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Above, from left: Tomatoes, basil and blueberries are coming along nicely. Below: The second-year crop of these red raspberries is impressive. At bottom, left: This little lettuce has enjoyed the past cool weather. At bottom, right: Potato foliage grows in the rich soil.



**Photos by
Maureen
Moore**

At least *something* is remaining consistent and dependable this year: gardens! As mid-summer quickly approaches, one wonderful reprieve is to watch little sprouts start to flourish, and be able to look excitedly towards the coming harvest. How does *your* garden grow? Send us your photos to willsweekly@gmail.com



Willits Kids Club has cancelled the summer program this year, but will continue to offer fun activities for kids via their “Willits Kids Club” Facebook page.

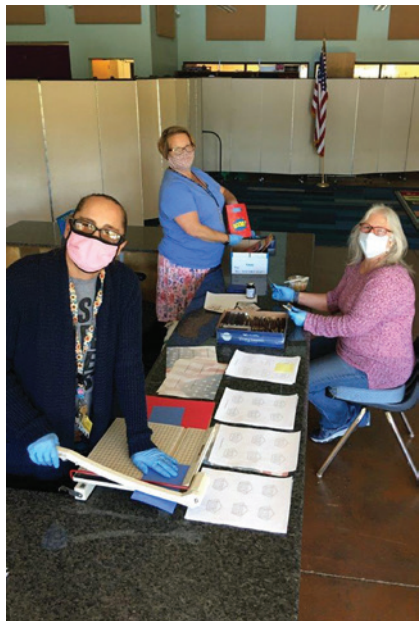


Above, left: A Willits Kids Club member gets a craft bag delivered. Above, right: The Willits Kids Club campus is empty and quiet during the COVID-19 shutdown. At bottom, from left: The Willits Kids Club crew gets craft bags ready to be delivered in time to make a Father's Day gift for dad. Superhero-themed bags are ready to deliver to Kids Club kids. The lavender and landscaping at the Kids Club clubhouse is still looking beautiful.

Submitted by Kris Wagner, executive director, Willits Kids Club

We apologize for the hardship this situation will cause to local families. We are working hard to plan a safe reopening

If you have questions or want to discuss this decision, please feel free to reach out: 707-841-8030.



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Three out of five councilmembers voted in favor of it, but since it was an "urgency ordinance" it required four votes to pass and go into effect. Typically a city ordinance requires two separate simple majority votes for approval along with a 30-day waiting period.

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New firehouse construc-

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What do YOU think?

Opinions, thoughts and
thank you letters from our readers

Miracles

To the Editor:

I now believe in miracles. After living for 10 years on West Van Lane and dodging the ever-growing potholes, they are now all gone.

This morning, Wednesday, June 17, a truck with asphalt and two hardy shovel-ready workers methodically filled the numerous potholes.

If you have ever visited the Willits Community Theatre on West Van, you are familiar with the aging and growing potholes. They are now history.

Thanks to whomever is responsible for this project and a very big, heartfelt thanks to the two workers.

And yet a second miracle in two days. Yesterday I got a hair cut for the first time in months. Thanks Debbie of Nu-Image Hair Design for opening your shop and doing your part in making Willits a little closer to our usual sane community. "Love Ya,"

Bob Wilkinson, Willits

Confederate flag

To the Editor:

For the past two years there has been at least one vehicle displaying the Confederate battle flag. Isn't it about time that we stop this nonsense? This is contrary to our community values, and Frontier Days needs to refuse to allow this display in our parade. At this time I'm calling for the City of Willits to pass an ordinance prohibiting the display of this flag within the City of Willits. Enough is enough!

John Sherman, Willits

Virtual Party

To the Editor:

Well, as we all know, 2020 is a different kind of year! One would think that by 2020 our collective vision would be perfect ... 2020 ... perfect vision! I guess we are all still learning.

Which is exactly what the Willits Sober Grad Board of Directors had to do in order to figure out a way to distribute the earnings of and donations to the Class of 2020.

We created a Sober Grad Virtual Party. It was a challenge to say the least. We had to learn how to have Zoom meetings, and we had them weekly, sometimes twice a week. We came up with a plan we hoped would make things equitable for the grads who had helped throughout the year, but also giving all grads the opportunity to win prizes.

We set up a time frame of 52 hours for all grads to sign into the Virtual Party. Whomever signed in was guaranteed \$50;

those grads who had helped throughout the year or even come to one meeting received a \$70 check.

We had different drawings throughout the virtual party of different values. We gave away \$25 and \$50 gift cards and certificates which we purchased from local businesses who have supported Sober Grad.

We had mega prizes which were checks or gift certificates for \$200 to \$350. We had two grand prizes of \$1,000 each ... one for a girl, one for a guy. The winners of the grand prizes were Eric Colvard and Julissa Flores. After the drawings we had a "Drive Thru the Community Center Parking Lot" for the grads to collect their bags of winnings along with their specially designed T-shirt.

Because we were unable to have our last two fundraisers, neither the Tri-Tip Dinner which is our biggest, nor the Ducky Derby, also a big money maker, the balance in our Class of 2020 account was not what we usually have. We sent out a letter to the community; we sent letters to the editor, and the outpouring was so heartwarming. In the last two weeks we received donations of checks and gift cards from local businesses and individuals of \$10,000! **Thank you, Willits community!** And special thanks to the following: Flowers by Annette, Justin Buckingham, Mendocino County Sheriff's Office, Fish Out of Water, Neil Orr, Barbare Gonzalez, Davina & Dave Sentak, East Hill Vet Clinic, Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Shuster, Bud Garman Construction, Willits Lions Club, Dr. & Mrs. William Bowen, 101 Trailer & RV, Willits Rental Center, Paul & Bonnie Riley, Dripworks, Savings Bank of Mendocino County, Yokum's Body Shop, Realty World – Selzer Realty, Valley Paving, Robin Goldner, Ponderosa & Sun Realty, Dr. & Mrs. Tedd Dawson, Northern Aggregates, Round Tree Glass, Metal Fx, Frank R. Howard Foundation, Willits Mini Storage, Mariposa Market, Cat's Meow, Waters Construction, Cynthia Carni, Peggy Randrup, Peter Smith & Heidi Gundlach, T.R. Erickson Trust, Kacy Knudsen, Kara Watson, Elizabeth & Patrick Hart, Ileya Stewart, North Coast Drivers - Lucky Deuce, Willits Police Department, Sparetime Supply, Carol Orton, Willits Furniture, Book Juggler, 101 Burger, Brewed Awakening and Brown's Corner.

Thank you! Thank you!

Joyce Waters, secretary, Willits Sober Grad Board of Directors

p.s.: The Willits Sober Grad Party Board of Directors is looking for new board members. If you have kids that will soon be graduating or if you are now an "empty nester," please consider joining the board. It is a rewarding experience to see all of our grads get together for one final party and to know that you have been a part of saving lives! You may contact us at WillitsSoberGrad@gmail.com. We really missed seeing all of the grads together this year, and we hope that next year we will be able to have a "real" party for the Class of 2021!

Adhering to county COVID-19 directives

By Ron Moorhead, for the Willits Chamber of Commerce

Hello all, we wanted to pass along a bit of information to all our great members about some recent news. Last week the Willits City Council voted not to institute an ordinance that would spell out possible enforcement of the health directives from the state and the county.

This ordinance included enforcement guidelines including administrative citations and/or fines. These guidelines were for individuals in public, businesses and their safety protocols, as well as mass gatherings.

We want to remind everyone that it is in the best interest, particularly businesses, for the safety of everyone that each of us follow the safety guidelines. We want to alert you, even though the city council did not act to have an ordinance for enforcement within the city limits, you can be held civilly responsible if an incident occurs, if it is be traced back to your business.

We all hope that we do not see an outbreak, even a small one. We also do not want any of our businesses to be put in the position of being held responsible for someone contracting this virus.

The Willits Chamber is also asking if you would like to share a particular special way you are transitioning to opening – let us know. We would like to share what you are doing to get back to normal business.

Also, don't forget about our collaboration with the other chambers with the LOVE LOCAL MENDO campaign and website www.lovelocalmendo.com. List your business, let the entire county know you are open and what you have to offer. This also ties into our very own Willits Community Hot Deals where you can list your business and any timely specials you might want to spotlight. Check it out at <https://business.willits.org/hotdeals/>. We are here for business and community!

If you have any questions of information do not hesitate to call our office at 459-7910 or email info@willits.org.

Sonoma Clean Power launches free audit program to help businesses prepare for power shut-offs

Submitted by Sonoma Clean Power

As PG&E's public safety power shutoff events become regular occurrences for communities in California, and as natural disasters such as wildfires intensify, having a reliable source of backup power has become a necessity for nearly every business. That's why Sonoma Clean Power has developed the Energy Resiliency Audit Program.

Through ERAP, SCP's commercial customers can receive an analysis, free of charge, to learn if battery storage is financially feasible for their site, how much storage would be needed to power critical electric loads during a shutoff, and how to integrate battery technology into their existing operations to benefit their business year-round.

"After seeing the impacts that last year's PSPS events and the Kincade Fire had on our customers, particularly those in the business community who were still being depended on for essential services and goods, we knew there would be a rise in the need for reliable backup power," said SCP CEO Geof Syphers.

"We saw a significant increase in the number of generators being purchased and installed after the first shutoff – which are not ideal when it comes to safety or emissions. This program will help businesses better understand all of their backup energy options, including more sustainable alternatives such as battery storage," added Nathan Kinsey, SCP's commercial accounts manager.

In addition to allowing businesses to stay up and running during a power outage, battery-stored energy is cleaner,

safer, and quieter to use than gas-powered generators. When utilized to its full potential, battery storage can also help to lower a site's overall electric costs.

SCP has partnered with the Center for Sustainable Energy, a nonprofit energy program administration and advisory services organization, to connect local businesses with energy experts and engineers who will evaluate the businesses' operations and advise a best path forward.

An ERAP audit will provide the information needed to implement a solution to improve resiliency during PSPS events, develop a cost-saving strategy which may lower electricity bills, and estimate the cost of installing commercial battery storage.

Small and medium commercial customers, essential businesses, and businesses that were impacted by prior PSPS events are all eligible to participate in the program, free of charge.

Interested businesses can contact SCP by calling 1-855-202-2139 Monday through Friday between 8 am and 5 pm, or by emailing info@sonomacleanpower.org.

About Sonoma Clean Power

Sonoma Clean Power is the public electricity provider for Sonoma and Mendocino counties. SCP's services and programs are practical, affordable and inclusive, empowering everyone to be part of the transition toward a clean energy future. To learn more, visit sonomacleanpower.org or call 1-855-202-2139.



Above: Silbino Ruiz works on Miguel Medina as Jesus Ruiz works in the distance at the Main Street Barbershop. At right, from top: Deb Schwartz checks the temperature of Carol Kelsey before she enters the shop. Four months worth of one head of hair piles up on the floor of the salon. Willits Weekly reporter Mathew Caine before – and after – getting a much-needed haircut. Jenaye Caldwell works on a client at Luscious Beauty Boutique & Day Spa. Rules and regulations for reopening are plainly displayed. The Main Street Barbershop declares it is open with their spinning barber pole and open sign.

‘By Appointment Only’

Willits hair salons and barber shops reopen with precautions under June 12 health order

Great mounds of hair have been piling up on the floors in hair salons and barber shops across Willits. Like little furry creatures, these remnants of waiting three or four months for the openings of tonsorial parlors almost take on a life of their own before getting swept into a disposal bin.

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Unruly mops grown under the stringent county and state regulations are entering, and neatly coifed and styled heads are exiting, lighter, more manageable, and without the fear-inducing mirror images that have haunted those who have been sheltering in place.

As Mendocino County reopens more and more businesses the county public health officer has determined can be open when protective measures are in place, people are beginning to venture out more. They are testing the waters of freedom, hopefully adhering to the current reality of regulations to ameliorate the spread of the virus, or at least slow it down, as to not overwhelm the county health system.

Deb Schwartz of Nu Image Hair Design, 39 West Mendocino Street, has been cutting and styling for over 40 years, although her youthful demeanor and spirit make one think she must have started when she was a pre-teen. She has been in her current location for about 25 years. Many of her clients are virtually family, having come to her once a month or so for many years.

Schwartz has so missed her family of clients that she jumped on the chance to reopen when the revised June 12 guidelines made it possible. "It's just me here. I didn't have to worry about spacing. The more chairs you have in your establishment, the more you have to be aware of social distancing," she explained.

"I have to have everyone use hand sanitizer. Only one customer is allowed in the shop. People have to wait for their appointments outside. I take their temperatures with a no-touch thermometer outside the door. If they don't have a mask, I can provide one for them.

"Some of those things have been a little difficult to procure," Schwartz added. "I've tried to buy local, but I've had to order things off Amazon that I couldn't find. That's what took most of the time in opening, finding the equipment and materials."

She found the isolation under the shelter-in-place orders to be confining and lonely. "You don't realize how much you love people, how much your heart misses people until you go through something like this. If we learn nothing else from this pandemic, is how much you miss your people. Most of my clients are my friends. People have a lot of hair to cut."

Nu Image Hair Design is open Monday through Friday, by appointment only, starting at 10 am. Call 459-6979.

Deb Schwartz's daughter, Dawna Hetherington, proprietor of the Luscious Beauty Boutique & Day Spa, 91 South Main Street, is reopening in stages, as her shop offers more varied services, and some of them are not yet sanctioned. She has been able to offer hair services, cuts and coloring with Jenaye Caldwell and Krista Shafer. She believes that soon "it will be opening up for skin care and massage. We're going to do odorless nail care really soon. We're expanding our abilities. We will be having another esthetician coming on board, Carissa Diskin. She'll be offering lash extensions and spray tan. We're going to have a full-service salon."

Meeting the county's regulations has not been a difficult stretch for Hetherington's shop. "We're trained through the state board on how to sanitize everything. We've been sanitizing since we opened. We've had to follow protocols before the coronavirus hit. We're constantly sanitizing after every client and disinfecting all of our instruments. We already stay up on that for the safety of our clients."

Hair stylist Krista Shafer said she's "really missed working here. We're like roommates and best friends. This is like our second home. We love to hang out all the time. I haven't had a release for my creative hair abilities for a while. I did my family's hair, but it's nothing like working here."

Luscious Beauty Boutique & Day Spa is open 9 am to 6 pm, Monday to Saturday, by appointment only. Call 459-8800.

Barbershops are also taking advantage of the new reopening regulations. At the Main Street Barbershop, 525 South Main Street, owner Silbino Ruiz, has a considerable amount of space in his establishment, shared with his son, Jesus, in which to socially distance.

Out of the 10 or so seats in the waiting area, eight have traffic cones in order to keep people from sitting so that they have to sit several yards apart. The two chairs in service are at least 15 feet apart. Clients need to wear masks, sanitize, and wash their hands and have appointments. Call: 707-841-9022. Open 9 am to 6 pm, Monday through Saturday.

There are many activities which the citizens of Mendocino County cannot engage in just yet, but at least now they can look good not doing them.



Photos by Mathew Caine



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Willits Weekly's
Puzzle Page

Sudoku, Word Search & Crossword

4x9 grid for Sudoku puzzle

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HOW TO SUDOKU

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

IT'S ALL RELATIVE WORD SEARCH

Word search grid with letters A-Z

ADOPTIVE AUNT AUTHORITY BABY BIRTHDAY BROTHER CARE CELEBRATE CENSUS
CHILD COMPANION COMPASSION DAD FAMILY FOSTER FRIENDLY GRANDFATHER GRANDMOTHER
GUARDIAN HEREDITARY HOUSEHOLD IMMEDIATE LESSONS LINEAGE MATERNAL MOM NURTURE
PARENTS PATERNAL PETS RELATIVE SISTER TRIPLETS TWINS UNCLE UNIT

13x13 grid for crossword puzzle

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Japanese classical theater
4. Chess pieces
9. Pieces of writing
14. Doctors' group
15. Capital of Guam
16. Type of turtle
17. Swiss river
18. MLB Hall of Famer
20. Places to sit
22. Fancy rides
23. One of Washington's Tri-Cities
24. Without class
28. Male child
29. Keeps you cool
30. Biblical place
31. Italian city
33. District in central Turkey
37. Job for a grad student
38. Central nervous system
39. Arrange in steps
41. Witch
42. Promotional material
43. Having certain appendages
44. Approaches
46. One who did it (slang)
49. Of I
50. Blood relation

- 51. Works out
55. Female given name
58. Isaac's mother (Bib.)
59. Makes someone happy
60. Creative
64. Small, faint constellation
65. S. American trees
66. Makes simpler
67. Neither
68. We all need it
69. Unique plastic utensil
70. Thyroid-stimulating hormone (abbr.)

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Civil Rights group
2. Metropolis
3. Badgers
4. Regular business given to a store
5. Gets older
6. A bundle of banknotes
7. Midway between north and northwest
8. Takes to the sea
9. Prestigious film prize: ___ d'or
10. Baltimore ballplayer
11. Removed
12. Term of respect
13. Genus containing pigs

WILLITS POLICE DEPARTMENT
POLICE LOG

June 8 to June 14

By Danya Davis, Willits Weekly

The officers of the Willits Police Department handled 175 incidents in this seven-day reporting period.

Summary of Active Investigations and Arrests

June 8
10:33 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 800 block of Hearst Willits Road.

6:25 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 800 block of South Main Street.

7:56 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Alder Court.

8:34 pm: Officers initiated a hit-and-run vehicle collision investigation in the 300 block of East Commercial Street.

9:28 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 1400 block of Baechtel Road.

June 9
3:33 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity near the intersection of Robert Drive and Blosser Lane and issued a warning.

9:32 am: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person near the intersection of Alameda Avenue and Central Street.

10:21 am: Officers initiated a burglary investigation in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

12:05 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of East Commercial Street.

7:11 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 200 block of North Main Street.

7:24 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 1600 block of South Main Street.

11:04 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 200 block of School Street.

11:36 pm: Officers initiated a burglary investigation in the 300 block of North Main Street.

June 10

1:30 am: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of Franklin Avenue.

7:00 am: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 100 block of Marcela Drive.

2:22 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 800 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

4:03 pm: Officers initiated a fraud investigation in the 100 block of Gregory Lane.

5:13 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 400 block of South Main Street.

8:06 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Nancy Lane.

June 11

10:08 am: Officers initiated a missing person investigation in the 100 block of East Commercial Street.

11:05 am: Officers initiated a fraud investigation in the 100 block of East Oak Street.

11:39 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 800 block of South Main Street.

12:44 pm: Officers responded to a report of harassment in the 100 block of State Street.

1:05 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of East Commercial Street.

2:16 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 100 block of Creekside Court.

4:14 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1400 block of Baechtel Road.

4:44 pm: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

7:01 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 600 block of South Main Street.

8:04 pm: Officers responded to a report of trespassing in the 1000 block of South Main Street.

9:39 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 800 block of South Main Street.

June 12

12:11 am: Officers responded to a report of trespassing in the 700 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

12:50 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Franklin Avenue.

7:07 am: Officers initiated a burglary investigation in the 700 block of South Main Street.

9:30 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Franklin Avenue.

10:39 am: Officers initiated a burglary investigation in the 1000 block of South Main Street.

1:57 pm: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 100 block of East Oak Street.

2:31 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 100 block of East Oak Street.

5:37 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of Holly Street.

6:23 pm: Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in the 2400 block of Center Valley Road.

9:44 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 300 block of South Main Street.

June 13

2:33 am: Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in the 100 block of Hillside Drive.

7:40 am: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 1500 block of South Main Street.

1:54 pm: Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of School Street.

6:32 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 200 block of School Street.

8:31 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 200 block of East Commercial Street and issued a warning.

10:58 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 200 block of School Street.

June 14

1:13 am: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 200 block of Margie Drive and issued a warning.

7:23 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1200 block of Blosser Lane.

8:45 pm: ACEVESLIZARRAGA, Javier Jahir (28) of Willits was contacted in the 1600 block of Elm Lane following a disturbance. He was arrested pursuant to 273.5 PC (Domestic Corporal Injury), 273.6 PC (Violation of a Protective Order), on felony charges of causing defacement, damage, or destruction more than \$400, and on misdemeanor charges of tampering with a vehicle.



Javier Aceveslizarraga of Willits.

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Roland's BBQ
Bistro & Bakery has reopened with new BBQ menu for take out and patio dining

Ray Roland and his wife, Suzanne Roulston, have found a way to keep their loyal customers. After three months of tending their home garden and working on their tans, they have reopened Roland's Bakery & Bistro with an entirely different menu, one that lends itself perfectly to take-out and al fresco dining.

Mathew Caine
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As of June 12, Roland's is now offering barbecue done with their typical attention to technique and perfection. Even though the cuisine is foreign to their desire to offer a fine-dining experience to the gourmands of Willits, the couple is determined to continue to provide a quality meal. Some of the meats are prepared at home, like the brisket, which painstakingly takes up to 15 hours of slow cooking at a low heat in order to preserve the flavor, juices, and tenderness.

Menu items might include BBQ brisket, pulled pork, ribs, and chicken plates with corn bread and sides; baskets (with fries and cole slaw) of fried shrimp, chicken wings and chicken fingers. Friday's opening also featured a grilled vegetable plate with fresh mozzarella and deep-fried asparagus.

"We wanted to be a fine dining restaurant," shared Roulston, "but that doesn't work well in a take-out format. We're going to do barbecue for now, but once we are able to start seating people again, we'll do steaks and seafood again.... Right now, with our staff, we can't really have more than five people inside. Ray and I don't want to be inside with a lot of people either right now. We're just trying to survive, basically."

Roland's Bakery & Bistro is glad to be able to hire back at least two of their servers, who were in attendance for the reopening on Friday, June 12. Kimberly Lansing and Sarah

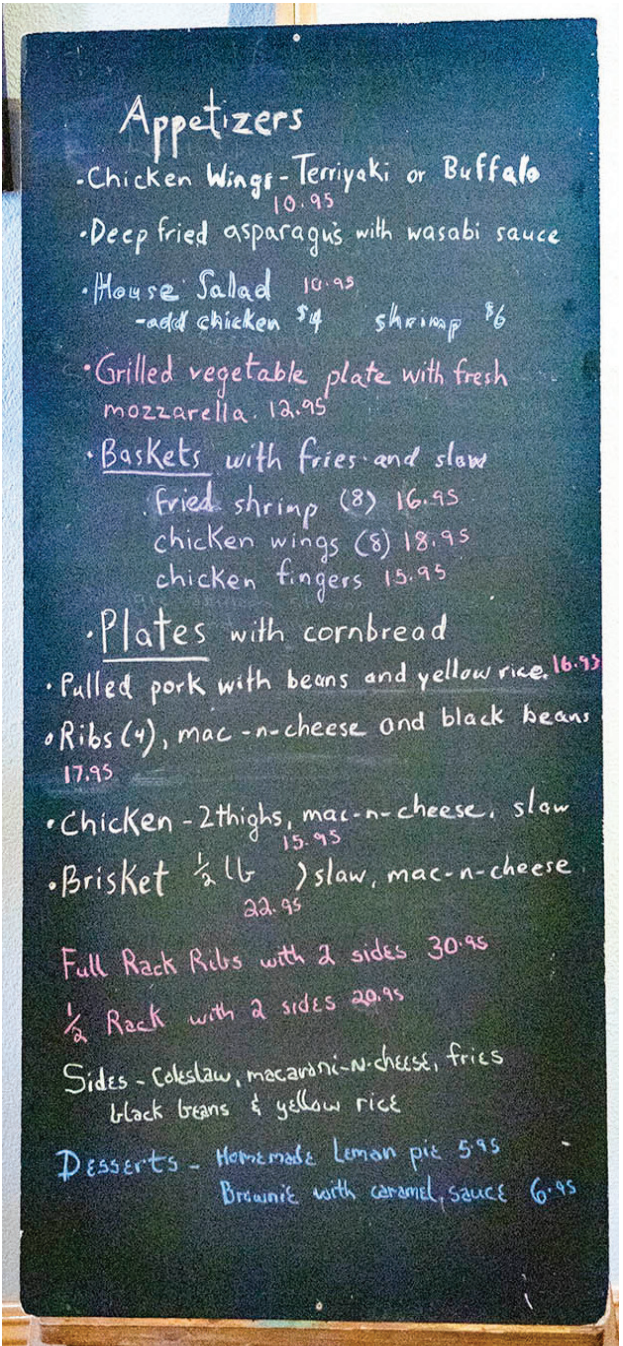


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At left: Well-spaced tables are set up outside Roland's Bakery & Bistro. Above: Server Kimberly Lansing, co-owners Ray Roland and Suzanne Roulston, and server Sarah Skaggs take a moment before opening. Below: The menu du jour is listed for the Friday opening.



Above, from left: Loyal customers Julie Trincado and Hector Altabac are happy to be able to eat at Roland's again. Servers Kimberly Lansing and Sarah Skaggs are glad to be back working. Roland's new barbecue menu includes barbecue brisket, macaroni and cheese, cornbread, and coleslaw, among other comfort foods.

Far left: Co-owners Suzanne Roulston and Ray Roland are busy preparing the meals at Roland's.

At left: A couple of patrons pick up food at the counter.

Photos by Mathew Caine



Above: Six of the eight young women honored with Soroptimist International's Continuing Student Scholarships, including, from left: Jasmine Crumrine, Karen Hernandez, Melody Leon, Naomi and Sara Strickland, and Stephanie Webb.

Soroptimist International of Willits awards 18 scholarships

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Willits High School graduates who received scholarships included, above, from left: Kayla Espaniola-Norton, Brieana Evans and Elizabeth Henning.

Affectionate Xena

This beautiful mixed-breed adult female is Xena! You may have met her before, so this is your second chance, and her's, to find the perfect home for this special girl. She weighs about 60 pounds and is looking for the ideal sidekick to take her on long walks and generally treat her like the big cuddle bug that she is.

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Congrats | Engaged!! Matthew & Maureen

Matthew Jennison and Maureen Moore are thrilled to announce their recent engagement after Matt proposed with a beautiful ring at one of the couple's favorite places, The Lands of Moore pond. The pair is happy to make the news official in Willits Weekly, and they are excited for the ceremony and festivities to come.

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Submitted by Soroptimist International of Willits

Soroptimist's priority is furthering the education of women and girls. This year the club was unable to host their annual Awards and Scholarship Luncheon, due to the shelter-in-place order. Recognizing the economic impact of the shelter order on our local families, the club stepped up to assist as many young women as possible. Soroptimist International of Willits presented monetary scholarship awards to 18 young women in the community.

Twelve of those recipients were Willits High School seniors who received scholarships in amounts of \$250, \$500, \$750 and \$1,000. The students included: Belen Mendoza and Zoe Schoonmaker, who received \$250 awards; Kayla Espaniola-Norton, Julissa Flores and Taylor Pardue, who received \$500 awards; Sequoia Jones, who received a \$500 award in memory of William Horger; and Britney Patel, who received a \$500 award in memory of Opal Miner. Nayeli Rodriguez and Maira Trujillo both received \$750 awards; \$1,000 awards were presented to Brieana Evans, Elizabeth Henning and Emerald Waters.

Six past graduates were honored with Continuing Student Scholarships in the similar monetary values. These college students included: Karen Hernandez and Elisa Zelaya, who received awards of \$250; Melody Leon who received an award of \$500; Jasmine Mendoza was awarded a \$750 scholarship; and Jasmine Crumrine and Stephanie Webb both received scholarship awards for \$1,000.

The Soroptimist club extended the Evelyn K. Kennedy award an additional two years to Naomi and Sara Strickland, who are both working toward receiving their Registered Nurse degree.

The continuing students and EKK recipients have been corresponding with Soroptimist Scholarship Committee members Loraine Patton and Susan Soss throughout the past year, keeping the club up to date on their scholastic achievements.

The committee feels a real sense of pride in these eight young women who have worked hard as full-time students to carry a 3.0 GPA or better their first year or two in college. Some of these continuing students are in colleges in other areas or in other states; while others have completed their basic courses at Mendocino College and are transferring to four-year colleges to work on their majors. We are all very proud of these young women – they are our future.



Willits High School graduates who received scholarships included, above, from left: Emerald Waters, Maira Trujillo and Zoe Schoonmaker.



Additional Soroptimist scholarship recipients included, above, from left: Nayeli Rodriguez, Belen Mendoza and Sequoia Jones.



Three more WHS senior scholarship recipients, above, from left: Britney Patel, Taylor Pardue and Julissa Flores.



Confusion Hill reopens after COVID shutdown

If your family is looking for a Father's Day road trip – consider driving north to Confusion Hill in Piercy, which is reopening after the COVID-19 shutdown. The "World-Famous Gravity House & Gift Shop of Wonders" opened June 12, the Mountain Train Ride with Tony the Train Guy is chugging along, and the "Snack Bar of Delights" is opening this week.

Most everybody must've at least driven by Confusion Hill, tucked into a bend of the Eel River, 52 miles north of Willits as per Google Maps (less than 50 miles in a straight line!). But if you haven't made the stop at this quirky roadside attraction, here's some of what you can experience:

"There is a real mystery here which you will have fun trying to solve. Your body will defy the Laws of Nature! Gravity seems to be confused, and you will be too! Our slogan "Is Seeing Believing?" is a question you yourself must answer. Remember there is no right or wrong answer here at Confusion Hill. You will experience optical contradictions and odd physical sensations that are truly confusing. Take the self-guided tour and enjoy the mystery and fun for yourself!"

The Mountain Train Ride is a 30-minute trip through redwoods, tan oaks, fir and madrone trees to the hilltop and back, over 1.25 miles of 20 gauge track, built with a "unique Alpine switchback system to ascend the hillside."

Confusion Hill is at 75001 Highway 101, 3 miles south of the Piercy / #627 exit; exit right when driving north.

Call 707-925-6456 or visit www.confusionhill.com to learn more, or check "Confusion Hill" on Facebook for the latest updates. At present, the roadside attraction is open "Dolly Parton hours," i.e., 9 am to 5 pm. "Please wear a mask!," Confusion Hill's Facebook page reminds their fans. "We hope to see ya."

– Jennifer Poole

Above, left: The signs at Confusion Hill are part of the charm of this "mysterious gravitational zone." Above, right: Tony the Train Guy operates the Mountain Train Ride at Confusion Hill before the coronavirus. Below: Why the gravity illusions in the Gravity House? Confusion Hill's "7 Favorite Theories."



Gerry Figg-Hoblyn gets her temperature taken as she enters Adventist Health Howard Memorial for her annual mammogram. She says she feels confident in the safety precautions the hospital has put in place.

Adventist Health Howard Memorial resumes elective surgeries and other services

By Cici Winiger for Adventist Health Howard Memorial

As social distancing and other precautions by the community have helped to flatten the COVID-19 curve, state as well as local public health authorities have loosened restrictions, allowing many health care services to resume, including surgeries and procedures.

Adventist Health Howard Memorial announced on June 12 it has resumed services that were put on hold, while continuing its focus on keeping patients and staff safe, as the challenges with the pandemic remain.

Anti-Racist Discussion Group Forming

In response to the epidemic of violence against people of color, I am forming a (socially distanced) group with people who want to explore “white fragility.” White fragility is a condition that makes it difficult for white people to talk about our own racism and implicit racial bias. We will use the NYT bestselling book, *White Fragility*, by Robin DiAngelo as a guide for our discussions. If you are interested in joining this free group, call Robin Goldner at 459-3236 or email: rgoldner@pacific.net.



“Our preparations for the pandemic began even before we saw our first COVID-19 patient,” explained Jason Wells, president for Adventist Health in Mendocino County. “We have carefully followed Center for Disease Control and state guidelines to do all we can to flatten the curve on this crisis. Early on, the goal was to minimize additional traffic and focus our resources on preparing for the pandemic to keep our community, staff and patients safe by stopping the spread.”

“The community has done a great job of sheltering in place,” continued Wells, “and our teams on the front lines are grateful for that. We continue to be vigilant and monitor our resources. With the higher acuity we are seeing across our clinics and hospital, it is clear we as a community need to collectively put our personal health back in focus. We are eager to reconnect with many of our patients and continue our mission of caring for our community. We stand ready to provide care in a very safe environment.”

Gerry Figg-Hoblyn from Willits said she was glad to be in the hospital for her annual mammogram which was rescheduled as the hospital cancelled non-essential procedures. “I’m in the high-risk group, but I feel perfectly safe going to the hospital. I trust our hospital and the staff. This is probably the safest and cleanest place to be right now,” she shared.

As she went through the temperature-check prior to going in, Figg-Hoblyn said she feels confident in the precautions the hospital is taking. “They were very thorough, they asked me about symptoms, checked my temperature, everyone was wearing a mask. I feel very safe.” And she was just glad to get her annual mammogram finally checked off her list.

Surgeries such as knee replacements and other procedures have resumed, as well as outpatient services, including laboratory services and medical imaging procedures such as mammograms, physical therapy and more.

As services resume, patient safety continues to be the highest priority. Adventist Health Howard Memorial has instituted policies and procedures aligned with state and national guidelines to protect patients and their loved ones during the COVID-19 pandemic. Safety precautions are

in place, including enhanced cleaning and disinfection, screening patients and staff prior to entry, limiting visitors, requiring everyone to wear a face mask, practicing social distancing, and reconfiguring waiting areas to allow for social distancing.

Linda Givens, patient care executive, said hospital staff has been rescheduling surgeries and procedures for three weeks and talking through any concerns. “We understand our community members’ concerns, and we want to assure them that it is safe to get care.”

As part of safety precautions, patients going in for surgeries are required to self-monitor for coronavirus symptoms and are tested for the virus before their surgery. “The measures create a bit more work for the patients and for us, but they’re necessary steps to keep them safe, given we still have a pandemic,” Givens said.

As hospital staff welcomes back patients, they’re still seeing a concerning decline in the number of patients with certain conditions such as heart attacks and strokes. “Since the onset of the coronavirus in our communities, some of our patients have delayed seeking care out of an abundance of caution,” shared Bessant Parker, MD, medical officer for Adventist Health in Mendocino County. “Putting off needed care is not good for our patients – especially acute symptoms such as chest pain or abdominal pain and other conditions such as heart attacks and strokes, where timely response is everything.”

A recent survey by the American College of Emergency Physicians found that 29 percent of adults have avoided medical care because they are concerned about contracting the virus. Hospitals nationwide have seen a 38 percent decline in the number of patients presenting with heart attacks across the United States. That number is extremely concerning to physicians, especially for patients with heart disease and cancer, who require early screening, constant surveillance, and treatment.

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LEGAL NOTICES

WW272 Fictitious Business Name Statement 2020-F0376 The following person is doing business as Tango, 158 South Main Street, Willits, CA 95490. Registered owner: William Bryan Mann, 2520 Buckeye Road, Willits, CA 95490. This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A. Statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on May 15, 2020. /s/ William Mann Publication dates: 06/11, 06/18, 06/25, 07/02/2020	WW274 Fictitious Business Name Statement 2020-F0301 The following person is doing business as T&T Salvage and Storage, 277 North Lenore, Willits, CA 95490. Registered owner: Forest Wayne Hunt, 1228 West Highway 20, Upper Lake, CA 95485. This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A. Statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on June 2, 2020. /s/ Wayne Hunt Publication dates: 06/18, 06/25, 07/02, 07/09/2020
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: DALE M. SCHATZ, aka DALE MARTIN SCHATZ
CASE NO. SCU-K-CVPB 20-27372

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate both of: DALE M. SCHATZ, DALE MARTIN SCHATZ

A Petition for Probate has been filed by LEATHA MARIE ANDERSEN in the Superior Court of California, County of Mendocino. The Petition for Probate requests that LEATHA MARIE ANDERSEN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: July 10, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept.: E of the Mendocino County Superior Court, located at 100 N. State Street, Ukiah, California 95482.

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

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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Attorney for Petitioner: ALEXANDER C. RICH, ESQ., CARTER MOMSEN PC, 716 S. Main St., Willits, CA 95490. Telephone: 707-456-9210
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the day.

"It was too much," she added. "Phil decided to open the bakery next to Grocery Outlet, which he eventually sold to Joanne Clemons [of Rollin' Dough]."

Roulston and Ray continued to run the restaurant after the sale of the bakery. Switching to a barbecue menu is just another chapter of this adaptable business' story. The Friday night reopening was an encouraging success, with over 50 dinners prepared and sold to grateful diners. The menu is fluid, as the proprietors are testing new items to see how they are received, adding and removing entrees as the public tastes suggest.

Visit Roland's Bakery & Bistro on Facebook. They are located at 1726 South Main Street, in the Evergreen Shopping Center. Roland's is open Wednesday through Sunday, 5 to 9 pm, and can be reached at 707-841-3058.

The rest of **Delay** | From Page 1

Planning and Building follow a three-point plan with regard to cannabis for the next month was approved on a 4-1 vote, with Haschak voting no.

The motion was for county staff and the ad hoc cultivation committee to continue its discussions with state resource agencies, in an attempt to fix what the state perceives as the county's failure to address the California Environmental Quality Act issues in the county's regulatory program.

McCowen's motion also directed county Planning and Building staff to continue to process permits, under the current cannabis ordinances.

In addition, though, the motion also directed staff to explore how it will process permits in the future, should the board repeal the regulatory component of the county's cannabis ordinance, as McCowen proposed in his May 19 letter.

The board also agreed to again consider the two approaches to cannabis regulation on July 14.

The discussion that took place at Tuesday's meeting highlighted that the main reason why the state resource agencies have been sitting on some 850 county cultivation permit applications is that the state believes that the county's approach to meeting CEQA requirements is not adequate.

County staff has been meeting with staff from these state regulatory agencies for the past year in an attempt to find a way to address the state agencies' concerns. These discussions have led to the creation of a draft document, called "CEQA Guidelines Section 15168 Review," also known as Appendix G.

The two sides are due to meet next week to assess whether the Appendix G document has provided sufficient environmental protection on two "test case" cultivation permits in Mendocino County.

The draft document contains a checklist similar to a negative declaration version of an environmental impact report. It requires that someone – which someone has not yet been clearly defined – assess whether a particular proposed cannabis cultivation operation will have a significant environmental impact on some 18 separate aspects of the local environment, including aesthetics, agriculture and forestry resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use and planning, mineral resources, and seven other areas.

In correspondence the board of supervisors that is also available on the county's website, the Mendocino Cannabis Alliance stated that regulatory agency personnel have told MCA that the use of Appendix G would satisfy CEQA.

"Substantive changes to our county's cannabis program could jeopardize the ability to use Appendix G to transition existing operators from provisional to annual state licenses, because it was developed taking into account specific language in our ordinance," a June 7 letter from MCA states. "In essence, the restrictiveness of our existing ordinance now helps us use a tool like Appendix G."

Haschak told the board that he and county staff would be meeting with state agency personnel next week to discuss whether the county's inclusion of Appendix G into the county's process would be sufficient to meet the requirements of CEQA.

Haschak urged his fellow supervisors not to repeal the regulatory component of the county's cultivation ordinance until the county learned the answer to that question.

McCowen expressed skepticism as to whether the state would accept the draft 15168 checklist as sufficient. He asked Planning and Building Director Brent Schultz what he

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thought on the matter, and Schultz agreed with McCowen.

Later McCowen asked Schultz if he could characterize his own and his staff's attitude toward McCowen's proposal.

"The harder Trent [Taylor, manager of the Code Enforcement Unit within Planning and Building Services] and I look at this, the more we come to the fact that, and our belief is, and all the staff here, that, a discretionary, land-use based process, where we can do an initial study and site-specific CEQA analysis, with set timeframes of 30 days from the resource agencies that would hold our feet to the fire for 180 days to get these discretionary actions done, and make a decision on them, is the way to go to get an annual license out of the State of California."

Haschak pointed out that the solution proposed by McCowen would result in considerably less than 100 permit applications being processed each year. He pointed out that if, say, 80 permits were processed per year, it would take 10 years before the backlog of 850 permit applications would be cleared out. Schultz said he thought doing 80 permits a year would be better than where the department is now.

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At left: This feverfew is a sunflower or daisy in miniature. Like them, it attracts butterflies and pollinators.

At left, below, from left: Showy milkweed is native to the West, and looks great in the garden. Planting it helps monarch butterflies survive. Trumpet-shaped flowers are good sources of nectar. This datura is too long and deep for butterflies or hummingbirds, but bees go right down inside.

Below: Monarch butterflies were common in my garden just five years ago and are increasingly rare. It is worth putting some effort into making them at home.

At right: Echinacea, like many herbs, is a great butterfly flower.

At right, below: Cosmos are fast from seed, and their threadlike leaves don't cast much shade. Butterflies and bees are attracted to them, and they bloom all season.

Photos by Jamie Chevalier



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June: Inviting butterflies, pollinators and hummingbirds

If you want butterflies, beneficial insects, and hummingbirds in your garden, there are several simple things you can do to make a refuge where they will not only visit, but stay.

First, they all need the same things we do – food, water, shelter. Water is easy – a birdbath, or dishes of water every few yards make it easy for beneficial birds and insects as well as pest-eaters like frogs and toads. For butterflies and small pollinators, the best water source is a bowl of wet sand. They can alight and sip with their proboscis without drowning in open water.

Both birds and butterflies need shelter, with shrubs and trees where they can hide and nest. Shelter is also needed from wind, so they can fly safely. They will avoid windy areas as well as deep shade. Cold-blooded critters need the sun's warmth to give them energy to fly. Shelter for butterflies includes safety from poisons as well. Pesticides will kill them.

You supply food by planting flowers with nectar that's accessible to them. Most butterflies eat nectar almost exclusively, and they need something in bloom all season, from early spring to late fall. Hummingbirds and many predator insects drink nectar for quick energy to chase insects. Eating insects gives them the protein they need to reproduce.

Very double flowers like roses and peonies have turned most of their nectaries (organs that secrete nectar) and pollen anthers into petals, so they don't have much food available. Long narrow tubes are adapted to hummingbirds, especially if the flower is in their favorite colors of pink or red. Small tube-like or bell-like flowers like mint, sage, baby blue eyes, savory, lemon balm, and many other herbs are perfect for bees and beneficial insects. One of the best ways to keep pests under control is to plant these.

Butterflies look for bright colors (or white) which stand out from the foliage. They are most likely to appear and to stay if there are masses of flowers in bloom, and places to land. They don't crawl down inside flowers like bees do, or

hover like hummingbirds. They love flat flowers that give them a surface to land on and lots of small flowers to sip from.

Zinnias, echinacea, gloriosa daisy, cosmos, and other composite, daisy-like flowers are favorites. Maltese cross is loved by both butterflies and hummingbirds, and is easy to grow. Late in the season, tithonia is a lifeline for migrating monarchs.

The other flower form that attracts both butterflies and beneficials is less showy. They love the carrot/parsley/cilantro family. These plants have flat umbels (umbrella-shaped clusters) of many tiny white or pale flowers with lots of nectar and pollen. Dill, fennel, cilantro, yarrow, and even carrots or parsnips that have run to seed are premier attractors of both butterflies and pest-eaters.

Nectar is food for grown-up butterflies and beneficials. What do the juveniles eat? In the case of many beneficials like lacewings and ladybugs, the answer is – aphids and other pests. The young of these insects are even hungrier and fiercer than the adults.

In the case of butterflies, the juveniles are caterpillars, and yes, they eat plants – but only some. One of the reasons monarch butterflies are disappearing is that milkweed is the caterpillars' only food. Wild milkweeds have been wiped out by civilization. But they aren't hard to grow, and there are several kinds, in various colors. (You can put them behind other flowers if you don't want to look at the caterpillars.)

Or you can grow the native variety which doesn't need to be within the garden at all. At Quail Seeds, we stock two kinds of milkweed, and two butterfly garden kits – one with perennials, one with annuals. Local nurseries and stores still have a great selection of flower starts. Flowers can make your garden a refuge – for butterflies and for you.

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Below, left: These columbines are just right for hummingbirds: They are red, which birds see easily. The nectar is in tubes just the size and length of a hummingbird's bill. And they dangle where the birds can easily hover without running into the stalk. Below, right: Yarrow – like its cousins cilantro, parsley, carrot, dill and fennel – makes a good landing place for a butterfly, and the flowers are small enough for even the tiniest beneficial insect.



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Councilmembers Saprina Rodriguez and Greta Kanne both voted against the ordinance, highlighting concerns that the penalties would threaten businesses in town who are already struggling.

Councilmember Madge Strong tried to allay some of their concerns by adding staff direction to the ordinance that fines should be issued "extremely rarely and in almost all cases should be preceded by education and advice."

Additionally the direction stated that local businesses would generally not be held accountable for their customers' compliance with health orders, just their employees'. However, that additional language was not enough to sway either Kanne or Rodriguez to vote for the ordinance, which was similar to ones already passed by Ukiah, Fort Bragg and the county.

It would have put in place penalties ranging from \$25 to \$1,000 for individuals and businesses in the city who violated health orders such as facemask and social distancing requirements, and up to \$10,000 for non-compliant mass gatherings.

Both Kanne and Rodriguez said they had heard from many locals, and most had expressed opposition to the ordinance.

"I... have received an onslaught of calls, messages, emails from people in the community," said Kanne, "by and large the vast majority of whom are against the ordinance."

"We all need to do our part to be sympathetic to one another and help each other through this," she continued. "That being said, I don't think threatening our community with a fine is the message that we really want to send right now. We are in a really hard place, and we need to pull together."

Rodriguez said she had looked through over 400 comments on social media, and was also "inundated" with calls from people, 90 percent of whom she estimated were opposed to the ordinance.

She felt the ordinance was not appropriate for Willits since most were complying with the health orders already, and the amount of positive COVID-19 cases in the greater area is relatively low.

"We don't warrant having an urgency to penalize our businesses or individuals," she said. "I've been reached out to by several businesses this last week who are fearful. They're considering closing their businesses and moving elsewhere because it doesn't feel like they're supported in their community when they see an ordinance like this which is one more step to penalize them."

A few community members called in to the meeting – which was convened via teleconference – to weigh in about the ordinance, including Andrew Hosford, executive vice president of Sparetime Supply.

"We are doing the best that we can," he said of the Sparetime work team, "and to potentially have an additional regulation on top of the ever-changing regulations is just disheartening. And it would be extremely challenging with our already stressed employees and public members. We're trying to follow the health ordinance to a T, and going out of our way to encourage the public to do the same as they interact with our employees."

Former City Building Official John Sherman was also opposed to the ordinance.

"I'm strongly not in support of this for a number of reasons," he said. "Essentially I think the community has done a great job, and we should be encouraging them to continue, not threatening them with a stick."

"This is Willits, and we're a unique community and we have unique conditions and we should consider those conditions," he continued. "We're an autonomous city, and we should

take advantage of that and do what's right for us.... I just think our business community is really struggling. They're trying hard, and they need encouragement."

Strong said she was confident that city staff would not use the fines as penalties except in egregious cases, and felt there should be some consequences for someone who puts the community at risk.

"I don't want to do anything that is going to be punitive of our businesses that are in good faith trying to follow the rules and are doing the best they can," she said. "But I do think it is really important at the same time that we not let our guard down. Because although it is true that right now Willits does not have a reported case, it's all around us – it's in Ukiah, it's in Redwood Valley, it's in Covelo.... So in a flash, overnight, we could have an outbreak. We could have a real crisis. And it's not imaginary."

"We have been really lucky," she continued. "And I am a vulnerable at-risk person, and lots and lots of people in Willits are. And I don't want one or two cases or mass gatherings that don't follow the rules to expose all of the rest of us.... I don't see this as an anti-business thing at all, it's pro-community, pro-health."

Mayor Gerry Gonzalez and Vice Mayor Larry Stranske both expressed concern about the impacts the ordinance could place on local businesses during the discussion, but Gonzalez said he supported it with the staff direction that Strong added, and seconded her motion, and Stranske voted in favor as well.

The council unanimously passed an ordinance designed to streamline the application process and provide more flexibility for local businesses seeking permits to alter their operations to help comply with COVID-19 related county health standards.

Community Development Director Dusty Duley explained it was intended for businesses such as restaurants who want to add outdoor seating so as to more easily accommodate social distancing rules.

Specifically, the agenda summary stated the ordinance would "authorize the director of emergency services to waive zoning requirements or standards to facilitate the operations of businesses affected by the Novel Coronavirus (Covid-19)".

He said the temporary permits would generally be for a 60-day minimum period, and the ordinance would terminate once the city officially ends the declaration of emergency it instigated for the COVID-19 crisis.

New WPD policy

Willits Chief of Police Gregory Allen gave a short statement regarding a new policy the Willits Police Department will be implementing as part of a recent statewide ordered change.

"In alignment with new state police training, effective June 9, I have modified our police use of force policy to reflect that the carotid control hold has been removed from our Willits Police policy manual," said Allen. "[It was the] misapplication of this control hold that ultimately resulted in the death of George Floyd. So we have removed that control hold from our policy manual. We have alternative methods of controlling violent suspects, and we'll provide training so that persons are taken into custody safely."

California Governor Gavin Newsom on June 5 ordered the state's police training program to stop teaching officers how to use the neck hold Allen was referring to, which blocks the flow of blood to the brain, and the governor endorsed legislation that would ban the practice statewide.

The change is part of a nationwide wave of police reform considerations that have come about following massive protests throughout the country over the police killing of George Floyd and other unarmed African Americans.

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community spread, and the source of the disease in 12 cases is under investigation.

The county's 6 pm Wednesday press release reminds people that the disease is not over. "To help our community stay safe, to slow the spread of COVID-19, and to continue reopening, everyone, including teens and young adults, should avoid confined spaces, avoid crowds and gatherings, and avoid close contact. Staying further apart is safer than being close together," the press release states.

As of 6:30 Wednesday, 7,785 tests for the virus have been performed in Mendocino County. Those wishing to be tested for the virus and who do not exhibit symptoms of the disease should call OptumServe at 888-634-1123 or make an appointment online by going to lhi.care/covidtesting.

County reopens hotels, motels

A new health order released on Friday, June 12 by Public Health Officer Doohan opens up lodging venues such as hotels, motels, RV parks and campgrounds, as well as other so-called "higher-risk" businesses including bars, wineries, breweries, distilleries and gymnasiums.

As with other openings associated with Stage 2 and Stage 2.5, these Stage 3 openings come with strict guidelines.

Lodging

Perhaps the most important aspect of the reopening of lodging, is that the opening up of lodging should not be construed as a reopening of tourism. Travel for pleasure is still restricted to a distance of 50 miles (in a straight line), and travelers are required to keep their travel to within the county in order to limit the transmission of the virus.

Each lodging establishment, including campgrounds, needs to have a caretaker or manager who will be on call 24 hours a day and who can be on the site within an hour of a call. According to the county's "Summary of Changes: Stage 3 Health Officer Order Shelter-in-Place" document, published on June 12, this manager will be required to "monitor and ensure adherence to state guidance for COVID-19-related issues."

In addition, each lodging establishment will be required write out a Safe Business Reopening Plan and to file it with the county at www.mendocinocountybusiness.org.

According to the June 12 summary of changes document: "All campground and transient lodging operators must enter into specific agreements with their guests to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 during any such stay. For example, guests must agree to comply with the operative shelter-in-place orders, and any isolation/quarantine orders and contact tracing required by public health authorities."

"Further," the document continues, "campgrounds and all transient lodging must agree to provide space for their guests in the event they are determined by a medical professional to require isolation and quarantine for COVID-19 during their stay, and must reach agreements with their guests as to the allocation of costs between the guest and the lodging establishment, for housing, food and basic essential needs in the event of the same."

The new health order puts various restrictions on who can stay at a lodging establishment and how many rooms, or units, can be rented out at any one time. Accommodations are limited to "no more than one household or living unit, including no more than two adults and their children."

The establishment can rent a maximum of 75 percent of its units at any one time, "to ensure that adequate vacancy is available in the event of the isolation or quarantine of a guest or guests. These establishments are also required to have a 24-hour vacancy period in between bookings to allow sufficient time for proper cleaning and disinfection."

The rules for lodging apply to vacation rentals, as well. For these establishments, a 72-hour down period is required between rentals to allow for proper cleaning.

Bars, tasting rooms, wineries

The June 12 health order provides for the reopening of wineries, wine tasting rooms, breweries, distilleries and bars. Operators of these establishments must follow state guidelines. The state guidelines for restaurants, bars and wineries can be found at <https://covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-restaurants-bars.pdf>.

A quick glance at the document shows that guidelines include such tips as wearing facial coverings, maintaining social distancing, washing or discarding facial coverings after each shift, and avoiding touching one's own eyes, nose and mouth. The guidance recommends that employees use disposable gloves and that establishments ought to screen guests and visitors upon entry for symptoms of COVID-19.

Dr. Doohan's new health order imposes a closing time on bars (including restaurant bars), and other drinking establishments of 12 midnight.

Movie theaters, gyms, personal services

The June 12 health order allows movie theaters to reopen, while declaring that they must limit attendance to 25 percent of their capacity, or to a maximum of 100 attendees, whichever number is lower. Movie theaters must empty the theater between showings and should allow sufficient time for cleaning and disinfection, including cleaning the seats.

According to the June 12 health order: "Museums, galleries, zoos and aquariums and family entertainment centers may reopen with strict adherence to their relevant state guidances."

The same applies to providers of chiropractic and acupuncture care. For these kinds of services, facial coverings are required. The new health order requires that the provider ensure only one client may be in the room at a time, and that there be frequent disinfection, including between each appointment.

Those providers offering therapeutic massage are permitted to reopen. However, those types of massage services that are deemed "purely non-medical" are not permitted to reopen.

The health order does not allow the reopening of saunas, steam rooms, hot tubs, ice skating rinks, roller rinks, and laser tag arenas.

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tion has entered a new phase: It's time to choose the building contractor. Prospective builders have until a public meeting scheduled for 3 pm on June 29 to submit their bids.

According to Fire Chief Chris Wilkes, seven contractors attended a pre-bid conference, but attendance was not mandatory so there could be more bidders come June 29.

On that day, at the 3 pm meeting, a process known as "closed bid" designed to ensure "fairness in the contracting world," will take place at the Baechtel Road substation, said Wilkes.

All bids received will be opened for the first time at the meeting, and "every single bid ... we literally say the numbers," he said. "It's a surprise. We don't know the numbers ahead of time."

The two lowest bids undergo an assessment process to assure that they are "responsible," meaning the bidder's business meets certain required standards with respect to business and financial capabilities, past performance, and reputation.

Then, the lowest responsible bidder is chosen as the construction contractor.

Whoever the choice of contractor, there will be a prominently placed plaque in the building "in memory of" Jeff Smith, former and much-loved and revered fire chief who retired in 2008 after more than 20 years as chief, and died in 2009.

The old firehouse bell from decades past will also be prominently placed for all to see, suspended by two I-beams "with a redwood holder at the top [and] empty space under it," said Wilkes.

And there's another public meeting coming up – this one scheduled for the board's July 14 meeting, which has to do with the adoption of fees that the district intends to levy on new development projects within its area of responsibility.

A "nexus study" specifying the amounts to be assessed and paid to the district for different types of development has been completed and is available for review by stopping in at the office at 1575 Baechtel Road or calling the district at 459-6271.

At the July meeting, the board will decide whether to adopt the study, after which it will be transmitted to the city and to the county for their review and implementation as ordinances.

The development fees are necessary to maintain the level of service the district provides as responsibilities for protecting and servicing new developments are added to its plate.

A plate that is about to get bigger, as "fire season is among us," said Wilkes. "We've had multiple escaped burns ... a small vegetation fire out 162, and Boonville had a big fire today."

And that was over a week ago; since then there's been the Vineyard Fire south of Yorkville and the Hopland Fire.

The district's plate also includes "abatement," searching out and responding to complaints of fire hazards, which Wilkes made a point of explaining is not a process that deals with blight.

"We get a lot of calls where somebody just doesn't like the fact that their neighbor's grass is too tall, and they haven't mowed it in two weeks," he said. "That's not [up to us] to make that call."

He gave an example of a recurring public complaint that falls in the "blight" category.

"We get a call annually [on the old lot that was the] dry cleaners. The weeds will grow up and be 8 feet tall inside that fence," he said. "It's not really a fire hazard ... not affecting anything. It's ugly. None of us like it, but we don't send out letters for blight."

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suspension took effect Monday, June 15, and bans all residential outdoor burning of landscape debris such as branches and leaves.

"The last few years saw devastating reminders that the public cannot let their guard down," said Chief Thom Porter, CalFire director. "Together, we must continue to adapt and evolve to withstand the intensity of these fires, keeping in mind, the only way to mitigate the damage they cause is through prevention and preparation."

"The potential is great for the dry, hot weather that fueled the massive fires over the last few years will return again this year," Chief Porter warned, "so it is up to the public to be ready."

Since January 1, 2020 CalFire and firefighters across the state have already responded to over 1,750 wildfires.

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environment. Chest pain, abdominal pain, acute leg swelling, strokes, heart attacks, and other serious conditions do not stop during a pandemic, and warning signs should not be ignored. Anyone experiencing such acute persistent or worsening symptoms of any kind that they are concerned about should go to the nearest emergency department or call 911," Dr. Parker added.

Adventist Health Howard Memorial's primary care and specialty care providers are also open and seeing patients for scheduled in-office visits and virtual visits. Virtual visits, which have grown exponentially, will continue to be an important part of patient care when appropriate to minimize the need for in-person visits. For in-person visits, the same screening protocols are implemented, both patients and staff wear masks, and social distancing is observed in all settings. Appointments may be scheduled by calling 459-6115.

One of Mendocino County Soccer Academy's Willits coaches, Adrian Madrigal, with three young soccer players.

MCSA youth soccer in Willits is back

Submitted by Ian Fitzpatrick, admin director / coach, Mendocino County Soccer Academy

On behalf of Mendocino County Soccer Academy players, families and coaches, we're excited to announce a return to on-field soccer with our Grassroots Academy in Willits on June 22!

We've stayed in close contact with our families over the last three months, and an overwhelming majority of people want their kids to return to the field as soon as safely possible. We're aware of the safety concerns, and we're working closely with local officials to plan a comeback.

MCSA has self-certified with the county's Safe Operations Business Protocol, <https://www.mendocinocountybusiness.org/self-certified-businesses/>, and we've developed our own list of soccer-specific safety protocols.

A return to the field is possible due to County of Mendocino orders issued on June 3, which allow for the creation of social bubbles. These are stable groups of 12 or fewer people who cannot change members for four weeks. These bubbles can gather for educational or recreational purposes and include:

- a household support unit,
- a childcare unit,
- a children's recreational activity unit,
- or a workgroup.

Individuals can participate in one of each of these groups. In our case, participants will create a "children's recreational activity" bubble and do not have to wear face coverings or practice social distancing from each other, but still must practice good hygiene and stay home if sick.

In the short term, this means we're able to make up Grassroots Academy sessions that were postponed in March in Willits, Ukiah, and Mendocino. We're dividing our players and coaches into groups of 12 (10 or 11 players with one or two coaches). The same coach and children will be in the same group for the duration

of the session.

Outside of internal scrimmage, there will not be any games. No one will be able to cross over between groups, and no new players will be added if someone needs to drop out.

The session will run three days a week starting on June 22 through July 31. There will be two groups (one Under 8 and another Under 12) for the Willits session, and both are full. The coast will also have two groups, and there are limited slots available. Ukiah will have three or four groups with limited availability. The remaining spots will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis – by visiting MendocinoSoccer.com.

Additional health orders are expected on July 3. At that point, we hope to open up registration for our countywide Developmental Soccer League that will kick off this fall. Health orders permitting, this will be the second year of this successful program. We've initiated a volunteer coaches-in-training program that we know will continue to create high-quality experiences for players and families.

We're hosting a brief Zoom on Tuesday, June 23, at 5:30 pm where you can get to know more about MCSA, our programs, and youth soccer plans this late summer and fall. Reserve your spot by visiting MendocinoSoccer.com/Meet-MCSA

Please email us any questions at ian@MendocinoSoccer.com.

We appreciate the patience of our community and your continued support as we navigate these unprecedented times. In the meantime, we can't wait to be back on the field, smiling, laughing and playing with these socially starved kiddos!



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