



The HOPE Coalition

Humboldt Organized for Peace & the Environment

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

Newsletter Editorial Page Nov. 22, 2005

Editor's End of Year Notes – End of year for us. As announced last issue, there will be no Newsletter in December. We'll be back on our regular 2nd & 4th Tuesday schedule on January 10th. Just a reminder: The format will be the same with the inside pages covering calendar items about Humboldt County events and activities. Regularly scheduled meetings & programs without special topics, speakers or events will be listed in an insert printed every 3rd or 4th issue. Readers have a choice of receiving the newsletter by US mail, e-mail, or both. The Newsletter is free but those who wish to contribute to this all volunteer enterprise will find a coupon on page 4.

The editorials are written by myself (Mayer) unless otherwise indicated. I must confess that the editorials often cover topics that are not related directly to Humboldt County even though Humboldt residents are usually affected by the subject. The reason for this is twofold: Humboldt is blessed by many weekly &/or monthly newspapers in which diverse biases are expressed. Secondly, one of the main reasons for the HOPE Coalition's existence is that we would like to educate people in different progressive organizations of the benefits of working together. The editor's job, as I see it, is to seek linkages from the vast amount of written and spoken opinions and decisions out there and put it in a readable condensation with original resources listed. Impossible you say? Only a fool would try to do this on an 8 ½ x 11 piece of paper. But it's fun. With the prologue out of the way, here's the world as I see it.

The MAC and The Arcata Endeavor – Thanksgiving, Christmas, Chanukah, Kwanzaa coming at this time of the year remind people that those in less well-off circumstances deserve more than a pat on the back. Free Thanksgiving dinners abound (see listing in the last and current issues of this newsletter). Churches, fire stations, Food for People, & other community groups give out baskets of food, toys, and other goodies. Retail stores have a few more jobs. Depending on the weather the homeless are additional reminders of many living on the edge.

In March of this year the **Multiple Assistance Center (MAC)** finally opened in Eureka. The MAC, for those who don't know about it, is a major rehabilitation center designed to address the major gap in the county's homeless services. The MAC is a year-round 24 hour staffed facility where individuals and families are challenged and supported to move from crisis to stability on their journey to increased self-sufficiency.

In 1999, the **Arcata Endeavor** moved into its new headquarters near the bus station in downtown Arcata. The Service Center provided meals, hot showers, laundry, lockers, and services for homeless people – benefits unimaginable unless you don't have them. Today they have outgrown their small building and under pressure also from Plaza businesses who are unhappy with "the hanging out" of recipients on the Plaza, the Endeavor is seeking to relocate with expanded services and more space, but still within city limits. The city has spent \$42,000 for a 3-phase plan developed by a HSU consulting team with input from a citizen task force.

The Endeavor has added new services since its opening in 1999. This includes providing food boxes, case management, job listings, referrals, phone & computer access, and supportive services to people who are in crisis by helping them identify community resources that could help their situation. Phase 1 of the plan would include current services along with a 20- to 30-bed emergency shelter in a multipurpose room of a 6,000-square-foot building. Proponents of the plan say the site should also include enough acreage to accommodate phases 2 & 3. Becky Atigedewe, executive director of the Endeavor, in a report to the City Council, rattled off a summary of the data collected from 252 intake questionnaires over the past 3 months identifying who their clients were & their needs. She added, "People are sleeping without a safe & legal place to be as they struggle to get help" and providing a place where people can relax would help alleviate some of the tensions in the community. A **community meeting** on the subject is set for 6:30 pm **Tues. Dec. 6**, at the Community Center's senior room.

Either from fear &/or avarice, many NIMBYs (Not In My Back Yard) have put roadblocks in the way of successful completion of Service Centers in Humboldt. It took really dedicated advocates for homeless relief 13 years before they succeeded in establishing the MAC in March of this year and not a peep from the NIMBYs or anyone else since. The Vietnam Veterans of Calif. were denied a permit on Sept. 4, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors (John Woolley dissenting) after they had already bought a vacated (for 8 years) elderly care home, landscaped, and fixed it up. This was to be a transitional house for homeless veterans and those recovering from alcoholism & drug addiction while they receive job training, counseling, and other help in resuming a productive life. It was to have around the clock supervision & security. The vets had to sell the place, and since then have been turned down again in their attempt to buy at another vacated location in Eureka, under NIMBY pressure.

An old Christmas proverb is applicable here:

*"Even though **hope** doesn't grow on trees, some people try to harvest it, while others try to tear it down."*

PEACE NEWS

Friday, December 2: Fourth Annual RPJC Holiday Dinner & Gift Auction, a time to celebrate the work and vision of grassroots organizing, find a gift to share for the holidays, eat well, and support the Redwood Peace and Justice Center. 6 pm at the Bayside Grange. Tickets are \$22 pre-sale, \$25 at the door, and are available at the Redwood Peace and Justice Center, 1040 H St, Arcata. Info: 826-2511.

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, books and videos available to borrow. Open Monday - Friday from 12 - 6 pm, & 10 am - 3 pm Saturday. Info: 826-2511 or www.rpjc.net. Calendar of events at 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

Friday and Saturday, November 25 and 26 and Ongoing: Dell'Arte's Holiday Show "Myth-o-maniac," 25th annual free holiday show will be at Dell'Arte's Carlo Theatre at 7:30 pm. Bring a non-perishable food donation. Other free venues are: Sunday, 11/27, at HSU's Van Duzer Theater, 7:30 pm; Thursday, 12/1, Fortuna River Lodge, 7:30 pm; Sunday, 12/4, Crescent City Cultural Center, 7 pm; Monday, 12/5, McKinleyville High, 7:30 pm; Thursday, 12/8, Trinity Valley School, 7 pm; Sunday, 12/11, Adorni Center 7:30 pm. Ticket locations and other info: 668-5663.

Friday and Saturday, November 25 and 26: The Blue Ox Craftsman's Days: Living History and Artisan Faire, featuring traditional artisans from around the area as they set up shop, display their wares, and interact with the public. Fundraiser for KKDS, Blue Ox Youth Radio for Humboldt Bay. Blue Ox Millworks, 1 X St, Eureka. Info: 248-4259.

Friday and Saturday, November 25 and 26: Humboldt Domestic Violence Services Craft Fair, 10 am - 4 pm at Redwood Acres. Free admission. Food available. Info: 442-6743.

Friday, December 2: Fourth Annual RPJC Holiday Dinner And Gift Auction, (see Peace News, above).

Friday, December 2: HSU Geology Club's Annual Gem and Mineral Rock Auction free admission and refreshments, children's auction, silent auction, and music by Eileen Hemphill-Haley Band. 7 - 10 pm in Founder's Hall Rm. 118, HSU.

Friday, December 2: HSU Symphonic Band at 8 pm in the Fulkerson Recital Hall, HSU. \$6, \$2. Info: 826-3456.

Friday, December 2: Harmony Grisman: Songs And Stories From The Song Quilt, A 12 x 12 panel of the children's AIDS quilt will also be on display. Harmony will tell stories about the children and people from this quilt and sing their songs. 7:30 - 9:30 pm at the Westhaven Center for the Arts, 501 S. Westhaven Dr. . \$5-10 sliding scale. Info: 677-0459.

Saturday, December 3: The Humboldt Watershed Council's Annual Dinner and Celebration, featuring a seasonal dinner by Celebrations Catering, beer, wine, and desserts as well as presentations and awards for some watershed heroes and a silent auction. 6 - 9 pm at the Arcata Community Center. \$25., Advance Tickets or Info: Mark at 822-1166 or Jeanette at 443-3420.

Saturday, December 3: 4th Annual UIHS Potawat Arts and Crafts Fair, American Indian arts, crafts and music. 10 - 4 pm at the Potawat Health Village, 1600 Weot Way (just north of Mad River Hospital). Info: 825-5000.

Sunday, December 4: Bells of the Redwoods and the Chancel Choir in Concert, bell and choral holiday music at 4 pm at the Arcata United Methodist Church, 1761 11th St. No charge, donations accepted. Refreshments following. Info: 822-1963.

Friday and Sunday, December 9 and 11: Humboldt Symphony, Humboldt Chorale, and University Singers in "Carmina Burana" at 8 pm in the Fulkerson Recital Hall, HSU. \$6, \$2. Info: 826-3456.

Saturday, December 10: Wild Copper River Salmon Dinner benefit for the Eyak Preservation Council, a native run environmental group based in Alaska. Silent auction, slide show, music by Joanne Rand and David Grimes. 6:30 pm at Beginnings in Briceland. Info: 923-7501.

Saturday, December 17: Christmas Concert: Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir and the Humboldt Harmonaires, an all Christmas music concert including sing-a-longs for the whole family. Refreshments served. 7 pm at the First Presbyterian Church, 11th and G Streets, Arcata. \$5, \$3. Info: 822-4444.

December 18: Sunday Open Jazz Jam Session Informal Jam with piano, bass, and drums at the Morris Graves Museum of Art from 2 to 4:30 pm. 636 F Street, Eureka. Info: 442-0278 ext. 201.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Thursday, November 24: Thanksgiving at the Zoo; take a walk and watch the animals at the Sequoia Park Zoo receive their holiday meals. 11 am - 2 pm. Barnyard talk at 12:45. 3414 W St. Info: 442-6552.

Saturday, November 26: Natural History Museum Open House, featuring raptors from the Humboldt Wildlife Care Center, Jerry the Bird Man and his cockatoos, macaws and conures, a special presentation by a nature storyteller, exhibits by local nature artists, live music, a holiday Dutch auction, and discounts on merchandise. All ages. 1315 G St, Arcata. Info: 826-4479.

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

Thursday, December 15: Third Thursday Family Arts Night; put on by the Humboldt Arts Council at the Morris Graves Museum. Music, crafts, and more. 6 - 8 pm at 636 F St, Eureka. Info: 442-0278.

Thursday, December 15: Share a Story "A Snowy Day." Stories, activities, crafts, and fun. Each family receives a free book. 6:30 pm at the Arcata Branch Library, 500 Seventh St. Info: 822-5954 or www.humlib.org.

Wednesday, December 21: Share a Story "Comparta un Cuento en Espanol." Stories, activities, crafts, and fun in Spanish. Each family receives a free book. 6:30 pm at Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd, McKinleyville, in front of the McKinleyville Branch Library. Info: 839-4459 or www.humlib.org.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNERS

- Wednesday, November 23: The Eureka Rescue Mission**, free dinner open to all served from noon - 4 pm at 110 2nd St., Eureka. Please call to volunteer or donate. Info: 443-4551.
- Thursday, November 24: The Murray Road Community Church**, free dinner, 2 pm at 1490 Murray Road. Info: 839-2484.
- Thursday, November 24: St. Vincent de Paul**, free dinner for all served from 11 am - 1 pm at 35 W. 3rd St., Eureka. Donations of any Thanksgiving type food welcomed. Please call to see if volunteers are needed. Info: 445-9588.
- Thursday, November 24: The Northern Humboldt Ministerial Association**, free dinner for all (turkey and vegetarian options), noon - 3 pm at the Arcata Veteran's Hall, 14th and J St. Arcata Interfaith Gospel Choir performs at 11:30 am. Info: 668-0177.
- Calendar editor's note:** These groups can use donations and volunteers at all times of the year besides Thanksgiving and Christmas.

PROTECT THE EARTH & ITS LIVING CREATURES

- Thursday, November 24: Thanksgiving Morning Walk.** Friends of the Arcata Marsh will hold its annual walk at 10 am starting at the Interpretive Center on South G St.
- Saturday, December 3: Climate Protection Info Open House;** Redwood Alliance's Climate Protection Program solar-powered open house in support of the International Day of Action to Stop Global Warming. Come sign the petitions, learn about global warming, have some refreshment, and find out how you can help. Info: Jennifer, 822-6171 or ClimateChange@RedwoodAlliance.org or www.redwoodalliance.org.
- 2nd Annual Adopt-A-Fish Program.** For \$20 you can adopt a live Freshwater Creek salmon or steelhead which will be given an individual PIT tag number and tracked throughout the Freshwater basin on its epic spawning adventures. The proceeds will be used to help pay for AmeriCorps Watershed Stewards Project members who are continuing to conserve, restore, and enhance the Freshwater watershed. Info: The Humboldt Fish Action Council 443-4601.
- Support Needed For Protection Of Threatened Ancient Forest.** We Save Trees has set up a tree sit in the Bonanza THP near Scotia. The area is inhabited by the endangered Marbled Murrelets. The Bonanza harvest plan contains the largest unprotected, contiguous, occupied marbled Murrelet stand left on Maxxam/PL's land. We Save Trees needs your help to protect this ancient tree and the surrounding old growth forest. Tree sitters, outdoor gear, video/media resources, and \$ are needed. Info: 834-2561 or www.wesavetrees.org/bonanza.htm.

WORKSHOPS, CLASSES, MISCELLANY

- Monday, November 28: Natural Gas, The Next Energy Crisis – Individual & Community Solutions.** Sponsored by Humboldt County Peak Oil Action Group. 7 pm at the Arcata Community Center, Senior Room. Info: mlwinkle@yahoo.com.
- Tuesday, November 29: Non-toxic Household Cleaners**, how to clean your home with safe natural cleaners that you can whip up with ingredients from your kitchen cabinets. 2 - 3 pm at CCAT (see info below).
- Sunday, December 4: Petition Training** for the elections & Local Democracy Campaign: "Ordinance of the county of Humboldt prohibiting non-local corporations from making political contributions in local elections." 1 - 2:30 pm at the RPJC, 1040 H St, Arcata. Info: 444-0407.
- Wednesday, December 7: "Citizens Guide to Transportation and Land Use for Health"** a presentation by Todd Litman (Victoria Transportation Policy Institute) and Jeff Hobson (Transportation and Land Use Coalition, Bay Area), 6 - 8:30 pm at the Wharfinger Building in Eureka. Learn about progressive activities in these communities and connect with Humboldt residents eager to improve community health and design. Sponsors: Humboldt Partnership for Active Living (Hum PAL), AEDC, Health Rural Roads Project, Healthy Humboldt Coalition, and DANCO. Info: Ann Lindsay, 268-2181.
- The Campus Center for Appropriate Technology (CCAT);** at the rear of the parking lot at 14th and B Street, Arcata. Every Friday, noon - dark: Volunteer Day with tour at 2 pm. All welcome. Info: 826-3551, ccat@humboldt.edu, or www.humboldt.edu/~ccat.

MEETINGS

Regularly scheduled meetings are now listed in the insert. Special topics, speakers, or events will be listed here.

- Tuesday, December 6: Eureka City Council Meeting On Development Issues In Eureka;** Supporters of the Humboldt Bay Environmental Technology Center, an Eco-Hostel, are hoping to get a good turnout in support of their project and opposed to a bland 70-room corporate franchise hotel/motel on a beautiful three-acre waterfront site just south of the Wharfinger Building. For more details on the Eco-Hostel, see www.ceedweb.org/humboldtbayhostel. Letters and phone calls to the City Council are also encouraged. The meeting is at Eureka City Hall, 2nd floor City Council Chambers, 531 K Street. Info: 822-7931.

TALK SHOWS, COMMENTARY, & MEDIA SPECIALS

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

- Thursdays at 1:30 pm: Econews Report** with NEC Director **Tim McKay**; on KHSU, 90.5 FM. **Guests:** 11/24, Diane Wilson, co-founder of Code Pink, discusses her autobiography, "An Unreasonable Woman;" 12/1, Elisabeth Eytchison talks about how she got involved in trying to clean up Evergreen Pulp Mill's emissions. Info: 822-6918 or www.yournec.org.
- Reader Recommendations:** (1) David Barsamian's "Alternative Radio" on KMUD Mondays at 9 am and on KHSU on Mondays at 2 am (2) Radio Nation (from the Nation magazine) on KMUD Fridays at 1 am (yes, late Thurs. night) (3) Explorations (Michio Kaku's program about scientific matters- from Pacifica) on KMUD on Fridays at 3AM (yes late Thurs. night). (4) Tom Hartman Commentary on KGOE 1480 am weekdays 9 - 12 am



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

WRITE A LETTER

Potluck/Letter Writing Monthly: First Friday, next 1/6/06, 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.

Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) by Californians for Alternatives to Toxics, cats@alternatives2toxics.org
 Industries must report to the U.S. EPA some of the worst of the toxic chemicals released from their facilities in what is known as the Toxic Release Inventory (TRI). This database of information is critical to communities needing information about local polluters.

Through the TRI we have learned, for example, that the pulp mill across Humboldt Bay from Eureka was the sixth highest toxics-release site in California in 2003 and is the top toxics-release site north of the San Francisco Bay Area, with 1.6 million pounds going into the air, land, and water. The pulp mill, under new ownership since January and now called Evergreen Pulp, released methanol – 1.4 million pounds into the water – and ammonia, methylethylketone, and nitrate compounds.

Now the EPA plans to cut TRI reporting in half. This change will allow thousands of facilities to withhold details about pollution releases, volumes, and treatment; reduce information collected on persistent bio-accumulative toxins (PBTs) which are some of the most toxic industrial byproducts that persist in the environment and build up in the body (like lead and mercury); and let industries report their pollution every other year instead of annually.

The deadline for public response is Dec. 5, 2005. Tell the EPA that its proposal will weaken the TRI by eliminating important information about toxic pollution in thousands of communities and will roll back improvements that have been made because the public, and the EPA, have been watchdogging polluters through the TRI. Let the EPA know that information is the engine that drives pollution reduction, and is more important than analysis. In addition, while other environmental laws are important and useful, they simply will not track the full range of toxic chemicals listed under the TRI. EPA should be expanding, not reducing, information available to the public under the TRI. Email your letter to the EPA at oei.docket@epa.gov, and note at the top that your letter is in reference to "EPA Docket ID No. TRI-2005-0073". For more information go to the Working Group for Community Right-To-Know www.crtk.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.
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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. in Arcata offers office space, message services, & meeting space to participating members. Open Monday - Friday from 12 - 6 pm, & 10 am - 3 pm Saturday. Info: 826-2511 or www.rpj.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.

4th Thursday at 6:30 pm **Humboldt Green Genes** meets. Info: Mike or Angela at 826-1031, or soydeva@hotmail.com.

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.

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.

Econews Report with NEC Director **Tim McKay**. Thursdays at 1:30 pm. Info: 822-6918.

Thursday Night Talk with Jamie Flowers; 7:30 - 8:30 pm. Call-in: 826-4805. Info: KHSU office: 826-4807.

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.

Was APEG, now **HCMC Channel 12** (Public Access TV): **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

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); 4th Wednesday at 7 pm 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 bluening@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; 3rd Tuesday 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 meets 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.

Humboldt Green Genes: 2nd Wednesday at CATS, 315 P St., Eureka at 6 pm. Info: Martha Devine, soydeva@webtv.net or 442-3481.

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.

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 from 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 <http://co.humboldt.ca.us/commissions/csw/>.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

HSU's Natural History Museum, 1315 G St. Arcata. Free drop programs on Saturdays 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.