



# 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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#### Defend Democracy by Defending Measure T

by Megan Wade of Democracy Unlimited of Humboldt County

In June 2006, the ballot initiative popularly known as "Measure T" (and more accurately known as the Humboldt County Ordinance to Protect Our Right to Fair Elections and Local Democracy) became law. Citing \$250,000 paid by Wal-Mart into a re-zoning ordinance initiative, as well as \$300,000 from Texas-based Maxxam towards recalling the Humboldt County District Attorney (who just happened to be prosecuting the illegal activity of Maxxam's Humboldt-based subsidiary), the law proclaimed the obvious: corporate political involvement was interfering with Humboldt citizens' ability to engage in self-governance, the core activity of democratic society.

But woe be to uppity citizens who dare to protect the power of their own votes over that of corporate money. Late last month, the story broke that two corporations, Mercer-Fraser, Inc. and O&M Industries, were suing Humboldt citizens over the law, claiming "irreparable damage" from their inability to contribute. (Both companies do much of their business in-county, but have enough employees elsewhere to be considered "non-local" under the law. For Mercer-Fraser, much out-of-county business is still done in California, but O&M has regional headquarters as far away as Alabama.)

While Mercer-Fraser and O&M may be the plaintiffs, the suit is part of a larger strategy crafted by the Pacific Legal Foundation (PLF), an anti-government, pro-property rights legal think tank notorious for attacking environmental and health regulations and affirmative action policies. While PLF's own promotional literature makes frequent use of the language of liberty and freedom, their list of funders demonstrates whose "liberty" they fight for—Exxon Mobil, PG&E, and Phillip Morris, among others, all support PLF's work. All have lost profit due to citizen initiatives to regulate their environmentally and socially destructive practices. Meanwhile, PLF and its corporate allies regularly attack the form of liberty that allows communities of citizens to maintain their elections democratically, or to pass regulations that protect their bodily health.

For Humboldt citizens, some of PLF's other connections will also sound alarms. Until his recent death, Robin Arkley, Sr., served on PLF's Board of Trustees; and his family requested that donations be made to the PLF instead of memorializing him with flowers. And The Eureka Reporter, owned by Robin Arkley, Jr., has not been shy in advocating for the legal foundation. The paper published multiple editorials condemning Measure T and praising the lawsuit before Humboldt County Counsel had even received official notice from the court. This will not surprise those who remember Arkley Jr.'s memo to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors before the 2006 election, in which he threatened to sue if Measure T passed and demanded the Supervisors remove it from the ballot. Arkley, one of Governor Schwarzenegger's major contributors, regularly makes political contributions through many of his corporations, including Security National. Security National is unable to contribute to Humboldt elections under Measure T.

PLF has another ally that will prove to be even more advantageous: the U.S. federal courts. The residents of Humboldt are likely to discover soon that their desire to exercise their independent, democratic spirit will find little favor in the judicial system. When it comes to the community's right to self-governance or a corporation's "right" either to spend its money or make a profit, the courts have regularly taken a "democracy be damned" approach in their decision-making.

The history here is long: from efforts of workers to organize themselves at their workplace, to attempts by municipalities to require labeling of possibly harmful substances on food products, the U.S. judiciary has regularly ruled against the decisions made by citizens and for the benefit of large corporations. Judges have even forced communities who deny corporate permits to build in fragile ecosystems to pay the developers' anticipated profits from the prohibited project.

The fundamental justification for this ongoing subordination of citizens' rights to the interests of corporations is rooted in a 19th century judicial declaration that corporations are "persons" under the Fourteenth Amendment. Utilizing that amendment's equal protection clause, corporations have since argued, and the courts agreed, that they deserve nearly all rights previously reserved for actual, living persons.

The results of these courtroom decisions continue to prove harmful to real citizens and their communities. Fourth Amendment protections prevent government officials from freely investigating corporate financial records for accounting fraud, or their factories for human rights abuses against workers. Fifth Amendment due process rights have been used to overturn hundreds of statutes that would improve working and living conditions of citizens but potentially infringe on corporate profit. And First Amendment free speech protections—in which "speech" is interpreted to include "money"—have led to the corporate domination of our electoral system.

The citizens of Humboldt, then, find themselves pitted not only against pro-corporate legal apologists like PLF, but also against undemocratic laws made by unelected judges. Aware that the system was weighted against intent of the ordinance, the Measure T made a point of naming the bigger problem in the law itself. It not only rejects the patently absurd notion that corporate money equals political speech (and thus finds it unproblematic to ban their campaign contributions), it tackles head-on the issue of corporate personhood and the ensuing usurpation of citizens' rights. The law reads:

*Only natural persons possess civil and political rights. Corporations are creations of state law and possess no legitimate civil or political rights... Courts have illegitimately defined corporations as "persons," ...."corporate personhood" and "corporate constitutional rights" illegitimately deny the people of Humboldt County the ability to exercise our fundamental political rights.*

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## PEACE NEWS

**Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21: Veterans For Peace Chapter 56 Rummage Sale.** 10 am to 5 pm at the vacant lot on 15th St. between G and H Streets in Arcata. Donations welcomed! Info: Gordy at 498-5889.

**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, September 12: "Vermillion Lies,"** a Smashing Sister Cabaret Duo, featuring audience participation, sing-a-longs, scream-alongs, and a doomsday waltz about Global Warming. Accompaniment includes guitars, pianos, typewriters, pots and pans, and old steamer trunks. 7:30 pm at the WCA, 501 S. Westhaven Drive. \$15,\$12,\$10. Info: 677-9493.

**Friday and Saturday, September 12 and 13: 9th Annual Storytelling Festival by the Sea.** Friday night and all of Saturday at Patrick's Point State Park. The event will feature a slate of exceptional storytellers with songs and music. Hot meals available. Discount for early registration. Info: 677-3840 or www.inkpeople.org.

**Saturday, September 13: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Bingo With A Twist** a benefit for the North Coast Rape Crisis Team put on by Queer Humboldt at the Sapphire Palace at Blue Lake Casino. Doors open at 5 pm for a greeting reception with the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence. Bingo and comedy follow from 6 - 9 pm. \$25 advance, \$30 at the door. Info: Todd Larsen at 834-4839 or www.queerhumboldt.org.

**Saturday, September 13: HSU Music Dept. Faculty Artist Series:** "Behind the Redwood Curtain" with Terrie Baune, Violin, and Deborah Clasquin, Piano; 8 pm in the Fulkerson Recital Hall, HSU. \$8, \$3. Info: 826-3456.

**Saturday, September 13: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "Dune Escape" Fundraising Dinner and Auction.** Dinner, local wine, art auction, live music with the Bayou Swamis and more to benefit Friends of the Dunes. 6 - 9 pm at the Wharfinger Bldg. \$35 members, \$45 non-members. Info and reservations: 444-1397 or www.friendsofthedunes.org.

**Sunday, September 14: 2008 "Live Proud. Have Joy. Take Action." Pride Parade and Festival.** Parade leaves Stewart Park in Arcata at 11:30 am and arrives at the Arcata Plaza at noon. The festival continues with live music, children's activities, speakers, vendors, and more. Schedule available at www.humboldtpride.org. Info: Cole at 633-4570.

**Sunday, September 14: Taste of Willow Creek.** Tour wineries and farms for a taste of local produce, wine, and art. Tickets \$30 in advance. Dinner options available. Info: 530-629-3488.

**Saturday, September 20: The New Orleans Youth Project Fundraiser** featuring the Youth Documentary Video premiere, a jazz concert by Darius Brotman and Rose Armin-Hoilland, a Dutch auction, hors d'oeuvres and desserts. 7 - 10 pm at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 9<sup>th</sup> St, Arcata. \$20 advance, \$25 at the door. Info: 826-1738.

**Saturday and Sunday, September 20 and 21: The North Country Fair,** a two-day festival that includes craft, food, and information booths, two parades, two stages and a grass performance area at the Arcata Plaza. Many local crafters & non-profit groups will be represented. Come out and support them. 10 am - 6 pm, parades at 1 pm each day. Info: 822-5320.

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**Friday, September 26: Eureka Chamber Music Series: Anton Nel, Pianist, winner** of several international piano competitions. 7:30 pm at the Cavalry Lutheran Church, 716 South Ave, Eureka. \$30. Info: 445-9650.

**Saturday, September 27: CCAT's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.** Free workshops, food, music and more. 1 - 8 pm at CCAT. Info: 826-3551.

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**Saturday, September 13: Second Saturday Family Arts Day: Fall Fashion** with a fashion show and a special performance by Kidco. Put on by the Humboldt Arts Council at the Morris Graves Museum. Free. 2 - 4 pm at 636 F St., Eureka. Info: 442-0278.

**Thursday, September 18: Share A Story " Dragon Treasure,"** short video, stories, and crafts. A free book is available for each participating family. 6:30 pm at the Arcata Branch Library, 500 7<sup>th</sup> St. Info: 822-5954 or www.humlib.org.

## PROTECT THE EARTH & ITS LIVING CREATURES

**Saturday, September 13: Mattole River Geology and Water: Sanctuary Forest Hike.** Free public hike in Shadowbrook with Tom Brundage and Tasha McKee. Rated a moderate, but wet, hike. Free. Info and sign-up: 986-1087, ext. 5#.

**Saturday and Sunday, September 13 and 14: Volunteer Training Session for the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary.** Local experts will teach attendees about birds, plants, wetlands, invertebrates, marsh history, the wastewater treatment process, and how to lead tours via lectures and field trips. Free. Pre-registration required. Info: 826-2359.

**Sunday, September 14: Free Public Field Trip to Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge.** Redwood Region Audubon Society is sponsoring this leisurely, 2 - 3 hour trip intended for people wanting to learn the birds of the Humboldt Bay area. Meet at the Refuge Visitor Center off Hookton Road at 9 am. Info: Jude Power or David Fix at 822-3613.

**Saturday, September 20: California Coastal Cleanup Day.** Last year, 616 volunteers removed more than 8,000 pounds of trash and recyclables from Humboldt's shores and wetlands. The NEC provides supplies and compiles data for action and education. Info or to sign up your team for your location of choice: Kayla at 822-6918.

**Wednesday, September 24: Van Duzen Watershed Project presents "Streams, Sediment, and Salmon"** a discussion about the Van Duzen River and its tributaries. Sponsored by Friends of the Eel River. 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the Fortuna Monday Club. Speakers include Sal Steinberg, Community Coordinator and Dr. Paul Trichilo, Project Director. Info: 725-0232 or www.fov.org.

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

## WORKSHOPS, CLASSES, MISCELLANY

**Fridays, September 12 and 26: Docent Training at the Natural History Museum.** Share your love of nature and help improve kids' understanding of science. Become a docent and give natural science programs to school groups visiting the Museum. 10 am - noon. Info: 826-4478.

**"The Revolution will not be Microwaved!" Food and Democracy Workshop.** Join Democracy Unlimited to Learn how the corporate food system hurts families and the environment, and how we can build a democratic, local food system for Humboldt County. Donations welcome. 1 - 4 pm at Redwood Roots Farm in Bayside. Info: 826-0211 or edl10@yahoo.com.

**T Time on Tuesdays. Every Tuesday at 5:30 pm we at Democracy Unlimited** will be dedicating our staff time to doing the nuts and bolts organizing needed to mobilize the community into action. Be part of the effort! Info: 269-0984.

**Catalysts For Change Seeks Volunteers.** Looking for volunteers to help mobilize local youth leaders to work towards youth suicide prevention. Info: 443-9659.

**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

see regular listings in Insert Section of newsletter

## 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](http://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](http://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](http://www.yournec.org).



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

**Potluck/Letter Writing Monthly:** First Friday, next Oct. 3, 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](mailto:mobilmed@igc.org).

**Save Measure T—you voted for it, now help defend it** (continued from page 1)

Given the audacity of the law's language, it is no surprise that it attracted the ire of PLF, nor will it be a surprise if the courts deny Humboldt citizens their "right to fair elections and local democracy." Neither PLF nor the courts are interested in democracy. But citizens across the country who are interested in democracy, and in democratic, progressive legislation, should take note. Measure T's challenge to corporate personhood is precisely the type of law needed to truly realize the goal of democratic self-governance. But like all laws that challenge the unjust precedents that have come before, a single case for a single county ordinance is not enough. To realize the type of change envisioned in Humboldt's assertion of its right to "local democracy," a movement of citizens making such claims nation-wide is needed.

Vast social movements were needed to make sure that women and people of color could even begin to claim their legal rights as full persons under the law. In our time, the protection of the rights of all people requires a similarly vast movement to oust the false "person" among us and to take back our political system from corporate domination. Humboldt voters should be proud of Measure T and the leadership they have taken in the movement for real democracy.

**We need YOU to defend our right to self-governance.** Here are several ways you can help:

- Write a Letter to the Editor in support of Measure T. Remind Humboldt citizens why we voted for Measure T and let the Pacific Legal Foundation know that we won't back down. Find tips for letter writing here: [www.votelocalcontrol.org/letters.htm](http://www.votelocalcontrol.org/letters.htm) .
- Stand up for democracy—put up your Measure T yard sign! If you've been reading the papers this week, you've seen that the local media (the Eureka Reporter in particular) has been trying to marginalize the Measure T campaign. Let your friends and neighbors know that we're still standing up for democracy—and invite them to stand up too. Now is not the time for silence. Contact us ([info@DUHC.org](mailto:info@DUHC.org)) if you no longer have your sign, we have extras!
- T Time on Tuesdays. Every Tuesday at 5:30 pm we at Democracy Unlimited will be dedicating our staff time to doing the nuts and bolts organizing needed to mobilize the community into action. Come by and be part of the effort! Call us at 269-0984.
- Support DUHC with a contribution—give them a call, or secure online donations can be made at [www.duhc.org](http://www.duhc.org) .

**--- HOPE Coalition Needs Your Support ---**

**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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:info@friendsofthedunes.org). Complete calendar: [www.friendsofthedunes.org](http://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](mailto:climatechange@redwoodalliance.org); [www.redwoodalliance.org](http://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](http://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](http://www.arcataartisans.com).

**Westhaven Center for the Arts**; 501 S. Westhaven Dr. Info: 677-0860, [www.westhavenarts.org](http://www.westhavenarts.org).

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

**Clarke Historical Museum**; 240 E St., Eureka. Info: 443-1947 or [www.clarkemuseum.org](http://www.clarkemuseum.org).

**Morris Graves Museum**; 636 F St., Eureka. Wed. - Sun. 12 - 5 pm. [www.humboldtarts.org](http://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/](http://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](http://www.EurekaGreens.com).  
**Green Wheels;** Mondays 6:30 pm at the Northcoast Environmental Center. Info: [mail@green-wheels.org](mailto:mail@green-wheels.org) or [www.green-wheels.org](http://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](http://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](mailto:sheds@humboldt1.com).  
**Mother Jones Club & Humboldt Communist Alliance.** Call for meeting times: [ncalview@igc.org](mailto: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](mailto:arcata@greens.org).  
**Redwood Chapter ACLU** meets 3rd Thursday at noon at 917 Third St. in Eureka. Blog at [redwoodaclu.blogspot.com](http://redwoodaclu.blogspot.com). Info: 215-5385.  
**Sequoia Greens** of southern Humboldt. Call for meetings: 923-4488 or [encimer@hotmail.com](mailto: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](http://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](http://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](http://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](mailto:info@emmacenter.org) or [www.emmacenter.org](http://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](http://www.lighthouse-sf.org).