

# Rio Dell-Scotia News

## Wildwood Days brings family fun

Wildwood Days brought many familiar, and some new, activities to town. One first was the Kiwanis pancake breakfast, raising money for local children. Kiwanis member and city councilperson Julie Woodall says the breakfast raised \$2,500 for the cause. Following are winners in competitions reported by press time.

### Duck race winners named

1st Mark Howell \$500	11th Ryan Huessler gardening items from Root 101
2nd Jackie Chittenden \$200	12th Nichole Timmerman \$50 donated by Journeys End
3rd Aqua Dam, Inc. \$100	13th Robey Agnew 2 bags dog food from Tractor Supply
4th Russ Brown \$100 gift card from The Pizza Factory	14th Rusty Broadstock 2 bags dog food from Tractor Supply
5th Nate McKnight meat box from Hoby's	15th Patrick Anderson bird house made by Mike Jensen
6th Steve Deike \$75 fuel card from Renner	16th Linda Broyles \$20 gift card from Jitter Bean
7th Kathi Meskill \$75 fuel card from Renner	17th Aqua Dam 1hr massage from Massage of the Redwood
8th Brian Timmerman solar radio from C Crane	18th Eddie Cordiero cheeseburger and fixings for 2 @ DJ's
9th Mary Hinrichs rod & reel from Grundman's	19th Michele dinner for 2 @Bear River Casino
10th Ryan Huessler yard flag from Palco Pharmacy	20th Glenn Whitehead 1 night's stay at Bear River Casino

The first place winner donated \$200 back to the fire department and Aqua Dam donated its winnings back to the department.

### Parade winners named

Best use of the theme of women's suffrage went to DJ's Burger Bar while best vehicle went to Johnny Cree with a candy-apple red, 1969 Camaro. His business, Cree's Rusted & Recked, is in Pryor Court off Rohnerville Road. Best overall went to Miller's Rack of Fortuna, makers of custom bow racks. Chamber's Choice went to the Shriners. Prizes were purchased with funds donated for the purpose by Fidelity Title of Fortuna.

### Winners named in car show

Sixty-two cars were entered in the show and shine car show managed each year by Mary Burns as part of Wildwood Days, coming from throughout the county and beyond, including some from Oregon. Winning the junior division was Danica Kinsey of Fortuna in a go-cart racer, sponsored by Ferndale Jewelers of Fortuna. The Officer's Choice, sponsored by the Rio Dell Peace Officers Association, was Dan Bennett of Fortuna with a 1972 Chevy pickup. The Fire Chief's Choice, sponsored by Ferndal Jewelers of Fortuna, was Charlie Manzi of Rio Dell with a 1965 GTO.

Peoples' Choice, sponsored by NAPA 101 of Rio Dell, was Johnny Cree of Rio Dell with a 1969 Camaro. Participants' Choice, sponsored by Mercer-Frazier of Fortuna, was Perry Dove of Fortuna with a 1958 Corvette. The Ruby Holmes Memorial, sponsored by the Automotive Workshop of Rio Dell, was Robert Tritten of Rio Dell with a 1966 Chevy II SS.

Pile of Iron, sponsored by Fortuna Iron in Alton, was won by Dennis and Sharon Dunio of Fortuna with a 1968 Camaro. Best of Show sponsored by Kreations of Rio Dell was won by Rick and Toni Smith of Carlotta with a 1965 Ford.

Burns thanks her trophy sponsors, the businesses that donated to the raffle, Ginger and Bailey Parker and Brett Elliott, her helpers; and Cindy at Ferndale Jewelers in Fortuna for designing the trophies.

**Photos of Parade and the Ernie Cannady Cruse participants later in the Newsletter including Ad pages.**

# News and Notes

## City council member chosen, nuisance committee slots filled

Gordon Johnson, veteran city council member in Rio Dell, was appointed and sworn in August 6 as the replacement for Bryan Richter, the council member who resigned effective July 31 due to moving out of town. The effort to fill the seat continued from the July 16 meeting when two of three candidates who had filled out applications spoke to the council about their interest in the post.

The four sitting council members voted three times, as described in the rules for such an event, and each time was tied, 2-2, with councilmember Julie Woodall and Mayor Debra Garnes going with Johnson, who chose not to run in the last election and who told the council he missed the work and wants to continue to bring his years of experience to the city; and Susan Strahan and Frank Wilson throwing support to Amanda Carter, who they saw as a new, fresh voice, who in her presentation to the board noted her lack of experience in city government, but stressed her eagerness to serve the community.

Carter withdrew her candidacy Aug. 6 in order to smooth the process which, unless councilmembers changed their vote, would remain deadlocked and the seat empty until a public election could be held in March. The third applicant, Alonzo Bradford, who was not present at the July 16 meeting at the time the presentations were made by the other two candidates, similarly withdrew his nomination from voting and was named, along with former city council member Tim Marks, to the city's nuisance advisory committee. Carter, restating her interest in serving the city in some way, was also given a form to participate in the nuisance committee as a community member.

## Green Bean reopens

The restaurant on Wildwood in Rio Dell that closed after a potential sale fell through earlier this year has reopened under new management. Teisha Mechetti, founder and owner of the Eureka-based consulting firm Ag Dynamix, is bringing prior food service experience to the fore to re-launch the business, still for sale and still owned by Tawny Morse.

Mechetti notes that there's bugs to work out as she trains new staff and tries out new hours and menu options but has the goal of being open 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. 7 days/week, with an emphasis on fresh, local and organic menu items including a breakfast sandwich, panini half, salad, soup or chili, each for \$5, and plans for weekend dinner specials with changing themes.



## Danco housing project plans new resident outreach



Plans are being developed with the City of Rio Dell, the county Department of Health and Human Services, and the Rio Dell Community Resource Center to make applications available to Rio Dell residents for the Danco permanently supportive housing project in the city, slated to open at the end of 2019, but for which applications will be accepted starting in October. A flow chart stating income and other requirements has been prepared and outreach efforts slated to contact potential, local tenants through the food bank events, paid advertising (to reach those who can assist vulnerable populations with the application process) and more. Those wishing to sign up for the interest list in advance of the applications being available can do so at [danco-group.com](http://danco-group.com) or by calling 822-9000.

## Society seeks new Members

The Humboldt County Historical Society is seeking new members. Jim Garrison, local history author, points out the advantages of the \$40/year membership aside from a quarterly membership magazine with features of local historic interest. "We have an awesome collection" in two libraries of research material people can use for genealogy and other purposes, including maps, 65,000 photographs, and more, he said. "We have your grandmother's stuff," he says with a smile, pointing out much of the resources were donated and are being archived for future generations



## Mayor featured in magazine

The Summer/Fall 2019 issue of *Insider Magazine* features an interview with Rio Dell Mayor Debra Garnes. *Insider* is a publication of the *North Coast Journal* and is distributed free through the county.

# What is High Availability?

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*[High Availability is a characteristic of a system, which aims to ensure an agreed level of operational performance, usually uptime, for a higher than normal period. Modernization has resulted in an increased reliance on these systems. For example, hospitals and data centers require high availability of their systems to perform routine daily activities. "Availability" refers to the ability of the user community to obtain a service or good, access the system, whether to submit new work, update or alter existing work, or collect the results of previous work. If a user cannot access the system, it is – from the user's point of view – unavailable. Generally, the term "downtime" is used to refer to periods when a system is unavailable.] – Wikipedia.org*

Of the various principles related to high availability systems we will be taking a look at backups in this article. Reliable backups are one of the foundations of "high availability." Catastrophe can hit any business, no matter how small or big, and catastrophe can come in many forms such as hardware failure or "ransomware." The more data lost, the greater the impact on your business. Part of getting your business back up and running after a disaster, is being able to restore operations to where they were before the problem occurred. Businesses which have learned the value of backups employ the 3-2-1-0 rule. Let's take a quick look at each of the elements of this rule.

**3: Maintain at least three copies of your data and applications.** That's the one copy you're using and two backups. This way, if one of your backups is unavailable for any reason, you can still recover what you need in a reasonable amount of time.

**2: Store your backups on at least two different types of media.** One reason for this is each type of media has its own vulnerabilities, and you don't want both your backups susceptible to the same problem. By utilizing different media, you can reduce your exposure to the same incident preventing access to both of your backups.

**1: Keep one of the backups in a different location.** Consider a catastrophe at your business, such as a break-in, fire or natural disaster. If all of your backups are at the same location, they will all be affected. This can result in total data loss for your business.

**0: Verify your recovery plan has zero errors.** It is not uncommon for businesses to implement a backup plan but fail to verify it is performing as expected. Regular testing is critical to ensuring you can recover your business data and applications in the event of disaster.

It doesn't matter if you are a business or home computer user, if you have anything on your computer that matters to you it is your responsibility to make sure you have a backup plan in place. In my 20+ years of experience in the IT industry I have seen brand new hard drives fail within 90 days of purchase. I have seen years of family pictures vanish by accidental deletion and I have seen un-tested backups fail to restore important business files – files which everybody "thought" were being backed up.

If you are unsure if your data is being backed up, give PSA Computer Services a call at (707) 506-6228.



City of Rio Dell Parade entry  
Standing: Susie Townsend & Joanne Farley.  
Seated: Humboldt County Supervisor Estelle Fennell, Nancy Kurtz, Rio Dell Mayor Debra Garnes & Susan DeAngelo.

Entries in the Ernie Cannady Car Cruise

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## Ongoing Events

### CalFresh/CalWorks:

Do you know if you are eligible for either CalFresh or CalWorks? Come to the Community Resource Center to find out how to qualify and apply for both programs. You can also apply for CalFresh, CalWorks and MediCal at [www.cyourself.com](http://www.cyourself.com).

**Senior Brown Bag Program:** Food boxes given the **2nd Thursday** of every month for local seniors. Boxes distributed from 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m. at the Church of Christ, 325 2nd Ave. in Rio Dell. To sign up call Food for People at 445-3166.

### Rio Dell Library: Tuesday-11-4, Wednesday 1-6, Saturday- 11-4

There is a First 5 Puppet Story Time every **Saturday** at 11 a.m. 715 Wildwood Ave., 764-3333.

**Emergency Food:** Running low on food this week? Get a bag for your family or just for yourself at:

- **The Community Resource Center:** 99 Wildwood Ave., Rio Dell, no income verification is needed.
- **The Journey Church:** 95 Belleview Ave. Rio Dell, **Tuesday & Thursday** 9 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.
- **Bread for Life Food Pantry:** Journey Church, 95 Belleview Ave., **3rd Thursday**, from 9 a.m.-12 Noon, For more info call 764-5239.

**Clothing Closet: Ruth's Room:** Rio Dell Baptist Church, 100 Butcher St., Rio Dell, **Tuesdays**, 9 a.m.– 12 Noon Call 764-3811 for more information.

**Women's Health Project:** Breast and Gynecology Eel River Valley Outreach Center: 707-726-7919 or 825-8345.

**Free exercise program open to all meeting at Chamber of Commerce:** An exercise group meets Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Rio Dell-Scotia Chamber of Commerce, 406 Wildwood Ave. in Rio Dell, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The group is open to all ages and seeks new members. Formerly called SAIL, it focuses on improving balance, flexibility and range of motion to help prevent falls and broken bones.

**Free Produce Available:** Those whose households qualify based on income are reminded of the monthly Mobile Produce Pantry that comes to the Rio Dell Volunteer Fire Department on the **second Wednesday** of each month, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, contact Food for People at 445-3166.

**Weight-loss group meets at chamber office;** Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meets at the Chamber of Commerce office at 406 Wildwood Avenue in Rio Dell **each Friday morning**. Weigh-in is from 8 to 9:30 a.m. to accommodate various schedules, and a program is held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. All are invited. TOPS is part of a national organization and more can be found at the website [tops.org](http://tops.org). Other local chapters meet in Eureka and McKinleyville. New members are welcome.

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## Scotia CSD projects move along in historic buildings

The Scotia Community Services District is seeking bids to replace the roof of the Winema Theater, board clerk and executive assistant Jennifer McDonald says, but other projects are moving more slowly. The site where the historic lumbering equipment had stood has lead contamination that needs to be remediated. The process, and the analysis afterwards to see if the requirements have been sufficiently met, are expensive. The upgrades required of the museum to meet ADA (Americans With Disabilities Act) compliance are similarly slow in coming and costly, requiring – because the building is historic – county approval of measures to be taken.

Public input was sought, but not forthcoming, in a March meeting to determine how to use the space where the logging equipment had stood, McDonald notes, adding that future efforts to engage the public will be tried. The CSD board meets at 5:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month, with agendas posted on the site [scotiacsd.com](http://scotiacsd.com), for those interested in attending. The meetings are held at the CSD office, 400 Church Street.

Meanwhile, the Eel River Kings traveling youth baseball team helped clean up the ball field in Scotia where the Kings practice.











