

The HOPE Coalition

Humboldt Organized for Peace & the Environment

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

Calendar of Happenings in Humboldt County Inside

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Democracy in Crisis – Democracy in the U.S. was established in 1776 as a new concept based on the vote of most of its inhabitants and governed by rules set up in the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Three main branches of the government—the President, the Congress, and the Courts—created a series of checks and balances making it difficult for a monarchy to thwart the will of its citizens.

The vote denied to 4 main groups of citizens—slaves, Native Americans, women, and adults 18 - 21 years of age—was very gradually restored over the years. On the other side of the coin, corporations, though not legally, assumed the status of a person.

In 1965 Congress passed the "Voting Rights Act of 1965" after the Ku Klux Klan and others found they could use procedural tricks—"literacy tests," poll taxes, etc.—to block citizens of color from casting ballots. In the 2004 Presidential race the GOP ran a massive multi-state, multi-million-dollar operation to challenge the legitimacy of Black, Hispanic, & Native-American voters. The breaking of the law, the Voting Rights Act, was ignored by the Bush administration's Civil Rights Division for obvious reasons. Ohio, one of the strongest violators, delivered the vote to Bush.

Despite the documentation of the fraud (See Robert Kennedy Jr.'s expose for Ohio in *Rolling Stone's* June, 2006 issue; and for other states see Greg Palast's latest book *Armed Madhouse*) Ohio is again illegally purging the rolls of black voters this election year.

Fraud is not confined to Ohio and Florida – Georgia is trying to re-establish the poll tax. Congress passed the Help America Voting Act (HAVA) "created specifically to disenfranchise voters and verification." Written by Bob Rey (R-Oh) and lobbied by Jack Abramov with contributions of millions of dollars by Diebold, it required states to buy Diebold machines and discourages vote verification by paper ballot. Diebold machines are among the worst. They break down and are easily hacked. Nebraska and several other states have passed laws that prohibit counting ballots in votes that were originally counted by machines. Many other states, including Ohio, have made it impossible to challenge an election, even if it was obviously fixed.

Robert Kennedy, Jr. in a phone interview published in the August/September 2006 issue of the *Sentient Times* (now free at local stores) asks "Why would any state legislature vote for such a rule [as above] unless they were Republicans who felt that elections would be fixed in their favor? Why would any American vote for such a rule? It is completely anti-American and un-American. We should be encouraging Americans to vote ... and make sure that every vote is counted."

"But instead you have a Republican party that is trying to suppress votes and trying to defraud the public. And you have a Democratic party that is like the deer in headlights. And the Democrats are never going to win another election if they don't fix this issue because they are starting out every election with a 3 million vote deficit, and these are mostly the black voters in this country who no longer have their votes counted."

Asked what is needed to restore American democracy, Kennedy said first, "Fix the campaign finance system to get corporate money out of the electoral process." Secondly, "We have to fix the press—restore journalistic ethics in this country—by bringing back the Fairness Doctrine and strengthening the FCC." Thirdly, "We have to fix our electoral system so that every vote is counted."

Two for the Money – This writer living on a fixed income that is half his current expenses still gets 7 to 10 letters every single day asking for support. 80% of them are socially responsible or educational in nature, creating an emotional dilemma for me—some of these organizations I had endorsed for over 60 years.

Two groups of impeccable credentials to which I feel an urgency to support today are 1] The **Middle East Children's Alliance** (901 Parker St., Berkeley, CA 94710) whose resources are almost overwhelmed as they send emergency aid to children in Gaza & Lebanon—victims of the insane attacks of Israeli/Hezbollah on civilian populations in Lebanon, Israel, & the Gaza strip; and 2] The **Northcoast Environmental Center** (NEC) (575 H St. Arcata, CA 95521) super-environmental rebuilding project after the disastrous fire a couple years back. No greater tribute could be made to the late Tim McKay, the lifeblood of the NEC for more than 30 years, than to have the building rise from the ashes in its contemplated ultra-environmental form.

More and more pressure is being put on foundations and lay-citizens these days to support non-profit organizations in their efforts to pick up the slack of disappearing government funding now going into preparations for war and tax relief for big corporations.

PEACE NEWS

Thursday and Friday, August 31 and September 1: "The Oil Factor," a new 93 min. documentary by the makers of "Hidden Wars of Desert Storm," at the Minor Theater for a special 2 day engagement, with the filmmaker Gerard Ungerman on-hand for Q&A after every show. After exposing the U.S. policy in Iraq and Afghanistan, the documentary links it to today's global oil crisis where 6.5 billion humans depend entirely on oil, a shrinking commodity, for their food, their energy, and virtually all their modern, plastic-made consumer goods. 3 shows a day at 4:30 pm, 7 pm, and 9:30 pm. Partial proceeds to the Peace and Justice Center. Info: 826-2511 or www.theoilfactor.com.

The Redwood Peace & Justice Center (RPJC) at 1040 H St. in Arcata offers events, information services, and meeting space to the public. Fair-trade and local gifts for sale, and books and videos are available to borrow. Open Mon. - Sat. from 1 - 5 pm. Info: 826-2511 or www.rpjc.net. Calendar of events: www.rpjc.net/calendar.html.

Southern Humboldt Action Center (SHAC); the Southern Humboldt home to the Redwood Peace and Justice Center, Local Solutions Political Action Committee, and Humboldt Mediation Services is located on Redwood Drive between Denise's Café and the Brass Rail. Info: 923-1116.

ENTERTAINMENT, CELEBRATIONS, & CULTURE

Saturday, August 26: The Organic Planet Festival. Californians for Alternatives to Toxics invites everyone to enjoy a day that will include the world's largest organic salad, a full day of music, great organic food, nationally recognized speakers, informative workshops, non-toxic artwork, and other organic and non-toxic products and services at Halvorsen Park in Eureka. Info: 445-5100 or www.organicplanetfestival.org.

Saturday, August 26: Art and Brew Fest in the Melvin Schuler Sculpture Garden, featuring local brewers, food, music, drawings, and more. \$20, \$10 for designated drivers. Noon - 5 pm at the Morris Graves Museum, 636 F St, Eureka. Info: 442-0278 or www.humboldtarts.org.

Sunday, August 27: Summer Music and Art Series on the Arcata Plaza; every Sunday, 2 - 5 pm, through September. Local artisans and music from some of the County's best musical acts. Info: 822-4500.

Saturday, September 2, Singer Songwriter **David Morreale**, "*A mellifluous blend of sawdust and King Syrup*"- appears at Westhaven Center for the Arts, 8 pm as part of his "Two-Wheeled Tour", which showcases his new CD "From the Dirt" as he takes his Harley, his guitar, and his songs to the whole of America as a **benefit for Cystic Fibrosis**. 7500 miles of blue lines and backroads and songs around campfires and in living rooms...\$10 Call 677-9493 for reservations.

Saturday and Sunday, September 2 and 3: The 6th Annual Bummerfest, an all-ages rock and roll event presented by the Placebo featuring wacky competitions, live music, rodeo clowns, films, and more. Noon to midnight at the Eureka Veterans Hall, 10th and H Streets in Eureka. \$12/one day, \$20/both. Info at record stores in Eureka, Arcata and Garberville.

Sunday, September 3: 21st Annual I Block Party, a benefit for the Arcata-Camoapa Sister City Project. BBQ dinner, kids' activities, raffle and silent auction, local microbrews and live music by Pan Dulce, WoMama, Bump Foundation and The Fickle Hillbillies. On I Street in Arcata between 10th and 11th from noon to 6 pm. Info: 822-7130.

Sunday, September 3: Summer Music and Art Series on the Arcata Plaza; every Sunday, 2 - 5 pm, through September. Local artisans and music from some of the County's best musical acts. Info: 822-4500.

Monday, September 4: Annual Labor Day Picnic, at Sequoia Park, Eureka, 10 am - 3 pm. \$5 / family [Free to Union members] + can of food for Food Bank. Admission includes BBQ, hot dogs, soft drinks & games. Expect many would-be office seekers telling the picnickers how much they support labor's legislative agenda. Info: Call 443-7371 or 442-1751 before Friday, 9/1. This Labor Day also marks the 10 year anniversary of the last federal **Minimum Wage Hike**.

Tuesday, September 5: "National Security, Peak Oil, Global Warming and Enlightenment (in Humboldt)" a talk by Dr. Dan Ihara dealing with dependence on foreign oil, interest in "re-localization" and implications of the film "Inconvenient Truth" for Humboldt County. 7 - 9 pm at the Arcata Community Center Senior Room. Free. Info: Suzanne at 822-5583.

Saturday, September 9: "Bingo With a Twist" a benefit for HIVkids and the Humboldt Senior Resource Center's new Alzheimer's Center put on by Queer Humboldt. Dorrs open at 5 pm for a beer and wine reception hosted by the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence. Bingo and comedy follow from 6 - 9 pm. \$25 advance, \$30 at the door. Info: Larsen at 834-4839.

Monday, September 11: Open Mike at Poets on the Plaza. Original poetry, 5-minute time limit, no music. All ages. \$1 donation. 8 pm, sign-up 7:30 pm at the Plaza Grill View Room, 2nd Floor at the Jacoby Storehouse in Arcata.

Thursday, September 14: Open Mike at the Morris Graves Museum of Art, open to musicians, authors, and poets to share their talents. Sign up in person. Free. All ages welcome. 7 - 8 pm. Info: 442-0278 or www.humboldtarts.org.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Wednesday, August 23: "Kindergarten, Here I Come!" a special program for children entering Kindergarten soon. Natasha Wing will be reading her book, "The Night Before Kindergarten," and a Kindergarten teacher will explain what to expect at school and answer any questions. Crafts project following the program. 6:30 pm at the Humboldt County Library, 1313 - 3rd St., Eureka. Info: 269-1910, www.humlib.org.

Thursday, August 24: "Kindergarten, Here I Come!" 6:30 pm at the Arcata Branch Library, 500 7th St. Info: 822-5954 or www.humlib.org.

Friday, September 9: Parents' Night Out, Kids' Night In at the Natural History Museum (During Arts! Arcata), a fun and educational evening for children 6 - 8 years old. Explore the nighttime world with live nocturnal animals, games and crafts. Info and reservations: 826-4479 or www.humboldt.edu/~natmus.

PROTECT THE EARTH & ITS LIVING CREATURES

Friday, August 25: Critical Mass for Climate Justice a celebration of bicycles and a demonstration of a earth-friendly method of transport on the one-year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. The ride will be followed by a film screening at Redwood Park (details below). Gather at the Arcata Plaza at 6 pm, depart at 6:30 pm. Info: 677-9388 or eric@einem.us.

Friday, August 25: "The Power of Community: How Cuba Survived Peak Oil" documentary on Cuba's emergency transition to local organic agriculture, renewable energy, and large-scale mass transit following the Soviet collapse in 1990, when their massive subsidies of imported oil and food to Cuba were halted. 8 pm at Redwood Park in Arcata. Info: 677-9388 or eric@einem.us. <http://www.communitysolution.org/cuba.html>.

Sunday, August 27: Sunset Walk at Clam Beach with Denise and Jay Seeger of Friends of the Dunes. Meet at the northern parking lot at Clam Beach (on Crannell rd about ½ mile past the camping parking lot). See Western Snowy Plovers and learn about habitat and biology. Info: 444-1397.

Now Through September 30: Fish Hatchery Exhibit exploring past and present efforts to propagate and preserve local salmon. At the Clarke Historical Museum, 240 E St. in Eureka, 11 am - 4 pm, Tuesday through Saturday. Free. Info: 443-1947.

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Saturday, September 16: Coastal Cleanup Day: Honor Tim McKay's Memory! Coastal Cleanup Day is a great way for families, students, service groups, and neighbors to join together, take care of our fragile marine environment, show community support for our shared natural resources, learn about the impacts of marine debris and how we can prevent them, and to have fun! Local sponsors are being sought. Local contact is the Northcoast Environmental Center. Stop by or call: 822-6918.

Saturday, September 23: Peter Douglas to Speak at the Sierra Club's Biannual Dinner. Douglas co-authored the initiative that led to the establishment of the Coastal Commission in 1972. Reservations for the dinner, to be held in the Plaza View room, are due by September 13. Info: Sue at 442-5444.

Saturdays in August and September: Eco-tours with Humboldt Baykeepers. Free, hour-long natural history tours of Humboldt Bay aboard Humboldt Baykeeper's' 25 foot Boston Whaler. Sign up early as tour sizes are limited and some dates have waiting lists. Info and reservations: 268-8897 or volunteer@humboldtbykeeper.org.

Every Saturday: 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. Meet at 2 pm at the Interpretive Center on South G St. Info: 826-2359.

WORKSHOPS, CLASSES, MISCELLANY

Throughout August: Preventive Health Care for the Aging; clinics held by the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services. The clinics will offer vision and hearing screening, blood pressure measurement, blood testing for diabetes and anemia, review of health history, and screening for skin and oral cancer. There is no charge, though donations are accepted. Seniors of all incomes are welcome. To schedule an appointment in Humboldt or Del Norte County, call 268-2107. To schedule an appointment in Garberville, 923-2779, or Willow Creek, 530-629-2410. Info and clinic locations: 268-2107.

Democracy Unlimited of Humboldt County (DUHC) Announces Extended Office Hours: Mondays: 9:30 - 11 am, Tuesdays: noon - 4 pm, Wednesdays: 2 - 6 pm and Thursdays: 4 - 8 pm or by appointment. Info: 269-0984 or info@DUHC.org.

The Campus Center for Appropriate Technology (CCAT); at the rear of the parking lot at 14th and B Sts., Arcata. CCAT has a variety of ongoing workshops. Call for times and topics or visit their website. Tour at 2 pm every Friday. All welcome. Info: 826-3551, ccat@humboldt.edu, or www.humboldt.edu/~ccat.

Every Friday Through September: CCAT Workshop and Workday devoted to the CCAT move into Buck appropriate technology demonstration home. Learn green construction techniques of sheet rock removal and insulation installation. Info: 826-3551.

MEETINGS

Monday, August 28: Women's International League for Peace and Freedom Potluck and Social Gathering. All are welcome; new faces are encouraged to come. 6:30 pm in the community room of Bayview Courtyard Apartments at 550 Union Street in Arcata. Info: 825-1198 or email wilpf-humboldt@cox.net.

Tuesday, September 12: Arcata Green Party. Members are working towards building a bridge to Humboldt State and its progressive student body through a voter registration drive on the campus. 6 - 9 pm at Tranquillitea Wellness Center & Tea Room, 1540 G St. #D, Arcata. Info: Shaye at 237-2790 or www.humboldtgreens.org.



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There is an old Quaker saying, *“Better to light a single candle than curse the darkness.”*

WRITE A LETTER or DO SOMETHING

Put a lid on global warming pollution in California!

The **Global Warming Solutions Act (AB 32)** would implement the voluntary pollution reductions established by Governor Schwarzenegger in June 2005, and set enforceable limits to cut the states global warming pollution 25% by 2020. Although the bill was approved by the Senate Environmental Quality Committee in June, it still needs to be passed by the full Senate before the Governor can sign it into law. **And the bill faces heavy and well-funded opposition from the oil and coal industries.** Urge Sen. Chesbro 707-445-6508 to resist the influence of Big Oil & vote Yes on the Global Warming Solutions Act!

California is the twelfth largest emitter of global warming pollution in the world, as compared to entire nations. If left unchecked, global warming could worsen California’s air quality, reduce the Sierra snow packs, a source of drinking water, and jeopardize the state’s economy including agriculture, tourism, skiing, and the forestry industries.

Acting soon to limit global warming pollution could also spur investments in new clean energy technologies, making clean tech the new high tech, and fuel California’s economic prosperity for years to come. The state legislature has until August 31st to finish its work for the year, so there’s not much time left to enact this important bill.

For more information on this important issue visit www.solutionsforglobalwarming.org.

----- **HOPE Coalition Membership Application** -----

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.

Membership: Renewal []
 Individual memberships: \$13 - \$25 per year.
 Organizational memberships: \$25 - \$100 per year.
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The HOPE Coalition Newsletter is now available in Arcata at: the Co-op, NEC, & the RP&J Center; at the main Humboldt, Arcata, McKinleyville, and Trinidad libraries; and at the Senior Center in Eureka.

PEACE NEWS

The Redwood Peace & Justice Center at 1040 H St., Arcata, offers office space, message services, & meeting space to participating members. Open Monday - Saturday from 1 - 5 pm. Info: 826-2511 or www.rpjc.net.

Activities at the Center:

1st Wednesday at 6 pm **Bar None!**, a prison support/activism group. 443-8805.

Tuesdays at 6 pm **The Educators Working Group** meets. Info: Jerome 442-7573.

Northern California Coalition for Women Prisoners meets. Call for meeting dates. Info: Stormy 442-3895 or Karen 825-7460 or email nccwp@earthlink.net.

Free fax to members of Congress on Fridays.

Not at the Center:

1st Thursday at 7 pm: **Vets for Peace, Humboldt Bay Chapter 56** at the Arcata Marsh Commons. Info: 826-2992.

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

Women in Black stand in silent vigil every Friday 5 - 6 pm at the Arcata Plaza, 8th & G, at the Humboldt County Courthouse, and at the McKinleyville Shopping Center on the grassy area between Luzmilla's and Blockbuster. They also stand every Friday from 4 - 5 pm in Trinidad at the intersection of Scenic Dr. and Main St. Also, Saturdays at noon at the Humboldt County Courthouse.

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

TALK SHOWS & COMMENTARY

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. Current 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 x18.

Democracy Now! with Amy Goodman; 12 - 1 pm, Monday - Friday. See also APEG Cox, Channel 12. Also www.democracynow.com. Also on KIDE 91.3 fm, 1 - 2 pm, Monday - Friday.

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 with Jimmy Durchslag, last Friday, 7 - 8 pm.

COMMENTARY on KHSU, 90.5 fm, 826-6089.

The EcoNews Report with Tim McKay (currently running archived programs). 1:30 pm Thursdays.

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Democracy Now! with Amy Goodman: weekdays 9 - 10 am.

COMMENTARY on KGOE 1480 am, 442-2000: Thom Hartmann, weekdays 9 - 12 am. Liberals' answer to Rush Limbaugh type.

COMMENTARY on KEET TV Channel 13, Tues. at 9 pm: **Wide Angle** Fri. at 8:30 pm: **NOW** with David Brancaccio. Info: 445-8013.

HCMC Channel 12, (Public Access TV, was APEG): **Every Sunday and Monday** from 6 - 7 pm **The Humboldt Magazine Show** news magazine program. Info: **Redwood Media News Group** at 825-6618. **Amy Goodman's Democracy Now** recognized best news on the air 5 - 6 am & 9 - 10 pm, Monday - Friday. Sunday nights at 9: **Outside the Box** "News & Views." **Classic Arts Showcase**, 12 - 4 pm, Monday - Friday. **INN Report from RadioFreeAmerica**, Friday and Saturday nights 9 - 10 pm.

PROTECT THE EARTH & ITS LIVING CREATURES

Climate Protection Project, a program of the Redwood Alliance to halt global warming. Folks interested in helping meet every Mon. at 5:15 pm at 1175 G St. upstairs. Info: 822-6171.

Forest Defenders Hotline and info: 825-6598.

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.

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

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

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

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

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

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.

Arcata Artisans Co-operative Gallery; H St. side of the Plaza. Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10 - 6, Sunday 12 - 5. Info: 825-9133.

Westhaven Center for the Arts; 501 S. Westhaven Dr. Info: 677-0860.

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.

MEETINGS

NAACP; Regular 3rd Sunday at 3:30 pm, **PAC** at 2:30 pm. at the Cooper Gulch Ctr., 8th & Myrtle, Eureka. Info: 268-8287 or Priscilla at 442-2638.

Redwood Chapter ACLU, 3rd Tuesday at 6 pm, call for meeting places. Info: 476-1263 or www.acluredwood.org.

Vets for Peace (Humboldt Chapter 56); 1st Thursday at 7 pm in Arcata. Info: 826-7124.

Veterans for Peace (SoHum Chapter); 1st Tuesday of Each Month at 7pm at Haynes Vets Hall, Garberville. 943-1874.

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF); meets the last Monday 7 - 9 pm (6:30 - 7 social time) at the Marsh Commons, 101 H Street, Arcata. Info: Becky at 826-9197 or bluenig@cox.net.

North Coast IWW, the Wobblies meets every 3rd Wed. 6:30 - 8 pm at the Labor Temple, 840 E St., Eureka. Info: 725-8090.

Humboldt Democratic Central Committee; 2nd Wednesday at 7 pm. 129 Fifth St. Info: 445-3366 or www.humboltdemocrats.org.

Eureka Greens meet the 3rd Saturday of the month, 5 pm at Has Beans, 2nd & I St, Eureka. Info: 476-0369 or dayvee247@yahoo.com.

Sequoia Greens of southern Humboldt meet the 2nd Friday of the month at 3 pm at the Southern Humboldt Action Center, Redwood Dr., Redway. Info: 923-4488 or encimer@hotmail.com.

Arcata Greens: 3rd Wednesday, 5:30 pm at 1309 11th St. Suite 204, Arcata. Info: 206-8610 or arcatagreens@blogspot.com.

Mother Jones Club & Humboldt Communist Alliance meet 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 3 pm at the Peace and Justice Center in Arcata. Call to confirm meeting times. Info: humboldtcommunistalliance@hotmail.com or 839-3824.

Democracy Unlimited of Humboldt County; open meeting 3rd Thursday at 1402 M St, Eureka. Info: info@DUHC.org or 269-0984.

Arcata's Nuclear Weapons Free Zone and Peace Commission; 1st Tuesday at 6:30 pm at Arcata City Hall, 736 F St. Info: 822-5951.

Green Wheels; Thursdays at 5 pm at HSU by Center Activities. Info: wheels@humboldt.edu or www.humboldt.edu/-wheels.

Redwood Alliance Climate Protection Project, every Mon. 5:15 pm. Info: 822-6171 or climateprotection@redwoodalliance.org.

Humboldt Watershed Council at NEC, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7 - 9 pm. Info: sheds@humboldt1.com.

McKinleyville Skate Park; 2nd Wednesday, 6:45 - 8 pm, 1540 Harper Ave. Info: Pat: 839-8241, www.mckskatepark.com.

The Tenants Union for renters' rights meets every other Thurs., at 321 Coffee Shop, 321 3rd St. Eureka, 4:30 - 6 pm. Info: 476-1919.

Humboldt County Human Rights Commission meets 2nd Tues. City Courthouse, Rm. B, Eureka, 6 pm. Info: 268-2548.

Commission on Status of Women meets 2nd Thursday at 6 pm, conference room A of the Humboldt County Courthouse, 825 Fifth St., Eureka. The public is welcome. Info: Julie 822-2502 or www.co.humboldt.ca.us/commissions/csw/.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

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.

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.

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.

Fridays: Human Rights Education for Kids Project; 3:30 pm, Redwood Peace and Justice Center, 1040 H St, Arcata. Info: 826-2511.

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.

Cyber Tribe; a local non-profit business where youth can use and gain knowledge in computers. Open to anyone age 12 - 19. No experience necessary. Info: 826-1160.

Humboldt County Main Library Humboldt County Teen Law Clinic provides legal information & resources to area teens & their parents. The clinic is located in Rm. 1 of the Marshall Bldg. on the Humboldt Bay/Eureka H.S. campus. The office is open 8 - 9 am & 3 - 5 pm every Tues. & Thurs. Info: Kyle or Lynn at 444-0153, or Georgeanne at 441-2549.

COMMUNITY & WELL-BEING SERVICES

Humboldt Community Switchboard can direct anyone to services in Humboldt County. Call 441-1001 or 1-887-460-8000.

Humboldt Literacy Project, adults over 16 meet weekly at the Humboldt main library, Eureka with family literacy tutors to improve their reading skills necessary to function on the job, in the family, & in the community. Free & confidential. Info: 445-3655.

Humboldt Domestic Violence Services Support Groups; all services are free. Info & child care: 444-9255. 24-Hour Crisis Line: toll free 866-668-6543.

North Coast Rape Crisis Team; 24 hour Crisis Line: 445-2881. Business phone: 443-2737.

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/emma.

LesBohemian Coffee House; an all women's space. Meets 2nd Saturday 7 pm, 1901 Calif. St., Eureka. 444-1061.

Vision Loss Services; Lighthouse of the North Coast will orient people to local, state, and national services on the last Tuesday of every month. 2127 Harrison Ave. #3. Reservations preferred. Info: 268-5646.

The Area 1 Agency on Aging sponsors many senior programs. Info: 442-9591 or www.a1aa.org.