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COVID-19 case count nears 500

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As of Wednesday evening, Mendocino County has had a total of 489 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Of that total, 280 of those cases have recovered; 185 are in isolation; 10 COVID-19 patients were in local hospitals; and four are in an intensive care unit in the county. A total of 10 people in this county have died from the disease; that number has not gone up since the August 5 report from Public Health.

The number of cases includes a significant jump of 51 cases that were added to the county's

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Enforcing COVID-19 health orders

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Local law and code enforcement leaders said their departments are making a serious effort at enforcing the Mendocino County's COVID-19 health orders, but that efforts are being hampered by small staffs, an increase in other types of crime, and an inability to be everywhere at once.

The is the upshot of presentations by law enforcement at a Friday, July 31, COVID-19-related press conference and again at the August 4 board of supervisors meeting.

Speaking on those occasions were Mendocino County Sheriff Matt Kendall, Planning and Building Services Code Enforcement Division

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Covelo fire contained at 177 acres

A vegetation fire in Covelo Monday evening destroyed one structure at Hopper Lane and Crawford Road. As of CalFire's Wednesday evening update, the Mina Fire is 100 percent contained at 177 acres.

The fire was reported to start at 5:03 pm on August 10, with the cause still under investigation.

"Fire resources will continue to patrol the fire area over the next few days," the CalFire update reports, "and possibly into the weekend. Fire suppression repair has begun, to minimize the effects of the fire's damage."

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Willits FFA's Jaden Doak poses with her Supreme Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer which sold to Fowler Auto Center for \$9,400.

Auction Success

Redwood Empire Fair's online auction plus add-ons exceeds \$500,000 for youth exhibitors

Even without the auction ring, the virtual screen ring seemed to work just as well for the 126 exhibitors who showed their FFA and 4-H livestock and raised a collective \$481,175 on the entered lots. Each showman was able to also receive add-on bonuses, where non-winning buyers could give extra donations to exhibitors of their choice. A total of \$29,250 in add-on donations brings the auction total to \$510,425. In 2019, the auction raised \$853,869.40 from 274 lots.

Jaden Doak of the Willits FFA sold her Reserve Supreme Grand Champion market steer to Fowler Auto Center for \$9,400. John Michael Kale of the Willits FFA sold his Reserve Champion FFA market goat to Jason Korte for \$1,950. Samantha Arms of the Willits FFA sold her Reserve Champion market lamb to Les Schwab Tire Center of Willits for \$2,450. Zeontrey Henson of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Reserve Champion purebred market hog to the Noyo Trawlers Association for \$3,300. Kaleb Whitehurst of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Reserve Champion Duroc market hog to Sparetime Supply and Andrew Hosford for \$3,850.

Ryan Britton of the Round Valley 4-H sold his market lamb to Brian Hurt for \$2,150. Ivan Estrada of the Willits 4-H sold his market goat to J.D. Redhouse and Darlene Bixler for \$1,850. Catie Spackman of the Willits FFA sold her market goat to Joe Cooper for \$3,250. Clayton Cooley of the Willits 4-H sold his market hog to Les Schwab Tire Center of Willits for \$3,850. Anthony Freeman of the Round Valley 4-H sold his market hog to Lewis Whipple for \$3,150. Dayana Estrada of the Willits 4-H sold her market goat to Keith Shuster for \$1,750. Callie Brown of the Willits FFA sold her market steer to Paul Riley for \$9,800.

Paige Whitcomb of the Long Valley 4-H sold her market goat to Michael Braught for \$1,600. Leibel Firks of the Long Valley 4-H sold his 4-H rabbit meat pen to Elina Agnoli for

\$1,000. Danielle Estrada of the Willits 4-H sold her market goat to Split Hoof Ranch Services for \$1,500. Eliana Martinez of the Round Valley 4-H sold her market hog to Brian Hurt for \$3,100. Haley Whitcomb of the Long Valley 4-H sold her market steer to Lurane Cassidy for \$7,500. Elizabeth Hoaglen of the Round Valley 4-H sold her market hog to the Round Valley Indian Health Center in Covelo for \$3,200.

Lakota Britton of the Round Valley 4-H sold her market hog to Tony Pearce for \$3,150. Grady Cooley of the Willits 4-H sold his market hog to Jack Drew for \$3,600. Cheyenne Dusky of the Willits 4-H sold her market hog to Phillip Shuster for \$3,300. Aiden Cogburn of the Round Valley 4-H sold his market hog to Brenda Moss for \$3,250. Faith Oliver of the Covelo FFA sold her market hog to Bradley Bender for \$3,150. Mya Hoaglen of the Round Valley 4-H sold her market hog to Fowler Auto Center for \$3,200.

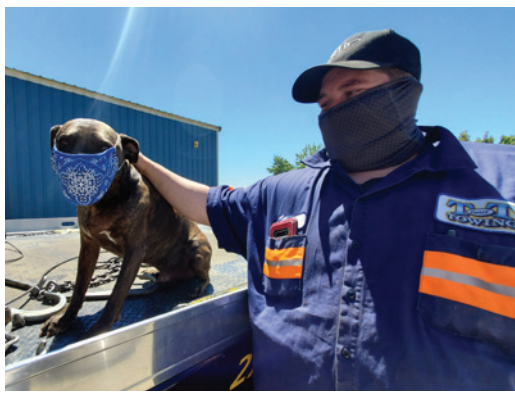
Bryana Bowes of the Round Valley 4-H sold her market hog to Lurane Cassidy for \$3,150. Cole Simpson of the Willits 4-H sold his market hog to Norcal Ready Mix for \$3,050. Tessa Simpson of the Willits 4-H sold her market hog to Jamie Bouthillier for \$3,050. Gabriel Bowes of the Round Valley 4-H sold his market hog to Lurane Cassidy for \$3,150. Adam Howe of the Round Valley 4-H sold his market hog to Brian Hurt for \$3,200. Madelynn Marshall-Howe of the Round Valley 4-H sold her market hog to Deanna Martin for \$3,200. Kahdee Pollard of the Round Valley 4-H sold her market hog to Brian Hurt for \$3,100. Kaya Pollard of the Round Valley 4-H sold her market hog to Lurane Cassidy for \$3,100. Charlie Nunnemaker of the Willits FFA sold his market hog to Scissor Sisters Estates and Brooke Ingram for \$3,200. Frankie Hoaglen of the Covelo FFA sold his market hog to Lewis Whipple for \$3,650.

Results provided by the Redwood Empire Fair.



Riata King, Dozer the Dog and Jeremy Stevens wear their masks at the T and T Towing yard.

Photos by Maureen Moore



Mask Up!

T and T Towing reminds everyone to stay safe and wear masks

Even Dozer the Dog felt obliged to follow the still-in-effect mask order issued by the Mendocino County Department of Public Health by quickly donning a blue mask for a photo op this week. Although it's optional for dogs to comply, mask wearing is mandatory for humans interacting with the public. Remember your mask, and help everyone stay safe.

Local elections: No challengers in city council, Brooktrails races

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The county's Elections Office will have its hands full with this year's November election. The office is looking at counting and validating the results for 57 separate races, ranging from those of president of the United States and area representatives in the U.S. Congress and California Assembly, to races for the Willits City Council and the Willits Unified School District Board of Trustees, and various other local boards.

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Elections
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City accepts COPS grant for WPD

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At their July 29 meeting, the Willits City Council approved a resolution to accept a grant which will fund an entry-level police officer in the Willits Police Department for three years, after which the city will be required to fund the position for one additional year (fiscal year 2023/24).

The "Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)" grant comes from the U.S. Department of Justice.

According to the agenda summary report from Community Development Specialist Jim Robbins: "The COPS Hiring Program provides funding to local law enforcement agencies to hire or rehire career law enforcement officers in

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Grant
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Caltrans to start 'Miracle Mile' project on August 17

Submitted by the
Caltrans Eureka Office

Caltrans will begin a new paving construction project on Monday, August 17, on State Route 20 in the City of Willits, Mendocino County, from Holly Street to Monica Lane, also known as the "Miracle Mile" of South Main Street.

The work scope consists of removing the top 4 inches of asphalt in distressed areas and replacing with new asphalt pavement. The project will continue for an eight-week duration.

• The pavement work is

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What do YOU think?

Opinions, thoughts and
thank you letters from our readers

Thank you

To the Editor:

This letter is with deepest appreciation to Mike Griggs of Sparetime Supply for the very generous donation of \$20,000 to the Willits Food Bank. The donation was provided via Willits Rotary Club. We are very grateful to Mike and to the Willits Rotary for their efforts in raising community awareness, and for the thoughtful decision to give to the food bank.

If there ever was a time that the food bank needed additional support, it is now when the COVID-19 quarantine continues to grip the Willits community. Those local citizens who are experiencing food insecurity or hunger are feeling additional worry and fear during this time.

We are doing whatever we can to meet the food needs of those individuals and families. We continue to give out face masks when needed and to practice all of the safety precautions so we are all as safe as possible from the coronavirus. With gratitude,

Ruthanne Volz, executive director,
and staff and volunteers, Willits Community
Services and Food Bank

Leaves of Grass Learning Center

To the Editor:

I'm excited to be able to offer local students the chance to participate in a safe virtual after-school program with an emphasis on art, creative writing, reading the classics, and community project development.

My late mother worked for over 20 years at Leaves of Grass Books, and this project is partially a tribute to her and the store's community legacy. It is also an effort to provide educational services to students who are feeling isolated and needing creative outlets during this difficult time.

Leaves of Grass Learning Center is offering classes, study groups, and individual access to art and writing teachers. We are accepting students in 5th through 12th grade. Classes start August 27, and will go through December 23.

We will have guest artist teachers and students from California, Canada, Brazil and Sweden participating. The classes will culminate in a virtual art show celebration, and students will also have the opportunity to be published in our journal.

I'm currently fundraising for scholarships so students from any background can participate. We appreciate any donation in support of young artists, and if you donate \$25 or more you will be able to pick out a T-shirt design from our Threadless Shop, featuring our many talented artists and writers.

The GoFundMe fundraising link is: [gf.me/u/yn9pn4](https://www.gofundme.com/u/yn9pn4)

Check out our website at leavesofgrasslearningcenter.org and let us know if you have any questions! Many thanks,

Tessa Ellie Crawford, Willits

Erase the bike lanes

To the Editor:

Gerry [Mayor Gerry Gonzalez], I wrote you from Mexico about this – we just got back, we were locked down.

You are raising taxes, that's OK, but the local businesses pay lots of taxes. A lot of them are shutting down I am opposed to the bicycle lanes, and so are the businesses

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#MakeMendocinoCount

To the Editor:

I am very concerned to learn that the U.S. Census Bureau recently changed their plans, ending the Census 2020 field operations and self-response options one month earlier than expected, on September 30.

A rushed Census shortchanges critical operations that count people in rural communities such as ours, and we must work together to ensure every Mendocino County resident gets counted before the deadline.

Communities that don't get fully counted in 2020 will miss out for the next 10 years. The Census determines California's level of representation in Congress and how much in federal funding our county receives to cover education, health care, wildfire protection, veteran services, infrastructure, and more.

Ensuring more people are counted means additional resources and a stronger voice

for our residents.

As part of the #MakeMendocinoCount influencer campaign, individuals like me have answered the call to get the word out and encourage our personal networks to complete the Census.

We're everyday people from all walks of life doing our part to help friends, family and neighbors secure a better future during uncertain times. To join the influencer campaign, contact Paloma Patterson of the Mendocino County Complete Count Committee at paloma@communityfound.org.

I implore members of our community to join me and respond to the 2020 Census. The simple nine-question Census survey takes just minutes to complete over the phone at 844-330-2020, online at www.my2020census.gov, or by mail. The Census counts. So do we.

John Haschak,
Third District supervisor, Willits

availability, nor the impact on existing residents or native flora. At the very least, water meters and volume/usage disclosures are necessary. Ultimately the county is going to need this to defend itself as property owners' wells dry up.

Our neighborhoods are overrun with aggressive drivers (contractors, workers, etc.) who have no sense of the community nor the cost of the gravel roads we must maintain. Roads are sprayed with chemicals, drainages are being blocked, and the roads are increasingly tunnels of popsisle-stick fences – a result of perceived county guidelines over security. And speaking of security, who is accountable for wrong-address break-ins or assaults that come from outsiders targeting the increasing density of lucrative commercial grows in our communities?

In our community our CC&Rs discourage the establishment of commercial businesses that substantially increase traffic, as well as construction of structures within the road easements, both ignored by cannabis permitting. Permitting should involve the community governance entity (e.g. road association), when it exists, for appropriate assessment of impacts and with encouragement for involvement by these the so-called "farmers." Increasingly, property owners on fixed incomes will be forced out due to having to bear increasing costs for these commercial entities.

In an especially egregious example of regulatory oversight, an LA-based group in our community, at the property where the only exit (bridge) from the community is located, requested a permit for solvent extraction. The county only notified the immediate neighbors, ignoring the other 80-plus properties that would be impacted, then overrode those members' objections. This is a remote-rural community well outside of fire station range.

Being involved in the first Mendocino Energy and Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventory (2008), I am estimating that the cannabis expansions have increased our county-wide energy usage and emissions by at least 20 percent (through greenhouse lighting, worker, soil and water deliveries, etc.). This does not take into account the embodied energy in the thousands of tons of plastics used in the greenhouses, soil / amendments containers, etc. (which also begs the question of how much of this plastic will end up in our soils, streams and the ocean as it breaks down).

Emerald Triangle, Mendo-grown, Humboldt – all highly recognized trade descriptors in the traditional (and pre-legal) cannabis market. Yet what did those mean to the consumer? Primarily quality and uniqueness, both in taste and potency. Cannabis grown in Kentucky tasted and affected you completely different than cannabis grown here, and premium prices were paid as a result.

When everyone is growing in imported soils, in plastic pots, inside greenhouse structures, with artificial lighting (full or supplemented) using imported cloned plants, what distinguishes the product from that grown with the same practices in, say, Kentucky? Branding is becoming irrelevant, and if practices are not changed soon, the market price differential will be lost, and our cannabis businesses will be in demise.

One approach is the use of Appellations, a concept that is used in the wine industry, which refers to the tastes

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Local goes global

New online gallery hosted by Willits Center for the Arts will promote Mendocino County artists to the world

Think globally. Act locally. Gary Martin, curator of the Willits Center for the Arts, wants to bring "Mendocino artists to the world." Since the art center's monthly rotation of excellent exhibits of the best of local artists was curtailed after the COVID-19 shutdown orders in March, Martin has been seeking new ways to keep the art center vital and in the public eye.

To this end, he has been working laboriously on creating a new section of the website which will be able to showcase all the visual talent in the county and to enable the art center to raise funds, both for itself and for the artists whose careers have been put on hold due to the current lack of viable venues.

Martin's vision is to take the influence of the Willits Center for the Arts beyond the borders of the Little Lake Valley, beyond Mendocino County, and even beyond the state and the country. The accessibility and power of the worldwide web will enable the fine artists of Mendocino County to be experienced almost in any location on the planet.

Artists do not want to create in a vacuum. The reason they paint, or sculpt, or photograph is two-fold. They need the outlet for their self-expression – the need to create a visual representation of the truths that exists both outside their persons and inside their experience.

The other reason is to share their realities with the world, to touch and co-exist with those who can appreciate and understand. The WCA website will now enable the local artists to reach out and extend their visions to anyone with a computer, pad or phone, as well as enable the viewer to purchase and possess any of the pieces.

"We're very excited to launch this site," Martin explained. "The idea is that people can purchase the art from the online gallery. We have 50 artists. We have the best



Above, left: Steve Eberhard's work can be seen online or in the upstairs gallery by appointment. Above, right: WCA Curator Gary Martin has been working diligently on the online gallery as well as hanging the physical show. At left: Photos from John Glycer, Jack Booth, and Jerry Albright of the Willits Photo Club.

At right, from top: Ileya Stewart with one of her paintings. Ileya Stewart's work in this exhibit will only be seen in person by a select few. "Ya-Hoo" by Peter Onstad. Volkhard Sturzbecher creates dynamic landscapes with creative organic frames.

Leaves of Grass Learning Center

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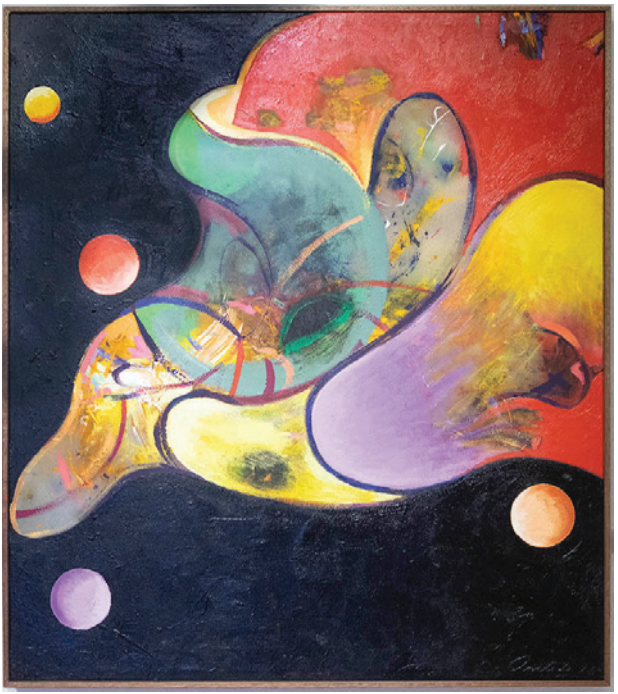
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Fine arts

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Creative Writing

Wednesday
Literature

Thursday
Design & Community Projects

Friday
Personal Development & Academic Success



Above, left: Jewelry artist Jessica Clark views paintings by Peter Onstad. Above: Mathew Caine offers a series of seascapes in the upstairs gallery and online.

SPIRITUAL PATHWAYS

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Sunday Services:
9:15 a.m. - Bible Class, adult & children
11:00 a.m. - Worship
Awan: Tuesday, 6:15 p.m.
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www.agapebiblechurch.com

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P.O. Box 489, Willits
707-303-5456
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EVERYBODY IS WELCOME

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•ECK Light & Sound Services
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Grace Community Church
Celebrating Life In Christ
25 Hazel Street, Willits
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Coffee Fellowship - 10:30 a.m.
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Children's Church - 11 a.m.
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Alan Klier, Lead Pastor
459-3106

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
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9:00 a.m. Spanish
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St. John Lutheran Church
Karl Biese, Pastor
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24 Mill Creek Drive
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399 W. Mendocino Avenue
707-459-5714
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Worship Service - 10:45 a.m.
4th Sabbath of every month family potluck at the school.
22751 Bray Road, Willits

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Willits Weekly's
Puzzle Page

Sudoku, Word Search & Crossword

Table with 9 columns and 9 rows for a Sudoku puzzle. Some cells contain numbers, others are empty.

SUMMER FUN WORD SEARCH

Word search grid containing letters arranged in a 15x15 pattern for word finding.

Table with 4 columns listing various activities and games such as AMUSEMENT, ARCADE, AUCTION, etc.

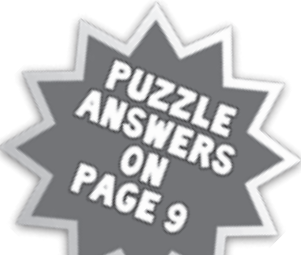
Crossword puzzle grid with numbered squares for clues.

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Corode
5. Jean Paul ___, author
11. Hebrew unit of dry measure
12. A type of scientist
16. Greek goddess of discord
17. For Red Sox MVP
18. It checks your speed
19. Made dirty
24. The First State
25. Lodgings
26. Spiritual leader
27. Bradley Int'l Airport code
28. Native American people
29. Sharp pain
30. Touch
31. Slowly disappears
33. Indigenous Russian people
34. Narrative poem
38. Some are bad
39. Small quill feathers
40. Tattles
43. Popular Easter entree
44. Beneficiary
45. Clothed
49. Payroll firm
50. Lower Normandy's largest city
51. Binary compound of halogen
53. The Fighting Irish

CLUES DOWN

- 1. To return an echo
2. Displace
3. Japanese religion
4. Predilections
5. Partial
6. Poisonous plant
7. Road open
8. Atomic #81
9. Accomplished
10. Oh, God!
13. Potato state
14. Most melancholic
15. Supportive framework
20. Hollywood's Pacino
21. A title for women
22. Popular Grammys alternative



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!

WILLITS POLICE DEPARTMENT
POLICE LOG

July 27 to August 2
By Danya Davis, Willits Weekly

The officers of the Willits Police Department handled 156 incidents in this seven-day reporting period.

Summary of Active Investigations and Arrests

August 3
4:30 am: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 700 block of South Main Street.
8:53 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Hillside Drive.
10:41 am: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person near the intersection of East Hill Road and Sanhedrin Circle.

12:45 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 1300 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

2:49 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 100 block of Marcela Drive and issued a warning.

2:50 pm: Officers responded to a report of threats in the 100 block of Marcela Drive.

August 4

2:05 am: LEBERT, Angela Rhea (51) of Willits was contacted in the 200 block of East Commercial Street. She was arrested pursuant to 647 (F) PC (Public Intoxication), and on misdemeanor charges of disorderly conduct (alcohol) and violation of probation.

7:54 am: MAXFIELD, Bradley Dale (26) of Willits was contacted in the 100 block of South Main Street. He was arrested on misdemeanor charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and violation of probation.

10:51 am: Officers initiated a fraud investigation in the 100 block of Alder Court.

12:28 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

3:29 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of State Street.

5:54 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 700 block of Coast Street.

6:46 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 200 block of South Main Street.

7:17 pm: Officers responded to a report of threats in the 1500 block of South Main Street and issued a citation.

August 5

4:31 pm: Officers initiated a hit-and-run vehicle collision investigation near the intersection of East Valley Street and Railroad Avenue.

8:19 pm: Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person in the 500 block of South Main Street.

8:51 pm: Officers initiated a hit-and-run vehicle collision investigation in the 100 block of West Commercial Street.

10:09 pm: BACK, Carlton Charles (60) of Oakland was contacted in the 200 block of South Main Street. He was arrested pursuant to 647 (F) PC (Public Intoxication), and on misdemeanor charges of disorderly conduct (alcohol).

August 6

4:04 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

5:20 am: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of Marcela Drive.

10:47 am: RODRIGUEZ, Mario Alberto (32) of Covelo was contacted in the 1400

Willits Senior Center Lunch

Drive-Thru & Walk-Up Meals

The Willits Senior Center is continuing to provide drive-thru, walk-up and delivered meals, now that inside dining has been shut down again by the state. Call 459-6826 for more info.

Drive-thru and walk-up meals are still available 12 to 1 pm, Monday through Friday. Pickup is outside the Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. All Senior Center meals are currently \$5.

Home Meal Delivery

Call 459-6826 the day before needed to schedule home meal delivery; \$5 per meal, Monday through Friday. Delivered

block of South Main Street following a disturbance. He was arrested pursuant to 273.5 PC (Domestic Corporal Injury), and on misdemeanor charges of driving with a suspended license and failure to appear.

1:37 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of East Commercial Street.

8:51 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 800 block of South Main Street.

August 7

10:57 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1700 block of South Main Street.

2:02 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of West Valley Street and issued a warning.

3:24 pm: LOPES, Anthony Frank (50) of Willits was contacted in the 600 block of Hawthorne Lane. He was arrested pursuant to 415 PC (Disturbing the Peace), 647 (F) PC (Public Intoxication), 1203.2 PC (Violation of Probation), and on misdemeanor charges of disorderly conduct (alcohol).

8:30 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 300 block of North Street.

9:19 pm: CAMACHO, Philip Allen (45) of Willits was contacted in the 400 block of Mill Street following a disturbance. He was arrested pursuant to 273.5 PC (Domestic Corporal Injury), and on felony charges of false imprisonment.

9:47 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance near the intersection of Manor Way and Elm Lane.

11:23 pm: Officers initiated a vehicle theft investigation in the 100 block of East Commercial Street.

August 8

12:03 am: PANIAGUA, Mario (36) was contacted in the 100 block of Margie Drive. He was arrested pursuant to 422 PC (Criminal Threats).

12:16 pm: GALINDO Jr., Thomas Manuel (44) of Ukiah was contacted in the 800 South Main Street. He was arrested pursuant to 647 (F) PC (Public Intoxication), 1203.2 PC (Violation of Probation), and on misdemeanor charges of disorderly conduct (alcohol).

2:11 pm: Officers initiated a hit and run vehicle collision investigation in the 100 block of East Commercial Street.

10:22 pm: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of Creekside Court.

August 9

11:15 am: Officers responded to a report of illegal camping in the 1500 block of South Main Street.

11:42 am: Officers responded to a report of an assault in the 1500 block of South Main Street.

2:40 pm: Officers initiated a hit and run vehicle collision investigation near the intersection of South Main Street and East Mendocino Avenue.

2:43 pm: Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in the 1500 block of South Main Street.

9:04 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 1000 block of South Main Street.

9:18 pm: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1600 block of Elm Lane.

11:18 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity near the intersection of West Valley Street and South Main Street.

Going mini for 2020

Willits Weekly's popular business spotlight publication will offer 2020 alternative

Just like other local small businesses, Willits Weekly has had to make changes and adjustments this year, but leaving out Meet the Merchants just can't be done.

The popular magazine which features photos and information about local businesses around town usually is printed as a stand-alone booklet, but this year, we are hoping to keep costs lower for our advertisers - while still maintaining the same great appeal - with an in-paper series.

Starting on September 3, Willits Weekly will publish mini-sized Meet the Merchant ads allowing our readers to keep all the small businesses in mind while we await the end of the current state of things.

Ads will cost \$100 each, and businesses can run just one week, or reserve multiple weeks. If you own a business and would be interested in joining Meet the Merchants Mini, contact Maureen Moore at 972-7047.



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In addition: Ads will also be shared on Willits Weekly's social media pages

Call Maureen to sign up: 972-7047



Congrats Happy Birthday

Lucy King of Willits celebrating her 6th birthday. Happy Birthday, sweet girl!

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The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County is open Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 5 pm, and Saturday and Sunday from 11 am to 3 pm, by appointment only, for intakes, adoptions and fostering: Call 707-485-0123 for information or any questions. Visit "Humane Society for Mendocino County" page on Facebook to see available dogs and cats, and visit www.mendohumanesociety.com to learn more.

Sweet Annabelle

Annabelle is a delightful 1-year-old dog who was found wondering the streets of Redwood Valley with a serious injury to her front leg. Despite her injuries Annabelle is as sweet as can be. Unfortunately her leg has to be amputated, but that won't keep this little girl down. Once she is healed up, we are sure she will be ready to take on life with three legs. We want nothing more than to have found her a loving home by the time she is ready to go home. Give us a call for more info on Annabelle and stay tuned for updates! If you would like to help donate towards Annabelle's surgery we would sure appreciate it!

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Half-off adoption for adult cats

The Ukiah Animal Shelter is spotlighting our wonderful adult cats in August, and in order to help get them into new homes, we are offering a half-off adoption special. That means one of these lovely companions can go home with you fixed, microchipped and up to date on shots for about \$60. In return you will get a lifetime of love and affection! We have everything from outgoing young adults to quiet seniors just looking for a lap to retire in.

Please keep in mind, while Mendocino County's COVID-19 order is in place, you still need an appointment to come visit the Ukiah Shelter, 298 Plant Road. Appointments can be set up by calling 707-463-4427. To learn more about available pets, visit www.mendoanimalshelter.com/.

Below: One of the adult cats, this one a female, available for half-off adoption fees at the Ukiah Shelter in August.



Above: The back garden is managed by Willits Garden Club Vice President Shannon Furr and Sharon Hartke-Dewing. Furr is thrilled by the many squash in the lush garden. Below: Shannon Furr loves harvesting the profuse little peppers that are great for grilling.

Photos by Ree Slocum

Call to Connect

A telephone-based emotional support system for all ages

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"The most basic and powerful way to connect to another person is to listen. Just listen. Perhaps the most important thing we ever give each other is our attention."

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Perhaps you are someone who would like to help others during these tough times. CTC provides volunteers an opportunity to help folks feeling lonely. CTC is a service you could offer without leaving your home.

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CTC is coordinated by Suzanne Picotti-Johnson of the Averages to Wellness program. You can reach her by calling: 707-367-5678 or emailing her at bluesky@pacifi.com. After a brief orientation and interview, Suzanne will match you with a CTC "buddy".

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At left: Deb Holcomb, coordinator of the Meals on Wheels volunteer program at the Willits Senior Center, stands in front of one of the meals program's vehicles.

Senior Center needs volunteer Meals on Wheels drivers

Due to concerns about the spread of COVID-19, people at high risk because of their age or underlying health concerns have chosen to shelter in place safely. As a result, the senior center has seen a substantial increase in demand for home-delivered meals.

I am reaching out to the community in hopes of finding a few volunteer drivers interested in delivering lunches; the job requires about 3.5 hours to complete. Before COVID-19, we relied on one driver to deliver 35 meals, but due to increased demand for this vital program, we now need three drivers to provide 65 meals a day. If you would like to be of service, please contact Deb Holcomb at 459-6826.

I would be remiss if I didn't ask for donations for this vital service. We have been unable to implement many of our regular fundraising campaigns because of restrictions on gatherings of any size during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

As a result, our 2020 budget estimates a \$32,000 deficit. Donations can be made on our website at www.willitsseiorcenter.com or mailed to: Willits Seniors Inc., 1501 Baechtel Road, Willits CA 95490

Your support is greatly appreciated.

— Richard Baker, director, Willits Senior Center



At left: Fran Gardner, left, and Shannon Furr ham it up a bit after they finish the produce display at the Willits Garden Club Produce Sale Saturday. Below: In the trunk of Deb Ghanaden's car are the sourdough loaves and other baked goods her husband, Reza, creates as Reza's Breadery. Ghanaden has re-scheduled bread pick-up at the senior center from 1 to 3 pm, Friday through Monday. At bottom: Katie Barry stopped by to get some of the fresh produce. She walked over since she lives at Redwood Meadows senior housing. She also works at the Senior Center Thrift Shop.



Saturday Sale

Willits Garden Club offers produce they grow at the Senior Center garden, as a fundraiser for the center, with Reza's Bread a bonus

The beauty and abundance in the Willits Senior Center Garden are remarkable changes from the tangle of weeds seen in early spring. "No one was taking this on after Joe and Wilma [Schaeffer] retired last year," commented Shannon Furr, owner of Odin's Organics dog treats and vice-president of the Willits Garden Club.

Ree Slocum
Features Writer
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"So a few people from the Willits Garden Club decided they were just going to do it," she added. Once they decided to just do it and Senior Center Director Richard Baker agreed, everything fell in place for the group of gardeners who wanted to take on the challenge.

Lucy Kramer from North Coast Opportunities secured a \$3,000 grant for them from 100 Women Strong. "We bought dirt. We bought chips. We had five herb planters custom built, also," Furr said.

The group rented a rototiller and put in hours of work. They made long rows, created some beds with hog fencing for trellising, and had fun getting dirty planting seedlings. To top it off, the Commonwealth Garden at Adventist Health Howard Memorial gave them about 90 percent of the seedlings the garden club volunteers needed.

The large and spacious garden is divided into two smaller gardens. In the garden closest to the parking lot the first four rows are rented by individual garden club members and the last four by Furr. The second garden is managed by Furr and Sharon Hartke-Dewing.

Each gardener agrees to donate half of their harvest for the Saturday produce sales. The group is simply asking buyers for donations that will go to the senior center.

Last Saturday, August 8, was the second weekly produce sale at the Willits Senior Center. Garden Club President Gardner helped Furr harvest, set up, and tend the stand.

In an hour the two women had harvested an abundant variety of squashes, cucumbers, tomatoes of all kinds, dill, some greens, green beans and a watermelon that was ready. After they arranged the vegetables on the stand, they were ready for customers coming by from 10 am to noon. Furr took a photo immediately and posted it to her Facebook page so followers would know to stop by for some of the freshest produce around.

People from the Redwood Meadows senior housing visited the vegetable stand, as did people picking up bread they'd ordered from Reza's Breadery.

Deb Ghanaden who distributes her husband, Reza's handmade artisan bread from the breadery, said she's been doing the distribution at the senior center for a while. When the produce stand was starting, Furr and Ghanaden thought vegetables would be a great addition to Reza's bread.

As of this week, on Monday, however, Ghanaden had to change the time of Reza's Friday through Monday pick-up from 10 am to noon, to 1 to 3 pm. The vegetable stand will stay open Saturday from 10 am to noon, as the afternoons are too hot.

The Willits Garden Club produce sale will "Run through the end of summer and beyond as long as we're growing things," assured Gardner. Furr listed produce the community can look forward to getting at the weekly fundraiser:

Read the rest of Garden Over on Page 8



At left: A portion of one hour-long harvest at the Senior Center Garden. Above: There's a lot of interplanting of vegetable, fruit, and flower varieties as seen in this photo (an apple tree provides the shade). And there aren't many weeds in the garden even though "There's no weed police," laughed Furr.

Photos by Ree Slocum



COLUMN | MCOE: A Perspective on Education

The straight scoop from local students

By Michelle Hutchins, Mendocino County superintendent of schools

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to present challenges none of us could have imagined a year ago. As confirmed cases rise in Lake and Mendocino counties, school boards are forced to choose between unpleasant options: distance learning or a return to the classroom with unprecedented restrictions, both of which make it harder for teachers to teach and students to learn.

Information about how COVID-19 spreads changes, as scientists around the globe share new discoveries. One day, the data suggests we can return to the classroom safely and days later, public health experts tell us we cannot. It's frustrating for everyone – teachers, administrators, employers, and families with schoolchildren. In addition to worrying about everyone's health and safety, the inability to plan has strained already frayed nerves.

The general consensus of educators, backed by scientific research, tells us that in-classroom education is by far the best for most students – academically, socially and emotionally – unless being in the classroom puts them at risk of contracting and / or spreading a deadly virus, of course.

I thought it would be interesting to hear from the students themselves, so I asked several of them to share their thoughts, to tell me about teachers they appreciate, things they like about school, and what they would change if they could wave a magic wand. I spoke with children as young as fourth grade and as old as a junior in high school, boys and girls, public school and charter school, inland and coastal. Here's what they told me:

Our teachers connect with kids

Every student could quickly name a teacher who'd had a positive influence on them, often several teachers.

A junior from Redwood Academy said her history teacher, Mr. Cimmiyotti, brought historical figures to life by sharing anecdotes that made them real (and often made her laugh).

A fourth-grader from Oak Manor Elementary School



Above, left: Willits Garden Club President Fran Gardner picks green beans for the sale Saturday. "The Senior Center Garden has been a shot in the arm for me," she said. "I get a lot of personal satisfaction knowing I can help the community." Above: Hog fencing was stretched between T posts to trellis squash and other plants thereby saving room on the ground at the Senior Center Garden. Below: The fresh produce stand is set up and ready for sales.

Photos by Ree Slocum

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"There's eggplant, Brussels sprouts, strawberries, artichokes, five different kinds of squash, watermelon, cantaloupe, lettuce, basil, radish, cauliflower and broccoli, five kinds of tomatoes, pole beans, grapes, three kinds of peppers, 20 herbs...."

Make sure to get there early as the some of the less available vegetables or fruits soon disappear.

To find out more about the Willits Garden Club and the Senior Center Garden visit Willits Garden Club on Facebook.

On Sundays, Ghannaden posts the breads available that week on the "Reza's Breadery" page on Facebook. There's a walk-up pick-up location as well as the drive-up distribution at the senior center. For more information and to learn about ordering, visit <http://rezasbreadery.com/>



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Mendocino County Superintendent of Schools Michelle Hutchins.

Whether students reported liking school or not, every single one wanted to return to "normal" school. They miss their friends, they miss having a distraction-free environment with the tools and technology to do assignments, and many of them miss interacting with their teachers. Yet, when I asked if they wanted to go back to the classroom based on what they know right now, they said they felt more comfortable with full distance learning. They worried that returning to the classroom would put them and / or their families at risk.

Comments on distance learning

When I asked students what they would

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change about pre-COVID school, given the option, many said they wouldn't change a thing. They talked about how their schools make them feel safe and welcome, using examples like the Buddy Bench at Oak Manor Elementary where students sit if they don't have someone to play with and other kids immediately invite them to join in. They talked about how much fun they have with their friends and how much they learn from their teachers.

They did, however, have some recommendations to improve distance learning. In a nutshell, they asked for a consistent schedule and more interaction. Many of them said they feel lonely and having a routine with more interaction would help. They also noted that distance learning made it harder to keep track of assignments and that poor internet connections sometimes made online interactions feel disjointed and frustrating.

Listening and learning from kids

After speaking with these students, I felt so encouraged. They made no secret of the fact that they are struggling in the midst of this pandemic, but their resilience shined through. They didn't blame others or point fingers, and they enthusiastically jumped in to brainstorm on ways to solve problems. As a society, we often discount the wisdom of children when we shouldn't. They are listening and learning from us all the time. If we were smart, we'd spend a little more time listening and learning from them.

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at the end," she said. "I refer to these as 'floral mandalas.' There are swirls and movement. It's more depicted with impressions and textural rather than color. I'm kind of moving from a very vibrant, colorful surface to more of an embossed language. We use techniques as a vocabulary."

"I studied with some wonderful painters, Richard Diebenkorn, a well-known figurative painter," explained Peter Onstad. "Elmer Bischoff and Joan Brown were other teachers of mine at the Art Institute. I started painting realistically."

"After about 10 years of representational painting, I switched over to doing some large abstracts. Now I switch back and forth. A couple years I'll paint representationally, and then I can get in the abstract mood, and for a couple years I'll do my abstracts."

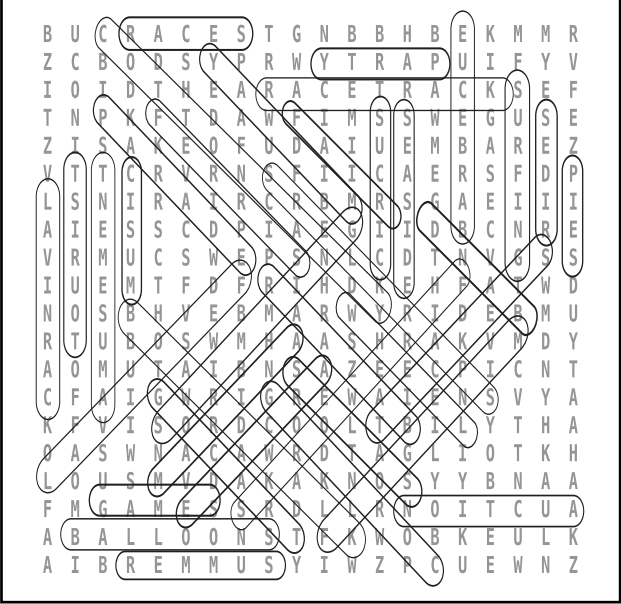
"When I do the abstracts I have no idea what's going to be on the canvases," Onstad said. "I just start out with either a color or a shape which kind of dictates the next move I'm gonna make in front of the canvases, and then I'm off and running. Sometimes they take a couple days, sometimes a couple weeks."

Currently, Onstad is working on political paintings, expressing his feelings about COVID-19, gun control, and the state of politics.

Local Willits art teacher and after-school coordinator at the Willits Elementary Charter School, Jessica Clark is showing her jewelry which has a massive and a delicate feel concurrently. She employs natural polished stones set in light wire holders.

"Although I've been an established artist in other mediums," writes Clark. "I feel as if the culmination of my skills and knowledge gained through these experiences has led me to my true artistic passion in jewelry artistry and design. I have always had a profound fascination in body art and decoration as well as fashion, and after losing the ability to practice one of my most beloved artistic expressions due to its need for close contact with others, I craved to find a new means of reflection."

"As a way of processing the sudden disruption in our lives when COVID-19 unexpectedly cut off my ability to connect



LEGAL NOTICES

WW283 Fictitious Business Name Statement
2020-F0371
The following person is doing business as Monkey Wrench Mens and Womens Wear, 150 #A S. Main St., Willits CA 95490.
Registered owner: David J. Edgar, 15 Maple Street, 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.
FBN statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on July 21, 2020
/s/ David J. Edgar
Publication dates: 07/30, 08/06, 08/13, 08/20/2020

WW280 Fictitious Business Name Statement
2020-F0348
The following person is doing business as Shannon Germann, 24401 Sherwood Rd., Willits CA 95490.
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FBN statement renewal filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on July 7, 2020.
/s/ Shannon Germann
Publication dates: 07/23, 07/30, 08/06, 08/13/2020

WW282 Fictitious Business Name Statement
2020-F0358
The following person is doing business as Camomoto, 1435 Hulett Place, Willits CA 95490.
Registered owner: Swamikrupa 1986 Inc., 1250 South Main Street, Willits CA 95490.
This business is conducted by a corporation.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on July 10, 2015
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/s/ Trikamlat T. Patel, President
Publication dates: 07/30, 08/06, 08/13, 08/20/2020

WW281 Fictitious Business Name Statement
2020-F0336
The following person is doing business as Maurene Moore, 1435 Hulett Place, Willits CA 95490.
This business is conducted by an individual.
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FBN statement renewal filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on June 25, 2020.
/s/ Jean Hanamoto
Publication dates: 07/30, 08/06, 08/13, 08/20/2020

WW284 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Willits, at its regular meeting on August 26, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., held via teleconference, will conduct a public hearing on the following matter at the time listed or as soon thereafter as the item may be heard:
SUBJECT: Review and Consideration of the Adoption of a Groundwater Management Plan for the Little Lake Valley Groundwater Basin
APPLICANT/OWNER: City of Willits
SUMMARY: The City has prepared and intends to adopt a groundwater management plan for the Little Lake Valley Groundwater Basin, as required by Proposition 1 grant funding for the City's "Improving Willits Water Supply Reliability and Drought Resiliency With Groundwater And Conjunctive Use" Project. The plan has been prepared in conformance with requirements set forth in State Water Code §10750 et seq. (AB 3030, STATS 1992). The purpose of the plan is to provide the City of Willits with a preliminary framework for monitoring, analyzing, and interpreting characteristics of the Little Lake Valley Groundwater Basin (Basin) in order to identify effective management practices for utilizing and protecting valuable groundwater resources within the portion of the Basin within its jurisdiction. Copies of the plan, including all attachments and maps, may be obtained for the cost of reproduction at the City of Willits Engineering Department, 111 East Commercial Street, Willits, California 95490, or via email from engineering@cityofwillits.org.
LOCATION: The Little Lake Groundwater Basin boundaries can be viewed on the State's Groundwater Information Center, Interactive Map Application at <https://gis.water.ca.gov/app/gicma/> or by contacting the Engineering Department at 707-459-4605.
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the Little Lake Valley Groundwater Management Plan.
Your comments regarding the proposed plan are invited. Written comments should be submitted to the City of Willits Engineering Department, 111 East Commercial Street, Willits, California 95490, or via email at engineering@cityofwillits.org no later than 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, August 25, 2020.
Additional information regarding the above noted item may be obtained by calling Willits the City of Willits Engineering Department at (707) 459-4605 or via email: engineering@cityofwillits.org.
Oral comments may be presented to the City Council during the public hearing. If you challenge the plan in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Willits Engineering Department or the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing. All persons are invited to appear and present testimony in this matter.
s/ Cathy Moorhead, Deputy City Manager/City Clerk
Posted: 08/13/20
Publication Date: August 13, 2020

with my students or others in a direct way," Clark continues, "I was able to grasp onto some of my most basic personal interests, stumbling upon a medium that combined my breadth of knowledge in geology and minerals, metallurgy, esthetic beauty and design, art history, and metaphysics in a beautifully concise way."

The new Willits Center for the Arts website will be launching Friday, August 14. Go to: <http://www.willitscenterforthearts.org> for a deep dive into the fine work of the plethora of visual artists that reside in Mendocino County.

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Due to health concerns in Mendocino County, John Ford Ranch will be taking meat box orders (not individual package orders) for pick-up: Rancher's Choice Box - 50 pounds: steaks, roasts, and ground beef. Still \$325 (\$6.50 per pound). Hamburger Box: 25 pound box of hamburger in 1 or 1.5 pound packages: \$150. Natural ranch-raised grass fed beef, no hormones or antibiotics. Call 459-5193 to arrange pick-up. Leave a message, and we'll call back.

Wanted
Golden retriever or a GR mix with a golden lab. Female puppy or up to 6 months. Call 459-3107, ask for Ron.

Willits Food Bank Open
Willits Community Services & Food Bank continues to distribute food, following COVID-19 safety provisions, to hungry families and individuals in the Willits area, with an increase in numbers served. The front office at 229 E San Francisco Ave is closed to the public, but the back door area is open for food distribution on Wednesdays and Fridays from 1 to 4:30 pm. Homegrown produce donations to share with the food bank are welcome. Info: 459-3333; financial donations to WCS can be mailed to 229 E. San Francisco, Willits CA 95490.

The Fruit Group
Freestone Peaches & Nectarines yellow & white \$32 a lug, field & Roma Tomatoes \$32 a lug, Pluots \$33 a lug, Bartlett Pears \$23 a lug, Gravenstein Apples \$24 a lug. August 6th & 20th Brenda 459-9335 - email thefruitgroup95490@yahoo.com

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Above, left: Mendocino County Sheriff Matt Kendall. Above, right: Mendocino County Third District Supervisor John Haschak.

Sherwood Firewise August 13 Zoom meeting

Submitted by Sherwood Firewise

Join Sherwood Firewise at our next monthly meeting, Thursday, August 13 from 6 to 8 pm, featuring presentations from Mendocino County Sheriff Matthew Kendall, Supervisor John Haschak, and the new Emergency Services Coordinator Brentt Blaser, for the Office of Emergency Services.

The special guests will talk about current evacuation notification methods, procedures, and how to adapt to the COVID-19 pandemic requirements. You can email your questions before the meeting to info@sherwoodfirewise.org or comment during the meeting.

Learn about what each individual, their household, neighborhood and community can do to prepare for emergencies, including evacuations. New supplies and procedures are needed to be added to existing evacuation checklists and “Go Bags,” such as washable facial coverings and hand sanitizers as well as consideration for safe locations to evacuate to where social distancing can be maintained. Updates will be provided on Sherwood Firewise vegetation management and emergency access routes improvement projects.

The Zoom meeting online offers viewing of presenter materials but can also be attended by telephone only for those that want to join with audio only.

To join using the Zoom platform: Visit <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85625036304?pwd=dWVpYXpnSkwrQkkrbXRRZd6T3E5dz09>

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THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF MENDOCINO COUNTY'S NON-PROFIT RELIEF PROGRAM PRESENTS:

COVID-19 NON-PROFIT RELIEF GRANT

As part of The Community Foundation of Mendocino County's non-profit relief program, we will be offering three rounds of Non-Profit Relief Grants to address budget shortfalls as a result of COVID-19.

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF MENDOCINO COUNTY

Community Foundation offers COVID relief grants to nonprofits

Submitted by the Community Foundation of Mendocino County

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Community Foundation of Mendocino County has established a multi-sector COVID-19 Relief Program that encompasses support for individuals and families, small businesses, and non-profit organizations in Mendocino County. Our communities rely on the many non-profit organizations for basic needs, arts and cultural opportunities, caring for the environment, and so much more.

However, these critical organizations are already experiencing financial and programmatic impacts due to the pandemic and correlating financial crisis. The Community Foundation aims to help non-profits adapt and pivot to the changing social and economic conditions through COVID-19 Non-Profit Relief Grants, a component of the Foundation's Non-Profit Relief Program.

Applications for the first round of funding of the Non-Profit Relief Grant program will be due on August 28, 2020. Grants will be made to eligible Mendocino County 501c3 organizations in the following three areas: adaptation, operations and preservation.

- **Adaptation** grants will assist organizations to adopt new technology or pivot programs to adjust to new demands. This could include, but is not limited to, equipment, technology or software to change program-delivery methods; improvements in physical plants to accommodate social-distancing requirements; pilot projects that pioneer new methods or programs in response to current circumstances; training for staff in utilizing new technologies or protocols; or personal-protective equipment for staff or clients.
- **Operations** grants will assist organizations with fixed operational costs impacted by COVID-19-related facility closures.
- **Preservation** grants will assist organizations of social, cultural or historical importance to preserve their legacy into the future. Grants could include, but are not limited to, archiving records or organizational history; consultants to support key board or staff transitions; supporting new methods of volunteer recruitment; or assistance for merging or closing organizations to ensure that the legacy of the work is maintained.

The Non-Profit Relief Program provides: non-profit relief grants to mitigate some of the unique difficulties faced by the non-profit sector in Mendocino County as a result of the pandemic; technical assistance mini-grants for Zoom licensing; community conversations to convene the non-profit sector on pandemic-related issues; and an interactive webinar series through the Community Foundation's Executive Director Leadership Institute on non-profit leadership.

To learn more about Non-Profit Relief Grants, or to apply, visit: www.communityfound.org/grants-scholarships/nonprofit-relief/. To learn more about all elements of the Non-Profit Relief Program, visit: www.communityfound.org/covid19/covid19-nonprofit-relief-program/.

The Community Foundation, located at 204 South Oak Street in Ukiah, is a countywide nonprofit organization that administers permanent charitable funds established through gifts and bequests from individuals, families, businesses, and other organizations. The Community Foundation has also provided community leadership on COVID-19 relief, fire recovery, Census 2020, and the broadband alliance. For more information, visit www.communityfound.org or call 707-468-9882.

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