

Time to get Festive!

Willits Weekly Christmas Party – Friday, December 20 at Willits Center for the Arts

The community is invited to attend Willits Weekly's first annual holiday party held on December 20 from 4 to 7 pm at the Willits Center for the Arts.

A night of fun is planned, with Christmas music and merriment as well as the main event: a cookie contest.

We have invited a number of "celebrity" bakers to make treats for the contest including: Tam Adams of Emandal, Kathryn Sterngold of SugarKat Kitchen, Lori Dorholt and Kathy Albright of Ardella's, Lynn Kennelly of the Willits Chamber of Commerce, a team from Howard Memorial Hospital, and the ladies of Les Schwab Tire Center. (And the list is growing!)

Contestants will bake off dozens of cookies and holiday

sweets which will be on display at decorated tables for the tasting. Attendees will be encouraged to sample and vote for their favorites. Judges will also cast their vote, and a "People's Choice" and "Judges' Favorite" award will be given.

As well as bragging rights and a surprise prize, winners will have their photos in the paper, along with cookie and treat recipes.

There will also be a cookie swap table, so those who want to bring cookies and treats to exchange with other eventgoers can do so, and take home a bag of cookies at the end of the night.

A soundtrack of holiday music will keep the spirit of

the evening festive, and the community is welcome to come and mingle and enjoy the evening at the Great Room upstairs at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street.

Willits Weekly will also have back issues available, and T-shirts and gift subscriptions packaged for holiday gifts.

Can't wait to see you all there!

Jennifer & Maureen

Highway 20 barn

To the Editor:

Thank you for the article earlier this month about Harvey Brown's barn on Highway 20. As you reported, the building was recently demolished for salvage.

Mark Walker told me he built that barn by himself in 1920. He placed the diamond-shaped air vent under the northern ridge-pole eaves so anybody could identify it in conversation. He showed with his carpenter's square how he determined the angle of the roof and the cut of the joists, made to length with the proper nocks before he lifted them into place.

After that summer of 1920, the structure stood for almost 100 years, a monument to individual ingenuity and industry.

I add the humble memory that when he and his wife, Ina, visited our house in June 1986, on the occasion of our daughter Hannah's high-school graduation, he was restless indoors. This is a characteristic I used to notice in other old-timers, men of the 19th century. They had to be outside working.

He walked with me around the house, a small farmhouse to which, with the help of friends, I had added sizable sections as the family grew.

Especially he was interested in the redwood shakes that my son and I had split out with a froe and nailed for rooves and sidings. Cap Kroh had supplied us with the shake bolts from west of Willits. Mark said finally: "This is an unusual house. I don't think there is another house like it remaining in the Willits Valley." He brought a cedar sapling as a graduation gift that we planted. It is as high as the house now.

Shortly before he died he gave me an intricately carved wooden trunk in which his first wife Mary's parents had shipped possessions home when they returned from the kingdom of Siam. They were among the Christian missionaries who proselytized in the Far East from the time trade opened in the early 19th century.

Mark was a rare man, an independent land-holder, the kind Abraham Lincoln had in mind when he wrote, "We here highly resolve ... that this nation under God shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the Earth."

Goodbye to Mark Walker's hand-built hay-barn on the Fort Bragg Road.

He lived to be 107 years old. His remains are a little way west out Highway 20, in the family plot at the Willits Cemetery. The epitaph says only: "Veteran World War I."

William Ray, Willits

Thanks!

To the Editor:

We just wanted to send out a HUGE thanks to the Willits Community, Dave's friends and family really came together to provide us with more than enough baked goods for the bake sale. [Local Dave Dethman is in critical condition due

What do YOU think?

Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from readers

Below: Emmy Heiken and Rockell Rutler sit at the bakesale booth

to a logging accident; also see donation jars in stores around town.]

Every penny helps, and we are so appreciative to have made the \$2,457 that we got to have the honor of handing to his parents on Sunday afternoon! Thanks again!!

Kaela Casteneda, Emmy Heiken, Rockell Rutler and iwheelfordave Crew, Willits



Bypass the protesters!

To the Editor:

Thanks and kudos to Caltrans, DeSilva Gates Construction, Flatiron Construction, and HB Wick Drains on a spectacular first season of construction on the Willits Bypass. A group of local bypass lovers and acceptors recently organized a second "Thank You Bypass Workers" lunch. We were warmly and graciously received by a very nice and diverse group of workers, many of whom have been astonished and hurt by the hostility they have faced from bypass opponents this year. We vowed to have another lunch in the spring to welcome the crews back.

Meanwhile, Caltrans' Project Engineer Geoffrey Wright and Project Manager Mauricio Serrano have given informative updates at the last two City Council meetings. In the first update, Wright thoroughly debunked the "underground dam" theory relentlessly advanced by City Council Member Madge Strong and other bypass opponents. He explained that soil is porous and water flows through it even when it is compacted. There is no way wick drains and compacted soil on a very small portion of Little Lake Valley (less than 50 acres) can prevent the flow of water or dry out the almost 8,000 acre valley.

Of course millions of homes and other buildings sit on compacted soil that has never created any underground dams as far as anyone knows. But Strong and others persist in their myth-making. Some bypass opponents have suggested that the bypass will eliminate our morning fog and change our climate. Others have blamed Caltrans for low water levels and predicted both flooding and "desertification" – turning LLV into a desert – as the result of bypass construction. What will they say when all the predicted catastrophes fail to materialize? Bypass construction will ruin our karma?

At the last City Council meeting, Strong had the nerve to chide Caltrans for construction delays, after she herself persistently engaged in and supported civil disobedience and other protest tactics, contributing to delays. She also complained about Caltrans' removal of topsoil from a borrow site on the south end of town instead of the old Apache Mill site on the north end of town, where Caltrans was taking fill for the northern interchange until bypass opponents filed a lawsuit and succeeded in blocking use of the northern site. Are you kidding me, Madge? Stop obstructing and maybe construction will proceed more quickly and efficiently!

Strong and other bypass opponents have also been promoting their alternative design for a scaled-down northern interchange that they claim will save money and spare LLV. There are so many problems with the proposed redesign, it is hard to restrain my sarcasm. First of all, I

shudder to think of all the traffic problems we would have if 55 mph and faster freeway traffic was routed into a small roundabout, even ignoring the fact that the design promoted by the protesters has traffic entering the roundabout from different directions toward different directions – i.e., toward head-on collisions! Who do we want designing our roadways: professional engineers with years of training and experience or the armchair "experts" of SOLLV?

Even if the proposed redesign was feasible, which it is not, it is too late to change plans. Strong and others claim it would be easy and would actually save money because Caltrans already has plans for a scaled-down model. A few preliminary sketches is not the same as construction plans, which can run thousands of pages. Anyone who has ever had a house built or remodeled knows a late change in plans costs a fortune and extensive delays. And how would the redesign avoid harm to LLV, as Strong and others claim, when the trees have already been cut down, the wick drains have all been installed, and thousands of square yards of earth have been moved?

Incredibly, Strong and other bypass opponents are still telling each other it is not too late. They promise to continue the protests when construction begins again in the spring. At the same time, they plead for leniency for those protesters facing criminal charges. One of the accepted purposes of criminal punishment is deterrence. I think the punishment for this year's illegal protesters should be stiff enough to deter future illegal actions.

I say protest all you want. Exercise your constitutional rights to freedom of speech and assembly – at Mariposa, at the post office, at Safeway, in the park, in the press. But if you trespass and hold up construction, I think you should have to pay the costs of the delay. Why should I have to pay it as a taxpayer? If Caltrans and the contractors can prove \$100,000 or \$300,000 or \$500,000 in delay costs, that's what the protesters should be fined. That doesn't even include the costs of law enforcement – multiple CHP officers guarding construction sites and workers 24/7 for almost a year. If you really want to make a case for leniency, you might consider promising NOT to engage in further illegal and expensive obstruction.

Congratulations Caltrans! Bypass the Protesters! E-mail me at rcovin13@gmail.com, and I'll send you a "Thank You Caltrans" bumper sticker.

Randi Covin, Willits

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I, Nicole McLeod-Basler, am thankful for my family (photo at left), and my mom, brother and sister!

SOBER GRAD Basket Winners

Congratulations to Jeff and Heather Walker, the winners of the Sober Grad Fall Basket.

Pictured with the winners and representing the 2014 Senior Class, Devina Cash.

Thank you to everyone in the community who helps to support this great cause.

Photo by Rachel Cash



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Wednesday, November 27

Thanksgiving Pie Sale: Starting at 9 am until they're gone. Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459-6826.

Thursday, November 28

24th Annual Willits Community Thanksgiving Dinner: from 11 am to 3 pm at the Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. "Come give thanks and celebrate this holiday with your community." No charge; anyone may eat for free, but donations are gladly accepted and will benefit Willits Community Services and Food Bank. Food Donors include: 101 Drive-in, Sparetime Supply, and individual contributions. Dinner prepared by Chamberlain Creek Conservation Camp, and served by community volunteers. Info: 459-3333.

Thanksgiving in Laytonville: The Long Valley Garden Club is hosting a free, all-day Thanksgiving feed from 11 am to 6 pm. Prep day is Wednesday, November 27. Info: 984-7108.

Friday, November 29

Skunk Train Thanksgiving Weekend Trips: The Skunk Train is running Thanksgiving Weekend trips for all ages out of the Willits depot this week: Half-day trips departing at 9:45 am to Northspur and back again aboard the vintage 1925 or 1935 motorcar. Starting today, then Saturday, November 30, and Sunday, December 1. Info and tickets: <http://www.skunktrain.com/willits.html> or 707-964-6371.

Shanachie Pub: After-Thanksgiving-Day Party with Schindig, rock/folk/American from Willits, featuring Forrest Glycer, Malakai Schindel, Josh Swearingin, Michael Cantwell, and Joe Swearingin, and Knocks & Jollies, with indie rock with Josh and Joe Swearingin and Mark Hetherington. 9 pm. \$5. 50 South Main Street. Visit: www.facebook.com/schindig.

Saturday, November 30

Agape Bible Church Holiday Craft Faire: 9 am to 3 pm. 290 South Lenore Avenue. Free gift wrapping by our youth. Please contact Betty Pellegri at 972-5256 if you would like to rent a table to sell items.

Skunk Train Thanksgiving Weekend Trips: see Friday, November 29.

Shanachie Pub: Austin Quattlebaum, free-range folk and Southern bluegrass. 6 pm. No cover. House of Love DJ Night with Mr. Humpfreezee & Tigerfish. 9 pm. No cover. 50 Main Street.

Ongoing Events

No Farmers Market on Thursday, November 28. Will resume Thursday, December 5. Winter market at Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. Fall produce (potatoes, winter greens, lettuce, hot house tomatoes and more) from area farmers, plus live music, flowers, crafts, baked goods, local beef and other meats, goat cheese, dinner and more. Markets will continue all winter from 3 to 5:30 pm.

Willits Photography Club Annual Show: 12th annual show by members of the Willits Photography Club at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Show runs through November 30. Gallery is open Thursday and Friday from 4 to 7 pm and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 3 pm.

Willits Community Drum Circle: 7 to 10 pm at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. Every 2nd and 4th Fridays. Free. Everyone is welcome. Info: 459-4932

Willits Frontier Twirlers: Beginner's classes in basic and mainstream square dance at the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street, from 6:45 to 8 pm, then dancing until 9 pm, with professional caller Lawrence Johnstone, who will teach and call. Every Monday night; classes are free for beginners. Info: Emmy Good at 367-7475.

Open Mic at Shanachie Pub: Every Wednesday at 8:40 pm. Sign-ups start at 3 pm. 50 South Main Street.

Brooktrails Lodge Winter Schedule: every Thursday night at 8 pm: "Dream Capsule Entertainment," featuring local musicians and talent; Happy Hour, and Ladies' Night specials. Every Friday night: Open Mic, with drink specials and prizes. Info: Shawntee Wirth at dreamcapsuleindustries@gmail.com or 459-6792.

Free Community Karate Classes in Willits on Tuesday and Thursday nights, at Willits Body Works Gym & Martial Arts Center, 1511 South Main Street. Tuesdays, start time 7 pm, for ages 10 years old and above. Thursdays, start time 6 pm, for ages 5 to 9 years old, and 7 pm for ages 10 years old and above. Sensei Mike Tobin, Kyoshi, instructing with Sensei Trindad Sanchez. Through Sheriffs Activities League; info: 468-4288.

Laytonville Winter Farmers Market: Mondays from 2:30 to 4:30 at the Laytonville Grange, 1620 Branscomb Road. Buy local: vegetables, apples, juice, bakery, beef, lamb, pork, jewelry, aprons, children's clothing, knife sharpening and more.

Save the Date:

'King Lear' staged reading, Willits Community Theatre, December 11 & 15

Holiday Craft Fair, Willits Community Center, December 13, 14 & 15

Grange Farm School Work Days, December 14 & 15

Willits Weekly Christmas Cookie Party, December 20, Willits Center for the Arts

WOWSER Winter Solstice Party, December 21

What's Happening Around Town

Things to do, see and enjoy in and around Willits

Sunday, December 1

Skunk Train Thanksgiving Weekend Trips: see Friday, November 29.

Laytonville Christmas Craft Fair: from 10 am to 4 pm, at Harwood Hall in Laytonville. Featuring a variety of crafts by more than 45 local artists. Santa's Workshop for kids, and a special appearance by Santa. Info: Laytonville Healthy Start: 984-8089.

Santa Photos with Maureen Moore: today from 11 am to 3 pm at ER Energy, 851 South Main Street in the Safeway Plaza. Half the proceeds from the ER Energy shoot will be donated to the Willits 4-H Club. Digital images will be available for \$5, and optional print packets will be available for physical print copies, too. www.mphotographpress.com.



21st annual Willits Toy Run: to benefit the Willits Rotary Children's Christmas Program. Motorcycle run starts at Evergreen Shopping Center at noon, and finishes at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street, with a party – the general public is welcome and encouraged to attend this party – from noon to 3 pm. Dinner, featuring homemade hot dishes from Rotary Club members plus (new this year) a tri tip BBQ. Plus live music for dancing by Ray & the Reveleers, and the Lions Club no-host bar. A raffle with "very nice and very valuable" raffle prizes from area stores; tickets \$1 each or 30 tickets for \$20. Admission one unwrapped toy. Info: email HOG@bellsprings.com or call B. Kamoroff at 459-6372.

Tuesday, December 3

Tightwad Tuesdays at the Noyo Theatre: All 2D movies that are in their second week are \$5 on Tuesdays at the Noyo Theatre for all ages, all showings. This week's "Tightwad" movie: "12 Years A Slave." For

showtimes: www.noyotheatre.com. 57 East Commercial Street. 459-6660.

Holiday Baking Party: 5 to 8 pm, Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street. Bring a copy of your favorite family recipes to share, or ideas for low-sugar or gluten-free options; trade cookies after baking; everything baked in the Grange's commercial kitchen is legal to be sold or served to the public. Please bring all ingredients you want to use, or call Annie for organic eggs and butter at good prices: 459-6382. \$3 suggested kitchen use fee. RSVP early for this 'limited space' kitchen event: 459-6362.

"Confronting the Controversies: Biblical perspectives on tough issues": Tonight is the last in this series of Tuesday night talks on controversial issues, Willits United Methodist Church, 286 School Street. Soup dinner at 5:30 pm; talks from 6 to 7:30 pm. Please RSVP: 459-2855.

Annual "Light Up a Life" Ceremony: Phoenix Certified Hospice presents its "Light Up a Life" ceremony with an evening of music, inspiration, and remembrance. 6 pm at 100 San Hedrin Circle in Willits. Everyone is invited. "We will be lighting candles for those we would like to honor, and there will be an opportunity for those have lost loved ones to talk about memories they have"; plus music by community musical groups and spiritual readings, with hot cider and cocoa and desserts.

Wednesday, December 4

Coffee with the Principal: Parents/Guardians are invited to visit with Willits High School Principal Jeff Ritchley this morning, as part of the regular "Coffee with the Principal" series. 8:30 to 10 am at WHS.

"A Place at the Table": A film about hunger in the United States, "a riveting journey that will change forever how you think about the hungry." Free showing at the Willits Public Library, 390 East Commercial Street. 5 pm to 6:30 pm. 50 million Americans live in "food insecure" households, including one out of every four American children. "A Place at the Table" shows how the issue could be solved forever, once the American public decides – as they have in the past – that ending hunger is in the best interests of us all." Also brief discussion and a short film featuring Ron Finley, "the Gangster Gardener for South Los Angeles."

Friday, December 6

Santa Photos with Maureen Moore: today from 4 to 7 pm

Silent time at St. Francis

St. Francis of the Redwoods Episcopal Church will be open to the public on Tuesday afternoons in December from 12:30 to 1:30 pm for a communal silent time. Church Deacon Donnalee Hart will open the church for people who wish to pray, meditate, knit, write, read, do yoga or just sit quietly.

There will be three 20 minute periods during the hour, and Deacon Hart says that people are welcome to come for just a few minutes or for the whole hour. St. Francis of the Redwoods is located at the corner of Main and Commercial streets in Willits.

Sober Grad seeks candy makers for benefit sales

Candy Makers Needed

The Willits Sober Grad committee needs candy makers for two candy sales to benefit Sober Grad: for the Laytonville Craft Fair on Sunday, December 1 (needed by Saturday, November 30). Contact Tonia Silverstein, 489-4412 or tonia.silverstein@yahoo.com, who can meet you in town to pick up candy. Please package in small containers or make (fudge for example) in an aluminum foil container to sell as a whole item. Candy also needed for the Brookside School Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, December 7. Needed by Friday, December 6, or drop it off around 9 am at Brookside School on Saturday. Contact Joyce Waters at willitssobergrad@gmail.com.



Giacomo Fiore

Saturday, December 7

Senior Center Craft Faire and Bake Sale: 10 am to 4 pm at the Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. Info: 459-6826.

Brookside Holiday Bazaar: annual event by Brookside PTO; 10 am to 3 pm at Brookside School, Spruce and Lincoln Way. Open to the public. Bring your camera to take pictures with Santa from noon to 2 pm. Raffle. Candy sale by Sober Grad committee. Tables still available: call Windi Kvasnicka, 707-354-0755 to reserve a table.

Work Day Weekend for Grange School of Agricultural Arts: Today and Sunday, December 8, 10 am to 5 pm, rain or shine, at the site of the new Grange farm school at Ridgewood Ranch. Skilled and unskilled help needed. Bring gloves and tools, if you have them. Please drive slow on the ranch. Custom work days available for your group! Contact director Antonia Partridge at (707) 272-1395 or farmdirector@californiagrango.org to RSVP (drop-in volunteers welcome, too). More info at <http://californiagrango.org/agschool/mission.html>.

Roots of Motive Power Holiday Express: Roots of Motive Power presents the annual "Holiday Express" Christmas Party on Saturday, December 7 from noon to 5 pm, at the Roots facility on Commercial Street. Features free steam train rides for kids of all ages, a visit with Santa Claus, Christmas trees, singing, model trains on display, and refreshments. See article

from local boutiques and merchants – including Off the Cuff, Tiger Lily's, Carhartt, Buttercups, Monkey Wrench and J.D. Redhouse – worn by 40 high school models and 30 younger models. MC Margaret Bender. Plus coffee and desserts. Tickets, \$12, are available in advance at the participating merchants, or at the door. Info: 459-2752.

Studio Joy 1 Year Anniversary Black Light Zumba Glow Party: Doors open at 7 pm; party from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. "Come celebrate Studio Joy's first anniversary with us at another legendary Black Light Zumba Glow party! Dress to impress. White and neon glow the best! Enter the raffle to win cool stuff." Adults \$15 (includes 1 raffle ticket); teens (13-18) \$10; kids 7-12 \$5; 6 and under are free. 1262 Blosser Lane. Info: 841-7499.



Sunday, December 8

Senior Center Pancake Breakfast: 8 to 11 am. Second Sundays at the Harrah Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. Pancakes, eggs (any style), bacon, sausage, or ham, orange juice, coffee. \$6 members; \$7 non-members; under 12, \$5.

26th Annual Community Christmas Choral: LDS Church, 265 Margie Drive, 6 pm. Singers and talents from all over the community, including Emandal Choir, plus a food drive, cards on the Christmas trees for the Willits Rotary Children's Christmas Program, a community sing, a Nativity scene, plus social time at the end of the program with cookies and hot apple cider. Info: 489-3702.

Holiday Crafts Fair

The 27th annual Holiday Crafts Fair, at the Willits Community Center, is expanded to three days this year. The crafts fair is set for Friday, December 13 (noon to 7 pm), Saturday, December 14 (10 am to 6 pm) and Sunday, December 15 (10 am to 4 pm).

In addition to fine arts and crafts for sale, the fair features live music, and delicious food and beverages provided by the Willits Charter School. A benefit for the Willits Center for the Arts. Info: 459-4792.

Crafts Fair participants

Ann Maglente, prints, garden art; Anne VanderHorck, sewn crafts; Bonnie Beif, ceramics/pottery; Charlotte Teffit, Etched Glass; Dancing Madrone Soap, soap; David Rice, pickles; Deni's Pottery, pottery; Erwin Ludwig, knives; Greg Burdick, turned wood; Greg Linsley Earth & Fire, Pottery; Happy Woman Jewelry; Janet Heppler, spun wool items; Karen Mastrian, jewelry; Kathryn Green, tie dye clothing; Knox Gillespie, pottery; Lee Zabin, shell jewelry; Lynn Davis, glass/metal vase; Maria & Tamara Steffen, Jewelry/photo cards; Morgan Rex, metal; Organic Attire-Jan Stevens, clothing; Ramona Teagarden, glass bead stoppers; Roq Horowitz, pottery; Summitside Photo, photography; William Cull, jewelry; Wine Country Creations, jewelry; Wolfgang Ronnefeldt, body products; Elizabeth Raybee, mosaics.

Music schedule at the Crafts Fair

Friday, December 13
12 pm David Partch
2 pm Farmer's Market Band
5:30 pm Emandal Chorale
6:00 pm New Blu Trio

Saturday, December 14

10 am Malakai
12 pm Keith Rutledge
2 pm Falko
4 pm David Partch

Sunday, December 15

10 am Falko
12 pm John Wagenet and Friends
2 pm Vern Morninglight

Holiday Express

Roots of Motive Power presents its annual "Holiday Express" Santa Train event – free for all – on Saturday, December 7 from noon to 5 pm, at the Roots facility, 420 East Commercial Street, next to the Mendocino County Museum.

Features free train rides for kids of all ages, a visit with Santa Claus, live music, singing, refreshments (including hand-baked items), crafts, model railroads, and the famous Roots of Motive Power Christmas trees, decorated completely with train and train-related ornaments.

An account from a bystander at a past Holiday Express: "As the children waited impatiently for Santa to arrive, a distant whistle could be heard, followed by a puff of steam just over the rise. As the historic steam locomotive rounded the bend, a jolly chuckle and ho-ho-ho! was heard, and the children cheered as they caught their first glance of Old St. Nick waving at the crowd from the inside of the engine."

Don't forget to bring your cameras for great photos of your children with Santa, in front of the antique steam locomotive. There will also be steam train rides for children of all ages, and train enthusiasts alike.

For the full, authentic train ride experience, this year, for the first time, passengers will be getting their (free) tickets at the refurbished antique Train Master's Office, then have them punched by the conductor during their ride.

The community is encouraged to come and enjoy the fun for the whole family!

Mendocino County Public Bank?

Author and attorney, Ellen Brown, speaks in Willits on Saturday, December 14, as part of a Mendocino County tour "to educate voters about the advantages of establishing a Mendocino County public bank." Brown is president of Sonoma County's Public Banking Institute.

The tour – Brown will speak in Ukiah and Mendocino, too – is part of the new Mendocino County Public Banking Coalition's educational campaign about a ballot measure the coalition hopes to put on the June 2014 election "to make Mendocino, California's 15th Charter County." Being a charter county, the coalition says, will allow Mendocino County to have a public bank to manage our own money.

Brown will speak at the Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street, at 7 pm. No charge; donations gratefully accepted. More info at: <http://www.publicbankinginstitute.org> or <https://www.facebook.com/MendoPublicBankCoalition>.

Savings Bank

Open House

Savings Bank of Mendocino County invites the community to its Holiday Open House and Customer Appreciation Event, this year celebrating Savings Bank's 110 year anniversary.

Monday, December 9, from 9 am to 4 pm. Giveaways and food, plus collection bins for toys and food bank donations.

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The Medicine Chest Garden

Burdock
Arctium lappa

Donna D'Terra
Columnist

"Wandering the hills in Autumn, it is not the flower I seek, but the root" – Dogen

One of the roots we might be digging (or buying) this late autumn season is burdock.

Burdock gets its common name from the seedpod, which is a golf-ball sized burr, filled with seeds. ("Dock" is an old English word for "big leaf.")

When the seedpods drop, they cling to everything. In fact, they were the original inspiration for the invention of Velcro.

Used as medicine (tea, tincture, capsule), burdock is a specific remedy for skin conditions such as eczema, psoriasis and acne.

A favorite teaching story is about an adolescent boy who suffered from severe facial acne. His mother suggested he switch from drinking sodas to drinking apple juice. She began cutting the apple juice with a little burdock tea, increasing the amount of tea until it was half tea and half apple juice. After a period of months, the acne healed.

Burdock root in Japan is called "gobo," and it is eaten as a vegetable. It can be steamed, sautéed, or added to soups and stir-frys. It is rich in vitamins, high in iron and "inulin," the latter helping to stabilize blood sugar.

Here is a simple recipe to try:
Sweet and Sour Burdock

Cut burdock roots into very thin diagonal slices. Soak for 15 minutes in water with a splash of vinegar added. Drain.

Simmer roots in boiling water for 10 to 15 minutes.

Drain roots. Add equal amounts of honey, tamar and vinegar, to coat the roots. Mix well.

Simmer roots 10 to 15 minutes more, adding a little water.

Garnish with sesame seeds. Serve over rice or other grain, or as a side vegetable.

[This information is not intended to diagnose, prescribe or replace the advice of a qualified health professional.]

Donna d'Terra is a Willits area herbalist who has been teaching herb classes for 25 years. She may be contacted at motherland@pacfic.net.



I, Angielee Stansberry, am more thankful than I could ever adequately express for my three children: SaVannah, 16, Cody, 19 (with me) and David, 20. I am thankful every day that God chose me to be their mom.

THANKFUL
What are YOU thankful for this year?



Connor and Coltin are thankful for their grandparents



I, Devon Jones, am thankful for all the blessings God has given me, one such blessing is my creative & caring son, Aiden. (3 yrs old)



I, Kathleen Ferri-Taylor, am thankful for my two grandchildren and another on the way!



I, Debbie Boone-Harry, am thankful for my good health, home & garden.



I, Phoebe Becker, am thankful for family portraits (taken by Maureen Moore) amongst many other things!



I, Sienna Brown, am thankful that my active-duty husband is spending this Thanksgiving at home, and for all others currently serving our country

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parent company Adventist Health, the Frank R. Howard Foundation, physicians, and community members, this is "one of the most significant investments ever made in the Willits community," Adventist Health says.

The new hospital will have a total of 74,000 square feet, more than twice as big as the current hospital, even including all the outbuildings at the 1 Madrone Street location. There will be three stairwells, two huge elevators, and "nice adjacencies" as Ford put it frequently, between the different parts of the complex hospital building.

The loading dock leads right into the downstairs central supply area, which includes a sterile port to supply the four "clover-leaf" operating rooms. Surgery will also have an endoscopy suite, offering colonoscopies and other specialized procedures, plus 10 prep/hold rooms and six post-anesthesia care units.

Laboratory facilities will have three blood drawing stations. Imaging services – including mammograms and CT scans – will all be in one area. There will be staff lounges for each department, and the pharmacy will be upstairs – again, a "nice adjacency" to the patient rooms.

There will be 25 private rooms for patients – 21 medical / surgery rooms and four intensive care units. The upstairs patient rooms are placed around the perimeter of the building, each with a private bathroom and shower. Most rooms will have 8 foot windows, with beautiful views of the hills and, to the east, the Howard Foundation's Commonwealth Garden.

The outside of the building will be a beige stucco, with slate stonework. Corridors, private facilities and public rooms inside have been carefully designed with "organic colors that fit with our area," Ford said, including a sage green, a neutral light sand color, and a fawn beige. Sheet vinyl – required in hospitals – and laminates were chosen that look like wood, and the top of the reception desk will be Caesartone quartz.

"I used to do hotels," Ford said, "and I wanted to make the public spaces look really nice. It's my home town, and I want to make it look nice and inviting." Ford, a Willits High School graduate, has been working as project manager for the hospital project since 2007. Adventist Health signed a contract with the Howard Foundation in 2010 to fund the construction of the new hospital.

The new hospital will have a public dining room that will seat 80 people, with more seats on an outside patio deck. The public will be cordially invited to enjoy acclaimed Executive Chef Kyle Evans' excellent food. "It'll be like having a new restaurant in town," Bockmann said.

The menu for patients, prepared separately due to regulations, will be available a la carte, "24/7": patients will order what they want to eat, when they want to eat it.

And "the volunteers will be happy to know," Bockmann said, there's a gift shop in the floor plan, too.

The hospital construction is being done by HBE Corporation, out of St. Louis, Missouri; HBE was represented by general contractor Jay Lewis on the press tour.

The project is on schedule and on budget, with plans to complete construction in August 2014, and open for patient care in early 2015. Lewis said his crew averages about 100 workers, although numbers depend on what's being done each week.

The afternoon of the tour, local crew members from Granite Construction were working on the large new parking area out front, which has many landscaping "islands." The landscaping was designed by Willits' Sanhedrin Nursery: "It's beautiful," Bockmann said. "It's going to have a lot of color."

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been trying to do so for the past four years. As a result, a considerable amount of funding has accumulated in the project's Sacramento account.

Lovato said the county's mental health branch now has about \$1.1 million to spend on an approved project.

Since July, Lovato and her staff have held seven meetings at various locations around the county, including Point Arena, Laytonville, Covelo, Fort Bragg, Boonville and, most recently, Willits. Before Tuesday's meeting at Willits' WISC center, a whole slew of ideas had been put forth.

According to a document provided by mental health branch staff at the meeting, the ideas are arranged in terms of general needs. For example, one general idea is "Care managers needed in each rural community."

Under that general heading is listed three suggestions. Care managers should be "cross trained to address multiple diagnoses/multiple disciplines," according to one idea.

A second idea under the same heading suggests each rural community should get not a single care manager but a "multi-disciplinary team addressing medical needs, mental health needs, Alcohol and Other Drug needs, and homeless issues."

The suggestion goes on to state that the approach of this multi-disciplinary team is to be "inclusive whole-person health, not exclusionary runaround criteria."

A second general idea is to "improve communication infrastructure." Under that heading are such suggestions as "use of electronic communication/records" and "liaison or care manager to facilitate tele-medicine to reduce paranoia and sense of disconnect."

Under the general heading of "medical services" is the suggestion "need for benefits tracker to monitor and minimize gaps in coverage: Medi-Cal renewals, jail time, etc."

Another idea under the same general heading is "improved need for inter-agency collaboration/liaison/multidisciplinary care manager."

One strikingly concrete idea is to create a mobile mental health unit, somewhat like the county library's Bookmobile, which would convey staff throughout the county on a scheduled route.

One version of the idea would have a cross-trained person staffing the mobile unit: someone who could provide mental health services as well as Alcohol and Other Drug counseling and Department of Social Services advice.

A refinement of the idea would create two mobile units, one along the coast and one traveling up and down the Highway 101 corridor.

Other ideas include expanding the Parent-Partner program and expanding the Family Resource Centers.

One suggestion offered under the general idea of "Family Resource Centers expanded" noted the county "needed more resource centers and/or Wellness Centers, in particular for teens in rural areas, capable of handling both Alcohol and Other Drug counseling services and specialty mental health services."

Additional meetings of the Community Innovative Planning Group are scheduled for Ukiah on December 17 and in Hopland, on a date yet to be named.

After all the meetings have been held and all the ideas are in, Lovato and her staff will select what they feel are the 10 best ideas and put those ideas out to people who have shown an interest in the program, who will vote on the ideas.

The idea that receives the most votes will be considered "the winner."

Lovato will then submit an application to the state for funding for that project, whatever it may be. She said an important consideration in project viability is that the project must become financially sustainable in the short term.

Although Mendocino County mental health has about \$1.1 million available to start up a project, after the project is on its feet, only about 5 percent of the county's Mental Health Services Act annual funding – about \$55,000 a year – will be available annually to support the project.

Lovato is hopeful the winning project will be selected in late January or early February of next year.

For information about the time and location of the next meeting, call Karen Lovato at 472-2342.

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Remco | From Page 1

missing it, but it really all comes to this area here," Farr said, as she pointed to the location of the old tanks on her map.

Molasses bought by the thousands of gallons has been injected, diluted with water, into the ground, Farr stated.

Water discharged from the cleanup is piped to the city's sewer plant. "We have met all our discharge standards to date," Farr said. She said the trust will continue to monitor the site and added that a few more injections are likely.

Auto Mart moved into the front end of the Remco building this spring, and is the first business to be on the site since Remco closed its doors.

Farr says there is interest in using the rest of the building and that other reuses of the building can begin to be considered.

Cleanup work at the Page Property, a former landfill about 2 miles northeast of Willits, shows improvement also. "We have not had any hexavalent chromium in the shallow zone for at least a couple years," Farr said.

Councilman Bruce Burton asked Farr why cleanup has taken 18 years. "If you were a state worker it would probably be your whole career," Burton said.

Farr replied that the cleanup was going relatively quickly, for a project of Remco's size.

A September letter from Farr to Janice Goebel at the California Regional Water Quality Control Board was a bimonthly progress report on Remco cleanup.

The letter stated that 390,000 gallons of groundwater were treated and discharged in July and August 2013.

About 61,000 gallons of groundwater were extracted, treated and discharged at the Page Property during July and August, Farr wrote.

This summer Jacobson James Associates and Farr submitted a plan to take 78 samples for chromium in concrete in the areas of the building where chrome plating work was done.

Farr also told city council members that there has been some interest in future uses of the property.

"We have been getting additional interest that we have pursued and continue to pursue," Farr said.

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Column

Merl Edward Scott



Merl Edward Scott, better known as "Scotty," passed away on November 18, 2013 at home with his loved ones. He was 88 years old. Merl was born in Deerfield, Missouri on April 7, 1925 and was the eighth child of Herbert and Ava Scott's 10 children.

During WWII, while working at the Richmond shipyards, he met the love of his life, Fae, who he wrote many love letters to while serving in the Merchant Marines in the Pacific Ocean. Scotty, Fae, and 4-year-old Anne moved to Willits in 1951, where they owned and operated the Scott and Nelson Union Station on Main Street. M.E. Scott Trucking began in 1954, when Scotty bought a teal 1958 Diamond T logging truck. He loved hauling logs, working in the woods and hanging out at the White Cottage with his buddies Joe Shuda, Bob Alecksick, Lonnie Dockins, and John Alcorn.

He leaves behind his wife, Fae, of 68 years and two daughters, Merlene and Brenda. He was preceded in death by his eldest daughter Anne Scott Harms. Other family members include: Merlene's husband Jim and children Hillary and Colby, Brenda's children, Katelyn, Brooke, Brittany, and Kylee, and their father Mel. Other grandchildren include: Anne's two daughters, Denise and Darla, and their brother Bradley and his brother Justin. Spouses include: David, Chris, Laurel and Briana. Great grandchildren: (Denise's children) Delaney, Miranda, Duncan, and Ava; (Darla's children) Dalton, Breanne, and Bradan; and (Brad's children) James and Henry; as well as son-in-law George, and Debbie and Brad's mother, Geri.

He is survived by his sister Mabel (and late husband Arch), brother Marvin and wife Fran, and Fae's sister Dee and her husband Frank, and many many nieces and nephews who love their "Uncle." Special friends: Warren and Kathleen, Jeff, Fritz, Paul, and Nick.

A Celebration of Scotty's Life will be held at the Agape Bible Church Hall at 2 pm on Friday, November 29, 2013. The celebration will include a potluck, so bring your favorite dish, as well as memories to share with friends and family.

We all know that Scotty would love to have a "Yard Sale." Many of his antiques and "treasures" will be on display for all to enjoy.



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I, Donna Schindel, am thankful for Malakai Schindel's window art at Room to Bloom (with Elvia & Orion)

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- Maureen Moore

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