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**By Sarah Reith, for
Mendocino County Fire
Council**

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Above: Leveda Lockhart's embroidered and beveled beaded necklace entry in the Fine Arts building. Below, from left: An assortment of vegetables in the gardener's delight category. Christina Orozco's knitted and crocheted items won several first-place ribbons. This produce character was entered as a "Veggie Tractor."



Above, left: Alexis Carrillo of the Willits FFA sold her FFA market sheep. Above, right: Grace Silva's grand champion goat was purchased by Andrew Hosford for Sparetime Supply, the group gathered for a photo, including, from left: Grace Silva, Jaime Wilkes, Wade Hosford, Andrew Hosford and Laurin Hosford.

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Below, from left: Annette Pinon of Flowers by Annette, left, and her daughter, Mattie Owen, show off the beautiful flowers Flowers by Annette made for the winning bidders. Willits FFA member Tessa Simpson proudly shows her 1,160-pound market beef. Austin Weaver proudly shows his grand champion rabbits which he sold for \$3,000 at the auction to Rescue Solutions. Kayleena Castro of Potter Valley 4-H shows her rabbit, Flopsy.



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Thursday, August 7

Willits Farmers Market: Join your neighbors on Thursdays from 3 to 5:30 pm at the Willits Farmers Market at City Park, with vendors along State Street on the north end of the park. For the freshest local produce, local meat, farm fresh eggs, hot dinner, tasty treats, live music, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more. Every first Thursday of the month: August 7 this month, Meet the Library at the Farmers Market, 3 to 4:30 pm, with library card signups: information about library services and events, and an activity for the kids to enjoy.

Shrek The Musical Jr. at the Willits Charter School: Bring the family to enjoy the last week of the culminating production of WCT's annual Gateway to the Stage summer youth program. Directed by Joni McLeod of UPT Ukiah and SPACE, and including 24 local children. At the Willits Charter School Sports and Performing Arts Center, 1431 South Main Street, August 7, 8, 9 and 10. Shows on Thursday, Friday and Saturday are at 7 pm and Sunday matinees are at 2 pm. Seating is festival style. Tickets are \$15 and available at the door or online at wctperformingartscenter.org.

Friday, August 8

Sgt. Splendor & Welcome West at Shanachie: Duo Eric McFadden and Kate Vargas perform a blend of alt-funk, desert rock and dirty blues. McFadden is a guitar virtuoso and singer/songwriter, and vocalist and songsmith Kate Vargas, has a singing style and sound that have been compared to Tom Waits. Welcome West is a modern bluegrass band that sets themselves apart from your standard local bar. Friday, August 8 from 8 to 11 pm, Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street, Willits

Shrek The Musical Jr. at the Willits Charter School: A children's production brought to you by WCT and directed by Joni McLeod. The show begins at 7 pm Friday, August 8 at Willits Charter School Sports and Performing Arts Center, 1431 South Main Street. For more info see August 7 listing or visit wctperformingartscenter.org.

Dead on the Creek last day to buy tickets: August 7 is the final day to purchase tickets for this intimate, annual gathering, August 8, 9 and 10, featuring the spirit and music of the Grateful Dead and Jerry Garcia, along with camping under the stars, delicious meals and activities for the

whole family, as well as creek access and craft vendors. Meals will be prepared on site by the in-house crew. Spaces for tent or vehicle camping. Black Oak Ranch, US 101, Laytonville. For more information and tickets visit deadonthecreek.net.

Monthly "Art Talk" at WCA: The Willits Center for the Arts' Art Talk this month is one of the most electrifying figures in art history: Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio. Often called the father of Baroque painting, his revolutionary approach forever altered the course of Western Art. Presented by curator Gary Martin, M.A., this is not an academic lecture, but an accessible and visually powerful experience, perfect for those curious about art history as well as seasoned enthusiasts. Participation is free but seating is limited and so early arrival is encouraged. Refreshments will be provided for this engaging evening, Friday, August 8 at 6:30 pm. WCA, 71 East Commercial Street. More info: Gary Martin gtm1950@gmail.com, (707) 972-3326.

Saturday, August 9

Word-Music Continuum at WCT: Join us on Saturday, August 9 at 7 pm for an exciting poetry and musical performance by Mendocino County poet Kirk Lumpkin and Bay Area musicians Paul Mills and Mark Wieder in celebration of the release of their third CD, Wildflowers of Collaboration. Admission is donation-based and an open reading will follow the performance. Willits Community Theatre, 37 West Van Lane.

GOH at Shanachie: Referred to by many as the Bicultural Musical Samurai, Goh Kurosawa has been touring locally and internationally since 2005 and is currently in the midst of his Lovetap Tour. Kurosawa has worked throughout his life to share honest stories and life connections through music, bringing fresh original songs, electrifying soundscapes and stunning arrangements of familiar global melodies. Saturday, August 9 at 8 pm at Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street, Willits.

WCA Founders: Then & Now: August exhibit opens: Saturday, August 9, from 6 to 8 pm and features over 25 veteran artists who were key to



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Taoist Cosmology at Inner Earth Tea House: Join us for tea and a talk on Daoist cosmology - the foundational wisdom underlying the Chinese mantic arts of astrology, feng shui and Qigong. This body of wisdom invites us to open to a different worldview of how time, place and subtle energy inform our human experience. We'll touch on astrology, feng shui and qigong practices one can use for self study and discuss the auspices of the Year of the Snake as fall approaches. Free for tea house members, \$12 for non-members. August 9 from 2 to 4 pm, Inner Earth Tea House, 48 East San Francisco Avenue, Willits

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Sunday, August 10

Shrek The Musical Jr. at the Willits Charter School: Final showing of the children's production brought to you by WCT and directed by Joni McLeod. This matinee show begins at 2 pm at Willits Charter School Sports and Performing Arts Center, 1431 South Main Street. For more info see August 7 listing or visit wctperformingartscenter.org.

Flourish and Flow Yoga in the Park: Classes will be held every Sunday in Rec Grove Park on South Lenore Street from 10 to 11 am with rotating instructors each week. All levels are welcome and each session ends with crystal bowl sound healing. Bring a mat and some water. Children are welcome if supervised and with an adult. Classes are donation based and for the month of August all donations will benefit the Humane Society of Inland Mendocino County.

Tuesday, August 12

Coffee Klatch at Brickhouse Coffee: Come enjoy coffee, conversation and connection sponsored by Flourish and Flow every second Tuesday of the month,

the transformation of a historical building into a vibrant art and cultural center. Both galleries will be filled with original work by jewelers, ceramists, quilters, painters, sculptors, and more. As always, the Center will offer food, refreshments, and fellowship. The exhibit runs through Sunday, August 31, with galleries open from 11 am to 5 pm on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Willits Center for the Arts, 71 East Commercial Street. More info: manager@

with this month's event held on August 12 at 10 am at Brickhouse Coffee, corner of Main and Commercial Streets, Willits.

Retired Teachers Association Luncheon at Lumberjack's: The Mendocino Division 55 of the California Retired Teachers Assoc. is hosting a "We Don't Have to Go to School Today" party at Lumberjack's Restaurant for retired educators. Guests can be retired as far back as desired but should not already be members of CalRTA. Reservations are required and can be made by emailing gwenas@sbcglobal.net. Please include your name and last place worked. Wednesday, August 12 at 11:30 am, Lumberjack's Restaurant, 1740 South Main Street, Willits.

Wednesday, August 13

History Makers Printmaking at the Museum: Come learn printmaking and paper craft, each Wednesday through the month of August from 2 to 4:30 pm, with a different craft featured each week. This week showcases cardboard collagraph prints, and is free with the price of admission to the museum. Those who present their Mendocino County Library card receive free admission! (Wednesdays only). Mendocino County Museum, 400 East Commercial Street, Willits.

Willits Stamp Club at the Library: Monthly meeting of the Willits Stamp Club is on third Wednesdays, 5 to 6:30 pm, with this month's meeting on August 13, at the Willits Library, 390 East Commercial Street. Bring your collection and enjoy time perusing stamps. All are welcome. Refreshments served. Info: talsofam@pacific.net.

Live Music at Brickhouse Coffee: Come have some lunch while you enjoy live music every Wednesday from noon to 2 pm. This week's August 13 performance by Tootrees and Don Willits. Brickhouse Coffee, corner of Main and Commercial Streets, Willits.

Thursday, August 14

Willits Farmers Market: Join your neighbors on Thursdays from 3 to 5:30 pm at City Park with vendors along State Street for the freshest produce available, local meat, farm fresh eggs, hot and cold food, and tasty treats from local businesses, crafts, live music, the new edition of Willits Weekly, and more. The market honors EBT and WIC cards and matches benefits to double your dollars.

A Bit and a Bite at the Museum: Come enjoy a casual lunch and some local history as Maria Bates and Marie Steffan, both members of Memory Keepers, a workshop dedicated to supporting the preservation of personal archive collections, share stories about their family history. All are welcome to this donation-based event held on Thursday, August 14 at 12:30 pm at the Mendocino County Museum, 400 East Commercial Street, Willits.

Community Song Circle at Inner Earth Tea House: This month's Song Circle will be on Thursday, August 14 at 5:30pm. Bring your songs and share and sing together. All levels. All voices. Donation based. Inner Earth Tea House, 48 East San Francisco Street, Willits.

Friday, August 15

Crimson Revival at Shanachie: It's gonna be a rock n' roll dance party with newly formed local group Crimson Revival! This Classic Rock and Blues cover band performs favorites from the 60s through the 90s. Up front and personal is the lovely Madam King on vocals, backed up by her merry band of men including: Robo Surewood on Bass Guitar, Aaron Unroe on Guitar, and Wich Dokta on Drums. Saturday, August 15 at 8 pm. Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street, Willits.

Eel River Dam Removal Writing Workshop: Friends of the Eel River invites the public to an opportunity to learn about the Eel River dam removal process and voice your support for timely removal of these ancient barriers. Join us for a social with the Sierra Club Redwood Chapter, meet the Redwood Chapter's new director Alicia Bales, enjoy refreshments, and participate in a comment writing workshop. Removing the Eel River dams is the single most important restoration action we can take to support recovery of the Eel's once-abundant native fish. Take this opportunity to join your community and help correct a century of harm. Be a part of the movement to Free the Eel! Friday, August 15 from 4 to 7 pm at the Willits Environmental Center, 630 South Main Street, Willits. For more information visit Friends of the Eel River on Facebook.

Book Lovers Discussion Group at the Library: This monthly discussion group meets every third Friday. Come talk about books, authors, and genres this month on August 15, from noon to 1 pm at the Willits Branch Library, 390 Commercial Street. Visit www.mendolib.org or call (707) 459-5908 for more information.

Saturday, August 16

TPA Band at Shanachie: From the heart of Northern Italy, the TPA (Tired People Abroad) Band brings to the stage an Italian-American repertoire full of timeless classics. Their music is a high-energy journey combining Italian sound traditions with the energy and rhythm of American music, creating a unique mix rooted in folk music and ballads. TPA Band has toured all over the world and will be performing here for the first time--so don't miss this rare opportunity! For a

preview, check them out on YouTube. Show begins at 8 pm, Saturday, August 16 at Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street, Willits.

Once in a Blues Moon Fundraiser at the Museum: Come join us for a powerhouse performance filled with fiery guitar solos, soulful vocals, and heart-pounding rhythms from Tommy Castro & the Painkillers, well known for their electrifying blend of blues, rock, and soul. This event raises funds for the Mendocino County Museum and Roots Of Motive Power and will also feature opening live music acts by local artists, and curated food, beverages and craft cocktails by local vendors and bartenders. Doors open at 6 pm with music until 11 pm in the County Museum courtyard on Saturday, August 16. Get tickets online at Eventbrite, or at Moon



Lady in Willits and at the door. 400 East Commercial Street, Willits.
42nd annual Round Valley Blackberry Festival: Come join the community for this family event with over 30 artisan vendors offering crafts and food, Mendocino wine tasting, live music and children's events. Enjoy an art show in the Round Valley Library Commons adjacent to the festival grounds.

The festival will be held Saturday, August 16 from 10 am to 6 pm and will continue on Sunday, August 17 at the festival grounds in downtown Covelo. Admission is free. For more info visit roundvalleyblackberryfestival.com.

Sunday, August 17

Ecstatic Dance at The Muse: Come be free to dance how you want without judgement or limitation on August 17 from 11:30 to 1 pm. Cost is on a sliding scale starting at \$20. The Muse, 30 A East San Francisco Avenue, Willits. For more information call The Muse at (707) 354-2475.

Round Valley Blackberry Festival: Come enjoy the final day of the 42nd annual festival from 10am to 5pm for food, crafts and a car and motorcycle show. Round Valley festival grounds, Covelo. For more info see August 16 listing.

Flourish and Flow Yoga in the Park: Classes will be held every Sunday in Rec Grove Park on South Lenore Street from 10 to 11 am with rotating instructors each week. Classes are donation based and for the month of August, donations will be given to the Humane Society of Inland Mendocino County.

COLUMN | AT THE MOVIES

‘The Life of Chuck’

The Story: Disasters piled onto disasters. Earthquakes, massive sinkholes and the Internet is deconstructing, and cell phones stop working, or only work intermittently. In the meantime folks are committing suicide, and long term marriages are failing, and the whole world is crashing. No one seems to know what's going on. It could be The End Times. And curiously, and all the while and pretty much everywhere there are signboards and posters bemoaning the fact that Charles Frantz, whom no one knows, is retiring and expressing gratitude for all the things he's done. And yet, none of the main characters seems to know what he's done, nor who the heck he is, or why there are signs everywhere, or who's putting them up. It's almost funny. And it's most certainly perplexing! Especially considering the aforementioned disasters.



My Thoughts: I loved the movie. It is truly ambitious. It confronts the inevitability of death, and the sorrows that attend the death of a loved one. Still, despite the knowledge of the sorrow and death's inevitability, Celebrate and Live! So I reiterate, this flick is truly ambitious. As an example, the flick features Tom Hiddleston's dancing. He's slick. He captivates. He projects joy. All in the faintly perceived Shadow of his own mortality. This drama is a kind of Universal Biography, and it is an Admonition to Live Fully despite that Shadow. So, for my heart I repeat: I loved the movie. Parents: Not for children. It is over their heads. This is a movie for mature teens and grown ups.

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

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F.O.W.L. Pop-Up Book Sale, August 16-23

The Friends of the Willits Library are hosting a pop-up book sale from Saturday, August 16 through Saturday, August 23. Stop in during the Willits Branch's open hours to find some great deals, support your library, and check out all the wonderful things the Willits Library offers. All Books \$1.00.

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August Challenge
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* Please email all donations to studio instructor or email florac@flourishandflow.com
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TOWN-WIDE ONGOING EVENTS

Willits Food Bank Donations: Our Willits Food Bank is in dire need of non-perishable food and toiletries! Donation bins (Sponsored by Willits Indivisible) have been placed at the following locations: Brickhouse Coffee, Mendo Mill, Willits Branch Library and the Senior Center. Please drop off whatever you can, whenever you are able as donations will be picked up weekly.

Food Not Bombs in Rec Grove Park: Food Not Bombs Willits presents a free meal, zines and supplies every first and third Fridays around 5 pm. Everyone is welcome. Join us at the picnic tables.

Willits Indivisible Democracy Vigil: Come join us every Friday from 5 to 6 pm at Babcock Park on South Main Street. For more information visit "Willits Indivisible" on Facebook.

Farmstand at the Commonwealth Garden: Come by the Commonwealth Garden's weekly Farmstand on Fridays from 10 am to 1 pm for farm-fresh produce and treats. Get there early, some things sell out fast! The garden is located on the right-hand side of Haehli Creek Drive, past the new Howard Memorial Hospital building complex. For more information call the Howard Foundation at 707-459-2777.

Soccer or wiffle ball games for teens at Rec Grove Park: Teens aged 13 to 17 are welcome to join every Wednesday through the third week of August at 6:00 pm.

Lunch to Live Music at Brickhouse Coffee: every Wednesday from noon to 2:00 pm featuring various artists. Corner of South Main and East Commercial Streets, Willits. For more information on upcoming musicians visit Brickhouse Coffee on Facebook.

Open Mic Night every Friday from 5-8pm at Inner Earth Tea House: Bring your songs, poems, stand-up comedy, instruments, etc. to this family-friendly event. Admission is \$12 and includes unlimited tea. 48 East San Francisco Street.

Summer Evenings at The Munchery: Join us Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 5 to 8 pm through the month of August for nightly patio

parties featuring cornhole, darts and ping pong along with our new Small Bites menu. There will be some nights we are closed for private events so keep an eye on our calendar and posts! The Munchery, 1797 South Main Street, Willits.

Pickleball: Meets Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays at 5 pm and Saturdays at 9 am at the Willits High School tennis courts. All levels welcome, free to play.

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

Willits Drum Circle: Every second and fourth Fridays at 7 pm. At St. Francis of the Redwoods Episcopal Church, Main and Commercial 7pm. Info: Bill Bruneau: 459-3390.

Literacy Volunteers of Willits: We teach adults to read! Free personal tutoring at the library. Call or email to make an appointment: LiteracyWillits@gmail.com or 707-456-7729.

Mobile Showers Available in Willits: The mobile shower trailer will be in Willits on Mondays and Tuesdays each week from 2:30 to 4:30 pm, in the parking lot in back of St. Francis Church at the corner of Main and Commercial Streets. Toiletries, towels and washcloths are provided. One of the rooms has a ramp to the door, but there is no room inside for a wheelchair, so those with disabilities may need to bring a helper. Sack dinners are served from 4:30 to 5:30 by Willits Daily Bread.

Shanachie Pub Ongoing Events

Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main Street

Saturday Sessions at Shanachie: Every 2nd and 4th Saturday from 3 to 6 pm, Tommy G will host an open jam at Shanachie Pub, 50 South Main street. You're invited to bring any instrument, meet new musicians, discover new genres, and explore your creativity!

Bluegrass String Jam: Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month starting at 3 pm - welcomes all Bluegrass musicians! An official jam for the California Bluegrass Association, "so you never know which members from out of the area may drop in!"

Marin Neumiller was in the cage with her supreme champion goat named CJ. "He was born in September. He's had a really good life," said Neumiller. "I've had him ten months," Neumiller explained. "He's flashy. He looks good. He has a good structure. He has a lot of fat and meat. He's very wide from the back, walks good."

Kenzie Osburn, in addition to having the grand champion market FFA swine, is president of the Potter Valley 4-H and the Ukiah FFA chapter. Her pig is named Maui. "He's a crossbred barrow," explained Osburn. "There are different breeds of pigs. He's not a breed. He's a mixture of different breeds. He doesn't have papers or a pedigree. He just wins. Usually, the crossbreeds win. I haven't seen a purebred win in a while."

Behind the pavilion, the remainder of the kids waited in pens with their animals. Tyler Knight, of the Long Valley 4-H club, was with his rabbit. "I didn't name this rabbit. It's kind of hard to get attached. I should name it Dinner."

Caillin Kelsay, of the Willits 4-H, was with her market sheep named Doc. She explained what makes a good market sheep. "When your lamb has a lot of muscle and super lean and looks really good, has a flat back. A fat lamb won't do as well as a super nice, muscly lean lamb. Fat meat is not as good as muscle meat." This 13-year-old has been raising sheep since she was 7.

Inside the pavilion, the crowd boisterously awaited the bidding. Several spotters, including Chuck Persico of Willits, scanned the bidders. Three auctioneers took turns calling the show. Rex Williams is a seasoned pro auctioneer who was bringing up the other two, Joe Stephanoni and Drew McElfresh, both of whom had their animals sold years ago by Williams.

The bidders were ready to spend some major money. Cheyenne Mills and Cameron Donahue of Donahue Incorporated were prepared to spend \$50-80,000 on livestock this year, as is typical of the rest of the audience.

After the presentation of the colors and the singing of the national anthem by Riley Haskins, Ivan Estrada recited the FFA pledge, "FFA brothers, why are we here? To practice brotherhood, honor agricultural opportunities and responsibilities, and develop those qualities of leadership which an FFA member should possess." After which, Bridgette Aiello said the 4-H pledge, "I pledge my head to clear thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hand to larger service, my health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world."

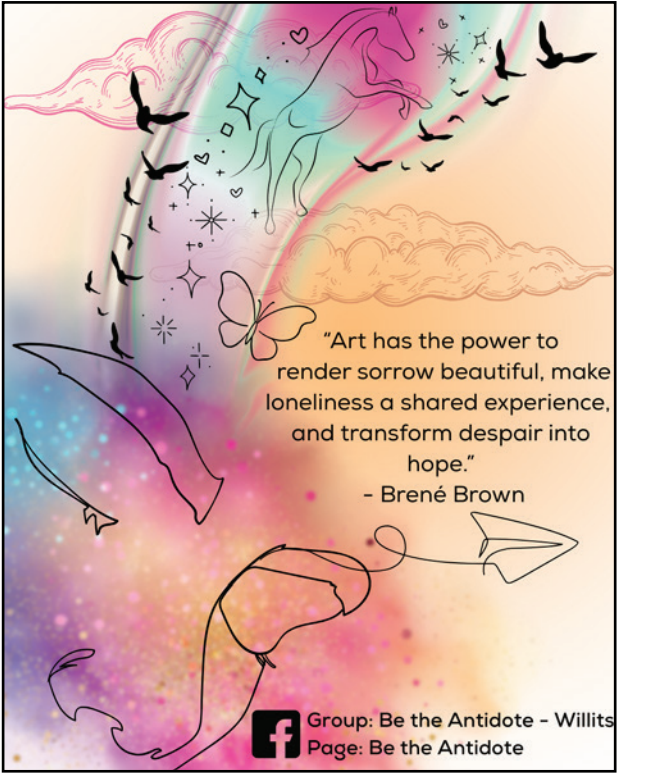
Both the pledges evinced the dedication, politeness and drive of these youngsters, who were very pleasant and outspoken about their chosen avocations, explaining, with clarity, what the animals and the process meant to them.

Up first in the bidding were the champions in each class of animal. These fetched some nice prices from the companies and individuals who were there to support the efforts of the kids, most of whom expressed a desire to continue and a love of raising livestock.

There were lessons for the youngsters to learn, some joyful, some sad, but all were about responsibilities for their animals and for their choices. They learned to treat the animals with respect for their short lives and that the love they have for their charges does not supersede the ultimate purpose for which they participate in their lives, a bitter sweet lesson.

The bidding, as usual, brought in over \$1,000,000 total from the generous buyers.

See a full listing of north county exhibitors' auction lots on page B3.



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Above, from left: Cailin Kelsay of the Willits 4-H shows her market sheep named Doc. Kenzie Osburn, president of the Potter Valley 4-H and the Ukiah FFA Chapter shows her grand champion market swine. Tyson Woodall of the Ukiah FFA shows his FFA champion AOB market swine. Below, left: The spotters do an amazing job of finding the bidders in the dense crowd. Below, right: Brandon Szymczak of the Ukiah FFA shows his exuberance as he sells his FFA reserve champion AOB market swine.



CONGRATS Sonoma Clean Power awards Mendocino College scholarship to Avery Edmunds

Posted by SCP

We are excited to announce Avery Edmunds as our Mendocino College Sonoma Clean Power scholarship recipient! This 36-year-old Willits resident is maintaining a perfect 4.0 GPA in Mathematics and Science for Transfer while juggling 14 credits, full-time work, and a daily commute from north of Willits.

Avery's clean energy roots run deep – he worked as an electrician in New York before making the move to California, where he trained as a solar installer at the Real Goods Solar Living Center in Hopland. From there Avery transitioned to a career in agriculture. Now he's going from farm to foundation with plans to transfer to UC Davis through the TAG program and return to Mendocino County as a licensed Structural Engineer.

Mendocino County faces a severe housing crisis with a documented shortage of structural engineers, often forcing contractors to outsource this critical work. Avery's goal? Develop mixed-use income-qualifying residential projects right here in our community.

His story perfectly aligns with our values of community partnerships and local innovation. Avery served two years on the Willits Community Services and Food Bank



Above: Mendocino College student Avery Edmunds, right, holds his scholarship plaque from Sonoma Clean Power with SCP's Events Manager, Sean Dalton.

board, distributed food during COVID-19, and speaks at local schools about recovery. He's the kind of local talent we love investing in.

Avery's journey from struggling with ADHD and addiction to academic excellence shows serious resilience. As a re-entry student proving it's never too late to chase your dreams, he embodies the community spirit that makes Mendocino County special.



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Senior Center menu for the week

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Friday, August 8: White Chicken Kale Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Green Salad

Monday, August 11: Cottage Pie, Veggies, Roll

Tuesday, August 12: Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread

Wednesday, August 13: Chili Burger w w/ Baked Potato

Thursday, August 14: Blue Zones Inspired: Greek Salad

Friday, August 15: Italian Sub Sandwich, Pickle, Chips

Activities: Bingo on Friday nights, 5 to 7 pm. Exercise class every weekday morning from 9 to 10 am.

August Pancake Breakfast: Every second Sunday, on August 10 this month, 8 to 11 am. Menu choices are: 1. All-you-

the county will foot the bill. A standalone special election could cost \$250,000, while combining it with the June 2026 primary would result in "a prorated cost of whatever the total election was."

Helen Sizemore, longtime Ukiah resident and a leader in the recall coalition, told LeFevre DA Eyster's most recent controversy, his prosecution of Mendocino County Auditor-Controller Chamise Cubbison, motivated her to take action.

Sizemore also cited the two-year term extension under Assembly Bill 759,

hardening measures. Homeowner Kate Carter went to a two-day CAL FIRE training, and knew exactly what she wanted to do.

"In March, I attended the defensible space assessor training put on by CAL FIRE," she recalled. "I became acutely aware of how my present location and the mobile home park in which I live is susceptible to wildfire. Following that training, I was gung ho to conduct defensible space assessments for all my neighbors in the Golden Rule Mobile Village," which is just under 100 units with one or two residents each.

"What I appreciated the most about that training," Carter continued, "was the importance of preventing fire starts from embers. Those embers will come through the air a mile or more. They are like matches dropping from the sky, falling into dead vegetation or gutters that are clogged.

"My big focus for this village is, if everybody can just look around their property and think, if a match fell into that pile of dry grass or leaves, would it start a fire? In this mobile home park, we are all in close proximity to each other. So we're all dependent on one another to do the minimal amount of cleanup to protect our homes as well as our neighbors."

By late May, a half-dozen neighbors had formed the Fire Safe Council, in hopes of preventing fires altogether or keeping the damage to a minimum if a fire does start. Forming a neighborhood Fire Safe Council gives small organizations access to assistance with fire resiliency projects. That can include help organizing as well as grants for things like emergency water systems, prescribed burns, and communication systems. Sometimes, it's as simple as having a professional crew come out and pitch in on a few hours of vegetation management on a steep hillside.

By mid-July, Carter and her neighbor Bill Pearce were relaxing in her living room as the Mendocino County Fire Safe Council crew did just that. Mendocino County Fire Safe Council staff had been asked to help reduce the fuel load on a steep slope just between temporary mobile home parking and the more permanently rooted park community above, helping provide a fuel break between the two locations.

The crew had just finished weed-whacking and thinning trees and brush on the steep hillside, and were feeding the limbs into a chipper. Carter and Pearce had pitched in as volunteers, though Pearce had not had an action-packed day. "I just had a knee replacement," he explained. "But I thought, I gotta participate as long as I can. I gave my cane up about a week ago, so I'm still relearning how to walk." They are more able-bodied than many of their more elderly neighbors, but they were still pleased to leave the heavy lifting to younger people with strong backs, good knees, and well-oiled chainsaws.

Almost half of California's mobile homes are located in high to extreme fire severity zones, where about half of the residents are very low-income. The housing is high-

can-eat pancakes with 2 eggs, choice of sausage or bacon, or 2. Biscuits & gravy with side of eggs only. Both include coffee, tea or orange juice. \$13; \$12 Senior Center members; \$8 children under 8. Extra sausage, bacon, eggs and juice for additional cost.

Meals on Wheels: The Senior Center Meals on Wheels program delivers lunch Monday through Friday. To sign up call Joliana at 459-6826, who can help fill out the application form. Call 459-6826 the day before needed to schedule home meal delivery. Delivered throughout Willits.

Transportation for seniors: Call 459-5556 to schedule. Pick up and drop off for grocery shopping, banking, doctors' appointments. Senior Center Thrift Shop: 459-2176

The Senior Center is in need of volunteers to help with the many activities here at the center, including volunteer Meals on Wheels drivers. "Volunteers are one-third of our workforce, which allows us to offer many services to our members and community." To learn more about volunteering: 459-6826.

delaying Eyster's next reelection to 2028. "He will be having too much time left in office," she told reporter LeFevre. "If it was just going to be [the] end of 2026, I wouldn't be doing this."

LeFevre asked for comment from DA Eyster, "but did not hear back before publication."

Read the whole story at <https://mendofever.com/2025/08/02/mendocino-county-residents-launch-recall-against-controversial-dal/>

density, and many of the manufactured homes do not meet modern fire safety standards. "We have vinyl windows," Carter noted. Though the residents are unlikely to take on extensive home hardening measures, they hope to encourage a trend of ember-resistant vents and clean gutters on the roofs.

Water is also a major consideration in drought-prone California, which is something to take into account when landscaping. At the Golden Rule, water is limited during the summer. Plants that are already close to homes on small lots die and dry into kindling.

The Golden Rule Mobile Village is located on property that is owned by Ridgewood Ranch. The most famous former resident is the racehorse Seabiscuit, who is also the namesake of the Seabiscuit Therapeutic Riding Center. One beloved resident of the Riding Center is the miniature donkey Muffin, a fire refugee who joined the program after losing his home in Potter Valley during the 2017 wildfire. According to Pearce: "Muffin is famous. People want to be the donkey-walker. There will be people with disabilities who come in and just walk with Muffin as a therapeutic event. It's become very popular. Muffin is part of the deal here."

The property is protected by conservation easements and provides habitat to wildlife, sheep, and a few cattle. The deer are especially bold. "Every morning when I get up, I'm looking at the deer," Carter reported. "They actually live under my decking, and they birth under there, so I get to see those fawns right out of the womb. If a wildfire came through here, it would be such a loss of wildlife. It would be so sad."

It would also be impossible to rebuild. Like many rural Californians, Carter lost her private insurance and is now on the California FAIR plan. She estimates it's about triple what she was paying with her former company. Pearce added that it's also not enough to cover the disasters that have become all too common. "Most of us don't have enough insurance that would actually replace the structure," he explained. "They'll basically pay for what we paid for, but prices have gone up. You're not going to be able to replace this. If the park burns, it's a big tragedy. Nobody's coming back. So it makes sense right now to protect it."

The Mendocino County Fire Safe Council will be right there to help the community with its efforts. Asked what it took to start her neighborhood Fire Safe Council, Carter said simply: "A desire. That's all. I thought it was going to be a bureaucratic endeavor, but we just needed guidance and support." And not everyone needs to scale a steep slope with power tools. She's planning to offer defensible space demonstrations to her neighbors, along with a few refreshments.

Chainsaws and lemonade? "Or in this case, probably loppers, clippers, and weed whackers," she amended. "The very tiny ones with batteries. I have two."

Court announces new site for case information, documents

Submitted by Mendocino County Superior Court

August 1 – The Mendocino County Superior Court announces a replacement to the Case Information Portal that the public, attorneys and government partners have been using since 2021. The court is unveiling this new web-based product, re:Search CA, which is fully integrated with the court's case management system.

The public will be required to register, using their email addresses, for access to court records in the new system.

Access to the current Case Information Portal will be disabled immediately once the court goes live on re:Search CA, as Portal technology is no longer supported by the vendor.

The go-live date for re:Search CA is August 1, 2025. Members of the public, parties to cases, attorneys, government partners, and others trying to access cases through the Portal will be redirected to re:Search CA beginning on this date.

Re:Search CA has many new features and enhancements that were not available in the Portal. Individuals and attorneys can create custom "dashboards" of their own cases and can set up custom court calendars to improve their ability to find information quickly. They can also set up alerts and reminders to be notified of upcoming hearings or when opposing parties file documents. For attorneys and parties to cases, they can access confidential documents that are not available to anyone else. Document viewing, downloading, and purchasing will also be easier.

OBITUARY |

Richard Ault

Richard James Ault passed away peacefully on July 22, 2025, at the age of 57. Born in Jersey City, New Jersey, on February 21, 1968, he was raised in Warwick, New York, and spent most of his life in Willits, California, where he embraced a life of simplicity, nature, and freedom.

Richard had a wandering and free spirit, with a heart as vast as the mountains he adored. His soul was forever tied to the wilderness, and he found his greatest peace among the trees and trails. Known for his kindness and quiet strength, Richard made lasting friendships wherever he went. He was the type of man who would give a stranger the shirt off his back – and often did.

He is survived by his mother, Elaine Maloney, and his stepfather, Frank Maloney; his father, Richard D. Ault; his beloved daughter, Emily Valente; and his

cherished granddaughters, Leyla and Amiah Whitfield. He is also survived by his sister, Tina Mason, and her husband, Dustin; his brother, Frank Maloney, and his wife, Jessica; his brother, Tim Ault, and sister, Stacy Ault; and many nieces, nephews, and friends who will forever remember his generous and gentle soul.

Among his closest bonds was the one he shared with his lifelong friend, James, and with his loyal dog, Cash – his constant companion and source of comfort and joy.

Richard's legacy lives on through the many lives he touched and the memories he leaves behind – of laughter, kindness, and a heart always open to others.

"Peace and Love Always" – Richard "Whiskey"

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always wear masks in the preparation and distribution of food, out of a multitude of caution, preferring to not take a chance of distributing germs in their processes, but one can see them smiling in their eyes and cheerful demeanor.

The group is grateful to the Willits Senior Center for allowing them to utilize their well-stocked and clean kitchen on distribution Fridays. They are also grateful for the help of volunteers, such as the two Senior Center board members, Dorothy Roediger and Deb Ghananadan, and others. However, there is always a need for more volunteers to assist in the preparation and distribution.

"Weneedvolunteers.Theycaneintouch through our email: willitsfoodnotbombs@protonmail.com," explained Sunshine.



Above: A community fire safety work party at the Golden Rule Mobile Home Park on Ridgewood Ranch.

At left: Golden Rule Mobile Home Park resident Bill Pierce surveys thinned limbs to be chipped after a work day.

Photos courtesy Mendocino County Fire Council



Above, from left: Comparing details between the stagecoach and a historical photo. The stagecoach just fits into the historic Seabiscuit Stud Barn. The original Wells Fargo stagecoach was acquired by the Golden Rule Church Association, thanks to a donation by Col. Michael Howard, and support from the Seabiscuit Heritage Foundation.



At right, top: Beautiful Wells Fargo stagecoaches like this delivered valuables across the West. At right: U.S. mail was one valuable cargo delivered by the stagecoaches. Far right: The historic Wells Fargo stagecoach is unloaded after its journey back to Ridgewood Ranch



Original Wells Fargo stagecoach returns to Ridgewood Ranch

Posted by Seabiscuit Heritage Foundation

The original Wells Fargo stagecoach from the 1800s has made its long-awaited return to Ridgewood Ranch after more than 100 years. This historic coach was owned by Charles S. Howard, legendary owner of Seabiscuit, from around 1925 to 1950, and was a regular feature in the Willits Frontier Days Parade.

During the 1850s and 1860s, Wells Fargo stagecoaches like this one were used to transport gold, payroll, and other valuables across rugged California terrain. Black Bart targeted Wells Fargo coaches and is known to have robbed twice on Ridgewood Ranch property. Given the route and the age of this particular coach, there is a strong possibility it may have even been among those held up by Black Bart himself, who was known for his poetic calling cards and polite, though effective, robberies utilizing an unloaded shotgun.

Following its time in active service, the coach was eventually acquired by Charles S. Howard around 1925. After Howard's passing, it was sold at auction and eventually made its way to Nevada in the late 1950s and early 1960s. It was later acquired by Reno Sardella, who brought it to his ranch in Jamestown, California. Sardella, a well-known supplier of horses, livestock, and wagons for film productions, put the coach to work in numerous Westerns filmed in California

from the 1960s through the 1990s, including one starring Lee Majors.

In the late 1990s, the coach came into the care of Tom Fraser, whose father had worked as a blacksmith for Chuck Howard, grandson of Charles S. Howard. Tom, who operates Quartz Mountain Carriage Co., specializing in horse drawn vehicles for hire in Jamestown, California, acquired and used the stagecoach to give rides to schoolchildren visiting Railtown for California history field trips. In 2018, Fraser continued its use during the COVID pandemic by offering rides at Columbia State Historic Park.

On July 4, 2025, Tom brought the coach back to Willits for the Frontier Days Parade. There, he offered it for sale, expressing his wish for it to return to its original home at Ridgewood Ranch. Col. Michael Howard, Howard family historian and President of the Seabiscuit Heritage Foundation, confirmed the stagecoach's authenticity, recalling its regular appearances with C.S. Howard in the Willits Frontier Days parades. A historic photograph of the coach, featuring the Ridgewood Ranch insignia and Howard's racing logo, is also on display in Seabiscuit's historic stud barn.

Thanks to a donation from Col. Howard and with the support of the Seabiscuit Heritage Foundation, the Golden Rule Church Association was able to acquire the original Wells Fargo stagecoach. Now permanently housed at Ridgewood Ranch, the coach is on display at the historic Seabiscuit stud barn and will be featured during special events. Its return marks the homecoming of a remarkable piece of American history, one shaped by champions, outlaws, and the enduring spirit of the West.

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Above, from left: Dill is a fast-growing annual herb that attracts beneficial insects to protect your late-summer garden. And you need it for pickles! Even if you planted it in spring, it's worth re-planting now. Quan Yin is a special lettuce that will sprout well in warm soil, but survive a good amount of winter cold. The heads are large, ruffled, and crisp. Photo by Don Tipping. Savoy (crinkled) and slower-growing hardy winter cabbages like Winter King will keep you in soups and crunchy salads from December through March. Planting both fall and winter types is an easy way to ensure lots of winter food. Brussels sprouts can be hard to grow, but the heirloom "Half Tall" is easier, hardy, and much tastier than newer hybrids, and frost makes them sweeter. Sprouts in the store are grown in frost free areas where they never get as sweet as locally grown sprouts. Carrots are a favorite for snacking, and fall weather gives them their best sweet flavor. Soaking the seed before planting speeds germination. At left: Beets are an easy crop to grow, super-nutritious, and come in several colors. "Three Root Grex" gives you a wide spectrum in one packet. Photo courtesy Snake River Seed Cooperative At right: Purple sprouting broccoli is a special type that's planted now and gives a big harvest at the end of winter, when everything else is gone. A favorite in Britain, it's rare in the US. It loves the Willits climate.

Photos by Jamie Chevalier



Above, from left: Cornflowers (bachelor's button) can be planted now for bloom this fall. They pair well with hot colors like California poppies or Glowing Embers cosmos. Primo, aka Golden Acre, is an early cabbage that will have you well supplied with cooking greens and Baja-style tacos through the fall and early winter. Alyssum is the best companion flower to plant now. It attracts beneficial insects that eat aphids, mites, and thrips. Planted now, it will bloom from September to December. Here, it's paired with kale. Purple tree collards have tender texture, mild flavor, and are perennial, usually lasting several years. They grow only from cuttings, not seeds, but luckily you can get locally-grown cuttings from Quail Seeds. If you want a crop with the nutrition and cold-hardiness of kale, but with big flat tender leaves, try collards this year. They are a type of non-heading cabbage that loves our climate, resists aphids, and has mild flavor.

COLUMN | Garden Tip of the Month

August: An easy start for an all-winter harvest

For many of us, it seems as though summer just started. Surely there's plenty of summer harvest left, so why worry about the fall garden now?

Jamie Chevalier
Columnist Of course you'll get plenty more summer goodies before the end. But think: When did you start those tomatoes or squashes you're harvesting now? If you want to have bowls of salad, crunchy carrots, sweet broccoli florets, and frost-hardy kale in fall or winter, you should be planting them now.

Once the days get short and the temperatures drop, plants stop growing. Many hardy crops will survive all winter. But you won't be able to start them from scratch in winter – they need time to grow to eating size before the cold sets in. Favorites like broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, kale, collards, turnips, carrots, and beets need at least two months and sometimes three before they reach maturity. Late July/early August is the perfect time to plant them.

Professional growers and authors often say you should start them in July, and it's true you'll have bigger plants if you do. But for the ordinary person with a job, no fancy propagation systems, and possibly vacation plans, July can be

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PG&E submits the Surrender Application and Decommissioning Plan for Potter Valley Project

Posted by PG&E

On July 25, PG&E filed its Surrender Application and Decommissioning Plan for the Potter Valley Project with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission <https://www.pottervalleysurrenderproceeding.com/>.

PG&E previously made available two drafts for public comment. FERC will now review the application and in the process will seek input from all interested parties through its open and transparent public comment period. In addition, the public will have opportunities to participate in FERC's National Environmental Policy Act review and the California State Water Resources Control Board's California Environmental Quality Act review through their public comment processes.

Furthermore, with the application filed, PG&E will begin the process of developing management and construction plans that will further detail the decommissioning process and aspects of the project.

"Today's filing marks the next step of a thoughtful and transparent decommissioning journey for the Potter Valley Project – but it does not change our operational responsibilities or obligations," said Dave Gabbard, vice president of power generation for PG&E.

"We remain fully committed to meeting all current FERC requirements as we work through the decommissioning up until the license is terminated by FERC. As stewards of public resources and partners to the communities we serve, our priority is clear: to move forward responsibly, collaboratively, and with the continued reliability our stakeholders expect."

The FERC submittal includes a request to allow the Eel-Russian Project Authority <https://www.eelrussianauthority.org/> to construct the New Eel-Russian Facility, aka NERF, at the current location of Cape Horn Dam. The NERF will provide diversion flows from the Eel River to the Russian River watershed after PG&E's removal of Cape Horn Dam and Scott Dam. The removal of the two PG&E dams will allow fish to access habitat in the Upper Eel River watershed.

"Decommissioning the Potter Valley Project and removing the dams is in the best interest of our customers," said Dave Canny, vice president of PG&E's North Coast Region. "We recognize that change of this magnitude is significant, and we are proud of our work with ERPA. We believe that the NERF proposal provides a good path forward for all communities. We are committed to serving customers in the North Coast for many years to come."

The Potter Valley Project in Mendocino and Lake counties has a long history of generating renewable



Scott Dam.
Photo courtesy PG&E

power and providing water from the main stem of the Eel River to Potter Valley and the Russian River, which has extensively benefited agriculture and communities along the Russian River.

The Potter Valley Project consists of Cape Horn Dam and Van Arsdale Reservoir (built in 1908), Scott Dam and Pillsbury Reservoir (built in 1922), and other facilities such as the powerhouse and water conveyance tunnels. A fish passage structure and salmon and steelhead counting station was also constructed at the Cape Horn Dam site.

While salmon and steelhead are able to use a fish passage structure to navigate around Cape Horn Dam, the migratory fish are currently unable to move above Scott Dam.

As its infrastructure continued to age, and after years of internal analysis, it was determined the Potter Valley Project was uneconomical for PG&E's customers. In 2019, PG&E informed FERC it would not pursue a renewed operating license. However, understanding that many communities rely upon the facility's water supply and diversion benefits, the company devoted years working with various external entities on a potential alternative to transfer the project to new ownership.

Ultimately, no new prospective owner filed an application to license the project with FERC, which led FERC to direct PG&E to submit a surrender application and decommissioning plan.

The Potter Valley Project has been important to local communities, tribes, agricultural interests, and environmental interests for over 100 years. PG&E has publicly committed to an open, respectful process that strives to balance the needs of many interested entities.

As PG&E moves forward with plans to decommission and eventually remove Cape Horn and Scott dams, PG&E continues to coordinate closely with parties to support a new water diversion facility, including Sonoma County Water Agency, Inland Water & Power Commission of Mendocino County, Round Valley Tribes, Humboldt County, Cal Trout, Trout Unlimited, and California Department of Fish & Wildlife. Throughout the decommissioning process, PG&E will continue to operate the Potter Valley Project in compliance with all existing FERC requirements, including recreation, minimum in-stream flows, water diversions, etc.

Included in the Surrender Application and Decommissioning Plan is a request for FERC to authorize PG&E to permit the "Non-Project Use of Project Lands" which will allow ERPA to construct the NERF, while utilizing some of the existing Potter Valley Project facilities.

While PG&E strongly believes this coordinated effort is the best path forward, ERPA will be responsible for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the NERF. The close coordination between PG&E and ERPA is critical to ensure the construction of the NERF will not delay the decommissioning of the Potter Valley Project and will allow for a smooth transition to ERPA operations. The timing will follow the FERC process for approval.

With the Surrender Application and Decommissioning Plan now filed with FERC, the official FERC proceeding will begin. A public comment period of 30 days will be led by FERC, and the timing of that comment period will be determined by FERC and announced via their distribution list. To be added to the FERC distribution list for the Potter Valley Project visit FERC's website and follow the steps outlined.: eSubscription | Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

On Monday, August, 11, from 3 to 5 pm, PG&E will host an online meeting to share information on the Surrender Application and Decommissioning Plan, discuss the overall regulatory process, and public participation opportunities in the regulatory processes. More info: www.pg&e.com

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Willits Building Exhibit Results from the 2025 Redwood Empire Fair

101 Trailer & RV: Received third place in the business window decorating contest.

Alexander Pinon: of the Willits 4-H, received four first-place awards for his entries into the junior building including for his Magic is Reel fresh floral arrangement, knitted clothing/textile entry, sculpture craft entry, and his hobby Lego entry.

Alice Kroh-Ford: Received first-, second-, and third-place awards in the Fine Arts building for her color photo entries into the Fine Arts building including a selfie, and two children photographs, and honorable mentions for her cloud and reflection entries.

Alicia Logan: Received two first-place awards in the Fine Arts building for her clouds and macro/close-up photo entries and a third-place award for her landscape entry.

Amy A. Ford: Received 10 first-place awards in the Fine Arts building for her photography entries including a black-and-white landscape, clouds, flowers, landscape, people, seascape, selfie, sunset/sunrise, and an 'other' entry, and also received a Best of Division for her black-and-white people or figure entry. She also received four second-place awards for her people, flowers, sunrise/sunset, and trees entries; and four third-place entries for her people, landscapes, reflections and seascape photo entries.

Artie McCann: Received a third-place award in the Fine Arts building for their beaded/embellished items and a Honorable Mention for their beads/stitching/weaving jewelry entry.

Ava Arkelian: Received a first-place award for her fair-theme cutout "Magic is Reel."

Brett Roundtree: Received a second-place award for his 01.c MIG welding project.

Caroline Piñon: Received a first-place award in the Junior building for her "Magic is Reel" fair-themed floral entry, a first-place award for her knitted clothing textiles entry, and a participation award for her sculpture entry.

Caroline Salcedo: Received a first-, two second-, and a third-place award in the Home Arts building for her quilting entries including two pieced by machine, quilted by hand, miniature, and wall hanging entries.

Charlie Pinon: Received three first-place awards in the Junior building for her "Magic is Reel" floral arrangement entry, a wood bowl entry, and a whittling entry; and a second-place award for her wood carving entry.

Christina Orozco: Received two Best of Division and first-place awards in the Home Arts building for her handspun fiber wool items and intermediate knitting entries. She also received 10 additional first-place awards for her sewn clothing, crocheted sweaters, accessory, toys, and baby afghan entries; and three additional first-place awards for her handspun fiber entries including a hand-woven item, a hand-crocheted item, and a 25-yard skein of handspun yarn. She also received four second-place awards for her plum preserves, a knitted accessory, crocheted afghan, and 25-yard skein of handspun yarn.

Clayton Cooley: Received a first place award for his 01.d TIG welding project.

Cruz Oltsenburns: Received a first place award for his 01.a Oxy acetylene welding project.

Dani Owen: Received three first-place awards in the Junior building for her flower burst fresh arrangement entry, her mini floral entry, and her fair-theme "Magic is Reel" wood cutout; and a second-place award for her sewing entry.

Elijah Matson: Received a first-place award for his 01.c MIG welding project.

Eva Pinon: Received three first-place awards in the Junior building for her mini floral arrangement, her sculpture craft, and her mini table setting. She also received four second-place awards for her flower burst floral arrangement, crocheted clothing sculpture craft, and table setting entries.

Ezra De La Fuente: Received a second-place award for his 01.d TIG-2 welding project.

Fisher Kuhn: Received a first-place award for his 01.e any-other welding project.

Ginger Franklin: Received four first-place awards in the Floriculture building including for her Yellow Rose of Texas arrangement (which also won her a Best of Division award), for her Most Interesting Display of Plants container garden, for her miniature rose stem entry, and for her scarecrow entry. She also received two second-place awards for her Timeless Trimmings dried entry and Giving it the Boot planter entry.

Grady Fonsen: of the Willits 4-H, received two first-place awards in the Junior building for his leather craft and any-other craft entries, and two second-place awards for his animal skull art and jam/jelly/marmalade/preserve entries.

Gretchen Moore: Received five first-place awards in the Home Arts, Fine Arts, and Floriculture buildings, including for her sewn wearable jacket which also earned

a Best of Division award, advanced watercolors of flowers, landscapes and any-other entries; and for her plant collection of three varieties. She also received four second-place awards for her advanced watercolor landscape and flowers entries, her ceramic sculpture entry, and her succulents/jade plants entry. She also received three third-place awards for additional advanced watercolor flower, landscape entries, and for a quilted wall hanging. She also received an Honorable Mention for her advanced watercolor wild animal entry.

Ivan Estrada-Castro: Received a first-place award for his 01.c MIG-1 welding project.

Joe Ford: Received two first-place awards for his color photography and fine-art amateur acrylic entry, which also won him a Best of Division award in the Fine Arts building. He also received two second-place awards for an additional fine-art amateur acrylic entry and color landscape photography entry; a third-place award for his flower/floral photography entry, and an Honorable Mention for an additional fine-art amateur acrylic entry.

Joseph Arkelian: of the Willits 4-H, received a second-place award in the Junior building for his pickled beets entry.

Karen Oslund: Received three first-place awards in the Home Arts building for her quilting entries including one pieced by machine and quilted by hand, one wall hanging, and one any-other entry.

Kassidee Mayfield: of the Redwood Valley-Calpella 4-H, received a first-place award for her beading craft entry and a second-place award for her any-other craft entry in the Junior building.

Kathy Lundgren: In the Floriculture building, she received first-place awards for her sunflower and cut flower entries; a second-place award for her bush beans entry; and a third-place award for her 5 Different Kinds of Vegetables Displayed Creatively entry. In Home Arts building's baking categories, she received seven first-place awards for her banana bread, single layer cake, coffee cake, and bar, refrigerator and shaped cookie entries, and for her muffin entry which also won a Best of Division award. She also received nine second-place awards for her quick bread, zucchini bread, rolled cookies, any-other cookies, frosted layer cake, any-other cake, bundt cake, carrot cake, and brownies entries. She also received three third-place awards for her frosted layer cake, drop cookies, and any-other cookie entries.

In canned categories, Lundgren received two first-place awards and a Best of Division in the Butters, Conserves, Marmalades and Syrups categories. In Pickles/Relishes/ Sauces, she also received eight first-place awards for her beets, bread and butter pickles, watermelon pickles, relish, catsup, and hot and mild salsa entries; four second-place awards for her pickles, barbecue sauce, salsa, and spaghetti sauce entries; and a third-place award for her any-other sauce entry. In Preserved Fruits/Jams/Vegetables she received: three first-place awards and three Best of Division awards for her cherries, green beans and plum entries; she received an additional 11 first-place awards for her peaches, pears, any-other fruit, blackberry, blueberry, cherry, raspberry, strawberry, strawberry-pineapple, strawberry-rhubarb, and carrots entries; three second-place awards for her any-other jelly, tomatoes and any-other vegetable entries; and a third-place award for her mixed fruit jam entry.

In the quilting divisions, Lundgren received a first-place award and Best of Division for her pieced and quilted by machine entry; and seven additional first-place awards for her infant quilts, mini quilt, any-other quilt item, block-of-the-month Round Robin, and quilt by group entries. She also received eight second-place awards for her additional pieced and quilted by machine, infant quilts, miniatures, wall hanging, wearing apparel, quilted by group, and block-of-the-month Round Robin entries. She also received a third-place award for an additional quilted wall hanging entry.

Khale Ross: Received two first-place awards and a Best of Show for his woodworking furniture entries.

Landyn Martin: Received four first-place and three second-place awards in the Junior building for his pencil, mixed media, and any-other art and Lego entries; and he received two first-place awards for his cut sunflower and petunia entries. In baking, he received five first-place awards for his candy, cookies, any-other, birthday decorated cake, and any-other cake entries; seven second-place awards for his quick bread, brownies, cakes, candy, muffins, any-other, and birthday decorated cake entries; and two third-place awards for his brownies and quick bread entries.

In the canning categories, Martin received eight first-place awards, two second-place awards, and two third-place awards for his variety of vegetable, any-other, fruits, jam/jelly/marmalade, and pickles/relish entries. He also received a first-place award and Best of Show for his

pieced, machine quilted entry and a first- and second-place award for his welding entries in the Junior building.

Linda Hill: Received three first-place awards in the Floriculture building for her cactus, hanging basket and geranium entries; three second-place awards for her African violet, geranium, and hanging cactus/succulent entries; two third-place awards for additional cactus and geranium entries; and an Honorable Mention for her any-other art entry in the Fine Arts building.

Lisa Yokum: Received a first-place award for her decorated "Magic is Reel" fair-theme wood cutout.

Macy Lawrence: of the Willits 4-H, received a first-place award and Best of Show for her baked cake in the Junior building and received an additional seven first-place awards for her painted rock entry as well as photograph entries including those featuring animals, flowers, landscapes, sports, and humor; she also received six second-place awards for additional photography entries featuring landscape, flowers, animals, selfie, children and sports; and two third-place awards for additional photography entries featuring children and animals. She also received a first-place award for her Elegant Dining table setting; a second-place award for her Miniature table setting; and a third-place award for her jam/jelly/marmalade entry.

Macy Lotten: of the Redwood Valley-Calpella 4-H, received a first-place award in the Junior building for her jam/jelly/marmalade entry and two second-place awards for her preserved fruit and an additional jam/jelly/marmalade entry.

Madison Lawrence: of the Willits 4-H, received two first-place awards in the Junior building for her animal photography entry and her Junior Living History photography entry; and a third-place award for an additional animal photography entry.

Marcia Tichenor: Received a first-place award and a Best of Division award, and a second-place, and a third-place award for her three animal fine art pastel entries in the Fine Arts building. She also received a second-place award and a third-place award for her stuffed animal dolls/toys entries in the Home Arts building.

Mattie Owen: Received a first-place award and Best of Division award for her "Magic is Reel" fair-theme floral arrangement and an additional first-place award for her Last Tango in Paris floral arrangement in the Floriculture building.

Michele Briggs: Received a first- and third-place award for her zucchini and quick bread entries and a second-place award for her apple butter entries and a first-place award for her dill pickles in the Home Arts building. In the Agriculture building, she received seven first-place awards for her herbs including basil, chives, dill, lavender, sage, thyme, and a 5-herb bouquet; and three second-place awards for additional herb entries including oregano, parsley and rosemary. She also received three first-place, and one third-place, award for her unusual sized fruits or vegetables. She also received three first-place, and three second-place awards for her produce characters which included bird/fish, fair-theme, human figure, animal, flower, and any-other entries. She also received two first-place awards for zucchini and crookneck entries; a second-place award for slicing cucumbers. and a third-place award for slicing lemon cucumbers.

Paislee Mayfield: of the Redwood Valley-Calpella 4-H, received a participation award for her any-other craft entry in the Junior building as well as a second-place award for her preserved foods entry.

Pamela Parrish: Received a second-place award in the Home Arts building for her quilt square set of two identical blocks, and a third-place award for her pieced and quilted by machine quilting entry.

Peggy Hebrard: Received a first-place award in the Home Arts building for her non-wearable sewing accessory; and four first-place awards and one second-place award for her professional oil painting entries in the Fine Arts building featuring people, portraits and landscapes.

Porter Garman: Received a first-place award for his 01.e any-other welding project.

Sarah Fonsen: of the Willits 4-H, received two second-place awards in the Junior building for her animal skull art and her jam/jelly/marmalade entries. She also received four participation awards for her tie-dye painting on fabric entry, and three photography entries featuring flowers, landscapes and portraits.

Porter Garman: Received a first-place award for his 01.c MIG 1 welding project.

Tinley Logan: of the Willits 4-H, received a first- and second-place award for her pickles/relish and any-other preserved foods entries in the Junior building, and also three first-place awards and two second-place awards for her photography entries featuring sunrise/sunset, any-other, and animals.



Champion, Reserve and North-County Exhibitor Results from the 2025 REF Junior Livestock Auction

Grand Champion Market Animals included:

Potter Valley's Grace Silva of the Potter Valley 4-H sold her Grand Champion Market Sheep for \$3,822.50 to Sparetime Supply. Ukiah's Kenzie Osburn of the Ukiah FFA sold her Grand Champion Market Swine for \$6,325 to Redwood Coast Fuels. Potter Valley's Maren Neumiller of the Potter Valley FFA sold her Grand Champion Market Goat for \$5,000 to Mendocino Roofing Inc. Potter Valley's Whitney Fansler of the Potter Valley 4-H sold her Grand Champion Market Beef for \$20,925 to Redwood Coast Fuels. Ukiah's Austin Weaver of the Ukiah Shamrock 4-H sold his Grand Champion Rabbit Meat Pen for \$3,000 to Rescue Solutions.

Reserve Grand Champion Market Animals included:

Potter Valley's Tobias Neumiller of the Potter Valley 4-H sold his Reserve Grand Champion Market Sheep for \$4,200 to Thurston Auto Plaza. Ukiah's Kaylani McAsey of the Ukiah Shamrock 4-H sold her Reserve Grand Champion Market Swine for \$5,600 to Thurston Auto Plaza. Ukiah's Kaylie Foster of the Ukiah FFA sold her Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat for \$3,276 to Rescue Solutions. Potter Valley's Kaycee Silva of the Potter Valley 4-H sold her Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef for \$19,545 to B & B Industrial. Ukiah's Garrett Weaver of the Ukiah FFA sold his Reserve Grand Champion Rabbit Meat Pen for \$2,400 to Ramos The Realtor.

FFA and 4-H Champions from the North County included:

Willits' Daniel Hosford of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Champion Market Goat for \$2,777.50 to Angie Gibson. Willits' Tessa Klee of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Reserve Champion Market Swine for \$3,990 to Granite Construction Company. Branscomb's Tyler Knight of the Long Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Reserve Champion Rabbit Meat Pen for \$1,500 to Gravier's Laytonville Chevron. Laytonville's Hannah Carbaugh of the Long Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Reserve Champion Duroc Market Swine for \$3,738 to Rosenthal Fire Mitigation.

North County exhibitors who followed the Champion lots included:

Willits' Alexis Carrillo of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Sheep for \$1,820 to Mendo Mill - Ukiah. Willits' Kyle Soqui of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$3,029 to Daniel Steel & Machine, Inc. Willits' Jazmarie Henson of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Swine for \$3,248 to Les Schwab Tire Center - Willits. Willits' Bobbie Nuñez of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Goat for \$910 to Mendocino Forest Products. Willits' Tessa Simpson of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Beef for \$13,920 to Wylatti Resource Management, Inc. Willits' Mia Chavez of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Sheep for \$1,764 to Acme Rigging & Supply Co. Covelo's Waylon Williamson of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$3,003 to Roundtree Glass.

Willits' Madison Lawrence of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$7,134 to North Fork Lumber Company. Willits' Danielle Estrada of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Goat for \$1,190 to Aaction Rents. Willits' Brian Spackman of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$3,585 to Nor-Cal Recycled Rock & Aggregates, Inc. Laytonville's Henry Arkelian of the Long Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$3,360 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Covelo's Tanner Davila of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Goat for \$1,587 to McCarty's Auto Body. Willits' Eva Pinon of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Goat for \$3,780 to Vulcan Materials. Laytonville's Khloe Neuroth of the Long Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Beef for \$11,601 to McCarty's Auto Body.

Willits' Ivan Estrada-Castro of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$2,022.75 to Highway 20 Feed. Willits' Arabella Mondo of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Goat for \$1,245 to the Savings Bank of Mendocino County. Willits' Richard Bolton of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Market Goat for \$1,820 to Mike Crafton. Willits' Kelsey Escobedo of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Sheep for \$3,045 to Blundell Ranch. Willits' Arya Allenbrand of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$4,590 to Les Schwab Tire Center - Willits. Willits' Kaydance Lopez of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Sheep for \$2,928 to Donahoo, Inc. Willits' Dana Arkelian of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Sheep for \$2,574 to Intercounty Mechanical & Electrical, Inc. Willits' Callin Kelsay of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Sheep for \$2,620 to Mike Crafton. Laytonville's **Austin Zuffinetti** of the Long Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$3,172 to Gravier's Laytonville Chevron.

Willits' Catie Spackman of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Swine for \$4,368 to DNA Hardwoods LLC. Laytonville's Stephen Whitley of the Potter Valley 4-H sold

his 4-H Market Beef for \$9,450 to Donahoo, Inc. Covelo's **Olivia Merrifield** of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$4,662 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Laytonville's Ember Whitcomb of the Long Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Beef for \$10,800 to Superior Pump & Drilling, Inc. Willits' Emilie Vitorelo of the Potter Valley 4-H sold her Rabbit Meat Pen for \$1,500 to DC Technical Rescue. Covelo's Anhelica Phillips of the Covelo FFA sold her FFA Market Sheep for \$2,760 to M & M Feed and Supply. Willits' Macy Lawrence of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Sheep for \$2,340 to the Garman Family Land Company.

Willits' Emma Hulsey of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Swine for \$2,499 to B & B Industrial. Covelo's Madeline Peters of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$4,660 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Covelo's Theo Card of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$4,540 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Willits' Dayana Estrada of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Goat for \$1,908 to Bouthillier's Construction Inc. Redwood Valley's Sterling Scott of the Willits 4-H sold his Rabbit Meat Pen for \$1,100 to Rescue Solutions. Willits' Hayden Sherosick of the Redwood Valley-Calpella 4-H sold his Rabbit Meat Pen for \$1,300 to Johnson's Custom Landscaping. Covelo's Emmelliah Hanover of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Goat for \$1,720 to M & M Feed and Supply. Covelo's Chayce Colten Britton of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Beef for \$12,825 to the Round Valley Indian Housing Authority.

Covelo's Marie McCoy of the Covelo FFA sold her FFA Market Sheep for \$2,440 to Keith's IGA. Covelo's Colt Quiroga of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Sheep for \$2,730 to Ordway's Valley Foothills Vineyard. Covelo's **Ruthie Merrifield** of the Covelo FFA sold her FFA Market Swine for \$4,824 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Willits' Joseph Arkelian of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$4,112 to Eddie Ranch. Covelo's Alejandra Davila of the Covelo FFA sold her FFA Market Beef for \$13,552 to Moreno Logging LLC. Willits' Savana Hoaglen-Cogburn of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Swine for \$4,620 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Covelo's Gunner Britton of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$5,040 to Capistran Ranch. Covelo's Eliana Martinez of the Covelo FFA sold her FFA Market Swine for \$4,000 to the Round Valley Indian Health Center.

Laytonville's Poppy Gunn of the Long Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$5,187 to the Drive Thru Tree Park. Laytonville's Daya Maguire of the Long Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$3,710 to Wylatti Resource Management, Inc. Covelo's Flint Davidson of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Goat for \$1,980 to Safeway - Willits. Covelo's Brooke Tieken of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Goat for \$1,428 to Geo Aggregates. Laytonville's Johanna Whitcomb of the Long Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Beef for \$6,645 to Gravier's Laytonville Chevron. Covelo's Marcos Davila of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Beef for \$10,323 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store.

Willits' Kaleb Whitehurst of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$3,808 to Bud Garman Construction Services, Inc. Willits' Jordon Shull of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$3,102 to Willits Redwood Company. Willits' Aybrie Whitehurst of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$3,174 to Wylatti Resource Management, Inc. Covelo's Marlyssa Card of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$4,237 to M & M Feed and Supply. Laytonville's John Whitley of the Potter Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$2,490 to Scarlett Meat Co. Laytonville's Charles Leek of the Long Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$2,740.50 to the Long Valley Health Center. Laytonville's Kylie Neuroth of the Long Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$3,228 to Rosenthal Fire Mitigation.

Willits' Tinley Logan of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$4,488 to Mendocino County Deputy Sheriffs Association. Willits' **Kassidee Mayfield** of the Redwood Valley-Calpella 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$2,893 to WIPF Construction. Willits' Zoeanna C. Gallups of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Sheep for \$1,596 to the Odell Family. Willits' Bayleigh Maughs of the Willits FFA sold her FFA Market Sheep for \$1,974 to the Garman Family Land Company. Willits' Wade Hosford of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Market Sheep for \$2,740 to DNA Hardwoods LLC. Willits' Landon Honeycutt of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$2,250 to Thompson Gas. Covelo's Reginald Britton of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$4,780 to the Round Valley Indian Housing Authority.

Covelo's Gabriel Bowes of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Beef for \$13,944 to the Round Valley Indian Health Center. Covelo's Cole Whipple of the Round Valley 4-H

sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$5,103 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Covelo's Wiley Williamson of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Beef for \$8,925 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Covelo's Payton McCoy of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Sheep for \$2,484 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Covelo's Riley O'Ferrall of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Sheep for \$2,006 to Keith's IGA. Willits' Thomas Gallups of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Market Sheep for \$1,032 to American Ag Credit Ukiah. Willits' Charlie Pinon of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Sheep for \$2,144 to the Drive Thru Tree Park. Covelo's Roy O'Ferrall of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Beef for \$12,800 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes.

Willits' Cole Simpson of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$3,252 to Les Schwab Tire Center - Ukiah. Willits' Gunner Globe of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$2,337 to Thompson Gas. Covelo's Logan Carrillo of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$1,518 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Covelo's Howard Whipple-Dock of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$4,590 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Laytonville's Eli Neuroth of the Long Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$3,484 to Gravier's Laytonville Chevron. Covelo's Skylar Whipple of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$5,111 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Willits' Grady Fonsen of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$7,046 to Redwood Coast Fuels.

Willits' Cheyenne Newell of the Redwood Valley-Calpella 4-H sold her Rabbit Meat Pen for \$1,250 to Fonsen Young, LLC. Laytonville's Zoey Maguire of the Long Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$3,367 to Gravier's Laytonville Chevron. Laytonville's Alivia Gomolickie of the Long Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$2,440 to Gravier's Laytonville Chevron. Covelo's Aamia Carrillo of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$4,769 to the Round Valley Indian Housing Authority. Willits' Jace Nunnemaker of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$4,065 to Harvest Market. Covelo's Randi Martinez of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Sheep for \$2,430 the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Covelo's Aliciana Davila of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Sheep for \$2,900 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store.

Covelo's Matyah Whipple-Eagle of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Sheep for \$2,919 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Willits' Maycee DeFranco of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Sheep for \$1,450 to Les Schwab Tire Center - Willits. Covelo's Bryana Bowes of the Covelo FFA sold her FFA Market Swine for \$4,740 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Willits' Caden Kelsay of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$3,132 to Thompson Gas. Willits' Trenton O'Ferrall of the Willits 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$5,808 to Nor-Cal Recycled Rock & Aggregates, Inc. Covelo's Simone Oxendine of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$2,856 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Covelo's Cloey Card of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$4,446 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store.

Covelo's Joyce Johnson of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$4,403 to Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Covelo's Jacob Carrillo of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$4,050 to Round Valley Indian Health Center. Willits' Emma DeFranco of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$3,780 to Bud Garman Construction Services, Inc. Covelo's Jay Whipple of the Round Valley 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$5,187 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Covelo's Lakota Britton of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$5,140 to Round Valley Indian Tribes. Covelo's Abram Carrillo of the Covelo FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$2,618 to Hatchet Mountain Construction. Covelo's Corey Warden of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$5,180 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Laytonville's Leibel Firks of the Long Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$3,156 to Steve Spackman.

Covelo's Caeleb Hanover of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$4,860 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Willits' Payton Shull of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$4,986 to Willits Redwood Company. Willits' Baylee Baker of the Willits 4-H sold her 4-H Market Swine for \$5,073 to CRMT Resources. Willits' Wyatt Klee of the Willits FFA sold his FFA Market Swine for \$4,541 to Bouthillier's Construction Inc. Covelo's Wesley Freeman of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$5,016 to Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store. Covelo's Michael Warden of the Round Valley 4-H sold his 4-H Market Swine for \$5,080 to the Round Valley Indian Tribes Convenience Store.



Willits 4-H Exhibitor spotlight

A special congratulations goes to two Willits 4-H exhibitors, first-year-showman Daniel Hosford, left, and three-year-veteran Tessa Klee, right, who each earned special honors at the Redwood Empire Fair Junior Livestock Auction last Saturday.

— Maureen Jennison

This is Daniel's third year as a willits 4H member and the first year he was old enough to bring a Market animal to fair. This year he brought a Boer Wether Market Goat and a Boer Breeding Doe, he named them Maui and Moana. He bought his goats from Catherine Acly, a former ag teacher at Willits High school! He won 4H Champion Market Goat, as well as Reserve Champion Percentage Doe, 2nd place in Novice 4H showmanship, and the Willits 4H goat group won first place in Pen of 3. Daniel already can't wait for the goat show next year! This year will be hard to beat!

Tessa Klee has shown a market hog at the fair for the past three years. She is proud to say that she has always bought her fair pig from local breeders right here in Mendocino County. This year she worked a lot with her pig Dash and was very precise with his feeding. She ended up getting 1st in her class, Reserve Champion Cross Bred and Reserve 4-H Market hog. She would like to thank her breeder Ryan McDonald for all his help and her leader Ashtan Bloomquist. She's already looking forward to raising a pig next year.

— Submitted by Tiffany Klee



Willits Weekly's
Puzzle Page

Sudoku, Word Search & Crossword

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HOW TO SUDOKU

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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BANNER	ENTERTAIN	FUNNEL CAKE	RIDES
BOOTH	ENTRANCE	GATHERING	SNACKS
BUMPER CARS	FAIRGROUNDS	LAUGHTER	SUMMER
CHICKENS	FERRIS WHEEL	LEMONADE	TICKETS

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Spiritual leaders

7. Salt

13. Fortified wine

14. Edible mollusk

16. They precede C

17. A way to compare

19. State lawyer

20. 'Game of Thrones' actor Ciaran

22. Eighth month (abbr.)

23. Very willing

25. __ ex machina

26. Satisfies

28. Mountain in New Zealand

29. A doctrine

30. Popular Dodge truck model

31. Dekagram

33. Naturally occurring solid

34. Company officer

36. Villains

38. Cricket frogs

40. One of the founders of modern psychology (abbr.)

41. Endured

43. A female domestic

44. You can get stuck in one

45. Partner to leather

47. Passive optical network

48. French ballet dynasty

51. Employee stock

- ownership plan

53. Bottom layer

55. Sound

56. Yankee great Judge

58. Dickens character

59. Late beloved TNT sportscaster

60. South Dakota

61. Exposing human vice or folly to ridicule

64. Gold

65. Longtime Braves hurler Julio

67. Humor

69. Shawl

70. Hospital unit

CLUES DOWN

1. Animal disease

2. Commercial

3. Necklace materials

4. Containers

5. Investment account

6. Colorado Heisman Trophy winner

7. Dipped down

8. Head injury category (abbr.)

9. Lay about

10. Intestinal

11. Not yes

12. Caused to be loved

13. Muslim spiritual leader

15. Showing sincere

- conviction

18. Not in

21. Number above the line in a fraction

24. Lawn pest

26. Pouch

27. Ancient language in India (abbr.)

30. Start over

32. Wild white flower

35. Fourteen

37. Visual way to interact with computer (abbr.)

38. Side by side and facing the same way

39. Religious conflicts

42. Touch lightly

43. 'Boardwalk Empire' actress Gretchen

46. Violent seizure of property

47. One who supports the pope

49. Malaise

50. Body fluid

52. Inauthentic person

54. Title of respect

55. Chilean city

57. Japanese city

59. Silk garment

62. Draw from

63. Automobile

66. The man

68. Top government lawyer

Willits man arrested after Ukiah to Hopland and back pursuit

Posted by UPD

On August 2, 2025 at approximately 9:45 pm, a Ukiah Police Department officer was on routine patrol in the 1000 block of North State Street when he noticed a red Dodge Ram pickup truck traveling in the opposite direction at approximately 20 mph over the posted speed limit. The officer immediately turned his patrol vehicle around, activated his vehicle's emergency lights, and attempted to catch up to the speeding motorist.

As the officer and the suspect vehicle traveled southbound towards the 900 block of North State Street, it became apparent that the driver of the suspect vehicle did not intend to yield to the traffic stop, and a vehicle pursuit began. The suspect vehicle turned eastbound onto Brush Street, and then southbound onto North Orchard Avenue. The suspect vehicle then turned eastbound onto East Perkins Street and took East Perkins Street to Watson Road and over the hill to Old River Road. UPD requested assistance from the California Highway Patrol and the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office, and later informed Sonoma County law enforcement that a pursuit was

Read the rest of Chase Over on page B5

WILLITS POLICE DEPARTMENT
POLICE LOG

July 21 to July 27

By Danya Davis, Willits Weekly

The officers of the Willits Police Department reported 58 incidents in this 7-day period.

Summary of Active Investigations and Arrests

July 21

6:08 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Alder Court and issued a warning.

July 22

11:02 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 300 block of East Commercial Street.

July 23

4:29 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1400 block of South Main Street.

9:49 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 1200 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

July 24

3:06 am: Officers responded to a disturbance in the 200 block of East Valley Street.

11:02 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 400 block of Della Avenue.

11:35 am: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 200 block of North Main Street.

8:16 pm: WARE, Tiffany Malyn (45) of Willits was contacted near the intersection of Holly Street and Poplar Avenue. She was arrested on misdemeanor charges of driving with a suspended license, disorderly conduct (drugs and alcohol), fighting or challenging another in public, resisting an officer, and failure to appear.

July 25

9:41 am: Officers conducted a stop in the 1600 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

4:47 pm: BROWN, Clayton Maxwell (48) of Willits was contacted in the 100 block of South Main Street. He was arrested on misdemeanor charges of resisting an officer.

7:32 pm: Officers responded to a

disturbance in the 1700 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

8:01 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 100 block of North Main Street and issued a warning.

10:57 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 800 block of South Main Street and issued a warning.

11:44 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 21000 block of Baechtel Road and issued a citation.

July 26

2:06 am: CLARK, Jasper Allen Sky (31) of Ukiah was contacted in the 600 block of South Main Street. He was arrested on misdemeanor charges of providing false identification to an officer, disorderly conduct (alcohol), and violation of probation.

8:49 am: MATTSO, Cheryl Kathleen (53) was contacted in the 700 block of South Main Street. She was arrested on felony charges of first degree burglary, and on misdemeanor charges of domestic battery and disturbing the peace.

9:29 pm: Officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject in the 300 block of Creekside Drive.

July 27

12:38 pm: Officers initiated a theft investigation in the 1500 block of South Main Street.

6:28 pm: Officers conducted a stop in the 1300 block of South Main Street and issued a citation.

6:37 pm: Officers responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 300 block of Boscabele Avenue.

8:30 pm: MAPLE, Ronald Dean (62) of Covelo was contacted in the 100 block of Barbara Lane. He was arrested on felony charges possession of a controlled substance with two or more priors, and on misdemeanor charges of possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana over one ounce, selling or transporting marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and violation of probation.

The rest of Garden From page B1

unrealistic. I work with reality, not against it.

In August, the nights are getting longer. There is more dew and the sun's angle is getting lower. Fall crops become a realistic option, and take very little time to start. Planting takes minutes, yet the harvest goes on for months.

Here is a way to start a delicious and money-saving winter garden in easy stages.

First, locate a place where you like to spend time on August evenings – could be under a shade tree, on the porch, or even in an air-conditioned space indoors. (You can put down a sheet of plastic if necessary – a flat garbage bag right off the roll works great.)

Now, pour yourself a drink before your hands get muddy, then fill a couple of seedling trays with potting mix. Get out your seeds and plop them into the seedling trays, pots, or whatever. You can plant a full tray during the time it takes to have a drink and a snack in the shade – about 20 minutes. Then set your tray where it will get sun in the morning, shelter from baking afternoon sun, and be easy to water once a day. Like maybe a window, porch, or picnic table.

If you don't want to have to water seedling trays, then seed these items directly into the garden each week in August. Use shadecloth if needed to keep them from getting scorched. Or find places that are temporarily shaded by summer crops.

So what goes in those trays? First week, the long-season crops like cabbage,

carrots, parsnips, rutabagas, kale, collards, broccoli, beets, peas and Brussels sprouts.

Week two, crops for fall consumption. In addition to standards like spinach and lettuce, these include treats that are unique to fall and often unique to Mediterranean cuisine – Florence fennel, endive, escarole, chioory, chard, and cima di rapa are all in this group. Peas planted for clipping the new growth as salad greens are a new addition. They freeze-over below 25 degrees, so they need August planting and October-November eating. Quail Seeds carries a Fall in Italy Collection with many of these crops.

Week three, faster-growing fall crops: Spinach, Chinese cabbage and other Asian greens, salad turnips, arugula, radishes, lettuce, cima di rapa, mustard, and other leafy greens for both cooking and salad.

Week four, Asian greens, miner's lettuce, erba stella, arugula, and sorrel, the fastest-growing plants in cool soil that I know of. Plus more lettuce, radish, spinach, and pea shoots.

After four weeks, your first tray should be ready to go into the garden. By then there'll be places where the crops are finished, overtaken by weeds, or not paying their way. Rip out those weeds, shriveled bush beans, bolted lettuce, or whatever, and water well. Or move vines aside to make planting spots. Layer on some compost or fertilizer and transplant the seedlings from your first tray. Repeat the next week. It takes maybe 15 to 30 minutes each time, for crops that will feed you for several months. Totally worth it!

LEGAL NOTICES

WW553

CITY OF WILLITS
NOTICE OF PROPOSED
ORDINANCE SUMMARY

First Reading Scheduled August 27, 2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Willits will consider the first reading of the following ordinances at its regular meeting on **Tuesday, August 27, 2025**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, located at 111 E Commercial St, Willits, California:

- An Ordinance of the City of Willits Amending Title 17 of the Willits Municipal Code to Establish Two New Mixed Use Zoning Districts: Main Street Mixed Use (DU) and General Mixed Use (GU).**
- An Ordinance of the City of Willits Amending the Official Zoning Map to Apply New and Revised Zoning Districts Consistent with the 2024 General Plan Land Use Element and Land Use Map.**

The proposed ordinances would implement the City of Willits 2024 General Plan Land Use Element Update, adopted on October 24, 2024, by establishing two new zoning classifications and revising the Zoning Map to achieve consistency with the General Plan Land Use Map. The new zoning districts are intended to encourage mixed use development, support economic vitality, and promote walkable neighborhoods.

Key components of the ordinances include:

- Land use and development standards for the new DU and GU zoning districts;
- Design and building orientation requirements;
- Additional regulations on formula-based businesses;
- Special off-street parking provisions for the DU zoning district consistent with Land Use Element Policy LU-4.4, which include exemptions from standard parking requirements for small-scale developments and deed-restricted affordable housing south of Broadus Creek.

Environmental Review: The proposed ordinances were fully analyzed under the certified Program Environmental Impact Report prepared for the 2024 Land Use Element Update. No additional environmental review is required.

A second reading and adoption of the ordinances is scheduled for September 10, 2025.

Copies of the proposed ordinances and all related materials are available for public review at City Hall during regular business hours.

For additional information, contact the Community Development Department at 707-459-4601 or dduley@cityofwillits.org.

Publication Date: August 7, 2025

RICHARD ALAN SPANGLE

79, passed away peacefully on July 17, 2025, at Syringa Hospital, Grangeville, Idaho.

Graveside services will be held on Aug. 8, 2025, at Noon, at the Ukiah Cemetery (940 Low Gap Road, Ukiah, CA 95482).

Arrangements are under the direction of the Blackmer Funeral Home, Grangeville, ID.

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LEGAL NOTICES

WW549

Fictitious Business
Name Statement

2025-F0319

The following person or persons are doing business as Barnes Bookkeeping, 245A South Humboldt Street, Willits, CA 95490.

Registered owner: Stylist of Willits, Inc., 245A South Humboldt Street, Willits, CA 95490.

This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on N/A.

FBN statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on July 15, 2025.

/s/ Nicole Aguilar Barnes
Publication Dates: July 24, 31, August 7 and 14, 2025

WW550

Fictitious Business
Name Statement

2025-F0332

The following person or persons are doing business as Manny Mc Meno, 20110 Hanson Road, Fort Bragg, CA; 707-357-8019.

Registered owner: Monica Edman Kirby, 20110 Hanson Road, Fort Bragg, CA 95437

This business is conducted by an individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on July 17, 2025.

FBN statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on July 23, 2025.

/s/ Monica Edman Kirby
Publication Dates: July 31, August 7, 14, and 21, 2025

WW551

Fictitious Business Name Statement

2025-F0324

The following person or persons are doing business as T&T Salvage and Storage, 277 North Lenore Avenue, Willits, CA 95490.

Registered owner: Forest Wayne Hunt, 285 North Lenore Avenue, Willits, CA 95490.

This business is conducted by an individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on January 3, 2000.

FBN statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on July 18, 2025.

/s/ Forest Wayne Hunt

Publication Dates: August 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2025

WW552

Fictitious Business Name Statement

2025-F0337

The following person or persons are doing business as The Stylist, Barnes Bookkeeping, 245 A South Humboldt Street, Willits, CA 95490.

Registered owner: Stylist of Willits, Inc., 245 A South Humboldt Street, Willits, CA 95490.

This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on July 28, 2025.

FBN statement filed with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder on July 23, 2025.

/s/ Nicole Aguilar Barnes

Publication Dates: August 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2025

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Benefits, Salary: \$98K - \$110K

The Casino Controller directs the cashing, vault, drop and count areas in a manner that safeguards

Rodger 'Andy' Reinier

Rodger 'Andy' Reinier, who just celebrated his 80th birthday with family and friends, peacefully passed away at his home on July 28, 2025 surrounded by his loving wife, Sharen, and loyal four-legged companion, Ginger, by his side.

Andy was born on July 21, 1945 in Ottumwa, Iowa. When he was young he grew up on a farm in Bloomfield, Iowa then moved to Denver, Colorado with his mother. Andy was a Vietnam Veteran that served in the US Navy from 1962-1968. He married his first wife in 1967 and started their family in Sonoma County, then proceeded to move his family to the Ukiah Valley in the mid 1970's.

In his early years, Andy was both a volunteer and a paid fireman that spent plenty of time in the Rincon Valley and Ukiah firehouses, along with being a carpet layer by trade. He retired from the Willits Police Department as a 911 dispatcher in 2012. Andy was a man of strong character and was known for his morning diner meet ups with his buddies and his passion for riding his Harley. He shared this passion with his wife Sharen, and two daughters. He participated in local runs and charity rides, plus his annual trips to Sturgis where he traveled to see his daughters and their families in Idaho and Montana. Spending time with his lovely wife and creating memories with all those that loved him was how he liked to fill his days.

He married his second wife, Sharen, in 2005 and together they shared 20 years of marriage predominantly in the Brooktrails/Willits area. Andy is survived by his wife; daughters, Gina (Todd) Thoulion and Shelley (Russ) Currie; stepdaughter, Abby Gruenebaum; granddaughter, Ariane (Chase) Borchardt; grandsons, Dillion Thoulion and Brandon Seufert; sisters, Cathy Padilla and Cindy Morlan; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his mother, Norma Parker.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, August 8, 2025 at 10 AM, at the Ukiah Cemetery in the Russian River Cemetery District in Ukiah, CA. Following the service, there will be an Open House at the family home in Brooktrails. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to your local humane society in Andy's memory.

Andy's legacy of love, loyalty and integrity will forever remain in the hearts of those that knew and loved him.

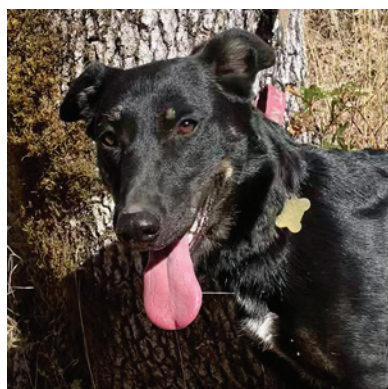
Eversole Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.



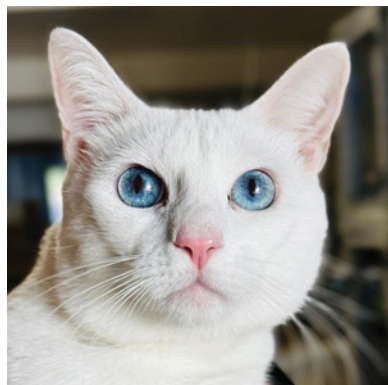
Clever Diane

Diane is one of 18 dogs that came from a rescue in Mexican that fell on hard times. She is very high-energy and sweet. With her nose to the ground, she likes to explore and investigate. She is gentle on leash, but does need guidance as she darts back and forth, following her nose. Diane is very friendly with humans. She is beautiful, intelligent, and ready for a home of her own.

To learn more about Diane, or to view other adoptable animals, visit www.milofoundation.org or the Milo Foundation Sanctuary Facebook page. The sanctuary is currently doing pet adoptions by appointment only. Please complete a pet-adoption application before requesting an appointment. You can reach the Milo Foundation at 459-4900.



Regal Frosty



Frosty is as sweet as she is striking, and she loves chin-scratches and sunny window seats. She'd thrive in a home with no feline competition, just a human or two to spoil her. Ready to meet your new best friend?

Frosty's adoption fee has been fully sponsored by Karin Hudson.

The Humane Society for Inland Mendocino is located at 9700 Uva Drive in Redwood Valley. Feel free to visit us, no appointments needed! We are open Wednesday through Friday, 1 to 5 pm; Saturday and Sunday, 11 am to 3 pm; closed Monday and Tuesday. Check out all of our available

dogs and cats on our website: www.mendohumanesociety.com, on our Facebook page, and on www.petfinder.com.

Loyal Tiago

Looking for a new playmate? Look no further than Tiago! This adult male could be the perfect addition to your family. Tiago is a friendly, playful and energetic pup who loves to run around and explore. He's always up for an adventure and is very curious about the world around him. While he may be a little timid at first, he'll quickly warm up to you and become your loyal companion. Tiago has been living it up in a foster home and getting lots of exposure to kids and other dogs. If you're looking for a loving and fun companion, Tiago is the pup for you!



The Mendocino County Animal Shelter, located at 298 Plant Road in Ukiah, is open to the public from 9:30 am to 5 pm Tuesday through Friday, and 10 am to 3 pm on Saturdays (closed for lunch each day from 1 to 1:30 pm). Make sure to pre-fill out the adoption application available at www.mendoanimalshelter.com. Call 707-463-4427 for more information.

A message of concern from your HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

We are doctors, nurses, and other health professionals alerting you that your health is in danger. The Administration has taken an axe to most of the agencies and programs that protect medical care and public health in our country. It has slashed funding for health care, public health protections, and research. It is abandoning support for veterans, children, families, and the elderly.

Huge cuts to federal health insurance programs are on their way. This includes Medicaid (Medi-Cal) which provide care for over half our children and nursing home patients in Mendocino County. Many Americans will go without care and most of the clinics and hospitals across the country will suffer financially, especially in rural areas such as ours. Some will close.

The Administration has canceled programs on vaccines and other vital programs. It is sowing doubt in the safety and efficacy of the vaccines that protect our entire population.

We agree that our healthcare system has many problems. We believe that careful redesign done thoughtfully is what is needed to improve our healthcare.

As health professionals on the front lines, we have dedicated our careers to protecting the health of our patients and improving health in our communities. We cannot alone fill the void that is being created in your care from these reckless and deep cuts. We are certain that this will cost lives.

We want you to know that we are united in challenging these federal actions as a threat to the health of our community. These represent our personal views, not our employers.

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