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Willits school board hires new schools chief

The Willits Unified School District Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that we have hired a new superintendent to serve our community starting on July 1, 2022.

Mark Beebe will be joining WUSD with a wide range of educational experience and has previously served as a superintendent, director, and principal in other school systems in Northern California.

Please give Mark a warm welcome to our community!

– Robert Chavez, board president, WUSD

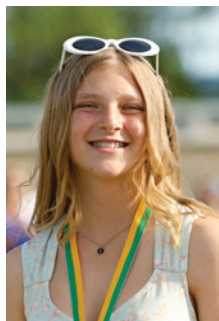
CalFire suspends county burn permits

Submitted by CalFire Mendocino Unit

June 6 – The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Mendocino Unit suspends all burn permits for outdoor residential burning within the State Responsibility Area of Mendocino County [lands exclusive of cities and federal lands regardless of ownership].

This suspension takes effect at 12:01 am on Monday, June 13, 2022, and bans all residential outdoor burning of landscape debris such as branches and leaves. The increasing fire danger posed by dead grass and hotter, drier conditions in the region is prompting CalFire Mendocino Unit

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CalFire
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Above, from left: Arion Martin, one of the student speakers at the 8th grade promotion ceremony, smiles for the camera. Students from Baechtel Grove, Sherwood Elementary and the Independent Study Program listen to BGMS principal Maria de los Angeles Munguia speak at the podium. Sydney Mell grins as she walks across the stage to receive her certificate. Wyatt Klee holds his certificate. Below: Estrella Mendoza and Emelia Owsiany are excited to move onto high school next year.



Photos by
Maureen
Jennison

Middle School to High School

8th grade graduates celebrate their advancement to high school with Wednesday night promotion ceremony

Friends and family gathered on the field at the high school to celebrate the efforts of just over 100 8th graders who made their walk across the stage to accept their certificate and ticket to their freshman year for the 2022/2023 school year.

Students included those from Baechtel Grove Middle School, the

Independent Study Program and Sherwood Elementary School. They were introduced by their teachers and shook hands with school board members as they received their certificate.

While principal Maria de los Angeles Munguia emceed the event, Jazmarie Henson led the crowd in the Pledge

of Allegiance, and student speakers included Arion Martin and Marco Nieto Sanchez.

The students attended a dance after the ceremony at Baechtel Grove Middle School and will have a field trip the next day.

Congratulations to all the students!
– Maureen Jennison



From far left: Amy Buckingham smiles with son, Kaiden, smile after the ceremony. Gracie Jennison holds a colorful bouquet of flowers. Student speaker Marco Nieto Sanchez' gave the crowd lots of laughs.

Initial election results

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From somewhat paltry initial results, it looks like Mendocino County voters reelected incumbents by strong margins – except in the Mendocino County Superintendent of Schools race.

With only 3,864 total votes reported in election night results, school chiefs challenger Necole Glentzer had received 1,777 votes, and incumbent Michelle Hutchins had received 1,625 votes. That's a

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Supervisors Notes

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After a bit of a bruising and divisive discussion that at times pitted the virtues of public libraries against the need for fire safety and water, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors voted 4 to 1 to take a step forward on an additional sales tax measure for the November ballot.

Supervisor John Haschak moved to ask County Counsel Christian Curtis to work with Second District Supervisor Maureen Mulheren to come back

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Above: Valedictorian Willow Daun-Widner, left, stands with Salutatorian Michael Kale.

Congrats!

Valedictorian Willow Daun-Widner and Salutatorian Michael Kale named for Class of 2022

It's official! Willow Daun-Widner has been named the Valedictorian earning the highest GPA for her class and following closely behind is Salutatorian Michael Kale with the second-highest GPA.

Daun-Widner will be headed off to the University of Massachusetts Amherst on the East Coast where she plans to double major in gender studies and biology and hopes to work in neuroscience or sexual health research in the future.

Kale will be off to San Francisco State University where he will study computer engineering and hopes to become an IT analyst for a large company where he will get to "make a lot of dough!"

The pair encouraged young students and kids to "Try everything once!" and "Have fun!" and the biggest piece of advice (and this reporter's belief about the pair's true path to success): "We are both pro pineapple on pizza!" "It makes you better in school!" laughed Daun-Widner. "It's got vitamins! It's science!" laughed Kale. Congrats, grads, the community is proud of you!

– Maureen Jennison

Above: Willits graduates practice on the field Wednesday morning finetuning things for Thursday's graduation ceremony. Below: Even though they're not technically Olympians, the pair still did a quick quality control bite on their medals.



Come see the ceremony

Willits High School will hold their annual graduation ceremony on Thursday, June 9 at 5 pm at Maize Field
Main Street Parade will follow!

Willits Weekly's
Puzzle Page
Sudoku, Word Search & Crossword

Sudoku puzzle grid with numbers 1-9.

HOW TO SUDOKU
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-59.

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Slovenian mountain
5. Growl
9. Where things stand
11. Made a sharp sound
13. Female spirit in Irish folklore
15. Deteriorate with age
16. A way to save for retirement
17. The Big Apple
19. Intestinal pouches
21. City in New Hampshire
22. Giving a bad impression
23. Samsung laptops
25. Without (French)
26. Scientist's tool (abbr.)
27. System of one more computers
29. Captures
31. Authentic
33. Female mammal's nipple
34. Pandemonium
36. Satisfy
38. Arrived extinct
39. Shipborne radar (abbr.)

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Looks at for a long time
2. Solution for diseases
3. Belonging to a thing
4. Former Packers fullback
5. Contemplable person
6. One billionth of a second (abbr.)
7. Helps
8. Final section of the large intestine
9. Invests in little enterprises
10. Look for
11. Unbeliefs

- 12. Susan and Tom are two
14. Female sheep
15. A poet writes it
18. Affirmatives
20. 'Full House' actress Barber
24. Traveled rapidly
26. Long upholstered seat
28. Set wages
30. Peter Gabriel song
32. Sides of a jacket
34. More beautiful
35. Actress Kate
37. Furniture with open shelves
38. Indicate
40. The cost of a room
42. Gets rid of something
43. Impudence
45. No No No
47. Drunkards
49. Middle eastern country
50. High energy lasers (abbr.)
51. Primary component of ribosomes
55. An informal debt instrument

MAKE THE GRADE WORD SEARCH
Grid containing words related to school and learning.

Table with 3 columns: AVERAGE, GRADUATE, RANKING. Rows include Classroom, Course, Education, Exam, Fail, Goals, Grades, Homework, Knowledge, Learning, Memorize, Pass, Professor, Quiz, Remember, Report, Retain, School, Supplies, Syllabus, Trajectory.

The rest of CalFire

to suspend all burn permits for outdoor residential burning.

California has already experienced an unusually early start to fire season amidst an ongoing drought and historically low rainfall and reservoir levels.

"California wildfires continue to threaten our communities," said Chief Joe Tyler, director of CalFire. "With the conditions set for an early start of the 2022 fire season, it is imperative that we collectively take preventative steps now to prepare, and we ask all Californians to do their part in wildfire preparedness."

While outdoor burning of landscape debris by homeowners is no longer allowed, CalFire is asking residents to take that extra time to prepare your home for wildfire by creating defensible space and hardening your home ahead of wildfires.

Here are some tips to help prepare homes and property:

- Clear all dead and or dying vegetation 100 feet from around all structures.
• Landscape with fire-resistant plants and non-flammable ground cover.
• Find alternative ways to dispose of landscape debris like chipping or hauling it to a biomass energy or green waste facility.

The department may issue restricted temporary burning permits if there is an essential reason due to public health and safety. Agriculture, land management, fire training, and other industrial type burning may proceed if a CalFire official inspects the burn site and issues a special permit.

The suspension of burn permits for residential landscape debris does not apply to campfires within organized campgrounds or on private property. Campfires may be permitted if the campfire is maintained in such a manner as to prevent its spread to the wildland. A valid campfire permit is required and can be obtained online at www.ReadyForWildfire.org.

For additional information on how to create Defensible Space, Home Hardening, Evacuation Planning and how to be prepared for wildfires, as well as tips to prevent wildfires, visit www.ReadyForWildfire.org.

OBITUARY |

John Cross

On May 23, 2022, John Franklin Cross died at the age of 78. He died at home with the assistance of Adventist Home Care Hospice and surrounded by his family.

John was born in Dallas, Texas and moved to the San Francisco Bay Area in the late '60s as a free spirit to pursue his passion for architecture.

He married his first wife, Donna, with whom he had his first son Jonathan. He and Donna divorced, and in 1983 John married Diana Cavendish. Her son Dillon was about the same age as Jonathan. John and Diana together gave birth to a son named Nicholas.

John worked on dozens of architectural projects all over the world (San Francisco, Oakland, Las Vegas, Chicago, Florida, Japan, Malaysia, Singapore and China). He remained a passionate architect his entire life.

In 1989 he and Diana bought property here on Third Gate and eventually fulfilled their dream of moving to the country "where the water tastes like wine."

He designed a bright, open, spacious straw bale home (featured in Wikipedia), and we built it together as a family with tremendous help from the community.

For John Cross, "retiring" meant he would go on to design many new buildings and remodels in the Willits community - from the Mariposa Market to the "St. Francis in the Redwoods" church on Main Street, Willits Furniture, and a house for his son Dillon.

He was a Rotarian who enthusiastically threw himself into many fundraisers and creative projects to help students pay for college or the Seabiscuit Therapeutic Riding Center.

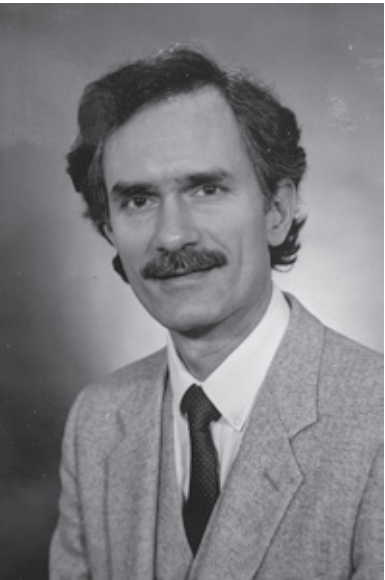
John was a hard-working, kind and honest man who never stopped building and sharing what he knew.

He joyfully put his heart into everything he did and reminded us to focus on the positive in every situation.

He loved his grandkids tremendously, built them the best toys ever, and played with them right up to the end.

John is survived by his wife of nearly 40 years, Diana Cavendish, his sister Mary Ellen, three sons (Jonathan, Nick and Dillon), daughters-in-law Nina, Alexis and Andrea, and three wonderful grandchildren, Seona, Athena and Elliott.

We will all miss him tremendously.



Lake Mendocino Coyote Valley Dam prescribed burn scheduled June 14

Submitted by CalFire Mendocino Unit

June 7 - On Tuesday, June 14, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in cooperation with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, will be conducting a prescribed burn at the Coyote Valley Dam.

The burn will begin at approximately 5 pm and will last until approximately 9 pm. Smoke will be visible throughout the entire Ukiah and Redwood Valley areas.

The purpose of this annual prescribed burn is to assist the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in removing the vegetation from the face of the Coyote Valley Dam, allowing access and visibility for a required inspection.

Coyote Dam and the Fish Hatchery area near the base of the dam will be closed to the public. The burn will be conducted under very tight restrictions for the personal safety of firefighters and area residents. CalFire reminds all residents that their safety is of the utmost concern.

For more information about how you and your family can prepare for wildfire visit www.ReadyForWildfire.org.

ROTARY CLUB OF WILLITS FESTIVAL IN THE REDWOODS AND GOLF TOURNAMENT JULY 30, 2022 BROOKTRAILS GOLF COURSE. Local beer tasting, silent auction, live music, and more.



Above, left: Museum Technician Briana Brooks tweaks one of the informational kiosks. Above, right: Bear-track castings give a good idea as to the size of these animals.



Above, left: Cedar ends her museum tour by painting a bear-paw casting. Above, right: John Haschak measures up to the life-size photo of a California grizzly. Below: The California state flag shows how grizzlies are deeply ingrained in our state's ethos, even after being made extinct here.



'Bear in Mind'

New exhibit at Mendocino County Museum explores the history of grizzlies in California and has plenty for kids to enjoy

"This is a traveling exhibit from the University of California," explained Lindsey Dick, the new curator at the Mendocino County Museum about "Bear in Mind: The Story of the California Grizzly," which opened on Saturday, June 4 at the museum.

The exhibit is a sad testament to the unbridled and unregulated encroachment of man upon the wild habitats in days past, when the pioneers and loggers began to make their presence felt in the state. It's also a chance to honor the magnificent, misunderstood beasts that were, at the same time, admired and feared.

The first section of "Bear in Mind" focuses on the history of human interactions with the grizzlies. Photos and captions explain how the grizzlies were made extinct through the misplaced fears of the settlers and others. The natives, of course, had learned through the years to live with, respect, and honor the beasts which became part of their lore. There are also explanations of how the grizzlies were perceived and used for hunting, amusement, and advertising.

"They were shot and used for entertainment," said Dick, "sometimes even putting bears and bulls together in a pen for entertainment. The beginning is talking about how grizzlies began to decline. The hunting and fair treatment of the bears was not regulated in the 1880s."

"The second part [of the exhibit]," she continued, "after talking about why grizzlies were

so attacked, talks about their imagery. Bears became synonymous with California. Our state flag has a grizzly on it. You think of a grizzly bear, you think about something big, strong, and about how advertisers used the grizzly image to engender the feeling of strength and equate it with their product - better brakes, longer life. The bears became very symbolic of the rugged frontier that California was at that time."

The final section of the exhibit looks to the future. It gives advice on how to live harmoniously with the wildlife remaining in California, which is really the most important aspect of "Bear in Mind." The aim is to avoid a repetition of the extinction through protecting natural habitats and respecting the rights of animals to exist in the environment.

There is much to see and to interact with in the exhibit. At the entrance to the exhibit is a life-size photo of a grizzly bear for visitors to measure up to. The young ones can find much to do in this interactive world. There are footprint castings to touch, a bear cave to inhabit, a bear costume, and a collection of young reader books on the grizzlies.

On Saturday, July 2 the kids can cast their own grizzly and other animal footprints with quick-drying clay and then paint them and take them home. And since it's the first Saturday of the month, admission is free to the museum.

The "Bear in Mind" exhibit will be in place, in the Long Gallery, until July 31.

The museum is having its 50th anniversary this year and will be presenting several events for families that will kick off on Saturday, June 11, 1 to 3:30 pm. There will be a cake-cutting and a "Memory Lane" exhibit, which will consist of historical newspaper articles from the

last 50 years, placed throughout the museum.

"We'll have the back storage area open," said Briana Brooks, museum technician. "It will kind of be the grand finale of the museum behind-the-scene tours. If people want to see behind the scene, this will be their last chance for some time."

"We are going to have a booth at the Hometown Celebration on the 17th of June," added Brooks. "We will be premiering our walking tour, which is a collaboration we are doing with Kim Bancroft and Judi Berdis who did the 'Then and Now' exhibit a few years ago. It'll be something that people can access with their phones or their smart devices."

At Frontier Days, the museum will have one of their wagons out front, which families can utilize as a photo backdrop. On Father's Day weekend, the museum is going to provide a template which kids can use to create oral histories of their dads.

"We're collaborating on Willits Summer Art Walks every fourth Thursday of the month until September," said Karen Mattson, newly appointed museum director. "They will be from 5 to 8 pm. Willits Center for the Arts, Mendocino County Museum, Re-Evolution, Art on the Plaza, Scoops, Willits Library, Kemmy's Pies, Mendocino College, and the chamber [of commerce] will be involved."

The Mendocino County Museum is open at 400 East Commercial Street, Wednesday through Friday, 10 am to 5 pm; Saturday and Sunday, 12 to 4 pm. Admission is \$4 for adults; \$1 for students 7 to 18; free for children 6 and under; free with Mendocino Library card; and free on the first Saturday of each month.

For more information, visit: www.mendocinocounty.org/government/cultural-services-agency/museum or call 459-2736.

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Willits High School and Sanhedrin High School Graduates of the Class of 2022

 <div>Jorge Acevedo Duran</div>	 <div>Kaseylee Adams</div>	 <div>Adrian Alonso</div>	 <div>Nakolo Anderson Joens-Poulton</div>	 <div>Wendy Archundia</div>	 <div>Kevin Arms</div>	 <div>Ece Ayric</div>	 <div>Giovan Banuelos</div>	 <div>Lily Barrett</div>	 <div>Danielle Barry</div>	 <div>Sebastian Beauseau Rodriguez</div>	 <div>Jasmine Blackwell</div>	 <div>Jack Buckingham</div>	 <div>Kaden Burke</div>
 <div>Kyler Burke</div>	 <div>Kenneth Burton</div>	 <div>Mattea Butler</div>	 <div>Rosa Carillo Peralta</div>	 <div>Madison Carter</div>	 <div>Tehya Casey</div>	 <div>Marycarmen Catzin</div>	 <div>Francisco Chavez</div>	 <div>Marco Chavoya</div>	 <div>Enrique Cisneros</div>	 <div>Jason Cox</div>	 <div>David Cramer</div>	 <div>Tiana Dalton</div>	 <div>Willow Daun-Widner</div>
 <div>Kiera Dragness</div>	 <div>Tanner Drew</div>	 <div>Ashlynn Dudley</div>	 <div>Charles Duncan</div>	 <div>Cody Escobedo</div>	 <div>Cristina Escobedo</div>	 <div>Stormmie Fischbach</div>	 <div>Victor Garcia</div>	 <div>Emma Garman</div>	 <div>Katelyn Germann</div>	 <div>Kyra Gibbons</div>	 <div>Edgar Gonzalez Acevedo</div>	 <div>Randy Gonzalez</div>	 <div>Jersey Green</div>
 <div>Rosemary Grieve</div>	 <div>Jerardo Gutierrez</div>	 <div>Zeontrey Henson</div>	 <div>Victoria Hernandez</div>	 <div>Ariel Herz O'Brien</div>	 <div>Tristan Hofmaister</div>	 <div>Angel Homampha</div>	 <div>Jacob Howell</div>	 <div>Justin Johnson</div>	 <div>Tokyo Jordan</div>	 <div>John Kale</div>	 <div>Isabella Knight</div>	 <div>Dominick Kvasnicka</div>	 <div>Destiny Laurent</div>
 <div>Jack Lebert</div>	 <div>Carlos Leon</div>	 <div>Kiara Lewis</div>	 <div>Leticia Lopez</div>	 <div>Rogelio Lopez Chavez</div>	 <div>Marilynn Lopez-Sierras</div>	 <div>Nevaeh Loya</div>	 <div>Isaac Luna</div>	 <div>Lenny Marroquin</div>	 <div>Desteny Martinez</div>	 <div>Anton Meier</div>	 <div>Alvaro Mendoza</div>	 <div>Kaya Meshekey</div>	 <div>Jae Michaels</div>
 <div>Sam Michels</div>	 <div>Kaira Mora</div>	 <div>Andrew Moratti</div>	 <div>Ashley Moxley</div>	 <div>Angelina Nemeth</div>	 <div>Zeek Novo</div>	 <div>Charles Nunnemaker</div>	 <div>Arie Ochs</div>	 <div>Austin Osier</div>	 <div>Ashton Pardue</div>	 <div>Rolando Perez</div>	 <div>Christian Powers</div>	 <div>Deliana Raymond</div>	 <div>Eric Rodriguez</div>
 <div>Omar Rodriguez Gonzalez</div>	 <div>Kiley Rose</div>	 <div>Janie Ruiz Fuentes</div>	 <div>Jose Sanchez</div>	 <div>Hayden SanDiego</div>	 <div>Alyssa Scarberry</div>	 <div>Sierra Cloey</div>	 <div>Colt Silva</div>	 <div>Serena Smith</div>	 <div>Alan Solis</div>	 <div>Jensen Steege-Marbury</div>	 <div>Jasmurie Steffen</div>	 <div>Michael Stevens</div>	 <div>Samantha Suarez</div>
 <div>Jarred Thurman</div>	 <div>Rocío Tomas Mendoza</div>	 <div>Hector Torres</div>	 <div>Daniel Warring</div>	 <div>Shane Whitelaw</div>	 <div>Viviana Zuniga Mexicano</div>	<div><div>Willits High School / Sanhedrin graduates not pictured: Rosa Andrade Diaz, Faith Carter, Alejandra Ceja Valencia, Ethan Henthorne, Joseph Lewis, Shelby Loudermilk, Zachary McCann, John Mendoza, Deon Murphy, Koda Nielsen, Myranda Seddon, and Connor Weston.</div><div><div>LaVida Charter School</div><div>Graduates</div><div>Congratulations to the senior graduates of La Vida Charter School, including, from left: Kaylee Anderson, Tammy Hanover and Azalea Morninglight.</div></div></div>							

Willits Charter School Graduates

 <div>Jacob Anderson</div>	 <div>Shyann Barney</div>	 <div>Savanna Hinker Tye</div>	 <div>Christopher Lockhart</div>	 <div>Blake Lustig</div>
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Above: Emily Davis, second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps.
At right: Friends and family gathered in the Willits Center for the Arts for a graduation party last Saturday. At far right: Emily and mom Lisa smile together at the party.
Photos by Maureen Jennison

UC San Diego Graduate
Congrats to Emily Davis

New things are on the horizon for Willits' Emily Davis; after graduating from Ukiah High School in 2018 and now the University of San Diego in 2022, Davis is now off to Quantico, Virginia and then the great unknown as she moves forward with a career in the United States Marine Corps after accepting her commission as a second lieutenant.

"It's been a long time coming," said Davis, "I enlisted at 17 and now at 21 I am finally getting to start my career in the Marines." After 6 months of combat training at "the basic school," Davis will receive her (unknown until that time) job assignment. While it's open ended now, she's hoping for a job as an intelligence officer.

Davis, who grew up in Willits and Laytonville, is the daughter of Mike Davis and Lisa Kvasnicka. While awaiting her plane to Virginia in the fall, Davis will be working at mom's shop, Scoops, during the summer.





Above: Graduates who will be working at the Ukiah campus, include, back row, from left: Taylor Burrell, Krissi Talamantes, Marissa Wilkins, Donna Perez, and Gabriela Bushway. Front row, from left: Aubrey Tamez, Bobbie Burns, Ashley Williams, Guadalupe Gomez. Not pictured: Shannon Colby. Above, right: Graduates who will be working at the Willits campus, include, Kaylee Seaton, Autumn Mahan, Sarah Petru, and Keleigh Hansen. At right: Ashley Williams joins the Adventist Health Ukiah Valley team as an RN after completing the extensive two-year residency program all 14 new nurses went through.

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Adventist Health welcomes 14 new nurses to its hospitals in Ukiah and Willits

Submitted by Adventist Health

Adventist Health is pleased to welcome 14 new nurses to its clinical-care teams at Adventist Health Ukiah Valley and Adventist Health Howard Memorial hospitals. The new nurses join Adventist Health having recently completed an extensive two-year RN residency program.

"We're thrilled to welcome such a wonderful group of nurses to the Adventist Health family and into the community," said Jill Bartolomie, nursing director at Adventist Health Ukiah Valley. "It's always exciting to welcome new nurses, and we're honored that this group has chosen Adventist Health as the place to begin their careers."

The new nurses at Adventist Health Howard Memorial Hospital are Keleigh Hansen, Katelynn Joyner, Autumn Mahan, Sarah Petru and Kaylee Seaton.

Adventist Health Ukiah Valley welcomes Bobby Burns, Taylor Burrell, Gabriela Bushway, Shannon Colby, Guadalupe Gomez, Donna Perez, Krissi Talamantes, Aubrey Tamez, Marissa Wilkins and Ashley Williams.

"I started working at Adventist Health as a medical assistant and fell in love with working with pregnant women and infants," said Williams. "I was able to precept here in



Ukiah in labor and delivery and never wanted to leave; so I'm excited to be able to follow my dream of becoming a nurse in the community I was raised in."

The Adventist Health RN new graduate residency program welcomes four cohorts each year to help bolster the pipeline of local health care professionals.

Adventist Health is a faith-inspired, nonprofit integrated health system serving more than 80 communities on the West Coast and Hawaii. Founded on Adventist heritage and values, Adventist Health provides care in hospitals, clinics, home-care agencies, hospice agencies, and joint-venture retirement centers in both rural and urban communities.

Send in your Father's Day photos!

We will be honoring our dads in the June 16 edition of Willits Weekly and need to have all photo submissions - and a caption! - in by the end of the day on Monday, June 13! Email to willitsweekly@gmail.com or scan at Ace Copy and Shipping!



SATURDAY COVID VACCINE CLINIC

Clinics will be for ages 5 and older. Children and Adults. For entire community. Do not need to be Baechtel Creek Medical Clinic patients.

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difference of 152 votes – so far. Undervotes in the schools race were considerably higher than the split – at 458. Undervotes are when voters skip that race on their ballot.

"We have so many ballots here," said just-re-elected Voter Registrar Katrina Bartolomie. "I really don't know many; we're not even finished scanning them in yet. We're a team short." She gave a rough estimate that there might be 15,000 ballots left to report in this week's county election.

Even with an added 15,000 votes, that would still mean a rough turnout of only 35% of the 52,602 registered voters in Mendocino County.

Third District Supervisor John Haschak, in initial results, received 73.94%, and challenger Clay Romero received 26.06%.

Mendocino County Sheriff Matt Kendall received 93.24% and write-in challenger Trent James received 6.76%.

Fifth District Supervisor Ted Williams received 84.09% and challenger John Redding won 15.91%.

Assessor-Clerk-Recorder Bartolomie, Auditor-Controller / Treasurer-Tax Collector Chamise Cubison, and District Attorney David Eyster were all reelected unopposed.

Mendocino County's state and federal representatives were supported by county voters in initial results in this June primary – not counting other voters in their districts. Rep. Jared Huffman received 65.53%, State Senator Mike McGuire received 72.48%, and California Assemblymember Jim Wood received 72.52%.

Domestic arrest in Willits

By Sgt. J. Wells for MCSO

On May 31, at about 7:30 pm, Mendocino County Sheriff's Office deputies were dispatched to a residence in the 29000 block of North Highway 101 in Willits, regarding a domestic dispute.

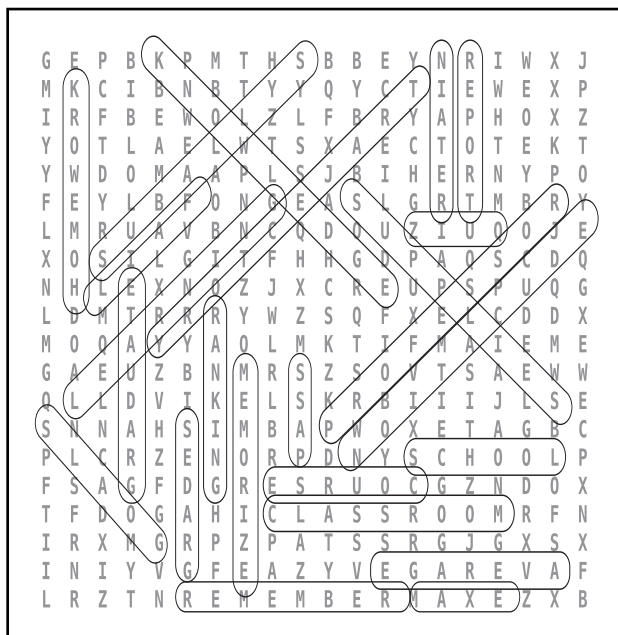
Sheriff's Office deputies arrived and found the victim, a 41-year-old female from Willits, who advised that she and suspect Joel Neely, 38, from Willits, were in a dating relationship and lived together. The deputies were advised Neely had left the location prior to their arrival.

Deputies learned the couple was involved in an argument about how dinner was prepared. During the argument it was alleged Neely punched the victim in the face, causing an injury.

Deputies checked the area for Neely but were unable to locate him. A be-on-the-look-out (BOLO) was issued for Neely related to the domestic dispute.

On June 1, an MCSO deputy located Neely and ultimately arrested him for domestic battery (273.5 PC). Neely was transported to the Mendocino County Jail to be held in lieu of \$25,000 bail.

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with a specific ordinance, with details.

The board did not definitely decide the proposed amount of the new sales tax measure, but discussed 2/8s a cent on a dollar or 3/8s a cent.

Library supporters have been collecting signatures for a mid-June deadline to put a renewal and expansion of Measure A, the library initiative passed in 2011, on the November 2022 ballot.

Public speakers supporting a new tax for fire safety and water stressed the emergency need, and commenters supporting the library tax measure suggested an additional tax measure in November could jeopardize the library volunteers' efforts.

Supervisor Dan Gjerde, who voted no, and Supervisor Haschak were also concerned that now was the wrong time to ask voters to approve a second sales tax measure, and that the board was acting too late to encourage voters to say "Yes."

Supervisor Gjerde pointed out that supervisors "had known since 2019 that the Friends of the Library were going to go to the ballot in this election.... At this point, I don't think it's good governance for us to be putting on a tax at the same time."

Board Chair Ted Williams, who moved the meeting along in urgent fashion, commented: "I don't think it was good governance to put so much carbon and methane in the air.... I didn't know we'd have another year of drought.... None of this was planned. The board didn't plan to have two items colliding. We're dealing with an emergency.... Our climate is on fire – we may not have water."

"Your timelines are very short, to go out to the cities," Interim CEO Darcie Antle advised. "We have to publish in six days, by June 21."

Chair Williams asked staff to expedite the matter and said he would call a special meeting to make the decision before the next regular meeting.

CEO vs. CAO

Supervisors voted unanimously to support a recommendation from a board ad hoc committee evaluating the County Executive Officer vs. County Administrative Officer system of governance, that the county should continue with a hybrid CEO ordinance, making changes to the existing CEO ordinance "for improvements to the model."

Labor protest

According to an item posted by the Mendocino County Independent newspaper on Facebook Wednesday afternoon: "Mendocino County workers spent their lunch hour [Wednesday] in front of the Admin building and marching through the halls – after they got word that there would be NO raises this year. Zero.

"There is already a shortage of staff," the Mendocino County Independent reported, "so the workers are doing double duty – and facing inflation. If the county doesn't give them the increases that are due to them, there will be more departures and a death spiral in our county services."

Willits Weekly county reporter Forrest Glycer will be back next week, with a full report on the county budget.

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'Experience The Sound of Soul'
Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at 6 pm, Willits Center for the Arts, 71 E. Commercial St. (back door entrance). Welcome to the worlds of HU (pronounced "hue") an ancient, universal name for God. This sacred word can spiritually uplift people of any religion, culture, or walk of life. It is freely given - a gift beyond measure. Love is love. And you are that. HU is the Sound of Soul. Information? Call April, 707-972-2475 or visit www.TheSoundofSoul.org

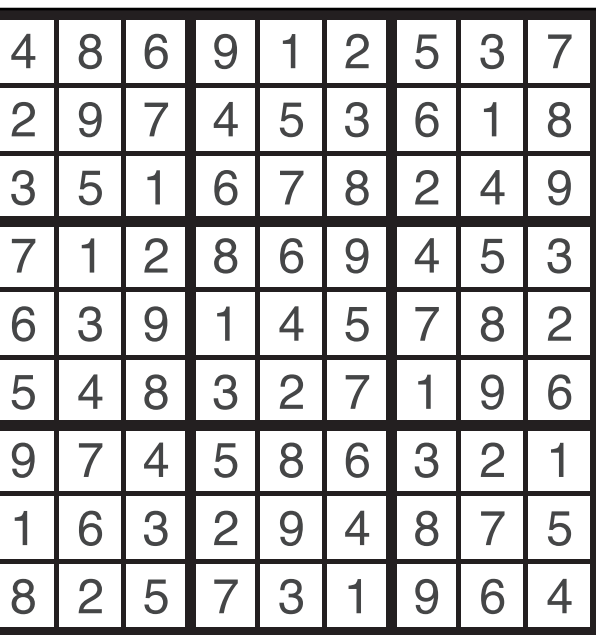
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John Ford Ranch still has the 50 lb. Rancher's Choice Box for \$325.00 and the 25 lb. Hamburger Box for \$150.00. Please contact Debbie Arkelian @ 459-5049.

Multi-Space Yard & Craft Sales
Multi-Space Yard & Craft Sales at Golden Rule Mobile Village, Fri, Sat and Sun, Jun 10, 11 & 12, 9am - 2pm. Tools, clothing, holiday, books, crafts, antiques, furniture, household, more. From Willits: S 101 about 6 miles, right at Ridgewood Ranch. From Ukiah: N 101 about 15 miles, left at Ridgewood Ranch. Follow signs to Mobile Village.

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Space for RV's and Trailers \$425 per month, includes water & garbage. Close to Safeway in Willits. Call Tony (707) 972-4696. See at <http://www.oakvine.net/tp>

Willits Food Bank Open
Willits Community Services & Food Bank continues to distribute food. Donations can be mailed or dropped off at the front office at 229 East San Francisco Avenue. Willits CA 95490 – knock or leave in the locked mailbox in front. Food distribution is available at the back door on Wednesdays and Fridays from 1 to 4:30 pm. Info: 459-3333.

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What does Japanese Art have to do with Impressionism?
Friday, June 10, 2022
At 6:30 in the Great Room.
Presented by Ruby Ming, M.A.



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Vincent Van Gogh, Oil on Canvas, 1887
Van Gogh Museum, Amsterdam

Ruby Ming discusses Japan and the Impressionists at WCA

Submitted by WCA

To kick off the speaker series at the Willits Center for the Arts, Ruby Ming, M.A., the dynamic speaker from San Francisco State, will be in Willits on Friday, June 10.

Ruby will be discussing Japan and the Impressionists. In the mid-19th century, Japan opened to trade, and the West was enthralled by kimono fabric, tea sets, and woodblock prints. Explore how the Western craze for all things Japanese influenced the Impressionists. Called “Japonisme,” the impact on Impressionists was enormous.

Ruby Ming teaches at San Francisco State University, where she received her MA in Museum Studies. She provides professional development workshops for teachers for the San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles and the National Art Education Association. She engages learners of all ages to discover unexpected connections to arts and cultures, linking the past to the present.

This is a **free event** sponsored by the Community Foundation of Mendocino and the WCA.

Friday, June 10., at 6:30 pm in the Great Room, at the Willits Center for the Arts, located at 71 East Commercial Street (next to the Noyo Theatre).

For more information, check our website at willitscenterforthearts.org or call us at 707-459-1726.

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Baby Face Phillip

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“Phillip is an initially shy but sweet and playful dog. He walks well on leash, is great on off-leash walks, is potty trained, and dog friendly. He has had a rough past and therefore is still wary of strangers. Phillip is looking for a quiet home with a friendly resident dog and humans who understand that he will need time to bond with them.”

Our sweet boy needs to find that special person who has a friendly dog, sees Phillip's potential, and who is willing to give him the time he needs to trust. Phillip walks well on leash, is potty trained and has the cutest face ever!

To learn more about Phillip or view other adoptable animals, visit www.milofoundation.org or the Milo Foundation Sanctuary Facebook page. The sanctuary is currently doing pet adoptions by appointment only due to COVID-19. Please complete a pet-adoption application before requesting an appointment. You can reach the Milo Foundation at 510-900-2275.

Mango Tango

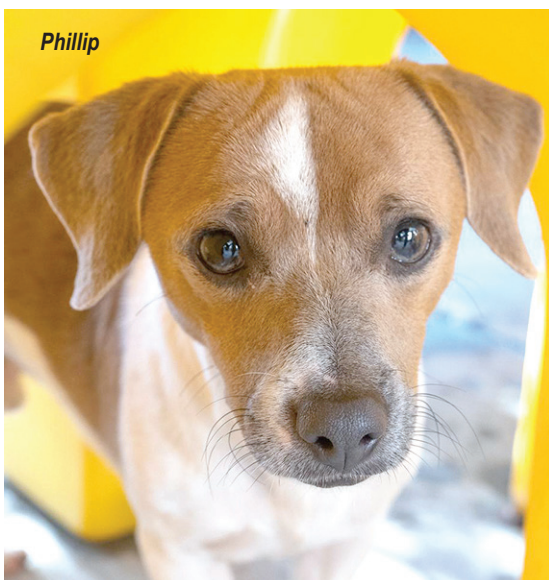
Mango Tango is looking for a second chance at doing the love dance with you! Our boy was one of seven who came to us back in March from our friends over at Clearlake Animal Care and Control. Sadly their owner passed away, leaving them to fend for themselves. These small dogs were scared at first but have completely transformed with the love and care our staff and volunteers provide. These days you can see them dancing in their kennels for treats or enjoying life in foster care. Although we love them a lot, nothing beats a forever home! Mango Tango is 10 years old and deserves to live his golden years out in a loving forever home. Let's help him with a second chance at love and life outside of the shelter!

The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino is located at 9700 Uva Drive in Redwood Valley. We are open Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 5 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 11 am to 3 pm. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays. You may also look at our available dogs and cats on our website: www.mendohumanesociety.com, our Facebook page, and on www.petfinder.com.

Love Bug Herbie

Herbie is a sweet, young guy, who really likes to cuddle up with his siblings. He can be playful, but also likes to have his down time. He gets along well with other cats and we think he would do well in a home with children.

The Mendocino County Animal Shelter, located at 298 Plant Road in Ukiah, requires a reservation to view adoptable animals. Call 707-467-6453 to make an appointment to meet Herbie or our other canine and feline guests. Make sure to pre-fill out the adoption application available at www.mendoanimalshelter.com.



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ART 282 - #0283	Introduction to Photography - Mon & Wed 5:30 - 8:20pm
ART 522 - #0524	Watercolors for Older Adults - Mon & Wed 2:00- 4:50pm
ASL 200 - #0202	Sign Language - Level I - Mon 5:30- 8:20pm
BUS 200 - #0204 Hybrid	Financial Accounting - Saturdays 9:00-11:50am Late Start
CDV 180 - #0181 Hybrid	Child, Family and Community:- Sat. 12:30-3:20 Late Start
CDV 180 - #0182	Child, Family and Community-(Spanish) Tues 6:00-9:00pm
ENG 65 - #0065	Academic Literacy - Tues & Thurs 11:00-11:50am
ENG 200 - #0020	College Composition - Tues & Thurs 9:30 -10:50am
ENG 200 - #0120 Hybrid	College Composition - Fridays 5:30 - 8:20pm Late Start
ENG 210/212 - #0210/#0212	Creative Writing/Intermediate - Fridays 10:00am-12:50pm
ENG 503 - #0503	Creative Writing for Older Adults-Fridays10:00am-12:50pm
ESL 7A/7B - #0070- 0071	ESL:Beginning A -B Mon & Wed 10:00am-12:45pm 15 weeks
ESL 507 - #0504	ESL:Oral Comm. Mon & Wed 10:00am-12:45pm 15 weeks
FSC 70A - #0076	Co. Officer 2A - Sat & Sun 8:00am-4:20pm (10/15-10/29)
HST 222 - #0219 Hybrid	Native American History - Sat 12:30 - 3:20pm Late Start
MTH 178 - #0405	Applied Math - Mon & Wed 9:00 - 10:50am
MTH 220 - #0221	Statistics - Mon & Wed 5:30 - 7:20pm
MUS 230 A-D - #0223/#0226	Voice:Beginning/Intermediate-Repertoire Tue 2:30-4:20pm
PSY 210 - #0211 Hybrid	Life Span Develop. Psychology - Sat 9:00-11:50am Late Start



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