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Ad hoc committee explains

draft pot regs

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The Willits City Council's ad hoc cannabis committee held a community meeting Thursday night, May 25, to provide an overview of the proposed new draft medical cannabis ordinance that loosens current restrictions inside city limits.

The new draft would allow commercial medical cultivation of cannabis (indoors only), cannabis manufacturing and a total of three cannabis dispensaries to be permitted in three designations: zoning Limited Industrial (ML), Industrial (MH) and Industrial Park (I-

Read the rest of Ad hoc

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Water, sewer rate hikes OK'd

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Willits water users are looking at paying up to 4 percent a year more over the next five years to help fund planned infrastructure spending. The required notifications to city water customers are being sent out after the city council approved the rate hikes by a 4-1 vote on May 24.

After considering several options, the council decided to approve the 4 percent increases instead of 2.5 percent, which would likely have led to the need for the city to take out a large loan to finance the work during fiscal year 2018/19.

Financial consultants
Bartle Wells Associates
helped craft the plan for

Read the rest of Hikes

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WUSD seeks Croskey replacement

The Willits Unified School District is seeking someone to serve out the remainder of the school board term of newly appointed Third District Supervisor Georgeanne Croskey, Superintendent of Schools Mark Westerberg announced this week.

A large-animal veterinarian and former U.S. Air Force officer, Croskey was appointed to the Willits school board in December 2015 after thenboard member Saprina Rodriguez resigned. She was named supervisor in early May by California Gov. Jerry Brown to replace former Supervisor Tom

Read the rest of WUSD

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Ready to Graduate

Willits High School's cap and gown distribution starts the final countdown to the graduation ceremony on June 8

Graduation is just around the corner – Thursday, June 8! – and senior students, staff and teachers at Willits High School

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are already busy planning out the last week of school and readying everything for next Thursday's commencement

ceremony. On Wednesday, May 31, students enjoyed a video showing the history of their years at WHS, and seniors received their caps and gowns and attended the Senior Awards Night event. Those receiving scholarships and awards were presented with their envelopes in front of

family and friends. A list of those awards is below.

Next week, seniors will be able to attend the Senior Farewell Night on Tuesday and then give inspirational walks at the elementary schools on Wednesday. Graduation practice, teacher sign-offs, locker bestowments and river days will surely fill the hours of the days left before Thursday's big event.

Those wishing to attend the graduation ceremony on

Read the rest of Graduation Over on Page 15

Above: The Willits High School class of 2017 poses in front of the school in their graduation gowns. Below, left: Seniors fill the foyer of the Steve Short Gymnasium to receive their robes from Rose Mehtlan and Julie Orr. Below, right: Chanel Alexander and friends try on their white robes.





38th annual Car & Motorcycle Show

Sunday community festival draws a crowd of vehicles and fans



Above: AI
Bazzani with
his 1947 Ford
Pickup, which
he rebuilt
basically
from scratch
in 1976.
At right:
Ron Stafford
shows his
1931 Ford

shows his 1931 Ford Model A Deluxe Roadster, which was garaged for 57 years and has less than 6,000 miles.

Photos by Mathew Caine



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The theme was automobiles, but the event on Sunday included much more. There were motorcycles (from the Willits Wild Bunch and Bikers Against Child Abuse), a tasty breakfast provided by the Willits Lions Club, games run by the Willits Shifters Club, music, and most importantly, fun.

"I was chairman last year, but I had Lynn [Kennelly] here to tell me what to do," said Carlin Horger, Willits Chamber of Commerce board member and chairman of this year's Willits Community Festival and Car & Motorcycle Show. "This year we're kind of on our own. I'm sure Lynn is up there smiling."

By all appearances, the show was a success. The Willits Chamber, along with the Shifters and the Wild Bunch put on an entertaining and colorful family-oriented event in the Recreation Grove Park on Sunday.

More of Car show
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Council approves

immigrant rights resolution

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After hearing emotional testimonials from more than a dozen community members and several councilmembers, the Willits City Council narrowly passed a resolution supporting immigrant rights, outlining non-discriminatory policies, and prohibiting local police from helping enforce federal immigration laws except in cases involving violent crime or officer safety.

The resolution, sponsored by Councilmember Saprina Rodriguez, passed 3-2 with Mayor Gerry Gonzalez and Vice Mayor Larry Stranske voting "no."

Read the rest of Immigrant |
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Growers to state:

Loosen cannabis regs

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Adopting statewide rules for medical cannabis is not going to be a simple or easy task, California Department of Food and Agriculture representative Amber Morris told an audience of more than 100 people during a two-hour public comment period held May 25 at the Ukiah Conference Center.

Morris, who acted as moderator during the hearing, said the state is acknowledging it is possible the rules-drafting process could go through more than one cycle – from writing a draft to circulating the draft, to receiving public

Read the rest of Regulations

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Fiery crash north of Willits kills 2, injures 5

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Two men died and five others were injured just after midnight on Friday, May 26, in a fiery head-on crash on Highway 101 north of Reynolds Highway.

State traffic officers say a 1994 Ford Bronco, driven by William Eugene Weist, 23, of Boulder Creek, crossed over the double-yellow line into the southbound lane of the highway while making a left turn and struck a 2008 Dodge Ram carrying five passengers on their way

Read the rest of Crash

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West Coast members of Congress call on governors to maintain climate leadership

Washington, D.C. – Representatives Jared Huffman (CA-02), Earl Blumenauer (OR-03), and Suzan DelBene (WA-01) today led a group of 18 other West Coast members of the U.S House of Representatives in calling on the governors of California, Oregon and Washington to continue their climate leadership and to uphold the core tenets and goals of the landmark Paris Agreement on climate change. The letter to Governors Kate Brown, Jerry Brown, and Jay Inslee follows reports that President Donald Trump is planning to withdraw the United States from the agreement

"Given the vacuum in climate leadership that has resulted from the election of Donald Trump, our states must continue to form a 'green wall' in the West that will maintain climate leadership in the United States. The Paris Agreement calls for significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, and if Donald Trump's administration won't lead, our states must," the lawmakers wrote. "We call on you to continue to uphold our commitments made under the Paris Agreement, and to show international leadership where the current Administration has failed."

With the potential for catastrophic impacts if the United States fails to act on climate, Oregon, California and Washington have made significant climate progress at the state level, helping to reduce carbon pollution in the United States and bolster the states' economies.

Oregon recently revised its Renewable Portfolio Standard to require 50 percent of the state's electricity to come from renewable energy sources by 2040, which will substantially reduce greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuel energy.

California implemented an aggressive statewide carbon reduction goal by requiring a 40 percent reduction below 1990 levels by 2030, leading to the emergence of thousands of clean jobs that bolster the economy.

Washington state earlier this year implemented the Clean Air Rule, effectively putting a price on carbon

The lawmakers commended these efforts and urged for continued state leadership, writing: "While President Trump continues to ignore reality, we are particularly grateful for your efforts. In order to send a signal to the international community, and to uphold our obligations to current and future generations, we encourage you to continue to aggressively address the threat of climate change and abide by this

The letter was signed by Representatives Earl Blumenauer (OR-03), Jared Huffman (CA-02), Suzan DelBene (WA-01). Alan Lowenthal (CA-47). Adam Smith (WA-09), Doris Matsui (CA-06), Derek Kilmer (WA-06), Mike Thompson (CA-05), Barbara Lee (CA-13), Pramila Jayapal (WA-07), John Garamendi (CA-03), Nanette Diaz Barragán (CA-44), Ted W. Lieu (CA-33), Jackie Speier (CA-14), Zoe Lofgren (CA-19), Salud O. Carbaial (CA-24), Susan A. Davis (CA-53). Peter DeFazio (OR-04), Suzanne Bonamici (OR-01), Adam B. Schiff (CA-28), and Denny Heck (WA-10).

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Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from readers

Eel River dams

On June 17 at 4 pm, the Eel River Stakeholders will be hosting an informational meeting about PG&E's notice of intent to relicense the Eel River dams. The meeting will be held at the Willits Center for the Arts at 71 East Commercial Street. Friends of the Eel River will be there to talk about the dams and the Eel River and to explain the relicensing

There will be discussion on the relicensing process and how individuals can participate and have their voice heard. American White Water will be talking about their success in negotiating recreational flows on rivers. This could bring much-needed recreational revenue into our county and be a great step towards a healthy future for the Eel River.

There are a lot of issues that will come into play with the relicensing:

- · Dam safety and integrity
- · Nothing established if there is a dam failure to warn anyone downstream and in the path
- Inequitable use of retained waters: In the summer months up to 90 percent is diverted into Potter Valley, Sonoma County and Marin County.
- · Downstream releases not targeted to help the native

Invasive species harming native fish populations

We have set up a Facebook page for more information; look up "Eel River Stakeholders."

Relicensing is a long process, and the end results will last many, many years. We would like to get the word out in any way possible. We invite the community to come out and learn more about the main Eel River, the dams and the health of the native fishery.

Senior Center needs a truck

Hello community! The Willits Senior Center is in desperate need of a full-size truck in good running condition.

We are at a crossroads; the vehicle we use to pick up and deliver items for the Thrift Store is a 1982 Chevy S10 that is in bad shape. The power steering doesn't work; the tires are oversized; the passenger door flies open unexpectedly; if you leave the left window down, it won't go back up. It needs a new heater core which is more than the truck is worth, and when it rains water leaks through the seal around the front windshield. We are literally counting the days before we lay this old vehicle to rest.

I cannot stress enough how critical the Thrift Store revenue is to our financial stability. It helps fill some of the financial shortfall in our Outreach, Transportation and Nutrition Departments. We literally would not be able to keep our doors open and provide these much-needed services without the income generated by our Thrift Store.

towards the purchase of a truck should we not get a vehicle

We are asking for financial donations that will be put

Willits Seniors Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, so

your donation is tax-deductible. We will be glad to provide you with a receipt. You can make your check payable to Willits Seniors Inc. or stop by and see us in person at 1501

I get to witness the heartfelt gratitude and appreciation your donations provide. You are making a meaningful difference

I thank you on behalf of all our seniors.

Richard Baker, executive director, Willits Seniors Inc.

Thank you

Thank you to all those who came out to support our Annual Spaghetti Feed last on May 13! It was great to see old friends and meet new ones, too.

We would also like to thank the Brooktrails Women's Club for the great dessert items, the Willits Lions Club for providing the beverages, Grocery Outlet of Willits for their generous donation, Sherwood Market for the donation of garlic bread, and Servpro of Mendocino County for the use of the bounce house.

On Saturday, June 3, the Brooktrails Women's Club will be hosting their Annual Flea Market, and we will be there serving up hamburgers/hotdogs and pulled pork.... See you there!

> Deputy Chief Jon Noyer, **Brooktrails Fire Department**

Thank you

Jerry Albright, Willits The Grateful Gleaners have yet another reason to be grateful and to thank the generosity of Willits for making the annual plant sale a success. The event has become a kind of community plant sale, with wonderful and occasionally exotic donations from a number of people, in addition to the Gleaner team leaders themselves.

> We would like to thank the following people for their contributions: Norma Hanson, Donna D'Terra, Anne and Monty VanderHorck, Robin Goldner, Johan Henckell, Richard Jeske, Tom Demarchi, Randy and Mary MacDonald, Barbara Sicard, Commonwealth Garden at the hospital, Jean Murphy, Sheryl Smith and Emandal Farm, Amanda Senseman and Candice Clayton. Our apologies and thanks to anyone whose name we may have omitted.

Mike Adams, Marilynn Boosinger, Carol Cox, Thayer Craig, Earline Dykes, Karen Gridley, Prana Petru, Marcia Rautenstrauch, Wolfgang Ronnefeldt and Gail Savarese, the Grateful Gleaner team leaders

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Below: Lions Club breakfast at the Recreation Grove Park on Sunday. At right: The grill was working overtime with Ken Bell and Glen Helton. At right, below: The Willits Lions Club serves breakfast at the Willits Community Festival and Car and Bike Show. At far right: Cricket hopes for breakfast



Hearty breakfast

Willits Lions Club volunteers fire up the grilling wagon

How do you feed 300 people at 7 am? Call the Willits Lions Club.

Lions Club members are always willing to utilize their expertise and grilling wagon in the benefit of a worthy cause or to bring people together for the love of a good, hearty meal. Glen Helton, vice president of the local Willits chapter of the Lions Club International, Above, left: Lions Club Treasurer Dean Bauman and Virginia Jorge work the meat and eggs station. along with his fellow club members, arrived at the Willits Community Festival and Car & Above, right: Diners eat breakfast next to the Lions' grilling wagon. Below: Glen Helton works on the Motorcycle Show at 5:30 am on Sunday to prepare the 20 pounds of ham, 30 pounds of breakfast meat. sausage, a ton of eggs, pancake batter, biscuits and more. This

Mathew Caine

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and Mud Boggs!

kind of dedication is evident in all the events and activities with which this group of caring and fun individuals is involved.

The pancakes are made from the Lions' special beer batter, but not to worry, the alcohol burns off. It's just for taste, and by the satisfied looks of the people chowing down at the tables, it worked as well as it has for the last 20 years or so at this much-anticipated yearly event.

The Lions have several upcoming events, including the Harrah Senior Center Drive-Thru Chicken Dinner for Two on June 23, with almost 100 tickets sold already to date; the Phoenix Hospice Rotary Golf Tournament on June 25 at the Brooktrails Golf Course, where the Lions will serve chicken and tri-tip; and their biggest annual event, the Cowboy Breakfast on July 2 as part of Willits Frontier Days.

Currently, the Lions are looking forward to moving into their new clubhouse, which they will share with the Boy Scouts. The location at the east side of the Recreation Grove Park is being renovated, including a new kitchen and roof. They hope to have it completed in the next couple months, which will enable them to continue their fine tradition of service to the community of Willits.

The Lions Club is looking for new members to carry on their good work. Please contact them at their Facebook page, by email at willitslionsclub@yahoo.com, by phone at 707-489-5364, or by mail at P.O. Box 1353, Willits, CA 95490 to volunteer, to join, or to book them for your next event.

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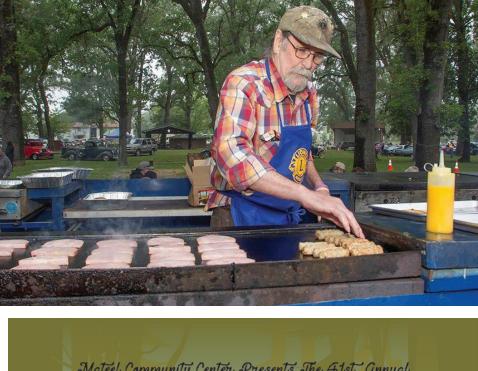












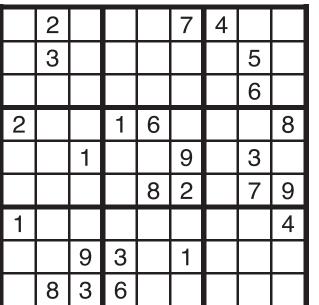




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Crossword Puzzle 8 Sudoku



ACADEMIC

ADVANCEMENT

ALUMNI

AUDITORIUM

CAMPUS

CANDIDATE

CAP

COLLEGE

COMMENCEMENT

CLUES ACROSS

1. Formed by burning

4. Luxury automaker

7. Religious residences

tobacco

12. Crusaders

15. In a curt way

19. Solid material

21. Thick piece of

something

27. 'Wonder Years'

actor Fred

31. Waste matter

33. Apply lightly

39. Immoral act

47. Sweet potato

49. Farm state

37. Mock

34. Type of squad

30. Strong and healthy

35. Secret political faction

41. Early Syrian kingdom

44. Loud, confused noise

48. Yemen's largest city

42. Neutralizes alkalis

18. Selling tool

14. Puzzled

20. Gold

24. Pouch

GOWN

GRADES

GRADUATE

GUESTS

HONORS

MORTARBOARD

PERFORMANCE

PROCESSION

COMMENCEMENT DAY WORD SEARCH

COURSE

CREDITS

DEGREE

DIPLOMA

DRESS

EXAMS

FINAL

FOLDER

50. Bird's beak

56. Spanish noble

63. Womanized

65. Monetary unit

53. Pacify

52. Measures distance

61. Lodging supplied for

64. Not divisible by two

CLUES DOWN

1. Used in perfumery

3. Assess

7. Mama

9. Toward

4. Prickly plants

5. Falsely assess

6. '__ the whistle'

8. Rocker Vicious

and southeast

embarrassed

13. Pandemonium

16. Fall behind

17. Cantonese

22. Shad

12. Cause to be

10. Prefix meaning within

11. Midway between south

2. Arabic man's name

public convenience

How To

must fill each row, column and box. Each number can row, column and box. You can figure out the order will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The

Level: Advanced the puzzle!

Sudoku:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a Sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 appear only once in each in which the numbers more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve

> 2:45 pm: Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of

The officers of the Willits Police

Department handled 168 incidents in this

Summary of Active Investigations

and Arrests

6:59 am: Officers responded to a report

1:25 pm: NICHOLAS, Daniel Raymond

(61) of Hayward, California was contacted

in the 1000 block of South Main Street.

He was arrested on charges of felony

possession of a dirk or dagger, and

misdemeanor public intoxication of alcohol.

investigation in the 800 block of South Main

2:23 pm: Officers initiated a theft

of illegal camping in the 300 block of South

Main Street and issued a warning.

seven-day reporting period.

3:43 pm: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person in the 800 block of South Main Street.

4:14 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 1200 block of South Main Street.

6:39 pm: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 1200 block of Poplar

8:13 pm: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 1500 block of South Main Street.

9:08 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

11:05 pm: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person in the 1600 block of South Main Street.

May 23

PROFESSOR

RESIDENCY

SCHOOL

SENIOR

STAGE

TASSEL

TEACHER

UNIVERSITY

WALKING

48

23. A way to make dark

24. Specialized systems

29. Large Philippine plant

36. Fugitives are on this

43. 'Bourne' actor Matt

consultant

25. Wings

26. Taxi driver

28. Linear units

32. Celebration

38. Chinese tree

44. Former OSS

46. Offered again

54. Food suitable

for babies

55. Caused by a

56. Mortar trough

58. Exhibit the

62. Manganese

57. Days in mid-month

courage to do

59. Disk of the sun in

reflection of sound

51. Sanctuary

45. Runners run this

40. Not sour

Street.

10:17 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 100 block of Madrone

10:46 am: Officers responded to a report of harassment in the 400 block of Raymond Lane.

Street.

6:15 pm: Officers initiated a hit-and-run vehicle collision investigation in the 100 block of Northbrook Way.

6:21 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1500 block of South Main Street. 6:40 pm: Officers initiated a theft

investigation in the 100 block of Holly

Street. 8:32 pm: Officers responded to a report of a person brandishing a weapon in the 300 block of East Hill Road.

5:44 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of School

11:41 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity near the intersection of South Main Street and Holly Street.

4:20 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance near the intersection of Pine Street and School Street.

7:06 pm: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 100 block of Fort Bragg

9:36 pm: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person in the 100 block of East San Francisco Avenue.

9:44 pm: Officers responded to a report May 28 of vandalism in the 100 block of South Main

10:30 pm: Officers responded to a report of a shooting in the area near the intersection of McKinley Street and Bush

May 25

7:56 am: LOGSDON, Bradley Wayne (30) of Ukiah was contacted during a vehicle collision with injuries in the 500 block of South Main Street. He was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and driving with a suspended license.

9:27 am: Officers responded to a report of threats near the intersection of South Main Street and East Mendocino Avenue.

11:49 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 800 block of South Main investigation in the 100 block of State Street.

12:28 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1200 block of Poplar

May 22 to May 28 By Danya Davis, Willits Weekly

Main Street.

WILLITS POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE LOG

report of harassment in the 1100 block of Magnolia Avenue. 12:53 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1700 block of South

12:45 pm: Officers responded to a

2:02 pm: Officers responded to a report of harassment in the 100 block of East

3:49 pm: Officers responded to a report of assault in the 100 block of Marcela Drive. 4:45 pm: Officers responded to a report

of a suspicious person in the 100 block of

5:19 pm: WHITLEY, Aaron David (35) of O'Claire, Wisconsin was contacted near the intersection of Highway 20 and South Main Street. He was arrested on charges of public intoxication of alcohol.

11:22 pm: Officers responded to a shooting in the area near the intersection of East San Francisco Avenue and Boscabelle

May 26

12:16 am: Officers responded to a report of vandalism in the 600 block of South Main

12:26 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

8:10 am: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

8:17 am: NEWBERRY, Bryan Keith (50) of Willits was contacted in the 100 block of West Commercial Street. He was arrested on charges of misdemeanor failure to

11:24 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of West Commercial Street.

1:06 pm: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person in the 100 block of East Commercial Street

4:45 pm: RULO, Victoria Rae (18) of Ukiah was contacted in the 200 block 12:31 pm: Officers initiated a theft of South Main Street. She was arrested investigation in the 100 block of Holly on charges of receiving stolen property, conspiracy, and petty theft.

> 5:22 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 1300 block of

11:27 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Wood Street.

May 27

2:46 am: MARTIN. Nathen Daniel (28) of Willits was contacted in the 700 block of South Main Street. He was arrested pursuant to 11350 H&S (Possession of a Controlled Substance) and 1203.2 PC (Violation of Probation).

4:41 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1500 block of South Main Street.

12:45 pm: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 100 block of Holly

2:12 pm: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of Northbrook

5:19 pm: Officers initiated a missing person investigation in the 100 block of Fort Bragg Road.

8:50 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 400 block of Mill Street.

12:41 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 200 block of South Main

1:00 am: Officers responded to a report of harassment in the 100 block of East Commercial Street

10:42 am: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of West Valley Street. 1:45 pm: Officers responded to a report

of an unwanted subject in the 800 block of South Main Street. 3:50 pm: Officers initiated a missing

person investigation in the 100 block of East Commercial Street. 5:59 pm: Officers initiated a hit-and-run

vehicle collision investigation in the 200 block of East San Francisco Avenue 7:40 pm: Officers initiated a robbery

9:36 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1700 South Main Street.

bear in front of the puppets. Children can come and spend time with the puppets and bear. At right: Shelves full of favorite children's books. Far right: The Goods Shoppe section blends with the clothing in Mazahar and beckons children of all ages.

Below: At the Goods Shoppe, from left to right, Shana Nunes, owner Sara Mann, and Jacqueline Chikoyak pose with the big







owner of Mazahar and Goods Shoppe, enjoys playing with the insect At right: Always

At left: Sara Mann

looking for new and interesting books and toys, Mann displays a pop-up version of the well-loved book, "The Little Prince."

Photos by Ree Slocun

Below: The new Goods Shoppe display window at Mazahar.



Good change

The Goods Shoppe moves down Main Street to Mazahar

Change can be difficult for many people, and Willits has been faced with its share of cascading changes since the bypass opened in November last year. As with most things, there's an up and down side to the changes. Less traffic shortens the long lines of cars and diesel trucks waiting to get through town on a Friday, holiday weekend, or for outof-town festivals, which diminishes the emissions and city-like traffic that have plaqued the town for years. Yet less traffic has meant fewer out-of-town people deciding to stop

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and shop or eat. Some favorite businesses have closed, some are doing well with the local support, and some are coming up with creative solutions to the change.

Sara and Tom Mann (owners of Mazahar and Brickhouse Coffee)

bought the building that housed the Goods Shoppe in Willits a few years ago when Bill and Emmy Good decided to sell the building. The Goods opened their doors in 1990, and many in the community had come to rely upon what the store had to offer generations of excited and enchanted children and adult shoppers. Knowing they could do whatever they wanted with the structure, the Manns decided to keep the popular landmark toy business vital and continued to offer the wonderful tradition of unusual toys, games, puzzles, activities, and many other products the community depended upon.

Fast forward to now. The economy (local and national) has altered, and the Manns, like many of us, want to simplify their lives. They decided to move the Goods Shoppe into the Mazahar building. "It was really hard to let go of [the Goods Shoppe] because we all knew it there. [So] we decided to move it [to Mazahar] and let the dream be made here," said

Some residents have had feelings of loss around that decision. Yet when they see the beloved books, classic toys, Waldorf-type and conventional art supplies, puppets, puzzles, games and more in the Mazahar window and store, along with the Goods Shoppe sign on the door, many enter saying with relief, "Oh, good! We're so happy to see it here!" The

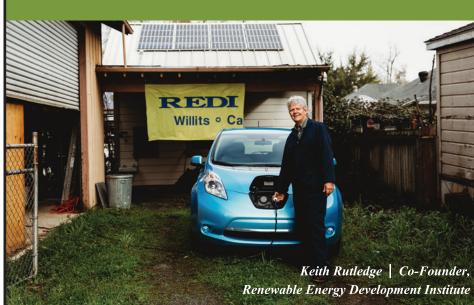
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P). Cannabis dispensaries – and any associated mobile delivery services to licensed medical patients - would additionally be permitted in Heavy Commercial zones.

According to the city's notice of the meeting: "The primary goal of the committee is to work with staff to establish a comprehensive set of medical cannabis policies consistent with new state laws that preserve our environmental resources, protect the health and safety of our communities, and ensure that the industry contributes positively to the economic vitality of our city."

Ad hoc committee members Mayor Gerry Gonzalez and Madge Strong shared the table set up at the Community Center with Dusty Duley, community development director; John Sherman, code enforcement officer; Police Chief Scott Warnock; and new Little Lake Fire Chief Chris Wilkes.

Duley started the conversation by emphasizing this was a draft ordinance subject to change: "It will change," he said. "that's quaranteed.

Currently, the City of Willits bans medical marijuana dispensaries and outdoor cultivation of medical marijuana. Cultivation of medical marijuana is limited to six plants, which must be grown inside a "fully enclosed and secure structure" that has odor control. Outdoor cultivation and growing more than six plants is defined as a public nuisance, which can be abated by eradication, although the city acknowledges enforcement of this ordinance is complaint-driven.

About 35 people showed up for the hearing: everyone who spoke favored permitting cannabis businesses within city limits, although several criticized specific elements of the draft ordinance or offered different ideas.

The ad hoc committee is still working on putting together local regulations for cannabis testing labs, cannabis distribution centers, and cannabis transportation services.

Many of the draft pages were filled with regulations that were the same for all the medical cannabis businesses.

The rest of Goods | From Page 5

clothing and accessories. Mann has also included local art. When you enter and turn right, walking past the front jewelry counter that now houses the crystal display that was in the old Goods store, and walk by the popular Organic Attire display rack - the colorful hand-stamped organic cotton clothing made by local artists Janae and Gary Stevens -

you will see the new generation of the Goods Shoppe. It's colorful and attractive, with displays of favorite puppets where children can sit with the huge bear nestled among them and shelves stocked with games, books, science activities, and musical instruments. Although Mann had reduced the stock before the move,

making the move easier, the shelves still hold a lot of the items associated with the Goods Shoppe. Soon more art supplies, books, juggling items, and hands-on manipulative activities for children with special needs will be added to the shelves. "Customer service will always be a priority," Mann adds. "so we'll continue to take custom and special orders." She is also always on the lookout for new and interesting products.

Included in the move is employee Shana Nunes, who worked in Goods Shoppe. "I remember coming in when I was little, so my friends and I bring in [our children]," Nunes said. "Now it's kinda fun to keep that tradition alive." She has a unique sense of what puppets can pair well with which books to bring the books alive.

"It's a lot of fun to have the toys here," said Mazahar employee Jacqueline Chikoyak, "because it just brings out a whole different clientele." Gesturing with her hands, she says: "From this high to this high." Mann says she has fond memories of bringing her son to the then-Goods Stamp Shoppe when he was little, too – he's 43 now. She also treated her grandson, who's 18, to the wonders found here.

The next generations of children and adults will continue finding alluring and irresistible toys and other items at Goods Shoppe, passing along a time-honored tradition of exploring the world through books, games, puppets, puzzles, and manipulative projects.



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Some of the regulations are designed to provide for security. including providing to the city "the names, addresses and relevant criminal histories of all potential employees, facility manager, and other relevant parties," and requiring alarms and security cameras. The regulations for medical cultivation facilities require owners and applicants, as well as employees and managers, to "submit to a California Department of Justice Live Scan criminal history check at

The draft regulations also require setbacks from any "school, public playground or park, or licensed child care or licensed day care facility" for any cannabis business. They also require discreet signage, and say that "from any public right-of-way, there shall be no visible exterior evidence" that medical cannabis activity is taking place

Each marijuana business will be "subject to an excise tax to be established by the city and the voters." And all cannabis products manufactured in the City of Willits or sold to dispensaries will be required to be tested by "a qualified third-party testing facility prior to distribution."

There is a general condition for medical marijuana businesses that they "shall not adversely affect the health or safety of the nearby residents by creating dust, glare, heat, noise, odors, smoke, traffic, vibration, or other impacts, and shall not be hazardous due to use or storage of materials, processes, products, or wastes."

The ordinance also states medical cannabis businesses "shall commit to employing a workforce that reside in the local area. All manufacturing permitees shall use good faith efforts to comply with this subsection and shall report the residential composition of their workforce to the city every create a "skeleton" for future adult use regulations.

There are also details about application processes, fees and deadlines - each permit shall originally be granted for one year, with the discretion to renew the permit for a longer time period. The city has also included limits on

siting different kinds of marijuana businesses in the same location and limits on the number of permits any individual or entity can apply for (two permits, or only one in the case

The city plans to choose the three applicants wishing to operate medical cannabis dispensaries using a "Merit List" to "rank all qualified applications in order of those that best satisfy the requirements of this chapter and provide the highest level of service and opportunities for residents

Special requirements for dispensaries include providing "a neighborhood compatibility plan," restricted hours of operation (9 am to 9 pm), and the requirement for the owner/owner to "prohibit loitering by persons outside the dispensary both on the premises and within 50 feet of the

The restrictions on personal medical cultivation of cannabis – and now, thanks to Proposition 64, personal adult use cultivation - remain the same: only six plants, which must be grown inside a secure structure.

When asked about local regulations for adult use marijuana, Mayor Gonzalez said the ad hoc committee had been given direction by the full council to write draft regulations for medical cannabis only. "We are going to take a cautious approach," he said. "The committee doesn't feel there's going to be a lot of problems with these businesses. Medical is the first step. If a year from now, it all goes well - and when the state has standards for recreational cannabis businesses...." Chief Warnock added that creating medical cannabis regulations will help

When asked about a timeline for approval of the new medical cannabis regulations, Duley said he hoped the committee could bring the full ordinance to the council in June, or early July. "Willits is behind the 8 ball on this," he said. "We've got a real need to move on this fast."

Furry Friends Hoping for a Home

Playful Kelsey

Kelsey is a 1-year-old mixed-breed dog who currently weighs 42 pounds. Kelsey's former guardians told us that she is friendly and playful, but she did not like being left alone. She lived with children ages 13 through 17, and had a moderate activity level in the house. They considered her an easygoing dog. She knows "sit" and she is "bi-pawdal" - she shakes with

The Ukiah Animal Shelter is located at 298 Plant Road in Ukiah Adoption hours are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 4:30 pm, and Wednesday from 10 am to 6:30 pm. Many wonderful

dogs and cats await their forever homes here. To view photos and bios, please visit online at: www. mendoanimalshelter.com. More info about adoptions: 707-467-6453. Please join us the second Saturday of every month, June 10 this month, for our "Empty the Shelter" pack walk and help us get every dog out for some exercise!



Pretty Puppies

Paco. Pablo and Poncho are three tiny 6-month-old Chihuahua/terrier puppies looking for a warm lap as soon as possible. They are slightly timid at first, but once hey're in your lap, you're their best friend! It would be best if they go to separate homes, so they will become confident and independent as individuals. A home with adults and older children would be most fitting, since they are so small and move so fast. Come meet these little sweethearts soon before they're gone.

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



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Above: Members of the American Legion Post 174 who attended Monday's cemetery ceremonies including, from left: Cutis DeShiell, Robert Ireland, Matt Dearing, Mike Smith, Roger Ham, Joe Yu, Tom Moore, John Frankum, Zack Ireland (Sons of the American Legion member), Dominic Favlora (Sons of the American Legion member) and Ken Wickstrom. Above, right: Jeff Whitby plays "Amazing Grace" at the Willits Cemetery before playing again at the Little Lake Cemetery later that day.

Below, left: Both ceremonies included shots by the rifle squad: John Frankum, Zack Ireland and Dominic Favlora. Below, right: American Legion members stand by the flagged graves during the Memorial Day ceremony at the Willits Cemetery





Two graveside ceremonies held by American Legion on Memorial Day morning

Around 300 American flags were carefully placed at the graves of veterans at the Little Lake Cemetery and the Willits Cemetery on Saturday morning, in preparation for the American Legion's annual Memorial Day ceremonies. The local Boy Scout troops helped distribute the flags, which

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before sunset Monday. As is tradition, ceremonies

remained on display from

Saturday morning until just

honoring those who had served in the military were held at both local cemeteries: Willits Cemetery on Highway 20 and the Little Lake Cemetery on East Hill Road. Ceremonies started at 10 am on Highway 20 and followed on East Hill at 11 am.

Post Commander Roger Ham led the ceremonies, which included his own speech, prayers and personal anecdotes from Post Chaplain Reverend Mike Smith, a performance of "Amazing Grace" on the bagpipes by Jeff Whitby, and "Taps" on the bugle by Matt Dearing.

"I'm sure if I asked some of the old-timers, they'd say the Legion has been doing these ceremonies for 30 or 40

years," said Ham. "But I started with the Legion about 10 years ago, and have participated in at least eight or nine ceremonies, personally."

The public is always welcome to attend the Memorial Day ceremonies; this year, the crowd at Little Lake Cemetery seemed to be larger than years past, although it's always a larger crowd than the Willits Cemetery group. Ham noted his continued interest in connecting the public

with the activities of the American Legion and encouraged anyone who would qualify for membership to come to a meeting and see what the group is all about.

"Anyone who has been a part of the military from 1991 forward is eligible for membership," said Ham. "That includes people who served in Desert Storm, Iraq and Operation Freedom among others. Of course anyone who served in World War II, Vietnam, Korea or other times of war

Interested persons are welcome to attend the Legion's

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Read the rest of Memorial



Above, left: Veteran Evan Lloyd Bird's grave at the Little Lake Cemetery. Matt Dearing played "Taps" on the bugle at both cemeteries. Below, left: Post Commander Roger Ham listens as Post Chaplain Reverend Mike Smith speaks to the crowd. Below, right: Joe Yu salutes the flag during the ceremony at the Little Lake Cemetery Monday morning.









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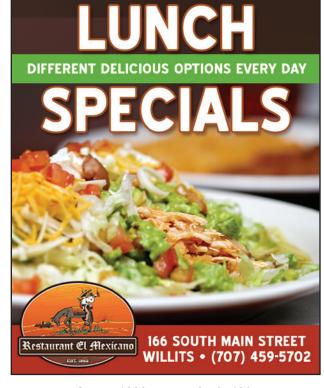
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Thursday, June 1

City Pool: Opens on a limited schedule Thursday, June 1. 299 North Main Street. Full summer schedule starts Saturday, June 10. Message phone: 459-5778. For pricing information, reservations and schedules, please see: www.facebook.com/ willitscitypool.

Willits Farmers Market: Weekly farmers market is outdoors for the season, at a new location: Rec Grove Park on East Commercial Street. 3 to 6 pm. Veggies, local meats and local grains, dinner, savory and sweet baked goods, gift items, jams and jellies, artisan and fair trade chocolates, crafts, live music. the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more.

Friday, June 2

Laytonville First Friday: On the first Friday of every month, from May through September, the Laytonville Art Angels invites the public to an evening of arts, crafts, wine, food, craft beer and entertainment. Friday, June 2. 4 to 8 pm. Alberts, 44851 North Highway 101.

"Not So Garden Variety Show": From 6 to 8 pm in playing, call Aaron at 489on Friday, June 2, for one night only, the Willits 2103. Charter School presents a dinner and variety show featuring the WCS Choral Ensemble and original skits by the WCS Performing Arts Crew. Tickets may be purchased at Willits Charter School, 1431 South Main Street. \$15 for the dinner and show, \$10 for the show only. Proceeds benefit the Willits Charter School performing arts program.

"Grace and Glorie" at WCT: Opening night of "Grace and Glorie," a spiritually powerful drama of unexpected connection by Tom Ziegler, featuring Kelly Kesey and Hafsa Stewart in the leading roles, at Willits Community Theatre. Friday, June 2, 8 pm. "Grace and Glorie" runs from June 2 to 18, with performances on Thursdays at 7 pm for \$15, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm for \$20, and some Sunday matinees at 2 pm for \$15. Advance tickets are available in person at Mazahar, 38 North Main Street, online at

brownpapertickets.com, or by phone 24/7 at 1-800-838-3006. Tickets will also be available at the door until sold out. Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane (behind Shanachie Pub)

Shanachie Pub: Pick & Pull! "This local band will fire things up with boot stompin', heel clickin' and

toe tappin' music!" Friday, June 2. 9 pm. No cover. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Saturday, June 3

Horsemen's Rodeo Weekend: Willits Horsemen's Association will be hosting their annual rodeo weekend, starting today, Saturday, June 3, with a gymkhana starting at 9 am at the Willits Horsemen's Arena, 850 East Valley



call Kathryn at 489-6565.

3rd Annual Alumni Baseball Game: All alumni are encouraged to attend, and play. Batting practice at 10 am. Game starts at 11 am. Raffle for two prizes: a redwood table donated by Parlin Fork Conservation Camp, and 6 tons of 3/4 recycled base from Nor-Cal Recycled Rock & Aggregates Inc., to be picked up at 900 Talmage Road, Ukiah. Proceeds to benefit the WHS baseball program. For more info or if interested

Willits Hub BYO Lunch: Looking for ways to make a difference in Willits? One project underway is growing 1,000 plus sunflowers all along Main Street, at the freeway interchanges and in yards

> all around town. Sunflowers are pollinator-positive. Let's talk projects! Sponsors: WELL (Willits Economic Localization) and The Hub. Bring your own lunch. Saturday, June 3. 12:30 pm. Willits Hub, 630 South Main Street. Info: Paul 459-1418, 4paulj@gmail.com.

> "Wicked Witch Auditions": 2nd casting call for child actors, 9 girls and 5 boys, for "The Trial of the Wicked Witch." Four performances of the play are

6. Saturday, June 3, 4 to 6 pm. Willits Community are \$15 for adults, \$5 for Theatre, 37 West Van Lane. "Made in Mendocino": Opening reception

Saturday, June 3 for the June show at the Willits Center for the Arts. "Members Hour" starts at 6 pm. and the general public may enter at 7 pm. The show features a collection of traditional and

art quilts by 20 Mendocino County quilters, including participants from Willits, Ukiah, and Laytonville. "These quilts are recognized as fine art for their complex patterns, excellent craftsmanship, and creativity." Some of the quilters in the show are: Ann Horton, Barbara Carlon, Carolyn Salcedo, Christy Bergenson, Kathy Davidson, Laura Fogg, Linda McDonald, Marilyn Simpson, Nan Trichler, Rachel Cash, Suzen Ingle, Ursula Partch, Debbie Bowls, and Karen

handmade by 14 different guilters, will be auctioned off to benefit the Willits Library. The Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Info: 459-1726.

"Grace and Glorie": a spiritually powerful drama of unexpected connection by Tom Ziegler continues at Willits Community Theatre. 8 pm tonight. See Friday, June 2 listing for more details.

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> "Learn How to Live a Better Life": 3rd performance and increase emotional intelligence 5649. with this series by Dr. Neil Nedley. Use the practical tips and information presented to think clearly manage emotions, improve creativity, and overall life satisfaction. Sunday, June 4. 6:30 pm. The Friendship House, 363 West Mendocino Avenue.

Tuesday, June 6

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

Mattson. A community quilt. showings. This week's Tightwad movie: "Pirates kids activities. Friday, June 9. Black Oak Ranch, of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales." For showtimes: www.novotheatre.com. 57 East Commercial Street. 459-6696

> Dining with Twining Time: John Wagenet and unexpected connection by Tom Ziegler continues Anita Blu, plus chanteuse Helen Falandes perform at Willits Community Theatre. 8 pm tonight. See

Folk/Country/Americana music, offering three-part harmony, acoustic guitar and keyboard. Organic coffee, gluten-free baked goods, sandwiches, and more. Tuesday, June 6. No cover. 12:30 to 3 pm. Brickhouse Coffeehouse, 3 South Main Street.

Understanding Dementia: Alexis Glidewell, L.C.S.W..

back by popular demand, will speak on the topic, "Strategies for Staying Together." Glidewell has specialized in structuring individualized care plans for people with various kinds of dementia. Tuesday, June 6. 5:30 to 7 pm. No charge. Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Info: 456-9676, or atwforhealth@gmail.com. Visit avenuestowellness.org for more info and future speaker topics.

Shanachie Pub: No Pardon, a New Folk trio out of Eureka. Chris Parreira (guitar), Rosalind Parducci (fiddle), Amber Grimes (upright bass). Tuesday, June 6. 8 pm. No cover. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Thursday, June 8

"Grace and Glorie" Soroptimist Fundraiser at WCT: Willits Soroptimists are hosting a special "fundraiser" evening of "Grace and Glorie," a drama on aging by Tom Ziegler, at the Willits Community Theatre on Thursday, June 8. Snacks and drinks will start at 6:15 pm; play starts at 7 pm. Proceeds go towards local scholarships and awards. Tickets are \$15. Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van

session in a free six-part series. Improve mental Lane. To purchase tickets: Marilyn Harden, 459-

Friday, June 9

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Saturday, June 10

Ecology Action Farm Tour at Jeavons Center: Cynthia & John Jeavons will lead a 6-hour nteractive tour of their Biointensive gardens. \$25 per person. Pre-registration required. Saturday, June 10. 10 am to 4 pm. 5798 Ridgewood Road. Info: 459-0150.

Open Garden: Brooktrails Community Garden will have an open garden event from 1 to 3 pm. A garden tour at 2 pm. Author Anthony Ward will

garden.

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June 10. 1 to 3 pm. Brooktrails Community Garden, Birch Street, across from the old Brooktrails Lodge.

"Main Street Then & Now": Exhibit Opening and Reception at the Mendocino County Museum: Guest curators Kim Bancroft and Judi Berdis present "Main Street Then & Now," in the Museum's Long Gallery. Community reception, 1 to 3 pm, features a curated tour of "Main Street, followed by tastes of local food. The new exhibit which recreates the feel of Main Street Past, will be on display through November, 2017. Mendocino County Museum, 400 East Commercial Street Museum is open Wednesday through Sunday 10 am to 4:30 pm. Info: 459-2736, or visit www. MendocinoMuseum.org.



Animal Party at Little Lake Grange: The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County hosts the 2nd Annual Animal Party. Dance to the music of

> O's. Doors open at 6 pm; music until 11 pm. Plus raffle and silent auction. beer and wine, and food by Ramirez Taco Truck. "Come kick off the summer season donating to a great cause!" All proceeds go directly to the animals. Saturday, June 10. Tickets \$20 at the Door. Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. Info: 485-0123.

"Grace and Glorie": a spiritually powerful drama of unexpected

Theatre. 8 pm tonight

Shoring, a quartet: "Too driving to be Folk, too thoughtful to be Pop. Plus second band, Smoky Knights, indie rock trio out of L.A. Saturday, June 10. 9 pm. \$5 cover. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

around the globe. Also art, workshops, presenters, vendors, comedy, camping and kids activities. Sunday, June 11. Black Oak Ranch, Laytonville. Tickets: www.enchantedforestmendo.com.

"Grace and Glorie": a spiritually powerful drama of unexpected connection by Tom Ziegler continues at Willits Community Theatre. 2 pm afternoon matinee. See Friday. June 2 listing for more details.

"Learn How to Live a Better Life": 4th session in a free 6-part series. See Sunday, June 3 listing for

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Caribbean: Dead Men

Tell No Tales' The Story: Our current hero, the earnest Henry Turner (Brenton Thwaites) wants to lift the Curse of Davy Jones put on his father Will Turner (Orlando Bloom), who (as you may or may not remember), is at the bottom of the sea, doomed

to live forever without his lady love Elizabeth

Daniel Essman

Swann (Keira Knightly). Meanwhile, heavy boozer and perpetual horn-dog Jack Sparrow (Johnny

Depp) is being pursued by the ghoulish Captain Salazar (Javier Bardem). Meanwhile, the courageous, fetchingly lovely Carina Smyth (Kaya Scodelario) is hunting for her father, whom she does not know. Then there's Captain Hector Barbarossa (Geoffrey Rush) who is also in the mix ... somehow ... oh yes, now I

remember ... they all want the Trident of Poseidon!!!

My Thoughts: Sensible? Who needs sensible? If I were 10 years old, this would be the greatest movie I'd ever seen, and if I were 9, it would be even better. As is, this slapstick flicker show is visually quite brilliant. And sometimes funny. Sometimes surprising. And even, at times,

clever. That said, "Dead Men Tell No Tales" is unrelentingly speedy.

One more thing: because every story has subterranean themes, it is worth noting in this flick that fathers, though absent, are capable of great self-sacrifice, and that their children will redeem them. Mothers are apparently non-existent.

Parents: The children will love the spectacle. Many little tots could very well be terrified by the ghoulish

Willitsian Daniel Essman prefers his reality attenuated by the



Willits Otters Swim Team needs a coach!

The Otters Swim Team is looking for a new head coach to replace longtime Otters coach Lou Meier next season. No professional or competitive swimming experience is required; training is provided: Most important is commitment and a desire to help the student swimmers. There are two assistant coaches to help out.

Willits Otters start practice in March - currently practices are scheduled from Monday through Friday from 5 to 6:30 pm - and the season runs through the end of July. Head coach is a paid position at about 10 hours a week, plus time spent attending swim meets. Applicants must pass a background check.

"I would love to get a young, enthusiastic person," said Coach Meier, "like I was in the 1980s, when I got started. Now I'm an old, enthusiastic

The Otters are hoping to get a new coach on board this summer, so Coach Meier can help show them the ropes. The big home swim meet is coming up at the Willits City Pool on June 17 and 18. Anyone interested can call Melissa Perez, president of the Otters board of directors, at 707-367-0401.

Jennifer Poole



'Grow a Row'

The Caring Kitchen Project, North Coast Opportunities, and AmeriCorps VISTA members are asking Willits community members to plant an extra plant or two, or even a row of vegetables this summer and donate the fruits of your labor to our commercial kitchen in Willits. The extra produce from community members' harvests ater in the summer and fall will support youth empowerment and healing meals for cancer patients. Please contact Holly Ordinans at North Coast Opportunities, 413 North State Street, Ukiah. Telephone: 467-3226.

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Registration for Willits Youth Soccer League opened on May 15, and the final day to register is Friday, June 30. Registration fees vary; the amount is dependent on the age of the child or teenager, and will cover the cost of health insurance, equipment, trophies, plus added tournament fees for the eldest age group. Info: Saprina Rodriguez 354-2539. Register online: www.willitsyouthsoccer.com

This week at KLLG!

KLLG would like to thank everyone who participated in our community garage sale fundraiser last weekend. We raised \$1,500 and will be completing the air ducts to ventilate the studio this week! We also held a spring programmer training and look forward to bringing you a few new shows in the next month. Don't forget to send in your public service announcements to PSA@KLLG.org.

- Michelle Cummings, KLLG

Animal Party at Little Lake Grange

Saturday, June 10

The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County hosts the 2nd annual Animal Party on Saturday, June 10 at the Little Lake Grange in Willits. This year's dance party features Mystic Soul, Pick N Pull, and The Flaming O's. Tickets are \$20 at the door. Doors open at 6 pm; music goes until 11 pm. Plus raffle and silent auction, beer and wine, and food by Ramirez Taco Truck. "Come kick off the summer season donating to a great cause!" All proceeds go directly to the

Mystic Soul is a seven (local) woman Afro-Cuban conga drum ensemble; Pick N Pull is a rocking band of local fun guys playing old-time acoustic hillbilly dance music and original sing-alongs; Flaming O's are ockers featuring Willits' own hometown girl Mona Gnader. More info on HSIMC, visit mendohumanesociety.com, or call 485-0123.



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Week of June 5 through June 9

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Easy All Stars play Summer Arts Fest

links to the full schedule

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Dance Brigade Dos Rios, July 2

Summer Arts & Music **Festival** June 3 & 4

Kick off summer this weekend at the 41st annual Summer Arts & Music Festival at Benbow Lake State Recreation Area south of Garberville. The event features over 100 performances including more than 70 of the best local and regional bands, dance troupes and children's entertainers on four stages. There is an all-media Fine Arts Showcase, dance and interactive light and sound

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The Book Juggler

What a metamorphosis this building - located at 182 South Main Street – has seen! After its original incarnation as a general store, this location became the notable Willits Commercial Bank until it was bought in the 1930s. In the '40s the site became Whittaker's Drugstore and then the Willits Rexall Pharmacy, which later moved down the street. The building again morphed into Lasell's Shoes, and today we know this site as The Book Juggler, which has been serving Willits readers for 30 years. The owners, Greta Kanne and Chris Harper, bought the used book store back in 2005, retaining its original name and continuing the legacy of this Main Street locale.

For more information on this building and others located along Main Street, please check out "Main Street: Then & Now," a visually fascinating and historically informative exhibit on the history of Willits, with a focus on Main Street architecture, commerce and culture. Join the Mendocino County Museum and friends for a free opening celebration on Saturday, June 10, from 1 to 3 pm

The exhibit will be on display through November at the Mendocino County Museum. 400 East Commercial Street. Check it out Wednesday through Sunday 10 am to 4:30 pm. Admission is \$4 per person; students are only \$1; kids 6 years old and under are free. More information on this exhibit can be found at www.MendocinoMuseum.org.

At right, top: Back in the 1930s, the site at 182 South Main Street was home to the Willits Commercial Bank.

At right, center: Later, the location became Whittaker's Drugstore and then the Willits Rexall Pharmacy before morphing into Lasell's Shoes as

At right, below: 182 South Main Street as it has been known since 1987 – the home of The Book Juggler.

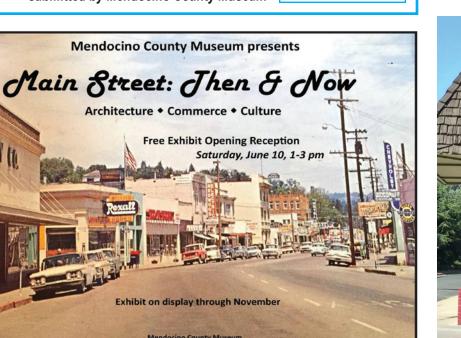


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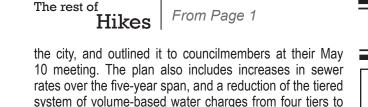
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Bartle Wells representative Eric Hegelson explained to the council at the meeting that sending out notifications to the public of a 4 percent hike doesn't require the city to implement that exact increase, it only prohibits them from raising rates beyond 4 percent per year.

Most councilmembers seemed open to starting with a 2.5 percent increase and examining the effect on the budget in a year, but wanted the option of raising the rate to 4 percent should it be required.

Ron Orenstein and other councilmembers reiterated their preference to avoid the \$900,000 loan in 2018 and the interest and debt that would then ensue. Hegelson estimated Willits could save around \$300,000 extra in interest payments should it forgo the loan

The council also considered keeping rate hikes at 2.5 percent per year without a loan, but City Finance Director Susie Holmes advised against that option, saying it could cut too far into reserves putting the city at risk of having its credit rating reduced, interest rates raised, or even loans

Councilmember Saprina Rodriguez was the only vote against the measure, saving she would rather the city take on the loan instead of burdening water customers with such large increases.

As expected, based on discussions at the May 10 meeting, the council unanimously approved raising sewer rates starting 7 percent for the next two fiscal years, 5 percent the following year, and finishing with 4.5 percent increases per year for the fourth and fifth fiscal years. That money will also be allocated for infrastructure projects.

The sewer rate plan also means the city will be forced to seek a \$2.4 million loan in fiscal year 2018/19.

As required by California's Proposition 218, notices will be sent to all city water customers, who will have 45 days to review, comment and potentially voice their opposition to the rate increase. More than 50 percent of all customers would have to mail formal written protests of the increases to prevent their possible implementation by the city.

A public hearing on the matter also will be held at some point during the review period.

Pot theft from Laytonville shed

Sheriff's investigators are seeking four men who allegedly stole 20 pounds of manicured bud marijuana from a shed on property in Laytonville just before noon on

The robbers, described as four Hispanic men, were observed making off with the pot at about 11:35 am Monday in the 53000 block of North Highway 101.

The property owners told deputies he "followed what he believed to be human tracks," and spotted the four men "walking through a meadow on the property," said sheriff's Lt. Kirk R. Mason. The property owner "noted one of the subjects was carrying what he believed to be an assaulttype rifle."

Deputies from the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office (including a K9 team and elements of the Sheriff's Office SWAT team) and personnel from the California Highway Patrol searched the area but could not find the men, Mason said. Nor "was there any evidence located which would lead to the identity of the suspects in this case."

The Mendocino County Sheriff's Office urges anyone with information regarding the theft to contact 234-2100 or email crimetip@mendocinosheriff.com

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

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Information concerning the proposed fees and charges may be obtained from the Office of the City Clerk during normal business hours at Willits City Hall, 111 E. Commercial Street, Willits,

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s/Cathy Moorhead, City Clerk. Posted: June 2, 2017

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Charlotte Inman

Charlotte Lavel Inman, beloved mother of three, passed away at the age of 67 years young in her hometown of Willits, California at 11 am May 18, 2017, after a five-year battle with lung cancer. She remained aware of her family and her love for them until the end. Charlotte's smile and tough attitude will be missed by all whose lives she graced

Charlotte is survived by her loving daughters: Deanna Inman, Kathryn Tarango and Charlotte Henry; sisters: Gloria Malugani and Shirley brother-in-law, Stewart Wilburn; six grandchildren; and and several nieces nephews including: Leah Wilburn, Michele Wilburn, Stewart Wilburn, Jr. Wilburn.

A Celebration of Life will be held in her honor

later this year, with the date to be announced prior to the event. Should friends wish, the family would appreciate memorial contributions to Anker-Lucier Mortuary to assist in her arrangements.

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COLUMN | Garden Tip of the Month

June: 'Three Sisters'

Willits is now well past our last expected frost date! (May 21 for most of the Willits area.) So you can safely plant summer vegetables outside, either as transplants or by seed. You might want to celebrate - and lay the groundwork for summer feasting - by planting a "Three Sisters" garden. This is

Jamie Chevalier

the kind of garden Native peoples in several regions of the U.S. used to grow all of their own staple foods, using

is the way that the

plants are grown as

companions, forming

a little ecosystem. The

corn makes a trellis for

the beans to grow on.

Its deep roots break up

the soil for the weaker

bean roots. And the

sugars in the sap of the

corn plant leak out into

the soil a little bit, giving

other plants – as well as

soil microorganisms -

The microorganisms

in the bean roots use

that energy to pull

nitrogen out of the air

and fertilize the soil. The

squash is a living mulch

that keeps the ground

moist. The low-growing

blanket of squash

makes a sunny clearing

that smothers weeds

while allowing the corn

Garden

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Read the rest of

energy for growing.

just hand tools and home garden techniques. The three sisters work in home gardens now for the

same reasons they worked then: They produce big yields without mechanized equipment; they provide a wellbalanced diet; and they are easy to grow, harvest, and store. They are delicious both fresh and as dry staples.

The traditional three sisters are corn, beans, and squash. That's what you see in the picture. Often, there was a fourth sister, which varied by region. In fertile areas like the Midwest, it would be the sunflower. In drier areas, local basketry or pollinator crops. In the photo above, a squash to attract pollinators.

What makes a "Three Sisters" garden different



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New and fifthgrade teacher Marian Lohne (dressed up for "Superhero Day" as Batman's sidekick, Robin) stand outside the classroom at Blosser Lane Elementary School.

Margaret

Bender's third-

At left: Nancy

grade class.

Photos by

Singing in School

Nancy New brings the joy of music to the classroom

Singing is fun, and Nancy New has been bringing song to Willits classrooms for, well, generations. She sings once a week now with Blosser Lane Elementary School teacher Margaret Bender's third-grade class. She had the Sherwood School kids singing back when Bender was a student there.

Ioanne Moore

"I was lucky enough to have her as a part of my childhood too!" said Bender.

Over half the kids at Blosser have been singing with New this semester, and teachers are appreciative. Fifth-grade teacher Marian Lohne said she was so grateful to have artists in the Willits community, like sunflower grows at right, and zinnias grow among the Nancy, that are willing to come into classrooms and brighten the kids' day. "Even students who feel they 'cannot sing' instinctively sing along to the songs in an unquestioning and natural way. Genetically we are programmed to listen and respond to the singing of others," Lohne said

Bender believes that music in the classroom is very important. "It gives students an outlet for creativity, helps with other subjects such as language development, and it's a way to let loose and have fun in the classroom," Bender

Kids are appreciative too. They're all smiles and laughter and raised hands with song requests:

"Do you know 'Apples and Bananas'? Can we do the 'Sunshine'?" When New asks, "Can you sing it without me?" they respond with a resounding, "Yes!"

Then they shout another, "Yes!" when it's time for "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." And then, "Again! Again!" after the first time through of the fifth-graders' clear favorite, Bruno Mars' version of "Count on Me."

"Nancy New does a wonderful job at bringing the joy of music to all ages," complimented Bender. The "joy of music" can also be experienced by playing an instrument, and New teaches kids in the Willits Kids Club how to play ukulele. Using ukuleles that were bought at her suggestion a few years ago, she gets them strumming chords for songs they already know in short order. Then it's on to fingerpicking.

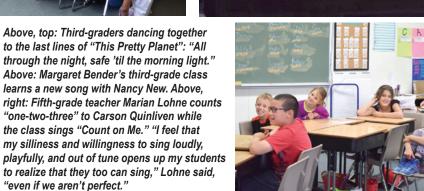
Creative kids in the Kids Club who are less musically inclined are learning hand-building pottery techniques from New after school. And this summer the Willits Center for the Arts, all ready with a new kiln, will offer a series of pottery classes taught by New for kids and adults











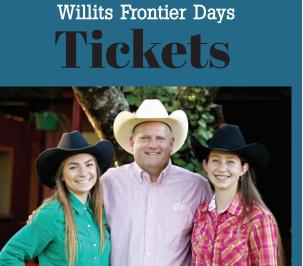


Above, right: Third-grade teacher Margaret Bender and her students happily singing. Above: Marian



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It's time for

start thinking about getting your tickets for all of the upcoming Willits Frontier Days events! This year's contestants, Hailey Riley and Keely Ahders, are out selling now through the end of June! Call Riley at 707-272-1139 and Ahders at 707-391-0092. At left: Hailey Riley,

Now's the time to

left, and Keely Ahders, right, stand with WFD president, Fred Barry.

The rest of **Immigrant**

The resolution came to a vote despite an initial attempt by Gonzalez to remove it from the agenda just before the meeting so the city would have more time to analyze legal concerns and potentially reword one of the paragraphs.

Gonzalez said he supported the bill in spirit, but believed "paragraph 6" stating the city's hands-off approach to immigration enforcement could put Willits in danger of losing federal funding in light of a January executive order issued by the Trump administration that would block money to sanctuary

Gonzalez said he had reached that conclusion after discussing the resolution with City Attorney Jim Lance, who had told him it could be risky to leave the paragraph as is.

Lance's assessment was questioned by councilmembers Ron Orenstein and Madge Strong, as well as by others during public comments at the meeting.

Orenstein noted recent court rulings found the executive order to withhold federal funding to so-called sanctuary cities was illegal and unconstitutional, including a ruling issued by a San Francisco court. Lance agreed, but added the Trump administration was planning to appeal.

Strong pointed out Trump's executive order only required "sharing" information with federal authorities, and if Willits police do not collect immigration status information – as has been the department's policy - then there could be nothing to share.

Local paralegal and legal document assistant Marc Komer read from recent resolutions approved by the cities of Fort Bragg and Santa Rosa, both of which contained passages with language similar to the paragraph in the Willits resolution.

"We're going to be in great company," Komer said. "This resolution is not going to cost the city council any money. That's important.

As passed, paragraph 6 reads: The "Willits Police Department will not participate or aid in the enforcement of federal immigration laws except in certain situations related to the detention of suspects involved in violent crime or to ensure officer safety."

Gonzalez sought to pass the resolution with significant changes to the paragraph, taking out the reference to "federal immigration" and simply stating: "The Willits Police Department will continue its long-standing practice and commitment to providing police services regardless of immigrant status." His motion was not seconded, and never came to a vote

Rodriguez largely left the original wording intact for her motion, which was seconded by Strong.

Orenstein was initially reluctant to vote for the resolution without further analysis, and sought to delay an official vote until the following meeting while the city considered changing the controversial

Rodriguez and Strong dissented, fearing that altering the wording could dilute the message and spirit regarding the intent of the policy.

"The wording is important and I think this wording is strong and appropriate," said Strong.

"We're either going to say that the police department is not going to participate in the enforcement of federal immigration laws or we're not," said Rodriguez. "For me it's pretty black and white – either we are or we aren't. And I don't want us to participate in the enforcement of federal immigration laws, period."

After Orenstein asked Rodriguez to read the paragraph again, he said: "Actually that works for

The crowd followed that statement with loud

The attempted removal of the resolution from the agenda led to some confusion before the meeting as Rodriguez tried to explain what was going on to a large group just outside the entrance to council chambers who had assembled to voice their support for the resolution.

She told them they were welcome to stay and speak during the public comment period, but did not believe there would be a discussion or a vote on the resolution by the council, adding she would inquire as to why the item was postponed. According to Rodriguez and others, as many as 25 people left before the meeting began, believing the resolution would not be considered

Still, nearly every seat in chambers was occupied for the proceedings, a rarity for city council meetings.

As the meeting began, Rodriguez questioned whether Gonzalez had the authority to remove an item from the agenda, suggesting only the council as a whole had that power. She pointed out she had submitted a copy of the resolution to Lance and city staff for review at the May 10 meeting, and had been trying to get the measure on the agenda for a long

She and other councilmembers then pushed to at least discuss the resolution, since many community members had attended to hear the debate, as well as a number of media representatives.

Gonzalez apologized for the confusion and agreed to proceed, leading to the lengthy debate and eventual passage of the resolution.

In an interview with Willits Weekly, Rodriguez said crafting of the resolution was a true group effort involving input and suggestions from many community groups, including Our Community United, Nuestra De Alianza and Save Our Little Lake Valley. Most of those who spoke at the meeting wore "Our Community United" pins. Many community members said they felt com-

pelled to speak on behalf of the resolution, and on behalf of immigrants in the community who were afraid to speak up for fear of persecution or con-

"It was so hard to get this item on the agenda, and I don't understand that," said Rodriguez. "This is a topic that's impacting our community. This isn't about where you're from, this isn't about the color of your skin, this is about doing what you believe is right and standing up for others, and being a true leader." she said. "That's why I would like to see this

Dina Hutton, one of the founders of Nuestra De Alianza, which offers services to local immigrants and others, said she has seen a shift in the demeanor of the immigrant community she's been working with for over 25 years, and had generally found to be happy and upbeat.

people who are not even immigrants, who are naturalized citizens, are afraid.... I am afraid. I am afraid because of the changes I see.

"moved to tears" by it.

she said. "I ask you to pass this compassionate Let's resolve to live in mutual respect and support." Trump Effect." which she said has emboldened

some area residents to be more discriminatory. "The way it's being seen in schools is an increase in hate speech and violence on the playground," she said, "and more permission for children to be mean

[the resolution], so we get to be proud of ourselves." Isabel Quiroz, a co-founder of local Tequio Farms, spoke about the difficulties she's faced in pursuing U.S. citizenship, and discriminatory behavior she's experienced firsthand.

"My immigration process has been very long and very challenging," she said. "It's been expensive, and I am one of the lucky ones.... I'm a privileged person, so I can only imagine how it feels for people who are not in my position.

"I want to be active in this community," Quiroz continued. "And to be honest, there are times [recently] where I do not feel comfortable to go and participate in different activities because I'm fearful I'm going to be pointed at or yelled at, which has happened before in the streets, unfortunately.

everyone to do something that can really give a positive message and to unite this community." Orenstein and Gonzalez also shared personal

stories during discussion regarding their family histories and immigration.

speaking home, and his father arriving here undocumented. "Ultimately, he became a citizen ... and he was very proud of that," he said. "I did have times in my life where I did suffer discrimination. But at the same time my father told me, 'That's going to be out there, you need to learn to deal with it and move on.' I would hope my father would be proud to have me sitting up here now."

feel locally, that putting something out is important."

Orenstein talked about relatives of his who tried to flee Nazi Germany to the United States but were denied entry, and parallels he saw between those times and today.

administration in Washington ... I believe we are all becoming acutely aware of how bad things can be if we're not vigilant, if we don't stay on top of things,"

'many, many reasons," but failed to elaborate on

"I just think that this is the wrong place to do this," he said. "I have no prejudice against anybody. I'm not against anybody, but I am against the resolution."

He noted he had heard from some community members who opposed the resolution, but were not present at the meeting.

"You people aren't the only people in town that have an opinion on this," he told the crowd.

Willits Chief of Police Scott Warnock assured the crowd he had never asked anyone if they were an American citizen in his 40 years of police experience with five different agencies, and hadn't known other police officers to do so either.

class of people that are easy to prey on." The full resolution reaches beyond immigration

Rodriguez said the full text of the resolution cityofwillits.org, which is still being upgraded.

Regulations

comments on the first draft, Chaitanya continued, "and that's creating a second draft, to having what they say, the plant canopy another round of public comment is defined as the rain shadow or on the second draft, and so on. the shadow of the plant. To call it

"If the trailer bill passes.

agency staffers for their hard work

The other 21 speakers, all

cannabis growers in the North

Coast area, called for fundamental

changes to the state's draft medical

"One thing missing [in the draft

of the proposed regulations] is that

there is no language for any kind

of mechanism for an appeal or an

exception," said Paul Hansbury,

of Laytonville. "For hardship,

whatever, there's no mechanism

for that.... And local licensing is a

"Here in Mendocino County

Mendocino, Humboldt, the Emerald

Triangle - this is the Garden of

Eden for this industry. This is where

it began. Especially with [medicinal

marijuanal." Hansbury said. "Little

old people in the hills growing

"I am very concerned all these

regulations are going to restrict

these people so they won't be able

to do their thing anymore," he said.

"I would suggest state law gives

you the ability to make things more

restrictive. I understand that: There

are certain parts of this state that

are a world unto [themselves].

But things are very different in

Mendocino County than they are in

Fresno. So, give local government

the ability to make things a bit

more lenient, so they coincide with

the things that happen and the

way things have been done, for

president of the Mendocino

Cannabis Industry Association,

and a Laytonville cannabis grower

for about 15 years, thanked Ag

Department officials for their work,

he added, "I think you probably

need to get out in the field a little

"We have an established

ndustry," Chaitanya said. "We

have been working for a number

of years, and we have solved a

number of the problems. And every

time you put on another restriction

on, another 100 people don't sign

"One of the main restrictions I

find particularly onerous and ill-

conceived is the canopy definition

as: 'the space between.' When I go

to a hardware store and buy some

canopy, do I pay for the space

between the canopies? No," he

said, "I'm only buying the shade

"A canopy is defined in

agriculture as the drip-shadow

agricultural

Swami Chaitanva.

generations in many cases."

While

produce the medicine.

prerequisite for state licensing.

cannabis regulations.

bill passes.'

But "we intend to have the the space between is to eliminate about half the area a cannabis regulations finalized by January 1, grower can use. We are already 2018," Morris said.

facing extinction from all these Also in the mix is a trailer bill, regulations and all these taxes which is wending its way through the "I want you to know that cannabis California Legislature. According in Mendocino County is at least a to a frequently asked questions billion-dollar industry, perhaps a \$5 handout on the proposed medical billion industry. How do I know that? cannabis regulations, the trailer bill The sheriff testified [in 2006] that would align the Medical Cannabis he eliminated 100,000 plants [and] Regulation and Safety Act with the Adult Use of Marijuana Act, written and adopted by the Legislature in response to the November 2016 passage of Proposition 64.

the proposed regulations will plants. At a pound per plant, [and be withdrawn, and a new set \$1,000 per pound], that's \$5 billion. of regulations consistent with "Please understand," Chairanya changes in the law will be proposed," the FAQ sheet stated. "Many of the provisions in these licensing regulations will carry over to the new regulations if the trailer Twenty-two people addressed state reps during the hearing. Their

comments ranged from the general to the particular, from the optimistic Ron Edwards of CK Nursery in to the pessimistic. Those who spoke were polite and circumspect Disabilities Act requirements throughout, and many thanked

"We're having a problem Only Supervisor John McCowen took an "anti-cannabis" – or more accurately, "pro-balance" – position while speaking at the hearing. The Second District supervisor urged the state to craft regulations that would protect the rights of people who aren't part of the cannabis

> "I know in regular agriculture grape vineyards or regular nurseries - they have more relaxed regulations," Edwards added. "So. if there was some clarity you could give to local building and planning departments, that would help [us] navigate that, that would be

cannabis Mike Adams criticized the draft regulations' definition of plant

"When you define plant canopy as everything inside the fence, Adams said, "that encourages plants to be densely planted, with no walkways, and also monocropping. It's sort of saying this is a cannabis garden and there will never be anything else in there their plants, and taking the risk to It's not a good agricultural practice

"Light deprivation does not seem to me to be mixed light at all," Adams said. "Removing sunlight either by putting the tarp on in the spring, or by putting the tarp on in the fall to accelerate the flowering, because the fall is coming or because you don't want rain to fall on the plants, that's not mixed

prohibiting growing medical cannabis within 600 feet of a school. "I assume we're never gonna teach anybody anything about agriculture," he said. "I would actually like to have a school at the cannabis farm: zero feet. And I think a cannabis farm, a cottageindustry size, with no employees, a family farm, should be exempt from registering as an ag employer."

One topic repeatedly criticized was the ban against using generators to power cannabis cultivation and processing. Several speakers argued against the requirement, including Chaitanya and Eureka-based cannabis

areas in Humboldt County are completely off-grid," Flores said. "We do not have access to other sources of electricity. A number of these farmers require generators for electricity. To prohibit generators would unfairly disqualify all of them from participating in the market.

environmental threat," Flores said And "there are different kinds of generators now, including nonmore traditional generators."

generators "unconscionable."

"Now they're afraid," Hutton said. "In fact, many

Hutton said she was with a group of immigrant friends recently who read the resolution and were

"This resolution made them feel someone cared," resolution to help people feel less alone, less afraid. Local therapist Melinda Clarke decried "The

to each other. We don't want that. So please pass

"I think this is a great historic opportunity for

Gonzalez spoke about growing up in a Spanish-

Addressing the crowd Gonzalez said: "I kind of wanted you to understand that I wasn't trying to kick this to the next meeting because I didn't believe in it, but because I want to safeguard [funding]. This is not my money, this is the people's money we're dealing with and I feel a strong commitment – I don't want to have a cavalier attitude towards the people's

"But I also understand that, in light of how people

"I think one of the benefits of having the current

Stranske said he opposed the resolution for

"We're not interested in anybody's status, we're interested in helping people," said Warnock. "We don't want people to be afraid to come to the police. We don't want to create a class of people who are afraid to come to the police, because that creates a

policy, encouraging everyone in the community to embrace the diversity of its members. The first paragraph reads: "The City of Willits call upon all city residents and all city departments and employees to work to ensure the equal protection and treatment of all persons without discrimination on the basis of factors including, but not limited to: citizenship status, immigration status, race, national origin, ethnicity, age, familial status, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, physical and intellectual abilities, religion, religious observance, political orientation, economic status, or other social status."

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that was 10 percent of the total Then a few years later, in 2010, he eliminated 500,000 plants: again, 10 percent of the total. So, if 500,000 plants is 10 percent of the total, then you have 5 million

said. "this industry drives the whole of Northern California. Every time you put another little restriction on someone in the backwoods who is making this wonderful, healing medicine in their kitchen, you are destroying someone's life. You are destroying an entire industry.

Willits urged the state to be more lenient on meeting Americans with

with being called commercial agriculture," he said. "It's creating ADA issues. And if we're talking about the environment, and vou're saying, 'OK, now you have to put in another restroom and a septic system on your property,' then you are disturbing it way more than you

canopy as including walkways.

Adams also spoke against

consultant Kelly Flores. "A significant number of rural

"Generators are not an

fuel generators, which are highly efficient and more effective than Chaitanya called the ban on

of the plant. I've asked three commissioners,"

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Above, left: This 1938 hot rod Chevy truck rides low. Above, right: A pretty yellow Labrador retriever rides in style.

More of Car show

"The event is the chamber's major fundraiser of the year, bringing in about \$5,000 to \$6,000," said Horger. "The Shifters, and now the Willits Wild Bunch, are very active in helping to put it on."

The annual event, a staple of Willits life, is in its 38th year. It was started by the Shifters in a park across from the old Willits Fire Station on Commercial Street. The car show quickly grew too popular for the smaller park and moved to its present location in Rec Grove

The Shifters was started in 1958 by four Willits youth who worked as ambulance drivers (they were allowed to drive fast and race the police to accident sites). One of the original members, John Yde, is still active in the organization. "We rented the old fire department building for \$1 a year for a clubhouse. We had a pastor donate some old pews, and we had a clubhouse and workshop.

few years ago the Chamber of Commerce games with names like "Fan Belt Toss" and took it over and now we provide assistance and trophies; we make our own trophies.

This year the "Best in Show" winner was John Glass from Laytonville and his 1940 Ford Coupe, and there were plenty of other awards for the 139 automobiles and 28 motorcycles that were registered at the show (see sidebar for 2017 Car & Motorcycle Show results). Businesses and private citizens sponsored plagues and selected the cars that they preferred.

"In years past, we have had so many automobiles that we had to use the entire park," recalls Yde. "This year we have more cars registered for the show than we have had in recent history. It is experiencing a

The Shifters also ran the games designed for the whole family to have fun like the "Push Rod Drop," a box with different sized holes that you try to drop push rods into, the "Lifter Stack," where you try to stack as many lifters

We've been doing this show for 37 years. A as possible, and other automobile-themed "Spark Plug Change."

Central to this event was the participation of the vintage-automobile enthusiasts and their obvious love for their mostly restored

Bob Giuntoli brought his stunning black 1936 Ford Three-Window Coupe from Ukiah. "I bought this car in 1956. I used to drive it to high school, and I've had it ever since. I've restored this car three times. It's a great car. It's just a part of me. I found it in a barn. sticking out from under a hay pile, when I was delivering milk. I was 15 years old. This was during the Korean War, and when I asked the lady if I could buy it, she replied that she would have to ask her son, the owner, who was in Korea, fighting in the war. About a month later she received a reply that he would

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sell it to me for \$250. My dad and I towed it





At left, top: Paul Johnson of Fort Bragg offered a 1933 Ford Coupe, two-window. At left, center: "Win Me!" – this motorcycle is up for grabs for the price of a raffle ticket. At left, bottom: Judi and Jim Montalvo of the Willits Shifters, which co-organized the

Above: Magoo, Tigger, Superman, Jinxie and Colorado of the Willits Wild Bunch hang out at the car show. Below: The numbers: 139 automobiles and 28 motorcycles showed up for this year's Willits Community Festival and Car & Bike Show.



2017 Willits Car & Motorcycle Show Awards

Best of Show: John Glass, Laytonville, 1940 Ford Coupe. Sponsored by Chamber of Commerce

Fire Chief's Trophy: Tom & Cindy Langley, Lakeport, Red GMC Pickup. Sponsored by Auto

Mayor's Trophy: Ted Gibbs, Fort Bragg, Green Ford Model T C-Cab

Police Chief's Trophy: Bob Madlem, Redwood Valley, 1940

The above trophies were produced by the Willits Shifters

The other cars were sponsored and picked by 15 different businesses and individuals:

201 School Street: Black El Camino

Mendocino Roofing: Ford **Kessen Family Trust:**

Black Model A Barra of Mendocino: Purple '36

Auto Mart Auto Repair: Red '57

Willits Rental Center & Automotive Repair: Brown Chevrolet Malibu

Ken's Auto Repair: '52 Hudson Adams Tire Center: '32 Ford Bill and Lori Barker: '31 Ford

Gribaldo's Cafe: Black Ford Convertible

Round Tree Glass: White Ford Pickup

Purple Moose: Blue Pontiac Shanachie Pub: Chevelle Buster's: Blue & Silver Ford

Neary & O'Brien, Attorneys at Law: Blue '72 Chevelle

Coupe

Motorcycle awards:

People's Choice Award: Jason Hartse from Redwood Valley on a 2002 Harley Davidson Springer Softtail; sponsored by Gunnink's Harley-Davidson, Ukiah

Best Vintage: Bill Wilson of Willits, riding a 1946 Indian Chief; sponsored by an anonymous individual

Best of Show: Brian Hendricks of Rancho Cordova, California, riding a 2011 Harley Davidson Road Glide; also sponsored by the same anonymous individual

> Thanks to the Willits Chamber of Commerce for providing these results.





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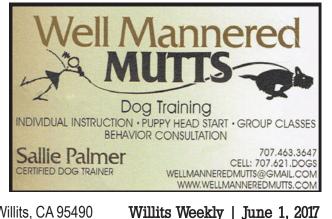
This Week's Tightwad Tuesday Titles are in RED - All tickets: \$5



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The rest of Car show

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home. I restored it and have had it ever since.'

Rochelle and Al Bazzani brought two automobiles, one a 1939 Studebaker Commander Coupe with a 350 Chevy engine, with the upholstery restored by their son, Mike, and painted by Don Smith. They've had this car for 15 years. Al Bazzani also brought his less glamorous, but nonetheless beautiful, 1947 Ford El Dorado pickup truck with front-wheel drive, which has been driven through 47 states. The couple rebuilt it basically from scratch in 1976.

Matt King from Eureka showed his 1970 El Camino, a pickup that was a standard for "fast" for many years. "I had this vehicle since high school. I sold it once but had to buy it back when the guy I sold it to was going to resell it and called me first. I couldn't let it go. It has just 150,000 miles on it - just broken in." King does a lot of these shows with his buddies, also car enthusiasts

Ron Stafford from Fort Bragg was showing his 1931 Model A Deluxe Roadster with a 24 horsepower Model B engine. "This car has only had three owners. It's lived mostly in storage for over 50 years. The first owner stored it for 20 years and the last owner for 37 years. It only has 5,106 original miles - practically new. It is completely stock with the exception of the ignition; otherwise it is like it came off the assembly line. This is my first show as the car was just restored two weeks

Paul Johnson of Fort Bragg offered a 1933 Ford Coupe, twowindow. "Kind of a nostalgic rig," said Johnson. "Got a lot of B&M parts that they don't make anymore. It's got a Chevy small block with a small street blower in it. Puts out about 440 horse. Nine-inch Ford rear end, sprint car header, full-length, 3 feet all the way back, polyfoam body with a TCI three-stage frame.... This is a nice show. I enjoy seeing other people's cars and meeting the people and having a great time with the other owners."

Pat and Bonnie Jenkins were 5314, ext. 1101. showing their 1939 Chevy Street Rod, with "Bob," the brake-light The rest of skull, gracing the back window. "I painted it flat black so I don't have to worry about scratches, Pat Jenkins explained. "I just take a spray can and paint over it. It never shows. We built it so we could have a cruiser that we could drive and enjoy. This is a barn-find that was set up as a drag racer at one time. It sat in the barn for eight years and was full of rats' nests. It was ugly, really ugly. I saw the potential of this classic beauty. It

just needed love.' Mike Vinacro of Ukiah brought his 1939 Ford Deluxe. "It was customized and rebuilt in Atlanta. I sold two mediocre hot rods to buy this finished car, which I've had for two years. I drive it all the time. It goes for coffee at least three times a week. Every day I go somewhere in it. I've been building old cars since I was 17. Started with a '32 Plymouth, and I've probably had 60 or 70 cars, but I've never had anything this nice. I've got about \$52,000 into this car."

Even though most people probably don't follow the technical specifications, they can appreciate how these classics look. It is easy to see the degree of commitment the owners have by viewing their automobiles' metallic curves, chrome and purring engines. It seemed almost as though many considered their restorations to be integral members of their families.

The Willits Wild Bunch, an altruistic and fun-oriented group of Harley-Davidson riders, exhibited their motorcycles and helped to organize this colorful event.

This is one of the annual events that bring the Willits community together with camaraderie, entertainment and good times. Hopefully the Willits Community Festival and Car & Motorcycle Show will continue to grow and bring more visitors into town to showcase some of the best of

The rest of From Page 1 Crash

to Disneyland and driven by 44-year-old Gilberto Delgado of Eureka, a longtime employee of Trinidad-based Discovery

and circumstance" to start at 6:30 pm Congratulations to all the graduates The two vehicles burst into flame and came to rest blocking of the Class of 2017!

The rest of

the highway, officers say. The two drivers were trapped in their seats by the collision and died when their vehicles were engulfed in the fire.

All five passengers in the Dodge were pulled to safety by a good Samaritan who came upon the accident scene moments after the collision, officers say.

Rosa A. Delgado, 43, suffered major injuries in the crash. as did 24-year-old Gilberto Delgado and 19-year-old Anajelica Delgado. Seven-year-old Jacob Douglas Clifford of Fortuna and 1-year-old Natalie Grace Delgado escaped with minor

All the injured were taken to Howard Memorial Hospital in Willits for treatment of their injuries by Willits, Laytonville and Ukiah ambulances. Gilberto Delgado was then airlifted to Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital for treatment. A family friend told the Eureka Times-Standard Rosa

Delgado sustained a broken sternum, a fractured hand and internal injuries; Anajelica Delgado sustained internal injuries and broken vertebrae; and the younger Gilberto Delgado sustained broken vertebrae, ribs, and sacrum. Little Lake Fire Department personnel, Mendocino County

Sheriff's Office deputies, Willits Police Department officers, Verihealth and Laytonville Fire Department emergency medical responders and Ukiah CHP officers assisted the injured and conducted the investigation of the accident, according to the Garberville office of the California Highway Patrol.

The CHP reports "impaired driving may have been a factor" in the accident, and the collision remains under investigation.

Highway 101 was reopened to one-way traffic at 1:57 am; both lanes reopened at 5:07 am.

A Go Fund Me account has been established for the Delgado family to help pay for their medical expenses. At press time Wednesday night, \$15,420 of the \$30,000 goal has been raised. Visit www.gofundme.com/support-fund-for-thedelgado-family to donate.

The rest of WUSD

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Woodhouse. Croskey's term runs through 2018.

Applications for the interim open seat on the school board will be available through Thursday, June 29, at the district office, 1277 Blosser Lane, or online at willitsunified.com.

Persons wishing to submit questions for other board members to consider during applicant interviews also should do so by June 29, Westerberg said.

Interested applicants must live within the boundaries of the Willits Unified School District and be registered voters. All applications are due at the district office by Thursday, July 13, and will become public records upon receipt by the district,

Westerberg added. Candidates will be interviewed in open session by current school board members at their August 2 meeting.

Inquiries can be made by calling the district office at 459-

The rest of

Memorial

meetings which are held on

the second Tuesday of the

month at 7 pm at the Veterans

Hall, located on the east side

The Legion is proud to

offer veteran information and

resources for services; they

assist in memorial services for

military members - funerals

or services at cemeteries,

churches or funeral homes;

they serve as the color

guard and flag raisers at the

Willits Frontier Days events,

including the CCPRA rodeos,

truck pulls, horse shows

and other events; they have

a booth at the Hometown

Celebration and Fourth of July

festivities with membership

and resource information; and

they also raise funds through

raffles and more to be able

to donate to local groups

and organizations like the

Willits Community Services

and Food Bank, the Phoenix

Hospice and the Howard

Foundation. The Legion also

assists the Women's Auxiliary

To learn more about the

with poppy sales.

of the intersection of Main

Street and Sherwood Road.

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Garden

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need. Melons could also be used – just keep them to the edge of the planting. Never let either squash or melons try to climb the corn - they will bring

Sunflowers and amaranth

can replace the corn. They still provide a tall trellis for beans, produce plant sugars during the hot days, shade the beans just a little, and benefit from the nitrogen from the beans and the moist soil under the squash. Corn, amaranth, and sunflowers are all what scientists call "C-4 photosynthesizers." metabolisms can use sun too strong for other plants, and produce plant sugars during hot

We have also used the shade among the squash plants to shelter brassicas like kale and collards from the heat when they are young transplants. Their strong smell confuses pests, and they go on to make a winter crop once the squash has finished. The key is to use plants that prefer the conditions created by the other plants, and give some benefit to the others.

For more details, including spacing, specific varieties, and step-by-step instructions, go www.bountifulgardens.org/ Chevalier has gardened

professionally in both California and Alaska. She writes about gardening for Bountiful Gardens Seeds, www. bountifulgardens.org.

Legion, stop by the monthly meeting, contact Ham directly at 456-9858, or check out their ad in the Soroptimist Telephone Community Directory, listed under "A," for more information.

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From Page 1 Graduation Maize Field should show up early for Family Tree Service

Scholarships and awards for

2017 graduates

Wednesday night's Senior Awards

night ceremony at Willits High

School congratulated and honored

the following graduates for receiving

scholarships and awards totaling

American Association of

University Women

In Honor of Helen Bell and Helen

Williams: Camryn Christensen;

Isabel Gutierrez

Guevara

Isabel Gutierrez

Colten Horger

Tatyana Guevara

In Honor of Lorene Cave: Ryann

Hee; In Honor of Dorothy Quandt:

Vanessa Camp, Natalee Lopes and

American Legion Auxiliary Unit

174 Scholarship

American Legion Post 174

Scholarship

Black Bart Gunfighters

Scholarship

Brooktrails Neighborhood

Association Inc. Scholarship

Tatyana Guevara and Maria Sanchez

Brooktrails Women's Club

Scholar

Isabel Gutierrez and Maria Sanchez

Dr. Charles O. and Harriett C.

Smith Memorial Scholar-Athlete

Scholarship

Randy Clark Memorial

Vocational Scholarship

Penserra Founder's

Scholarship

Skye Scholarship

Mendocino County Farm

Bureau

E.A. Padula Scholarship

St. Anthony's Ladies Guild

Anonymous Donor Scholarship

Soroptimist International of

Willits Scholarship

Natalee Lopes, Nancy Villegas,

Alexia Duran and Keely Ahders

Evelyn K. Kennedy Scholarship:

Mendo Lake Credit Union

Honorarium for Overall

Achievement

Camrvn Christensen and Izak Walker

Ralph J. Morgese Memorial

Scholarship

Tachyna Renick, Nancy Villegas,

Vanessa Camp, d'Artagnan Meek,

Santamaria, Emily Bishop, Alexis

Martinez, Isabel Gutierrez, Keely

Ahders, Marina Acosta, Kyleena

Amador, Sherry Lynn Atalig, Tessa

Alexia Duran, Bailey Ferguson, Haily

Baird, Angel Byrd, Jose Carrillo,

Delayna Corts, Destiny Decent,

Findley, Lilly Hale, Juan Jacinto,

Adriana Martinez, Emily McAlister

Angel (aka Victor) Montoya, Ariel

Nunez, Aisha Shoemaker, Nayema

Othello Jackson and Casey Collicott

Ventura Perez Memorial

Merit Award

Jordan Solis, Izak Walker, Maxwell

Pinelli, Chanel Alexander, Vanessa

Hee, Rebecca Mandeville, Kyleena

Waters, Tia Lynn Grant, Samantha

Nancy Villegas, Camryn Christensen,

Kaylan Stone, Jenna Wells, Miranda

Wilson, Tyler Austin, Rocky Boat,

Jamie Johnstone, Julia Johnstone

Keely Ahders, and Isabel Gutierrez.

Camp, Nayema Sisemore, Ryann

Amador, Colten Horger, Wayne

Thomas, Veronica Vannorsdel,

Sisemore, Jordan Solis, Sonny

Staley, Yutaka Tso, Tyler Vesey,

Samantha Espaniola Norton, Manuel

Ariel Nunez and Kaylan Stone

Tia Lynn Grant

Keely Ahders and Caitlyn Forrester

Maria Sanchez and Alexia Duran

Colten Horger and Julia Johnstone

Sherry Lynn Atalig and Tatyana

Academic: Tia Lynn Grant

Vocational: Casey Collicott

\$106.300 from the community.

parking and be ready for the "pomp Camryn Christensen

Kate Selover Environmental **Scholarship**

Natalee Lopes

Jay & Lisa Epstein State Farm **Book Scholarship**

Willits Boosters Club

Angel De Los Santos

Scholarship

Camryn Christensen

Willits Chapter P.E.O.

Mandy McCloud

Willits Community Scholarship Aiden Bertolino-Haley, Viviana Cardona, Riley Hsieh, Kaylan Stone and Veronica Vannorsdel

> **Willits Frontier Days** Scholarship

Maria Sanchez, Tatyana Guevara and Angel De Los Santos

> Willits Garden Club **Scholarship**

Keely Ahders

Willits Kiwanis Club Scholarship

Tyler Austin, Jamie Johnstone. Julia Johnstone. Camryn Christensen. Isabel Gutierrez. Tia Lynn Grant and Tatyana Guevara

Willits Lions Club Scholarship Jamie Johnstone, Julia Johnstone and Izak Walker

Willits Rotary Club Scholarship

Angel De Los Santos, Isabel Gutierrez, Ryann Hee, Sherry Lynn Atalig, Izak Walker, Tyler Austin, Tatyana Guevara, Chanel Alexander Colten Horger, Keely Ahders, Jamie Johnstone and Julia Johnstone

Mac McClellan Memorial Scholarship: Caitlyn Forrester **Bill Carrillo Memorial Scholarship:** Natalie Moss

Deputy Sheriff's Association Chanel Alexander

Willits Teachers Association Scholarship

Tia Lynn Grant

Press Democrat

Scholar Athlete of the Year De Los Santos; Athlete of the Year Nominee: Tyler Vesey and Chanel Alexander

CSF Life Member Award

Izak Walker, Camryn Christensen, Isabel Gutierrez, Jamie Johnstone, Julia Johnstone, Colten Horger and Angel De Los Santos

FFA

Four Year Program Completer: Hailey Findley and Kyleena Amador; Dekalb winner: Caitlyn Forrester; State Degree Recipient: Caitlyn Forrester, Haily Findley and Bailey Ferguson; Agricultural Mechanics-Premier Welder Award: Jasper de Treville

United States Army

United States Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete Award: Chanel Alexander; United States **Army Reserve National Scholar/** Athlete Award: Lukas Montez; G.I. Bill Presentation: Wayne Waters

United States Marine Corps.

"Semper Fidelis" Award: Nayema Sisemore; Distinguished Athlete Award: Tyler Vesey; Distinguished Athlete Award: Caitlyn Forrester; Scholastic Excellence Award: Izak Walker: Scholastic Excellence Award: Camryn Christensen

Willits High School Art Avant Garde Artist: Jasper de

Treville; Most Dedicated Artist Nancy Villegas; Most Artistic Growth: Briana Leon; Most Courageous Artist: Jenna Wells; Most Original Artist: Emily McAlister; Best Beginning Artist: Delayna Corts

Miss Mendocino County Scholarship Program

Chanel Alexander, contender

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Going to Girls State

Sara Strickland is the next Willits junior to attend mock government conference

If it's time for summer, it's time for Girls State, and this year, Willits High School junior Sara Strickland, 16, will be attending the end-of-June, week-long event

Maureen Moore Graphics & Photographress maureen@willitsweekly.com focused on governing skills and real-world experiences.

Girls State (and Boys State) is a summer leadership and citizenship program sponsored by the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary for high school juniors. It is designed to increase awareness and knowledge of governmental processes while learning about the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

Strickland was chosen out of a group of "many other great candidates," said American Legion Auxiliary's Vicki Ham, including Strickland's twin sister, Naomi.

"This year, the decision was very hard," said Ham. "We decided on choosing Sara because she was so poised, had good awareness and knowledge of current events and the recent election, is a great student, and was really a joy to speak with during the interview."

Choosing between twins was hard on the interviewers, Ham laughed "That's it - I told the schools no more twin applicants! It's too hard to choose!" Naomi received the first-runner-up title, however, and both twins will enjoy a fun learning experience together at COSMOS, a math- and

science-focused summer program held at UC Santa Cruz just a few days after Strickland returns from Girls State.

"I chose to apply for Girls State because I thought it would be a great opportunity for me to broaden my horizons and allow me to check out what it would be like to have a career in the government," said Strickland. "I think it will give me a great new experience, while being educational and fun at the same time!"

After graduation, Strickland is ready to head off to college, but isn't quite sure yet what her major will be. She wants to explore the government field, but also feels strong connections to the medical field. Her mom Stephanie Strickland is a nurse at Ukiah Valley Medical Center, and Strickland noted the appeal of having a job that would allow her to work anywhere she chooses to live. Strickland's father, Roger is an AAA agent.

Ham and Strickland both mentioned the benefit of having Girls State appear on college applications and resumes, Ham noting that colleges will certainly pay more attention to those who can list attending this conference on their application forms.

In addition to school work, Strickland mentioned she was a member of the swimming and volleyball teams and enjoys challenging herself with her advanced placement classes, including her favorite classes taught by Jill Walton and Mary Colvig.

Made in Mendocino

Arts Center show opening June 3 showcases area quilt-makers

Twenty quilters will display a collection of traditional and art quilts at the Willits Center for the Arts in June. The show features a variety of work from central Mendocino County, including quilt-makers from Willits, Ukiah and Laytonville. "The show is about the many variations in quilting," said WCA manager Holly Madrigal, "from hand-stitched quilting to machine-made quilts, and the camaraderie of quilters. It's about another type of great American art."

The show is an opportunity to see quality quilts and crafted work in an intimate gallery setting. These quilts are recognized as fine art for their complex patterns, excellent craftsmanship, and creativity.

Quilters included in the show are: Ann Horton, Barbara Carlon, Carolyn Salcedo, Christy Bergenson, Kathy Davidson, Laura Fogg, Linda McDonald, Marilyn Simpson, Nan Trichler, Rachel Cash, Suzen Ingle, Ursula Partch, Debbie Bowls, Karen Mattson, and others.

A community quilt, handmade by 14 different quilters, will be auctioned off to benefit the Willits Library. The opening reception for the June show is set for Saturday, June 3. Members' Hour, for art center members to hear from the artists, is from 6 to 7 pm, and the reception opens to the general public at 7 pm. All are welcome. "Made in Mendocino" will run through June 25; gallery hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 11 am to 6 pm.

The Willits Center for the Arts is located at 71 East Commercial Street (next door to the Noyo Theatre). For more info, visit http://willitscenterforthearts. org or call the center at 707-459-1726.

- Submitted by the Willits Center for the Arts

A quilt made by Suzen Ingle which is entered into the Willits Center for the Arts quilt show "Made in Mendocino."



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