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# REAL ESTATE SECTION



Business opportunity and property for sale

## 1681 South Main Street, Willits



## Crystal Car Wash

MLS: 321082120

Offered for sale at: \$1,650,000

by Audrey Low, agent of Coldwell Banker Mendo Realty

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Well-established business with great customer base located on .50-acre lot. Five spray bays and one soft-touch, drive-through automatic bay. Covered vacuum area with six vacuums, one upholstery and carpet cleaner, and nine air freshener/cleaning product vending machines. Public and well water with one 2,500-gallon storage tank and one 1,200-gallon storage tank for spot-free rinse, and more!



285 Sherwood Road • Willits



### Opportunity Knocks!

3 bedroom, 2 bath fixer upper on 1 acre in Willits, close to shopping, dining and parks and close to the Willits High School. This is a diamond in the rough with nice views over the valley. The home received a new roof in 2019. One of the sellers is a licensed Real Estate agent.

Asking price \$259,900



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line miles of electric distribution circuits within Tier 2 and Tier 3 High Fire-Threat Districts, as designated by the California Public Utilities Commission.

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Since 2018, PG&E has installed more than 1,200 weather stations mostly across high fire-threat areas in Northern and Central California. There is a total of at least 67 weather stations in Mendocino County, with some of the newest ones installed in the following locations: Willits, Fort Bragg, Ukiah, Hopland, Boonville, Willits, and Redwood Valley.



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"As the model is improved, the forecast becomes more accurate, allowing meteorologists to limit the scope of PSPS events to the areas where the riskiest fire weather conditions are expected, and to do so with higher confidence."

Weather stations are just one part of PG&E's Community Wildfire Safety Program. The program also includes the installation of hundreds of sectionalizing devices to break the grid into smaller pieces and hardening hundreds of miles of lines, poles, and other infrastructure to reduce wildfire risk and lessen the effects of PSPS events on customers.

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Solve the code to discover words related to getting organized.  
Each number corresponds to a letter.  
(Hint: **4 = R**)

**age**

Answers: A. orderly B. closet C. clutter D. storage

## Homeowners insurance covers more and less than you think

It can also cover structural damage caused by some water issues, a tree falling on your house, and any number of other non-maintenance-related disasters. In some cases, it will even cover plumbing or wiring, and you can always purchase a home warranty to cover maintenance-related issues for your appliances, heating, air conditioning, and more.

You'll notice I'm not promising your homeowner's insurance covers all these situations – that is because every policy is different and as painful as it is, you should read the whole policy and ask questions about information you don't understand before signing the contract.

Be aware that some homeowner policies include a brush fire warranty. The brush warranty says your

Most renters hear the term "homeowners insurance" and assume it isn't for them. They're wrong. While they may not own the structure they're living in, they have a home where everything except the structure can be covered by a homeowners policy.


If you have receipts for big purchases, capture images of those, too. Go into the



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COLUMN | Journal

# Stormy Seas

When I was a kid growing up next to the Columbia River in Oregon, I had two uncles. Each had a sizable boat that could sail down the river and cross the bar of river siltation into the Pacific. We'd go with one or the other uncle to ocean fish. To my dad and my uncles, this was a great adventure but to a child, something else. I've never been particularly comfortable on the ocean. There's a whole mysterious world under that inscrutable surface. I don't recall there ever having been one of those "smooth as glass" seas.

We would bob on those powerful swells of ocean and the other boats nearby would disappear until our boat was on the crest of the swell and they would appear again. I remember, several times, when a huge ocean-going ship would sail past us and I would look up to see the massive wall of steel rising many stories, knowing that we would soon be bouncing in the wake of that ship. I felt so small and helpless as that wall sailed past, beneath me the unknown that I had no skills to survive in.

I'm reminded of a final scene in the movie, "The Perfect Storm," where the last survivor of the sunken fishing boat is floating on a rough sea as the camera pulls back. The man becomes smaller and smaller amidst the waves and we know that soon he will drown, like his already dead crew members. Strangely, I've always felt a sense of peace watching that scene.

Our world today is turbulently unsettled. It's like that stormy sea but instead of floating on the rolling ocean of unknown perils, the ocean is social conflict, the stormy ocean of human power-lust. Be it nations, religion, hunger for wealth – we've become our own hazardous unknown. Fear is the classic tool of fascism. Stirring up the dread of

our insecurities is how people like Adolf Hitler and those who aspire to his ambitions seek to gain power over others.

Fortunately, in the United States, our forefathers threw us a life preserver – the right to vote. The U.S. Constitution is a living document that has been amended 27 times to try to make it more relevant and perfect. The first 10 of those amendments are called the Bill of Rights. At first the right to vote was limited to white men who owned land. Clearly, an inappropriate, exclusive group. That needed to change because the United States is a dynamic, ever-changing tide of humanity attracting people seeking freedom. Expressing your wants and desires through voting is fundamental to the mechanism of freedom in the U.S.

How can I say this tactfully? As my friend Gail recently said, "If you don't vote, you're stupid." That says it pretty well. People who try to suppress voting are afraid of not being in control over you. In the U.S. we have what we call a "democracy," from the Greek *dēmos* "people" and *kratos* "rule."

The more people that vote, the more real democracy we achieve. When people don't vote or are prevented from voting, the less of a democracy we have. The United States was founded and is constantly evolving into a nation where, ideally, common man and woman have a government for "the common good."

Lately we as individuals have had just too much thrown at us. Modern media makes world events and personal opinions instantly available and in your face. Literally "in your face." It's just too much information, and much of it not true.

Our brains can't process it all so we often get angry. When people feel overwhelmed, we often tend to tune out. The problem with that is getting people to "tune out" is a tool of those who will then step in and take away your freedom.

Some people are even willing to trade freedom just to make the complications of maintaining freedom go away. Nobody ever said freedom is easy. Personally, I want my freedom, but there are limits on freedom and the limits are when you seek to hurt others in the pursuit of your own wants.

My column is about my own personal views and feelings. If you don't agree with me, that's your right. Personally, I want you to be free but I don't want you to hurt me. I don't want you to try to deprive me of my right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. When you consider your "happiness" contingent on hurting me or depriving me of my right to vote, you've overstepped. Same thing for me. There's that old Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." Ostensibly a simple saying, but in reality, a complex philosophy requiring a deep commitment to decency.

I'll close this difficult column that could go on and on, with this image that may seem like a total non sequitur. When I used to live in the redwood forest up Sherwood Road, nothing delighted me more than walking through the woods on a snowy day with my excited dogs as they ran ahead flipping that mysterious fluff in the air with their noses, then scooping the cold, wet stuff into their mouths. Their joy became my joy.

*Bill Barksdale was a 2016 inductee into the Realtor® Hall of Fame. Although retired, he was an active agent in Mendocino County for 30 years. Read more of his columns at his blog at [bbarksdale.com](http://bbarksdale.com).*



**3210 Primrose Drive, Willits**

Looking for a one-level home on a large 0.21 acre lot? This 1440 sq. ft. ranch style home features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths vaulted ceilings, large living room, generous kitchen and dining area, central heating and air, and an oversized 2 car attached garage. Detached RV carport, decking in front and rear with mature fruit trees and usable front and rear yards.

**Price Reduced to \$335,000**



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