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Revit-ED looks at

blighted building problem

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Members of the Willits Revitalization and Development Economic Committee. during а recent meeting, discussed the concept of requiring property owners to register their vacant commercial buildings with the city as a tool towards abating chronic vacancies and curbing blight within the downtown area.

The Revit-ED committee was re-formed earlier this year and identified vacancy commercial abatement as one of three

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Beat the heat

at City Hall

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It's hot in Willits this week, with temperatures rising to 101 on Wednesday at 1 pm, according to the National Weather Service's Willits page, citing temps from the Willits Justice Center. The weather station at Mendocino College's North County Center showed the high on Wednesday to be 98.2 at 3:15 pm.





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Above: Local exhibitors ready for the fair, from left: Marian Ochoa. Hailey Musgrave and Bella. Lorelei Croskey and Smore. Ryan LaCount. Nora Martin with her goat Greta. Keely Ahders. Below: Buyers cards from one of the most recent and from one of the first purchases made by Round Tree Glass. Lana Stroecker and Tom Rountree with the buyers letters. Clay Neese's card from an old fair.



, Matt and Russ Rountree of Round Tree Glass stand in their office, ch is tiled with cards of purchases past.



Buyers Help Make It Happen

Round Tree Glass has participated as Redwood Empire Fair buyer for almost 30 years Exhibitors are only half of the equation of a successful livestock Willits FFA market exhibitor list auction; it's the buyers who make it happen and who write the checks Market Steers: Jaden Doak, Caitlyn Forrester, that make the experience complete for the Lilah Garman, Grace Horger, Elisabeth Rountree 250-plus exhibitors. Maureen Moore and Ian Seymour. Meat Goats: Ryan LaCount, Graphics & Photographress maureen@willitsweekly.com Over the years, thousands of businesses, Cody Pederson, Alexis Reyes, Morgan Riley and individuals and community groups have Austin Willcutt. Market Lambs: Lance Burgess, supported the Redwood Empire Fair's Jasmine Mendoza, Hailey Riley and Kayla Junior Livestock Auction and paid premium prices for 4-H and Future Smith. Market Hogs: Kyleena Amador, Austin

County ducks and weaves on Measure V

Mike A'Dair Reporter mike@willitsweekly.com

Measure V became law on July 22, but the county has not yet determined if it will adopt an ordinance putting the measure into the county government code.

That is the upshot of a number of statements made by County Counsel Katharine Elliott over the past few days.

When asked by Fifth District Supervisor Dan Hamburg on July 19 how Measure V would be enforced, Elliott responded to Hamburg: "There is no direction in the initiative in terms of how that is to be enforced or whether we can enforce it, so "

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No agreement on reopening **Grist Creek**

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According to Mendocino **County Air Pollution Control** Officer Robert Scaglione, there is "no agreement now or pending" with Grist Creek Aggregates and the Mercer-Fraser Company concerning a possible third startup of asphalt operations at the Longvale site off Outlet Creek north of Willits. The plant manufactured rubberized asphalt for approximately 2.5 months in 2015, from late September to early December. It shut down during the winter months, and was permitted to start up again for about a week in late March 2016 so the company could fulfill a contract with Caltrans.

One option to beat the heat is to visit the Willits air-conditioned Community Center, which is one of a half-dozen "cooling stations" around inland Mendocino County available for the rest of this week.

"According the to National Weather Service,"

Read the rest of Heat Over on Page 15

Kelsay admits to lying during embezzlement trial

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A Brooktrails woman serving four years in county jail after being convicted embezzling almost of \$500,000 from the owners of a Laytonville market pled guilty to three counts of perjury Tuesday.

Christine Kelly Kelsay could be sentenced to almost a decade in state prison after admitting to having lied during both the first and second days of testimony in her April embezzlement trial. Kelsay

Read the rest of Perjury Over on Page 15

Farmers of America Read the rest of exhibitors' farmraised animals.









Above: Local exhibitors ready for the fair, from left: 4-H'ers Claire Case-Brackett, Cole Moyle and Callie Brown and FFA'ers Hunter Brackett and James Brown. Danielle Barry and her lambs. Ava Mucke. Taylor Drew and Super Pig. Tanner Drew and Dorothy.



Above: Local exhibitors ready for the fair, from left: Emma Garman and her lambs. Grace Aguilar. Grace Croskey and her market goat Flower. Haley Whitcomb with Hallow. Caitlyn Forrester and her steer.



Above: Local exhibitors ready for the fair, from left: Taylor Quinliven's FFA sheep say "bah." Stephany Brundage and her rabbit. Caitlyn and Madison Forrester. Kassandra Basler, Long Valley 4-H member, with her market goat. Jack Croskey and his pygmy goat Licorice. Ben Branscomb and Bella.



Above: Local exhibitors ready for the fair, from left: Jimmy Whitley and his Angus cross steer Charlie. Sierra Mayfield and her lamb. Connor Basler and O-Ring the hog. James Brown and Ricky-Bobby with Callie Brown and Thor. William England and his pigs, John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara.



Above: Local exhibitors ready for the fair, from left: Paige Whitcomb with her pig, Bogart. Jaden Doak and Rowdy. Lilah Garman and her steer. Lucas Branscomb and Alfie. Samantha Arms with Bubba and Dell.

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Unique highway signage needed to promote Willits

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"I think the conversation should be about putting up unique signs that brand Willits," said Alan Falleri, addressing the topic of highway signage for Willits during last Tuesday's Revitalization and Economic Development Committee meeting.

The Revit-ED committee has identified highway signage as a high-priority topic, given that the Highway 101 bypass is set to open this November

Read the rest of Signage Over on Page 11

What do YOU think?

Opinions, thoughts and thank you letters from readers

Friends of the Willits Library

To the Editor:

Friends of the Willits Library is looking for more friends to sort and box book donations, move books for book sales, and participate in other outreach and fundraiser activities. If you're looking for a way to contribute and connect, call such as corn, squash, beans, tomatoes and peppers. They Janey Mitchell, 707-354-0423.

Janey Mitchell, for Friends of the Willits Library

Response from Black Bart Gunfighters

To the Editor:

In response to last week's reader that had questions about the 2015 "4th of July" parade celebration where an incident occurred, that questioned the Black Bart Gunfighters in the injury of a parade onlooker.

Black Bart Gunfighter, for those who don't know the history of our group, are local and some not-so-local regular community members who put on shows to earn money enabling us to offer local high school scholarships at Willits High School.

We are hired to do shows for the 4th of July festivities every year for decades. This year, with the ongoing civil suit pending, we were asked to do a show that was without the gun fighting, and we did. We all had a splendid time at the parade, as well as the park show, and look forward to picking up where we left off last year.

First of all as a Black Bart Gunfighter, I can tell you that all our guns shoot blanks, and it's all issued by our safety officer, and we are very proud of our safety records involving firearms. Secondly at the incident, all members handed their guns to the police and all were cleared by the Department of Justice of any criminal involvement and returned to us.

With that said, we will say there is still a civil case pending and until the civil case is completed, there is not much more that we can say in regard to the incident.

community and would like to say "Thank You" to all those who have supported us.

The Indians who populated the eastern part of North America before the European colonization had a welldeveloped agriculture based on hybridized native plants also practiced a form of silviculture creating fruit and nut

Livestock vs. wildlife

To the Editor:

orchards by selecting for preferred native trees. While these plant foods provided the bulk of the diet for most tribes, hunting and fishing for wild animals supplemented the diet with some meat and fish. There were no large domesticated mammals in North America until the arrival of the Europeans in the 16th century.

With the Europeans came sheep, goats, pigs, cattle and horses. As the Indian population declined precipitously due to the spread of contagious diseases brought by the Europeans for which they had no resistance, Indian farmers were replaced by European pastoralists. After the American Civil War, sheep and cattle ranching moved onto the western plains displacing the once-immense herds of native buffalo that were massacred to near extinction.

Between the 1880s and 1920s, state and federal agencies began to work cooperatively with western sheep and cattle ranchers to exterminate wolves, coyotes, mountain lions and grizzly bears that preved on livestock. Poison was the weapon of choice, with steel-jawed leg-hold traps and rifles as back up. Millions of America's native predators were killed, as they too were hunted to near extinction.

Today the ranching profession has a very powerful romantic appeal to many Americans. Our frontier culture has bestowed an almost mythical status upon ranchers, while conveniently ignoring the genocide against wildlife that was perpetrated in the name of animal husbandry.

Sheep and cattle ranchers began moving into Mendocino County in the late 1800s, and the county's cooperation with ranchers in the extermination of predators began in the early 1900s. While wolves and grizzlies have long been exterminated from the county, there still exists a remnant population of mountain lions. Covotes, owing to the absence of competing wolves and to their natural fecundity, have actually proliferated even under constant persecution

The county's lethal predator control program ran Black Bart has received so much love and support from the continuously for a century, killing tens of thousands of wild animals, including many non-targeted species, right up until April 2016, when it was finally halted through a lawsuit home. against the county brought by several wildlife protection

County government justified spending public tax dollars to kill predators on economic grounds, claiming that ranching is an important contributor to the county's agricultural revenues and thus deserving of a public subsidy. The county's own agricultural records, however, tell a different story. The 2014 crop report listed county crop revenues as follows: fruits and nuts \$106,699,000, forest products \$74,980,000, livestock production \$13,245,800, field crops \$10,514,500, livestock and poultry products \$6,204,600, vegetable crops \$1,452,000, and nursery production \$1,380.000.

Of course this crop report does not include the county's largest agricultural crop which is cannabis, conservatively estimated at over \$1 billion. If cannabis is factored into the equation, as it rightly should be, county revenues from ranching shrink down to less than 2 percent of total county agricultural revenues.

The reason ranching fails to thrive in Mendocino County is not because we aren't killing enough coyotes and mountain lions. Our thickly forested mountainous terrain leaves little land suitable for grazing livestock, and our long hot dry summers make growing pasture and feed crops very expensive. Due to these natural constraints, ranching in Mendocino County has always been a marginal business at best.

Pasturing sheep and cattle in the isolated valleys and meadows of Mendocino County leaves them highly vulnerable to predation by coyotes and mountain lions. While I lament the loss of these domesticated animals, such losses are to be expected when grazing livestock provide such irresistible bait for these predators. It is not the responsibility of county taxpayers to mitigate these loses by paying for lethal predator controls.

As an alternative predator management strategy, I suggest the county issue "grazing permits" that would only be issued upon proof that the rancher has properly implemented state-of-the-art, non-lethal, predator control measures.

I can understand why ranchers feel threatened by wildlife protection advocates like me when they honestly believe they are doing nothing more than providing wholesome and essential foods for people. I can also understand why ranchers can't help but take my critique of their industry personally, but they can rest assured that I harbor no malice towards them, my only concern is that we all learn how to coexist with the wildlife who also call this county

Jon Spitz, Laytonville



Black Bart Gunfighters, Willits organizations. **Get Ready for Real Estate** Willits Weekly starts stand-alone Real Estate

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Old West nn

Patel family owners say small-town Willits feels like home

Roshan Patel had no plans of getting into the hotel business when he came to Alabama in 2004 from India at the age of 17. His primary interest and area of study was in the field of computer science. particularly Damian Sebouhian

araphic design damian@willitsweeklv.com and programming. While Roshan had family in the Bay Area and an uncle in Ukiah,

Willits was far from his radar However, because other members of his

family were keen on exploring the hotel business. Roshan spent his spare time researching it, to prepare himself in case his family needed his added services. This Butawada. turned out to be the case, and Roshan had a challenging decision to make: stay with his computer career aspirations, or help his family get a foothold in the competitive world of the hotel industry.

"[I thought that] if I join with my family to help make their business a little better, I'd rather do that than have my family struggle," Roshan explained. "I ended up joining my family, which pretty much cancelled out my line of work [in computers]."

So, in 2005, Roshan, along with his parents, his brother and his brother's wife, moved to Oakland to get their feet wet managing a hotel.

"Then [in 2007] my uncle, who runs the Best Western in Ukiah, told us about this place in Willits, the Old West Inn." Roshan said, "We came around and checked it out, and we really liked it."

It was more than the inn that attracted the Patels, It was Willits itself

"Willits is perfect for us," Roshan said. "Where I used to live in India, it's a small town just like



of Gujarati and the Indian national common At top, from left: One of the recently upgraded rooms at the Old West Inn. The inner courtyard. Payal Patel, at left, and Pushpa Patel at the front desk. tongue of Hindi

Above: The Old West Inn on Highway 101, across the street and just south of Hazel Street. As a family, the Patels speak Gujarati, which Roshan calls a completely different language Below: The Patel family: Roshan Patel, center, with his nephew Daksh (in front), his wife, Paval. at left, his mother, Pushpa, and his sister-in-law Sapna, at right. from Hindi

At bottom, left: The Old West Inn, looking like an old Western downtown with signs above Roshan's English saturation was a result the "storefronts." of spending his primary learning years at At bottom, right: Roshan Patel talks about how his family came to Willits in the foyer at the a Seventh-day Adventist school outside inn

"My parents wanted me to have a very nice education because they knew that ever since I was little, I really liked to study," Roshan said. "They sent me to the best school in the area."

Roshan estimates there are approximately 100 people from his hometown currently living in the United States. Every once in a while, they all reunite somewhere in the States to catch up with each other.

"We have a lot of family reunions," Roshan said. "But not just family reunions, we have town reunions in America for all of us who actually moved to America from Butawada."

After buying the Old West Inn in June of 2007, the Patels spent the next three years fixing up the place.

"We changed pretty much everything," Roshan explained. "We did a lot of repair work to make it more functional. Then after three years, when people started to see that the hotel was nice, and that it had good value for the money, we started to upgrade; we've been

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back this weekend from July 29 to 31 at www.notsosimple.info. the Mendocino County Fairgrounds in

Boonville, with Forrest Glyer a huge variety Reporter forrest@willitsweekly.com of workshops

focused on rural living skills in Mendocino County. More than 80 presenters throughout the weekend will be teaching topics that run the gamut – farming, hunting and gathering, blacksmithing, beekeeping, fermentation and dairy culturing, natural building, alternative energy, animal husbandry, seed saving, and much more. There'll be plenty to choose from

will be a "Campfire Cabaret" at dusk to kick things off with music, costumes, dancing and audience participation encouraged. The workshops start Saturday morning at 10 am, though there's a couple "Pre-Fair" classes at 8 am. Saturday will include a potluck dinner at 6 pm, followed by a dance with the bands Pura Vida and The county. Self Fulfilling Prophecies.

Ticket prices are \$30 per day, \$40 for the weekend if purchased before Friday; or \$35 per day and \$50 for the weekend starting Friday. Camping is \$10 per night, and to just attend the dance is \$15. More to weave fiber into cloth, or whether

OBITUARY |

Jerry Wells

Jerry was a long-distance runner Jerry Wells left this life on July 4, 2016, entering eternal life and the welcoming arms of his Savior. Jesus. He was born

Far left: John Jeavons. At left: Donna d'Terra.

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you want to raise animals, or whether you

want to grow all your food, or whether

"I believe it brings the communities

been doing it a while, or because they

wonderful influx of young people coming

"It was a sharp learning curve," she

said. "I was part of that back to the land

movement of the late '70s. And I went to

one or two of the Simple Living Fairs, and

I was very inspired. I still am. It's one of

Living Fair in 2010, and d'Terra said that

it's certainly changed some with all the

Jesus and was not shy about telling others

the difference knowing Jesus had made in

returned as The Not-So-Simple

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Mendocino County."

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Betty Cudney

OBITUARY |

Betty Elderkin Cudney, a 42-year resident of Willits, peacefully passed away on Monday, June 13, 2016 at the Holy Child Care Home in Willits. She was 94.

She was born in Lakewood, Ohio, on February 16, 1922 to Jesse and Amanda Elderkin. She graduated from Milan High School in Ohio in 1940 and from Mount Sinai Hospital School of Nursing in 1943.

After graduating from nursing school, Betty served in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II. In 1943 while aboard the Queen Mary, she met her husband, Joel Cudney, while en route to London, England,

where she was stationed during the war.

Betty worked as a nurse at Howard Memorial Hospital for over 10 years, retiring in 1987. She enjoyed working at Howard and loved living in Willits, where

she made many you want to build wooden products lifelong friends. everything's there, and it's a real gift to Her favorite hobbies included golf and playing bridge. She was a world traveler and loved to have

a good time.

together in a very positive way," said She was preceded in death by her husband, Joel d'Terra. "It brings people together from all B. Cudney, and son Murvil Cudney. over the county who have a similar focus

She is survived by sons Joel Cudney. Jr. and wife, and interest, either because they've Billie, of Gresham, Oregon; Len Cudney and wife, Karen, of Bishop, California; granddaughter Megan want to learn how to do it.... There's this Cudney-Frechette and husband, Mark, and greatgrandson Everett (Chip) Frechette of Reno, Nevada bringing their own fresh ideas and Betty is also survived by grandsons Ron, Tony perspectives and skills, so it's a rich mix and Casey Budesilich; nine great-grandchildren: Mackenzie, Madison, Macy, Marissa, Morgan, Cale

d'Terra attended a couple of the Tony III, Caden, and Melanie; and great-greatoriginal Simple Living Fairs, which ran for granddaughter Ashton

several years starting in 1980, originally A celebration of the life of Betty was held July 10 at at the Ukiah Fairgrounds before moving Agape Bible Church, 290 South Lenore. Donations to Boonville. Back then, she had just in memory of Betty may be made to Harrah Senior moved north from the Bay Area, and had Center, 1501 Baechtel Road, Willits, or the Howard Foundation, 44 Madrone Street, Willits.



his life. Jerry was very proud of

friends and family.

his kids, grandkids and his extended family. He had a OBITUARY | great sense of humor and Walter Camp



for anyone with an interest in exploring and learning skills they can apply to their own homes and land, often with an emphasis on sustainability and using local resources. The third keynote panelist is Mac Magruder, who manages Magruder Doors open Friday at 3 pm, and there Ranch in Potter Valley, a grass-fed and

finished cattle ranch that uses a yearround holistic rotational system. Jeavons and d'Terra have both presented classes at several Not-So-Simple Living fairs previously, and both had high praise for what it offers and its importance to the

is special because it's real, it's grounded, and there's exciting skills to be learned," said Jeavons. "My whole family just loves going. And whether you want Read the rest of

awarded many medals. He loved baseball and fondly remembered all the hours his dad spent playing catch

Willits will have a particularly strong presence this year at the fair, with two of the three speakers on the keynote panel from Willits: John Jeavons, the executive

director of Ecology Action and worldrenowned originator of the Grow Bio-Intensive method; and Donna d'Terra, founder and director of the Motherland Botanical Sanctuary and Herb School, and mentor to hundreds of young herbalists. The theme for the panel is "Keep On Keepin' On," and they'll talk Sunday, from 2 to 3:30 pm. In addition, there will be several "presenters" who live and/or work in the Willits area giving workshops throughout the weekend at the fairgrounds.

"For me, the Not-So-Simple Living Fair

They grew as a couple and were devoted



The officers of the Willits WPD Activity Police Department handled 170 incidents in this seven-day reporting period. Report Summary of Street. **Active Investigations** July 16 to July 22 and Arrests July 16 Prepared by WPD Sgt. Jake Donahue 1:20 am: Officers responded Call), and 1203.(a) PC (Violation of to a report of a missing juvenile in the 10 block of Creekside Court. Probation) The juvenile was located shortly 12 pm: LENHARD, Cameron (28) of afterwards. Willits was contacted during a traffic under arrest pursuant to 23152 VC stop in the 1200 block of Baechtel 5 pm: O'CONNER, Virginia (46) of (DUI). Road and issued a citation pursuant to Clearlake was contacted in the 500 block of Della Avenue and issued a an active Mendocino County warrant. July 19 citation pursuant to an active Lake 1:45 pm: Officers contacted County warrant. MCCARTNEY, Kyle (29) of Willits in the 100 block of Hazel Street, and July 17 placed him under arrest pursuant to 12 am: Officers on patrol were an outstanding Mendocino County flagged down in the 1500 block of warrant. During that contact, officers South Main Street, by a female victim determined McCartney was under the who was bleeding from a laceration influence of a controlled substance, on her hand. The victim reported for which he was placed under arrest that during an argument with the pursuant to 11550(a) PC (Drug suspect, MENDOZA, Francisco (25) Influence) of Willits, Mendoza armed himself 6 pm: Officers were called to a with a knife which he held to her reported disturbance in the 1300 block neck while threatening to kill her. of South Main Street. After initiating Mendoza ultimately discarded the an investigation, they spoke with the knife, but then picked up another victim who reported that she'd been in knife and brandished that knife toward a verbal altercation with the suspect. the victim. The victim attempted to During that interaction, the suspect disarm Mendoza, but was injured in accelerated his vehicle towards the the process. Mendoza then reportedly victim, striking her. He then fled the took the victim's cell phone out of scene. The victim sustained minor her hand, and threw it in the toilet injuries as a result of the collision, to disable it, to prevent her from and received medical treatment on calling the police. Officers contacted scene. The Willits Police Department Mendoza at his residence, where he is investigating the incident as an was placed under arrest pursuant to Assault w/a Deadly Weapon. 273.5(a) PC (Domestic Violence w/ Injury), 245(a)(1) PC (Assault w/a July 18 Deadly Weapon), 422 PC (Criminal Threats), 417 PC (Brandishing a 9:30 am: Officers were Weapon), 591.5 PC (Destruction of a dispatched to a reported burglary Read the rest of WPD to a business in the 200 block of Cell Phone to Prevent an Emergency

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South Main Street. 6:30 pm: Officer initiated an investigation of a reported vandalism to a business in the 200 block of South Main

10:30 pm: Officers contacted DEGURSE, James (63) of Willits during a traffic stop in the 10 block of South Main Street. During that stop, officers determined Degurse had been operating the vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, and placed him

11 am: Officers responded to a reported theft at a business in the 800 block of South Main Street, and located the suspect, STEPHENS, Ernest (44) of Willits, walking away from the location. Stephens was detained and released with a citation pursuant to 488 PC (Petty Theft)

12:10 pm: STEWART, River (32) of Willits was contacted in the 200 block of South Main Street and arrested pursuant to an active Mendocino

County warrant.

12:30 pm: Officers responded to the 100 block of Kawi Place to recover a previously reported stolen vehicle.

1:35 pm: Officers arrested LAWSON, Brandon (20) of Willits as he was walking in the 10 block of Baechtel Road. Officers had been investigating Lawson on suspicion of tagging several locations throughout town, and subsequently placed him under arrest pursuant to 594(b)(2) (A) PC (Vandalism). Also, Lawson was found to be in possession of methamphetamine, in violation of 11377(a) HS (Possession of a

Over on Page 6

October 2, 1951 in New York City. He is survived by his loving wife of 17 years, Tracey; father, Howard Wells; siblings: Tom Wells, Bill (Rini) Wells, Nancy (Jerry) Cash; daughters: Jennifer (Anthony) Virrey and Amanda (Niki) Cebrian; stepchildren: Rachael (Tom) Campbell, Vince Reed, and Matt (Traci) Reed; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Jerry was predeceased by his mother, Janice.

Jerry loved hunting, and even though he couldn't do that later in life, he continued to enjoy all types of outdoor activities, marveling at the natural world. Jerry and Tracey found pleasure in hiking, taking long walks, and spending time on the coast.

with him. Those hours paid off, as he was a star baseball player and team member of a Mexican-American semi-pro team called the Modesto Padres. The endeavor Jerry was most thankful to have been a part of was – with Mark Jason and Dale Higgins

to loving one another.

- starting the Christian

Program, Recovery

Celebrate Recovery, in Ukiah. This held on August 6, 2016 at 1 pm at Grace ministry has expanded and led many out of Community Church, 25 Hazel Street, addiction and into freedom in Christ. Jerry Willits. Arrangements under the direction of was passionate about sharing his faith in Anker-Lucier Mortuary.

people, often keeping the Malibu barista, musician, civil rights campaigner. family laughing. He also had musician, activist, environmentalist, newspaper a gentle, sensitive nature owner, back-to-the-land mountain man, and winner and cared deeply for others. of our personal gold medal for best dad and husband, He will be dearly missed. Walter Camp, July 1939 to July 2016.

special and heartfelt A life worth living means following your true path. Thank You" goes to his being your true self as often as possible, and leaving Hospice caregivers, Dennis, behind a legacy that would make you proud. That Angelina, Tom, and many was the Walter we knew and loved, and the world will be a little poorer without him.

A memorial service will be Many thanks to all who have expressed their condolences. We plan a celebration of his life in the near future.

– Jane, Tomki and Karen, and Blaise Camp



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The rest of From Page 4 WPD

Round Tree Glass in Willits is just one of these Controlled Substance) businesses

Starting in 1988, Tom Rountree, senior owner of Round Tree Glass, started purchasing animals. That first year he recalled purchasing six or seven lots, keeping some of the meat and donating some, too.

"Back then, they were a little cheaper," reminisced Rountree. "You could get a hog for \$600 maybe; now they've increased to about \$1,800 a hog."

This increase hasn't decreased Rountree's interest in attending, however. He and son Matt like to go to the auction on the first Saturday in August and show their support to all the kids and families participating in the aggie lifestyle.

Usually a hog buyer, Rountree also has purchased sheep and a steer or two over the years. He donates half a hog to the Covelo Rodeo's raffle drawing and another half usually goes to his crew at the glass shop.

"We've already gotten quite a stack of letters this year," said Rountree as he motioned to the pile of some 50-plus buyers letters that sat on the counter, brought in by hopeful exhibitors. The exhibitors are asked to visit local businesses in their official whites or other uniforms, and to present an invitation to prospective buyers. "We usually get a bunch more the week right before fair, and another stack when we go to Covelo. It's great to see the kids come in, introduce themselves, and welcome us to the fair."

Rountree also purchased animals through another business he owned in the past, Western Auto, based in Covelo.

Many familiar names and accompanying photos hang on the placards that line the edges of the Round Tree Glass office, including John Fife, Janelle McCormack, Clay Neese, Tylor Yadon, Sara Coldwell, Shelby and Cody Merrifield, Taylor Buzzard, Patrick Ramming, Brook Stroecker, Keegan Reed, Emmy Heiken, Jessica Bloom and Elizabeth Rountree, a testament to the long history Round Tree Glass has had supporting the community

Everyone is invited to come be a buyer at the auction; just show up, sign up and get a bidder's card. The public is welcome to come enjoy the fun, too. The auction starts at noon on Saturday, August 6 at the Ukiah Fairgrounds. More info: 462-FAIR or www.RedwoodEmpireFair.com

The rest of From Page 1 Exhibitors

Andrade, Hunter Brackett, Ben Branscomb, James Brown, Taylor Brown, DJ Buzzard, Taylor Buzzard, Jorge Carrillo, Sarah Compa, Karissa Cornwall, Coltin Doak, Bailey Ferguson, Haily Findley, Evan Flamer, Tatyana Guevara, Devin Heiken, Kris Novo, Keegan Reed, Sierra Skinner and Justin Verdo

Willits 4-H market exhibitor list

Market Steer: Claire Case-Brackett. Meat Pen Turkeys: Aurora-Belle David, Sophia Scott. Meat Pen Rabbits: Stephany Brundage. Meat Goats: Grace Croskey, Grant Forreste Madison Forrester, Mariah Ochoa and Catherine Spackman. Market Lambs: Grace Aguilar, Elena Arkelian, Jesse Arms, Samantha Arms, Danielle Barry, Emma Garman, Laney Hendry, Sierra Mayfield, Ava Mucke and Taylor Quinliven. Market Hogs: Jacob Arms, Lucas Branscomb, Callie Brown, Jessica Buzzard, Jacob Compa, Tanner Drew, Taylor Drew, William England, Christian Erickson, Cruz Erickson, Ethan Ferguson, Kodan Fryman, Aaron Griggs, Jay Griggs, Tanner Heiken, Walker Klee, Ella Lane, Caleb Lovell-Yoder, David Mann, Cole Moyle, Kailea Nelson, Jacobi Smith, Collin Spackman-Rowles and Ashtan Weeks.

5:30 pm: Officers responded to a burglary at a business in the 300 block of North Main Street. During their investigation, they determined the reporting party was also the restrained party of a restraining order and was prohibited from contact with the second reporting party to the same burglary call. GRAY, James (38) of Willits was placed under arrest pursuant to 273.6(a) PC (Violation of a Court Order).

10 pm: SOTO, Javier (29) of Clearlake was contacted during a traffic stop in the 700 block of South Main Street and placed under arrest pursuant to 23152 VC (DUI)

7 am: RAY, Michael (53) of Willits was arrested in the 200 block of South Main Street after officers saw him with an open container of alcohol. A subsequent check revealed Ray was the subject of an active Tulare County felony warrant.

July 20

July 21

July 22

10:40 pm: Officers responded to a reported collision in the 200 block of South Main Street. During their investigation, officers determined BEARNSON, Braden (37) of Willits had been driving while under the influence of alcohol and placed him under arrest pursuant to 23152 VC (DUI).

3:10 pm: MCDONALD, Layton (31) of Lucerne was contacted in the 800 block of South Main Street and issued a citation for an active Mendocino County warrant.

7 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 10 block of Madden Lane. During their investigation, they determined DUWE. Robert (50) of Ukiah had been in an altercation with the victim, during which he assaulted the victim, which resulted in a minor injury to the victim. DUWE was placed under arrest pursuant to 273.5(a) PC

(Domestic Violence w/Injury). 10:30 am: Officers responded to a hit-and-run collision in the 1400 block of South Main Street.

7:30 pm: Officers initiated an investigation into the vandalism of a vehicle parked in the 10 block of Alameda Street

The rest of From Page 5 Boonville

new knowledge and experience everyone has gained over the years in rural living.

"I think there's a lot more focus on sustainability because we know how important that is now, and that wasn't even a buzzword back then. Now it's very common to be included in just about any subject. How can we support that which supports us? And that's absolutely key to how we move forward as far as I'm concerned."

She also understands why they changed the name. "So many of us have been here for 30 or 40 years, and know that lifestyle is not necessarily simple," she mused. "But it's very worthwhile."

For the keynote panel, d'Terra plans on emphasizing the importance of localization in regards to farming and gardening.

"My belief is that those herbs that we can grow in our garden and harvest in the wild are going to be [important] for so many WPD: Recent Arrests

JD Schmidt, 30, Willits

On Saturday, July 23 at about 5 pm, Willits Police Department officers conducted a traffic stop in the 1300 block of South Main Street. During the stop, officers conducted a search of the vehicle after observing drugs in plain sight. During their search, officers located a firearm concealed in a hidden compartment in the vehicle, and determined that firearm had been reported stolen during a residential burglary in

the Ukiah area.

Officers placed the driver, J.D. Schmidt, under arrest and booked him into the Mendocino County Jail pursuant to 25850(c) PC (Possession of a Stolen Firearm) and 25400(c)(2) PC (Carrying a Concealed Firearm). Additionally, officers located numerous boxes of ammunition in the vehicle, which was in violation of the terms of an active restraining order of which Schmidt was the restrained party. Schmidt was also booked pursuant to 166(a)(4) PC (Disobey Court Order).

Shane Singleton, 18, Willits

On Saturday, July 23 at about 2:30 pm, Willits Police Department Bike Patrol officers contacted the occupants of a vehicle, parked outside of a closed business in the 200 block of Shell Lane. The officers noticed the odor of marijuana coming from within the vehicle, and requested the occupants exit the vehicle.

One of the occupants, Shane Singleton, attempted to flee by running away but was

guickly caught and apprehended. At that point officers discovered he was in possession of a loaded firearm. Upon searching the vehicle. officers discovered numerous items that had recently been reported stolen during a residential burglary at a residence several miles north of Willits

Officers examined the firearm and noticed the serial numbers had been destroyed, but they were able to determine the firearm had also recently been reported stolen from the same residence.

Singleton was arrested and booked into the Mendocino County Jail pursuant to 25850(c)(2) PC (Possession of a Stolen Loaded Firearm), 25400(a)(1) PC (Possession of a Concealed Firearm), 23900 PC (Destroying Firearm Serial Number), and 148(a)(1) PC (Resisting Arrest). He was also booked in accordance with the reported residential burglary.

> the years. Grow Biointensive uses limited farm space and resources to produce maximum yields of healthy crops, all while producing your own compost and maintaining or even improving the health of the soil year after year - and it's applicable just about anywhere you can grow food.

> Jeavons said he's also planning to talk about a couple "new" crops on Sunday, which he said should reduce the farm size in relation to the yield by even more. He's saving the details about what these crops are for his speech

> Grow Biointensive is taught and practiced through the nonprofit Ecology Action on a farm at Ridgewood Ranch, and at the Jeavons Center in Willits. Jeavons has written a best-selling book and over 200 other publications on the topic, won several awards, and spoken at many conferences. Ecology Action teaches people the method from all over the world every year.



Above: Woodworker Jerry Saunders, left, and Relay volunteer Sharron Kidd, pose with the two memory boxes and the beautiful park bench Saunders has made for the Relay for Life Surviors Raffle this year. Piper the cat did a good job posing, too. At right: Two wooden memory boxes destined for Relay in Saunders' shop.

Mama Taco

Photos by Jennifer Poole

Taco came in as a mama kitty, when she is really just a kitten herself. She is only about a year old and not only raised her own litter (Tostada, Enchilada and Taguito), but a few "extras" that needed a mommy also. She is really sweet, easygoing and just happy to please. Come meet Taco today!

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Relay for Life

Cancer survivors, the public invited to annual fundraiser

It's Relay for Life weekend in box Saunders made was inspired auction, cheer on the Relayers by his wife, Diana, who had the or take a turn or two around Willits, and for the fifth year, cancer survivors, caretakers, friends and the general public will be doing a friend. 24-hour relay in the Rec Grove

Park. The nationwide event raises funds for the American Cancer Society and also for local services. There will be plenty of raffles to participate in - many of the

"This is a time when you can be teams have a raffle opportunity at celebrated and honored; we'd love their tables – but one very special to have you there!" raffle will be of a beautiful redwood park bench, handcrafted by Jerry

Saunders. This is a survivorsonly raffle, and each survivor who comes to Relay will get a free raffle ticket, and a good chance of winning the beautiful bench. 10 am on Sunday, July 31. For this year's Relay for Life Saunders also volunteered to

The event is free and open to the public, and Willits residents are encouraged to come down, silent auction at the Relay event buy a raffle ticket or two, eat this weekend. The first memory lunch, place a bid in the silent

Delightful Sparkles

make two wooden memory boxes,

which will be available for raffle or

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Sparkles got her name from her sparkling, delightful personality! This gorgeous 2-year-old shepherd mix is a sweet, loving girl who is an easy walker and curious about her surroundings. Sparkles likes to think she is a big lap dog – 60 pounds – so make sure you save room for her on the couch! Sparkles can be a bit skittish and would do best in a home with older children or adults, and daily exercise as well as oodles of affection. If you think Sparkles sounds like the dog for you, please stop by the shelter today and meet her!

Shelter is located at 298 Plant Road in Animal Thursday, Friday Ukiah, and adoption hours are Tuesday, am to



Wyatt Rock La Rue Wyatt Rock La Rue was born July 7, 2016. He weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces. He is welcomed by his parents, Clint Rock La Rue and Christiana Lee Lovell of Ukiah and his grandparents Dave and Denise Lovell of Willits, and Dan and Kathy La Rue of Ukiah. Baby Wyatt is the sixth generation

to come home to live at the family's Singley

6 PAIRS OF SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS TICKETS (DUGOUT BOX) AND A \$50 FOOD & BEVERAGE CARD **ON AUGUST 27**

TICKET ENTRIES



Relay starts at 10 am on Saturday, July 30, at the park To sign up for relay or to learn on Commercial Street across more, visit www.relayforlife.org/ from the Willits Library, with the willitsca or call 1-800-227-2345. Opening Ceremony honoring Local cancer survivors with cancer survivors, and wraps up at questions can also call Kidd at 459-9285. Local Relay for Life volunteers are looking for more help to ensure that this new

> tradition in Willits will continue in 2017 and beyond.





Ranch

Jennifer Poole

reasons.... That's the direction we need to go in – rather than buying herbs that have come across the ocean, and we don't know much about them, or the true embodied energy of what it took to get them here.

After her jump into rural living, d'Terra developed a passion for herbs, and has now been teaching classes for over 30 years, with a focus on local, sustainable and restorative herbalism. On the 160 acre Motherland Botanical Sanctuary, located just north of Willits, there's over 200 different species of herbs grown, used in the nine-month Herbal Apprentice class she's been teaching for the last 20 years.

However she does plan on making a change to the teaching regimen at Motherland starting next year.

"What we plan to offer is a little broader focus having to do

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For Jeavons, the Grow Biointensive method and the philosophy behind it will certainly be a part of his keynote speech. The method is now practiced in 151 countries around the world thanks largely

This year, they're hosting seven interns from Kenya, the Congo Ghana. Canada and Wisconsin.

In regards to the "Keep On Keeping On" theme of the panel, Jeavons said that "perseverance" has been key in making the Grow Biointensive movement into what it is.

"Persevering makes all the difference in the world," he said. "[Masanobu] Fukuoka, the Japanese farmer [and writer] - what he said is you just commit yourself to doing something and then if you're lucky and keep doing it, you're likely to discover exciting things. So perseverance and keeping on keeping on like Donna and Mac have, makes all the difference in the world. Everyone is able to learn from their perseverance and their excitement just what is possible.'

He noted that there's plenty of potential topics to get excited about at the fair this weekend. with tending the land....

It will be what we've "You just go read over this [presenter] list, and your mouth learned from being out sort of falls open because of the opportunities that everyone's there for 35 years." going to have to educate themselves or to become better at

what they're already good at. From all over the county and In addition to the keynote panel, d'Terra from around Willits there's a wealth of skill.... I can see from this year's offering that they seem to be more diverse, if that's will also be teaching a workshop on Saturday possible.

with friends Vicky Among the presenters will be two people from the Ecology Salcido-Cobb, who is Action team: Jes Pearce, who's the garden mini-farm manager the garden manager at the Jeavons Center, and Matt Drewno, who's farm manager at Motherland, and at the Green Belt Mini-Farm in Mendocino. They'll be teaching herbalist/activist Georgia a workshop Saturday from 3:30 to 5 pm called "How To Grow Lane. It's from 2 to 3:20 All Your Own Food," going through techniques and strategies of pm and is called "Wild Grow Biointensive for the home gardener Plants for Food and

"I know what they've been preparing," said Jeavons, "and Medicine." It will cover that's going to be just a very, very special opportunity because weed/greens, berries, people are going to learn the patterns [of Grow Biointensive], and trees/nuts. and be able to go out and start doing it." "We're going to talk

about the ethics of Here are some others in the Willits area who are presenting harvesting in the wild and workshops at the fair, all on Sunday:

the idea of the honorable Phil Jergenson will be demonstrating Grid Beam, "an open harvest," said d'Terra. source building technique that will allow anyone to dream up "And then we're going to and build what you need." It's a clean, reusable construction have lots of taste treats." system used to build everything from furniture to small vehicles and house structures.

> Carol Cox, who managed the Ecology Action Research Garden for nearly 20 years, and now collaborates on a community garden in Willits, will be teaching two workshops. One explores composting and the other looks at solar cooking.

Tim Ward, who teaches and directs at the Grange School of Adaptive Agriculture, will be teaching the workshop "Soil Building Primer: A farm tour and presentation of manual no-till to him and those he's vegetable production." worked with throughout



ENTRIES FOR THIS PROMOTION CAN BE EARNED ON; TUESDAY JULY 19, 26, AUGUST 2, 2016 - 20 PTS/ENTRY SATURDAY JULY 23, 30, AUGUST 6 2016 - 20 PTS/ENTRY

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Thursday, July 28 Last chance for WAC July show: "Americana, Sweet Land of Liberty" – July exhibit at Willits Sweet Land of Liberty" – July exhibit at Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street, closes July 31. This show, curated by Mary Kelly,

features a wide variety of art mediums, including sculptures by Lorraine Toth, quilts by Nancy Simpson, paintings by Marjo Wilson, willow furniture by Tom Boek, handmade saddles by Jeff Daniels, and works by other craftspeople. New regular gallery hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 11 am to 6 pm, to allow greater access for the public. More info: 459-1726 or www.willitscenterforthearts.org.

Summer Reading Program: The Willits Library Summer Reading Program offers a summertime of fun, with reading, special events and prizes, every Thursday, from

11 am to 12 noon, through August 11. July 28: "Rockin' Reading Time" - stories and songs.. Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. 459-5908. Next week: August 4: Wild Things.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Auditions for One-Act Plays: Willits Community Theatre is seeking seven men and six women, aged 20 to 60, to act in four locally written one-act plays to be performed over two weekends in October. Auditions will be held on Thursday July 28 at 6 pm at the Willits Community Theatre Playhouse. 37 West Van Lane, just behind Shanachie Pub in Willits. The production, called "To Couple or Not to Couple," will consist of four one-act plays on the theme of couples; two are written by Don Samson, and two by Damian Sebouhian. New actors welcome! Advance scripts will be available electronically. For scripts, or for more information about the production, call Don Samson at 459-9014 or David Partch at 459-7054.

Friday, July 29

Shanachie Pub: Humanistan, "Humanistan have been traveling internationally for the last 12 years performing and studying with artists across Europe, Asia and Mexico - Electro-Folkloric." 9 pm. Visit www.jacobgreenmusic.com. 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.

Saturday, July 30

Relay for Life: Relay for Life Willits 2016 is set Dining with Twining Time: Join Twining Time to start at 10 am Saturday, July 30, with an (vocal duet John Wagenet and Anita Blu) for lunch Opening Ceremony honoring cancer survivors and or afternoon coffee on the first Tuesday of every the Survivors Lap that kicks off the relay, which month, August 2 this month, at Brickhouse Coffee will continue through 10 am Sunday, July 31, at in downtown Willits. Enjoy live easy listening Folk/ Recreation Grove Park. Registration is free; the Americana music from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. 3 South public is welcome to attend for free; and "all cancer Main Street, 459-1598. Visit Twining Time on



Celebrate and fight back!' Trek Beyond" and "The Legend of Tarzan." For 9 pm tonight: the Luminaria showtimes: www.noyotheatre.com. 57 East Ceremony, "honoring those Commercial Street. 459-6696. we have lost and those who have survived cancer." More Thursday, August 4

info at www.relayforlife org/willitsca. Or call 1 800-227-2345. All proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society. See article on page 7 for info about a "Survivors 11. August 4: Wild Things. Willits Library, 390 East Only" raffle.

Sunday, July 31

Relay for Life: Relay will wrap up at 10 am today grounds open from 3 pm to midnight. Kids 12 and Sunday, July 31. The public is welcome to stop by under and seniors 65 and over are admitted free of art to share with you also." and applaud the Relayers – see Saturday, July 30 listing for more event details.

Monday, August 1

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Racine Pavilion. Sheep show at 8 am at the Junior Adventist Vacation Bible School: Willits Show Ring. Beef show at 5 pm at the Racine Seventh-day Adventist Church, 399 Mendocino Pavilion. Motorsport Action at the Ukiah Speedway Avenue, offers a Vacation Bible School for children includes Motorcycles, Side-by-sides and ATV ages 4 to 12, August 1 through August 5, from 3 to races at 7 pm. Musical entertainment at the Willow 5:30 pm each day. "Fun and great Bible lessons



rides. Swine showmanship at 8 am at the Racine Pavilion. Pygmy goat show at 2 pm at the Junior Show Ring. Large Animal Round Robin at 4 pm at the Racine Pavilion. Small Animal Round Robin at 7 pm at the Junior Show Ring. Motorsport Action at the Ukiah Speedway includes Mud Boggs at 7 pm.

Musical entertainment at the Willow Tree Stage Facebook or www.reverbnation.com/johnwagenet. provided by Waylon & The Wild Cats. More info Tightwad Tuesdays at the Noyo Theatre: All about exhibitions, including Home Arts, Fine Arts, 2D movies that are in their second week are \$5 Horticulture, Agriculture, Industrial and Livestock, on Tuesdays at the Noyo Theatre for all ages, available at www.redwoodempirefair.com. all showings. This week's Tightwad movie: "Star

First Friday in Laytonville: Laytonville's next First Friday event will take place on Friday, August 5 from 4 to 8 pm, at Albert's, 44851 North Highway

Willits Healthy Action Club: "Making Willits the 101. Featuring wlne, food, art, crafts, music and fun! Come mingle with friends in the garden, grab Healthiest Little Town in America ... One Step at a bite to eat, and cruise

the art show! Everyone Community Square Dance is welcome. "Lots of new pieces on display in the store, featuring artists and photographers out \$500 of Santa Barbara. Come meet and welcome our new management from Georgia! All Ages Welcom Haley and Jeshua - they have some beautiful unique Square 7-9 PM Lawrence Johnstone, Calle Dance: The Willits Frontier Willits Center for the Arts wirlers square dance club 71 E Commercial St, Willits is sponsoring a community Friday, August 5 square dance on Friday,

August 5, from 7 to 9 pm at Admittance for adults is \$9, the Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial children 6 to 12 and seniors 65 and over is \$7. Street. An introduction to square dancing for Parking is \$7. Carnival wristbands are \$27 for dancers of all ages. \$5. Caller: Lawrence unlimited rides. Motorsport Action at the Ukiah lohnstone. New beginner's square dancing Speedway includes Truck and Tractor Pulls at 7 class starts August 15, and continues Mondays, pm. Musical entertainment at the Willow Tree Stage provided by II Big. 7 to 8 pm, with caller



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Sunday, August 7 Bingo at the Senior Center: Sunday Bingo, August 7 at the Harrah Senior Center, BING O 1501 Baechtel Road. Doors open 10 am; snack bar SUNDAY AUGUST 7TH opens 11 am; games begin at 11:30 am; minimum

HARRAH SENIOR CENTER 1501 BAECHTEL ROAD bingo buy-in \$10. Lunch 707-459-6826 special: Hamburgers, hot CHILI CHIPS DESERTS Doors open @ 10 am dogs, nachos, chili, chips, Snack bar opens @ 11 am Games begin @ 11:30 am desserts. Info: 459-6826 Minimum Bingo buy-in \$10

Closing day for Redwood Empire Fair: Grounds

open from 12 pm to 11 a Time." Each meeting's program pm. Admittance for adults is \$9, children 6 to 12 features three steps to promoting and seniors 65 and over is \$7. Parking is \$7. health: A short action-oriented Carnival wristbands are \$27 for unlimited rides. talk on an important aspect Motorsport Action at the Ukiah Speedway includes of health to put into practice Dirt Nationals, Jalopies and Boat Races at 7 pm. between meetings; a regular Musical entertainment at the Willow Tree Stage walk for health and connection; provided by Banda Pacifica. The Junior Awards and an option to eat good food are at 10 am at the Willow Tree Stage. Public is together following the walk at a welcome. More info about exhibitions, including local restaurant or shared picnic. Home Arts, Fine Arts, Horticulture, Agriculture, 10 am at the Willits Library, 390 Industrial and Livestock, available at www. East Commercial Street. All redwoodempirefair.com. interested are invited to call club founder Jed Diamond at 459-5505 or Jed@MenAlive.com.



'Star Trek Beyond'

The Story: Captain Kirk commands the starship Enterprise on an emergency rescue mission. The regulars are all aboard. Daniel Essman But they don't know

that a super villainous Columnist dastard has sinister plans. Betrayal awaits. Disaster awaits. But as both we Trekkies and we pro tem Trekkies know, there isn't a bad guy in the known and unknown Universe, not even a bad guy named

Krall, who could possibly out fight or out maneuver or outwit Spock, exhibitions, including Doc, Scotty, Lieutenant Uhura, Sulu, Chekov and Captain James Kirk. My Thoughts: In this summer Industrial and Livestock, blockbuster popcorn-chomping

action adventure, there's a solid mixture of humor, horror, cliff hanger thrills and battles in space, as well as plentiful cleverly-written scientific gobbledygook dialogue. I had a darn BEYOND good time. This movie is a kick! The

good guys do what the good guys are meant to do, but not until all hope is gone. Guts and daring and common decency

triumph. As they should. As they always do in the Star Trek Universe

Parents: The moral premise of the movie celebrates teamwork and cooperation, as well as love, courage, compassion and multiracial and multi-species camaraderie. These are solid values for children to see.

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

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Ongoing **Events** Willits Summer Farmers

Market: the Willits Farmers Market is now in Bud Snyder City Park, from 3 to 6:30 pm every Thursday afternoon. Veggies, strawberries, cherries, flowers, local meats and local grains, dinner, baked goods, gift items, chocolates, crafts, live music, the new edition of Willits Weekly and more.

"Americana, Sweet Land of

Liberty" - July exhibit at Willits Center for the Arts. 71 East Commercial Street. This show, curated by Mary Kelly, features a wide variety of art mediums, including sculptures by Lorraine Toth, guilts by Nancy Simpson, paintings by Marjo Wilson, willow furniture by Tom Boek, handmade saddles by Jeff Daniels, and works by other craftspeople. Runs through July 31. New regular gallery hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 11 am to 6 pm, to allow greater access for the public. More info: 459-1726 or www.willitscenterforthearts.org.

KLLG Radio Action Group: meets Mondays at 5:30 pm at Little Lake Grange, 291 School Street, Room 10. Learn about and participate in building Willits Hometown Radio. Volunteers needed. More information is available at KLLG.org or by calling Lanny Cotler at 367-1812.

Tibetan Buddhist Meditation: every Tuesday, 6:30 pm, at the Muse, 30-A San Francisco Avenue. More info: 456-9425.

Tuesday Night Potluck Bingo: Potluck dinner and bingo every Tuesday at the Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road." Be sure to bring a dish to share!" 5 to 7 pm; \$5 buy-in; 50 cents per card. Info: 459-6826.

'Come and Play': Grace Community Church at 25 Hazel Street is sponsoring a free play date every Thursday this summer from 11 am until noon, for kids through sixth grade. Children must be accompanied by a parent. An enclosed play yard for the little ones and various activities for older children. Call 459-3106 for additional information

Al-Anon Meeting: Thursday nights from 5:30 to 6:30 pm, at the Baechtel Creek Village Community Room (behind Rite-Aid at the Evergreen Shopping

Center. Saturdays at 10 am at St. Francis Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall, 66 East Commercial Street. "Al-Anon Family groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience strength and hope to solve their common problems. We believe that alcoholism is a family illness and that changed attitudes can aid recovery."

Drop-in Knitting Circle: Due to popular demand, the Willits Library is holding the drop-in knitting circle every Saturday of the month, from 3 to 4:30 pm at the Willits Branch

Library, 390 East Commercial Street. "Bring your projects to share and show off! We will have expert knitters on board who can solve any problems and teach everyone to knit! Bring your own projects we'll supply the coffee! Sign-ups are not necessary everyone is welcome to drop in."

Willits Library Public Events: "Stories for Crawlers and Walkers," Thursdays at 11 am. Technology group for help with hand-held devices, Fridays at 1 pm. Youth Game Night, ages 10-14, Fridays from 5 to 7:30 pm. 390 East Commercial Street. More info: 459-5908.



offering free sports physicals for local students 18 and under planning to participate in school sports programs this year. Second of two clinics this year is set for Saturday, August 6, from 8 am to 12 noon, 50 South Main Street. Info: 459-9194.



Willits City Pool schedule

The Willits City Pool is open Monday through Saturday through August 19. Lap Swim: 6 to 8 am (sometimes continued until 9 am if room) and from 4 to 6 pm (2 lanes dedicated to lap swim), Monday through Friday (\$4: \$70 for a 20-swim pass). Aqua Aerobics. Tuesday and Thursday from 12 to 1 pm, and Saturday 11 am to 12 pm (\$4). Infant/Parent Quiet Swim: 12 to 1 pm, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, \$4 for parent/infant; \$2 for additional child; for infants under 2). Open Public Swim, 1 to 4 pm, Monday through Friday, and 12 to 4 pm on Saturday (\$4; \$70 for a 20-swim pass). Swim Lessons: 9 am to 12 pm and 4 to 6 pm, Monday through Thursday. First session of swim lessons started June 14, late start registration is OK. A total of four 2-week sessions of 1/2 hour swim lessons (\$50 first child, \$45 second child \$40 each additional child) will be offered this summer. To pre-register, come by the pool or leave a message at 459-7125.



Summer Reading Program: The Willits Library

Summer Reading Program offers a summertime of

fun, with reading, special events and prizes, every

Thursday, from 11 am to 12 noon, through August

Commercial Street. 459-5908. Next week: August

Opening day for Redwood Empire Fair

"Celebrating 80 Years of Reel Family Fun":

charge from 3 pm to 6 pm. Admittance for adults

is \$9, parking is \$7. Carnival wristbands are \$27

for unlimited rides. Swine show at 8 am at the

11: Ending Party and One-Man Play.

Fine Arts, Horticulture, Lawrence Johnstone. Agriculture, Industrial and Shanachie Livestock, available at Marshall www.redwoodempirefair. Project, "MHP delivers com. a mash-up of energetic funk and slinky soul Friday, with a psychedelic August 5

Tree Stage provided

by Funkacillin. More

info about exhibitions,

including Home Arts,

Redwood Empire Fair: grounds open from 3 pm to midnight. Admittance for adults is \$9, children

twist and a chili salt rim." 9 pm. Visit www. marshallhouseproj

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First Time in Willits

by Jason Edington and blessed with an all-star cast, the production of "The Nerd" at WCT will quickly delight audiences as Cubbert's best intentions turn to rollicking chaos.

'The Nerd' Opens August 12 at WCT

What happens when the man who saved your life in combat shows up at

your doorstep needing a place to stay? Of course you welcome him in and say,

"Yes." However, in the hilarious farce, "The Nerd," opening at Willits Community

Theatre on Friday, August 12, mild-mannered, well-meaning architect Willum

Cubbert soon finds out that his former rescuer Rick Steadman is not what he

expects – but a man of no social graces and fewer redeeming qualities. Directed

First premiered in 1981, "The Nerd" by Larry Shue has since been a Broadway hit and a top-grossing American play in London's West End. It is a play for all ages, with its bright one-liners, indelible action, reliable pacing and hidden surprises. In addition, the character portravals will strike a familiar chord with fans of the perennially popular TV sitcom, "How I Met Your Mother." Cubbert suffers the usual Ted Mosby frustrations as he watches his love interest about to leave town, his key business deal falling apart, and any effort to get rid of the noxious Steadman resulting in utter futility.

Director Edington says he is fortunate to direct a great cast in this classic farce. "Ari Sunbeam is perfect as the hapless but true-hearted Cubbert, and Jess Craighead is wonderful as Cubbert's best friend, a cynical theater critic named Axel," says Edington. Mix in Blare Elliott as the astounding love-interest Tansy, and Damian Sebouhian as Cubbert's apoplectic business client, Warnock Waldgrave, and by turns the stakes ratchet up into true hilarity. Tami Potter appears as Warnock's wife, the demure Clelia, and Soren Pinelli, only 9 years old, is Waldgrave's impossible son, Thor.

Edington saves special praise for Christopher Martineau, who plays Rick Steadman. "There's a brilliant comic actor lurking beneath Martineau's surface. He's got superb timing. His vocal mannerisms are perfect. People will not go wrong in coming out to see this show."

"The Nerd" runs from August 12 through August 28, with shows on Thursday at 7 pm for \$10, Friday and Saturday at 8 pm for \$15, and Sunday matinees at 2 pm for \$10. Advance tickets are available in person at Mazahar, 38 South Main Street; online at brownpapertickets.com; or by phone 24/7 at 1-800-838-3006. Tickets will also available at the door for each performance until sold out.

An invitation-only Gala Reception for WCT donors will be held on Saturday, August 13 with a Lifetime Achievement Award presented to Kevin H.C. Moore. Tickets will be available to the public for the regular show that evening. Persons interested in donating to WCT and receiving a gala invitation can contact the office at 459-0895. A special benefit First Thursday performance will be hosted on August 18 by the Howard Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. Tickets for the benefit performance are available only through Dianne Menzies at 707-354-1809.

Cast of "The Nerd" includes. from left: Ari Sunbeam. Blare Elliott, Jess Craighead, Christopher Martineau, Damian Sebouhian Tami Potter and Soren **Pinelli** Photo by Ron Greysta



Private swim lessons are also available, call for more info. Willits City Pool is closed to the public on Sundays, but open for rental for private parties or clinics on Saturday evenings and Sundays; call for more info. Main pool number: 459-5778. Keep up with happenings at the pool by visiting "Willits City Pool" page on Facebook.



Men of Worth

Celtic folk duo, August 14

The traditional Celtic folk duo, Men of Worth, will perform at Willits Community Theatre on Sunday, August 14 at 2 pm. Men of Worth's tunes and songs are so authentic, so closely

connected to their heritage, that Scotsman Donnie Macdonald sings some in his native Gaelic, while Irishman James Keigher includes time-polished pieces saved from the oral traditions of his native County Mayo.

"Our music has its history in the crofting life of my Hebridean homeland and James' western Ireland. It was a part of the fabric of everyday life, and it came to America with the immigrants a century ago," explains Macdonald. "Now, we're playing it again, to audiences for whom it could only be a generational memory".

left, and James Keighe Keigher admits to being

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> Saturday, August 20, 9:30 AM-4:00 PM Tour starts at 630 South Main Willits Environmental Center (two doors south of Mariposa Market)

\$15 Includes Picnic Lunch - Free for WELL Members Sponsored by WELL (WILLITS ECONOMIC LOCALIZATION) More info: Paul @ 459-1418 or www.well95490.org

deeply influenced while growing up by the American music of Joni Mitchell, Neil Young, and Crosby, Stills and Nash.

However, as a teen performing his own songs in Irish pubs, he soon learned to use his native wit and humor and eventually returned to his own musical bloodlines.

The pair found they could not escape the emotion and tradition of their homeland song heritage. "We could

performances."

August 5 not grow away from those sounds," says Macdonald, "so we have preserved them as Monday: Biscuits & Gravy, w/ accurately and authentically as we can in our Sliced Ham

Tuesday: Spaghetti/Meat

The musicians each play a handful of Sauce instruments, among them mandolin, guitar, Wednesday: Pork Loin concertina and bodhran, a handheld drum. For a rare treat, their amazingly authentic Thursday: Chicken Apple Pasta Salad performances provide an ancient yet fresh

musical story.

Advance tickets are \$15 and available in Harrah Senior Center serves person at Mazahar, 38 South Main Street; lunch five days per week from online at brownpapertickets.com; or by phone 11:45 am to 1 pm. 55 and older: 24/7 at 1-800-838-3006. Tickets will also \$5.50 per meal; under 55: \$7 available at the door until sold out. The WCT per meal. Includes soup, entrée, Playhouse is located at 37 West Van Lane vegetable, bread, dessert, and (behind Shanachie Pub) drink. 1501 Baechtel Road. Info:

- Steve Hellman for WCT 459-6826.

and businesses that save water, energy and money! Willits Economic Localization (WELL) is sponsoring this "first time in Willits" Efficient Living Tour on Saturday, August 20, from 9:30 am to 4 pm. Tour starts at 630 South Main Street (the Willits Environmental Center, two doors south of Mariposa). Cost \$15 includes WELL membership and lunch. Free for current WELL members.

"The goal is to increase our selfsufficiency at the local individual level. We'll have a demonstration of a 'blower test' which determines where a building is leaking air; visit a property with a masonry heater and passive cooling, private water and septic system with rainwater collection and treatment system; visit Dripworks' water-efficient demonstration garden; a straw bale structure; a state-of-the-art retrofit of an older home; and learn about grants and loans available to finance efficiency improvements. More info: Paul at 459-1418.

32nd annual Reggae on the River August 4 to 7

Raphael

Those planning on making the pilgrimage to the 32nd annual Reggae on the River happening August 4 to 7 at French's Camp who don't want to miss the biggest Thursday kick-off ever should pick up a 4-day ticket or Ambassador pass, Reggae on the River promoters say.

Not only do you get first dibs on camping and parking, you are also treated to a royal Thursday line-up including Protoje & The Indiggnation Band, New Kingston, a Sugar Cane Records showcase with Jah Sun, Lion D, and Raphael, plus Dubtonic Kru, Newen Afrobeat, Democratoz, 7th Generation Rise, and more. Thursday's lineup alone draws from such global locales as Italy, Algeria, Chile, U.S., and Jamaica - and this only scratches the surface of an immense global showcase that fans are calling "the best ROTR line-up ever." Full line-up info, including stage schedule, bios, tickets and more at www.reggaeontheriver.com.

Below, left: Dancers enjoy the festivities at Reggae on the River 2015. Below, right: 2016 performers The DubbaDubs



Soroptimists International of Willits: Women's service club aimed at the betterment of girls and women. Meets second and third Tuesdays of every month, noon to 1 pm, at Old Mission Pizza, 1708 South Main Street, in the back room. Women interested in community service are welcome; new members are encouraged to join at any time.

Life Changes: Discussion and support group with Linda Posner, Wednesdays from 10 to 11 am. Harrah Senior Center, 1501 Baechtel Road.

Volleyball Open Gym: at Baechtel Grove gym; Sundays and Tuesdays at 7 pm. Some experience desired, but not required. \$5 per night; first night free. Info: Jeff at 354-1850.

Smoking Cessation Program: Free "Freedom from Smoking" class sponsored by the Frank R. Howard Memorial Hospital. Every Wednesday at the HMH Conference Room, 1 Madrone Street, 6 to 7 pm. RSVP to Jennifer Barrett at 707-540-4208. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Kids on the Run!: club for kids kindergarten through 12th grade, sponsored by the Sheriff's Activity League. Saturdays at 10 am at the ball fields between the Dog Park and the Mendocino County Museum. Cost for 2016: \$10, includes a T-shirt and free race entries. Questions? Contact: Michelle Kluskiewicz at 267-608-6262 or Gina Henebury at 707-485-1794.

Free Sheriff's Activity League programs: at Body Works Gym, 1511 South Main Street. Teen gym: Monday to Friday from 2:30 to 5:30 pm; Boxing: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 pm; Karate: Kids aged 5 to 10 from 6 to 7 pm, Tweens, Teens and Adults at 7 pm. All SAL programs free to the public. Info: www.facebook. com/MendocinoCountySheriffsYouthActivitiesLeague or Mike Tobin: 354-0565.

Shanachie Pub: Jazz Night every second and fourth Thursday. 8 pm. No cover. "Local musicians ... take jazz standards and infuse them with funk, hip hop, world, and free form jamming. The outcome is unexplainable." Open Mic Night every Wednesday. 8 pm. Sign-ups start at 7:30 pm; pre-signup list starts at 3 pm when the Pub opens. "An eclectic array of local musicians and even performers from around the world!" 50 South Main Street, behind Adam's Restaurant. Info: 459-9194.

Karaoke Night at Al's Redwood Room: Every Wednesday night, starting at 9 pm. 207 South Main Street. Info: 459-2444.

Laytonville Summer Farmers Market: Mondays, June through October, from 2:30 to 5:30 pm at Harwood Hall, 44400 Willis Avenue, Laytonville. Local fresh fruits and vegetables, artisan goat cheeses, ranch meats, eggs, garden bouquets, handcrafted clothing, live music and much more.

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Photos by Ree Slocum

At top, from left: This boy's dyed red wool smelled like berry punch. Hannah Bird, community educator with the Hopland Research Extension Center, tells a story from Scotland, her native country, in her delightful accent. Volunteer Kaya Moratti adds Kool-Aid to one boy's washed wool.

Above: The "Neighbors at the Hopland Field Station" table showcased, from left, an eagle talon, a mountain lion paw, a preserved vulture held by Alex, a mountain lion's skull held by Chris, a turtle shell held by Jaden, and a preserved skunk pelt held by Noah.

At right, top: Zayden, left, and a friend look at the felted bar of soap he made

At right, below: Swishing the stockinged wool-covered soap in cold water to shock it into felted wool

Far right: Jaden shows one of the large mountain lion paws.





An enthralling education adventure from the Library Summer Reading Program

Piles of wool, tubs of water, bars of soap, nylons, children, and adults filled the Willits Library Conference room last Thursday for yet another fun-filled adventure with the library's Summer Reading Program. The room was brimming with

children and teens along with parents and other adults, some watching Ree Slocum from the hall while Hannah Bird, eatures Writer community educator with the Hopland itsweeklv com Research Extension Center at the

Hopland Research Station, told a delightful and engaging story from her hometown in Scotland. Dana Burton, UC Davis intern with HREC, Mary Rose, fiber artist from Point Arena, Tamara and Leo Moratti, volunteers, and Jill Dorman, Willits librarian, set up three stations participants would later explore while Bird wove her story and then talked about the field station and its 1,000 resident sheep.

Groups of five or six kids with adult helpers visited each of three distinct activities. One was dedicated to evidence of the other residents living at the Hopland Field Station : paws and skull from a mountain lion; a spotted skunk pelt; the shell from a California pond turtle; a stuffed vulture; a talon from a bald eagle; varieties of stuffed birds; a tooth from a mastodon (not a current neighbor at the center)

As each group took a turn at this table and found something new and curious about the wonders of nature, words like "Awesome!" and "Yuck!" were heard. The center's Bird was there with questions, answers, and discussions with the curious participants.

At another station, to give a sense of the process in preparing wool for use, people were encouraged to take

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The rest of Measure V From Page 1

Hamburg pointed out the county's uncertainty on that point was problematical. "Kind of interesting when 63 percent of the electorate has determined that's a public nuisance and we have no idea how we are going to enforce that. Seems like that's kind of a gap in our battle plan,'

Hamburg said. Contacted on July 25, Elliott again

declined to state whether she would draft an ordinance encoding Measure V.

for any next step," Elliott said. "I haven't found any place in the elections code that

turned into an ordinance and adopted by the board of supervisors, Measure V was already approved law. Elliott said the elections code provides ballot measures become law 10 days after the results of a local election are certified by the county

voter registrar and approved by the board Voter Registrar Sue Ranochak certified

Redwood Company from stating

definitively how the company plans to respond to Measure Contacted just after the election and asked how MRC would respond to the presumed passage of Measure V, MRC Director of Forest Policy John Anderson he wouldn't said comment until after all the votes were counted. Contacted by Willits Weekly last week, Anderson said he

would not comment on how MRC would respond until the county had adopted an ordinance encoding the provisions of Measure V into the county code.

When told on July 26 that Measure V had The rest of already become law, Anderson held to the same rationale. "Until we hear something definitive from the county on what they are going to do, we are unable to say what our position is," Anderson said. "We think we are doing the right thing, by restoring our forest lands, rebuilding the redwood forest, and reducing the tan oak population by

using our frill treatment practice." Elliott said on July 26 the question of

Supes asked to stop forest

herbicide use

A small cadre of some 15 demonstrators gathered on the sidewalk in front of the county administration center on Tuesday, July 19 to call attention to the use by area timber companies, including Mendocino Redwood Company, of the so-called "hack and squirt" method of tan oak removal.

In the June 7 primary election, 63 percent of Mike A'Dair Reporter mike@willitsweekly.com

county voters approved Measure V, which declared the practice of leaving intentionally killed trees left

standing in the forest for more than 90 days - and which are within 1,000 meters of a building, dwelling or critical communications or telecommunications infrastructure – a public nuisance.

There did not appear to be anyone at the rally who was not already wellinformed about the issue, and so the rally had a sort of dreamy, picnic quality

to it. People simply stood around and talked with each other. "The issue of herbicides is still on the table, and we are still not happy about it," said Bill Heil, a longtime forestry activist from the Albion area. Earth First!er

Naomi Wagner urged supervisors to "take more steps to enforce the will of the people.'

Wagner also asked the board to urge timber companies to agree to "full disclosure" of when and where they are going to use herbicides, and how much and what kind of herbicide they are going to be using.

Wagner said current law requires companies to indicate how much herbicide they have used, but not until well after the herbicide has been applied.

Later in the day, during a status report from Planning and Building Services, Fifth District Supervisor Dan Hamburg asked Planning Director Steve Dunnicliff whether his department would be enforcing Measure V.

> Before Dunnicliff answered, board Chairman Dan Gjerde told Hamburg he had better ask County Counsel Katharine Elliott that guestion. Elliot replied: "There is no direction in the initiative in terms of

> > it. so....' In addition to addressing the board of supervisors, protestors also held an additional protest later that morning.

how that's to be enforced or whether we can enforce

According to a press release authored by a coalition of environmental organizations, including Earth First!, Mendocino Environmental Center, and Save Our Little Lake Valley: "Twenty-five protesters held signs and used large banners to blockade both entrances to Mendocino Redwood Company's

logging deck in Ukiah. Six logging trucks stacked with redwood poles were stopped for over an hour."

According to the press release, "MRC company officials met protesters at the second gate blockade, and made statements defending the herbicide practice." There were no arrests.

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"Caltrans is not very imaginative of people laughing as they ride the with their signage," said Falleri. Skunk Train. "It should be something retired planner for the City of Willits. people who are driving can take in in 'The signage [the city comes up with] three or four seconds." should be creative, not just a green-Both Barksdale and Greta Kanne

and-white sign.' argued there should be a Caltrans While Caltrans is required to put sign indicating Willits as a destination up general service signs at both further south on Highway 101 than erchanges of the bypass, Revit- the current 14-mile design

The rest of Blighted

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priorities to tackle to prepare for the Highway 101 bypass completion and the Main Street relinquishment project.

"We have these buildings that are falling into disrepair," said Revit-ED committee member and Willits City Planner Dusty Duley. "They're not getting fixed up. People are buying properties and just sitting on them until they can sell them for a profit, and a lot of these folks don't live in our community."

Duley shared sample vacancy registration ordinances used by Sacramento, Cloverdale and Emporia, Kansas, as models the City of Willits could possibly employ down the road.

Duley explained such ordinances, if employed, would require commercial property owners to pay a fee in order to register their building if it's been vacant for a specified amount of time.

"It might be a simple form that would require a \$50 registration fee," Duley said. "That would let [the city] know you have a vacant building. If I have people that call me looking for vacant opportunities, we'll have that information. It gives us a database to share with perspective business folks."

Duley explained there would be exceptions to the fee, including one for owners who are actively repairing their buildings.

On the other hand, for a chronically vacant building, the fee to the owner could be assessed at a much higher rate.

"Maybe it's \$5,000," Duley suggested. "The reason for the high fee would be because the owner was not fulfilling the standards set by the city for such a long time. Again, you'll have to justify the fees you're charging."

Duley said rather than having to pay such high fees, a business owner would be encouraged to use the building in some way.

"It might get owners to, at the very least, rent to a nonprofit on a month-to-month basis, which would get them out of having to pay the registration fee," Duley said. "It would help our downtown businesses."

It was clear the roughly 25 attendees of the meeting favored implementing some kind of vacancy registration ordinance, and Duley is expected to bring a draft ordinance to the next Revit-ED meeting.

While such an ordinance would be helpful in incentivizing owners to rent out their spaces, it would do little to address buildings in Willits that are in such a bad state of repair they are in no condition to be rented.

In those cases, Duley suggested using current nuisance ordinances to identify buildings that are a hazard to the public. Fees would accrue to incentivize the owner to repair the building.

Code Enforcement Officer John Sherman explained the difficulty in identifying a building as a nuisance using current ordinance rules, because oftentimes the building looks just fine from the outside.

"[The building] has to represent a danger," Sherman said. "If no one is allowed to go inside the building to inspect it, and there's nothing wrong with the outside of the building, I don't have the authority to [charge the owner with] blight. It's a pretty subjective call. There has







"The elections code does not provide describes a next step."

She clarified that, even without being

of supervisors. the results of the June 7, 2016 election on June 30. Her certification was approved by the board of supervisors on July 12.

22. The issue is of some consequence because the lack of an adopted county ordinance seems to be keeping Mendocino

Measure V therefore became law on July

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whether or not she would draft an ordinance Ed, along with the Willits Chamber encoding the provisions of Measure V into of Commerce, is looking for ways to county law "becomes a policy question, create signs that will attract drivers to not a legal question." When asked who pull off the highway and visit Willits. would decide on that policy question, Elliott According to Willits Councilwoman replied the decision-making body on that point is the Mendocino County Board of Holly Madrigal, Caltrans will allow the city to erect only one form of additional Supervisors. free signage at the interchanges. When asked if supervisors had expressed

"We are allowed to have a sign any opinion about putting Measure V into a county ordinance, Third District Supervisor that says 'Welcome to Willits,'" said Tom Woodhouse said: "I don't know. It Madrigal. "But it can't say anything hasn't been discussed at the board level in else open session.'

For all other signage, the city is Woodhouse added he would soon required to get an outdoor advertising be having a conversation with Elliott to permit from Caltrans. The rules of the permit, according to City Planner determine what her views are on the matter. John Dusty Duley, say billboards can Second District Supervisor McCowen brought up the county code only be erected in industrial and commercial zones. on his computer while talking with Willits

Weekly. After studying Section 8.75 of "There are no commercial or the county code - the "Uniform Nuisance industrial zones between Willits and Abatement" section - McCowen said: "It Laytonville," said Duley. "Or between doesn't have to be codified to be law. It Willits and Ukiah." is law. It could be codified by the county Duley said one way to get around

counsel, I believe, or it could be codified by the zoning rules was to put up what direction of the board of supervisors. But are called "community identification no further action is actually needed for it to signs." Such signs are not commercial become law. in nature, but identify certain civic "Measure V has no attractions, such as museums. However

enforcement mechanism," McCowen added. "In the absence of an enforcement business so much as trying to get mechanism, enforcement of Measure people to come off the highway and V would fall to the Universal Nuisance visit Willits." said Dulev. Abatement section. But under the Uniform Nuisance Abatement section of the county be put in any zone, but have size code, it would need an enforcement officer restrictions.

who then would enforce the abatement of the nuisance. There is none. "So Measure V, in reality, becomes a philosophical statement against the practice of intentionally killing trees and letting them stand in the forest. And, in my opinion, the real issue here is herbicide use. The real enforcement mechanism

signage at both the north and south is a lawsuit against the responsible party, interchanges to advertise community should someone be damaged by those events practices which Measure V seeks to curtail, Barksdale added "the most which is what they could do before Measure effective advertising is faces." He V was passed," McCowen said.

suggested using a picture of a group Duley can be reached at 459-4601. Willits Weekly | July 28, 2016

explained.

"It's not about advertising certain

Community identification signs can

"Each face can't exceed 50 square

feet, and no sign can be higher

than 20 feet off the ground," Duley

Revit-ED committee member Bill

Barksdale suggested using electric

to be foundation for it

"If you can put a sign up that says Holly Madrigal, member of the Revit-ED committee Eureka is 100 miles away, why can't and the Willits City Council, used the Willits Cafe as an you say Willits is 50 miles away, then example of a building that looks to be a nuisance from 20 miles away?" asked Barksdale. the outside. Lisa Epstein, president of the

establishing Willits as a brand.

involve her.

"We just [contracted out] with a

woman to help us with our marketing,"

Epstein said. "I think we need to

According to Epstein, the chamber

hired Sandy Hernandez from a

marketing and public relations firm

called inVision, to help the chamber

Epstein said the logo would be part

create a brand logo for Willits.

certain highway signage.

the second week of August.

be willing to allow us to [use their

opportunity for the chamber and

the city to partner up with creative

signage.

property for signage]," Duley said.

"The Willits Cafe has a giant yucca growing into Willits Chamber of Commerce, the building," Madrigal said. "That's not really a safety echoed Falleri's plea about being hazard, but the building is uninhabitable. creative, especially when it comes to

Others believed the building was, indeed, a safety hazard.

"It seems to me, since the building is unsecured, people could get in there and start a fire - they could do all kinds of things," said Greta Kanne, owner of The Book Juggler. "That's a nuisance to the city. If that building went up in flames, that's a nuisance for the property owners around there.

Chamber of Commerce President Lisa Epstein agreed, adding: "That's the kind of building that teenagers go and hang out in.

Sherman said, according to his latest information, the of a branding media campaign to be owner of the Willits Cafe is thinking about either tearing used on advertisement documents and would not be a City of Willits down the entire structure or rebuilding it.

logo, but could possibly be used on "He says he's not ready to make that decision yet," Sherman said, adding that the building could not Duley summed up the discussion be considered unsecured at this time and therefore with some ideas to contemplate Sherman couldn't write it up as a nuisance.

and research for the next Revit-ED The committee agreed current nuisance ordinances meeting, which will likely be set for weren't adequate to allow appropriate vacant commercial building inspections, and that Duley, with "We need to start picking some advice from City Attorney Jim Lance, would draft an ideal locations and start negotiating ordinance for review at the next meeting with land owners on whether they'd

Tony Madrigal, while in support of amending the nuisance ordinance for vacant buildings, cautioned about how far the City of Willits is willing to go.

"Things we need to consider are "If you own a rental property in Sacramento [as I do] what kinds of designs we want to you have to have it inspected by a certified inspector go with," Duly said, adding that every year," Madrigal said. "So, I'm just asking how far such designs must meet the squaredo you want to take it?" footage limitations. "There's an

Revit-ED is a committee of the Willits City Council and cannot adopt policy on its own, but was formed to make recommendations to the council for possible action.

For more information about the As such, Madrigal reminded the committee that Willits Chamber of Commerce's any draft ordinance should be "beneficial for property owners to have their buildings in good repair and rented promotion and marketing plans, call Executive Director Lynn Kennelly at out rather than empty, be something that the city council 459-7910. Willits City Planner Dusty will approve, and be something John Sherman can enforce.'

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Mendo Mill's Marketing Manager for Mendo Mill, Ken Smith walks down the center aisle of the new store. Employees Mike Sironi, Tony Norton and Carolyn Dixon pose for a photo. The Mayfield family: Barbara Mayfield, Kyle Mayfield, Kate Mayfield and Mike Mavfield.

Below: At the official ribbon cutting Saturday morning: Back from left: Tom Allman, Larry Stranske, Chris Neary, Lynn Kennelly, Bob Doty, Bob Hildebrand, Kate Mayfield, Jeff Ward, Barbara Mayfield, Mike Mayfield, T.K. Warner, Joe Mayfield, Bruce Burton, Ron Orenstein, Adrienne Moore, Gerry Gonzalez, Lisa Epstein, John Thomen and John Sherman. Front, from left: Jim Barnes, Kyle Mayfield, Diane Mayfield and Ken Smith.









Crowds at Mendo Mill

able to provide

something

to the Willits

Grand opening weekend big success at new store

Wagner. Saturday and Sunday prizes were

"choose your own grand prize" awards where

winners could select anything, Mayfield

stressed ANYTHING, from the store. Carlos

Guedez won the Saturday raffle and took

home a barbecue, and Tom Robinson won the

Tripling the interior space has allowed a

30- to 50-percent expansion of their "core

departments," including paint, plumbing,

electrical, and lawn and garden, and also

allows space for new departments like their

pet center, RV and camping departments and

their soon-to-be Design Center. The addition

will be located in the back of the store and

will be modeled similarly to the Ukiah Design

Center. They will offer doors, windows, design

Photos by T.K. Warner

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Sunday raffle and took home a DeWalt saw.

"I couldn't have been happier with the Willits store's grand opening turnout," said Mendo Mill owner, Mike Mayfield. "I'm so proud and pleased to be

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community which they are so thankful for having."

The three-day event at the new building included an official ribbon cutting - complete with gardening shears - sales, vendor demonstrations, giveaways and more. Customers were welcome to drop their

name in the bucket for one of three grand prize drawings. The Friday prize, a redwood deck, was given to lucky winner Marvin

At left, above: Adrienne Moore, Mike Mayfield and Holly Madrigal. At far left: Chris Whitson moves a weed wacker from a high

The Willits Mendo Mill crew.

Photo by Meghan Hildebrand

The rest of Mendo Mill From Page 12

Mayfield noted that he spent the majority of the weekend event out on the floor of the new store - without his official name tag - and enjoyed getting the real feedback from customers as they came through.

"Everyone who needed something was totally satisfied," explained Mayfield. "That's something that we weren't always able to do before. The new store offers us so many more options to provide to our customers in Willits. I'd always heard about all the community support here in Willits, and it was great to hear it on an individual basis, all weekend long. We had more people come in through those three days than we've ever had come through before!"

While the new store is officially open, there is still work to be done before renovations on the property are complete. The old store will be cleaned out of merchandise and fixtures before being taken down. The footprint of the original building will be replaced with a new parking lot.

Everyone is welcome to come check out the new store, located on the same lot as the old building, at 305 East Commercial Street in Willits. Mendo Mill is open from 7 am to 6 pm Monday through Friday, 8 am to 6 pm on Saturday, and 8 am to 5 pm on Sunday. Make sure to grab a Willits Weekly from our newly placed distribution box located on their front veranda

For more information, check Mendo Mill out online at www. mendomill.com or by calling 459-4631.

COLUMN | Intuitive Patterns **August 2016**

Osho Zen Tarot: Courage, The Burden, Traveling Medicine Cards: Blank

Suzanne Wagner Mayan Oracle: Transformer, Columnist Complex Stability, Resolution of Duality

Ancient Egyptian Tarot: Five of Swords, Nine of Cups, Queen of Swords

Aleister Crowley Deck: Pleasure, The Magus, The Devil Healing Earth Tarot: Two of Pipes, Eight of Pipes, Six of Shields

Words of Truth: Form, Essence, Inspiration

Your essence creates the forms you experience in your life. more clear the reality becomes, because you are no longer needing to project your unresolved and buried issues into the external world. When you know yourself and you are clear with yourself, the dramas of the world, while fascinating to

The rest of Felting From Page 10

some "raw" wool from a bag, feel and smell the lanolin still in the sheared wool, and place it in a soapy water solution to clean. Then the fun began, with a variety of colored Kool-Aid powders used as simple and easily available colorants. The wool was placed in a plastic bag, and Kool-Aid was added while the person squeezed the wool to disperse the coloring.

A third station was dedicated to the final product, a colorful felted bar of soap the children could take home and use. At that station, a box of cleaned, carded and dyed wool was provided for each person to chose a handful of their favorite colors. They took a piece of soap and wrapped it in the wool. On the table were paired tubs of water, one hot and one cold. In order to felt wool, one "shocks" it using a hot water wash, cold water rinse, and agitation. Each group member stuffed their wool-covered soap in a nylon stocking and alternately squeezed it in the tubs of water, "shocking" it. The lump in the stocking soon became their felted bar of soap. The soaps need to dry slowly, so each was placed in a bag to take home.

Even the most reluctant participants became engaged in all of the activities as the hour-and-a-half presentation came to an end.

"The Wool Felting and Sheep Stories" program is funded by the University of California, Agriculture and Natural Resources Division, 4-H Youth Development Program, Research Education Centers, and the Mendocino County Library. The program was presented in libraries in Point Arena, Covelo, Fort Bragg and Ukiah, as well as Willits.

Check the Willits Weekly Community Calendar or visit www.co.mendocino.ca.us/library to check out the last couple of weeks of this summer's free Summer Reading Program activities.



recent improvements, including equipping all the rooms with Hilton furniture, erecting a new fence in the back, upgrading its internet download speed from 16 megabytes per second to 50 Mb/s, and partnering with the Skunk

By the end of August, the Old West Inn will be the first hotel in Willits to provide an electric vehicle charging station, with three chargers to be set up on the north side of the building.

- as far as the Patel family is concerned - will be arriving in September, as Roshan's wife, Payal, is due to give birth to their first child.

common as they used to be in India, but both he and Payal considered themselves more traditional and had opted to

who plays mediator, so to speak; they get the families together and let the boys and girls talk it out to see if they actually like it or not. If it's a good thing, they go forward. It's not forced at all; it's very casual."

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The more willing you are to dive deep into your essence, the go that route. watch (just like a movie that is very interesting), no longer hook you or elicit a strong negative response because you

Train.

Perhaps the most important addition to the Old West Inn



Roshan explained that arranged marriages aren't as

Explaining the practice, Roshan said: "There's somebody



Orenstein does some shopping at the new store. At left: Mike

Mayfield, Jim Barnes, Barbara Mayfield, Kyle Mayfield, Kate Mayfield, and Diane and Joe Mayfield (Mike's parents). Below, from left: Barbecues on display

store. Ruth Mendoza assists a customer with a raffle entry. The new pet center.

at the front of the



assistance and more.

Mendo Mill

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Above, left: Carlos Guedez and his new barbecue. Above, right: Tom Robinson and his DeWalt saw.













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Pg. 12 Phone: 707-459-2633, 707-972-7047 Email: willitsweekly@gmail.com Mail: P.O. Box 1698, Willits, CA 95490 Willits Weekly | July 28, 2016 understand this is just the universe attempting to wake others up. Your own negativity is often much scarier to confront than the illusions and projections that others make up in order to feel something and to wake up from their own living nightmare.

This month, how can you inspire others to awaken? How can you give the greatest gift you have? Do you know what that gift is? It is the gift of your clear reflection of truth and your compassionate heart of understanding. It is your faith and belief in humanity's ability to break out of the patterns of fear that paralyze them and do not allow them to see the love that they have inside is more valuable and precious than any external illusion that would want to drag them down.

Read the rest of Over on Page 15 Wagner |



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Roshan said the process was made easier since both families already knew each other.

"[Payal and I] went with the flow to see how we would be together, and we ended up liking each other quite a lot."

The 19-room Old West Inn is located at 1221 South Main Street. For more information, go to www.theoldwestinn. com; the website includes an extensive blog page detailing Willits events and goings on about town.

Editor's note: This story is part of a new Willits Weekly human interest series aimed at profiling the lives of families who have emigrated to Willits from around the world, and who operate a business in our community.



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Cooking with Healthy Harvest

August 3 workshop at the Little Lake Grange commercial kitchen

Walk through the garden or stop Veggie Confetti by the Willits Farmers Market. Patties

and you'll see that the summer Drowning in zucchini? produce we've all been waiting for This recipe is a one of our has arrived at last. That means it's favorite ways to use it up. time to get in the kitchen and get These patties are loaded cooking! This summer's first Healthy with fresh vegetables and Harvest workshop is scheduled for make a great substitute for Wednesday, August 3 at the Little those heavily processed Lake Grange in Willits from 2 to 5 pm. veggie burgers that you'll find in the freezer section. The menu for this workshop includes We've made these in some great recipes, including: workshops before, and

Plum Hot Pepper Jam

dumplings.

show that this item is most If you like hot pepper jelly, you'll often consumed in the car love this! Adding fresh fruit to the on the way home, because mix makes for a flavorful, sweetthey smell so amazing and tart-spicy condiment that's perfect once you taste them you'll with the traditional cream cheese end up eating the whole and crackers, as a glaze for grilled thing immediately. This chicken, and as a dipping sauce for is also a great recipe for convincing picky eaters that they actually do like

Refrigerator Dill Pickles If you've canned pickles before,

Italian Verde Sauce you know it can be really challenging to keep the cucumbers crunchy after This is a bright green sauce similar to pesto, using an assortment of fresh they've been processed in the hot herbs. It's wonderful as a topping for water bath. The solution is to make the veggie confetti patties, and you these refrigerator pickles! They're can also use it to add flavor and color raw, so they stay crisp and crunchy, to all sorts of pasta and rice dishes. and have that great dill pickle flavor grilled vegetables and more. Packed that we know and love. They last in with flavor and nutrition, this sauce is the fridge for up to a month, but we a real treat. guarantee they'll be gone much faster The cost of the workshop is \$25 to

vegetables!



cover produce and other ingredients. To sign up, contact April Cunningham at acunningham@ncoinc.org or 707-467-3212. Reserve your spot by

either bringing or mailing payment to North Coast Opportunities, 413 North State Street, Ukiah CA 95482. Checks should be made payable to North Coast Opportunities.

fresh herbs.

At top, left: Refrigerator

pickles are crisp and

crunchy. At top, right.

A box of plums will

Pepper Jam. Above:

workshop presenters

Caroline Radice, left,

and April Cunningham.

Left: Italian Verde Sauce

is made with a variety of

become Plum Hot

Healthy Harvest

- submitted by lan Fitzpatrick for NCO





A photo of the Grist Creek Aggregates plant on Outlet Creek, taken in January 2016. From Page 1

past notices of violation and some acceptable to the district. I'd say During 2015 operations, plant owner Brian Hurt of Covelo was of the demands included in the air what will happen next is that they fined \$173,225 and received district lawsuit against Grist Creek, will go back to their consultant and three notices of violation. Plant in exchange for a permit from the try to come up with an alternate operations and the permitting air district to begin operations proposal." process surrounding those again

operations have resulted in six On July 19, numerous people lawsuits: two by Friends of Outlet from the Outlet Creek and Cherry Creek against Mendocino County; Creek neighborhoods addressed two by Friends of Outlet Creek the board of supervisors, urging against the air district; one by Grist the board to keep Grist Creek from Creek Aggregates against the air starting plant operations again district; and one by the air district against Grist Creek Aggregates. On July 26, Scaglione told Willits

The rest of Grist Creek

not sufficient for the district. They Weekly the two sides had not yet On July 14, Grist Creek owner need to look at it a little bit further reached agreement. "We met two Brian Hurt and representatives from Mercer-Fraser met with Scaglione weeks ago," Scaglione said. "They and come back with an alternative offered us a proposal that was not proposal. and proposed a settlement on the

101 accident victim identified

A Redwood Valley woman who died last Wednesday on Highway 101 south of Willits has been identified as 23-year-old Sugey Angelita Garcia, the California Highway Patrol said Wednesday.

Garcia was driving north on Highway 101 south of Walker Dan McKee Road on July 20 when part Reporter willitsweekly@gmail.com of a brake assembly from the big rig in front of her car

apparently exploded, broke free and struck her just before noon.

A piece of brake drum weighing 30 to 40 pounds, likely from the semi's rust-colored Conex-style container trailer, flew through the windshield of Garcia's Subaru Impreza and struck her, said CHP Officer Kylar Adams.

The impact caused Garcia's car to careen across the southbound lanes of the four-lane highway and drop 100 feet down a steep embankment on the west

40,000-plus plants taken in four days of pot raids

Law enforcement personnel felony, Barney said. arrested 14 people and eradicated 40,397 marijuana plants during four days of raids on illegal pot gardens

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3 pounds of processed marijuana heat for our area is expected to buds and 4 ounces "honey oil" at continue through Friday, July 29.

On July Trygg and Kim were both booked into the County Jail

467-4000.

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What you fear in others is also pled guilty to creating false what you fear in yourself. Your financial declarations in a 2010 judgment of others is also, right family court proceeding, according now, judging you ... harshly to the Mendocino County District You project onto others the Attorney's Office. suffering you are subtly and

The rest of

Wagner

Your words of anger and fear

This month it is time to

this pattern of stagnation. You

can transform your fear into

courage. You can let go of this

heavy burden you have been

Use the energy of this month

to allow for healing in a greater

way than you have previously

been willing to go. It takes

a willingness to move in the

direction that may shatter your

illusions rather than reinforce

them. When you are looking

for agreement to feel strong in

your convictions, it means that

those convictions are pretty

shaky. If you do not know your

deepest self, then the opinions

of others can cause confusion

Reaction is a form of

This month is a time of unity

face is one that knows this

path was chosen and that this

life will give you what you seek

if you are willing to open to it.

and spiteful conversations

carrying

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quietly inflicting upon yourself. As part of the pre-arranged plea bargain between the prosecution reveal how fear-based and and defense, Kelsay also admitted angry you are at yourself. two sentencing enhancements, the DA's office reported in a resolve this duality internally so Facebook posting. the external can grow beyond

"In the course of a post-verdict investigation, the prosecution identified at least 23 separate instances of provable and specific Photo by Sue Crews perjury committed by Kelsav during [her] April jury trial," DA David Eyster said.

After accepting Kelsay's guilty pleas and admissions, Superior Court Judge Ann Moorman referred the matter to the county Scaglione indicated the proposal probation department for a further offered at the July 14 meeting was background investigation and worthy of consideration, but fell in sentencing recommendation.

Kelsay faces up to nine years, eight months in state prison. She will be sentenced at 9 am on September 13 in Moorman's court.

Eyster has described Kelsay's defense. Truth does not need crime as "the largest embezzlement to be defended.... It needs to in recent Mendocino County be embodied.

memorv.' Look to what challenges you need to undertake at this He said Kelsay began stealing time. The wisdom of the north from Long Valley Market, where is leading you back to the she worked in the store's financial innocence and trust that the office and handled daily receipts. south symbolized. It is time to in late December 2007. The come back to your younger thefts continued until her arrest in self. He or she has the wisdom mid-December 2014, following a and oneness you are seeking at this time.

sheriff's detectives and the DA's

together and no longer be separated. You have two faces. the face of experience and the face that is your original face. The face of experience is scarred and aged from the mandatory supervised probation suffering and struggles this life has offered up as challenges for you to grow. Your original

The rest of Heat From Page 1

a Wednesday press release from The cards indicate that Mendocino County Health & Human travel this month is a doorway to reclaim your original self's Services Agency announcing the face and reflection. It is through cooling stations said, "the extreme being in nature that you may catch a glimpse of your original self and find the doorway to "The 100-plus temperatures come back home.

create a high risk for heat-related about this of power

side of the road, he said. Garcia was being airlifted to Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital when the helicopter crew diverted to Ukiah

the "close-but-no-cigar" category.

"They made more strides on this

one than they did in the past to try

to mitigate the problems with the

plant," Scaglione said, "but it was

Vallev Medical Center, where she was pronounced dead.

According to a report in the Santa Rosa Press Democrat, two dogs - an adult pit bull and a bull terrier puppy - survived the crash and were retrieved from the Mendocino County animal shelter by family members last Thursday.

State traffic officers are still trying to track down the big rig involved, but Adams noted it's possible the driver of the white, three-axle semitractor-trailer didn't on May 19 stop because he remained unaware that part of the

trailer's brake assembly had blown up Anyone with information about the accident is being urged to call the CHP Ukiah Area dispatch center at



four-month-long investigation by

office a time when we need to come Eyster said Kelsay declined to address the court or apologize for the theft before Moorman sentenced her to four years in county jail and one year of



unlimited rides for one day (Prices at fair \$27 each)

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in ac Cc an me Gu	orthern Mendocino County, coording to the Mendocino ounty Sheriff's Office. Officers from the Willits, Ukiah nd Fort Bragg police departments, embers of the California National uard Counter Drug Team, Bureau	on charges of mari and possession of sale. Kim was also armed during the of felony. On July 21, of search warrant in th area north of Dos Lavtonville, seizing	of marijuana for booked for being commission of a ficers served a ne Indian Springs Rios and east of	On July 21, three "open field" eradications took place as well, Barney said. Raiders seized 57 marijuana plants at one site, 49 plants at a second, and 105 at a third. There were no suspects that could be connected to these three locations, and at this point no	create a high risk for heat-related illnesses, particularly in children and the elderly. It is advised to stay in a cool place with as little exertion as possible and to drink plenty of water." "We've done this the last couple of years," said Willits City Manager Adrienne Moore, "and we're happy	What I love about this month is the shift of power from the masculine order to a more feminine fluid power and structure. The feminine is gaining strength this month, and the old masculine world is like shattered glass under his feet. It is a major shift in the reality as we prepare for
Ca me Ma off Na sh tha as an bio	alFire prevention officers, embers of the Mendocino County ajor Crimes Task Force, and ficers with the Siskiyou County arcotics Task Force joined heriff's deputies in the operation at ended last Thursday, as well s California Department of Fish and Wildlife wardens and a CDFW ologist.	20, lawmen cc "open field" ma	resting 31-year- of Sacramento cultivating and rijuana for sale, ane "honey oil" med during the elony. n raids on July onducted three rijuana garden	arrests have been made. These investigations are ongoing. Eradication efforts also continued in the burned area of the "Lodge Fire" in the area of the headwaters of the South Fork of the Eel River, Barney said. Two "open field" raids resulted in the eradication of 2,139 marijuana plants at one site and 5,666 plants at a second.	to do it. We have a few chairs set up, and we can easily set tables up, too. It's no frills, but it's air- conditioned, and it's a place to get out of the heat." There's also a water fountain in the hall. The big Community Center room will be available from 9 am to 5 pm Thursday and Friday this week, and Moore says the city will continue to make the room available during	the reality as we prepare for Jupiter to leave Virgo and go into Libra on September 9. The old mindsets are breaking under the pressure of adamant change that has become a driving force of nature that will no longer be stopped. The sword of truth is in the hands of a woman in the Five of Swords, and it is the only sword still intact after the battle. Only truth
mu in Sh Ba rep We 48 Fra	uch needed mutual aid resources a cooperative effort to assist the heriff's Office," said Lt. Shannon arney. In addition to raids and arrests ported in last week's Willits deekly, pot raiders arrested 3-year-old Timothy Trygg of San rancisco and 36-year-old Samuel	these grows and been made at thi said, but "inve continuing."	ath of Leggett. ,2445 plants at ants at a second t a third. were located in no arrests have s time," Barney estigations are	One "open field" marijuana grow site containing 300 plants was eradicated near the Shamrock Ranch. No arrests were made. In addition to the 40,000-plus plants seized, police also seized seven firearms, Barney said. Fish and Wildlife wardens also	extreme heat as much as they can – sometimes the room is booked for other activities. Other cooling stations open to the public include Round Valley Indian Health Center, Round Valley Volunteer Fire Protection District, Round Valley Senior Center and the Round Valley Library. The NWS reported Wednesday's high	will survive these astrological tidal shifts. The distortion has become so extreme that it has become almost a joke. That is wonderful because the world deserves peace – not all this chaos that the illusion has created. In August the majority of humanity is no longer buying it. Swallowing the truth
nred ma 20 Hig era	arijuana for sale during a July) raid in the 52200 block of North ighway 101 in Laytonville that adicated 2,137 plants. Kim also face charges of being	one site, and 171 n	ved in the 52200 lighway 101, in ers seized 200 700 pounds of and 50 pounds rijuana buds at narijuana plants,	discovered and investigated 37 environmental damage cases involving illegal water diversion, stream pollution, and solid waste violations. This report based on a press release from the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office. MUSIC fest	temperature in Round Valley was 105, from 2:45 pm to 3:15 pm. In Ukiah, cooling stations include Plowshares Peace & Justice Center, Ukiah Civic Center and Ukiah Senior Center. Wednesday's high in Ukiah was 106 degrees, starting at 2:05 pm and remaining that high most of the afternoon until 4:25 pm, the NWS reported.	seems easier – like drinking quenching water – whereas the distortion is like trying to choke down rotten meat. No matter what anyone tells you, you know it is garbage and it needs to be thrown out. Now the only problem is learning to love yourself after awakening to the fact that for a time you contributed to that distortion is
ma at La an Fa sa Fa Ve	Sheriff's deputies arrested a 32-yea an at 4 am on Friday, July 22 after se the Enchanted Forest Music and aytonville complained they found hir nd high at the event and he refused Upon arrival, deputies determin avela "was under the influence of aid sheriff's Sgt. Quincy Cromer. Th avela had a misdemeanor warrant for entura County for an unrelated crime Favela was placed under arrest	ar-old West Hills ecurity personnel d Art Festival in m on the ground to leave. ned Christopher multiple drugs," ney also learned or his arrest from e.	being under the i and due to the Ver Favela was tal discovered a cont while he was be process, Cromer substance into jail Favela was beir	nfluence of a controlled substance ntura County warrant. ken to county jail, where deputies trolled substance in his possession eing searched during the booking r said, and bringing controlled was added to the booking charges. ng held in lieu of \$15,000 bail. based on a press release from the	"If you plan to visit any body of water during this heat wave," the county press release also noted, "please practice safety precautions and never leave children or non- swimmers unattended." Temperatures in Willits are expected to cool down some for the weekend, thanks to some patchy fog in the mornings, with NWS predicting a high of 92 for Saturday and 85 for Sunday.	either small or large ways. Let it go. Forgive yourself, and know that you needed to push this energy to an extreme position to awaken from the nightmare of fear you have been living under. Suzanne Wagner is a professional psychic who teaches the intuitive arts throughout the United States. She is the author of "Integral Tarot" and "Integral Numerology," which can be found on Amazon.com. For more information: visit www.suzwagner.com or call her at 707- 354-1019.

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Redwood Empire Fair Horse show kicks off 2016 event

Even though the main event is still a week away, the first event of the 2016 Redwood Empire Fair – the horse show – was held last weekend at the Willits Frontier Days rodeo grounds.

Youth exhibitors from Future Farmers of America and 4-H chapters around the county were invited to participate in showmanship and under saddle classes. 4-H has three age categories for showmanship classes, and winners included Hayden Hayes of Ukiah Shamrock 4-H in novice, Paige Whitcomb of Long Valley 4-H in intermediate, and Gracie Silva of Long Valley 4-H in advanced. FFA only had an advanced winner: Jacob Crowhurst of Ukiah FFA.

Breeding class awards are also given to the horses with the most correct confirmation, typiness of breed, and overall appearance. Champion Gelding went to Gracie Silva of Long Valley 4-H, Reserve Champion Mare went to Erin Evans of Anderson Marsh 4-H, Champion Mare went to Madison Forrester of Willits FFA, Reserve Champion Mare went to Caitlyn Forrester of Willits FFA, and the Pony Champion went to Casia Lazarro of Potter Valley 4-H.

Between English and Western classes, points were tallied and an overall high point was awarded to winners in two age groups. FFA and 4-H competed together for the overall score. Winners each received a bag of washing accessories to keep their horses clean for the show.

The overall High Point award for 14 and over went to Gracie Silva of Long Valley 4-H, and reserve went to Erin Evans of Anderson Marsh 4-H. The overall High Point award for 9 to 13 went to Danielle Barry of Willits 4-H, and reserve went to Samantha Arms, also of Willits 4-H.

Barry also won the open high point division in one of the Willits Frontier Days series shows, which was being judged silmultaneously that day. The open high point prize was a hay bag with a customized patch made by Mary Anne Underhill of Underhill's Western Craft.

The public is welcome to come down to the Ukiah Fairgrounds to watch the rest of the species show, including hogs, sheep, steer, dairy cattle, goats, dairy goats, pygmy goats, dogs, cavies, chickens, rabbits and turkeys from August 2 through 5. The Junior Livestock Auction will be on Saturday, August 6 at noon, and the awards ceremony will conclude the festivities on Sunday, August 7.

More info: 462-FAIR or www.RedwoodEmpireFair.com.





Clockwise from below, right: Keely Ahders rides her horse in the English division at Sunday's show. Riders wait in the line-up after competing to learn how they placed. Danielle Barry of Willits 4-H, winner of the 9 to 13 High Point award and the open high point award, holds her prizes. Erin Evans of Anderson Marsh 4-H, winner of the 14 and over reserve high point award. Gracie Silva of Long Valley 4-H, high point winner for 14 and over. Samantha Arms of Willits 4-H, the winner of the reserve high point award in the 9 to 13 age group. Arms rides her paint horse. Erin Evans rides along the rail. Caitlyn Forrester in the English division. Danielle Barry jumps over the fence on Rebel. Emma Garman jumps over the fence on her horse.

- Maureen Moore

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