

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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Power of the Press Tops Power of the People

by Mayer Segal

Perusing the June 22 *Times Standard* I came across a column by Mike Reagan, the eldest son of the late Ronnie Reagan, entitled "Tear Down the Wall: Drill Here & Now." In it he states "Today we are denied the huge benefits of our own oil riches because the Democrats, in the grip of wealthy environmental groups that enrich their party coffers, and wedded to the false belief in global warming, at a time when the planet is rapidly cooling, obdurately refuse to allow the American people to avail themselves of our own copious supplies of oil. ... Shout the battle cry to the Heavens: Here! Drill Now!"

Outrageous lies heard on more than 200 talk radio stations nationally as part of the Radio American Network. (A similar dirty bias on a different subject is going on in Fox News which is hurling racial epithets at Obama & his wife Michelle. For info on that score & what you can do about it go to www.colorofchange.org/foxobama/?id=2119-575171.)

Bush jumped on the bandwagon June 21, "This is a difficult time for many American families. Rising gasoline prices & economic uncertainty can affect everything from what food parents put on the table to where they go on vacation." Then he asked Congress to endorse the oil industry's political agenda advocating "opening more of America's federal land, including coastal areas to drilling." He completely ignored that oil companies have already leased 90 million acres of federal land of which 70 million have not been touched, despite estimates that they contain 80% of oil & gas reserves on federal lands. McCain added his 2 cents on June 16, calling for the lifting of the 27 year old moratorium on offshore drilling. Then on June 18 he proposed building 45 nuclear reactors.

Citing Bush's record since he took office Daniel Weis & Nick Kong in a March 4th article for the Center for American Progress (www.americanprogress.org), "Despite repeated calls for more investment in energy independence and renewable energy, Bush (throughout his tenure) has slashed funding for these programs while protecting Big Oil's tax breaks." In 2008 President Bush proposes a 27% cut for "Dept. of Energy efficiency & renewable energy programs. This includes zeroing out the Renewable Energy Production Incentive program, & cutting solar energy programs. Labor also reviews McCain's proposals which pretty much follow Bush's pattern.

Labor through "Working Families e-Activist Network" (www.unionvoice.org) says, "Enough! It's time to fight back." Citing the price rise of gas from \$1.47/gallon when Bush took office to the present price of more than \$4, they tie it in to "big oil's" profits—"the top 5 oil companies have made \$525 billion in profits under Bush. Last year alone, Exxon/Mobil made \$40 billion in profits—the largest single-year profits made by a U.S. company." McCain has offered a tax plan that would give \$3.8 billion in tax cuts to the 5 largest American oil companies. Labor also quotes Michael J. Fox, the executive director of the Gasoline & Automotive Service Dealers of America that "79.9 percent of the money a consumer spends on a gallon of gas goes to Big Oil."

The real disaster of "The Oil Crisis" & "The High Price of Gasoline" is the role of the press. In the 2004 presidential election John Kerry charged Bush (which charge received almost no coverage) of collusion with Saudi Arabia to lower the price of gas (which had risen 63% from August 1990 to April 2004). The research for this info came from Bob Woodward's then new book about the Iraq war, *Plan of Attack*. Compare that with this year's role of the press in the coming presidential election.

The press repeats almost verbatim the charges by the Republicans, similar to those of Mike Reagan's above, that "liberal Demos" are responsible for the high gas prices at the pump. Seldom, if ever, do they mention the catastrophic results of continued global warming to our children and all life on earth, as identified by 98% of all scientists worldwide; nor do they speak of the dangers of nuclear plants so great that corporations won't build them unless insurance & construction costs are guaranteed by the feds.

Congressman Mike Thompson, no steaming "liberal," in an article in the July 1 *Times Standard*, "Real short-term, long-term answers needed in fuel crisis" says, "We need 2 solutions & we need them fast: a short-term solution that lowers the price of oil and a long-term solution that reduces our dependence on oil. ... If drilling operations were expanded into areas such as the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska or off our California coast, any oil found would not reach consumers for 8 to 10 years and ... the impact on gas prices would be negligible, less than a nickel a gallon." He continues, "Oil companies are not making enough of an investment to build the infrastructure needed to increase the domestic oil supply. Last year the 5 largest integrated oil companies used their record-breaking profits to buy back \$50 billion in stock rather than investing in infrastructure improvements that would reduce supply disruptions that cause prices to rise." He also mentions oil speculation that is inflating prices from \$20 to \$60 per barrel of oil.

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PEACE NEWS

Saturday, July 27: Going Away Party for Brian Willson and Becky Luening! Bid a fond farewell to two very special pillars in the activist community who are moving to Portland. 4 - 9 pm at the D Street Neighborhood Center in Arcata. Potluck, music, dancing, and a slideshow. Bring a potluck dish or a beverage to share. Set-up help welcomed. Info: 442-8716 or 616-9630.

Saturday, July 27: Anti-Iraq War Film "A Soldier's Peace." the award-winning 2008 anti-war documentary about how one U.S. Army soldier tried to atone after serving in Iraq. "A Soldier's Peace" includes appearances by anti-war activists Cindy Sheehan and Martin Sheen, Democracy Now's Amy Goodman, and Vietnam veteran Ron Kovic. 7 pm at the Westhaven Center for the Arts. Free. Info: 677-9493.

Saturday, August 9: Annual Lantern Ceremony Commemorating Victims of U.S. Atomic Bombing of Japan. 9 am - 1:30 pm, lantern-making at the Plaza; 7:45 pm, music with the Raging Grannies and Mike McLaren, ceremony, and lantern float at Klopp Lake at the Arcata Marsh. Sponsored by Arcata Nuclear Weapons Free Zone and Peace Commission. Volunteers needed at both activities. Info: 616-6405.

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

Friday, July 25: Tri-County Independent Living's Respect for Abilities Day, Featuring the latest in assistive technology, displays, raffle, demos, self-advocacy information, workshops, and a luncheon with guest speaker Wes Chesbro. Lunch is \$18; all other events (including speech) are free. 10 am - 4 pm at the Red Lion Hotel in Eureka. Info or lunch RSVP: 445-8404.

Saturday, July 26: The Humboldt Folklife Festival's Free Folklife Day. All-day free festival featuring children's art activities, workshops for all ages, and a day packed full of music and dance! 10 am - dark at Dell'Arte. Info: 822-5394 or www.humboldtfolklife.org.

Saturday, July 26: "Zootini" Fundraiser for Sequoia Park Zoo, featuring Pan Dulce Steel Drum Orchestra, live animal encounters, hors'douvres, live and silent auctions and martinis. Benefits the flamingo habitat renovation. \$50. Info or reservations: 442-5649.

Sunday, July 27: Westhaven Blackberry Festival; blackberry pies, jams and more as well as games, vendors, rummage sale, hot food and beverages. 10 am - 4 pm on Sixth Avenue in Westhaven.

Sunday, July 27: Miranda's Rescue 11th Annual Wine and Cheese Open Animal House with raffles, refreshments, live and silent auctions, and kids' activities. Free. Noon - 4 pm. 1603 Sandy Prairie Rd, Fortuna. Info: 616-5018.

Saturday, July 27: Going Away Party for Brian Willson and Becky Luening. See "Peace News," above.

Thursday, August 7: First Thursday Film Series: Simon Schama's Power Of Art "The Life of Van Gogh." Free. 6 - 7:30 pm at the Morris Graves Museum, 636 F St., Eureka. Info: 442-0278 or www.humboldtarts.org.

Saturday, August 9: 5th Annual Museum Yard and Plant Sale. Gently used books, sporting goods, clothes, furniture, kitchen supplies and children's items. Donations and volunteers needed. 9 am - 3 pm at the HSU Natural History Museum, 1315 G St, Arcata. Donations: 826-4480. Info: 826-4479.

Saturday, August 9: Sumeg Village Day, celebrating Yurok culture and traditions at Patrick's Point State Park from 10 am - 3 pm. Free parking for the event. Info: 677-3840.

Saturday, August 9: "River of Renewal," the Movie. Will the future witness the extinction of the salmon or the restoration of the Klamath? Based on Stephen Most's book. 6:30 pm at the D St. Community Center, Arcata. \$5. Wine, beer, and refreshments will be available. Proceeds benefit the NEC. Info: 822-6918.

Tuesday, August 12: Port Development Forum. See listing under "Meetings."

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Wednesday July 30: An Evening in Oz. Humboldt Light Opera Company and KidCo will share songs from their upcoming production of "The Wizard of Oz, the Musical," talk about Frank L. Baum, the creator of the Oz books, and help children make green sunglasses to shield their eyes from the glare of the Emerald City. 6:30 pm at the Humboldt County Library, 1313 3rd St., Eureka. Info: 269-1910.

Tuesday and Saturday, August 5 and 9: Free admission days at the Natural History Museum. Stop by and see what's new at the Museum, for free! 10 am - 5 pm, 1315 G Street in Arcata. Info: 826-4479.

Thursday, August 7: "Spiders!" Stories, activities and craft projects that tie in with the Summer Reading theme. Julie Kelly from the HSU Natural History Museum will present. 6:30 pm at the Arcata Branch Library, 500 7th St. Info: 822-5954 or www.humlib.org.

Saturday, August 9: Second Saturday Family Arts Day: Summer of Art, Rhythm and Thought with rhythm & blues. Guest musician Buddy Reed performs. Activities for youth and families, including performances, hands-on arts projects, & interactive storytellers. 2 - 4 pm at the Morris Graves Museum, 636 F St., Eureka. Info: 442-0278.

Ongoing: Free Summer Lunches: Food for People provides free lunches at 15 sites around Humboldt County every summer weekday. No pre-registration is required. A complete site list may be obtained by calling Food for People. List or other info: 445-3166 or www.fodforpeople.org.

Wednesdays, ongoing: Summer Reading Club Craft Program. Stories, activities, and colorful and fun craft projects. 1:30 pm at the Humboldt County Library, 1313 3rd St., Eureka. Info: 269-1910, www.humlib.org.

PROTECT THE EARTH & ITS LIVING CREATURES

Saturday, July 26: Share the Beach Field Trip: Native Plants and Restoration. Learn about basic beach ecology and ecosystems at Clam Beach with Friends of the Dunes. Meet at the northern paved parking lot at Clam Beach at 10 am. Dress for the weather, bring water and be prepared to be outside for 3 hours. Info: 444-1397.

Saturday, August 9: Sinkyone Indian Land and Culture: Sanctuary Forest Hike. Free public hike in the Sinkyone Wilderness with InterTribal Council Representatives. Rated a moderate hike. Free. Info and sign-up: 986-1087, ext. 5#.

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: Friends of the Arcata Marsh Docent-Led Walks. A 90-minute, docent-led walk focusing on different topics of the marsh: wastewater treatment is the topic for July 26. 2 pm at the Interpretive Center on South G St. Info: 826-2359.

WORKSHOPS, CLASSES, MISCELLANY

Saturday, July 26: Seasonal Cooking, from Redwood Roots Farm Community Workshop Series. Cooking techniques, flavor combinations and storage/preservation of seasonal produce with Fawn Scheer. 1 - 4 pm at Redwood Roots Farm. Sliding scale \$1 -\$20. Info: 826-0211 or ed110@yahoo.com.

Saturday, August 9: Hiroshima Day Volunteers Needed. The Committee can use volunteer help during lantern making, clean-up and loading at the Plaza and clean up at the marsh after the ceremony. Kayakers with headlamps especially welcome. Contact Carl, 616-6405.

Tuesday, August 12: Port Development Forum. See listing under "Meetings."

Organic Planet Volunteers Needed. The Organic Planet Festival will be held August 24. Volunteers are needed to put on this event. To volunteer or for more info: 445-5100 or www.organicplanetfestival.org.

Ongoing: Volunteer Center of the Redwoods (VCOR) 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. Info on these and other volunteer opportunities: 442-3711 or www.a1aa.org/VCOR/.

Fridays, 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. 6 pm at the Arcata Library Conference Room. Info: 443-9659 or dbsahumb@sbcglobal.net.

MEETINGS

Tuesday, August 12: Port Development Forum. Learn about the details of the "Marine Terminal Feasibility" proposal (aka Port Development) currently on the table for Humboldt Bay. Join the Humboldt Bay Stewards for a panel discussion about this boondoggle and its potential impacts to Humboldt Bay. Humboldt Baykeeper director Pete Nichols will speak alongside David Hull of the Harbor District, Mitch Stogner of the North Coast Railroad Authority, Aldaron Laird of Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, and Shannon Tracey from Democracy Unlimited of Humboldt County. 6:30 pm at the Wharfinger Building in Eureka. Info: Maggie at 445-2401.

Redwood Alliance Climate Action Project will be taking a break from public meetings for the summer. We will list notification in this space when they resume for the fall. Info: 822-6171 or www.redwoodalliance.org.

New Group Forming: Community Group from North and South Humboldt concerned about ongoing raids on public and private lands that are displacing community members. Info: in SoHum: Kathy Epling, 923-4488; in Northern Humboldt: Kathy Anderson, 444-3155; or email: peoplesarc@gmail.com.

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 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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“Chaotic Action is Preferable to Orderly Inaction”—Will Rogers

Potluck/Letter Writing Monthly: First Friday, next August 1, 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.

Mayer Segal on the Media (continued from page 1)

Thompson then lists a number of solutions both short- & long-term (which unfortunately we don't have space for, but which you can read for yourself in the article) that "will put downward pressure on gas prices, start us on a course toward clean renewable energy and sever the stranglehold that foreign oil-producing countries have on us."

But the real culprit is most of the daily press which acts as spokespeople for the lies & half-truths put out by the Bush administration and by the giant oil corporations while ignoring any proposals such as Mike Thompson's that could relieve the great pressure put on middle- and lower-income people hit hard by the rising gas prices. But the press non-coverage is working as it has for most of Bush's eight-year term.

A July California Field Poll shows a dramatic increase in those residents receptive to nuclear plants and offshore drilling. So those who believe in Power of the People better get busy if they wish to curb the Power of the Press.

- - - HOPE Coalition Membership Application - - -

The Objective of the HOPE Coalition:

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

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 The HOPE Coalition Newsletter is 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.

HOPE Coalition Newsletter Insert—this insert contains regularly scheduled events. For special happenings and one-time events, see the regular calendar that follows the page one editorial.

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 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.