

The HOPE Coalition

Humboldt Organized for Peace & the Environment

"Working in partnership toward the development of a diverse, just, & sustainable community."

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Newsletter Editorial Page – March 11, 2008

The Election That Might Not Happen—by Betsy Hartmann

[Many folks fear that politicians may again hijack our election system, as many believed happened during the past two Presidential elections. Here is another scenario that won't help us sleep any better, from www.CommonDreams.org.]

It's springtime in American politics. It's only early March, but there's a giddy, hopeful feeling to this election season, a sense that new leadership is blossoming. We could have a Democrat in the White House next year. But winter isn't over yet and we need to balance our hope with a little fear. In 2000 Bush and Cheney stole the election in Florida. In 2004 they played dirty tricks in Ohio. In 2008 could they go one step further—and suspend the election altogether?

The necessary architecture may already be in place. On May 4 last year, the White House issued the National Security and Homeland Security Presidential Directive, key parts of which remain classified and hence shrouded from public view. The directive outlines procedures to respond to a "catastrophic emergency," defined broadly as "any incident, regardless of location, that results in extraordinary levels of mass casualties, damage, or disruption severely affecting the U.S. population, infrastructure, environment, economy, or government functions." Of course previous administrations also had emergency plans. But the Bush directive transfers power from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to the White House, where the Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism is assigned the job of "National Continuity Coordinator".

The unclassified part of the directive reveals little about who would have the authority to invoke emergency powers during a catastrophe. Nor does it refer to existing laws, such as the National Emergencies Act, that establish congressional checks on the executive's power to impose martial law or other extraordinary measures. Its wording is ambiguous - the directive shall be implemented "consistent with applicable law," without making clear which laws are "applicable". "The Bush legal team has pushed a controversial theory that the Constitution gives the president an unwritten power to disobey laws at his own discretion to protect national security," writes Charlie Savage in the Boston Globe. He quotes legal specialists who describe the vagueness of the new directive as "troubling".

Also troubling is the Department of Homeland Security's \$385 million contract awarded to Halliburton subsidiary Kellogg, Brown and Root in January 2006 to build temporary detention facilities. According to a Halliburton press release, the contract provides for augmenting existing immigration detention facilities in the event of "an emergency influx of immigrants into the U.S., or to support the rapid development of new programs." It also includes the development of a plan "to react to a national emergency, such as a national disaster." Construction would commence only after an "emergency" is declared. While immigrants appear to be the main target, one cannot rule out the possibility that the detention centers could be used as holding pens for dissidents during a proclaimed emergency. Recent crackdowns on illegal immigrants have included military-style night raids on homes and factories. Are we getting softened up for the expansion of police state tactics?

But perhaps the most important card the Bush administration holds in its deck is a stacked conservative majority on the Supreme Court. In 2000 the Court turned a blind eye to the theft of Al Gore's electoral victory in Florida. Should we expect better today? Just last month the Court refused to review the ACLU's legal challenge to the Bush administration's warrantless electronic surveillance program. Can we depend on the Court to challenge emergency rule and a suspension of elections?

Even with this architecture in place, the Bush administration would need a trigger to declare a state of emergency. One can imagine several possible scenarios:

- War with Iran - unfortunately, not so far-fetched. The National Intelligence Estimate released in December concluded that Iran halted its nuclear weapons program back in 2003. But when have Bush and Cheney ever based their foreign policy decisions on evidence? Moreover, the most important reason they want to attack Iran is to control the flow of oil through the Persian Gulf, nukes or no nukes.
- The assassination of a presidential candidate. Obama evokes memories of JFK and Martin Luther King. The bullet could come from a lone racist, a terrorist, or an agent of a state. The threat is real. The Secret Service knows it and so should we.
- A terrorist strike, on the scale of 9/11 or worse. Again, not so far-fetched. Bush and Cheney have been Osama bin Laden's greatest recruiters, making the U.S. appear to be the enemy of millions across the world. Al Qaeda may consider that regime change in the U.S. is not in their interest.

With the right spin, any of these events might be construed as a "catastrophic emergency."

These worst-case scenarios probably will not come to pass. We'll probably all be able to sleep peacefully in our beds in the early hours of November 5, after watching the election results on TV. The value of worst-case scenarios lies not in their accurate prediction of events, but rather in what they tell us about the risks we face. We shouldn't let hope make us naïve. We need to be alert, our vision razor-sharp. The price of liberty is eternal vigilance. It could be the price of elections, too. Let's not count our spring flowers before they bloom.

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[If you are interested in editorializing for HOPE, please pop an email with your ideas to mwelch@redwoodalliance.org. Thanks]

PEACE NEWS

Saturday, March 15: National and Local Peace March, starting locally at 1 pm at the Muni Auditorium, 12th and F St. in Eureka. Local organizing for this event is going on now. Please call for dates and times of meetings and/or to find out how you can become involved. Info: 442-8733.

Saturday, March 15: Tabling Info for the Peace March; set up at the Gazebo, Old Town Eureka, as has been done in previous years. Each group will have to supply their own tables and any other setup. Monitors will watch the tables so that tablers may participate in the march. Info: 442-8733.

The Redwood Peace & Justice Center, 1040 H St., in Suite B (the back offices off the alley behind skateboard shop). Hours sporadic at present. The RPJC Board is creating a long-term plan and will be launching a fundraising campaign soon for a new, larger space that will better serve the community. Watch this newsletter for further updates. Info: 826-2511 or www.rpjc.net.

ENTERTAINMENT, CELEBRATIONS, & CULTURE

Thursday - Saturday, March 13 - 15: "I Live Suddenly," An Evening Of Melodrama, a performance from first-year Dell'Arte students. 8 pm at the Carlo Theatre, Blue Lake. \$7, \$5. Info: 668-5663 x 5.

Friday, March 14: Un-Dam The Klamath Benefit Dinner. Full dinner accompanied by live acoustic music, multi-media presentation, silent auction, beer & wine bar, and live funk and reggae music. 7 pm at the Bayside Grange. \$15 - \$50. Info: 834-3358.

Friday, March 14: HSU Music Dept. Guest Artist Jazz Concert With Bill Allison, Voice And Darius Brotman, Piano; 8 pm in the Fulkerson Recital Hall, HSU. \$8, \$3. Info: 826-3456.

Friday, March 14: Preview NEC Auction Items at Arts Arcata. Paintings, prints, photographs, fiber arts, sculpture, wood works, and more will be on display at the NEC, 1465 G St., Arcata from 6 - 9 pm. Info: 822-6918.

Friday - Sunday, March 14 - 16: The 8th Annual Humboldt Juggling Festival. Workshops and performances for all ages. Public performance Saturday, 3/15 at 7 pm. All events at the Kate Buchanan Room, HSU. Free. Schedule and Info: <http://humboldt.edu/~jshsu/festival.html>.

Saturday, March 15: Inferknow Green Day 2008, a benefit for local environmental groups featuring live music, dancing and corned beef and cabbage. 6 pm - 1 am at Portuguese Hall in Arcata. \$15. 18 and over. Info: www.inferknow.org/main_GreenDay_08.htm.

Sunday, March 16: Humboldt Pie, fundraising for Tri-County Independent Living, featuring pie baking and pie eating contests, cow pie bingo, pie for sale, auction, and live music. 11 am - 3 pm at the Bayside Grange. Info: at 445-8404.

Friday, March 21; Sugar and Spice: Dessert Mixer, benefit for Humboldt Roller Derby featuring desserts, live music, silent auction, raffle and dance performances. 7 pm at Aunt Mo's, 535 5th St, Eureka. \$15. Info: www.myspace.com/HumboldtRollerDerby.

Saturday, March 22: Clowns Without Borders, a benefit comedy performance. Two shows, 4 pm and 8 pm, for all ages, at Redwood Raks, 924 L St in Arcata (Old Creamery Building). \$10, \$8. Info: 845-5842.

Monday - Sunday, March 24 - 30: Humboldt International Short Film Festival. Screenings will be held in the Van Duzer Theater. Free for students, \$5/day or \$15 for the week pass for all others. Info: 826-4113 or fillmfest@humboldt.edu.

Friday, March 28: Beer And Bread 2008. Brewers and bakers offer a taste of Humboldt in a benefit for the Redwood Peace and Justice Center featuring breweries from Humboldt and beyond and local bakeries. \$15, \$25/couple. 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the Arcata Veterans Memorial Hall at 14th and J St. 21 and over. Info: 826-2511.

Saturday, March 29: HSU Music Dept. Faculty Artist Series: PianoVoce, With Virginia Ryder, Clarinet; 8 pm in the Fulkerson Recital Hall, HSU. \$8, \$3. Info: 826-3456.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Sunday, March 16: Humboldt Juggling Festival Kids' Show. 12:30 pm at the Kate Buchanan Room, HSU. Free. Schedule and Info: <http://humboldt.edu/~jshsu/festival.html>.

Wednesday, March 19: Family Literacy Night presents a special musical evening with Paul Woodland, host of KHSU's weekly radio program, Once Upon a Tune. A free book will be available for each family. 6:30 pm at the Humboldt County Library, 1313 3rd St., Eureka. Info: 269-1910, www.humlib.org.

Thursday, March 20: Share A Story " Foolin' Around," short video, stories, and crafts. A free book is available for each participating family. 6:30 pm at the Arcata Branch Library, 500 7th St. Info: 822-5954 or www.humlib.org.

Wednesday, March 25: Drumming up a Story. Bring attention, imagination, and rhythm instruments. Ages 3 - 12. 6:30 pm at the Humboldt County Library, 1313 3rd St., Eureka. Info: 269-1910, www.humlib.org.

Student Bird Art Contest, sponsored by Redwood Region Audubon Society and Friends of the Arcata Marsh. \$500 in prizes will be awarded to students K - 12 who submit a drawing of one of 40 selected bird species. Artwork may be in color or black and white. Any media may be used (e.g., crayons, pastels, paint, pencil, collage). One entry per person. Info at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center and Strictly for the Birds in Old Town Eureka, or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Sue Leskiw, 5440 Cummings Road, Eureka 95503. Deadline: March 31.

Audubon Writing Contest. Redwood Region Audubon Society's student writing contest deadline for receipt is March 21. Theme: "What Nature Means to Me." Info: tomleskiw@suddenlink.net.

Our House Temporary Youth Shelter, a project of RCAA's Youth Services Bureau. A safe place for youth 12 - 17 providing temporary shelter, counseling and crisis management. Info: 444- CARE (2273).

PROTECT THE EARTH & ITS LIVING CREATURES

Every Wednesday in March: Wallflower Wednesdays. Join Friends of the Dunes staff for a 40-minute roundtrip walk in the dunes to see the endangered Humboldt Bay Wallflowers in bloom. 5 pm at the FOD Center on Stamps Ln. in Manila Free. Info: 444-1397.

Thursday, March 13: Breeding Habits of Shorebirds. Lecture by Dr. Mark Colwell, HSU Wildlife (2007 HSU Scholar of the Year). The lecture will include breeding behaviors and nesting habitats of shorebirds, including the local Western Snowy Plover. 7 - 8:15 pm at HSU's Natural History Museum, 1315 G St. Info: 826-4479.

Saturday, March 15, Redwood Region Audubon Society Public Field Trip to the Potawot Health Village, a half-day trip of birdwatching and touring the area, including the restoration area, organic permaculture garden, and storm-water system that maintains wetlands on the village conservation easement. 8 am at the parking lot. Free. Info: Mark 822-8150.

Saturdays, Ongoing: free tours of the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary. Rain-or-shine, docent-led field trips. Meet with binoculars in the parking lot at the south end of I Street in Arcata at 8:30 am.

Saturdays, Ongoing: free tours of the Arcata Marsh. A 90-minute, docent-led walk focusing on different topics of the marsh birds, ecology, history, or wastewater treatment. 2 pm at the Interpretive Center on South G St. Info: 826-2359.

WORKSHOPS, CLASSES, MISCELLANY

Saturday and Sunday, April 5 and 6: Permaculture: Designing for Self-Reliance Workshop. Techniques for holistic design, disaster preparedness, indigenous land stewardship, building healthy soil, managing on-site water, plant propagation, agro-forestry, and mushrooms. The course will culminate with participants collaborating on a mini design project. The workshop will take place at CCAT. Info: Jeffrey Adams 774-392-4347 or jma50@humboldt.edu.

CR's Literary Magazine Accepting Poetry and Prose. Submission period open until March 26 for original poetry and fiction from community members. Info: 476-4370.

Ink People Call for Artists. Submit your art for mixed media show in April. The theme is Open Heart: Cultivating Love, Forgiveness and Heroes of Social Justice. Info: 826-7367 or (864) 353-4029.

Ongoing: Volunteer Center of the Redwoods (VCOR) sponsors many programs that support those who volunteer in our community, and the agencies that need volunteer assistance. The Drop of a Hat Brigade connects volunteers of all ages with one time and short-term events. RSVP provides benefits such as limited mileage reimbursement for volunteers ages 55 and older. DOORS lends support to volunteers with disabilities. To find out about these and many other opportunities to volunteer and make your community a better place, contact the Volunteer Center at 442-3711 or check the website at www.a1aa.org/VCOR/.

Thursdays, Ongoing: Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance: Arcata Support Groups; free, voluntary and open peer-support groups for those experiencing depression (seasonal, situational, or chronic) and/or mood swings. Open to the public. Family and friends are also welcome. Info: 443-9659 or dbsahumb@sbcglobal.net.

MEETINGS

Monday, March 31: WILPF Humboldt Public Program Meeting will feature a few of the local women of color who recently attended the Zapatista Women's Encuentro in an informal conversation about their experiences. 7 - 9 pm at the Arcata Public Library conference room. Info: 668-1901.

TALK SHOWS, COMMENTARY, & MEDIA SPECIALS

Regularly scheduled programs are now listed in the insert. Special programs or specific guests will be listed here.

Bill Moyers Journal Interviews and news analysis on a wide range of issues. PBS, KEET TV Channel 13 on Fridays at 9 pm and Wednesdays at 11:30 am, or on the Internet at www.pbs.org/moyers/journal.

Access Humboldt (Channels 10 & 12, public access TV, was ACAT, was APEG, was HCMC). For program schedule, submission policies and program request forms, go to www.accesshumboldt.net. Info: 476-1798.

Thursdays at 1:30 pm: Econews Report is back on the air with hosts Greg King and Erica Terence; on KHSU, 90.5 FM. Info: 822-6918 or www.yournec.org.



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Newsletter, **Mar. 11, '08**. Vol. 14, Number 5. Published semi-monthly on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays; **next Mar. 24, '08**. For calendar items PO Box 385, Arcata 95518 or e-mail to hopecoalition@igc.org. **Next deadline. Mar. 21, '08**. Write or e-mail for sample newsletter. Newsletter staff: Mayer Segal, Michael Welch, Dave Keniston, Mara Segal, Paloma Orinoco. Web site: www.hopecoalition.org.

“Chaotic Action is Preferable to Orderly Inaction” Will Rogers

Potluck/Letter Writing Monthly: First Friday, next April 4, 6 pm at 2322 Golf Course Rd., Bayside. Bring change for postage and optionally info on issues. For more info: call Wendy at 822-9377. For monthly reminders: mobilmed@igc.org.

You Probably Have Friends or Relatives Behind Bars

This week the New York Times reported that 1 out of every 100 U.S. adults is incarcerated. 1.6 billion of us are behind bars, and we spend \$44 billion on “corrections” each year, up from \$11 billion as recently as 1987. Several states spend as much money on correction as they do higher education.

We have to start doing something about perpetrators of victimless crimes being put behind bars. And we have to pay more attention to rehabilitation than we do just locking folks up. And we need to make sure that the sentences fit the crimes and the circumstances. Being behind bars is quite tough, and most of the public has no idea what it is like. I have been behind bars for a few days at a time, and it is no picnic—it is downright scary, aside from the lack of freedom. I often hear people decrying sentences for being too short for this or that crime, but likely they have never been incarcerated and have no idea what it is like. A 30-day sentence for shoplifting is severe—specially when compared to the light sentences that corporate criminals often get for stealing millions.

Even worse is the incongruity in sentencing and convictions of the poor and non-whites. The article says that 1 in 9 black and 1 in 36 Hispanic adult males are in jail. These folks are often poorly represented, more likely to get arrested in the first place, and stuck with juries that are subconsciously predisposed to guilt based on color. On the 60 Minutes TV show Sunday, there was a heart-wrenching story of an innocent black man convicted of murder and in prison for 26 years. He should not have been convicted in the first place, considering the witnesses and testimony back then, but even now with proof of innocence he is having troubles getting out.

I am one of those folks that believe we would be better off without prisons at all, but I understand that we are in the minority and that there will likely always be incarcerations of some sort. But I think we can learn much about civilized humanity from those who seek to abolish prisons. Wikipedia states well the feelings of prison abolitionists: “Prison abolitionists present a broad critique of the criminal justice system in the West, which they feel is racist, classist, and ineffectual at reforming criminals, decreasing crime, or reconciling the victims of crime. Many people involved in the prison abolition movement are also involved in struggles against other perceived forms of social control and oppression, such as the institutionalization of the insane.” *[Michael, for HOPE]*

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The Objective of the HOPE Coalition:

To synthesize and promote the individual visions of the organizations that make up Humboldt's environmentally and socially just community. These include, but are not limited to, the following types of organizations: Environmental, Social Justice, Peace, Labor, and Human Service.

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The HOPE Coalition Newsletter is now available in Arcata at: the Co-op, & the Northcoast Environmental Center; at the main Humboldt, Arcata, McKinleyville, and Trinidad libraries; and at the Senior Center in Eureka.

PEACE NEWS

Peace Vigils Fridays 5 - 6 pm on the Arcata Plaza. Mondays at 4 pm at the Courthouse in Eureka, 445-5100 ext. 215, ask for Jack.

Vets for Peace Silent Vigil; Fridays, 5 - 6 pm: SW corner Arcata Plaza.

Vets for Peace, Humboldt Bay Chapter 56 meets 1st Thurs. at 7 pm: at the Arcata Marsh Commons. Info: 826-7124.

Women in Black stand in silent vigil every **Friday 5 - 6 pm** at the **Arcata Plaza**, 8th & G, at the **Humboldt County Courthouse** (also Saturdays at noon), the **McKinleyville Shopping Center** on the grassy area out front, and **Fridays 4 - 5 pm** in **Trinidad** at the intersection of Scenic Dr. and Main St.

TALK SHOWS, WORKSHOPS & COMMENTARY

Access Humboldt (Channels 10 & 12, public access TV). For program schedule, submission policies, and program request forms: www.accesshumboldt.net. Channel 12 schedule posted weekly in the Arcata Eye. Info: 476-1798.

COMMENTARY on KEET TV Channel 13 445-8013: **Wide Angle** Tues. at 9 pm

NOW with David Brancaccio. Fri. at 8:30 pm:

COMMENTARY on KGOE 1480 am, 442-2000: **Thom Hartmann**, weekdays 9 am - noon.

Peter B. Collins, weekdays 3 - 6 pm. Progressive talk show from San Francisco.

COMMENTARY on KHSU, 90.5 fm, 826-6089. **Democracy Now!** with Amy Goodman: weekdays 9 - 10 am.

The EcoNews Report with Greg King. 1:30 pm Thursdays.

A World of Possibilities locally produced syndicated public affairs program. 1:30 pm Wednesdays. Info: 826-9111 ext. 18.

COMMENTARY on KMUD, 88.3 fm, 923-2513. **Counterspin**, Sunday 1 - 1:30 pm.

Alternative Radio, Mondays 9 am. Boulder-based award-winning weekly series with David Barsamian.

Animal Advocate, 2nd Thursday, 7 - 8 pm. Animal welfare issues. Info: Barbara Shultz at 986-7835, animaladvocate4@yahoo.com.

A World of Possibilities locally produced syndicated public affairs program. 9 am Tuesdays. Info: 826-9111 ext. 18.

Democracy Now! with Amy Goodman; noon, Mon. - Fri. Also 4 pm Access Humboldt Channel 12. Also 11 am on KIDE 91.3 fm. Also on Free Speech TV (FSTV) Mon. - Fri. midnight, 8 am, noon, or 7 pm.

Civil Liberties Monitoring Project Report; 1st Wednesday, 7 - 8 pm. 923-4646.

Politically Correct Week in Review, call-in radio show, 2nd, 4th, & 5th Mondays at 7 pm 923-3911.

All Things Reconsidered with Eric Kirk. 3rd Thursday at 7 pm.

Global Stuff call-in talk show with Jimmy Durchslag, last Friday, 7 - 8 pm.

PROTECT THE EARTH & ITS LIVING CREATURES

Adopt-the-Bay. Participate in a number of tasks aimed at maintaining a healthy Humboldt Bay. All welcome. Info: 443-0801.

Audubon Society Field Trips; Free field trips through the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary every Saturday at 8:30 am at the Kloop Lake parking lot (foot of I St. in Arcata). Bring your binoculars. Rain or shine. Info: 268-8052 or 822-3613.

Campus Center for Appropriate Technology; info: 826-3551.

Friends of the Dunes; Restoration workdays the first 3 Saturdays every month, 9 am - 1 pm. Info: 444-1397 or info@friendsofthedunes.org. Complete calendar: www.friendsofthedunes.org.

Friends of the Marsh guided interpretive walks every Saturday 2 pm at the Interpretive Center on South G St., Arcata. Info: 826-2359.

Redwood Alliance Climate Action Project. Join others to promote the solutions to global warming. 2nd & 4th Mondays at 5:30 pm at the Arcata Public Library Conference Room. Info: 822-6171, climatechange@redwoodalliance.org; www.redwoodalliance.org.

Wild Urban Gardeners! Meets Wednesdays at 7 pm, 1552 Spear Ave. in Arcata. Promoting food & native plant species, information about compost, greenhouses, seed banks, and community gardens. Info: 822-5861.

ARTS

Arts Alive! Eureka; first Saturday of the month at venues around town. Art, music, dance, refreshments. Info: 442-9054.

Arts! Arcata; second Friday of the month at venues around town and at HSU. Art, music, dance, refreshments. Info: 822-4500.

The Ink People; 411 12th St, Eureka. Hours: Tuesday - Saturday, 11 am - 4 pm. Info: 442-8413 www.inkpeople.org.

Arcata Artisans Cooperative Gallery; H St. on the Plaza. Mon. - Sat. 10 - 6, Sun. 12 - 5. Info: 825-9133, www.arcataartisans.com.

Westhaven Center for the Arts; 501 S. Westhaven Dr. Info: 677-0860, www.westhavenarts.org.

First Street Gallery; 422 First Street, Eureka. Tuesday - Sunday from noon - 5 pm. Info: 443-6363 or www.humboldt.edu/~first.

Clarke Historical Museum; 240 E St., Eureka. Info: 443-1947 or www.clarkemuseum.org.

Morris Graves Museum; 636 F St., Eureka. Wed. - Sun. 12 - 5 pm. www.humboldtarts.org

MEETINGS

Arcata's Nuclear Weapons Free Zone and Peace Commission; 1st Tues. 6:30 pm at Arcata City Hall, 736 F St. Info: 822-5951.
Commission on Status of Women meets 3d Tuesday at 6 pm. Call for place: 822-2502 or www.co.humboldt.ca.us/commissions/csw/.
Eureka Greens meet 3rd Saturday of every month. 3:30-5pm. 321 Coffee (321 Third St. in Old Town). Info: www.EurekaGreens.com.
Green Wheels; Mondays 6:30 pm at the Northcoast Environmental Center. Info: mail@green-wheels.org or www.green-wheels.org.
Humboldt County Human Rights Commission meets 2nd Tues. City Courthouse, Rm. B, Eureka, 6 pm. Info: 268-2548.
Humboldt Democratic Central Committee; 2nd Wednesday at 7 pm. 129 Fifth St. Info: 445-3366 or www.humboltdemocrats.org.
Humboldt Exchange Community Currency Project. Call for meetings: 269-0984.
Humboldt Watershed Council at NEC, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7 - 9 pm. Info: sheds@humboldt1.com.
Mother Jones Club & Humboldt Communist Alliance. Call for meeting times: ncalview@igc.org or 839-3824.
NAACP; Regular 3rd Sunday at 3:30 pm, **PAC** at 2:30 pm, Cooper Gulch Ctr., 8th & Myrtle, Eureka. Info: 268-8287 or 442-2638.
North Coast IWW, the Wobblies meets every 3rd Wed. 6:30 - 8 pm at the Labor Temple, 840 E St., Eureka. Info: 725-8090.
Northern Humboldt Greens meet 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7 - 8 pm. Info: Shaye, 237-2790 or email arcata@greens.org.
Redwood Alliance Climate Action Project, promoting solutions to human-caused climate change. Meet 2nd & 4th Mondays, 5:30 pm
1175 G St. Arcata, upstairs. Info: 822-6171, climatechange@redwoodalliance.org or www.redwoodalliance.org.
Redwood Chapter ACLU meets 3rd Thursday at noon at 917 Third St. in Eureka. Blog at redwoodaclu.blogspot.com. Info: 215-5385.
Sequoia Greens of southern Humboldt. Call for meetings: 923-4488 or encimer@hotmail.com.
Veterans for Peace (SoHum Chapter); 1st Tuesday of Each Month at 7pm at Haynes Vets Hall, Garberville.
Vets for Peace (Humboldt Chapter 56); 1st Thursday at 7 pm in Arcata. Info: 826-7124.
Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF); meets the last Monday, 7 - 9 pm at the Arcata Public Library, 500
7th St., Arcata. Info: Carol at 668-1901.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Arts in the Afternoon; a free art studio for teens (6th - 12th grade). Open week days during the school year, 3 - 6 pm at Arcata
Community Center. Sponsored by City of Arcata's Recreation Division. Info: 825-2028.
Cyber Tribe; a local non-profit business where youth can use and gain knowledge in computers. Open to age 12 - 19. Info: 826-1160.
HSU's Natural History Museum, 1315 G St. Arcata. Free drop-in programs on Saturdays at 1 pm. Program info: 826-4479.
Humboldt County Library in Eureka Story Hour: 10 am Fridays & other programs. Info: Jo Ann Bauer, 269-1900.
Humboldt County Teen Court is looking for teen volunteers. Info: 444-0153.
Mondays, Fridays, & Saturdays: PULSE, new Teen Recreation Center; regular programming from 6 - 9 pm at the John Ryan Youth
Center, 1653 J St, Eureka. Info: 268-1858.
Raven Project Queer Coffee House for Youth; Tuesday, 6:30 - 9 pm. Also, girls & women 10 - 24 years meet Wednesdays from 6:30
- 8:30 pm, 523 T St., Eureka, 443-7099.

COMMUNITY & WELL-BEING SERVICES

Buddhist Queers (lesbian, gay, bi, transsexual) Vipassana, Zen, etc. Beginners welcome. phone 269-7044.
Health Insurance and Advocacy Program (HICAP) provides objective information, help, and advocacy for people relying on
Medicare. Info and appointments: 444-3000.
Humboldt Community Switchboard can direct anyone to services in Humboldt County. Info: 441-1001 or www.theswitchboard.org.
Humboldt Domestic Violence Services Support Groups; all services are free. Info & child care: 444-9255. 24-Hour Crisis Line: 443-
6042 or toll free 866-668-6543.
Humboldt Literacy Project, to improve adult reading skills necessary to function on the job, in the family, & in the community. Free &
confidential. Info: 445-3655 or www.humlit.org.
Nature-Based Spiritual Queers (GLBT) pagan, Native American traditions, etc. Newcomers welcome. phone 269-7044.
North Coast Rape Crisis Team; 24 hour crisis line: 445-2881. Business phone: 443-2737.
The Area 1 Agency on Aging sponsors many senior programs. Info: 442-9591 or www.a1aa.org.
The Emma Center Advocacy, support, referral services, library, and classes for trauma and abuse survivors. 920 Samoa Blvd. Suite
207, Arcata. Info: 825-6680 or info@emmacenter.org or www.emmacenter.org.
Vision Loss Services; Lighthouse of the North Coast, solutions for living with vision loss. Info: 268-5646 or www.lighthouse-sf.org.