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Thursday, June 8, 2023

Graduation parade down Main

Street on Friday

Maureen Jennison Graphics & Photographress maureen@willitsweekly.com

Come cheer on the Class of 2023 this Friday, June 9 with the ceremony and parade for the graduates. The graduation ceremony will take place at WHS' Maize Field and start at 5 pm, and the parade will take place just after the ceremony concludes.

The parade, led by local emergency services and fire departments, will start at the high school and travel south down Main

Read the rest of Parade Over on Page 11

June 15 meeting to support Willits museum

Submitted by Friends of the Mendocino County Museum

The public is invited to a community gathering of Friends of the Mendocino County Museum and community members interested in supporting the Willits museum, on Thursday, June 15 at 5:30 pm at the Museum, 400 East Commercial Street. Meet museum board members, check out the Museum exhibit area, meet Mendocino County Supervisor John Haschak, share delicious food and drink, and learn about Friends activities.



Willits Elementary Charter School celebrates 11 years!

By WECS Director Charlene Bredder

Willits Elementary Charter School is finishing the year with many events, such as field trips, Water Day, Spirit Week, and a 5th grade sleepover before they leave the school.

The school got together for an all-school photo to celebrate 11 years, led by Maureen Jennison, who climbed a ladder to the kindergarten roof to be able to get a bird's eye view of all the students and staff.

So many changes at the school have happened over this decade, including an active garden program, SLED chapters (Students Leading EDucation) in grades 4 and 5, the addition of a gaga ball pit, and a robust literacy program that offers reading support to develop fundamental literacy skills to struggling students.

The teachers continue to develop hands-on activities so students can use the concepts taught in class. The school looks forward to an active Summer Fun Program featuring a different biome for each of the four weeks, with activities, and art and science projects to explore the animals and plants of each biome.

This year, the school will celebrate 5th grade graduation on Friday, June 9 at 11 am at Rec Grove.

Willits Charter School 12th Grade Graduates

See them graduate at WCS on Friday, June 9 at 4 pm

All Willits graduates are encouraged to come spend Friday night celebrating at Sober Grad which will be held this year at the Willits Charter School. Event is free to attend, full of prizes, food and fun for grads, and a great way to encourage an alcohol- and drug-free night of celebrations. Graduates must arrive at the event before 9 pm (with doors closing at 11 pm) and need to stay until 4 am to be eligible for prizes.



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Judge says railway must pay costs in lawsuit

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calendar

Mendocino County Superior Court Judge Jeanne Nadel filed a June 2 judgement last week that local landowner John Meyer, as the "prevailing party" in his legal battle with Mendocino Railway, is entitled to attorneys' fees and court costs.

Mendocino Railway, owner of the California Western Railroad, aka the Skunk Train, filed a lawsuit in August 2022 seeking "to

Read the rest of Lawsuit Over on Page 11

Free summer meals for all kids

A healthy breakfast and lunch are provided FREE over the summer at the Blosser Lane Cafeteria to all children 0 to 18 years old. The free meals are offered by Willits Unified School District, to all kids. enrolled in WUSD or not, regardless of income.

Meals are available Monday through Friday, starting Tuesday, June 13, through Friday, August 11 at Blosser Lane Elementary School, 1275 Blosser Lane.

Read the rest of Meeting Over on Page 11

CalRTA recognizes WHS teachers

By Ed TePas for CalRTA

At the May 23 WHS staff meeting, five members of the local Division 55 of the California Retired Teachers Association awarded the longest-employed special ed teacher Scot Lamon, and the newest-employed construction teacher Ken Pedersen, with a \$20 gift card to our local J. D. Redhouse Mercantile.

Then a drawing was held for a \$100 appreciation award which history teacher Jeff Ivy won. Allen Garcia, former vocal music teacher with the WHS auditorium named for him, presented the award.

CalRTA was founded to protect teacher pensions over 50 years ago. Anyone can join CaIRTA to support

Read the rest of CalRTA Over on Page 11





Joshua Pacheco

Breakfast is available from 8 to 9 am. Lunch is available from 11 am to 12 pm (either a hot lunch on site, or a cold meal to go).

Please call the Blosser Lane Cafeteria with any questions you may have at 707-459-3232, ext. 1315, or the WUSD Food Director at 707-459-7700 ext. 1554.

Accident briefly closes 101 Monday night

Submitted by CHP, Garberville

On Monday, June 5, at approximately 10:40 pm, a driver of a Chevy truck was traveling northbound on US-101 south of Underpass Road when it became disabled in the #2 lane of US-101.

The driver and the passenger of the truck exited the Chevy and were standing nearby when a Ford Transit van traveling in the #2 lane on US-101 south of Underpass Road crashed into the rear of the disabled Chevy. The force of the impact moved the Chevy forward, where it struck the person who was previously driving the Chevy.

The Chevy then Read the rest of Accident Over on Page 11

La Vida Charter School **12th Grade Graduates**

Congratulations to the 2023 graduating class from La Vida Charter School, including, from left: Cheyenne Browning, teacher Jason Hodges, Hannah Jones, Caden Mullins, Riley Haselswerdt, Deja DeFazio, and Rebecca Cudney. Not pictured: Everett Carlson and Marwa Habbalf.



What do YOU think?

Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from our readers

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Thank you To the Editor: The Willits Grateful Gleaners were so excited to see the wonderful community of Willits come out in numbers for our fundraising plant sale on May 21. Thank you for	Goldner and Marc Komer, Anne and Monte VanderHorck, Karen Gridley and Wolfgang Ronnefeldt. And to those who spent an afternoon digging up plants in a garden on Muir Mill Road: Kimbal Dodge, Dianne Carter, Candice Clayton, and Carol Cox.	that was filled by Barbara Willens, Anne VanderHorck, and Carol Cox. Our youngest volunteer, Degan Dykes, made sure drying plants got watered and also did heavy lifting for customers and Gleaners alike. Many thanks for your help.				
spending money locally for food sustainability. Of course the numbers of	Special thanks to Kimbal Dodge and Mike Adams and the Willits Grange for the loan and delivery	Proceeds from this successful sale will be distributed in the form of small grants to farmers who				
customers wouldn't have been possible without the means of	of tables for the sale. In addition to the Gleaners, many	grow food for our local communit				
reaching an audience via our community newspaper, so we especially want to thank the Willits Weekly and their staff.	gardeners contributed plants to the sale from their gardens, including Marisela de Santa Ana, Tam Adams, Karen Gridley, Anne	Applications for thes grants (or a nomination of deserving farmer or gardene can be made to the Willing				
Thanks to the volunteer haulers and drivers who moved 300 plants from Exley Lane to the Gleaners garage on Tuttle Lane. These	VanderHorck, Candice Clayton, Commonwealth Gardens, Golden Rule Gardens CSA, Michael Foley, and unnamed others who	Grateful Gleaners by emailing gratefulgleanersofwillits@gmail. com or by leaving a message on our voice mail, 707-367-7391.				
included Earline Dykes, Orion Dykes and Degan Dykes, Robin	deserve our thanks. Cashiers play an important role	The Gleaners Coordinating Team, Willits				
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June 2025 upuale By Supervisor John Haschak

Frontier Days is coming soon. This is a cherished tradition

in the community. Preservation of the history of our county is the role of the Mendocino County Museum. We are fortunate to have the Museum, Roots of Motive Power, and other historical societies in Mendocino County. Connecting the past to the present and into the future benefits all of us in many ways. The Museum will be open on July 4, and on July 1 there will be lots of interesting and entertaining activities at the Museum as part of the East Commercial Street Art Walk.

The county budget will be balanced by the time you read this. That is the good news. The bad news is that about \$7 million of one-time-only monies have been used to balance it. This is not good when ongoing costs have been rising due to inflation while revenue has been down or flat. Proposals to increase revenues (collect all property taxes, short-term rental taxes, increase transient occupancy taxes, etc.) as well as cutting costs (decreasing existing contracts with outside consultants, reducing health-care costs, eliminating positions) are on the table

Cannabis revenues are coming in higher than expected. Some of the changes we have made are benefitting the county and cultivators. The county continues to work well with the state in creating a workable program and pathways to annual licensure.

After being inundated with rain and snow this winter, summer is right around the corner. I am waiting for the County Counsel's Office to bring forth the water hauling and extraction for commercial purposes draft ordinance. This will go to the Planning Commission for review. Another item is

Submitted by Avenues to Wellness

Avenues to Wellness presents: "Become a Hospice Volunteer" by Deane'a Jessup, Adventist Health Hospice Services volunteer coordinator, on Tuesday, June 20, 6 to 7 pm. Willits Center for the Arts. 71 East Commercial Street. FREE to the public, donations appreciated

Adventist Health Hospice Services understands that being on Hospice Services can be one of the most difficult transitions a person and family can make. Hospice services focuses on whole person care, supporting the patient and family with their care team, and volunteers. Volunteers provide patients and families with a deep sense of compassion and dedication by offering time, emotional support, resources, and peace of mind. Volunteers may continue to support families after the patient has passed in the Hospice bereavement program. Being a Hospice volunteer is a rich and rewarding experience. Please join Deadline extended for federal

storm assistance

Submitted by Cal OES	deadline by 45 days/
June 6 – Supporting	Applicants may register in
California communities	the following ways:
impacted by the February	Go online to
and March severe storms, the	DisasterAssistance.gov.
California Governor's Office	Download the FEMA Mobile
of Emergency Services has	Арр
requested from the federal	Call 800-621-3362 (TTY:
government and received an extension for Californians to	800-462-7585) between 7 am
apply for federal assistance.	to 8 pm PST, seven days a
California families now have	week.
until Thursday, July 20, 2023	Survivors may also visit
to apply for federal aid. Those	a disaster recovery center,
eligible include residents and	where they can receive help
business owners who were	from local, state and federal agencies in person. Learn
affected by the February	more: : https://wp.me/pd8T7h-
and March storms under the	8er
Presidential Major Disaster Declaration.	For additional information
	regarding assistance, click the
Those in the following affected counties can still	links below:
apply: Butte, Kern, Madera,	February and March storms:
Mariposa, Mendocino, Mono,	https://wp.me/pd8T7h-82o
Monterey, San Benito, San	What individuals can expect
Bernardino, Santa Cruz,	after registering for federal
Tulare, and Tuolumne counties.	assistance: https://wp.me/
Previously, Californians	pd8T7h-83L
had until June 5 to register	What business owners can
for federal aid, but at Cal	expect after registering for
OES' request, the federal	federal assistance: https://
government extended the	wp.me/pd8T7h-84f

Senior Center menu for the week

Willits Senior Center is	for Sunday, June 11. Menu:
serving lunch in its indoor	Pancakes, Bacon or Sausage,
dining room, and continues	Eggs any style, Grandma's
to serve drive-through and	Biscuits, Country Sausage
walk-up lunches, too. Lunch	Gravy, Peets Coffee, tea,
is available Monday through	milk or juice. Complimentary
Friday, from 12 to 12:45 pm,	Bloody Mary for 21+ w/
inside and outside the Senior	purchase of breakfast. \$10
Center, 1501 Baechtel Road.	adults; \$9 seniors; \$6 kids
Price is \$7.	under 8.
Thursday, June 8: Sausage Cabbage Casserole, Green Salad, Roll Friday, June 9: Ground Beef Tacos, Rice, Beans	Meals on Wheels: The Senior Center Meals on Wheels program delivers lunch Monday through Friday. To sign up call Deb at 459- 6826, who can help fill out
Monday, June 12:	the application form. Call 459-
Cheeseburger, Pickle, Chili	6826 the day before needed to
Tuesday, June 13: French Dip, Green Salad	schedule home meal delivery. Delivered throughout Willits.
Wednesday, June 14: Teriyaki	Transportation for seniors:
Chicken Stir Fry	Call 459-5556 to schedule.
Thursday, June 15: Sausage Rotini Casserole, Green Salad, Garlic Bread	Pick up and drop off for grocery shopping, banking, doctors' appointments. Senior Center Thrift Shop: 459-2176
Friday, June 16: Ground	The Senior Center is in need
Sirloin, Mashed Potatoes w/	of volunteers to help with the
Gravy, Veggie, Roll	many activities here at the



Above, from left: Train Singer Schindel loves to make the kids smile with his music. Train Singer Greg Schindel entertains with a song. Monte Vander Horck takes a quiet moment to watch the land go by Below, left: Greg Schindel, the Train Singer, leads the riders in a rousing rendition of "Happy Birthday." Below, right: Greg Schindel holds up a picture of himself, pre "Train Singer."



Train Singer

Skunk Train hosts benefit ride to raise money for Greg Schindel's cancer treatments

In each community, there can be found, people who have become, through the sheer weight of their character, talents and effect on others, a part of the ethos, identity and personality of that community.

Little Lake Valley has several of these exceptional individuals. One of the better known and best loved is a

man who has become synonymous with the iconic Skunk Train, one Mathew Caine eatures Write nathew@willitsweekly.com local attractions in Willits

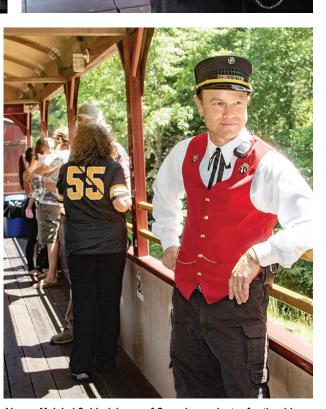
Greg Schindel, better known to many as the Train Singer, is one of these humans who defines Willits in a unique and still been hitting it out of the ballpark. In many ways, this is dynamic manner, spinning songs and tales from his robust medicine for him. I hope this is part of the cure that is going catalog of memories and experiences, and who infuses to kick this cancer in the butt. He just glows when he's on each performance with his infectious positive attitude.

On Saturday, June 3, friends and admirers, and some

"We'll be hosting a train," explained Pinoli, "that will hopefully give several thousand dollars back to him for his medical treatment. It's the least we could do. Saturday is going to be a train ride through the redwoods.

"It's his stage, as it has been for decades," continued Pinoli. "He has received countless invitations to perform at other railroads in other venues. Early on, Greg said 'nope. If you want to see the Train Singer, you'll have to come to of the most identifiable tourist and California Western Skunk Train.' That is his stage.

> "He has kept working and riding since he began treatment," Pinoli said. "He has to pace himself but he has the train. He just has this big smile. His being on the train, surrounded by so many who care about him, who get to



Above: Malakai Schindel, son of Greg, is conductor for the ride.

maps with areas of rivers, creeks, and streams and wetlands.	L	Hospice volunteer.	night, 5 to 7 pm. Exercise	center, including volunteer Meals on Wheels drivers.
What has been missing is guidance of appropriate setbacks	L	Avenues to Wellness is a program	class every weekday morning	"Volunteers are one-third of
from waterways. Even though we have water in abundance	L	of the Frank R. Howard Foundation.	from 9 to 10 am.	our workforce, which allows us
right now, we have to be prepared for the next drought.	L	Visit www.avenuestowellness.org	Pancake Breakfast: every	to offer many services to our
My monthly table talk is on Thursday, June 8, at 10 am	L	to view video archives of previous		members and community." To
at Brickhouse Coffee in Willits. Please reach out to me at	L	talks. For more information call:		learn more about volunteering:
haschakj@mendocinocounty.org or 707-972-4214.	L	707-456-9676.	pancake breakfast is set	459-6826.

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Mobile Herbal Wellness Clinic in June

Submitted by Mendocino Community Wellness Collective

The Mendocino Community Wellness Collective and the Mendocino County Herb Guild are pleased to announce the June schedule of our Mobile Herbal Wellness Clinic. The clinic will be offering free and donation-based herbal remedies and products, health education and herbal consultations. The mobile clinic will be staffed with a rotation of community herbalists, nurses, and other health care practitioners.

This month the mobile clinic will be in the parking lot of St. Francis in the Redwoods Episcopal Church at the corner of Commercial and Main streets. in Willits on Wednesdays, June 14 and June 21 from 3 to 6pm. We will be at the Willits Food Bank on Friday, June 30 from 1 to 4 pm.

We are eager to move the Mobile Wellness Clinic to a wide range of locations in our county such as public libraries, schools, youth centers, senior centers, public gatherings, and events. Please contact us at mendocwc@ gmail.com if you are interested in hosting the Mobile Herbal Wellness Clinic or volunteering with us.

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out-of-town tourists, embarked on a special Skunk Train with the aim of supporting this Willits icon in his battle against recently diagnosed stage-four cancer and helping with its costly treatments.

Schindel has been blessed with many good friends in town who have rallied to his side in order to make his future a little easier, whatever happens with the course of the disease, and to show their love and respect for the man which has touched so many with his wit, his voice, and his humanity.

"Greg is a person who is larger than life," said Robert Pinoli, president and CEO of Mendocino Railway, which operates the Skunk Train. "His personality, his spirit. He has given so much, not only to the millions of passengers for whom he has performed over the years, but he has given so much to the community in terms of his talent and his dedication.



ride with him and watch him do his thing, should be pretty spectacular.'

It was pretty spectacular. Schindel began to sing at the station, as soon as he had one or more people to listen. His repertoire of train songs seemed endless. The day was perfect. The blue sky and warm temperature made riding in the open-air car the place to be, watching the scenery chug past the train as it wended its way up the 16-mile trip. The train headed to the Crowley stop where people could disembark, stretch their legs, explore, and play games while the engine was re-attached to the other end of the train for the trip back.

Not only did the Train Singer entertain, but he also was an inspiration. Although he describes his current medical life as "being

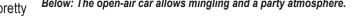
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Willits Weekly's **Puzzle Page**

Sudoku, Word Search & Crossword

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May 15 to May 21 By Danya Davis, Willits Weekly

The officers of the Willits Police May 20 Department handled 94 incidents in this

7-day reporting period.

May 15

a citation

Main Street.

citation.

May 16

Summary of Active Investigations

and Arrests

5:09 pm: Officers conducted a stop in

5:40 pm: Officers responded to a report

of vandalism in the 1500 block of South

9:11 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the

1100 block of Locust Street and issued a

the 500 block of Della Avenue and issued

12:21 am: VALADOR, Monique Marie (33) of Fort Bragg was contacted in the 100 block of Marcela Drive. She was arrested pursuant to 14601 VC (Driving with a Suspended License) and 11364 HS (Possession of Drug Paraphernalia).

12:21 am: FRANCE, Christopher Sean (26) of Willits was contacted in the 100 block of Marcela Drive. He was arrested pursuant to 11350 HS (Possession of a Controlled Substance) and 11377 HS (Possession of Methamphetamine).

2:38 am: SIMONTON, Kyle Louis (27) of Willits was contacted in the 800 block of South Main Street. He was arrested pursuant to 23152 VC (Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol) and on misdemeanor charges of driving with a blood alcohol content of 0.08 percent or higher.

3:05 am: ROSATI, Jonathon Peter (40) of Laytonville was contacted near the intersection of Bonnie Lane and Sandy Avenue. He was arrested pursuant to 23152 VC (Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol) and on misdemeanor charges of driving with a blood alcohol content of 0.08 percent or higher.

4:17 am: RAMIREZHURTADO, Eduardo Rene (27) of Willits was contacted in 1700 block of South Main Street. He was arrested on felony charges of false imprisonment and misdemeanor charges of domestic battery, willful cruelty to a child, and damaging a wireless communication device

7:24 am: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity near the intersection of East Commercial Street and North Lenore Avenue.

12:38 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Hazel Street.

3:34 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 100 block of East Commercial Street and issued a citation.

May 21

11:04 am: Officers responded to a report 10:35 am: Officers initiated a theft of trespassing in the 1200 block of Locust nvestigation in the 100 block of East Commercial Street. Street.

8:14 pm: Officers responded to a 1:05 pm: Officers initiated a fraud investigation in the 800 block of South Main disturbance in the 200 block of East Valley Street.

Continuing on from 8th Grade to High School

Sherwood **School**



Mason Bentz Brian Bowles



La Vida **Charter School**

Natarah Meuniot Xavier Pentico-Rodriguez Rainya Siebel Lono Sorensen



LA VIDA CHARTER SCHOOL La, Vida Means Life!

> Congrats to our 8th grade students continuing on next year!



Above: 2023 Graduate Alana Smith smiles with Wayfinder Senior Students case manager, Gabe Diaz.

Congratulations **Alana Smith**

Recently Alana completed her second year of the Fresno State University portion of her Wayfinders program and walked the stage to receiver her certificate. June 30 will be her last day of Wayfinders, which has been an awesome two-year program. We are so proud of you Alana! – Mom and Dad

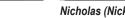
Willits Charter School





Nicholas (Nick) Cramer

Nathaniel (Nate) Herreshoff











Photos by Maureen Jennison

Amelia Franco

Cyrus Gray



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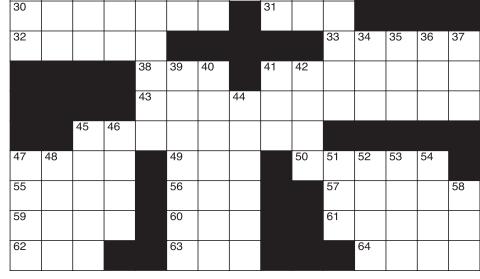






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Antiphospholipid Antibody Syndrome Day,

And Spices Day, National Iced Tea Day,

Gin Day, Worldwide Knit In Public Day,

World Aps Day, Writers' Rights Day

National Ehs Awareness Day

Day, Cousteau Day, Say Hi Day

Street.

Looking for something to celebrate?

Learn more about these, or see a list of other days at https://www.listofnationaldays.com/

June 8th: National Best Friends Day, June 12th: National Jerky Day, National Loving Day, National Peanut Butter Cookie National Name Your Poison Day, National Upsy Daisy Day, World Oceans Day, Global Day, National Red Rose Day, International Hip-Hop Day, Betty Picnic Day, Jelly-Adobo Day, National Children's Day -Second Sunday Of June, Superman Day, Filled Doughnut Day, National Caribbean Crowded Nest Awareness Day, Ghost In American Hiv/Aids Awareness Day, homas The Machine Day, International Cachaca Paine Day, World Brain Tumor Day Day, International Falafel Day, Little League June 9th: National Earl Day, National Girls Baseball Day, National Automotive Donald Duck Day, Day Of Reciprocation, Service Professionals Day, National Button Wine And Dine Day, National Strawberry Battery Awareness Day, Raggedy Ann And Rhubarb Pie Day, Coral Triangle Day, Andy Day, Women Veterans Day, World Filipino-Chinese Friendship Day, Day Against Child Labor International Dark 'N Stormy Day, National June 13th: National Kitchen Klutzes Of Meal Prep Day, National No Apologies

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National Bae Day, National Bed Bug June 14th: National Bourbon Day, National Prevention Day, National Egg Roll Day, Flag Day, International Bath Day, National Pop Goes The Weasel Day, National June 11th: National Making Life Beautiful Strawberry Shortcake Day, World Blood

Day, National Corn On The Cob Day, Donor Day, Army's Birthday, Family History National German Chocolate Cake Day, Day, Monkey Around Day, Own Your Share Yarn Bombing Day, King Kamehameha Of America Day, Pause For The Pledge Day





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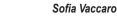


'Can I go Swimming Tomorrow. Right Now??" ~ Shaun, 3 yrs

"Okay Shauny..it's Time! You can go Swimming Now!!" Dad and Mama

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Maggie Valentine

Thursday, June 8 Haschak Table Talk at Brickhouse: Third District Supervisor John Haschak's monthly table talk is set for Thursday, June 8, at 10 am at Brickhouse Coffee, 3 South Main Street

> Willits Farmers Market: The weekly Farmers Market outdoors for the season on Main Street at the old Rexall parking lot. The freshest local produce, local meat, farm fresh eggs, delicious meals, tasty treats, live music, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more. Enjoy "Tobin's Tales" story time from 3:30 to 4 pm.

Friday, June 9

HILLIPIER UP HUMBHER Est. 1926 June WCA Art Talk: Willits Center for the Art's talk this month features guest speaker Jennifer Rycenga on "Spectacular Hidden Gems: A Cornucopia of Little-Known American Women Artists." Friday, June 9 at 6:30 pm at WCA, 71 East Commercial Street. Info: www.willitscenterforthearts.org

"Hymn to Her" at WCT: second weekend for this locally written production about the evolution of love and romance over the past 400 years in America, written by Mike A'Dair. Willits Community Theatre Playhouse, 37 West Van Lane. The show is comprised of seven one-act plays set in a sequence of various locations and times between 1640 and 2017; directed two each by Jeff Shipp, Elk McCarthy and Garrett

Moore, with one play directed by playwright A'Dair. Friday and Saturday at 7:30 pm, and closing matinee Shanachie: "Serafima sings on Sunday at 2 pm. \$20; tickets are available at about the experience of a wctperformingsartscenter.org, and at the door. modern day woman in all

Saturday, June 10

Thrift Shop Parking Lot Sale: Senior Center Thrift Shop holds a Parking



available. 1501 Baechtel PARKING LOT SALE Road. Info: 459-6826 THIS SATURDAY **JUNE 10^T** Summer FROM 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

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musician and scientist 459-6826 Don O'Brien, offering

Ongoing Events

Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Group: Meets every week on Mondays, 6:30 pm, at the Muse in Willits, 30 East San Francisco Street. More info: 707-354-1866.

Willits Drum Circle: Every second and fourth Fridays at 7 pm. At St. Francis of the Redwoods Episcopal Church, Main and Commercial 7pm, Info: Bill Bruneau:

459-3390.

What's Happening Around Town

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Herb Guild's Mobile Clinic

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Wednesdays, June 14

and June 21 from 3 to 6

pm at the parking lot of St.

Francis in the Redwoods

Episcopal Church at the

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Meeting to Support the Museum in Willits:

Friends of the Mendocino County Museum

invites the public to a community gathering of Friends

and community members interested in supporting the

Mendocino County Museum in Willits. Thursday, June

15 at 5:30 pm at the Museum, 400 East Commercial

Street. Meet board members, check out the Museum

project of Washington state native Spancer Sult

Commercial Street. Info: 707-459-5908.

Thursday, June 15

story time from 3:30 to 4 pm.

or at Firehouse on June 17th 2023

"Extreme Science Magic," his seemingly magical Mobile Herbal Wellness fast-moving and interactive science experiments. Clinic at St. Francis: The Saturday, June 10, 10 to 10:45 am. Willits Library, 390 Mendocino Community East Commercial Street, Info: 707-459-5908. Wellness Collective and

'Hymn to Her" at WCT: Seven one-act plays at the Villits Community Theatre about the evolution of love and romance over the past 400 years in America, written by Mike A'Dair. Saturday, June 10 at 7:30 pm. \$20. See Friday, June 9 listing for details.

Sunday, June 11

Senior Center Pancake Breakfast: every second Sunday, 8 to 11 am; at the Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road. Sunday, June 11 this month, celebrating Fathers Day. Menu: Pancakes, Bacon or Sausage, Eggs any style, Grandma's Biscuits, Country Sausage Gravy, Peets Coffee, tea, milk or

juice. Complimentary Bloody Mary for 31+ with from 1 to 4 pm. Staffed with purchase of breakfast. \$10 adults; \$9 seniors; a rotation of community \$6 kids under 8. Info: herbalists, nurses, and other health care practitioners.

Info: mendocwc@gmail.com "Hymn to Her" at WCT: Seven one-act plays at the Willits Community Theatre about the 'Bigfoot: Fact or Fiction?": part of the Paranormal evolution of love and romance over the past Discussions series at the Library, Wednesday, June 400 years in America, written by Mike A'Dair. 14, 5:30 to 6:45 pm. "Join us as we discuss the origins, Closing show today: Sunday, June 11 matinee history, sightings, and stories surrounding this North at 2 pm. \$20. See Friday, June 9 listing for American "cryptid." Fact or Fiction? It guarantees to



its sparkle and grit With an unbridled love for artists like the Grateful Dead and

Loretta Lynn, Serafima and Lot Sale, Saturday, June the Shakedowns bring a lil sass to the country western 10, 9 am to 1 pm. Lots world." Tuesday, June 13 at 8 pm, Shanachie Pub, 50 of clothing and furniture South Main Street.

Wednesday, June 14

exhibit area, meet Mendocino County Supervisor John Reading Living Jukebox at Brickhouse: Richard "Tootreese" Haschak, share delicious food and drink, and learn Kickoff at the Library: Jeske and Don Willis are the Living Jukebox, covering about Friends activities. Celebrate the beginning songs you might know, from rock to country to R&B and Summer more. Wednesday June 14, 12 to 2 pm, at Brickhouse Friday, June 16 Reading Program with Coffee, 3 South Main Street. Guitar, bass, and vocal Generifus at Shanachie: Generifus is the music

harmonies, and you can request a song from their list!

Summer Solstice Farmers Convergence, June 20

Join fellow farmers and farm supporters for a day of learning, networking, visioning and relaxing (swimming, yoga) at Ridgewood Ranch, Tuesday, June 20, from 8:30 am to 4 pm. Tickets: \$10, includes breakfast snacks and a hearty lunch. Sliding scale, everyone welcome. Hosted by NCO's Mendo Lake Food Hub, Good Farm Fund and Farm to School, School of Adaptive Agriculture, Golden Rule Community, Mendocino County Food Policy Council, and Blue Zones Project - Mendocinc County. If interested in volunteering on the day of the event or the day before, please email or call/text Lucy: lucy.bartholomew@ sharecare.com or (949) 306-5454 "We ask that everyone register, whether with a paid ticket or free" (sponsored) ticket to plan for lunch. Register here: https://ncoinc.networkforgood. com/events/57544-farmers-convergence



who's released 20 around LPs, Eps and compilations 2005. since

Friday, June 16 at 8 pm, Shanachie Pub. 50 South Main Street.

Saturday, June 17 Tech Help at the Library: "Is your computer on the fritz? Can't figure out how to open your email? Want to install a new app on your

system? Bring your questions here to get help from our tech savvy volunteer." Saturday, June 17, 11 am to 12 noon. Willits Library, 390 melodic, East Commercial Street. Info: 707-459-5908

95th Annual Association Open House and **BBQ Fundraiser:** Your Willits area Street. volunteer firefighters invite you to their 2023 fundraiser, Saturday,

June 17 from 12 noon to 8 pm at the Little Lake Fire Protection District Station 54, 74 East Commercial Street. This year's event features the 2nd annual Cornhole Tournament, bounce houses, rides on fire vehicles, and tours of the fire station. The raffle tickets are \$10 each, with a chance to win great prizes from local businesses, including the grand prize: a handbuilt redwood picnic table. Firefighters are also offering a fundraiser dinner at the Open House event, 4 to 8 pm, Barbecued Chicken Quarter, Salad, and Garlic Bread for \$20. All proceeds from this once-a-year fundraiser go to fund vital activities for the Firefighters Association, including providing the most current training and education to the Little Lake Fire volunteer

Little League Allstars Playoffs: Willits Redwood Little League presents Allstars Playoffs, Saturday, June 17, at Loflin Fields, 600 East

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follow.

Commercial Street. Free to watch. DIRTY Minors Allstars at 10 am; Majors Allstars at 3 pm. Pulled Pork BBQ CELLO available from 11 am to dusk. Snack in the WCA great room Shack, free parking. Movie Night at dark at the Gallups-Seaton Field to

Dirty Cello at WCA: Willits Center for the Arts presents Dirty Cello Saturday June 17 for an afternoon fundraiser concert in the beautiful Great Room at 2 pm. Wine and nibbles will be available for sale. "Cello like you've OR AT DOOR DAY OF SHOW never heard before.... An energetic

show described as 'funky, carnival, romantic, sexy, tangled, electric, fiercely rhythmic, textured, and only occasionally classical." Tickets, \$20, benefit the WCA; available online at willitcenterforthearts.org or at the door. WCA is located at 71 East Commercial Street. Info: 707-459-1726. Winterlark at Shanachie: San Francisco Bay Area

singer-songwriters Kristin Olson, upright bass, and Sweeney

guitar, Schragg, bring "urban folk musicality that literate blends lyrics; bossa nova and soul rhythms; and the harmonic, improvisatory traditions of jazz. Saturday, June 17 Firefighters



June 18

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JUNE 17 2PM

may drop in!"

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#3 'Building Community' Event: Celebrate Summer, Celebrate Willits at the third "Building Community" meeting, Sunday, June 18 at 4 pm, at Willits Methodist Church, Pine and School streets. Free. All are welcome! Review progress and next steps on Housing, Health, Local Food and more. Help build the resilience of our community. Hosted by WELL. Info: janemccabe1944@ gmail.com or mstrong@willitsonline.com.

Shanachie Pub

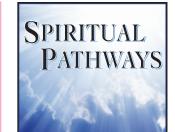
Ongoing Events Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street

> Saturday Scramble: Every 2nd and 4th Saturday from 3 to 6 pm, hosted by Tyler B. Bring any instrument you can play and sign up to perform a 15-minute set with other local musicians. "Meet new musicians, discover new genres and explore your creativity!"

Tyler Grass & The Sherwood Mountain Boys: Held first and third Thursday evenings of the month, June 15 at 7 pm,. "Come check out some of our favorite locals playing bluegrass & more!"

25 Hazel Street, Willits Bluegrass String Jam: Every 1st Modified Worship Service and 3rd Saturday of the month starting at 3 pm welcomes all Bluegrass musicians! An official jam Other ministries suspended for the California Bluegrass Association, "so you For appointments call: never know which members from out of the area





Bible Church 290 S. Lenore Ave. Willits, CA 95490 Where love is first and the Bible is central. Sunday Services: 10:00 a.m. - Worship Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.r. Info? 707-459-1905

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803 Coast Street P.O. Box 489, Willits Worship Service - 5:00 p.m. Pastor Kris Strickland EVERYBODY IS WELCOME

> Church of Christ What must we do to be saved?

Acts 2:37 1095 S. Main St., Willits (next to Super 8) (707) 459-5023 Sunday Bible Study-10:00 a.m Sunday Worship-11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Service-6-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study-7-8:00 p.m. The Church of **Jesus Christ of** Latter-day Saints 265 Margie Drive Willits, ČA 95490

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most probably destroy the lives of all the Spideys in the multiple dimensions called the "Multiverse." But we won't find that out until the end of the flick - then we have to wait for Part Two to be released.

My Thoughts: A movie in the tradition of "Everything Everywhere All at Once," but animated. First a squishy apology. I'm only a little bit sorry for the plot spoiler in the above paragraph. I promise, my wee spoiler won't spoil your enjoyment - because this flick is simultaneously

a huge tangle plotwise and mind-blowing graphically. It is visually kaleidoscopic. The action is explosive. The imagery blasts the movie screen. Huge buildings topple. It's all pretty breathtaking. And Spidey is still a teenager, no one understands him, and he's in love with guess who, but she seems to be beyond his reach.

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The Story: Adventures in the Marvel Multiverse(s)

Miles Morales, the Latino Spider-Man from 2018's

"Into the Spider-Verse" confronts and battles a

(perhaps-infinite?) variety of super powered Spideys

in a (perhaps-infinite?)

variety of Earths.

Miles needs to save

his father from death.

but by doing so, he

will threaten All and

Everything that Is – and

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Note: Rabid Spider-Man fans might recognize and remember all the Spidey characters from past films. I didn't. That wasn't a bother for me.

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JUNE 2

Parents: It's too noisy and too chaotic for the little ones. 10 and up seems about right, unless your 8-year-old is a Spider-Man savant. Which is possible. In that case: Bring 'em.

Willitsian Daniel Essman prefers his reality attenuated by the wisdom of the imagination.

Next Week:

THE FLASH

Brown Bag Lunch Program: Sack lunches served at the City Park (or across the street in case of rain) every Saturday from 1 to 2 pm. Come early to be assured a lunch! Provided by various churches and community organizations.

Shuffleboard Sunday at Flying Dog Wood Fired Pizza & Vinyl: "Sign-ups start at 4 pm. Game starts at 4:45 pm. \$5 sign-up fee, teams of two, winner takes the pot! We'll have the games on all day. Beer, wine, pizza, we've got everything you need!" Flying Dog Wood Pizza, 65 South Main Street.

The Redwood Empire Food Bank: Twice-monthly drive-thru food distribution in Willits, second and fourth Thursdays of the month, located in the parking lot of the soccer and baseball fields, 9:30 to 11 am. Groceries to go, senior basket (for low-income seniors 60 or older). and diapers.

"Garraoke" at Diggers Bar: Karaoke night the second and fourth Friday of every month, with host and DJ Garrett Moore. "From 8 pm to midnight, then get down until closing!" Diggers Bar, 244 South Main Street.

Willits Boules Club, Tuesdays and Fridays at 1 pm: The outdoor boules course is located across the street from the Willits Skate Park. Info: bbruneau@bbruneau. com.

Free Kids Karate Classes at Body Works Gym: Sheriff's Youth Activities League offers a free karate program for kids at the Willits Body Works Gym, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 pm. Beginner to intermediate group, youth 7 years old and above. There is an annual \$20 SAL insurance/registration fee (waivable). For more info call or text Mike Tobin Sensei at 354-0565. Body Works Gym, 1511 South Main Street.

(PG) 2 hrs 15 mins

Fri.:

4:00 & 7:00pm

Sat.-Thurs.:

1:00, 4:00 & 7:00pm

TRANSFORMERS:

Movie Times for June 9 thru June 15

(PG13) 2 hrs 7 mins

Fri.:

5:00 & 8:00pm

Sat.-Thurs.:

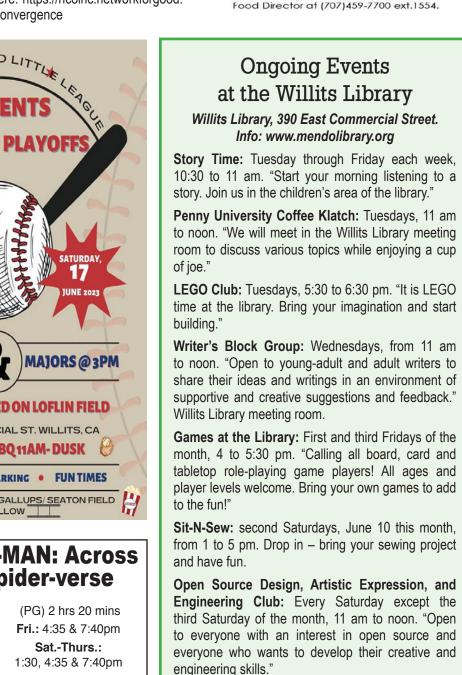
2:00, 5:00 & 8:00pm



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Spinning & Knitting: Every Saturday at the library from 1 to 4:30 pm. "All skill levels welcome! Spinning circle 1 to 2 pm, Knitting circle 2 to 4:30 pm."

A healthy breakfast and lunch are provided FREE to children 0-18 years old, enrolled in WUSD or not, regardless of income. Available Monday-Friday, June 13, 2023 through August 11, 2023, at Blosser Lane Elementary School. • Breakfast 8:00am-9:00am • Lunch 11:00am-12:00pm "Hot lunch on site or a cold meal to go"	donate your new/used art and craft supplies to benefit the WCA! 71 E. Commercial St next to Noyo Theatre YART SALE	E. COMMERCIA E. COMMERCIA FIRSTSA FIRSTSA 5:30 - E JULY1 INVENTOR TAKEOVER ADECSING AF
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Time: Tuesday through Friday each week, to 11 am. "Start your morning listening to a Join us in the children's area of the library."	Sunday, June 11, 2023 8 A.M. TO 11 A.M.	Become a Hos Volunteer
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Meet the Sweetheart

Willits Frontier Days welcomes 2023 candidate for crown Hazel Cooke

16-year-old Hazel Cook will be selling tickets and showcasing her riding, speaking, and modeling skills to the weekend of June 3 and 4. On become the 2023 Willits Frontier Days Sweetheart.

A junior at Willits High School, Cooke enjoys riding her 9-year-old, blue roan horse, Saige, competing in barrel and pole events at local rodeos. When not on horseback, she enjoys playing volleyball and basketball and plans to attend nursing school in the future.

"I am running for Sweetheart because it's something I've always wanted to do, and I want to carry on the tradition," explained Cooke. "I will be in town all of June and can meet anytime anywhere for tickets to this year's upcoming events.'

Contact Cooke at 707-354-0985.

– Maureen Jennison







Above, left: Young and more mature riders compete against each other in most of the events. Above, right, top: The Stick Horse Race is silly and that is the point. Above, right, below: A contestant rounds the last pole and heads for home. Below: Teams compete in the



Play Day

Grilling, roping and racing at Willits Horsemen's Association annual gymkhana and barbecue

There was much going on at the All Around Cowgirl Senior Willits Horsemen's Association arena **Bethany Grieve** Saturday, the

All Around Cowboy Senior Mark Lucchetti **All Around Cowgirl Junior** Alexandra Hundley All Around Cowboy Junior

Anthony Lucchetti Breakaway: 1st place: Taylyn Arteaga; 2nd place: Alexandra Hundlev

During the time of the barbecue, Team Roping: 1st place: Mark Lucchetti and Fred Niesen; 2nd Paul and Bonnie Riley staged a place: Shenna Gayski and Lori cornhole tournament to raise money Niesen for the association along with a

supplemental contest utilizing a skinny Steer Daubing: 1st place: Bethey cornhole board and a limited number of Grieve; 2nd place: Kathryn Grieve throws. Eight teams of two paid \$100 Barrel Racing: 1st place: Pam to compete in the double-elimination lvicevek; 2nd place: Shenna Gayski Goat Tying: 1st place: Kaylee At the end of the contest, organizer Wilson; 2nd place: Alexandra

Paul Riley and his partner Steven Hundley Spackman had bested all the other Hide Race: 1st place: Nicole Kunke;

2nd place: Meghan Lopez

to the horse and the cattle. You have to 'dally' and stop the steer.

"They're going to do a Hide Race, which is where somebody will jump on a hide being pulled by another rider. Then they'll do the Boot Scootin' Boogie where they take the kids' boots, they mismatch them and distribute them everywhere and they have to run and find their boots, put them back on, and run back," Arteaga said.

Several of the contests would not be found in regular rodeo settings. The Hide Race is one such contest. There were two competitors for this event. The horse and rider got a running start and at a certain point, the hide rider (small and light) hopped on for a short ride to the finish line. It was a bit difficult to see with the great amount of dust thrown up by the horse and hides.

The Boot Scootin' Boogie featured a bunch of cute kids running to find their shoes and racing back to the finish line. The Steer Stopping: 1st place: Bethany Stick Horse Race was an exercise Grieve: 2nd place: Mark Luchetti in extreme silliness with the Pole Bending: 1st place: Alexandra contestants racing a course with a kid's stick horse between their legs. Silly but very entertaining. Willits Horsemen's Play Day, which has been an annual event for many, many years, is a great chance for these longtime friends with mutual equestrian interests to get together, see some old friends, and enjoy good times together. "This thing started out years ago but they began using the rodeo

LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER **ESTATE OF: Galen Hathaway,** aka Galen R. Hathaway. Decedent

Case No. 23PR00080

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: GALEN HATHAWAY, aka GALEN R. HATHAWAY

2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Steven P. Hathaway in the Superior Court of California County of: Mendocino 3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Steven P.

Hathaway be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent

4. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, If any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. 5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an Interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Date: June 15, 2023, Time: 2:00 p.m. Dept: TM Address of Court: 700 So. Franklin St., Ft. Bragg, CA 95437

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

8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first Issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

9. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

10. Attorney for petitioner: Christopher J. Neary (#69220)/ Jennifer M. O'Brien (#278821), Neary and O'Brien, 110 So. Main St., Ste C, Willits CA 95490. Telephone: 707-459-5551 Publication Dates: May 25, June 1, June 8, 2023

WW440 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF Karen Lorene Thrilkill, aka Karen L. Thrilkill, Decedent

Case No. 23PR00093 1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors,

and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: KAREN LORENE THRILKILL, aka KAREN L. THRILKILL 2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by: Christine Thrilkill

in the Superior Court of California County of: Mendocino

WW441 SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

(CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso): 22CV01021

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (Aviso al Demandado): Raul Carrillo Escareno, YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (Lo Esta Demandando El Demandante): Rocky Top Rentals, LLC, NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without

further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Website (www.lawhelpcalifomia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

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The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la cortes es): Mendocino County Superior Court 100 North State Street, Ukiah, CA 95482

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numbero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado es):

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From page 3 Schindel

high and low energy / pain cycles, as soon as he has a guitar, a harmonica, a squeezebox, or one or more listeners, he becomes the legendary high-energy, zany and warm entertainer that people have come to know and admire.

"A lot of people give up and give in to the fear of cancer," expressed Malakai Schindel, Greg's son, a talented musician himself, as well as a painter and conductor on the Skunk Train. "If anything, it's showing him how much he's cared about. It's usually not until we pass away that people express that. It's beautiful that he's getting to hear people and feel their love. He can see how this community has been touched so much by him.'

The Skunk Train donated 100 percent of the ride's proceeds to Schindel's medical expenses.

We'll never know why cancer chooses who it does. It's not a punishment, for even the best people can be inflicted. We just know that we can help when someone we love and respect is thrown into battle with the disease. Anyone wishing to help can send a check, payable to Greg or Donna Schindel, to PO Box 1376, Willits, CA 95490,

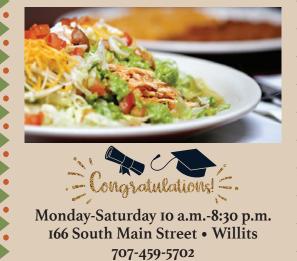
"I think all these people coming out for the ride is wonderful. I'm amazed. I'm embarrassed. On one hand, I'd like to just be left alone to adjust to my new life. It's a different perspective I have now. I love the fact that

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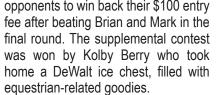
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its gymkhana for the youth to show

their horsemanship, roping, etc. The

next day, the adults had their annual

Play Day Barbecue with heaping

helpings of tri tip and ribs, cole slaw,

mathew@willitsweekly.com

beans, and salad.

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Association had

Hundley; 2nd place: Brian Grieve The rodeo featured competitors of Jackpot Barrels 1D: 1st place: all ages, vying for prizes in various Shenna Gayski; 2nd place: Amelia contests, some even against brothers Specials; 3rd place: Shenna Gayski

(2nd horse) "They're going to start with Jackpot Barrels 2D: 1st place: 'Breakaway," explained photographer Alexandra Hundley; 2nd place: Pam Ali Arteaga, who had two girls in the lvicevich; 3rd place: Taylyn Arteaga rodeo, a 10-year-old and a 15-year-(2nd horse) old, "where they rope the cattle, they stop their horse and the rope breaks off

the saddle. "Then they're going to do Barrel Racing, Team Roping, Pole Bending (like a slalom for horses with seven poles)," said Arteaga, "Stick Horse Race (hobby horses), Steer Daubing (touch the steer with a paint pole), Goat Tying, Steer Stopping, like Breakaway but the rope remains tied





grounds, but split with the Willits Frontier Days, and ended up buying this property," mused rancher and real estate

agent Lee Persico. "A lot of people turn out for this Play Day. I was probably 15 when they moved over here. Yesterday, they had the gymkhana. My great-granddaughter won third.



Above, left: Jeff Yokum and Andrew Hosford help cut and dish out the tri tip and ribs. Above, right: The annual Play Day Barbecue is well-attended and, as usual, is a great opportunity to meet up with old friends.

At left: A group photo of the High Point and Reserve High Point for the Willits Junior Horsemen's Play Day. The next Juniors event is Saturday, June 24.

Photo by Mary Fonsen

3. The Petition for Probate requests that: Christine Thrilkill be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Date: July 13, 2023, Time: 2:00 p.m. Dept: TM Address of Court: 700 So. Franklin St., Ft. Bragg, CA 95437 7. If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. 8. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first Issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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Date: (Fecha) November 18, 2022 s/J. Lozano/Clerk (Secretario) s/Kim Turner/Deputy (Adjunto)

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Publication Dates: June 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2023

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MARTHA MAGALINE ANDERSON AKA MARTHA M. ANDERSON CASE NO. 23PR00084

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of: MARTHA MAGALINE ANDERSON AKA MARTHA M. ANDERSON

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

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Date: June 23, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept.: E of the Mendocino County Superior Court, located at 100 N. State Street, Ukiah, California 95482.

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

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

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Attorney for Petitioner: MARGARITA S. RICE, ESQ., CARTER RICH PC, 305 N. Main Street, Ukiah, CA 95482. Telephone: 707-462-6694 Publication Dates: June 1, 8, and 15, 2023

everybody loves me so much. I think it's healing," mused Greg Schindel, who then began another song.



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Mendocino County Museum summer activities include stories, games, STEAM program

Submitted by Mendocino County Museum

This summer, join us for special editions of History Makers programs June through July History Makers! inspired by our exhibit "Gadgets 2023: Galore!"

HISTORY MAKERS

Mendocino County Museum

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Create and explore every Wednesday from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Program

attendance is free with the cost of admission. Enjoy free ad

History Makers Programs June - July 2023:

Story Time & Tinker Tables: June 7, June 14, July 5, July 19

showing at the Mendocino County Museum through August 13, 2023.

For more information, please contact the Mendocino County Museum

MENDOCINO COUNTY Museum museum@mendocinocounty.orgjwww.mendocinocounty 'Tellina Cur Storu" Open W, Th, Fri. 10 am - 5 pm, Sa & Su 12 - 4 pm

Create and explore every Wednesday from 1 to 3 pm. Program attendance is free with the cost of admission to the Mendocino County Museum. Enjoy free admission on Wednesdays when you show your Mendocino County Library Card at the Museum.

exhibit Gadgets Galore!

kitchen. Stories will be read at 2:30.

program is ideal for children ages 7 - 12.

Telling Our Story"

Museum

July 5, July 19 This story-filled program is especially designed for ages 3 to 7. Listen to stories read aloud by staff. Afterward, explore and play at the "Gadgets Galore!" tinker tables, enjoy matching games, and get mixing in our vintage kitchen. Stories will be

> Off the Grid! DIY Gadgets & Crafts: June 21, June 28, July 12, July 26

This hands-on STEAM program will based encourage and challenge young inventive minds! program will Each offer participants the opportunity to build with Grid-beam and will also feature a special DIY activity. This program is ideal for children ages 7 to 12.

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Museum at museum@ mendocinocounty.org or 707-234-6365. Resources





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Redwood Medical Clinic welcomes local psychologist

Submitted by Adventist Health Howard Memorial

Adventist Health Howard Memorial is pleased to welcome Dr. Joseph Beeney, psychologist, to the Redwood Medical Cliniclocated at 3 Marcela Drive, Suite A in Willits

A clinical psychologist and practicing since 2008, Dr. Beeney was raised in Mendocino County, even attending middle school and high school in Fort Bragg as a longtime local to Mendocino County.

He then went on to graduate from Humboldt State University with a bachelor's in Psychology and then to Pennsylvania State University for his master's and PhD in Clinical Psychology.

Dr. Beeney offers services to help treat such common conditions as developmental trauma, depression, anxiety, personality disorders, and borderline personality disorder, treating adolescents to adults, ages 12 to 65.

Patients with concerns they would like to focus on will find a healthcare provider who understands the important role he plays providing a partner to work through their concerns in a welcoming environment.

"My job is to truly listen, understand and empathize with people,





The rest of From page 1 Parade

Street and then head west towards the Blosser Lane area before coming back north and traveling around the western neighborhood area by Brookside School before retuning up Commercial Street at the end. (See map at right.) This is the same route as last year.

As the procession begins, cars will pull into the road one at a time from the front parking lots at WHS, the staff parking lot, or from the school farm.

Please be careful of pedestrians, family and friends gathered on the sidewalk, and cars parked along the roads waiting and ready to wave to the grads.

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which is a wonderful role," Dr. Beeney said. "I usually begin working with folks when they are struggling most, and I get to be a partner in their journey toward finding relief from symptoms, greater self- compassion, and self-understanding to help them find new ways to thrive."

Dr. Beeney was inspired to practice psychology through the intuition he has long had for helping people to have great relationships and the critical aspect it plays to patients' mental and physical health. "Research shows that having high-quality, close relationships in which we feel supported is among the most important factors in thriving emotionally and physically. Helping patients realize those benefits feels like an amazing privilege, he said.

In his spare time, Dr. Beeney loves music, enjoying singing, playing piano and guitar as well as traveling and enjoying great food. He resides in Fort Bragg with his partner, their son, two miniature Australian shepherds and two cats which they adore.

To learn more about Dr. Beeney and all Adventist Health providers, visit AdventistHealthHowardMemorial.org. To schedule an appointment, please call the Redwood Medical Clinic at 707-456-6115.

Above, left: Ed TePas, CalRTA Division 55 president, left, and

special ed teacher, Scot Lamon, who is the longest-employed

Above, right: Construction teacher Ken Pedersen, left, the newest

teacher in the Willits district, and CalRTA Division 55 President

At left: Jeff Ivy, left, gets an \$100 appreciation award from retired

teacher pensions. The Mendocino County Division 55

of CalRTA has almost 400 members, 53 of whom live in Willits or taught in the Willits Unified School District. For

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teacher Allen Garcia at the California Teachers Association

teacher at the Willits school district.

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more information go to https://calrta.org/

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time based on the evidence provided by MR at trial

Skunk Train owner Mendocino Railway," Meyer estimated his legal costs at around \$250,000.

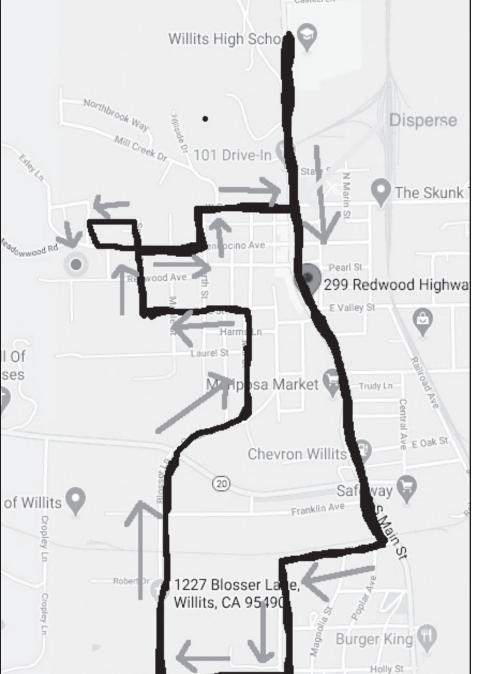
The story also quotes Mendocino Railway President Robert Pinoli as saying "I think we're going to continue to pursue all of our options, both in federal and local court."

The rest of From page 1 Accident

overturned, and both involved vehicles came to rest, blocking US-101. Debris from both vehicles was scattered along the roadway, which caused all lanes to become temporarily blocked for approximately 35 minutes.

The driver of the Chevy truck sustained major injuries, and the driver of the Ford Transit van sustained minor injuries, and both parties were ransported to the hospital.

This collision remains under investigation by the California Highway Patrol -Garberville Area.

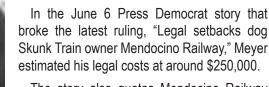


The rest of From page 1 Lawsuit

acquire through eminent domain a 20-acre parcel owned by Meyer," Nadel wrote in her June 2 document. The property is located along Highway 20, west of Willits.

In the June 2 "Entry of Judgment" document, Judge Nadel confirms points she had made in her "Decision After Trial" document filed April 19. "Plaintiff MR has failed to meet its burden of establishing that it can acquire Meyer's property by eminent domain pursuant to constitutional and statutory powers. Accordingly, MR cannot acquire Meyer's real property by eminent domain. Plaintiff MR shall take nothing by its complaint, and judgment is in favor of Defendant Meyer."

Mendocino Redwood argued that as a railroad corporation and a "common carrier" it was a "public utility," but Judge Nadel's analysis did not support that argument. "MR claims that it is entitled to avail itself of the eminent domain statute because it is a railroad corporation, a common carrier and through its activities it qualifies as a public utility.... but court is not convinced that such status is appropriate at this







You are invited to a community gathering of Friends and community members interested in supporting the Mendocino County Museum.

> **Thursday, June 15** at 5:30 at the Mendocino County Museum

Meet board members, check out the Museum exhibit area, meet County Supervisor John Haschak, share delicious food and drink and learn about Friends activities. An opportunity to actively support our wonderful Mendocino County Museum.

This project was funded by the

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of Mendocino County.



Meeting

An opportunity to actively support our Seabiscuit. Our Woven Worlds exhibit wonderful Mendocino County Museum. on Native Peoples of Mendocino County follows a descriptive timeline from Coyote As per the Museum website, current to Casino ... from first contact to self-

members of the Museum's board of directors determination. include: James Eddie, representing District 1; Neeka Aguirre, representing District 2; Brent Walker, representing District 3; Vacancy, District 4; and Vacancy in District

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Veterans Memorial in honor of the 22 fallen or missing in action veterans who served in Vietnam. You'll also find a gift and book shop inside the museum.

Also on the museum board is Greta Kanne, representing the City of Willits; "Located near the museum is a collection Rebecca Montes, representing Mendocino College; Bruce Patterson, representing Roots of Motive Power: and David Poma. representing the Mendocino County Historical Society

Mendocino County Museum collects, conserves and celebrates the stories, artifacts, and archives of the people and places in Mendocino County, the museum website explains.

"Exhibits and displays include a 10,000 year-old Clovis Point, actual storefronts of historic businesses, 19th century stagecoaches, and a 'new settler' hippie van," the website states. "We also have memorabilia from the famous race horse,

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of restored antique logging and railroad equipment owned by the Roots of Motive Power, a volunteer organization dedicated to preservation and restoration of historical logging, steam and railroad equipment. Some of their collection of steam-powered locomotives and equipment are often stored in the Museum's Engine House." For more information about the

Mendocino County Museum, including the 2023-28 Strategic Plan, visit www. mendocinocounty.org/government/culturalservices-agency/museum

"Near the front of the museum is a

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Japanese Cuisine

Hatake Farm Kitchen chefs teach how to make sushi and miso soup at library cooking demonstration

No matter how one might feel about the delicious sliminess that is sushi, it is nonetheless a staple of modern

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Japanese cuisine, as popular as it is enigmatic. The casual consumer of this delicacy probably has many questions about the proper

preparation of every aspect of the fare, including the most basic question of how to make sushi rice so that it is at the same time, tasty, tender and sticky.

On Saturday, May 17, the Willits branch of the Mendocino County Library held the third and final installment of their grant-funded series of lectures / demonstrations on food, this one from Ryo Muto and Tony Melchor of Hatake Farm Kitchen, a small ghost restaurant behind Shanachie Pub.

Muto and Melchor told the well-attended standing-roomonly crowd about the history, the place in Japanese culture, and proper preparation of sushi rice, vegetable rolls, miso soup, and a bit about the true nature of sake in the country.

The first talk in the series was by Caroline of Flying Dog Pizza, called "How Long Does it Take to Grow a Pizza?" The second talk was from Simone of Smokey's BBQ on Main Street and dealt with the creation of a sustainable business plan for food businesses.

The lectures were funded by a grant "supported by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provision of the Library Services and Technology Act administered by the California State Librarian," explained Denise Jessie, branch supervisor of the Willits library. "This is part of our 'Mendocino County Reads.' The grant gave us money for speakers and it gave us books that we can give away. I get to announce that even Muto can have this free cookbook.

"Also, with the grant money we bought culinary kits for people to check out from the library," said Jessie. "We have a pasta-making kit that has everything you need to make homemade pasta. There's even a gluten-free version of the pasta kit and a kid's baking kit."

Melchor. "We brought the rice. We have our homemade vinegar that we season the rice with. We use organic vegetables and try to buy local as much as possible. We use our own knives as well. We pretty much make everything from scratch, from our sauces to ramen."

Muto showed how to blend in the broth to the rice, made from seaweed, kombu, a kelp which is harvested after three years and allowed to dry for a couple more years. "Dashi is the number-one important flavor/seasoning for Japanese food," stated Muto.

"Dashi, or fish broth, is an essential element. Umami taste is the number-five taste, mostly broths that are boiled a long time to bring out the flavor. Basically, we have five tastes: sweet, salty, bitter, sour, and pungent. Umami taste is from kelp and dried bonito. This time, I'm only using kombu dashi, not the fish sauce. Umami is a natural amino acid.

"Kelp, in Japan, is harvested from summer to early autumn. Once harvested, the kelp is cleaned with seawater. Then, it is dried using natural wind and can take anywhere from a few hours to a week. After drying, the kelp is left to mature from seven months to over a year."

In addition to the food demonstration, Muto told of his plan to return to Japan for a few months to learn the art of making sake. He stated that in Japan, only unfiltered sake is legal, mostly served cold, and that sake is becoming almost a craft product with many variations of tastes and blends. Muto plans to return and, when feasible, open a craft sake brew pub, a sit-down facility with all of the fine food for which Hatake Farm Kitchen is becoming known for in Willits.

Muto and Melchor additionally explained about the proper knives to use at each step, along with a short aside about how samurai knives are able to cut through bone. After the demonstration and lecture, each of the attendees was invited to try a piece of the veggie roll and a taste of the miso soup (which is made from a form of soy paste).



At top, left: Ryo Muto and Tony Melchor answer questions as they finish creating veggie rolls. At top: Each attendee was able to have a piece of veggie roll to taste. Above: A capacity crowd came to learn how to make sushi rice, veggie rolls, and miso soup. At left: Ryo Muto started Hatake Farm Kitchen a couple years ago during the pandemic.





At top: Purple radish is placed on the ends of the rolls before rolling and cutting. Above, left: Ryo Muto adds traditional broth to the sushi rice. Above, right:Tony Melchor demonstrates the proper method of rolling the sushi. Below: Hatake Kitchen uses only fresh organic vegetables in their cooking.



Muto, in addition to showing the attendees how to make sushi rolls, explained the history of rice and its importance to Japanese culture. He also spent time teaching about how to make miso soup.

"The dashi culture is very important for Japanese cuisine," said Muto. "We make this with kombu, a type of dried kelp. And we use dried bonito [fish] flake. We don't use any animal bone stock." The audience seemed fascinated by each step that Muto and Melchor performed, as well as the stories of the cultural significance of each.

"Our sushi is almost entirely handmade," explained

Hatake Farm Kitchen food can be found at Mariposa Market, delivered fresh, or directly through several methods of ordering from the kitchen. Check out their Facebook page or https://hatake-farm-kitchen.square.site/. They can be reached at mutoryo@me.com or 707-510-1151.





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