

## City council hears from West Company, Little League

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The Willits City Council last week heard a presentation about the expanding programs of the West Company, a nonprofit that offers free one-on-one business consultations and workshops around Mendocino and Lake counties.

Mary Ann Petrillo, chief executive officer of the West Company – now operating as the “West Business Development Center” – said the company

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## C&S employee may serve as garbage agency manager

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According to a new proposal under discussion between the Board of Commissioners of the Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority (MSWMA, also known as MendoRecycle) and C&S Waste Solutions of California, there's a possibility a C&S employee may eventually serve as the general manager of MSWMA.

This was confirmed by Second District Supervisor

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## Organic waste recycling law looms

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Senate Bill 1383 is coming, and the California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery, also known as “CalRecycle,” is telling local governments they need to be aware of it.

The senate bill, which was passed in 2016, calls for local jurisdictions to divert 50 percent of their organic waste by 2020 and 75 percent by 2025. The bill mandates CalRecycle to increase the recovery of edible food from the waste stream by 20 percent by 2025. It also calls for CalRecycle to impose penalties on local jurisdictions that fail to

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Members of the Willits High School graduating class of 2019 pose together in front of their soon-to-be alma mater, Willits High School.

# Ready to Graduate

Graduation ceremonies planned for Willits schools this week

- Baechtel Grove: 8th grade promotion: Wednesday, June 5 at 6 pm at Maize Field
- Sanhedrin: 12th grade graduation: Thursday, June 6 at 6:30 pm at Maize Field
- Willits High: 12th grade graduation: Thursday, June 6 at 6:30 pm at Maize Field
- Willits Charter: 8th grade promotion: Thursday, June 6 at 5:30 to 7 pm at WCS
- Willits Charter: 12th grade graduation: Friday, June 7 from 6 to 8 pm at WCS



Above: Willits High School Senior Class scholarship winners, including, back row, from left: Taylor Watts receives a College Bound Scholarship in the amount of \$500; Ramneet Mann receives a College Bound Scholarship in the amount of \$500; Melody Leon receives a College Bound Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000; Savanna Hofmaister receives a College Bound Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000; Karen Hernandez receives a College Bound Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000; and Jasmine Mendoza receives the Ron and Valerie Kendrick scholarship in the amount of \$500. Front row, from left: Willits High School senior Sandra Walker-Redenius receives the Scholastic Incentive Award in the amount of \$250; Keely Ahders receives the Continuing Student Scholarship in the amount of \$250; Jasmine Crumrine receives the Continuing Student Scholarship in the amount of \$250; and Willits High School senior Davina Gomez receives the Scholastic Incentive Award in the amount of \$250.

## Soroptimist Scholarships

Soroptimist International of Willits holds annual luncheon to present over a dozen awards to area students, women

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Ten of those recipients were Willits High School seniors who received scholarships in \$250, \$500 or \$1,000 amounts. These included: Ramneet Mann, Taylor Watts and Jasmine Mendoza who received \$500; Karen

Furthering the goals and education of women and girls in the area is a priority for the Soroptimist International of Willits, and this year was no exception as the non-profit group awarded 16 monetary scholarships and awards to females in the community during their annual luncheon last Tuesday.

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Below: Vicki Ham, left and Heidi Ahders, right, present fellow Soroptimist International member, Susan Soss, with a surprise Recognition of Empowering Change award for all of her work with the club, new ideas and motivation for forward motion with the Willits chapter.



## Measure B feasibility study, project manager in offing

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The Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee learned last week that two key Measure B processes are “in process,” but not yet ready to bear fruit.

The committee is seeking an architect to undertake a feasibility study for a mental health facility or facilities, to be located either at the old Howard Hospital in Willits or at the Redwood Community

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## July 9 hearing set on Brooktrails rate hikes

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Brooktrails directors will hold a July 9 public hearing to consider rate hikes in the township's sewer and water fees.

The community services district is proposing to increase monthly water service charges from \$49 to \$60, while sewer fees will rise from \$69 to \$75. Water usage charges also will increase by about \$1 for a household using 600 cubic feet of water monthly.

The \$6 increase in residents' monthly sewer service charges will help

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## City pavement project begins

Submitted by the City of Willits

The City of Willits' Pavement Preservation Project is underway.

Striping removal began this week, city officials say, and is expected to cause minimal traffic delays on the following streets: Mill Creek Drive, Northbrook Way, School Street, Pine Street, East San Francisco Street, East Valley Street, and Holly Street.

The following streets will be slurry sealed on Wednesday, June 5: Holly Street, Northbrook Way (half), Mill Creek Drive, School Street, and East San Francisco Street.

These streets will be slurry sealed on Thursday,

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# What do YOU think?

Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from our readers

## Thank you

To the Editor:

I am writing to thank the Willits Post Office including postal carriers for helping very generous postal customers donate to the Post Office Food Drive.

At this time, we have received more than three times last year's donations in nonperishable food, totaling 4,305 pounds picked up by the postal carriers!

Sincere gratitude for the abundant food that has been added to regular distributions to our food bank clients.

Ruthanne Volz, director, Willits Community Services and Food Bank

## Thanks from Sober Grad

To the Editor:

The Sober Grad Committee is once again delighted with the success of their recent annual Take Home Tri Tip Dinner for four. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and its success is dependent on the support of the individuals and businesses that make up this wonderful community. And how wonderful it is!

There are many, many volunteer hours that go into the ability to serve complete dinners for 800+ people in two hours! The gathering of donations; the selling of tickets; the hanging of posters; the picking up of supplies and food; the making of the marinade; the poking, marinating and barbecuing of tri tips; the scrubbing, poking, wrapping and baking of potatoes; the washing of lettuce and salad fixings and tossing them all together; the kneading, rolling, baking and packaging of bread; the forming, baking and packaging of cookies; the filling of containers with condiments; and the stripping of thorns from the beautiful roses (Yep! That happens too!!)

And there are many, many individuals and businesses who support this event and the overall endeavor to keep our grads safe on graduation night, and to them we owe many thanks.

Without the meat and BBQ crew there would be no tri tip, so we first wish to thank Jenn, Jack and Tanner Drew, Stan Cooley, Kevin and Windi Kvasnicka, Aaron Branscomb, Tim King, Andrew Hosford, Cail Lustig and Bryan Tyler. From the start of the marinating process to the finished product which we all enjoyed, this crew can be counted on. Other thanks go to Joe Pomilia and Granite Construction for the use of their BBQ and thanks to Matt Johnstone for transporting it to and from.

Also, kudos go out to Linda Matz of Cat's Meow for selling and tracking all of the tickets; Rachel Cash and her parent assistant, Jennifer Andrews, for organizing the donations of the potatoes, condiments, salad fixings and all of the containers; and then supervising the preparation of the potatoes and salads. And we can't forget Tam and Kashaya Adams of Emandal for those yummy loaves of bread, and Kay Moen for the superb cookies! (How does she get them crispy on the outside and soft and chewy on the inside?)

We also wish to thank the following businesses and individuals for their donations of goods and time which allow this event to be such a money maker: Annette Pinon and Flowers by Annette for the beautiful roses; Jill Persico and Loose Caboose for the containers; John Frenzel and Cattlemen's Restaurant for the potatoes; Christy Wisdom, Lisa Reed and the WHS kitchen staff; Gary and Diana Bollard and the Peg House for the salad dressing; Jennifer Danner and Grocery Outlet, Clint Heller and Safeway, Forks Ranch Market, Ukiah Paper Company, Willits Unified School District for use of the Ag Farm, Karen Thiel, Printing

Plus, Printing Express, Sparetime Supply, Kara and Lilah Garman and Garman Construction, and one last shout out to Tanner Drew and the FFA guys for weed eating that huge area so we didn't have to wade through waist-high grass!

Another thank you goes out to the seniors of the Class of 2019 and their parents who were there filling, washing, scrubbing, poking, wrapping, baking, packaging and all of the other tasks.... You were a great group to work with!

And finally, words of gratitude to this wonderful community for supporting this event and all the other events we have held throughout the year so we can offer our graduates a safe and sober party to celebrate their accomplishments! You are the best!

A word about some help that the committee needs to make the party happen. *We need chaperones!* We need 25 chaperones at any given time between 9:30 pm on June 6 and 4 am on June 7 to help run the casino games (dealing Black Jack or Texas Hold 'Em or running the roulette wheel); to sit at exits/entrances; to help keep the food table full; to hang out on the basketball court (or join in with the game); to man the check room; or just watch all of the fun and celebration. Our greatest needs are in the early morning hours from 1 to 4 am. If you're not a night owl, maybe you're an early bird and can come in at 4 am to help clean up. It usually takes us a couple of hours if we have a good amount of people to help.

We also need help with set-up and decorating. We start at 9 am on June 6 in the Community Center and are there all day long. You can join us for a couple of hours or all day - whatever works with your schedule.

Please join us for a couple of hours or all day or all night to help the Class of 2019 celebrate their achievements and the beginning of the new phase in their lives! You do not need to have a graduate in order to help. This is all of our kids! You can let me know at jlaw46@gmail.com or 459-0439 or just show up! Thank you!

Joyce Waters, secretary, Willits Sober Grad Committee

## 'Freedom from PTSD'

To the Editor:

Have you or someone you love been directly affected by the fires? Are you a veteran or emergency responder?

Directly experiencing a traumatic event will often be followed by PTSD, which can be relived or relieved.

PTSD is diagnosed after a person experiences symptoms for at least one month following a traumatic event. However symptoms may not appear until several months or even years later. The disorder is characterized by three main types of symptoms:

- Re-experiencing the trauma through intrusive distressing recollections of the event, flashbacks and nightmares.
- Emotional numbness and avoidance of places, people and activities that are reminders of the trauma.
- Increased arousal such as difficulty sleeping and concentrating, feeling jumpy, and being easily irritated and angry.

"Freedom from PTSD" is a free health workshop to find relief for your family's symptoms of depression, anxiety or fear. How to get back your joy, sleep better, and find your comfort zone!

The workshop is set for Saturday, June 22, from 1 to 5 pm, and is sponsored by Little Lake Grange, WELL and the Community Foundation. It will feature multiple presenters and roundtable discussions. Learn EFT and other ways to help yourself and reduce anxiety. Plus a short film, "Is Your Story Making You Sick?"

Annie Waters, Willits

## Join the Willits Senior Center

To the Editor:

The mission of the Willits Senior Center is to reaffirm the dignity and value of the older adults in our community by providing an opportunity to participate in a wide variety of activities, share talents and experiences and to socialize with one's peers. It is of the utmost importance for us to promote an appropriate level of independence, yet to prevent isolation, loneliness and a lack of purpose.

Ultimately, we strive to respond to the growing and changing needs of the senior population. Our goal is to enhance the quality of life for all seniors throughout the greater Willits area and to enable them to remain as independent as possible for as long as possible.

As a 501(c)3 public charity, it is critical we secure funding in order to accomplish our mission. One way we generate income is through membership fees.

Look for the blue, double-sided membership form in this edition of Willits Weekly. Please take the time to read it. One side of the flyer highlights membership benefits, programs and services, and the other side is a membership form.

Our goal is to increase our membership to 500 members. You can help us reach this goal by filling out the membership form and becoming a new member, renewing your membership if you are an existing member, or by sending in a donation to support the vital programs and services we provide.

For all of you who are not "seniors" yet, we hope you reach that milestone. We encourage you to support the senior center by becoming members now. We want to be here for you in five, 10 or 20 years down the road.

Every day we hear heartfelt words of appreciation because of the programs and services we administer that make a difference in people's lives. Our ability to keep our doors open is directly connected to the amount of financial support we receive.

We can't do it alone - that's why I'm reaching out and asking for your help.

Richard Baker, director, Willits Seniors Inc.

## Brooktrails burn ban starts June 1

Remember, effective Saturday, June 1, the Brooktrails burn ban will go in effect for the residents of Brooktrails, Spring Creek and Sylvandale! Absolutely no open fires, with the exception of retail-purchased grills with lids. Please keep Brooktrails fire safe!

- Brooktrails Fire Department

## New hours at the Mendocino County Museum

Effective June 1, 2019, the Mendocino County Museum in Willits will be open Wednesdays through Fridays from 10 am to 5 pm, and Saturdays and Sundays from 12 pm to 4 pm.

Mendocino County Museum is located at 400 East Commercial Street. Admission for adults is \$4; students 7 to 18, \$1; children 6 and under are free; and Mendocino County Library card holders also get free admission. For more information about programs, hours, and admission visit [www.mendocinocounty.org/museum](http://www.mendocinocounty.org/museum), or call 972-6458.

- Submitted by the Mendocino County Cultural Services Agency



Above, from left: Carolyn Buerger sits in the restored interior of her 1963 Ford Falcon, evoking the era of A&W Drive-Ins. The Turtle Island Indian Tacos crew shows off one of their creations, from left: Cynthia Douglas, Kya Meshekey, Tasha Jarshaw, Adrian Crane and Shana Reece. Emily Quinn, Fionn Quinn and Kayla May check out Christopher Moore's 1967 VW bus. Jerry "Top Hat" Harris with the Wild Bunch's barrel ice chest. Mike Brown's 1954 Ford F1 pickup with a 428 CID blown engine won "Best of Show." Members of the American Legion present the colors at the Community Car Show Sunday.



Photos by Mathew Caine

## Community Festival

### Annual Memorial Day weekend celebration brings classic cars and fancy bikes to Rec Grove Park

The rain gods had a good time Sunday morning. They kept the Recreation Grove Park just wet enough to make it cold and clammy, but not enough to dampen the spirits and keep the classic cars away. Most of the 68 pre-registered vehicles showed up for the Willits Chamber of Commerce's annual Community Festival and Car and Bike Show -

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they were more concerned with the tree sap than the rain. Around noon, the rain finally stopped and the crowds began to fill the park to see the mostly immaculate vehicles, although some were proud of the natural progression of their original paint jobs toward a fine veneer of rust and discoloration.

The car show is a one-day outdoor museum of the ever-changing landscape of primarily American cars, and some bikes as well. The collection included muscle cars, classic old wagons, souped-up sports cars, dragsters, and a Volkswagen bus. Strolling between the rows of expensive memorabilia, one could find any number of appealing and amazing vehicles to please and intrigue.

Ron Moorhead, executive director of the Willits Chamber of Commerce, once again, after a couple year hiatus, took on the task of organizing the 38th

### Trophy winners

**Best of Show:** 1954 Ford F1 pickup with a 428 CID blown engine; Mike Brown of Rohnert Park

**Mayor's Choice:** 1966 Ford Mustang; George Brito of Fortuna

**Police Chief's Choice:** 1970 Plymouth Barracuda convertible; Jim and Judi Montalvo of Willits

**Fire Chief's Choice:** 1949 Willys Panel Delivery; Rick and Donna Johnson of Santa Rosa

that they all love to talk about them.

Scott Poma brought his 1940 Ford Deluxe, a sporty red automobile with

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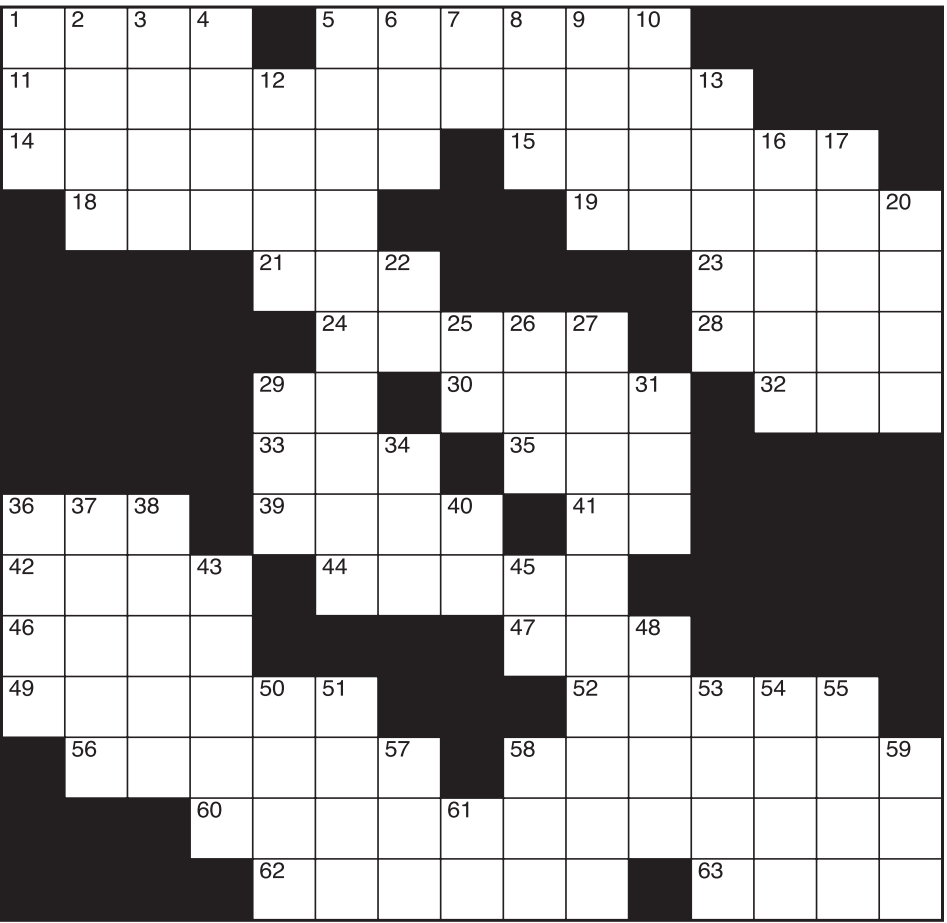
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Level: Beginner

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

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1. Partially burn
5. Mind
11. Those who build again
14. Small chapel
15. Hot fluids
18. Makes beer
19. It can be done
21. Take to court
23. Line the roof of
24. Middle Eastern people
28. Longtime film critic
29. University of Dayton
30. Coat with plaster
32. Wife
33. Famed NY opera house
35. Health insurance
36. Inches per minute (abbr)
39. Longtime London  
Europe Society chairman
41. Pa's partner
42. Lump of semiliquid  
substance
44. Grasslike plant
46. Large, wild ox
47. Make a mistake

49. A type of light  
52. Books  
56. Bothers  
58. Two-colored  
60. December 25  
62. Save  
63. Bangladeshi money

1. Research exec (abbr.)
2. Famed jazz musician  
Alpert
3. Sixth month of the  
Jewish calendar
4. Network of nerves
5. Those who convince
6. Slick
7. Hello (slang)
8. Cost per mile
9. A type of honcho
10. Consequently
12. Couples say them aloud
13. Sharp slap
16. On a line at right angles
17. More gueilleful
20. Chipotle founder

At top, from left: Drs. Cindy and Gary Bodensteiner welcome the new doctors – Cindy is head of surgery at Adventist Health Howard Memorial and Gary is a retired anesthesiologist. Delicious hummus made with tahini from Israel is served at the event. Adventist Health's new chiropractor, Craig Boyle, left, talks with Sara Mann, co-owner of Brickhouse Coffee, and Kitty Norris, personal coach and alternative medicine practitioner, right.



competing against other schools and meeting new people. He participated in the Coastal Mountain Conference where, in the long jump, he jumped 12 feet and for the 100 meters, he ran 14.42 seconds.

**– Submitted by Head Track Coach John Horton**



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Services site at 631 Orchard Street in Ukiah. Mendocino County is also searching for a project manager to oversee construction of the project.

According to Mendocino County Director of Human Resources Heidi Dunham, the county has received 24 applications for the project manager position and will begin conducting applicant interviews this week.

Dunham said she is anticipating a two-tiered interview process, with members of the Measure B Committee conducting the first series of interviews, and with county Sheriff Tom Allman and county CEO Carmel Angelo conducting the final round of interviews and selecting the winning candidate.

Former Planning and Building Services Director Nash Gonzalez said a request for proposals/request for qualifications has been prepared to seek an architect to perform various important tasks for the committee.

First, that person will conduct a feasibility study to determine whether the old Howard Hospital in Willits or the Orchard Street site in Ukiah is the best site for a new mental health facility. That study will determine whether a triune arrangement – a crisis stabilization unit, a crisis residential treatment facility, and a psychiatric health facility – would be the preferred alternative, or whether the two crisis facilities should be combined, with the PHF unit to be built elsewhere.

Secondly, the architect will also draw up plans of the preferred alternative. According to Gonzalez, those plans will be the basis for the required CEQA study of the project, which will be prepared by whoever is hired as project architect.

Measure B Committee member Jed Diamond asked Angelo how the Measure B Committee would be involved with the process of hiring the architect. Angelo said the committee will have final approval on the contract and on the applicant, before the contract is sent to the board of supervisors. She added some committee members would be on the subcommittee that would interview and recommend hiring of the architect.

However, the committee did not discuss which members would be on that subcommittee.

Ukiah Measure B Committee representative Shannon Riley observed that it appeared the committee had decided to move forward with selecting the old Howard Hospital and the Orchard Street location as the two, and only two, locations to be considered in the feasibility study. Riley, who was absent from the committee's March meeting, asked if that had been decided at the last meeting. Riley also asked if the location of the old hospital on Dora Street in Ukiah was going to be considered.

She was told by Deputy County CEO Jenelle Rau that staff was proceeding to look for an architect to undertake the feasibility study based on directives it received. "We were given direction to review two sites: that would be the old hospital and the Orchard Street site," Rau said.

However, a record of such a decision was not mentioned in either the March or the February committee minutes. The minutes from the January

27, 2019, meeting, when the decision was taken to make the recommendation to the board of supervisors, states: "Upon motion by member Angelo, second by member Barash, and carried unanimously, it is ordered that the Mental Health Treatment Act Citizens Oversight Committee makes recommendation to the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors to explore utilizing Measure B funds for the development of a crisis stabilization and crisis residential facility and a 24-hour psychiatric facility. Further, that the board of supervisors directs staff to research options associated with such facility including design/bid/build and potential property or facility locations."

Minutes from the board of supervisors' February 5 meeting, during which the board unanimously approved the committee's recommendation, used much the same language. It noted the three types of services to be explored would be the crisis residential treatment facility, the crisis stabilization unit, and the psychiatric health facility, but did not say where the facility or facilities were to be located.

It is unclear where the directive referred to by Rau came from.

Regarding the other questions raised by Riley, Gonzalez said that, while the committee did not determine if it preferred a tri-location or a bi-location of services in one building, the feasibility study would determine which option was best.

Rau and county Health and Human Services Agency Director Tammy Moss Chandler told Riley the old Dora Street hospital was believed to be out of the running. Moss Chandler said the building was currently in use by both Department of Public Health and Department of Behavioral Health employees.

"We have hundreds of employees that work in that building," Moss Chandler said. "Plus, the building needs millions of dollars' worth of repairs. We thought it would be best to have the county pay for those repairs, rather than to put that on to Measure B."

In other committee business, County Counsel Katharine Elliott gave a brief refresher course on the Brown Act. Sheriff Tom Allman's April 8 letter to all Measure B Committee members was circuitously referred to, and Behavioral Health Advisory Board Jan McGourty asked if it would be permissible, under the Brown Act, to write a response to Allman's letter and send it to all committee members. Elliott replied it would not be.

Elliott did not directly criticize Allman for writing and sending the letter, which was also published in local newspapers. In that letter Allman wrote: "I am pleading with our committee to make some strong and uncomfortable decisions. Should we spend time and money on the old Howard Hospital building? Should we fully fund the Orchard Street project? What can we do on the coast to improve services?"

Angelo told committee members that selecting finalists for the position of project architect and project manager was well underway, but those tasks would not be completed by the June meeting.

Committee members voted to cancel the June meeting and to meet again on July 24.

offset increases in the costs of supplies and service. Water fee increases will enable the township to maintain its aging infrastructure.

Over the past two years, according to Brooktrails General Manager Tamara Alaniz, the township has been drawing on its cash reserves to cover shortfalls in revenues from sewer and water fees.

The rate increases, she says, are necessary to "provide adequate capital relief in case of major or immediate capital project needs and allow the district to begin banking cash reserves to cover utility capital improvements."

The proposed increases "do not exceed the estimated reasonable cost of providing services," do not generate funds "in excess of operating costs, reserve limits and anticipated capital expenditures," and are designed to "offset specific budgeted expenses."

Some 15 township residents attended Tuesday's Brooktrails board meeting, which saw township directors pass a water availability assessment resolution and sewer standby assessment ordinance.

Questions from four residents regarding the proposed water and sewer rate hikes were addressed during the board's public comment period. Alaniz said, but "there were no protests."

The July 9 public hearing was scheduled because many residents failed to receive timely notice of the May 28 hearing on the issue due to mailing delays. Letters have been mailed to Brooktrails ratepayers advising them of the July 9 hearing, the district says.

But Alaniz encourages township residents to "come to us and ask questions before the public hearing. Call or come into the [district] office. I'll set up a time to talk with you."

She noted there "hadn't been a lot of public participation" during the township's annual budget hearings, where the rate hikes were discussed among other financial issues.

Tuesday evening, township directors approved charging owners of undeveloped parcels within the Brooktrails Community Services District \$30 per year to have water made available. Metered parcel owners, on the other hand, will pay \$5 per year, whether water is actually used or not.

Parcel owners also will pay \$50 per year for sewer services, whether that service is used or not. That fee has remained constant since November 1996.

The assessments are collected by the county as part of landowners' property tax bills, then distributed to the township.

The water availability assessment provides an estimated \$120,000 to the township for maintenance of the district's water system. The sewer standby charge provides around \$190,000 for maintenance of Brooktrails' wastewater system.

and MSWMA Commissioner John McCowen at the MSWMA commissioners' May 23 meeting in Willits.

McCowen told the public "MSWMA board members seem to be moving toward consensus" on an important issue. When asked what the important issue was, McCowen said it was hiring a C&S employee to serve as MSWMA general manager.

However, Fort Bragg City Councilwoman and MSWMA Commissioner Jessica Morsell-Haye disagreed with McCowen, claiming it was premature to say the commission was moving toward consensus when no vote had been taken on the issue. Willits City Councilwoman and MSWMA Commissioner Madge Strong supported Morsell-Haye's position.

A second draft proposal from C&S, detailing what the company is willing to do regarding taking over much of the work previously done by MSWMA, states C&S would be willing to have a C&S employee work as MSWMA general manager.

According to that proposal, the C&S employee would "perform per MSWMA bylaws (as revised), would serve as secretary to the commission, would oversee contracts, would collect and disburse funds to C&S Hazmat, Limited, would oversee grant submissions, and would chair an informal non-Brown Act advisory committee made up of joint powers authority staff, which would meet semi-annually."

The second C&S proposal asks for a 20-year contract, with two mutually agreed-upon 5-year options. It would include annual cost of living adjustments on MSWMA transfer station per ton fees as well as "extraordinary circumstances adjustment request language." There would be a "meet-and-confer with MSWMA after 12 months to make necessary revisions to the contract, if any." The proposal also calls for a \$1 a ton increase to MSWMA fees at all transfer stations.

The proposal states the MSWMA Board of Commissioners would have the right to approve grant applications, to approve the contract with C&S Hazmat, and would hold "quarterly meetings to review issues relevant to MSWMA's mission and objectives (as revised by MSWMA's bylaws)."

Unlike the first C&S proposal – which Byrne presented to the MSWMA board during the February 21 board meeting and which stipulated the county would pay to C&S either \$685,000 or \$590,000 annually – depending on the number of days per week the hazardous waste processing center on Taylor Drive would be open, and the number of local Hazmobile events that would be held at various locations across the county – the second draft proposal did not mention what kind of additional financial compensation C&S would receive.

During the meeting, C&S Director of Government and Community Affairs Kristyn Byrne told commissioners the negotiating team is continuing to work at reaching an agreement. "We're looking at how the property can mitigate the financial aspect," Byrne said.

In other MSWMA business undertaken during the May 23 meeting, the negotiating team plus the commissioners met in closed session to discuss MSWMA's position relative to the price of the Taylor Drive hazardous waste processing station,

which MSWMA currently owns. C&S has expressed interest in buying the property.

After the closed session, MSWMA Board Chair Jim Brown of Ukiah said, "The negotiation team will work with C&S on continuing to negotiate the price of the Taylor Drive facility."

The negotiating team consists of Mendocino County Deputy CEO Steve Dunicliff, City of Willits City Manager Stephanie Garrabrant-Sierra, City of Ukiah City Manager Sage Sangiacomo, and City of Fort Bragg City Manager Tabatha Miller.

During the public portion of the meeting, the two county reps to MSWMA, John McCowen and Dan Gjerde, told the MSWMA board the county was cancelling its \$99,572 per year contract with MSWMA, effective immediately. That contract is for work the MSWMA general manager was contracted to perform as solid waste director for the county.

In view of the fact that MSWMA has had no general manager since November 1, 2018, the two supervisors asked MSWMA to waive the 90-day notice-of-cancellation requirement.

This rather simple action was made more complex because MSWMA Office Manager Jennifer Lombardi did not know if the county's quarterly payment to MSWMA for the work done by the solid waste director – last paid in March 2019 – was retroactive or proactive. In other words, was the payment in March for services not rendered from January through March or was it for services not to be rendered from March through June.

McCowen requested, if it proved to be the latter, MSWMA would remit to the county a pro-rated portion of the payment for that portion of the contract that would be annulled from May 23 to June 30.

This brought forward some reservations from non-county members of the board, who said they would prefer it if MSWMA would not have to give Mendocino County a refund.

Emmet Jones, a financial advisor from Ukiah who also works as a consultant for C&S Waste Solutions, told McCowen his proposal was overly complex and the best way to go about it would be for the parties to agree that the contract is cancelled immediately, to waive the 90-day notice requirement, and to agree that neither party owes the other any money.

Jones was ignored.

Other motions were made to try to provide contingencies, depending on whether the contract payments were proactive or retroactive. Finally, McCowen said, "We know what we want," and the board of commissioners voted 5-0 in favor. Willits Weekly cannot confirm whether the motion allowed a partial refund be made to Mendocino County or not, but it is certain the \$99,572 MSWMA contract was cancelled immediately.

Contacted later by Willits Weekly, Lombardi, who in addition to being MSWMA office manager also acts as secretary for the MSWMA Board of Commissioners at their meetings, said the question of whether MSWMA would have to reimburse the County of Mendocino if the March 2019 county payment turns out to be pro-active – that is, if it turns out the county was paying in March for services to be performed in the future, was left "open-ended."

reach the mark by 2024.

A brochure written by CalRecycle which explains the ins and outs of SB 1383 says the purpose of SB 1383 is to reduce the emission of methane, a gas 72 times more potent than carbon dioxide at trapping planet-warming sunlight, over a 20-year period.

According to the brochure: "Landfilling organic waste leads to the anaerobic breakdown of those materials, which creates methane. Landfills are responsible for 21 percent of the state's methane emissions. Landfills are the third largest producer of methane."

According to SB 1383, organic waste includes paper, lumber products, yard waste, green waste, food and other organics. Taken as a whole, organic waste comprises about two-thirds of California's waste stream. Food alone comprises 18 percent of all organic waste that currently flows into the state's landfills.

SB 1383 requires local jurisdictions to provide an organic waste collection service to each of their residents and businesses. Those jurisdictions can ensure providers furnish either a one-can system, a two-can system, or a three-can system. If a three-can system, organic waste is required to be source-separated, with paper going in the

blue recycling bin, and food waste and yard waste in the green bin.

The three-can option also allows for additional separation at the hauler's discretion. The brochure states: "Some Bay Area jurisdictions provided separate containers for yard waste (green) and food (yellow) so they can be managed separately."

According to Solid Wastes of Willits CEO Jerry Ward, SB 1383 isn't keeping him awake at nights. "I don't think it's gonna matter a whole lot to us," he said. SWOW already provides a three-can service in Willits and has encouraged its customers to put food waste into the green yard waste bins. SWOW picks up the green yard waste bins every other week in Willits.

"The only thing we don't do is, we don't service mixed organic waste out in the boonies, way out there in Covelo and Laytonville and Leggett, and also, not in Brooktrails. There just isn't enough volume to justify putting out separate bins," Ward said.

"I don't know what the state is going to do in 2024," he added. "I think we do a pretty good job of offering services to people now. How it will all play out in 2024, when the state camps down, we'll just have to wait and see."



Above, from left: Kat "Tigger" Harris wins a cold-weather emergency kit from Les Schwab. Willits Weekly's Maureen Moore and Gracie Jennison display their winnings. Neil Orr, veteran of many raffles, brings a stamper to quickly ID his raffle tickets. A canine friend enjoys a slider, too. Below, left: Cathy and Ron Moorhead organize vendor positioning for the car show. At bottom, left: Individual trays of sliders, coleslaw and watermelon were provided by Lisa Davis of Scoops. Below, right: Colorful food is provided by Scoops at the chamber's Car Show Mixer on Saturday night. At bottom, right: Rich "Pops" and Kim "Sugar B" Venturi have a good time.

## Chamber Car Show Mixer

The latest Willits Chamber of Commerce mixer was held at Recreation Grove Park, the evening before the annual Community Festival and Car and Motorcycle Show on Sunday. Sliders, coleslaw, watermelon and drinks were provided by Lisa Davis of Scoops at the kiosk. Ron Moorhead, executive director of the Willits Chamber, and his wife, Cathy, worked on preparing for the coming day's event by mapping out the areas for the 18 vendor booths and generally making sure everything was ready.

As at all the chamber mixers, there were raffles, run by Moorhead with the able assistance of young Gracie Jennison. Tim Westby of the Willits Wild Bunch motorcycle club displayed and gave away one of the T-shirts commemorating this year's 38th annual car show with an emblem to honor the 100th year of the American Legion. As always, members of the Willits American Legion Post 164 presented the colors on Sunday at the car show and on Monday at the Little Lake and Willits cemeteries in memory of the fallen.



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Alana and  
Rory Hastings

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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."

Learn more at [adventisthealth.org/howard-memorial](http://adventisthealth.org/howard-memorial)





Thursday, May 30

**Herb & Weed Walk:** School of Adaptive Agriculture, 16200 North Highway 101. Thursday, May 30, 1 to 3:30 pm. Mendocino County Herb Guild presents Health and Healing with Plants: "Discover the common and amazingly useful weeds, forbs, shrubs and trees on the ranch. We'll meet and greet these plants, discussing their many uses (medicinal, nutritional, etc.), focus on wild crafting, garbling, growing, preserving, with special emphasis on the environmental needs, and proper care, to get the best medicine possible." Instructor: Beth Riedel. \$20. www.school-of-adaptive-agriculture.org.

**Willits Farmers Market:** Summer market is located on West Mendocino Avenue next to the Rexall parking lot. Thursday, May 30, 3 to 6 pm. Spring greens and veggies, fresh strawberries, local meats, sausage and eggs, local grains, and savory and sweet baked goods, including handcrafted bread. Jams and jellies and savory preserves, fair trade chocolates, olive oil and balsamic vinegar, Willits-roasted coffee, tea, fire cord, crafts, live music, free herb talks, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more.

Friday, May 31

**"Smart Business Borrowing":** Free workshop with a Community Lender at Healthy Start in Laytonville on Friday, May 31, from 12 to 1:30 pm. Heather Gurewitz, executive director of EDFC, the Economic Development and Financing Corporation, offers this free workshop at Healthy Start, 44400 Willis Avenue, Laytonville. "EDFC is embarking on a mission to reach the most rural and remote areas of the county, offering workshops in different areas of the county, designed to help start-up and existing businesses: Understand the cost of different types of financing; learn how to spot a predatory loan; learn how to prepare for a business loan." 707-234-5705.

**Behind the Mic:** "Calling all Poets, Rappers, Singers!" Open mic poetry and music event at Brickhouse Coffee, 3 South Main Street, Friday, May 31, 7 to 9 pm. Free event for all ages.

**Shanachie Pub:** Los Troubadoux: Friday, May 31, 9 pm. "Performing songs in French, Spanish, English, Portuguese and Italian! For party! For all love everywhere." No cover. 50B South Main Street.

Saturday, June 1

**Annual Brooktrails Flea Market and Bake Sale:** Saturday, June 1, 8 am to 3 pm, at the Brooktrails Community Center. Spaces still available for \$25 for each parking lot space or an inside table. Applications: Irene at 459-1974 or email: irenejanet513@gmail.com.

**KLLG Spring Cleaning Sale:** "KLLG 97.9, One station's trash could be your treasure! Spring Cleaning Sale on Saturday, June 1 in the parking lot, corner of Main and San Francisco streets, 8 am to 2 pm. Clothing, collectables, household goods and more. Check us out on your way to the Brooktrails Flea Market. We might have exactly what you didn't know you were looking for!"

**Railroad Operation and Safety Class:** At Roots of Motive Power, 420 East Commercial Street. Saturday, June 1 and 2, 8 am to 5 pm. Plan on being there both days. Classroom session plus hands-on training. Mandatory for anyone involved in

operating railroad equipment. Roots members only. \$75 payable to Roots of Motive Power (please be sure to note that this is for the Steam Engineering Class). Send to P.O. Box 1540, Willits, CA 95490.

**Willits Junior Horsemen's Gymkhana:** first event of the annual Willits Horsemen's Rodeo and BBQ weekend (See Sunday, June 2 for more details) and first gymkhana of the summer, Saturday, June 1 at the Willits Horsemen's Arena, 901 East Commercial Street. Willits Junior Horsemen's Association is for kids, ages 7-17, who ride or have an interest in horses. Meetings every second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm at 850 East Valley Street. Visit "Willits Junior Horsemen's Association" on Facebook, or call Kathryn at 707-489-6565.

**Dia De Los Ninos:** Saturday, June 1, noon to 4 pm. Recreation Grove. Willits Elementary Charter School's annual celebration of many cultures, and a fun time for all the WECS families to enjoy end of the year performances from all the students. There will be food, dancing, a talent show, and musical performances from all the grades. Student performances start at 2 pm sharp. Student Council Talent Show at 1 pm. Info: 459-1400.

**EP Release Party:** Sarah Rose McMahon (formerly of The Real Sarahs) celebrates the release of her latest EP, with BBQ, live music in a beautiful garden setting, performances by Sarah Rose, Matt Taffik and others. The public is invited! Dinner at 5 pm; music at 6 pm. Bring a lawn chair or blankets and a beverage of your choice and an instrument to jam with. \$5 suggested donation. Saturday, June 1, 2201 Valley Road.

**WCA Art Opening:** Eva Strauss-Rosen (drawings and paintings) and Satoko Barash (ceramics) will present their art at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street, Saturday, June 1 through June 23. Opening reception is 6 pm for members; opens to the public at 7 pm. Gallery hours: Wednesday through Sunday, 11 am to 5 pm. 459-1726.

**Shanachie Pub:** Tracy Hui: Saturday, June 1, 8 pm. "New Age, Old Time, Good Time Freaky at it's Finest." No cover. https://soundcloud.com/transcendentaltracy. 50B South Main Street.

Sunday, June 2

**Willits Horsemen's Rodeo & Barbecue:** annual event at the Willits Horsemen's Arena, 901 East Commercial Street, on Sunday, June 2. Starts with Team Roping Sign-Up at 8:30 am; Jackpot Team Roping at 9 am; Beef Barbecue starts at 11:30 am (BBQ tickets \$15; \$5 kids). Rodeo Grand Entry starts at 1:30 pm; with Jackpot Team Roping, High Point Junior and High Point Senior awards. Rodeo events are free to spectators, and the public is invited. For info: call Mark at 707-272-5290.

**Ecstatic Dance:** Hosted by Om Shanti Productions and Willits Center for the Arts. Sunday, June 2, Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Freeform dancing to a live DJ. \$15

What's Happening Around Town

entry, kids free. Massage, refreshments available. Movement Workshop with Raina Satori 10 am, Ecstatic Dance with Sasha Rose 11 am to 1 pm, Ho'oponopono Circle 1 to 1:15 pm.

**The Billie Holiday Project:** The Billie Holiday Project, a classical jazz band led by vocalist Stella Heath, celebrates the music of Lady Day at Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane (behind Shanachie Pub), Sunday, June 2 at 2 pm. Music is interspersed with stories of the star's life and her musical

artistry. Advance tickets \$20 at Mazahar, 38 South Main Street, online at brownpapertickets.com; or by phone 800-838-3006. Tickets at the door until sold out.



Tuesday, June 4

**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 movies are: "John Wick 3" and "Aladdin." Visit www.noyotheatre.com or call 459-6696 for showtimes. \$7 East Commercial Street.

**Twining Time at Brickhouse:** Join "Twining Time" (John Wagenet and Anita Blu) for the first Tuesday of every month, at the Brickhouse. Folk/Country/Americana Roots, plus new and old favorites, as well as original music. Polished 2 and 3 part vocal harmonies, acoustic guitar and keyboard. 3 South Main Street.

**"Working with Habitual Patterns":** Avenues to Wellness presents, "Working with Habitual Patterns" by Paul Jacobson, MFT. Tuesday June 4, 5:30 to 6:30 pm at Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Free to the public; donations appreciated. "Habitual patterns are the foundation of western theories of psychotherapy. By incorporating mindfulness and meditation into psychotherapy, Paul will present a fresh approach to working with habitual patterns and improving our lives."

Wednesday, June 5

**Grand Opening:** Willits Modern Dentistry. Wednesday, June 5, 5 to 7 pm. 361 South Main Street. Raffle prizes and giveaways (Invisalign cases, zoom whitening, treatment vouchers worth up to \$500 and more).

Thursday, June 6

**Willits Farmers Market:** Summer market is located on West Mendocino Avenue next to the Rexall parking lot. Thursday, June 6, 3 to 6 pm. See Thursday, May 30 listing for details.

**Introduction to Ayurveda:** Vata, Pitta and Kapha: Presented by Nine Sisters Botanicals. Thursday, June 6, 6 to 8 pm. At Night Hawk Art & Healing Collective, 44960 Highway 101, Laytonville. "An ancient medical tradition from India, Ayurveda is deeply guided by patterns seen in nature that can be applied to deeply illuminate our understanding of our bodies, minds, and spirits. An introduction and how to use these patterns to evaluate our personal constitutions and improve our health." Sliding scale: \$10-25.

**Shanachie Pub:** Screen Door Slammers, Thursday, June 6, 8 pm. A husband-and-wife duo from Austin, Texas: originals and more, "songs that are equal parts tender and sweet as well as tough and brutally honest." Visit www.screendoorslammers.com. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street.

Friday, June 7

**Collective Care:** A Holistic Support Group: Hosted by Nine Sisters Botanicals. Friday, June 7, 10 to 11:15 am. 44650 Highway 101, Laytonville. An informal weekly drop-in meeting providing holistic community peer support for anyone looking to manage stress, develop healthy coping strategies, incorporate herbal and holistic practices. Children welcome. By donation. www.ninesistersbotanicals.com.

**Summer Kickoff Hoedown:** Gateway Gymnastics is sponsoring a Free Community Cotton Dandee Hoedown in the Park, Friday, June 7 at Rec Grove Park, 3 to 5 pm. All ages. "Bring a blanket for the lawn or chairs and a picnic, and come enjoy the

summer kickoff hoedown (first day of summer for the kids). "Come sing along.... Everybody's in the band! and the kids rock the mics!"

**Friends After 40:** Friday, June 7, 5:30 to 8:30 pm, Recreation Grove Park. 40! Friends After 40 is a secular, twice-monthly (every other Friday) meet-up for adults who want to develop real relationships. We'll be having a BBQ potluck. Bring meat or veggie dishes to share. Charcoal, plates, cups, and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided.

**Shanachie Pub:** "Tall Guy, Short Songs" (Scott Ireland from Bug Guts), Friday, June 7, 9 pm. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street.

Saturday, June 8

**Laytonville Fire Department Open House:** Laytonville Fire Department and the Laytonville Lioness Club are presenting an Open House and Fundraiser, Saturday June 8, 11 am to 4 pm at the Laytonville

Volunteer Fire Department, 44950 Willis Avenue, Laytonville. "BBQ, Live Music, Fire Engine Rides, Photos, Bounce House, Games for Kids – Prizes, Fire Safety Info, Blood Pressure Checks, Special Guest - Smokey the Bear. Fun for the whole family!"

**"Speakeasy – Monologues":** Saturday, June 8, 7:30 pm, Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane. Speakeasy, WCT's Monologues event, will return to the stage with more original monologues presented by their authors.

**Shanachie Pub:** Humbletown Band, Saturday, June 8, 9 pm. "a combination of original and cover songs from folk to bluegrass to jazz," with guitar, mandolin, banjo, cello and upright bass. Visit https://humbletownband.com. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street.



Screen Door Slammers

Sunday, June 9

**Walk for Health:** "Come join us for a fun and healthy activity. The WHAT (Willits Healthy Action Team) Walk starts at

9 am on Sunday, June 9 at the J.D. Redhouse parking lot and winds through the beautiful Willits neighborhoods. The entire walk is 10,000 steps – the recommended length considered for a healthy lifestyle. This is a free event, and all are welcome." Info: Martin Rodriguez, 456-9800.

**Calendula Festival:** "The Mendocino County Herb Guild is hosting their first-ever Calendula Festival on Sunday, June 9, from 10 am to 4 pm at Recreation Grove Park. This free event features herb classes, a local herb and craft marketplace, plant sale, kid zone, food, music and more! Please come enjoy this community event and experience the herbal abundance of Mendocino County."

**Cannabis Medicinals, Ancient Apothecary Wisdom:** Sunday, June 9, 1 to 4 pm. "Learn the benefits of cannabis medicine and its safe and effective use. Learn how to make simples and basic multi-use medicine." Annie Waters, BS is an accredited chemist and nutritionist. She has been growing and using herbs as an alchemical medicine maker for 50 years. Class fee \$35. Enrollment limited. awaters@pacific.net or 707-889-2449 to register or info.

**Speakeasy – Monologues:** Sunday, June 9, 2 pm, Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane. Speakeasy, WCT's Monologues event, will return to the stage with more original monologues presented by their authors.

**LocalLight:OpenMic++:** Cosmic Family Band: Sunday, June 9, 5 pm. Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. "We are the Cosmic Family Band and so are You! Our mission is to promote Peace, Love, and Positivity across the Universe. Whether you want to dance and spin



Calendula Festival

June 9

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RockSoberFest

May 31 to June 2

"RockSoberFest is an event for people to enjoy music, arts, and wellness in a drug- and alcohol-free and safe environment. We invite you to join our movement of fostering learning to live life without substances while having fun in the sun with family and friends. Our next event is under the redwoods in Boonville, May 31 to June 2! Tell everyone you know! Live music, food, meditations, QiGong, recovery, camping, fellowship, and fun! AA meetings on Saturday and Sunday at 10 am will be hosted by the Boonville Clean and Sober Group. Space available for additional 12-Step meetings if other fellowships are wanting to host. We are working with Mendocino County Health and Human Services to hopefully be present to offer prevention, education, and treatment information. RockSoberFest is partnering with Mendocino County Youth Project to also offer a free concert for Youth and Families on Sunday afternoon!"



Willits Otters Swim Competition

June 15 & 16

"The Willits Otters Swim Club will host a swim competition on June 15 and 16 – the Willits event is renowned for its hospitality and welcoming atmosphere. Please come out and support our team. The Otters Swim organization continues to accept applications for the Spring and Summer session through the month of May." www.willitsotter.weebly.com.

Ongoing Events

**Collective Care:** A Holistic Support Group: Fridays, 10 to 11:15 am. 44650 Highway 101, Laytonville. Holistic community support and information. Children welcome. By donation. www.ninesistersbotanicals.com.

**Eight to the Bar with Les Tarr:** Radio active blues programming for tragically hip and twisted, Fridays, 9 pm to midnight. 97.9 FM, KLLG.

**Willits International Folk Dancing:** Class meets every Thursday, 7 to 9 pm, Willits Charter High School. New dances taught 7 to 8 pm. \$0 – \$5 sliding scale. Info: megster1989@yahoo.com.

**Willits Frontier Twirlers Square Dance Club:** Mondays, 6:30 upstairs gallery of the Willits Center for Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. \$5. Come alone or bring a friend. 707-484-3385 for info.

**Little John's Place:** Every Wednesday Pool Tournament 12:30 pm, \$5 buy-in. Wednesdays, 3:30 to 5 pm, "we'll buy the pizza, you buy the beer." Thursdays, Pool Tournaments starting at 5:30 pm. 363 South Main Street. 459-5636. facebook.com/littlejohnspalee/

**Free Herb Talks:** by the Mendocino Herb Guild. Every Thursday, 4 pm, at the Willits Farmers Market, which moves outdoors to West Mendocino Avenue at Main Street next to the Rexall parking lot on Thursday, May 2.

**Roots Engine House Tours:** Docent-led tour of the Engine House most Wednesdays and Saturdays, 10 am to 4:30 pm. Join a Roots of Motive Power docent to view classic motorcars, a steam train engine, and more – up close.

**Marijuana Anonymous 12 Step Meeting:** Every Tuesday at 6 pm. Meeting place is the Back Alley building in Catherine Lane, directly behind the United Methodist Church, which is at the corner of School and Pine, right across from the Grange.

**"Believe":** Alcohol Ink paintings by Julie Bullock, alcohol ink art. Brickhouse Coffee, 3 East Commercial Street. Each painting is a one of a kind, as she does not offer prints of any of her original paintings. More info: www.facebook.com/DbDesigns17, www.instagram.com/dbdesigns17.

**Brown Bag Lunch Program:** Lunch served to the hungry in the City Park across from the Willits Police Station every Saturday at 1 pm. If rain: Under the overhang at City Hall, across the street. Served by various community-minded organizations. For information, call the Food Bank at 459-3333.

**Boomer's Friday Night Karaoke:** 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday of every month, Boomer's Saloon, 45020 Highway 101, Laytonville. 9 pm to 1 am. No Cover. 21+ Please bring I.D. Hosted by DJ-Ken Steely Entertainment with KJ/DJ-Ken Steely & Anna. Come for dinner, stay for the fun.

**Willits Farmers Market:** Summer market is located on West Mendocino Avenue next to the Rexall parking lot. Spring greens and veggies, fresh strawberries, local meats, sausage and eggs, local grains, and savory and sweet baked goods, including handcrafted bread. Jams and jellies and savory preserves, fair trade chocolates, olive oil and balsamic vinegar, Willits-roasted coffee, tea, fire cord, crafts, live music, free herb talks, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more.

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

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

**Weekly Parkinson's Discussion and Support Group:** Every Thursday, 10:30 to 11:45 am, in the Conference Room at Willits Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459-1941.

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

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

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

**Willits Library Activities:** Wednesdays, 3 to 4:30 pm "Lego Club" (bring your imagination and start building); Wednesdays, 11 to 11:45 am "Play Group" (Self-directed playtime, with toys, ages 0 – 4); Wednesdays, 2:30 to 3 pm "Storytime" (Books, songs, rhymes and movement, ages 3 to 6); Fridays, 3:30 to 4:30 pm "Therapeutic Coloring" (Bring a friend and relax with a coloring book); Saturdays, 11 am to 12 pm "Promoting Creativity" (A space to create a piece of art or writing for teens and adults). Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Info: 459-5908.

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

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

**Soroptimist International of Willits:** Women's service club aimed at the betterment of girls and women. Meets the second Tuesday at 4 pm and the third Tuesday at noon each month at St John's Lutheran Church Hall, 24 Mill Creek Drive. Women interested in community service are welcome; new members are encouraged to join at any time.

**Weekly Life Changes Discussion and Support Group:** Wednesdays from 10 to 11:30 am. In the Conference Room at Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road.

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

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

**Shanachie Pub:** Tuesdays, 7 pm. "Wabi Sabi" with host Mitchell Holman, formerly of It's A Beautiful Day ("Whitebird") features different artists every week. Singer-songwriter Aaron Ford every first Thursday at 7:30 pm. No cover. Jazz Night every second and fourth Thursday, 8 pm. "Local musicians ... take jazz standards and infuse them with funk, hip hop, world, and free form jamming. The outcome is exceptionally." Open Mic Night every Wednesday. Sign up for the lottery for 20 minute time slots from 3 pm, when the Pub opens, to 7:30 pm. Music starts at 8 pm. "An eclectic array of local musicians and performers from around the world, often turning into an evening full of unexpected surprises." Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street, behind Adam's Restaurant. Info: 459-9194.

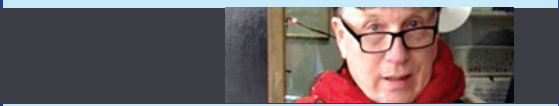
**Laytonville Farmers Market:** Mondays, from 2:30 to 5:30 pm at Harwood Hall, 44400 Willis Avenue, Laytonville. Local fresh fruits and vegetables, artisan food cheeses, ranch meats, eggs, handcrafted clothing, live music and much more.

around or lay back into a groove we will help you get there." Open Mic before and after the main band; sign up at LocalLights@theSighting.com or call 459-7054. Catered by Zocalo Collective. Suggested donation: \$5.

**The Afterhours Cabaret:** Free the Redwood Yeti Outlaw Edition: Sunday, June 9, 7 to 11 pm. At Big Chief, 44400 Highway 101, Laytonville. "We just had to bring this Spring Teaser to the Big Chief for you! and we're anxious to welcome back our nationally acclaimed cabaret superstars to perform alongside our Mendocino local legends, for a cause near and dear to the whole Laytonville neighborhood. Our very own Bell Springs' Redwood Yeti, James Smalley (aka Big Sherm) is facing some hefty and unjust federal cannabis charges and it is up to us to help him!" With a dance party to follow.



AT THE MOVIES



‘Aladdin’

The Story: Live action remake of the successful Broadway musical which was a remake of the much-beloved 1992 Disney animated feature film.

Aladdin, an acrobatic thief with a cute monkey and a big heart, falls in love with the stunningly beautiful Princess Jasmine. A series of more-or-less random events leads young Aladdin to the well-known magic lamp and the snarky all-powerful blue genie. The snarky genie (Will Smith) helps the love-smitten lad marry the beautiful princess. But all does not go smoothly. The evil power-hungry Jafar, chief adviser to the sultan, covets the lamp and "will stop at nothing" to get it. Also, there is a friendly magic carpet. Songs and dances happen. And also

a happy ending with a Bollywood-style final dance number.

**My Thoughts:** "Aladdin" asks the and compelling question: If you had three wishes, what would they be? Answers have essential moral and psychological import because (let's keep it real) what one asks for is who one is. That duly noted, then duly crumpled up and tossed over my left shoulder, this flicker show fantasy is eye candy to my inner 10-year-old. And my inner 10-year-old would certainly have had a crush on the impossibly gorgeous Princess Jasmine (Naomi Scott). "Aladdin" glows with brightly colored set pieces and familiar songs. The monkey is funny. The evil parrot is funny. The magic carpet would have inflamed my 10-year-old's imagination and wanderlust.

**Parents:** The Disney Company's shiny reputation for making family-friendly features still stands. Bring the kids. They will be captivated by the flick.

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



relax with a coloring book); Saturdays, 11 am to 12 pm "Promoting Creativity" (A space to create a piece of art or writing for teens and adults). Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Info: 459-5908.

Senior Center Lunch

Week of June 3 through June 7

**Monday:** Hot Open-Faced Beef Sandwich

**Tuesday:** Turkey with Dumplings

**Wednesday:** Fish Tacos

**Thursday:** Stuffed Bell Peppers

**Friday:** Hot Dogs

Harrah Senior Center serves lunch five days per week from 11:45 am to 1 pm. \$6.50 for those 55 and older; \$8 for those under 55. Lunch Special in June: \$6! Includes soup, salad, entrée, vegetable, dessert, and drink. Salad Bar available all year. 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459-6826.

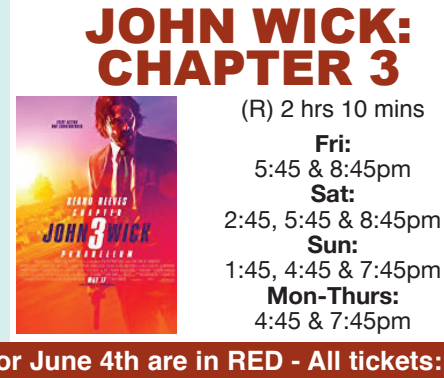
Friends After 40

June 7

"If you're like me, most interactions leading into middle age and beyond have been professional or superficial. The close friendships of childhood and young adulthood have changed due to relocation, family responsibilities, and more. Still, we need a few close connections to stay socially healthy and avoid becoming lonely. It's hard to make friends after 40! Friends After 40 is a secular, twice-monthly meet-up for adults who want to develop real friendships without the pressure to make business or romantic connections. Sometimes we'll BBQ, go on a hike, meet for dinner at a local spot, and do other activities suggested by friends. There's room for all interests. Meetups are held every other Friday. Friday, June 7 is our first. We'll be having a BBQ potluck, so bring meat or veggie dishes to share. Charcoal, plates, cups, and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided."

Willits Senior Center Membership Drive

"We need seniors age 55 and older and non-seniors (ages 40-54) to become members now. 1-year membership is \$30, couples \$55. Purchase a membership for someone else or make a donation to support your community and seniors throughout the area. Benefits: Free firewood when available (in the fall and winter), \$5 discount on pre-paid meal tickets (10 ticket card), Monthly Newsletter, monthly \$2 off coupon for Thrift Store, free Wi-Fi, discount on select events and facility rental. Membership revenue and donations allow us to provide vital services, social activities and more." Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. 459-6826.



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## LEGAL NOTICES

WW220

**Fictitious Business Name Statement**

2019-F0387

The following persons are doing business as FLO Vibes, 20970 Baechtel Road, Willits, CA 95490.

Registered owners: Rylee A. Vigil, 20970 Baechtel Road, Willits, CA 95490 and Tyra Riley, 158 Pearl Street, Willits, CA 95490.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership. The registrants commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A.

Statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on May 14, 2019.

/s/ Rylee A. Vigil

Publication dates: 5/30, 6/6, 6/13 and 6/20/2019

WW219

**Fictitious Business Name Statement**

2019-F0360

The following is doing business as Sherwood Firewise Communities (SFC), 121 W. Commercial St., Willits, CA 95490 / mailing address: 75 N. Main Street, PMB 234, Willits, CA 95490.

Registrant: Renewable Energy Development Institute (REDI), 121 W. Commercial St., Willits, CA 95490 / mailing address: 75 N. Main Street, PMB 234, Willits, CA 95490.

This business is conducted by a corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A.

Statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on May 2, 2019.

/s/ Keith Rutledge, Director

Publication dates: 5/23, 5/30, 6/6 and 6/13/2019

WW218

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

UNDER DEED OF TRUST LOAN: HAMMACK, ET AL. OTHER: 91213120 T.S. #: 19017-PR NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED.\* \*PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE Section 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO ABOVE IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT, BUT TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/11/2007, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

NOTICE is hereby given that REDWOOD TRUST DEED SERVICES, INC., as trustee, or successor trustee, or substituted trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by CHRIS HAMMACK and ASURE HAMMACK, husband and wife, LYNN RENFRO, an unmarried woman, BRIAN BRISTOW, an unmarried man and ROGER BRISTOW, an unmarried man, recorded on 9/18/2007 as Instrument No. 200717232 in Book --, Page &mdash; of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of MENDOCINO County, California, and pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded 2/5/2019 in Book --, Page --, as Instrument No. 2019-01435 of said Official Records, WILL SELL on 6/12/2019 At the main entrance to the Mendocino County Courthouse, 100 North State Street, Ukiah, CA 95422 at 10:00 AM AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States), all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State hereinafter described:

LOT 6 IN HEARST HIGHLANDS SUBDIVISION, TRACT NO. 74, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF SAID SUBDIVISION RECORDED APRIL 9, 1965, IN MAP CASE 2, DRAWER 4, PAGE 17, MENDOCINO COUNTY RECORDS.

Assessor's Parcel Number: 037-490-06

The property address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 15860 Hearst Road, Willits, CA

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the property address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the undersigned within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is".

The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of sale is: \$97,878.87.

In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right.

Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided therein, and the unpaid principal balance of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note(s), fees, charges and expenses of the trustee and the trusts created by said Deed of Trust.

If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse.

Dated, May 10, 2019

REDWOOD TRUST DEED SERVICES, INC., as said Trustee  
ATTN: ROBERT CULLEN P.O. BOX 6875  
SANTA ROSA, CA 95406-0875  
By: ROBERT CULLEN, President

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 property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property.

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### Help Wanted

Mortuary Transport Driver. On call, nights and weekends. Must have valid CDL and pass a drug test. Pick up an application at Anker-Lucier Mortuary, 95 W Commercial Street, Willits.

### Help Wanted

AH-Home Health & Hospice is looking to fill the following positions: full-time: RN and PT and OT, ST & HHA. Call HIR Trudy at 707-456-3230 or apply online at [adventisthealth.org](http://adventisthealth.org).

### Help Wanted

The Laytonville Unified School District announces the following vacancies:

- **Afterschool Program Paraeducator:** MWThF: 2:00-6:00 PM, Tues.: 1:00-6:00 PM. Salary Range: \$12.09-16.53.
- **Afterschool Program Driver & Paraeducator:** MWThF: 2:15-5:15 PM, Tues. 1:15-5:15 PM. Salary Range: \$13.68-\$18.71.
- **Afterschool Program Assistant Coordinator:** MWThF: 2:00-6:00 PM, Tues.: 1:00-6:00 PM. Salary Range: \$14.56-\$19.90.

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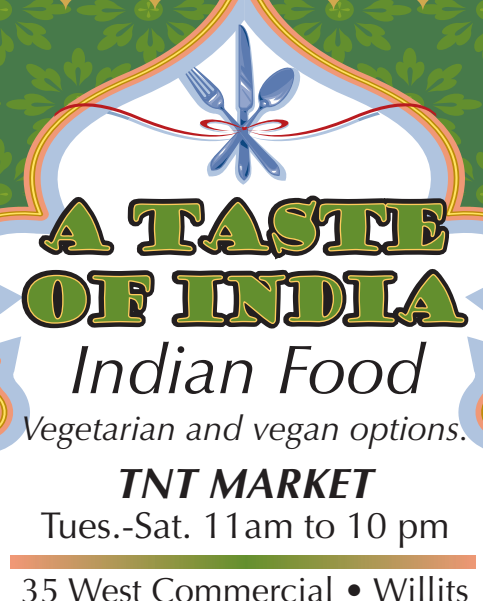
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Joanne had five children: Brenda Kay (husband Larry), Christie Jo (husband Pete), Brian Lee, Thomas Mitchell (wife Olga), and Jan Marie; grandchildren Buddy, Jamie, Amy, Kimberly, Katie, Marshall, Magnum, Nickolas, Michael and Sasha; 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.



# Rebekah Roberts

Rebekah is gone too soon, but never forgotten. She will be missed intensely and always loved. Rebekah was a shining light to many and will be remembered by multitudes. A Celebration of Life is to be held Saturday, June 1 at 11:30 am at Diggers Bar and No Grill, a place where memories can be shared.

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## JUNE 21 - JULY 5 2019

**Friday, June 21:**  
**HOMETOWN CELEBRATION**  
 5 to 9 p.m. | Main Street - Downtown Willits | Free to Attend

**Saturday, June 22:**  
**SWEETHEART JUDGING**  
 Appearance & Poise: 12 p.m. | Community Center | Free to Attend

**Sunday, June 23:**  
**LIONS COWBOY BREAKFAST:**  
 7 a.m. | Rec Grove Park | Adult: \$8, Child: \$5

**HORSE SHOW:**  
 8 a.m. | Jack Tharp Arena | Free to Attend

**SWEETHEART JUDGING:**  
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**NATIONAL ANTHEM CONTEST:**  
 Noon | Rodeo Grounds | Free to Attend

**Thursday, June 27:**  
**CARNIVAL:**  
 Opens at 4 p.m. | Next to Rodeo Grounds | Whitestamp: payable thru 6:25, \$25 at J.D. Redhouse

**Friday, June 28:**  
**TRUCK PULLS:**  
 6 p.m. | Jack Tharp Arena | Adult: \$14, Child: \$6

**STREET DANCE:**  
 with Bobby Zappa & the Cordorays  
 Following Truck Pulls | Rodeo Grounds | Free to Attend

**Saturday, June 29:**  
**SWEETHEART CROWNED:**  
 Rodeo Grounds

**Wednesday, July 3:**  
**CCPRA PROFESSIONAL RODEO:**  
 7 p.m. | Jack Tharp Arena  
 Box: \$15, Adult: \$12, Child: \$5

**WESTERN DANCE:**  
 with Chad Bushnell  
 Following CCPRA Rodeo | Rodeo Grounds | Free to Attend

**Thursday, July 4:**  
**HORSESHOE CONTEST:**  
 10 a.m. | Rec Grove Park | Free to Attend

**PARADE:** - "Community Pride"  
 11 a.m. | Main Street - Downtown Willits | Free to Attend







**BARBECUE:**  
 Noon | Rec Grove Park | Adult: \$15, Child/Senior: \$8

**COUNTRY MUSIC RODEOLA:**  
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**CCPRA PROFESSIONAL RODEO:**  
 4 p.m. | Jack Tharp Arena | Box: \$15, Adult: \$12, Child: \$5


**Friday, July 5:**  
**JUNIOR RODEO** "Under the Lights"  
 7 p.m. | Jack Tharp Arena | Adult: \$5

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The Willits Wild Bunch biker club presented Neil Orr with a certificate and a patch to honor all his tireless work done on behalf of the children of Willits through the Toy Run and the Willits Kids Christmas Program. The Wild Bunch made him an honorary member with the road name of "Hot Rod."

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National Weather Service, Willits Howard Ranger Station	65.44"	as of 5/29/2019 at 12 pm
Mendocino College North County Center	52.49"	as of 5/29/2019 at 12 pm
Willits sewer plant	62.44"	as of 5/29/2019 at 10 am
High Horse Ranch	59.59"	as of 5/29/2019 at 12 pm
Highway 20, Willits	69.26"	as of 5/29/2019 at 12 pm
Lucky Monkeys Ranch	62.69"	as of 5/29/2019 at 12 pm

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Hernandez, Savanna Hofmaister, Melody Leon and Elisa Zelaya who received \$1,000 awards; and Davina Gomez, Sandra Redenius-Walker and Angel Avalos who received \$250 awards.

Three past graduates also received Continuing Student Scholarships in the amount of \$250, including Keely Ahders, Jasmine Crumine and Stephanie Webb.

Two women also received awards: Maria Camargo received the Ruby award and Peggy Orcutt received the Live Your Dream award. A special inter-club award was also presented to Soroptimist Susan Soss\ for her work within the club.

"Soroptimist International of Willits was proud and excited to present three women with achievement awards, in addition to 13 awards and scholarships to young women graduating from high school or junior college in our community," said Soroptimist Loraine Patton. "We are so very proud of all our awardees."

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At top, from left: Willits High School scholarship winners pose with their awards and with members of the Soroptimist International of Willits at the annual awards luncheon: Melody Leon and Loraine Patton; Ramneet Mann and Heidi Ahders; Jasmine Mendoza and Karen Hernandez. Recipients of the Continuing Student Scholarship award include, from left: Keely Ahders with Loraine Patton and Jasmine Crumine with Susan Soss.



Above, from left: Willits High School senior and scholarship recipient Taylor Watts smiles with Heidi Ahders; Non-student scholarships were presented also during the luncheon, including the Ruby award which went to Maria Camargo, left, and the Live Your Dream award, which went to Peggy Orcutt, right. Willits High School senior and scholarship recipient Savanna Hofmaister smiles with Loraine Patton.

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is on pace to help 400 clients this year, and has helped launch an average of 26 to 30 businesses a year since it started in 1988.

Anyone who is a resident of Mendocino or Lake county is eligible for free confidential business counseling from the company, according to Petrillo, as long as their business doesn't employ more than 100 people.

The West Company is able to offer all its services for free since it is federally funded by the Small Business Administration to host a Small Business Development Center and Women's Development Center.

Petrillo explained the West Company has been expanding its efforts recently to help people in the local business community with lots of different needs.

"The way we have set up or structured our program now is that we have generalists, who come and help individuals launch their business and get it kind of started," she said. "But for many folks who are coming to us, they need help in specialized areas. It could be marketing, it could be HR, it could be accounting, it could be restaurant ownership – it could be different types of industries and skill sets.

"So what we've been doing over the past year is really going throughout the county, as well as tapping into our SBA contacts and connections, and bringing in specialized advisers who have skills in those different areas."

In addition to one-on-one counseling, Petrillo said the company has hosted around 45 workshops already this year, focusing on areas such as restaurant management and hospitality in the digital age.

You can find out more information about upcoming workshops – including two in Ukiah next week – and about the one-on-one consultations at [www.westcenter.org](http://www.westcenter.org).

Two local business owners spoke about their positive experiences with West Company, and how the organization has helped them.

Cynthia Lamon owns Lamon Patent Services in Willits. After starting her business, Lamon said she felt she had stalled in her efforts "because there was too much I didn't know about running a business. I didn't know about social media, I didn't know how to run money through my business, I didn't know if I could hire someone or not hire someone.

"And so what happened was I was frozen and couldn't progress and couldn't move forward. Once I started working with the West Company, it really gave me a lot of security knowing someone had my back business-wise.

"This year I'm going to double my revenue from last year, and I have just hired my second person this month," Lamon continued. "And it's all because I hooked up with the West Company."

Lamon said she now does pro bono work with other local business owners working with West Company as a way of passing on what she has learned.

One new program the company has implemented is designed to help businesses overcome and be prepared for natural disasters, such as wildfires. Petrillo said it was launched largely as a reaction to what they witnessed after the Redwood

Fire of 2017.

"As a technical assistance provider, we really saw the challenges that businesses had coming back," she said. "And it wasn't even just those that had personal stuff happen to them, but so much of their family and friends had things happen that their businesses languished for different reasons.

"We took that to heart and we ... hired a team to write a curriculum that was designed to help businesses recover from natural disasters. And we focused on the areas that we saw most of the businesses didn't pay attention to during the last disaster."

Petrillo said common problems for businesses included being underinsured and not properly documenting what assets they had.

"[Or] they were OK, but none of their employees were able to have a home or a place to live," she went on. "And so how do you handle that? And understanding just how to get in touch with the right resources at the right time that you need them."

Petrillo said she would like to have a disaster response event for businesses in Willits before the next fire season, and City Manager Stephanie Garrabrant-Sierra said the city could help with coordinating and getting the word out for a workshop or possibly a "business walk."

Petrillo also spoke about a business "pitch" competition the West Center is hosting called "Startup Mendocino." For the contest, county residents can submit their ideas for a new local business with the chance of winning up to \$10,000 to help them move forward with their project.

Twelve applicants will be selected to partake in four days of business training, and then five of them will compete at a gala on August 25 at the Mendocino College theater for three cash prizes.

The application process is open until June 10, and you can apply at [www.westcenter.org/startup-mendo](http://www.westcenter.org/startup-mendo).

### Batting cages

After hearing from the president and vice president of the Willits Redwood Little League, the city council approved accepting donations to build two batting cages on the city ballfield property by the Willits Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds.

WRLL President Stan Cooley said that, in addition to fundraisers held by their group, a number of local businesses and contractors have come forward to volunteer their labor to build the cages, including Olenik Fence, NorCal Aggregates, Cooley Logging, Matt Collicott, Eugene Potter and Dave Slater.

Cooley explained the planned design is to have one cage at each of the two baseball field areas, located at the end of the bullpens. The cages would consist of slabs of concrete, 14 foot by 70 foot, wrapped in fencing 12 feet high. With the two cages in use, and two teams playing on each field, Cooley pointed out that as many as six teams could be utilizing the facilities at once.

"We have a new board this year, and we jumped right in and we started raising money for this," he said, "because the kids need it as a benefit more than anything."

WRLL Vice President Craig Dudley said the extra practice that batting cages can give young ball players is important for their improvement with the game.

"We see with the young players and the youth in our town, it starts with that youth level from when they're little kids, moving forward and developing those baseball skills," he said.

"We believe that adding these batting cages down here, it will help develop them and all the way up through high school when they get to that level of play. And even further if they should choose to go further. And it's going to be there for anybody and everybody to use – the whole community."

Dudley noted the construction will be sure to meet Little League International safety regulations standards.

Garrabrant-Sierra said city staff will also inspect the designs to make sure they meet safety standards, and will check with REMIF, the Redwood Empire Municipal Insurance Fund, regarding insurance coverage for the cages.

Councilmember Saprina Rodriguez praised the efforts of the WRLL representatives and other volunteers.

"I know how hard it is to run a youth organization, and I know what you gentlemen have already contributed to the Little League just this year," she said. "And then getting all those volunteers together to pull this off is just wonderful. I'm proud of you and the volunteers, so absolutely I support what you're doing."

Cooley and Dudley said construction of the cages will likely begin in August after the baseball season, but possibly even sooner.

### Measure B report

The council also had a discussion about the latest activities of the Measure B "Mental Health Treatment Act" Oversight Committee, which had a meeting earlier in the day.

Mayor Gerry Gonzalez and Vice Mayor Larry Stranske have been attending most of the monthly meetings of the committee and reporting to the council about them.

Gonzalez informed the council that it appeared requests for proposals would be sent out to get bids from architectural companies to study the costs of placing a mental health facility at two possible locations – the old Howard Hospital building in Willits and at an Orchard Avenue property in Ukiah.

He said, for both locations, the committee wanted the feasibility study to look at how best to include three different types of facilities designed for different types of treatment, including a PHF unit (psychiatric health facility), a crisis stabilization unit, and a crisis residential treatment facility.

He added that the RFP process and the accompanying California Environmental Quality Act reviews should take 60 to 90 days to complete. So the Measure B committee will not be meeting again until late July since members felt they would not have enough information to work with until then.

Gonzalez also told the council the Frank R. Howard Foundation had sent an official letter to the Measure B committee to let them know that the foundation will likely be

listing the old Howard Hospital property for sale by the end of the year.

Gonzalez said he believed the basic message of the letter from the foundation was that the county "needs to decide something one way or the other," regarding whether they will purchase and use the site for a mental health facility or not.

Garrabrant-Sierra thought it could be a good thing for the town should it go up for sale.

"The bottom line is it's a unique site and it's an economic development opportunity site," she said. "And if they put it out on the market, there could be a number of alternative uses for the site."

Councilmember Madge Strong commented on the slow pace of progress of the oversight committee.

"It's really a little frustrating, and I'm sure they're frustrated too," she said. "But I thought the Measure B committee would at this point in time, after all these months, would have done some of this. And for them now to be contracting with somebody else to do this, to compare sites, it seems frustrating."

Gonzalez said he believes there's been confusion over what the committee's role is – whether they are just an advisory board or have more authority. He said while the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors will have the final say over approving any facility, it appears they would like the committee to sign off on any decision.

"And from our end I think we are waiting to find out whether Howard Hospital would be a go," he said. "And we've said all along that we just want a seat at the table so that we can a) let our community have a chance to weigh in and b) so that we might be able to mitigate anything we see as a potential issue."

"I also think the committee doesn't have a clue what CEQA is and all the things that happen with it," added Stranske. "And that's going to be a shock."

### North Maple Street project

The city council approved a resolution awarding a contract of \$260,833 to Granite Construction for the North Maple Street Improvement & Storm Drain Replacement Project, which will take place around Maple Street and West Mendocino Avenue.

City Assistant Engineer Susanne Loutsis said the council had approved opening up the project to bids last November, and the bidding closed earlier this month. Three companies placed bids, and Granite Construction was found to be "the lowest responsive, responsible bidder," coming in about \$30,000 lower than the next company.

As described in the resolution, the project will involve replacing 406 feet of 18-inch CMP (corrugated metal pipe) with HDPE (high-density polyethylene) and aluminumized steel storm drain pipe; installing 56 feet of new 15-inch HDPE pipe; and removing 95 feet of existing drain pipe.

The North Maple Street work will also include replacing some sections of sidewalks, walkways, curbs, gutters, asphalt, and two pedestrian ramps.

Money for the project had been budgeted in fiscal year 2018/19, using Transportation Sales Tax funds.

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June 6: Northbrook Way (half), Mill Creek Drive, Pine Street, and East Valley Street.

Mill Creek Drive will have one-way controlled traffic between Northbrook and West Commercial on both June 5 and June 6.

The work will take place between 7 am and 5 pm, and vehicle access will not be allowed on any of these streets during the sealing operation.

"It is important that vehicles are not parked on the affected streets in order for the work to be completed," city officials say. They ask drivers to heed all posted signs and notices.

"We understand this project will be inconvenient for residents," officials add, "and we thank you for your patience while this important work is being completed."

## '100 Women Strong' power on with next event

The next gathering of 100 Women Strong Inland Mendo will be held at Parducci Winery on Thursday, June 6, at 5:30 p.m. The three presenting non-profits that evening are the Cancer Resource Center, Willits Center for the Arts and Project Sanctuary.

The upcoming gathering is organized to give one of these nonprofits a "shot in the arm" with an award of \$10,000 or more at the end of the evening, depending on how many women and men attend and write a check for \$100 to the winning nonprofit.

How does it work? Anyone who is

interested in donating \$100 for this event and the subsequent events this year is invited to register on the website, <https://100strongmendo.com>. At the event, where you may also register, you will be given a ballot, with a receipt and a chance to nominate a future recipient.

During the half-hour reception appetizers made by volunteers will be served. Wine is available for purchase, and everything for the gathering is donated, from the venue to the food to the serving goods provided by Ukiah Paper Supply.

Representatives from the

nonprofits will make a pitch for your vote. Ballots will be counted, a winner announced, and you write your check directly to the nonprofit. There is no overhead or fee, so the nonprofit receives the total donated by those present. NAMI, the local chapter of the National Association for Mental Illness, received more than \$20,000 at the first 100 Women Strong event held in March at Campovida in Hopland.

"This is an opportunity to make a contribution that is bigger than one can do individually – it's catalytic!" says one of the core organizers, Gina Marie Lindsay. Mary Anne

Landis echoes the sentiment: "This spirit of generosity that Katie Fairbairn started has a multiplier effect that feels good to be part of." Anna Beuslinck, co-owner of Campovida, adds: "That's right, we've started a movement!"

T-shirts and hats with the 100 Women Strong Logo will also be available at the event.

For more information and to register in advance for 100+ Women Strong Inland Mendocino County, visit the website: <https://100strongmendo.com/> contact.

At right: Volunteers Rochelle Enzler, Marvel Harrison, Mary Anne Landis, Gina Marie Lindsay, Ann Thornhill, Anna Bueselink, Karen Christopherson, Katie Fairbairn, and Kathy Smith make plans at Parducci Winery for next 100 Women Strong gathering.





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