 6, was hanging out in the kids' corner, with an animal rug and some animal reading stools. "I love to read," Morgan said. Her favorite kind of books to read are books about horses and ponies, and she hopes to start riding this summer.

Sorting and putting out the books for the big sale is a big job – and Friends of the Willits Library is always looking for volunteers to help out, and supporting members. Volunteers at the check-out stand were handing out FOWL membership forms to anyone interested. Membership forms are also available at the Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street.

Membership is only \$10/year for individuals or families, and \$5 for students or seniors. Philanthropists can buy a lifetime membership for \$100. Members can attend the Thursday evening "members only" opening of the annual book sale.

All money raised by FOWL - visit "Friends of the Willits Library - FOWL" on Facebook goes to support the Willits Library.



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Reduction

projects "that can be implemented immediately to help reduce public safety risk" for "over 200 of California's most wildfire-vulnerable communities."

Although the Willits Fuels Reduction Project has not started yet, as Tricia Austin from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Mendocino Unit confirmed, the Ukiah project (ranked 26th on the list) has begun. "We're still working on permissions from property owners" up in Willits, Austin said.

Although there is no official estimate of when the work will start, the general feeling was that it was

"It's a win-win for everyone," said Chief Nover, who's been advocating for a project like this for years. "It benefits the whole community. Brooktrails and Little Lake don't look at our districts as individual, we look at the whole community, we're a community. We will do what we can as a community to get this done."

"I love this project," said Chief Wilkes. "I think it's a big deal. First off, what they're doing is a ton of work. And also, this is first time we've had a conglomerative effort to make a real, true emergency plan to have everybody on the same page."

The budget for the Willits project is \$380,000 to \$400,000. Austin said. Work will include the establishment of two major "shaded fuel breaks," one on the east side of greater Willits, protecting Pine Mountain and into the Willits valley. That work will concentrate on an area including the Willits Watershed, and Boy Scout Road to Tomki Creek, via Mariposa Creek Road.

"Mariposa Creek Road will be the centerpiece," of that part of the project, Chief Wilkes said, clearing the understory and fuel build-up 100 feet from the center divider on both sides of the road, while leaving the bigger trees – thus the "shaded" part of the fire break.

"We'll leave a canopy but remove the underbrush." CalFire's Austin said. "It's just like defensible space around your home - we'll be trimming the trees up, spacing out vegetation and trying to eliminate ladder fuel. This will serve as a fire break, as well as making the roads more passable to vehicles - keeping the direct flames off the vehicles.'

Wilkes pointed out that the area near Pine Mountain was "literally where the Redwood Fire stopped. We actually have historical data and proof that a shaded fuel break right there is smart and necessary," he said. "CalFire does a wonderful job at making these fuel breaks; they're good at it."

On the northwest side of Willits, "behind Brooktrails," Firco Road will be used as the main shaded fuel break, and the project also includes the area of Meadowlark Trail, encompassing the Willits airport, too.

When it comes to fire emergencies, a shaded fuel break gives firefighters a stronghold to make a stand. "You can burn off of that stand with firing crews, paint that stand with [fire retardant] from aircraft," Wilkes said. "The big deal, as you go up that road, it even splits off and goes to the airport, and also gives us a staging area at the old mill site," on Highway 101 north of town. "This will give us a lot of ingress, points for us to get into Brooktrails in case of an emergency."

Chief Noyer emphasized that the evacuation plan for Brooktrails had not changed: "Our plan has not changed from last year," he said. "As of today Sherwood Road is still our main evacuation route." but with protected routes in for emergency equipment and firefighters, both lanes of Sherwood Road can be used for evacuation down to town, with Willits Police Department personnel directing traffic at the bottom, without impeding emergency access to the township

Noyer suggested that Brooktrails residents and those further out Sherwood become familiar with alternate routes to get to Sherwood Road. in case their usual route is blocked by fire.

The press release announcing the Willits and Ukiah fuels reduction projects listed "prescribed burning" as the first bullet point on a list of methods to be used, but "they're not really planning on burning in Willits" for this project. Austin said. "These are all methods in our arsenal, but the chief for the project [Mendocino Unit Battalion Chief Tod Patten] feels it will be all chipping and mastication for the Willits area."

One of the things Gov. Gavin Newsom's approval of CalFire's 35 priority fuels reduction projects "on an expedited basis" did was allow CalFire to use the existing list of vetted contractors without going through the whole bidding process, Austin said.

Some environmental regulations have also been suspended for these projects. CalFire's report in response to the governor's executive order in January asking CalFire to "recommend immediate, medium and long-term actions to help prevent destructive wildfires"

"Numerous laws and regulations govern fuels reduction projects, and implementation often requires coordination with, and approval from, 10 various state and local agencies. Typical environmental compliance, permitting requirements, licensing requirements, and state contracting laws and regulations, should be streamlined where possible to facilitate project implementation.'

Local CalFire personnel will also be working on the fuels reduction project on the ground as well as managing the project, Austin said, as the demands of fire season allow. "Our primary focus is putting out fires," she said. "If we have a hired equipment operator and he's working on vegetation management, and we have a fire – he's going to the fire."

Austin also said a new "regional resource," a Fuels Management Group, with 17 people working full-time year-round, had been hired – and will soon be trained – which will be available to Mendocino County, as well as other areas in the region.



Above: "CAL FIRE Priority Projects 2019" map of the Willits Fuels Reduction Project; visit https://calfire-forestry.maps.arcgis.com and click on "Priority Fuels Reduction Projects 2019," then zoom in to Mendocino County to see the map online.

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cannabis. The Department of Environmental Health proposed four new fees reflecting the department's an initial cannabis review (\$343), for the annual cannabis Gap Park and Mill Creek Park remained at \$20; however, application review (\$182), for a review of an amended annual renewal application (\$281), and for a cannabis facility refundable fee. business license (\$155).

The county cannabis unit proposed changes to 18 fees, including 15 fee increases and three fee decreases.

The fee for a cannabis facilities business license was increased from \$168 to \$421, an increase of 150 percent. The fee for a preliminary review of the cultivation application (what was formerly termed a property profile, and which determined if the cultivation level sought on the subject property would be allowed under the county's cannabis ordinances) was proposed to be increased from \$444 to \$536, an increase of 20.7 percent. The fee for a preapplication meeting was increased from zero to \$519. The fee for an administrative permit increased from \$825 to \$1,261, an increase of 52 percent

The fee for a use permit for a cottage-level cultivation site increased only 1.4 percent, from \$2,190 to \$2,220. The fee for a minor use permit increased from \$2,263 to \$2,511, an 11 percent increase. The fee for a major use permit for a cannabis operation was moved from \$4,830 to \$6,620, an increase of 37 percent. The fee for a renewal or modification for a major use permit for a cannabis operation went from \$3,144 to \$3,770 (20 percent).

The fee to issue approval of a cannabis variance went from \$1,783 to \$2,233, an increase of 25 percent. The fee for a cannabis coastal development permit went from \$4,799 to \$5,826, a 21 percent increase. The fee for a business license for zoning and occupancy increased nearly 150 percent, moving from \$138 to \$339.

The fee for the annual permit and compliance inspection for Type One and Type Two grows increased 9 percent, moving from \$675 to \$738. The annual compliance and inspection fee for nurseries increased very slightly, moving from \$725 to \$738. The annual application fee for "cottagelevel" cultivation (up to 2,500 square feet) was increased 77 percent, moving from \$496 to \$881. The fee for the annual permit and compliance inspection for cottage-level grows increased from \$270 to \$738, an increase of 173 percent.

The fee for a renewal or modification of a minor use permit decreased nearly 5 percent, moving from \$2,255 to \$2,148. The annual application fee for Type One and Type Two cultivation permits declined 29 percent, going from \$1,240 to \$881, and the fee for a second application, that is, for the same owner who is growing on the same property as the first application, declined slightly, from \$248 to \$241.

These proposed fee hikes in the cannabis unit were combined with fee increases in three other departments, including the Department of Environmental Health, a few minor fee adjustments for the Department of Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (also known as "mental health"), and the Cultural Services Agency.

The changes offered by the Cultural Services Agency proposed to restructure the fee system for use of four the county's seven parks.

In one sense, the fee for day use increased 333.3 percent, moving from \$30 a day to \$130 a day. However, that increase is a bit more complex, because previously those who rented either the amphitheater or the group picnic area at Low Gap Park in Ukiah, or the group picnic area at Mill Creek Park in Talmage, had to pay a \$100 cleaning deposit, which was refundable if the portions of the park that were used were left in a clean condition.

The county's Cultural Services Agency proposed the former refundable deposit be incorporated into the day-use fee. CSA Program Administrator Megan Dukett argued doing so was justified because county staff had to do work in the parks anyway, whether the park areas were left clean or not. "We need to bring people in there to pick up the trash and

clean the bathrooms," Dukett said The former refundable deposit was incorporated into the use fee for the amphitheater and the group picnic area at

Low Gap Park, the group picnic area at Mill Creek Park, the

outdoor theater at Bower Park, and the group picnic area at the Lion's Club Park in Redwood Valley. All those fees rose interaction with the cannabis industry, including a fee for from \$30 to \$130. Fees to get access to vehicle keys at Low they were switched from a refundable deposit to a non-

> During Tuesday's discussions, the proposed changes to the cannabis unit's fee structure received the most time and attention from the supervisors. Supervisors balked at accepting them, but both Cannabis Unit Program Manager Sean Connell and Director of Planning and Building Services Brent Schultz defended them.

> "If you work with us and approve these fees, my department's subsidy of the cannabis industry will go from \$400,000 to \$260,000," Schultz said.

> Williams offered a proposal aimed at reducing the number of hours county staff spends on cannabis. "What if we went to doing inspections on only one out of every 10 applications?" he asked. "The other 90 percent could self-certify. Then we would go from 27 hours [of staff time spent on the pre-inspection phase of each cultivation permit application to 2.7 hours." That idea was not supported by other supervisors.

> Second District Supervisor John McCowen asked why the cannabis unit wanted the fee for a preliminary review of the cultivation permit application to be a recurring cost, every year. He asked Connell why subsequent years were slated to cost as much as the first year

> Connell said doing so was justified. "We have seen changes to the application over the year that they are in the process. Some people apply as an outdoor, and by springtime they have hoop houses that have shown up on their property for starts. That is a giant change in the process, and therefore we would need to send that back to [Planning and] Building for the review," Connell said.

> Williams wanted to know how the proposed fee changes would hit the growers. Connell estimated the new fees would essentially double the hit for cottage-level growers, raising cumulative fees from the current \$1,043 to \$2,030. He did not mention how the fee hikes would affect growers cultivating under a Type One or a Type Two permit

> Haschak argued the fee increases for the cottage-level grower were too extreme. "I think what we need to do is support our small farmers anyway we can at this point," he

> Fourth District Supervisor Dan Gjerde attempted to adjust the cannabis unit's fees at one fell swoop. He proposed adopting the entire raft of proposed fee changes, with the provision that any fee hike greater than 50 percent would be fully phased in over two years, and any fee hike greater than 100 percent would be fully phased in over three years. His motion failed to receive a second.

McCowen proposed the entire list of fee changes be accepted, with two exceptions. The first: that the fee increase proposed for the preliminary review of a cannabis cultivation permit application be accepted only for the first year, and there be no fee for preliminary reviews in subsequent years.

His second recommendation was that the 173.3 percent increase in the annual permit and compliance inspection fee recommended for cottage level-growers be phased in over two years. The fee is currently \$270. McCowen recommended the fee rise to \$504 in the next fiscal year and then increase to the recommended amount of \$738 in

Haschak attempted to amend McCowen's motion, proposing the fees for park use be raised to \$40 for groups of less than 50 people, and to \$60 to groups of more than 50 people, and that the policy of the \$100 refundable cleaning deposit be retained. He proposed the fee for a pre-application review of a cannabis cultivation permit application be kept at the current rate of \$444 and the fee for the annual permit and compliance inspection for cottage-level growers be

However, McCowen rejected Haschak's amendment. The entire package of 35 fee adjustments was approved, 3-2. The fee changes will become effective on July 1.





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"bring in light," he said. "Now we have screen issues.'

"We need to take all the windows out ... and replace them with "dual-pane" shatterproof glass ... [to] bring it up to code."

And, of course, there's a "should do" list.

"The school needs a total paint job ... LED lighting ... [and] it would be nice to put in fencing to increase security at night and be able to close down," said Westerburg.

And the stage and gym floors "need to be resurfaced."

The Baechtel Grove gym, in particular, deserves mention as one of the positive highlights of the campus, as does the new music building - one of four projects built with funds from the 2010 bond issue.

The gym is a city-owned building said. "It's constant fix and repair."

used by the community as well as the to get to the job. district and, except for the floor that needs refinishing, and a lack of locker rooms and shower facilities, is in great shape. The district recently reroofed the building and built an entryway canopy, and a coalition of community groups and individuals renovated the

"We're going to build a canopy over the other entrance" over spring break, said Westerburg.

inside a couple of years ago.

Baechtel Grove "needs paint, lights ... and we're going to have to deal with the water and window stuff " he reiterated. "It doesn't go away."

And, he added, "there's no way to do it without contractors.

"There are three maintenance guys, and I commend them for keeping it duct-taped and glued together," he

Above, left: "A pipe mess [that's] a good example of old stuff, new stuff, good stuff, bad stuff," said Superintendent Mark Westerburg. "One half is functional. One half is not." Above, right: The Tom Tilton Gym is a school and community facility that has been well cared for - all it needs is locker rooms. shower facilities, and floor resurfacing. Below, left: A portable building ramp in need of repair, typical of many ramps in the Willits Unified School District. Below, right: When the water pipes are under asphalt, as a lot are at Baechtel Grove Middle School, it's a job





More of Achievements

From Page 1

Lane Elementary School students' intelligence, creativity and achievement.

In recognition of the sad fact that there is "too much plastic in the ocean," Mrs. Cottrell's fifth-grade class unveiled a marvelous underwater mural for the board they had made from more than 3,000 plastic bottle caps.

"We enlisted the help of other classes," said Cottrell. "The whole school pitched in with [collecting] caps."

Fourth-grade Science Fair projects were also on display for the board – a two-student project scientifically evaluating which of several lipsticks "stays on longest" and a class project called "Germ Busters." designed to find the germiest

The germ-busting students polled their fellow schoolmates for a consensus on where to find the most germs: "Most thought that the keypad in the cafeteria" had the highest germ count and a "toilet seat" the lowest.

Assisted by expert testing provided courtesy of Adventist Health Howard Memorial, the winners, with the most germs, were ... the "student phone in the office and the office door handle.'

The very informative project took a well-deserved gold

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Mrs. Cottrell's fifth-grade Blosser Lane students pose with her, in rear at left, and the mural the class created out of 3,000 plastic bottle caps - to bring awareness to the presence of "too much plastic in the ocean" during the mural's unveiling at Blosser Lane on Friday, April 19.

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Evacuation Planning Panel - 1-3 Supervisor Haschak, Rick Ehlert, OES, Tod Patten, Cal Fire

Emergency Communications - 3-4 - SafetyNet Funding for Fire Preparation - 4-5 - Grants / Loans **Exhibitors** - Family Tree Service, Brooktrails FD, Mendo Mill, Earthlab,

Amateur Radio Club, CERT, Costco, Farmers Insurance, Inland Humane Society, Firefree Coatings, Pine Mt Firewise, Dripworks, Willits Power, Northern Aggregates, Trout Unlimited, Northbay Solar, Landscape Contractors, Rosco Water Storage, Mendocino Water Works and more...!



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Scavenger Hunt: at the Willits Library, Thursday, April 25, 12 to 3 pm. "We will hide images around the library. Each image will have part of a quote on it. Hunters will need to find the images, and Commercial Street, 459-5908.

Willits Farmers Market: Today is the last indoor market of the year, at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street, Thursday, April 25, 3 to 5:30 pm. Spring veggies, local meats, sausage and eggs, local grains, and savory and sweet baked goods, including handcrafted bread. More: gift items, dog

treats, jams and jellies and savory preserves, olive oil and balsamic vinegar, fair trade chocolates, Willits-roasted coffee, tea, fire cider, crafts, knitted goods and jewelry, live music, free herb talk, the new edition of Willits Weekly,

"Legends!" at WCT: Thursday, April 25. Two legendary actresses are discovering their way to survive in "Legends!," a sure-fire comedy at the Willits Community Theatre running through May 4. Directed by Bill Barksdale, and starring Gretchen Anderson, Kathy de Bane, Mary Burns, Christopher Martineau, Moises Torres, and Anthony Sylstra. Thursdays and Fridays at 7:30 pm; Saturday, April 27 at 7:30 pm; Sunday, April 28 at 2 pm; and a final Saturday, May 4 performance

at 2 pm. Willits Community Theatre, 37 Van Lane. Tickets available at Mazahar, 38 South Main Street online at brownpapertickets.com; phone 24/7 800-

Friday, April 26

Craft Buffet: Friday, April 26, 2 to 4 pm. "Our meeting room will be available for an all -you-canmake crafting event. We provide the supplies, you supply the creativity." Ages 5 and up. Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. 459-5908.

Willits High School Baseball: Willits vs. Kelseyville, JV and varsity games: Friday, April 26 at 4 pm. Willits High School ball field, 299 North Main Street. (Varsity Coach Sean Leslie; JV Coach Travis Dockins).

Willits High School Softball: Willits vs. Kelseyville, JV and varsity games: Friday, April 26 at 4 pm. Willits High School ball field, 299 North Main Street. (Varsity Coach Magnum Forkner; JV Coach Ray Open to members at Britton).

Buddy Reed and the Rip It Ups: Friday, April 26, 6:30 to 8 pm, Brickhouse Coffee, 3 South Main Street. Buddy Reed has played with many of the blues greats: Lightnin' Hopkins, Jimmy Reed. Howling Wolf, T-Bone Walker, Muddy Waters, Johnny Otis, and more.

'Legends!" at WCT: Friday, April 26, 7:30 pm. See April 25 listing for details.

Shanachie Pub: Peter Jong Chang: Friday, April 26, 9 pm. "All original fusion and instrumental rock of styles with elements of rock, jazz, funk, soul, and reggae." www.peterjongchang.com. 50B South Main Street.

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What's Happening Around Town

Saturday, April 27

James Kirkwood's Comedy

Legends!

Dairying for the Small Farm & Homestead: "The number of small dairy farms has declined by 80 percent in the last 30 years. We are losing the traditions, knowledge and common sense needed assemble to win a prize." Ages 5 and up. 390 East to provide ourselves with healthy, wholesome milk." Green Uprising Farm, 2301 East Hill Road. Sessions begin Saturday, April 27 and continue through June 15. \$150 for the entire 6 week course

> Golf Tournament Fundraiser: Willits Charter School Travel Club in conjunction with the Brooktrails Golf Course announces a "scramble

four mat" golf fundraiser for the Travel Club. Saturday, April 27, 9:30 am tee-off. 50/50 putting contest, raffle, mulligans and lunch. Bridge Lessons: Beyond the Basics: Saturday. April 27, 10 am to 12 pm. For students already skilled in basic bridge. Willits Library, 390 East

WHS Alumni Baseball: "If you're a Willits High School alumni and would like come play a little baseball to help support the WHS baseball program, please come on down." Saturday, April 27, 11 am. \$20

Commercial Street. 459-

donation to play. Raffle for a redwood picnic table, gravel, Giants tickets, a cord of firewood, and a summer Yeti baseball basket. Raffle tickets are \$1 and will be sold before and at the game – ask one of the WHS baseball players for tickets. Willits High School ballfield. 299 North Main Street.

Camp NaNoWriMo: Write-in event for the aspiring writer. Worksheets, prompt, and light refreshments provided. Sign up help on the official Camo NaNoWriMo website is also available. Visit: https:// campnanowrimo.org. All skill levels. Ages 13 and up. Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Saturday, April 27, 12:30 to 2:30 pm; Tuesday, April 30, 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Info: 459-5908.

Annual WCA Art Auction: Opening Bid Party, 6 to 9 pm, on Saturday, April 27 for the exhibit featuring items to be

auctioned during the Willits Center for the Arts' major fundraiser 6 pm, and to the public t 7 pm. Catered by Roland's Bakery & Bistro. The Final Bid Party is set for Friday May 17, 6 to 9 pm, with

a dance party featuring instrumental jazz standards Vegan Potluck - Spring Love by The Tree Tones, after the final bids are placed.

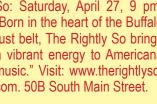
WILLITS CENTER

FOR THE ARTS

Shanachie Pub: Palmer Runberg: Saturday, April 27, 6 pm. "Hailing from our very own Willits, CA, Palmer Anthony Runberg is now a Nashville, TN based singer-songwriter and musician." Visit: www. facebook.com/runberg.palmer. 50B South Main

"Legends!" at WCT: Saturday, April 27, 7:30 pm. See April 25 listing for details.

Shanachie Pub: The Rightly So: Saturday, April 27, 9 pm "Born in the heart of the Buffalo rust belt, The Rightly So brings a vibrant energy to Americana music." Visit: www.therightlyso. com. 50B South Main Street.





Little Lake Grange Pancake Breakfast: "Join your friends at the Little Lake Grange pancake breakfast, 8 to 11 am, Sunday, April 28 (and every fourth Sunday through October). \$8 buys you a plate of the best 'scratch' pancakes & local farm eggs to be found anywhere around." Choose sourdough wholegrain, Hank's Famous Buttermilk Pancakes or Gluten-Free, Beeler's Quality Bacon, organic local farm fresh eggs, real butter, juice, organic coffee or tea. \$8; \$7 seniors, \$5 children under 10. Free breakfast for firefighters; one breakfast per official ID. Extra: sides of organic fruit, \$2 to \$3 and Amish organic maple syrup, \$1. Little Lake Grange #670, 291 School Street.

Get Your Bike Ready for Summer: Willits Area Cyclists (WAC) will be putting on a bike fix at Leopold Collective, 109 North Main Street, Sunday, April 28, 9 am to 12 pm. "A

perfect opportunity for people to bring their bikes to get them tuned up and ready for the nice weather that's right around the corner, as well as hang out, talk bikes, and eat some snacks."

Mushroom Medicine-Making: Mendocino Herb Guild presents "Health and Healing with Plants." the "Herb Track" with the School of Adaptive

Agriculture. Sunday, April 28, 10 am to 3 pm. "Come explore the world of fungal medicines with this mushroom medicine-making workshop. Get hands-on experience with tinctures, tea, and other fun extracting methods." \$40. School of Adaptive Agriculture, 16200 North Highway 101.

"Springing Out of Winter" Free Concert in the Park: The City of Willits presents a free concert in the Rec Grove, Sunday, April 28, 12 to 6 pm. "It will be a day of bluegrass, jam grass, folk, singersongwriters and down home roots music beginning with the Lifted Spirits, then the West Nile Ramblers,

The Sam Chase Duo, closing with One Grass, Two Grass. There will be vendors, food and great music. The Willits Football team will be serving burgers, Taqueria Ramirez will be serving great Mexican food. Nuestra Alianza will be serving up tamales! Shaved

Fest: The Long Valley Garden presents the Spring Vegan Potluck Please bring a dish that contains no meat, dairy, eggs, gelatin, bone broth or honey. Label if containing gluten nuts or soy. Sunday, April 28, 4 to 6 pm, 375 Harwood Road, Laytonville A labor of L.O.V.E. (Laytonville's Organic Vegan Experience).









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Saturday, May 4

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See April 25 listing for details.

Willits High School Softball: Willits vs.

Middletown: Friday, May 3 at 2 pm (JV) 4 pm

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Drive-Through Dinner for

4. Friday, May 3; pick-up

is between 4 and 6 pm at

the Willits High School Ag

Farm, entrance just north

of the railroad tracks before

the school. Look for the

highway sign that says "Tri

Tip Dinner." Dinner: full

Sober Grad Party.

April 25 listing for details

Friday, May 3

Coach Ray Britton).

Willits

Baseball:

"Legends!" at WCT: Sunday, April

28, 2 pm. See April 25 listing for

Willits High School Varsity Softball:

Willits vs. Lower Lake: Monday, April

29 at 4 pm. Willits High School ball

field, 299 North Main Street, (Coach

Monday, April 29

Willits High School Varsity Baseball: Willits vs.

Lower Lake: Monday, April 29 at 4 pm. Willits High

School ball field, 299 North Main Street. (Coach

Shanachie Pub: Tavo Carbone, "an aspiring

gentleman from America who sings original songs,

tavocarbone.com/. 50B South Main Street.

Tuesday, April 30

featured on Monday, April 29, at 7 pm. Visit: www.

Tightwad Tuesdays at the Noyo Theatre: All

2D movies that are in their second week are \$5

on Tuesdays at the Noyo Theatre for all ages, all

showings. This week's Tightwad Tuesday movie is:

"The Curse of La Llorona." Visit www.noyotheatre.

and also a certified Integrative Restoration teacher.

who has been studying and practicing Buddhist

meditation for over 30 years. Wednesday, May 1;

networking: 8 to 8:15 am; meeting: 8:15 to 9:30 am.

The Willits Center for the Arts, upstairs gallery, 71

East Commercial Street. First-time attendees and

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Free Document Shredding: Savings Bank of

Mendocino County and Integrity Shred have teamed

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at the Willits Branch Humboldt Street parking lot.

Savings Bank representatives will be available at

the event to supply information about preventing

identity theft and what to do if your identity is stolen.

non-Chamber members.

Thursday, May 2

Commercial Street.

com or call 459-6696 for showtimes, 57 East

Wednesday, May 1

North County Women in

Business: monthly meeting

features Karla Downing talking

and Feeling Overwhelmed

for Women in Business."

Downing has been in the

field of health care for over

40 years. She is an RN and

certified massage therapist,

"How to Ease Stress

Magnum Forkner)

Draw 'til You Drop: The Annual Draw 'til You Drop event from the Arts Council of Mendocino County is being held this year at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. The 24-hour art marathon starts Saturday, May 4, at 10 am. "Each artist spends a minimum of 12 hours drawing, painting, collaging, doing mosaics or quilting in a room filled with other active artists being entertained by local musicians and writers." Info or to sponsor an artist: 707-743-1437 or eray@eRaybeMosaics. com. Proceeds support the Arts Council and the Willits Center for the Arts.

Mother's Day Tea Party: Make Mom something unique - a fascinator or decorate a hat - for her special day. Refreshing iced tea will be served while crafting. Saturday, May 4, 1 to 2 pm, Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Info: 459-5908.

Sherwood Firewise Expo: Learn about Evacuation Planning, Home Hardening **Emergency Communications** and Funding for Fire Preparation at the Sherwood Firewise Expo, Saturday, May 4 from 10 am to 5

pm at the Brooktrails Community enter. Put on by the Sherwood Firewise community group. Exhibitors and speakers will provide information about emergency preparedness while enjoying food, music, games for the kids and contests with lots of valuable prizes. Raffle tickets

"Legends!" at WCT: Thursday, May 2, 7:30 pm. may be purchased now and through May 4 by calling 485-2613 or email info@sherwoodfirewise.

> Willits Skate Fest: Skate Competition and Hardcore Music Show. A fundraiser to purchase shade for the Willits Skate Park. Live music featuring Verbal Abuse, Embryonic Devourment, R4ID, Dirty Rice and many more. Raffles, vendors, food, product toss and general mayhem. \$200 prize

for the Best Trick. Saturday, May 4, 11 am to dusk. Willits Skate Park, 1027 East Commercial Street \$15 general admission, \$5 skate competition entry.

"Legends!" at WCT: Special closing performance, Saturday, May 4, 2 pm. See April 25 listing for

Shanachie Pub: Marty's Garden Cinco de Mayo Party: Saturday, May 4, 9 pm. "Take a hefty dose of psychedelic boogaloo and blend it with a base of Backwoods World-Beat Banjo Jazz, and you get Marty's Garden." 50B South Main Street.

Sunday, May 5

Draw 'til You Drop: 24-hour art marathon ends Sunday, May 5 at 10 am. Willits Center for the Arts. See Saturday, May 4 listing for details.

Pine Mountain Firewise Neighborhood Tour: The Pine Mountain Firewise/Fire Safe Council will host a self-guided tour of the neighborhood, showcasing examples of methods used by Pine Mountain residents to make their homes more resistant to wildfire. Reflective address signs

adjacent to "3195" in Pine Mountain; watch for signs. Maps to the locations of demonstration homes will be available starting at 10 am on Sunday, May 5. Info: Lauren Robertson, 459-3475, or Don Mitchell at 456-9074.

The Mendocino Dance Project: A performance of contemporary and dynamic styles at the Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane, on Sunday, May 5 at 2 pm. "Known for their athletic power, the performers create a beauty and strength through space." Advance tickets are \$15 and available at Mazahar, 38 South Main Street; brownpapertickets.com; or by phone 24/7 at 1-800-838-3006 Early tickets are advised.

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Free Lighting Design Workshop: The Willits Community Theatre, 37 Van Lane, is offering a fiveweek course in lighting design, by lighting expert Kevin Moore. Sunday evenings, beginning, May

5. Moore has over 45 years' Sherwood Firewise Expo experience in theater tech, May 4 from 10 - 5 including a BA in Dramatic Art Brooktrails Community Center and an MFA, and is a mainstay Evacuation Planning Panel at the Willits Community
Home Hardening Workshop Theatre You will learn the Theatre. You will learn the basics of lighting design; color theory, instrumentation, DMX control, patching lights, load limits, and adjusting lighting instruments. The course is free of charge. Registration: Kevin Moore at 459-0939.

Senior Center Lunch

Week of April 29 through May 3 Monday: Country Fried Chicken

Tuesday: Corned Beef & Cabbage

Wednesday: Turkey & Noodles Thursday: Polish Sausage Dog Friday: Pork Roast

Harrah Senior Center serves lunch five days per week from

'Avengers: Endgame'

AT THE MOVIES

The Story: Marvel Universe superhero action thriller with a handful of the supernatural and a touch of science fiction.

"Endgame" is a sequel to Dan Essman "Avengers: Infinity War." Spoiler alert: if you haven't

seen "Avengers: Infinity War," don't read this review (unless, of course, you really don't care). The monstrous Thanos got control of the Infinity Stones which allowed him his dearest wish: To kill half of all life in the universe. Now, the few remaining bruised, decimated and heartbroken Avengers choose to reassemble, despite their losses. Their goal is to fight Thanos to the end ... whatever that end might be.

My Thoughts: A caveat: I am writing this review in advance of actually seeing the flick. That said, I have great confidence that this sequel to the gigantically thrilling, yet devastating "Infinity War" will live up to its predecessor. I respect the cast - A-list actors and stars all of them. Robert Downey is brilliant. Chris Evans/ Captain America holds the screen. Mark Ruffalo (who doesn't like Ruffalo?) is the Hulk. Chris Hemsworth was born to play Thor. And Scarlett Johansson/Black Widow ... she "likes playing with the boys." Brie Larson is the super-powered Captain Marvel. Bradley Cooper is Rocket raccoon (no, really). Josh

Brolin as Thanos. And of course ... many more. I am excited.

Parents: I thought the ending of "Avengers: Infinity War" was too dark and too sad for little children. But if you did bring them to that original feature, then you must bring them to see this one as it will revive their fantasy world. Otherwise: good for ages 10 and up.

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

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North County Women in Business

May 1

"How to Ease Stress and Feeling Overwhelmed for Women in Business" will be the focus of Karla Downing's talk at the Wednesday, May 1 meeting of North County Women in Business. Downing has been in the field of health care for over 40 years. She is an RN and certified massage therapist, and also a certified Integrative Restoration teacher. In this presentation we will experience some tools that will help us stay grounded and confident." Networking: 8 11:45 am to 1 pm. \$6.50 for to 8:15 am; meeting: 8:15 to 9:30 am. Willits Center for those 55 and older; \$8 for those the Arts, upstairs gallery, 71 East Commercial Street under 55. Includes soup, salad, First-time attendees and Willits Chamber members, entrée, vegetable, dessert, and free; \$5 for returning non-Chamber members. Coffee drink. Salad Bar available all by Shewolf, healthy refreshments by Lamon Patents year. 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: and facilitated by Janae Stephens of Juice Plus and Organic Attire.

Brooktrails Firefighters Save the

On Saturday, May 11, from 5 to 8 pm, the Brooktrails Firefighters Association will be hosting its 39th Annual Spaghetti Feed at the Brooktrails Community Center. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids 5 and under. A no host bar will be available sponsored by the Lions Club, and there will also be music by DJ Mike Tobin as well as a bounce house for the kids. "Be a part of a Brooktrails tradition and bring the whole family!" Advance tickets at Brown Paper Tickets: https://m.bpt.me/

Date: 4th annual Drip Fest,

May 18 at Dripworks Hometown

Celebration, June 21. For booth info: ashtan@jdredhouse. The Great Race,

June 25, Rec Grove Volunteer info: 459-7910

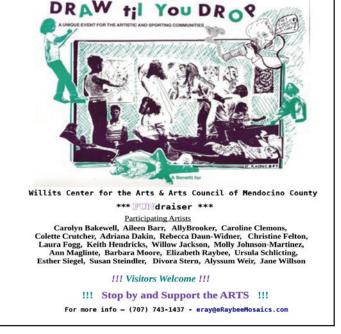
The String Revolution

May 10

"Based in Los Angeles California, The Revolution is comprised of four professional guitar players virtuosos who create distinctive sounds with their guitars: mimicking percussion, special effects, melodic grooves, bass lines, and more." Friday, May 10, 7:30 to 9:30 pm, Willits Community Theatre, 37 Van

Free document shredding at Savings Bank May 2

Savings Bank and Integrity Shred have teamed up to help prevent identity theft by offering the public an opportunity to shred outdated confidential documents. Bring up to three 35-pound boxes of documents for safe, secure, on-site shredding. Thursday, May 2, 9 to 11 am at the Willits Branch Humboldt Street parking lot. Savings Bank representatives will be available at the shred event to supply information about preventing identity theft and what to do if your identity



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Midwifery: A Healthcare Alternative Beyond Childbearing Years

May 7

Tuesday, May 7, 5:30 to 6:30 pm, Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. "A midwife, not only for childbirth services, but for women's health issues throughout your life. Learn how the 'Midwifery Model of Care' can serve your needs from menarche to menopause and from womb to tomb." Monika Rosicka will share contemporary care options that are timetested and valuable to her patients' well-being. Rosicka, LM. CPM, is a California Licensed Midwife. Avenues to Wellness is an Foundation. They offer a speaker series the first Tuesday of the org. Info: 456-9676.

Auditions for Teen Drama May 11, May 14

The Willits Community Theatre will hold auditions for "I and "The Redwood Empire Food Bank is You," Lauren Gunderson's drama about two teenagers whose lives looking for some robust, communityunexpectedly intertwine, Saturday, May 11 at 5 pm and Tuesday, May minded folks who would like to assist 14 at 7 pm at the Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane. The seniors with their heavy groceries at DripWorks for our 4th Annual DripFest. call is for one Caucasian young woman and one African-American our monthly food distribution at the • Local Vendors • Great Food by the young man between the ages of 16 and 24. The actor should be Willits Senior Center and Baechtel able to pass as a high school varsity basketball player. The director Creek Apartments on the third willing to cast outside these races. The director is Kelly Kesey, Tuesday of the month. Please contact Games • Beer and Wine Garden by accomplished actress who has starred in several plays for WCT. volunteers@refb.org with your name, the Willits Lions Club • Free Irrigation a community-based wellness program of the Frank R. Howard Rehearsals are in August and September, and the show will play for email and phone number, and we will Class by DripWorks (11 am to 12 10 performances from October 4 to 20. Scripts available at the Willits contact you about the times. Training pm) • Raffles • Store Wide Sale, Kid month at the Willits Center or the Arts. Visit: avenuestowellness. High School library, the Ukiah High School library, the Willits Charter provided and must be able to lift 30 Friendly. Support local business and School, and the Willits Branch Library. Info: Kelly at 707-272-9697. pounds.

Assist Seniors

DripFest May 18

Saturday, May 18, 11 am to 2 pm. Dripworks, 190 San Hedrin Circle. "Everyone is invited to join us at Willits Lions Club • Great Music by JoeyD Productions • Kid Activities and have a great time with the family."

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Above. left: The Tagueria Ramirez taco truck will be serving Mexican food again at Sunday's free music in the park concert. At left: The crowd at the Rec Grove for the first "Falling Out of Summer" concert last year at the

The City of Willits

Modern bluegrass

City of Willits to host free concert with 4 bands at the Rec Grove Sunday afternoon

Get ready for some fun tunes and good times coming to Recreation Grove this Sunday, April 28, as the City of Willits will be hosting a free Spring Music in the

Park event from noon to 6 pm, Forrest Glyer featuring four different acts.

The bands performing will be One Grass Two Grass. The West Nile Ramblers, The Sam Chase Duo, and Lifted Spirits.

Food at the event will include burgers served by the Willits High School football team, Mexican food from Tagueria Ramirez taco truck, and tamales from the local non-profit Nuestra Alianza.

The Spring Music in the Park follows up from the success of the Falling Out of Summer concert series at the Rec Grove last fall. Instead of a series of shorter shows, the city opted to feature several bands for the all-day event this weekend.

The headliners One Grass Two Grass were described in an article from Bluegrass Today as a quintet who has "made their mark on the jamgrass scene, playing most every major festival and event west of the Rockies, and winning fans along the way with their hard rockin', modern-style bluegrass.'

Anthony Dente, who plays fiddle in the band, described their mission as such:

"For us the joy of making music, and the beauty of sharing dance and love and all the other emotions exchanged within the musician /audience relationship is

something we hope to never lose sight of, no matter what the song, or how large or non-existent the stage is."

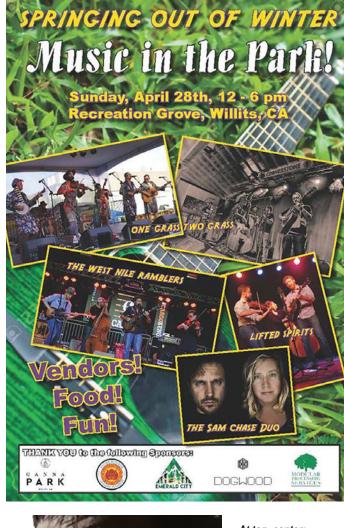
The West Nile Ramblers describe their style as "Western Garage & Country Noir - a unique and unpretentious combination of western swing, bluegrass, gypsy folk, classic country-rock, and traditional jazz."

Sam Chase, based out of the San Francisco area, has a more existential description of his sound in his

"Sam Chase has a voice like a nun on the lam with a mouthful of cigarettes and curse words in a lonely bar, drunkenly dancing next to a broken jukebox.... His guitar runs on diesel and leaks like the morning after too much whiskey."

The Lifted Spirits are described in a city press release as "a new trio with some very notable musicians" who will be starting up the show at noon.

Sponsors for the event include Nuestra Alianza, Vegan Buddha Organic Flowers, Canna Park - Willits, Emerald City, Dogwood and Modular Processing Systems.



At top, center: Headliners at Sunday's Music in the Park free concert are One Grass Two Grass, playing West Coast modern bluegrass.

At top, right: The West Nile Ramblers out of Yolo County play "Western Garage & Country Noir."

Above: The poster for this Sunday's free Music in the Park concert, put together by the City of

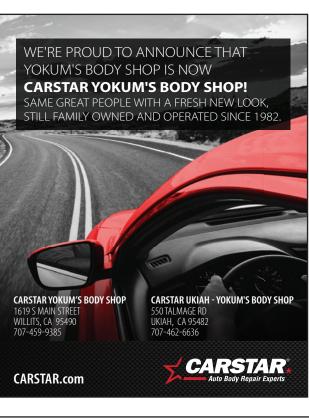
At left: San Francisco's Sam Chase "has a voice like a nun on the lam."



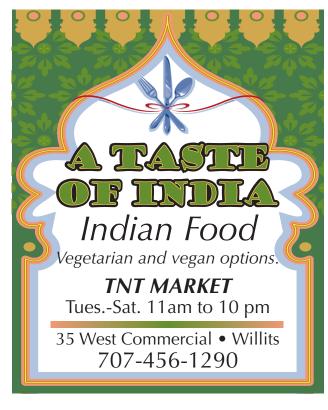












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Tightwad Tuesday Title for Apr. 30th is in RED - All tickets: \$5

Coast

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the county's cannabis cultivation ordinance, which regulates cannabis cultivation in the county's inland area. The main difference is that some of the elements of the inland cultivation ordinance are suspended on the coast, because every cultivation application for the coastal zone will be required to secure a coastal development permit from the county.

The grower's responsibility to secure a compliance plan from the cannabis unit is suspended, because each application for a cultivation permit will be considered a project and will be subject to discretionary review.

Likewise, permits from state and federal agencies - such as the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Regional Water Quality Control Board and the Army Corps of Engineers - will not be needed for coastal cannabis permits. According to an overview of the coastal cultivation ordinance provided by county staff, "relevant agencies will be contacted for comment during the referral process.

Unlike the inland cultivation ordinance, there will be no Phase One, Phase Two and Phase Three. All permit applications will be regarded as new, and both existing and new growers can apply at the same time. Indoor cultivation will be allowed in a wider range of zoning districts, compared with the inland

According to the staff overview. "With a coastal development permit required, site-specific analysis and conditions of approval can ensure there is no conflict with adjacent uses and indoor cultivation is appropriate for that site."

Staff had initially proposed to allow cultivation on parcels as small as 2 acres. However, Fourth District Supervisor Dan Gjerde nixed that idea, pointing to the strong opposition to indoor cultivation in the Mitchell Creek subdivision near Fort Bragg, which became apparent last summer during the Mitchell Creek opt-in

Gjerde proposed cultivation be allowed on parcels no smaller than 5 acres, but Planning and Building Senior Planner Julia Acker-Krog told Gjerde that county staff was already proposing the 5 acre minimum requirement for permit types One and One-B, which would allow cultivation on up to 5,000 square feet, be reduced to a required parcel size of 3.5 acres, if 50 percent or more of the surrounding parcels were at least 5 acres in size.

As a result of that provision, the 3.5 acre limit is functionally the lower limit for cultivation in the

Cannabis dispensary owner Jude Thilman wrote to supervisors, making recommendations to the ordinances that would tend to broaden or liberalize them. Third District Supervisor John Haschak recommended that Thilman's recommendations be incorporated into the ordinances, and so supervisors went through the letter, giving thumbs up or thumbs down on each recommendation.

As a result, cannabis processing will be allowed in the rural villages zoning districts, in commercial zoning districts, and in the Gualala Village Mixed Use and Highway Use zoning districts, subject to a coastal development permit, in addition to provisions already proposed by staff, that processing be allowed in agricultural, rangeland, rural residential, industrial and Gualala industrial zoning districts.

Staff had proposed testing cannabis products be allowed in industrial zones, plus the three zones in Gualala; supervisors added the provision allowing testing in rural villages zoning districts.

The facilities ordinance provides that cannabis events be permitted on the coast, provided the event is permitted with the state licensing body, and the location of the event is at least 600 feet from any youth center, school or park.

Water safety tips for North Coast waterways

Submitted by PG&E

With the exceptional California snowpack melting as temperatures rise, rivers and streams are full of dangerously cold and swift moving water this spring. Pacific Gas and Electric Company encourages water enthusiasts to take extra precautions when in or near rivers, especially around hydroelectric facilities and dams, where water flows can change rapidly. Anglers are also encouraged to take precautions, as trout season opens April 27 for most California rivers.

California's snowpack measured 175 percent of normal in early April, ensuring cold runoff well into summer

"Public safety is our highest priority. We encourage everyone recreating in or near water to know at all times how they can quickly get out or away. Put safety first, especially while outdoors," said Debbie Powell, PG&E's vice president of power generation.

Most California rivers are fed by snowmelt, making them cold even in summer. Simple actions such as knowing if the water is too cold or swift, knowing your limits, wearing a life jacket, or simply not entering the water when conditions are deemed unsafe can save a life.

Below are some water safety tips:

Stay out of canals and flumes

Recreating in PG&E canals and flumes is strictly prohibited. Stay out of these water conveyances, regardless of who owns them, as they are very dangerous due to slippery sides and fast-moving cold water. For a number of reasons, not all areas are open for recreation. Keep out of canals and off elevated flumes. Be mindful of signs and warnings. Stay out of areas that are signed as restricted, fenced off or buoy lined.

Know the risks

Prevention is the best way to save a person from drowning. By the time a person is struggling in the water, a rescue is extremely unlikely and places the rescuer at risk.

Sudden immersion in cold water can stimulate the "gasp reflex," causing an involuntary inhalation of air or water. It can even trigger cardiac arrest, temporary paralysis, hypothermia, and drowning When faced with swift water, even the strongest swimmers may be easily overwhelmed.

Cold water entering the ear canal can cause vertigo and disorientation. This may confuse swimmers, causing them to venture deeper into the water

Cold water also reduces body heat 25 to 30 times faster than air does at the same temperature and causes impairment that can lead

Learn about self-rescue techniques

If you do fall into the water, here are some survival tips:

• Don't panic. Do control breathing; don't gasp. A sudden unexpected

fall into cold water causes an involuntary gasp (or torso) reflex. It takes less than ½ cup of water in a person's lungs to drown. When someone

remains calm, they have a greater chance of self-rescue. • Stay with your boat. It will help you stay afloat and will be seen

more easily by rescuers. If it's capsized, try to climb on top. • Stay afloat with the help of a life jacket, regain control of breathing, and keep head above water in view of rescuers.

· If possible, remove heavy shoes. Look for ways to increase

buoyancy such as seat cushions or an ice chest. • If you're in the water with others, huddle together facing towards

each other to help everyone stay afloat and keep warm. • If you do fall into a river without a life jacket on, keep your feet pointed downstream and turn onto your back.

• If you fall into the water with waders on, roll onto the shore. Wear

Know your limits

Swimming in open water is more difficult than in a swimming pool – people tire more quickly and can get into trouble.

Many unseen obstacles can be lurking below the water's surface. This is especially the case during spring and early summer snowmelt. Rising water can make these obstacles even more treacherous. Guided trips for inexperienced paddlers are recommended.

Wear a Coast Guard-approved life jacket

Conditions change quickly in open water, and even the best swimmers can misjudge the water and their skills when boating or

Adult supervision

Actively supervise children in and around open bodies of water. giving them your undivided attention. Do not assume that someone is watching them. Appoint a designated "water watcher." taking turns with other adults. Use the buddy system and never swim alone.

PG&E owns and operates 96 reservoirs, many of which are open to boating and fishing and offer facilities such as campgrounds, picnic areas, boat launches, and kayak put in and take-out points. Please visit www.pge.com/recreation for information or to make online camping reservations. For information about PG&E's power generation public safety program, visit www.pge.com/hydrosafety

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Laytonville man dies in Easter accident on Highway 101

A 32-year-old Laytonville man died early Easter morning when his SUV overturned on Highway 101 and he was thrown out.

State traffic officers reported Kristopher James Linsdau was driving north on Highway 101 near Woodruff Road in Laytonville just before 3 am Sunday when he lost control of his speeding Chevrolet Tahoe on a curve and the vehicle ran off the east shoulder of the highway and overturned.

Laytonville Volunteer Fire Department personnel found Linsdau dead at the scene.

The California Highway Patrol said the driver was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the

This report was based on a press release from the California Highway Patrol.



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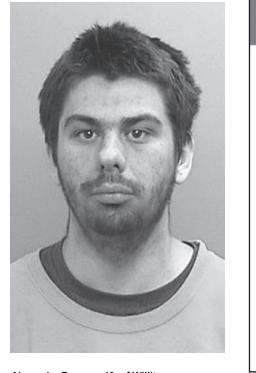
crime, 19-year-old Alexander Donovan Romero, escaped in a getaway car.

Coon was airlifted to Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital for treatment, according to police officials, and was booked into county jail on April 17 after recovering from his wounds.

Willits police officers arrested Romero on April 13 and took him to county jail.

Both men are being held on \$450,000 bail on suspicion of second-degree armed robbery, kidnap for robbery, false imprisonment, and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

This report was based on a press release from the Ukiah Police Department.



Alexander Romero, 19, of Willits

The accident remains under investigation by the CHP.



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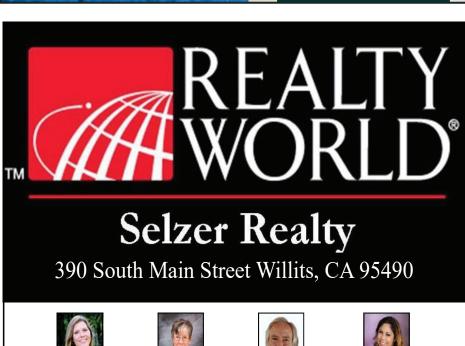
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Time for Tri-Tip!

Get tickets now for famous meal for four available May 3 to benefit Willits Sober Grad



If you're ready for BBQd tri tip, then you're in luck, at least on May 3 you will be, when the Willits Sober Grad crew will hold their annual drivethrough dinner.

> Pick-up time will be between 4 and 6 pm. Tickets, \$50 for dinner for four, are presale only, and available at Cat's Meow (459-6201), from many senior class students, or from Karen in the Willits High School office (459-7700 ext. 1504). The meal will include a full tri tip marinated overnight in Cathy Goss' special marinade, grilled to perfection by Jenn Drew and her BBQ crew; four baked potatoes donated by Cattlemens Steakhouse along with sour cream; salad

for four with dressing from Trillium Delights; four of Emandal and Tam Adams' yummy rolls along with four butter pats; four cookies baked by Kay Moen; and a rose from Flowers by Annette

The pick-up location this year is at the Willits High School Ag Farm. The farm's entrance is just north of the railroad tracks that cross Main Street before you get to the high school; the road parallels the railroad tracks for a block or two. Look for the highway sign that says "Tri Tip Dinner" with an arrow



cooking on the grill at the 2018 dinner. Far left: A rose donated by Flowers by Annette is added to each bagged dinner. At left: Sober Grad's Joyce Waters and Linda Matz of Cat's Meow with a ready-to-deliver



The RCD became the fiscal agent for the Fire

Safe Council and agreed to write and apply

for several fire-prevention and fire-recovery-

type grants. As a result, the county's Fire Safe

Council, as well as an array of local fire safe

councils, have seen a new lease on life.

McCluer agreed to do.

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management of the Fire Safe Council, which

of whom were at the meeting.

In 2018, McCluer hired Imil Ferrara as a parttime project coordinator and installed a new board of directors for the Fire Safe Council. The board of directors formalized a relationship with a Technical Advisory Group to the Fire Safe acquisition of two new busses. Council, including representatives from CalFire, the Bureau of Land Management, Mendocino

National Forest, and other agencies. In 2018, the newly revivified organization welcomed the creation of more than 30 new, neighborhood fire safe councils. According to McCluer, that means there are about 50 local fire safe councils that are either emerging or on the math path. existing in the county today.

The Mendocino County Fire Safe Council provided more than 300 reflective address signs for rural residents. It created a subcommittee structure, participated in more than 20 local meetings, and presided at more than 25 public events, workshops and lectures.

In 2018, it applied for several CalFire grants, including a grant for the community chipper program for \$1.4 million and the hazardous tree removal program for the County of Mendocino,

In 2018, it received \$8,000 from the Mendocino Community Foundation to develop a business plan for the community chipper program. It spent \$80,000 to implement a fuels management program for PG&E. It received \$92,922 to implement a program to create "fireadapted communities" in the Navarro River watershed, a program underway now.

Last year the Fire Safe Council received \$1.9 million to implement a forest health grant from CalFire's climate initiative, another project which is underway. It received \$950,000 to undertake hazardous tree removal for the County of Mendocino. Currently it is anticipating that it will receive \$2.5 million from FEMA to implement an ignition-resistant construction program, which will reimburse homeowners who have already installed fire-resistant roofing on their homes.

According to Ferrara, this year the Fire Safe Council is going to work on its hazardous tree removal work in the Redwood Fire footprint. It will implement the FEMA ignition-resistant construction project and will implement phase one and phase two of the CalFire Climate Change Initiative grant.

Ferrara and the Fire Safe Council Board of directors are going to develop a long-term strategy for vegetation management in this county, especially for "underserved" residents, and will also take steps to make the Fire Safe Council more separate from, and less reliant on, the good offices of the county's Resource Conservation District.

According to McCluer, over the past few years the Fire Safe Council has received financial support from Mendocino County in the amount of \$25,000 a year. This year, the Fire Safe Council is asking for \$100,000, McCluer said.

"That's a number that won't increase in the future, because we are working to make our organization more self-sustaining financially," she said.

Following the report from McCluer and Ferrara, Second District Supervisor John McCowen spoke to fellow board members about continuing county support for the RCD and the Fire Safe Council.

"I think we see with the Fire Safe Council – in the same way with the Resource Conservation District - that a dollar invested with the Fire Safe Council really does pay great dividends, because they leverage those funds to secure even more funds," McCowen said.

"I do think we've been in a position that the Mendocino County Resource Conservation District has been subsidizing the Fire Safe Council, so I'm sure that's an issue they will address going forward.

"In the Western Hills area [west of Ukiah] they have 14 fire safe councils alone, and all these groups are very active. It's really inspiring to see them taking on ownership for their own situation and that of their neighbors," McCowen said. "So, there's a lot of good work going on out there, and I'm sure we'll continue to support it."

medal at the county fair.

Achievements

Moving on to business, Willits Unified Superintendent Mark Westerburg began with formal recognition of two retiring employees: administrative secretary Tami Jorgensen and groundsperson Patrick Duncan, neither

Westerburg continued with positive reports on student progress in math at Blosser Lane, the value of having elementary school guidance counselors and skilled bus drivers, and the district's he said.

The progress in math at Blosser is a result of a newly implemented online diagnostic program for third- throughfifth grade students called IXL math. The program relies on student online answers to questions to assess what the student knows and what to do next

"They have answered over 600,000 guestions since the second week of February until now," said Westerburg. "It's going to have a nice impact on math ability.'

On guidance counselors, he told the board that "lots of districts don't have them, but in our district, there is "an elementary counselor at each building ... [and the district's] goal is an expanded role [for them] in what's balancing the budget on the backs of

"It's different every day, and they make a huge difference," he said, citing one in particular, Blosser's Lorenzo Sandoval, for being "quite good."

"He's helping the building function much better ... added indoor soccer club ... is bilingual and bicultural ... [and] provides positive male role modeling," said Westerburg.

Trustee Jeanne King, with a grandson at Blosser, is a volunteer there, and said she sees "the support he provides.

Bus drivers got a shout out from Westerburg as well, after Trustee Robert Chavez lauded them as "unsung heroes ... [who] do such a good job keep kids safe ... [and] don't get enough Westerburg told the tale of one such

hero, a "new driver ... [who] drives an old stick shift to Sherwood and back" multiple times a day. And perhaps that "old stick shift" will

give way to a newer model soon, as the district has received grant funding for a "It's huge - both grants equal about

\$360,000," said Westerburg.

Board President Alex Bowlds agreed. calling it a "huge boon" for the district. "Three years ago, we were going to

spend \$300,000," he said. "Fortunately,

There's never a shortage of other things to spend money on, and meetings have been taking place with Westerburg and representatives from schools and employee unions to discuss how best to spend it.

The meetings are part of a planning process that culminates in a Local Control Accountability Plan, known as "LCAP." The plan determines how a good chunk of state funding is spent.

Dan Green, president of the local chapter of the California State Employees Association, told the board the meetings were "really productive . [and attendees were] talking and listening to each other."

Westerburg described the result of an exercise at a recent meeting with "representatives from every building" in attendance. When asked what they would do if they had \$100,000, there was "some commonality" to their

responses, he said.

First up, computers and technology for grades three through five; then additional playground structures at Brookside; then furniture for all schools, particularly grades six through 12, although, said Westerburg, "none of the furniture is great in the K through five world, just a notch better."

And speaking of furniture. Westerburg brought up the behemoths that are the fold-up-and-store cafeteria tables at Brookside and Blosser.

Originally designed to be used in a multi-purpose room that could also function for PE when the tables were stored, they have become "cumbersome ... Once they're out, they're hard to put back," said Westerburg.

"We've had two workers' comp cases maneuvering them. They need to go,"

And that's another big expense the district can ill afford.

State Senator Mike McGuire, who will be in town this week, is scheduled for a third meeting with Westerburg, who described McGuire as "a critical person ... [on the] appropriation and education committees.

School board President Alex Bowlds who often laments the sorry state of state funding for education, said he wanted to attend the meeting as well.

"We all have different issues we champion," he said. "Mine is the budget disaster of school funding.... That's where I'm focusing a lot of my energy.

"We need to get the message to Sacramento," he said. "They're students.

He told the board of a recent California School Boards Association resolution, which "boils down to California is shameful in funding public schools.

The resolution calls for "full and fair funding of public schools," and for the Legislature to raise school funding to the national average by 2020 and to the average of the top 10 states by 2025.

The CSBA website contains interesting statistics on the current state of school funding.

For example, California, though the fifth-largest economy in the world with the highest domestic product of any state, is near the bottom nationally in school funding and staffing. It is 41st in per-pupil funding, 45th in the percentage of taxable income spent on education, 45th in student-teacher ratios, and 48th in staff per student.

Trustee Jeanne King brought up other alarming statistics for discussion,

a recent study that showed an almost doubling in the rate of kids and teens going to emergency rooms after considering or attempting suicide.

"It's important to think about," she said. "We have to ask as a culture what

Trustee Paula Nunez agreed, saying: "It's a really big deal. There's a lot of attempted suicides in Mendocino

Westerburg acknowledged the significance of the problem, saying:

"It's a 911 call ... all-hands-on-deck deal. We respond [with] CPS [Child Protective Services] and guidance counselors. Parents come in," he said. "We're very diligent." The meeting ended on a decidedly

brighter note, when the always-last-onthe-agenda call for "public comment not on the agenda," a request usually met with silence, produced an unexpected "yes" from Westerburg.

It was another recognition for a job well done, and for a future job yet to be

Westerburg took great pleasure in giving "official recognition" to Matthew Colvig, who was graduating early and "early-enlisted in the Air Force."

Describing him as "good in every sport ... and a wonderful young man," among other praiseworthy attributes, Westerburg invited Colvia's grandfather, Trustee Robert Colvig, to present the diploma.

And off he goes ... to basic training in Texas and a career in "airborne mission



COLUMN | Firewise Tips

Spring clean-up

By Doreen Blumenfeld, member **Sherwood Firewise Communities**

Much of Mendocino County is considered a high-hazard fire environment. Based on past experience, this area, as well as neighboring counties, possesses all the ingredients necessary to support large, intense, and uncontrollable wildfires. Within this hazardous environment, there are individual houses, subdivisions, and entire

Many homes, however, would be unable to survive an intense wildfire. Since it is not a question of "if" wildfires will occur, but "when" they will occur, the likelihood of human life and property loss is great and growing.

Our ability to live more safely in this fire environment greatly depends upon our use of "pre-fire activities." Pre-fire activities are actions taken before a wildfire occurs which improve the survivability of people and homes. They include proper vegetation management around the home (known as creating "defensible space"), use of fireresistant building materials, appropriate subdivision design, landscaping materials. and other measures.

The size of the defensible space area is usually expressed as a distance extending outward from the sides of the house. The distance varies by the type of vegetation growing near the house and the steepness of the terrain. Research clearly demonstrates that pre-fire activities save lives and property

It's important to learn about "home hardening." Keeping roofs, gutters and downspouts clean is necessary. This requires inspecting and removing debris around your decks and garage numerous times during the year. Cover your chimney and stovepipe outlets with a non-combustible screen, and rethink your landscaping for fire-resistant

Living in a high-hazard fire zone now comes with greater priorities and responsibilities than ever before. Early spring is the time to get started on making your family as safe as you possibly can. Instead of feeling overwhelmed, you can educate yourself, assess, and correct what you can around your residence. You can plan evacuation routes, communication methods, and practice fire drills with your family.

On Saturday, May 4, Sherwood Firewise is hosting a Fire Safe Expo at the Brooktrails Community Center from 10 am to 5 pm. The theme of this event is "Be Prepared for Fire

During this free event, participants can learn about Sherwood Corridor evacuation plans and home hardening; can interact with exhibitors, including CalFire and the Office of Emergency Services; enjoy speakers and workshops: review funding for projects: and have family fun with games, prizes, raffles, food, music and many more resources, information and activities! All local residents are invited to this event to learn fire safety and preparation.

These monthly columns are brought to you from Sherwood Firewise Communities, a non-profit, volunteer-based organization. The SFC mission is to make Sherwood corridor residents safer and properties more prepared for emergencies, through civic engagement programs and practical capacity-building projects that reduce risks to fire, property and resources caused by wildfires and earthquakes.

For more information visit www sherwoodfirewise.org or email info@ sherwoodfirewise.org. Some of the above information came from www.firesafesonoma.



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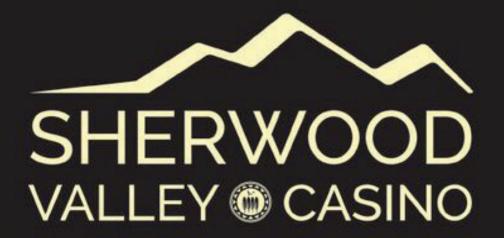
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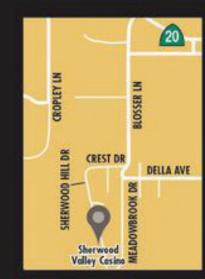
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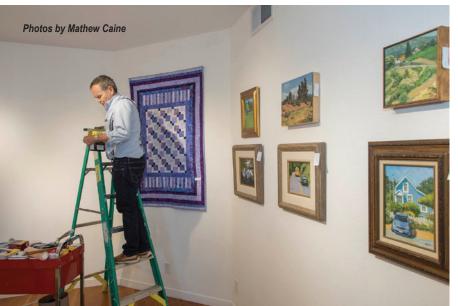
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WCA Art Auction

Opening reception this Saturday to view donated items, with final bid party set for May 17

On Monday and Tuesday, the Willits Center for the Arts accepted and checked in an eclectic group of art, bric a brac, services, and other items for their annual fundraising auction which opens on Saturday, April 27 at 6 pm for members and 7 pm to the public.

Mathew Caine
Features Writer
mathew@willitsweekly.com

The opening reception will be catered by Roland's Bakery and Bistro.

The silent auction will culminate on May 17 from 6 to 9 pm, with a final-bid event and a dance party after the closing bids, with music by The Tree Tones, playing instrumental jazz standards, great for dancing and socializing.

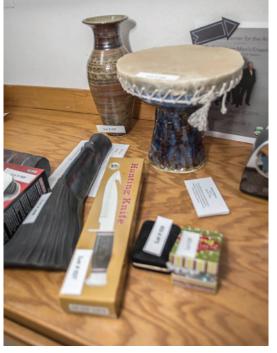
According to WCA Curator Gary Martin, the two downstairs galleries should be filled to capacity with generously donated items for the auction.

The Willits Center for the Arts is located at 71 East Commercial Street and is open 10 am to 4 pm, Wednesday through Sunday for the public to observe and bid on the items.

The auction benefits the art center which serves as a hub for art in Willits as well as providing a location for meetings and educational endeavors. The money raised will be used for improvements to the art center and for more classes and community events, such as poetry readings, performances and more.



Above, left: Local artist Mary Ellen Parkinson donated this painting to raise money for the WCA. Above: WCA Curator Gary Martin hangs the show for the Art Center's fundraising auction, which opens Saturday evening. Below: Widely varying types of art and goods will be available for auction. At bottom, left: Laura Wiecek shows one of her book creations, available for bids at the WCA's annual fundraising auction. At bottom: Lovely soft rabbit and owl critters are part of the eclectic collection for Willits Center for the Art's silent auction.





Joyful Charger

Charger *is* charged up! He's a very exuberant dog, and he is happy and uber-joyful! Charger is athletic, and knows "Sit." He loves treats, of course! Charger is full of confidence. This dude is people-oriented. When he met Chipper – the shelter's big, fluffy, male

tester dog, Charger was sure of himself. Charger is a 2-yearold neutered male, mixedbreed dog who currently weighs 39 pounds.

The Ukiah Shelter is located at 298 Plant Road in Ukiah. Adoption hours are Tuesday, Thursday,



Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 4:30 pm, and Wednesday from 10 am to 6:30 pm. To view photos and bios of some of the other wonderful adoptable animals here, please visit online at: www. mendoanimalshelter.com or visit the shelter. For more info about adoptions, call: 707-467-6453.

Lovely Loretta

Loretta is one of a litter of three 6-month-old mixedbreed puppies that just recently arrived at the shelter. She will do almost anything to get your attention and tends to collapse and roll over for a belly rub at the first sign of interest! Try to take photos of that! She wants nothing more than a home and family to call her own and will give back so much joy inreturn! Any takers?

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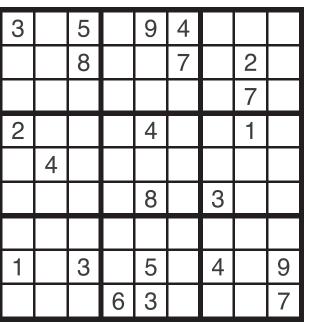
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11. Holds grain

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29. Area near the

concert stage

36. Winter activity

37. Snakelike fish

40. In addition to

43. Monetary unit

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53. A type of name

55. Famed garden

48. Early Slavic society

52. Racing legend Earnhardt

54. __ Strauss, jeans maker

41. In league

44. Marked

45. Emerges

38. Not wet

35. Social insect living

in organized colonies

42. Barrels per day (abbr.)

constellation

26. Teletype (Computers)

13. Occurring at a fitting time

51. Small swelling of cells

59. 'Death in the Family

62. Turner and Kennedy

and southeast

64. Emerald Isle

63. Midway between south

CLUES DOWN

search method

2. Country along the

5. Peruvian region

beliefs

8. Typeface

9. Shrill cry

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Postal Service

Arabian peninsula

3. Pointed parts of pens

4. Lake ___, one of the Great

6. State capital of Georgia

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5. Panthers' signal caller

14. Indonesian coastal town

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1. Tenor

theories

15. Type of cuisine

18. Single Lens Reflex

19. Extra seed-covering

12. Rulers

16. Kids

20. Force out

22. __ & Stitch

32. Request

34. Relieved

42. Car signal

44. Grass part

46. Trivially

23. Semantic relations

26. A larval frog or toad

30. Sport for speedsters

31. One who is learning

39. English broadcaster

47. Serve as a warning

49. Centers of activity

50. An electrically

charged atom

33. Famed WWII conference

21. Feline

HOW TO SUDOKU

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

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5:11 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 800 block of

9:26 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

4:06 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1700 block of South

5:00 pm: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 100 block of Bush

5:58 pm: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 300 block of East Hill

6:28 pm: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle in the 200 block of East Commercial Street.

8:02 am: ST. LAURENT, Larry Phillippe (44) of Willits was contacted in the 200 block of Alice Drive. He was arrested pursuant to 11379 H&S (Methamphetamine Sale or Transportation), 11378 H&S (Possession of Methamphetamine for Sale), 11377 H&S (Possession of Methamphetamine), 11364 H&S (Possession of Drug Paraphernalia), and felony charges of violation of probation.

9:59 am: RATLEY Jr., Michael Ralph (37) of Willits was contacted in the 1200 block of Blosser Lane. He was arrested pursuant to 484 PC (Petty Theft), 594 PC (Vandalism), on felony charges of grand theft, defacement of property, possession of a firearm, and offenses committed while on bail, and on misdemeanor charges of possession of a controlled substance.

4:08 pm: Officers responded to a report of harassment in the 100 block of East Commercial Street.

8:26 pm: Officers responded to a report of threats in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

1:27 pm: Officers initiated a missing person investigation in the 100 block of East Commercial Street

3:45 pm: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle in the 100 block of East Commercial Street.

5:00 pm: Officers responded to a report of harassment in the 100 block of Franklin Avenue.

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8:02 am: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of Creekside

10:30 am: Officers responded to a report of trespassing in the 200 block of South Lenore Street and issued a warning.

8:29 pm: Officers initiated a fraud investigation in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

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9:00 am: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 500 block of East Commercial Street and issued a warning.

9:27 am: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 100 block of West Commercial Street and issued a

2:39 pm: PHIPPS, Craig Alexander (31) of Willits was contacted in the 1700 block of South Main Street. He was arrested on misdemeanor charges of violation of probation.

5:53 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 800 block of South Main Street.

9:29 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 700 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

11:29 pm: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 300 block of South Main Street and issued a citation.

12:12 pm: BARRETT, David Douglas (56) of Willits was contacted in the 21000 block of Locust Street. He was arrested on misdemeanor charges of violation of

12:32 pm: ROMERO, Alexander Donovan (19) of Willits was contacted in the

WILLITS POLICE DEPARTMENT **POLICE LOG**

April 8 to April 21

By Danya Davis, Willits Weekly

The officers of the Willits Police 200 block of Shell Lane. He was arrested Department handled **387 incidents** in this on felony charges of kidnapping for robbery 14-day reporting period. or rape, false imprisonment, and second degree robbery, and on misdemeanor **Summary of Active Investigations** charges of contributing to the delinquency and Arrests of a minor. Romero was held on \$450,000

> 6:07 pm: MORRIS, Dena Darlene (57) of Ukiah was contacted in the 1700 block of South Main Street. She was arrested pursuant to 3056 PC (Violation of Parole) and on misdemeanor charges of disorderly conduct (alcohol).

> 6:49 pm: Officers responded to a report of a vegetation fire in the 1200 block of South Main Street.

> 7:40 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject near the intersection of Walnut Street and Magnolia Avenue.

1:07 am: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of Marcela

11:46 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1400 block of South

April 15

8:55 am: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 800 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

10:09 am: Officers initiated a fraud investigation in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

1:10 pm: Officers initiated a fraud investigation in the 100 block of East Commercial Street.

2:25 pm: Officers initiated a burglary investigation in the 100 block of Kawi Place. 3:50 pm: Officers initiated a burglary investigation in the 100 block of Kawi Place.

4:50 pm: Officers responded to a report of trespassing in the 100 block of Sanhedrin 6:24 pm: Officers initiated a hit-and-run

vehicle collision near the intersection of South Main Street and Baechtel Road.

6:41 pm: Officers responded to a report of threats in the 100 block of East Oak

9:20 pm: Officers initiated a missing person investigation in the 100 block of East Mendocino Avenue.

1:11 am: Officers responded to a report of vandalism in the 1600 block of South Main Street.

8:04 am: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 300 block of Creekside

11:57 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 300 block of Redwood

4:50 pm: Officers responded to a report of trespassing in the 100 block of East

Commercial Street 4:54 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1700 block of South

Main Street. 8:53 pm: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 100 block of East

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Commercial Street

9:53 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 800 block of South Main

6:05 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of Barbara

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3:06 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1300 block of South Main Street.

4:14 am: Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in the 100 block of Bush Street.

11:27 am: JEWELL, Amanda Grace (27) of Willits was contacted in the 20000 block of Baechtel Road. She was arrested pursuant to 11377 H&S (Possession of Methamphetamine) and 1203.2 PC (Violation of Probation)

9:12 pm: Officers initiated a missing person investigation in the 9900 block of Spring Valley Road.

10:39 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 200 block of East Valley

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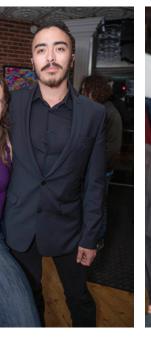




Above, left: Alexis Blower prepares to read one of her heartfelt poems, Above, right: Anthony German expounds on the nature of love. Below, left: Kirk Lumpkin performs "At My House" at the poetry event, Behind the Mic.



Above, right: Bella Karg enjoys the appreciation she receives from the audience. Below, left: Organizer Aurelie Clivaz and sponsor-participant Dray King hang out at Behind the Mic at Brickhouse Coffee. Below, right: Dan Miller enjoys listening to his son, Sage, freestyle on stage.





Behind the Mic

Open poetry reading at Brickhouse welcomes poets young and old

and

Is there poetry inside all of us? What does Although, much of the poetry concerns it take to bring the poetry, the creativity, teen angst, what is wrong with the world, the expression to a place where it can be love and the losing of it – universal themes. shared and appreciated by others? For the Sometimes the poems are just about the last three years, Aurelie Clivaz, along with beauty that can be found in gardens and other caring and accommodating adults and nature, and the kind acts of strangers. young people, has been creating a space in which our youth can feel comfortable and

It is a space where they can break through into a world where they are able to impart

their inner feelings Mathew Caine to friends strangers. In Clivaz's world, known as

"Behind the Mic." there is acceptance and appreciation without recrimination or remorse. It is a world filled with poetry and song and laughter and sometimes tears, as true, deep feelings will engender.

The audience, about half braving the of open mic nights going. stage themselves, is there to encourage. No one is there to see failure, only the opening of one's emotions laid bare. It is a room where all are on your side, urging you on and knowing that they themselves have experienced the same emotions. There is a universality of experience amongst the especially the youth. audience and performers.

The event, which happens once every two months or so, is staged through the generosity of Clivaz and others. Tom Mann has hosted at Brickhouse Coffee since its inception and provides coffee, sweets, and other tasty treats. This night, the specialties included "scuffins," a muffin hybrid, and homemade chocolate-chip cookies.

come up with, "The place fills up pretty much all the time. If you can make one kid feel a little bit better about having pimples and going into maturity, then you're doing great. It's a one-kid-at-a-time kind of thing. "We get dozens of them here," he

continued. "We get girls crying, giving poems about ruby lips and how much I love you, and guys laughing and talking about racing cars ... You never know what you're going to get." session is different

Thankfully, Clivaz has procured a couple of new sponsors to ease the burden on her personal finances. Since the first year, after losing her backing, she has been paying for their fears in order to take a major leap the expenses out of her pocket. She refuses to allow Behind the Mic to fade away and leave a gaping hole where creativity once

> Clivaz has procured a new sponsor, Dray King, a young Willits entrepreneur and founder of KingRoval Industries, who is now involved in international cyber-banking. When King came on board, the Mendocino Youth Project also decided to lend their financial support in order to keep this series

> Clivaz, who has worked for the Mendocino Youth Project as a program manager and youth worker for several years, would like to expand the program and take it to the schools as she realizes the benefits of allowing free self-expression to all people

"In Willits, we do not have a lot of areas where we have genuine community, coming together and sharing," explained Clivaz. "This is a real grassroots community event where people can come and share their talent. People are up here being super vulnerable, sharing their sadness and their joy. For the kids, it provides an opportunity for them to have the experience of having Mann loves to hear what the participants people actually listen to them, especially

> "I've seen young junior high school girls," she continued, "come in here and gain so much self-confidence and comfort articulating themselves. And they keep on coming back. They get more comfortable, more excited. They share deeper. In one way, I wanted to make it an exclusively youth event but I think the elders hold a

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A graduate of Loma Linda University Medical School, Dr. Batin completed his residency in internal medicine at Loma Linda University Medical Center. He completed a special threeyear fellowship in pulmonary, critical care and sleep medicine at Jerry L. Pettis Memorial VA Medical Center and Loma Linda University Medical Center, both in Loma Linda, CA.

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Above: Families take shots with the Easter Bunny. At right: Glen Helton and Melissa Fork place the eggs into the dyeing cans. Below: Denise Asher, Robert Anderson Glen Helton and Bill Barker pick up 1,020 eggs donated by









Above, from left: Vanessa Hill shows off her collection of eggs. River gives the Easter Bunny a hug. The dyeing and packing crew take a moment to pose for a group shot. At right: Denise Asher loads the eggs into the cooking vat.

Photos by Mathew Caine

Egg Hunt

Willits Lions Club hides 2,040 dyed eggs at 84th annual Easter event

School baseball fields to grab as many of the colorful hen products for dollar bills. future egg salads as they could possibly find and carry.

Many of the kids were dressed in their "going-to-church" finest clothes, colorful and bright, some with ties and shiny shoes. As the time to begin the stampede got closer and closer, they stood at

the starting line, some with more patience than others, some testing the limits of their parents'

patience by stepping ever so slightly over the line, seeing how far they could get before Mom or Dad noticed and pulled them back with primarily gentle goading.

Exactly at noon a low whistle blew, at which point there was no holding

After two days of work to pick up, boil, color and distribute 2,040 eggs, it them back. They ran. They scoured the grass with their eyes, searching was all over in 15 minutes. The kids ran over the grass at the Willits High for the eggs or the few special plastic versions which contained candy or

> Surprisingly, the event was void of conflict, and all the kids seemed to have a good time as they brought the retrieved eggs back to their parents. For those who arrived late or just couldn't find enough to satisfy their desires, there were extra eggs so that "no children would go without."

After the stampede, which took place in two separate fields so the littlest ones would not get run over, many of the kids and families chose to have their photos taken with the obligatory big, white Easter Bunny.

All went home happy, as attested to by their big, wide smiles and baskets full of brightly colored eggs. One girl, who forgot her Easter basket, used a bike helmet, not to be denied her moment and ability to collect.

This was the 84th year that the Willits Lions Club, a colorful collection of altruistic characters, has held this event. Their esprit de corps was evident in all phases of the process.

The day before the egg hunt, members of the club met first at Grocery Outlet where they received 1,020 eggs - 85 dozen - donated by owner Brock McDowell. Next off, to Safeway, where manager Clint Heller and dairy manager Dale Barlow assisted them in procuring another 1,020

After loading them onto two trucks, the crew then went to their preparation kitchen at the American Legion Hall where a huge cooking cauldron awaited. Under the able directorship of Glen Helton, who has been involved with the Easter hunt for the last 29 years, the raw eggs were gently lowered into the heated vat where they were cooked for about an hour.

According to Helton, they use the "spin" method of testing whether the eggs are done, wherein you spin the egg and observe how it turns. If it spins smoothly and consistently, it is cooked.

When all the eggs were cooked, they were then allowed to cool for several hours, after which they were loaded into the coloring cans into which the individual colored dyes were poured. They were then drained and loaded into cartons to be distributed the next day. It was an efficient assembly-line operation that could only be run this smoothly after 84 years of practice.

At 11 the next morning, the Lions Club members loaded the cartons onto

their pickup trucks and drove the short distance to the ball fields where

they distributed the eggs into the grass with a rolling motion, placing and distributing them perfectly in anticipation of the 50 or so kids who would soon be crowding the fields. "Hiding the eggs" really depends on whether the grass has been mowed recently. In past years, Helton says that the ravens used to swoop down

and steal the eggs almost as fast as they were placed, necessitating the Lions Club members to stand out in the fields and act like animated scarecrows. Luckily, the ravens have seemed to lose their taste for cooked and colored eggs of late.

Why eggs for Easter? The egg, which is an ancient symbol designating new life, was used in ancient pagan celebrations of the coming of spring. There have been many influences on the custom throughout the years, including early Christian churches dyeing eggs red to symbolize the blood of Christ. But when a child is running to find their eggs, none of that











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At top, left: Soroptimist International of Willits members pose with the Easter Bunny after the Saturday morning fundraiser for the club. At top, right: Keysean sits with the Easter Bunny for the first time. Above, left: Emma, left, and brother Grayson and his red race car smile with the bunny. Above, right: Veteran rabbit visitor, Mariah, holds one of the Satin rabbits, brought for the kids to hold from Ahders Acres farm. Below, left: Colter was thrilled to get to meet the Easter Bunny. At bottom, left: Sam was also excited this year to see the Easter Bunny and had a great time snuggling the real bunnies, too. Below, right: Celeste was first in line to see the Easter Bunny for the 2019 fundraising events at J.D. Redhouse last Friday and Saturday.



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A total of \$775 was raised during the two-day "Photos with the Easter Bunny" fundraising event held at J.D. Redhouse last Friday evening and Saturday morning.

Each day's totals will be divided 50/50 with a local group; Willits Frontier Days Juniors club will receive \$182.50 half of Friday's total, and the Soroptimist International of Willits will receive \$205 – half of Saturday's total.

Local photographer Maureen Moore expressed her appreciation to Xander Jennison and Israel Perry who both did excellent jobs manning the bunny suit; to Ashtan Bloomquist and the crew at J.D. Redhouse for hosting the events: to the Soroptimist International of Willits members and Marcy and Danielle Barry for running the tables; Keely and Heidi Ahders of Ahders' Acres for the live bunnies and, of course, to everyone who came and attended the event.

See these and all the Easter Bunny photos online at: https://photographress.zenfolio.com/easterbunnyphotos.







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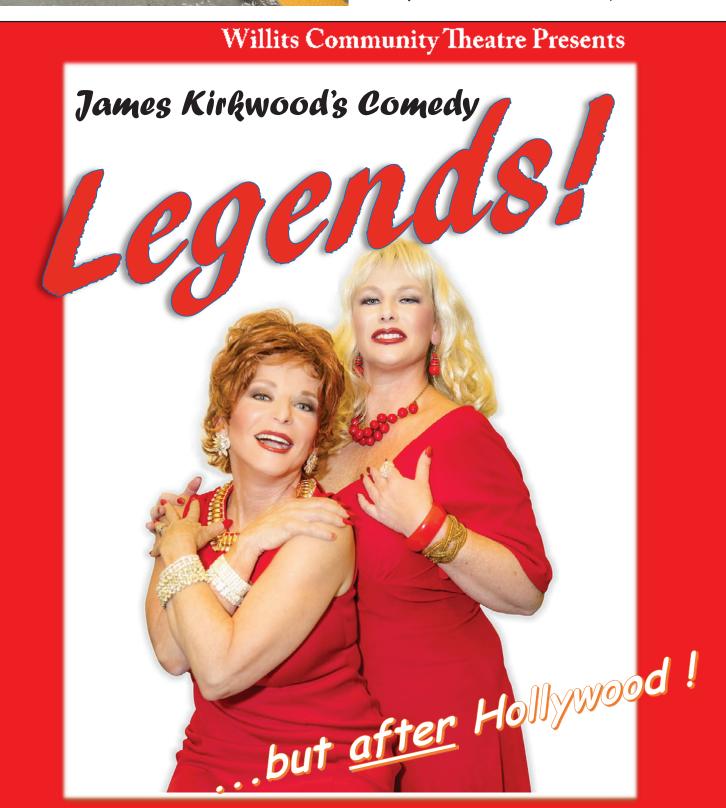






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Directed by Bill Barksdale

STARRING Gretchen Anderson, Kathy deBane', Mary Burns, Christopher Martineau, Moises Torres, Anthony Sylstra

Dates and Ticket Prices

Thursday, April 25 May 2 @ 7:30pm \$15. Friday, April 26 May 3 @ **7:30pm** · \$20. Saturday, April 27 @ **7:30pm** · \$20. Sunday, April 28 @ 2pm · \$15. SPECIAL SATURDAY May 4 @ 2pm . \$15.

Bill Barksdale GRI Realtor® CaDRE #01106662 **Coldwell Banker Mendo Realty inc**

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Playhouse

37 W. Van Lane

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ALL ARE WELCOME 286 School St. (at Pine) Rev. Rosemary Landry, pastor Worship Celebration Sundays - 11:00 a.m.

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Children's Sunday School - 11:15 a.m

459-2855 Facebook: www.facebook.com

10:58 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 800 block of South Main Street.

11:12 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of Marcela Drive.

April 19

9:45 am: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 700 block of Central Street.

9:52 am: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 500 block of East Commercial Street.

10:22 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 300 block of South Lenore Avenue.

1:24 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 100 block of Creekside Court.

4:59 pm: DENNEY, Joshua John (38) of Laytonville was contacted in the 1200 block of Blosser Lane. He was arrested on felony charges of transportation of controlled substance between counties, assault with a deadly weapon, violation of probation, and failure to appear.

6:12 pm: MATEJCIK, Josef Larivee (46) of Willits was contacted in the 100 block of North Main Street. He was arrested on misdemeanor charges of driving under the influence of alcohol and driving with a blood alcohol content of 0.08 percent or higher.

7:02 pm: LOUTSIS, Alexander Louis (35) of Willits was contacted in the 100 block of Creekside Court following a disturbance. He was arrested pursuant to 273.5 (A) PC (felony Domestic Corporal Injury).

Poetry

an exclusively youth event.

something they wished to share.

his book, "Poetry's Purpose"

From Page B3

space around the capacity to listen that would be missing in

One by one, the participants took to the stage, some of

them boldly, some more meekly, until they began and they

felt the love. Sometimes the poetry rhymed, sometimes it

was free verse, but all flowed from a deep place. There

contributed their wisdom and creativity too. All had

Liam UiCearbhaill, programmer at KLLG and published

writer, when asked, "What is poetry?" offered a quote from

The purpose of poetry is the peaking of passion.

Sounds and significance in sibilant time.

The method and madness is the meter and rhyme.

The words wending their way with warble and whisper.

Look for the next Behind the Mic event on May 17 at

Sunday, May 12, 2019

10 a.m. to 12 a.m.

Harrah

Senior Center

1501 Baechtel Road

Brickhouse Coffee, starting at 7 pm. They would love to

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Waffles (Maple Syrup at an extra charge)

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IP

Our regular Breakfast will be

served from 8 to 9:45 a.m.

Adults: \$8 ··· Seniors \$7

report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of West Oak Avenue.

> April 20 11:12 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of East Commercial Street and issued a

8:16 pm: Officers responded to a

4:52 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of Holly

of Margie Drive.

8:59 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 200 block of Bonnie Lane.

April 21

1:39 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 800 block of South Main Street.

3:08 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of Creekside Court.

3:28 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1700 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

10:14 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 100 block of

1:16 pm: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 200 block of East Valley Street.

1:19 pm: ROBERTS, Skyler Cassidy (18) of Willits was contacted in the 1400 block of South Main service. Street. She was arrested pursuant to 487 PC (felony Grand Theft).

8:55 pm: Officers responded to a report of harassment in the 300 block of North Street.

LITTLE LAKE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

FIRE CALLS

April 17 to April 22, 2019 by LLFD Training Chief Eric Alvarez

04-17-19 (Creekside Drive)

Medical assist: Little Lake Fire assisted 8:44 pm: Officers responded to a the current medic unit at scene with patient report of harassment in the 100 block packaging and loading into the ambulance for transport to Adventist Health Howard Memorial. 7 firefighters responded for service.

04-18-19 (Marcela Drive)

Fire alarm: Little Lake Fire responded to reported fire alarm activation. Upon arrival fire units checked the reported area of the alarm activation. After checking the area, it was determined to be a faulty alarm, no fire was observed. 6 Firefighters responded for service.

04-18-19 (South Main Street)

Medical: Little Lake Fire responded to a reported CPR in progress; upon arrival fire units notified the proper authority. 5 firefighters responded for service.

04-18-19 (Highway 101, mile marker 41)

Vehicle fire: Little Lake Fire responded to a reported pickup truck on fire. Upon arrival the fire was located towards the rear of the truck, the trailer that was hauling heavy equipment began to catch fire on the front right side, and the pump and tank of Command Vehicle 5401 was utilized to extinguish the fire. 6 firefighters responded for 8 firefighters responded for service.

04-18-19 (Hearst Willits Road)

Medical assist: Little Lake Fire responded to assist an elderly male back to his feet after falling; the male was assisted and declined medical attention. 6 firefighters responded for

04-18-19 (Barbara Lane)

Medical assist: Little Lake Fire assisted the current medic unit at scene with patient packaging and loading into the ambulance for transport to Adventist Health Howard Memorial. 9 firefighters responded for service.

04-19-19 (Holly Street)

Medical assist: Little Lake Fire responded to a CPR in progress call. Upon arrival fire units provided CPR, and patient was transported to Adventist Health Howard Memorial. 6 firefighters responded for service.

04-19-19 (Maple Street)

Traffic accident: Little Lake Fire responded to a reported head-on traffic accident. Upon arrival fire units provided patient care as well as general roadway clean-up. One patient was transported via ambulance, and three patients were transported in personally owned vehicles.

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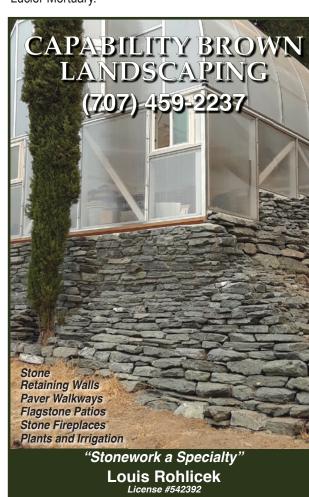
James Bustabade

James Raymond Bustabade of Laytonville passed away April 16, 2019 at the age of 66. He was born to Joseph Bustabade and Mary "Aubel" Bustabade December 17. 1952 in San Francisco, California. He married Dee Anna "Sourbeck" Bustabade April 22, 1973 in Lake Tahoe, were songs as well and not just youth. Older Willitsians Nevada.

> Jim loved bicycling; all water sports including boating; snowboarding; and since his move to Laytonville, he has thoroughly enjoyed caring for his rural mountain property. He was a baker for Albertsons and later, Costco, and enjoyed his delicious professional craft for 40 years.

> Jim loved his family and heartily enjoyed every moment shared with them. He is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Dee Anna Bustabade; daughter; Lydia Arriaga; son, Raymond Bustabade; and grandchildren: Jorge Ariel Arriaga, Hailey Arriaga and Evan Arriaga.

Arrangements under the care and direction of Anker-Lucier Mortuary

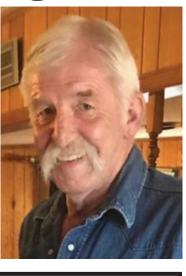


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Ed England

There will be a Celebration of Life for Ed England on Saturday, April 27, 2019 from 2 to 6 pm at the KOA Willits Barn. Please join with family and friends to share a memory or two of your personal stories of Ed.

This is a potluck meal: please share a favorite side dish or



CLAUDIA SMITH-HILL

A memorial for Claudia Smith-Hill will be observed at 1:00 pm April 28, 2019 at Saint Francis of the Redwoods Episcopal Church. A celebration of Claudia's 98th birthday will follow at the Willits Center for the Arts.



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LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF WILLITS PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE TO BIDDERS

PROJECT NO. 2019-03

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Sealed bids for The work shown on the project plans entitled **CITY OF WILLITS PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

PROJECT PLANS

North Maple Street Improvement & Storm Drain Replacement Project - Project No. 2019-03

Installing 56 feet of new 15" HDPE storm drain pipe and replacing 406 feet of existing 18" CMP with new 18" HDPE and Aluminized steel storm drain pipe on North Maple Street and placing new drainage structures on West Mendocino and North Maple Streets removing one drop inlet and removing 95 feet of existing RCP storm drain pipe, abandoning one out-of-service sewer main, grinding 3 inches of existing asphalt and placing a 3-inch asphalt overlay on North Maple Street, doing approximately 3 CY of dig-out work, constructing 2 new pedestrian ramps, sidewalks, walkways, 284 LF of new curb and gutter, filling designated street area with Class II asphalt base, filling yard areas

with engineered soil, placing riprap and willow stakes at new and existing storm drain outfall, and striping. THE ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COSTS IS: \$231,189

City of Willits, County of Mendocino, State of California

The work described in specifications books entitled: CITY OF WILLITS - BID BOOK & TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS CITY OF WILLITS - PROPOSAL PACKET CITY OF WILLITS - AWARD PACKET

North Maple Street Improvement & Storm Drain Replacement Project - Project No. 2019-03

City of Willits, County of Mendocino, State of California will be received by a designated representative, of the City of Willits, County of Mendocino, State of California, until the hour of 10 a.m., May 14, 2019, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud in the City Council Chambers, of the City of Willits, located at 111 East Commercial Street, Willits. California

Interested bidders should email bsanderson@cityofwillits.org for instructions on obtaining documents related to the project. /s/ Cathy Moorhead, City Clerk

Publication Dates: April 18 and 25, May 2 and 9, 2019



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

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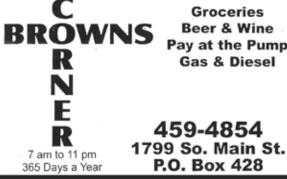
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Willits CA 95490.

This business is conducted by a individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on March 25, 2019 Statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on March 26, 2019. /s/ Quinn Schumake

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Fictitious Business Name Statement

> 2019-F0311 The following person is doing business as Aaron Construction 1940 Lupine Drive, Willits CA

Fictitious Business Name

Statement

The following person is doing

Aesthetics, 158 S. Main St., Willits

South Lenore Ave., Apt. #4, Willits

Registered owner: Carissa Diane

#4, Willits CA 95490.

individual. The registrant

Statement filed with the

s/ Carissa Diskin

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Diskin, 160 South Lenore Ave., Apt.

This business is conducted by an

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listed above on April 11, 2019.

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2019-F0305

95490 / mailing address: P.O. Box 207 Willits CA 95490 Registered owner: Aaron Keith Luedemann, 1940 Lupine Drive. Willits CA 95490, Willits CA 95490 This business is conducted by an

individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on April 12, 2019. Statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on April 12, 2019.

/s/ Aaron Keith Luedemann Publication dates:

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

HTSG No. 5030200-8751141 TS NO 100081992 APN: 097-141-01-01 Property address: Vacant land at on 27460 Oriole

Drive Block 72 Lot 28 Brooktrails Vacation Village Subdivision, Willits, CA NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED August 7, 2016

UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD

On Friday the 17th day of May, 2019, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A.M. of said day, at the front entrance of the Brooktrails Sales Office 24895 Birch Street, Willits CA 94590, County of Mendocino, State of California, Recon Financial Inc., as Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, in lawful money of the United States and/or the cashier's, certified or other checks specified in Civil Code Section 2924h (payable in full at the time of sale to Recon Financial Inc. the following described real property, situated County of Mendocino, State of California, and commonly known as BROOKTRAILS VACATION VILLAGE SUBDIVISION

And being more particularly described as follows:

That certain real property situated in the County of Mendocino , State of California, described as follows: Block 72 Lot 28, of Tract 86, BROOKTRAILS VACATION VILLAGE

SUBDIVISION as per map filed August 17, 1966, in Case 2, Drawer Page 1, Mendocino County Records, as amended by map filed August 16, 1967, in Map Case 2, Drawer 7, Page 2 Unit No. APN:097-141-01-01.

you need directions to find property, please send your reques to Recon Financial, 111 Deerwood Road Suite 100, San Ramon, CA

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in a certain deed of trust executed by: Francisco Palomino as Trustor, to RECON FINANCIAL INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION as Trustee, for benefit and security of Peggy A. Porter, a widow, dated August 7, 2016, and recorded August 17, 2016 In the office of the County Recorder in the County of Mendocino, State of California, in Book N/A of Official Records at page N/A. Document No.2016-10997. The Total amount of unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold, including estimated costs, expenses and advances s: \$19,161.98: NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the

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The name, street address and telephone number of the Trustee conducting this sale is: RECON FINANCIAL INC., 111 Deerwood Rd.. Suite 100, San Ramon, CA 94583. (925) 838-8525. The name, address and telephone number of the Beneficiary at whose request this sale is to be conducted, is: Peggy A. Porter, a widow, 111 DEERWOOD RD., STE 100, SAN RAMON, CA 94583 (925) 838-8525.

S/ Peggy A. Porter, President Publication Dates: April 25, May 2 and May 9, 2019



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Alana Hastings brought her three-year old son, Rory to Adventist Health Howard Memorial's ER due to severe swelling. Thanks to the staff and with help from pediatric experts from UC Davis, they were able to diagnose and treat Rory's serious infection.

Alana is grateful for the coordination between the two hospitals and the ability to have access to experts locally. "It helps that we didn't have to drive four hours for a diagnosis. That reassurance and not having to worry is just priceless especially for a first time parent."

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