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# Aquatics Program Makes a Splash



Here is the Dixon Parks and Recreation Program Lifeguard Team of 2023. Photo courtesy of the City of Dixon

#### By Angela Underwood

DIXON, CA (MPG) - When it comes to water safety, Dixon Recreation supervisor Kyla Schnitter quotes the Red Cross.

"Anywhere there is water, there is a risk of drowning, especially for young children," Schnitter said, detailing the upcoming city aquatics program for summer 2024. "Access to a community pool with swim lessons and vigilant lifeguard staff can mitigate the risk of drowning through educating children and parents on how to be safe in and around water."

Babies as young as 6



Dixon lifeguards jump for joy at the thought of protecting residents under their watch. Photo courtesy of the City of Dixon

the Dixon pool, beginning with the Parent & Toddler

months old are dipped into Swim Class offered this summer.

"Swim lessons for

children under three have proved beneficial in not only decreasing the risk of drowning but also providing physical benefits like increased coordination and balance through the support of the water," Schnitter said.

The recreation supervisor said the parent participation class teaches caregivers how to move safely with their child in the water through various songs, games and activities.

Public information officer Madeline Graf breaks down the different aquatic classes, beginning with Continued on page 8

### **Dixon Unified School District Labor Talks Continue**



Molly Gallagher McNeal, a two-decade-long Dixon Unified School District teacher, tells officials how 'sad" she is that she is undervalued at the district.

#### Story and photo by Angela Underwood

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Failed labor negotiations leave Dixon Unified School District teachers distraught.

That is the only way to put it after the last regularly-scheduled board meeting on April 18, when Dixon Teachers Association (DTA) Co-Vice President Melanie Sadorra made her statement from the podium.

"Unfortunately, despite

DTA's efforts and commitment, there has been no update since the last board meeting," Sadorra said. "We have gotten no response regarding what we proposed on March 27, so it should not be surprising that Dixon is the only school district in Solano County that has not settled (negotiations) for the 2023-24 school year."

Dixon Teachers Association "did their homework and presented labor negotiation proposals," Sadorra said, that were "fiscally sound and not outrageous."

"State money is intended for students and educators, and it should be spent on teachers for students, not on consultants, services or materials and supplies that have little impact on student achievement," Sadorra said.

After Sadorra's speech brought a room full of applause, Board President Juan Cuevas asked Superintendent Brian Dolan if he wanted to respond, breaking standard protocol to do so. Dolan said that while officials "typically do not do a lot of responding" to Dixon Teachers Association reports, he would.

"So we did, in fact, cancel negotiations yesterday; we weren't fully prepared," Dolan said, noting they would meet for an executive session on April 22. "That gives us more time."

Before the present teachers spoke at the podium, Cuevas read two public comments via email from two Dixon teachers, beginning with Public Service Academy and Dixon High Continued on page 8

## Jr. Livestock Auction Supports Our Youth



A youth gives her lamb a bath. Photo by Debra Dingman

### By MPG Staff

DIXON, CA (MPG) - The lessons learned raising livestock as an FFA, 4-H, Grange or Independent project are lessons learned for a lifetime. Managing the purchase, choosing the best bred animal possible, feeding and keeping the animal healthy, then showing and preparing for sale are all activities that prepare our youth for a future

in agriculture.

The Dixon May Fair Jr. Livestock Auction on Saturday is the culmination of months of daily hard work. The money earned by the youth at the Dixon May Fair Jr. Livestock Auction often goes to the purchase of an animal to lege savings accounts.

raise next year, repay parents for feed bills or help along the way towards col-

By supporting the Dixon

May Fair Junior Livestock Auction on Saturday, May 11, purchasers are contributing to the education of today's youth, the citizens of tomorrow.

The Auction starts at 11:30 a.m. The Jr. Livestock Auction at the Fair has been developed to educate the exhibitors in livestock marketing. The sale is made up of market animals that have been divisions of the Fair.

These animals are owned, raised, fed and shown by the youth in 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent programs. They have been judged by knowledgeable people and placed according to the market grades for the Auction sale order.

For more information on how to bid and purchase at the Auction, contact the Fair office at (707) 678-5529.

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shown in the livestock



### **Summer Interns Can Help Your Business**

By Debra Dingman

How does one save time and money and remain as efficient as possible? Let me suggest that one easy way, especially this time of year, is to bring in interns. With summer break around the corner, now is the time to begin to plan for participating in a summer internship program.

I had an amazing opportunity for an internship that also allowed me to collect three units of college credit by writing reports on what I learned (similar to a term

Getting actual news story assignments and feature stories to write—and then getting them published was a perfect internship for me at the Daily Republic Newspaper in Fairfield. It also gave me valuable "clips" that I could use in my future to gain permanent or better work. But the best was getting hired as a fulltime reporter after the internship!

When done right, internships can be an incredibly useful and affordable way to grow a business. Especially hiring students who are savvier on the computers especially with social media, for example.

To create your own successful summer internship program, consider these tips:

Plan the internship out ahead of time: Plan for what the intern will do, who he or she will report to, and what will be their expected work product.

Be prepared to teach and supervise: The intern needs someone in the organization to be the point person, and similarly, the organization needs to have one person assigned to the task of handling the intern(s). It works altogether smoother that way.

Give real assignments: It behooves neither of you to waste the intern's time. Real and valuable assignments help them help you. Give some room for the intern

to be self-empowered (especially for college students who may be more computer savvy than you!)

There are perks and rewards instead of paychecks: Movie tickets; treat them to lunch; take them to meetings; give them a 'end-of-summer' party. Make it a positive, educational, and rewarding experience that they will thank you for.

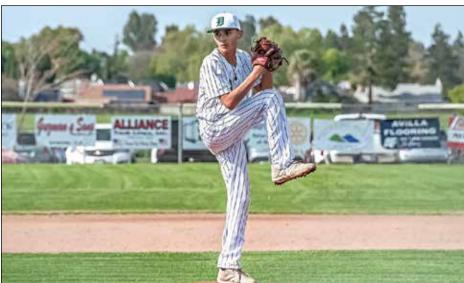
Don't let it end on the last day: You should write two letters after the internship is over. One: A letter of reference. Two: A letter to the intern, sharing your assessment of their work, and giving a valuable critique. It will be appreciated,

Even with the benefits, I've talked to a few reluctant business owners because they are misinformed about the laws. One needs to realize that interns are usually coordinated through colleges which are helpful because they know how to help keep things legal.

What the law says now: According to the US Department of Labor Fact Sheet #71, unpaid internships must primarily benefit the intern rather than the employer. Additionally, interns must receive training similar to what they would receive in an educational setting. Courts have described the 7-point "primary beneficiary test" which can help an employer understand the difference between employee and intern. (https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ whd/fact-sheets/71-flsa-internships)

Using interns are a win-win: For the business, hiring one or more interns is a way to bring in some very eager workers, people who can hopefully do some necessary (if not important) work, without breaking the bank. For the intern, it's a chance to sharpen the saw, learn some new skills, add to their resume, be useful, and hopefully meet some people who can help them along their future path.

### **Dixon News Briefs**



This Dixon High School baseball pitcher, Owen Tomelloso, winds up to make the pitch at a recent game against Pioneer High School in Woodland. Next home game is Thursday, May 2 at 4:15 p.m. against Mira Loma. Photo by Nicolas Brown

MPG Staff

#### **Tule Fun Days**

The Dixon Historical Society is starting a monthly workshop on Native Traditions and Waterway Stewardship at the Cache Creek Nature Preserve Tending and Gathering Garden. It will be at 34199 County Road 20 in Woodland from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on every third Sunday through September. The workshops are free, but space is limited so registration is important here: https://bit.ly/tulefundays2024. For more information, go to yolocolcollective@protonmail.com. For more information on the Dixon Historical Society and Dixon History Museum, go to www.dixonhistoricalsociety.org.

#### Hall Park Free Play

Free drop-in play is being offered at Hall Park now on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 5 p.m. at the Jim B. Stevens Arena. The Salaber All Weather Synthetic Play Field is also available for free drop-in play on Fridays from 6 to 9 p.m. If you are new to Dixon, Hall Park is the one with the swimming pool, tennis courts, baseball diamonds, and a dog park, too, behind City Hall. It is located at Mayes and Fifth

### City Council Meeting – May 7th

The next City Council meeting will be Tuesday, May 7, 7 p.m. at City Hall, 600 East A Street.

### Adult Lap Swim

With the warmer weather, the Pat Granucci Aquatic Center is now open for lap swim. Hours are: mornings Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 5:30 to 7 a.m.; Saturdays and Sundays 8 to 10 a.m. One can purchase a punch card (good for 20 Visits) for \$78.75 adults; \$63 seniors pool before workouts.

### Pork Dinner

On Friday, May 3, the Veteran's Memorial Hall will feature a Porky Pig Roast dinner with mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetables, and a roll for \$12.It starts around 5:30 and is at 1305 North First Street.

#### **Shredding Event**

Now that taxes are done, you probably have another bunch of papers you can shred from three years ago or seven years ago if you filed a claim for a loss from worthless securities or bad debt deduction. So, mark your calendars for Saturday, June 1, for the shredding event at Atkinson Self Storage, 1800 North First Street. Cash and card payments will be accepted, and pricing will be \$10 per banker sized box. All are welcome to come to the event whether you rent a storage unit there or not.

#### **Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast**

To kick off Dixon's annual May Fair Parade, the Dixon Rotary Club will be hosting their 57th annual Pancake breakfast; on Saturday May 11, 7a.m.-10 a.m. at 231 N First Street. Tickets will be sold at the door, for \$5 per plate. They will be serving the pancakes of course, as well as sausage, juice, coffee and milk. Proceeds from the sales will go to the various clubs and programs sponsored by the Rotary Club, including Dixon High Scholarships and the Remember-A-Vet Program.

### Vendors Needed

Dixon Girls' Softball is looking for vendors to fill open spots for their event on May 18th. Please contact Jennifer Roman on Facebook for more information.

#### Senior Athlete College **Commitment Celebration**

Come and join Dixon High's college bound athletes with a special celebration on May 24th. Family and (55+) or the single visit fee is - \$5.25 or friends are welcome and encouraged to \$4.25 per senior (55+.) Register at the attend the celebration, which will take place during lunch, at 12:45PM in the Big Gym. If you are a family member wishing to attend and have any further questions, please reach out to Dixon High School at 707-693-6330.

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### Crash and Smash at Annual Derby



Crash and Smash at Annual Derby. Courtesy photo

#### By MPG Staff

DIXON, CA (MPG) - The Dixon May Fair Demolition Derby on Sunday encourages drivers to put their American-made cars or station wagons to the ultimate test. They will crash, smash, and ram each other to cartoonish crunched heaps of metal, trying to keep their own vehicle running while fans scream warnings.

Brave men and women, youngsters, and seasoned veterans, will pull on their protective helmets, squeeze in through the driver's side window, gun their

engines and take aim at each other in the mud of the Dixon May Fair.

The crash 'em / smash 'em event is slated for the Grandstands arena on Sunday, May 12, at 5:30 pm (gates open at 4 p.m.) Drivers do their best, while driving in reverse, forward and often sideways, in a bed of mud, to smash the other cars to smithereens. The audience cheers as mud flies, wheels spin in the gooey mess, and one vehicle after another is annihilated, or the overworked and overheated engines give up in a smoky haze.

### **Bull Riding Excites on Friday at 7 P.M.**



The ride must last the standard eight seconds for the rider to score. Courtesy photo

**DIXON, CA (MPG)** - The Dixon May Fair welcomes the Flying U Rodeo Company of Marysville back to our local arena after an absence of several years.

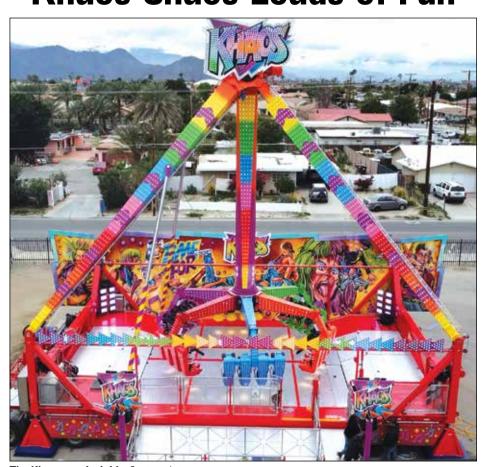
Bull riding! In the mind of many rodeo fans, rodeos almost always save the best for last.

It didn't evolve from ranch work, but it has long been a competition between man and bull. Using only a rope around the bull's girth, the cowboy puts one hand inside a handle on top of the bull rope, raises his free hand, and nods for the ride.

The ride must last the standard eight seconds for the rider to score. There is not a 'mark out' requirement, but if the free hand touches the animal or the rider, a disqualification results. Judges score the bull and cowboy a total of 50 points each. The bull is judged on its strength and ability to maintain its momentum throughout the eight second ride.

Legendary Showman Cotton Rosser was at the Flying U helm for more than 60 years producing top tier events throughout California and the West. Since 2022, when Cotton's son picked up the reins, Reno Rosser has continued to present plenty of thrills and spills to keep fans on the edge of their seats. See you there!

### **Khaos Chaos Loads of Fun**



The Khaos carnival ride. Courtesy photo

DIXON, CA (MPG) - The Khaos is a new super-spectacular ride featured by Butler Amusements. The Khaos is mounted on 3-semi-trailers making it one of our largest portable rides. The Khaos lifts riders high into the air, 24 at a time, while the main boom swings back and forth.

The base of the ride, holding six groups

of seats, begins to spin, giving the passengers a feeling of weightlessness while they soar through the air with their feet swinging free. This ride creates a thrilling, unforgettable experience for its riders and provides a spectacular show. The Khaos has twice the capacity as our Freak Out ride.

### May Fair Tickets Available



Flo the Clown is a popular regular who delights children of all ages at the Dixon May Fair.

Tickets available at the Fair Box Office – 655 South 1st Street, Dixon, CA Open Monday – Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### PURCHASE IN ADVANCE

\$10.00 Advance Adult admission sold until Wednesday, May 8th Carnival pay one price ticket \$30 purchased by Wednesday, May 8th. -5 p.m. Fair time price \$37.00

#### **GATE PRICES**

Adult 13 & Over - \$15.00 Children 5 to 12 years of age – \$10.00 Children 4 & Under Free Fair Admission Senior Citizen Discount 65 & over - \$10.00 Military Discount – with an active-duty card – \$10.00

Thrifty Thursday, May 9th – \$5.00 for Everyone 5 years of age and older Kid's Day Friday, May 10th – Children 12 and under free fair admission all day **FAIR HOURS** 

Thursday at 4 p.m. – 10 p.m. (Ticket sales & buildings close at 9 p.m.) No Re-entry after 9 p.m.

Friday at Noon – 11 p.m. (Ticket sales & buildings close at 10 p.m.)

No Re-entry after 10 p.m.

Saturday at 11 a.m. – 11 p.m. (Ticket sales & buildings close at 10 p.m.) No Re-entry after 10 pm.

Sunday at Noon – 10 p.m. (Ticket sales & buildings close at 9 p.m.) No Re-entry after 9 p.m.

#### GRANDSTAND TICKETS

Friday, May 10th – Flying U Bull Riding – \$40.00 – All ages (if purchased by May 9th fair admission is included)

Show -7 p.m. / Seating -6 p.m.

Saturday, May 11th - TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL - \$40.00 - All ages

(if purchased by May 10, fair admission is included)

Show -7 p.m. / Seating -6 p.m.

Sunday, May 12th – DEMOLITION DERBY – \$40.00 – All ages (if purchased by May 11th fair admission is included) Show -5:30 p.m./Seating -4 p.m.

AFTER THE DEADLINE, AS SPECIFIED ABOVE, THE TICKET PRICE WILL NOT INCLUDE FAIR ADMISSION

Grandstand tickets are subject to availability and may be sold out and unavailable. **PARKING** 

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### **Noted Mexican Charro to Perform** at Fair's Bull Riding Event



Tomas Garcilazo and company will show off their skills on May 10. Courtesy photo

### Dixon May Fair News Release

**DIXON, CA (MPG)** - Spectators at the Dixon May Fair's Flying U Bullriding event, May 10, will be treated to a performance by acclaimed Charro Toma Garzilazo. Garcilazo is a third generation Charro and has devoted his life to sharing Mexico's National Sport La Charreria, which incorporates a display of refined horsemanship while demonstrating rope artistry. In his lifetime dedicated to the sport,

Garcilazo has performed through Europe, Canada, Brazil, the United States, and Mexico. He has been a guest performer at the White House and the Kennedy Center. He is well known on the PRCA Rodeo circuit where he has been named Specialty

held in the Arena on Friday, May 10, at

Act of the Year four times. The Flying U Bull Riding event will be

7 p.m. Also featured that evening are the Outlaw Mariachi Band performing on the Leber Garden Stage from 7 - 10 p.m.

Arena events also include the Maxx Kakl Truck and Tractor Pulls on Saturday, May 11, and the Moondog Motorsports Demolition Derby on May 12. Tickets for all arena events are \$40 for all ages, and if bought in advance include Fair Admission. Tickets purchased the day of the event do not include Fair admission. The arena events have each sold out in advance the past few years so advance purchase is recommended.

For advance sale arena events and discounted tickets for Fair Admission and Carnival wristbands visit DixonMayFair. com. The Fair will be held May 9-12 and includes live music, exhibits, livestock shows, and a large kid's area at no additional charge.



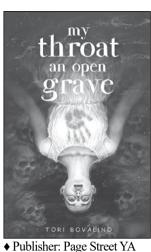
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### My Throat an Open Grave by Tori Bovalino

Leah grew up knowing the stories about the Lord of the Wood. For years, young women of her hometown entered the woods, never to return. Living within the righteous standards of the town's small church is almost suffocating, where every girl is told they must be righteous, holy, above all temptations, or the Lord of The Wood will take her like the others. So, Leah keeps her head down, attends church, and cares for her brother, who never stops crying.

But one night, when it all feels too much, Leah offers her screaming brother to the Lord of the Wood, and he hears her. The next morning, lying on her brother's crib, is a small bundle of sticks tied in a ribbon. Instantly, Leah knows she has made a mistake, and there is only one thing she can do: enter the forest to bring him back. Once she crosses into his domain, Leah realizes that The Lord of The Wood isn't the devil she was made to believe, but a handsome young man. Who offers to return her brother for a price.

One month is all she has, and as Leah prepares, she learns more about the Lord



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of the Wood and those who live within the Forest village. Surrounded by loving caretakers who become friends and Tristan, the Lord of the Wood, Leah starts to feel like she belongs. But the closer she becomes to all of them, the more hidden secrets begin to unearth themselves. Secrets that no longer can stav hidden. As the month draws to a

close, so does her resolve, leaving Leah searching for where she truly belongs and what she believes. Yet, the truth she uncovers about her hometown is too heavy to remain buried, and if Leah doesn't return,

then the pattern continues.

Labyrinth meets the Grace Year in this deeply emotional and thought-provoking folklore story, My Throat an Open Grave. Don't fear the cover. While at first glance, this story might look like a horror read, it is instead an emotional, heart-wrenching story of self-discovery, truth, lies, and the power of an overly righteous town run by controlling men.

With strong main characters interlaced with the best elements of the 1980s cult classic movie Labyrinth, film fans will instantly fall for the Lord of the Woods. Tori Bovalino once again captures the hearts of her readers while delivering a strong, powerful read. Bovalino doesn't shy away from topics that leave her characters vulnerable and raw, touching on rarely-discussed subjects. Yet, she provides them with powerful storytelling settings that propel her readers through the story.

My Throat, an Open Grave, is raw, beautiful, impactful, and emotional, opening the door to unspoken questions and truths. This is a book perfect for getting lost in or discussing in a group; either way, readers will not be disappointed.



### Riley Reviews

"UNGENTLEMANLY WARFARE" AN ENJOYABLE CAPER; FINAL WORD ON TCM

A Film and TV Review by Tim Riley

#### "THE MINISTRY OF UNGENTLEMANLY WARFARE" RATED R

Recently declassified files of the British War Department and a book with the lengthy title of "The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare: How Churchill's Secret Warriors Set Europe Ablaze and Gave Birth to Modern Black Ops" by Damien Lewis inspired director Guy Ritchie for a film up his alley.

While the book's subtitle is revealing, what matters most is that the film "The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare" delivers high-octane action when a motley crew of rogues and mavericks undertakes a secret mission against the Nazis using unconventional fighting techniques.

Although the actual history of Winston Churchill's efforts of Operation Postmaster's special operatives to steal German boats from a Spanish island off the coast of Africa would be more compelling to read about, Guy Ritchie spices up an entertaining adventure by taking numerous

There's a James Bond connection here with a young Ian Fleming (Freddie Fox) inside Churchill's intelligence circle, who apparently drew upon the exploits of the commandos to create his famous secret agent.

One of the characters who may have inspired Fleming was eccentric Major Gus March-Phillipps (Henry Cavill), who is granted an early release from prison. The Major puts together his own elite team, recruiting Danish strongman Anders Lassen (Alan Ritchson), who's skilled with a bow and arrow.

Other members are the Irish navigator Henry Hayes (Hero Fiennes Tiffin; underwater demolitions expert Freddy Alvarez (Henry Golding); and strategist Geoffrey Appleyard (Alex Pettyfer), who has to be rescued from torture in a German camp.

On the distaff side is femme fatale Marjorie Stewart (Eiza Gonzalez), a Jewish actress tasked with seducing the sadistic, sneering Nazi commander Heinrich Luhr (Til Schweiger).

Taking a huge political chance on an illicit mission, Churchill (Rory Kinnear) is perfectly willing to take the risk of dispatching rebels to turn the tide of the war in the Atlantic when England stood alone against the Nazis.

The renegades are invincible killers, mowing down scores of Nazis as easy as a carnival shooting range. The wisecracking dialogue, along with the exciting fight scenes, turn "The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare" into a fun caper.

#### FINAL WORD ON THE TCM CLASSIC FILM FESTIVAL

Many celebrities appeared as special guests at the TCM Classic Film Festival. John Travolta and Samuel L. Jackson joined the opening night gala for "Pulp Fiction."

Morgan Freeman and Tim Robbins reunited for the screening of "The Shawshank Redemption." Mel Brooks introducing a closing night presentation of his film "Spaceballs" was a real treat for a packed theater. No celebrity was busier during the

festival than the dashing Billy Dee

Williams, going strong at age 87, as he was the special guest for "Lady Sings the Blues" and "The Bingo Long Traveling All-Stars & Motor Kings." In addition to a book signing for "What Have We Here?," Williams participated in an hour-long conversation

at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel,

where he described his childhood liv-

ing in Harlem and getting his start in a Broadway production. Making his feature debut in 1959's "The Last Angry Man," Williams developed a friendship with actor Paul Muni, who told him that race doesn't matter and whatever he wants to play he should play it. More to the point, Williams said that "talk of race is

While achieving renown for the role of scoundrel Lando Calrissian in the "Star Wars" films "The Empire Strikes Back" and "The Return of the Jedi," Williams expressed a love for old romantic comedies, along with how much he loved kissing Diana Ross' character of Billie Holiday in "Lady Sings the Blues."

At the "Bingo Long" screening, Williams revealed that the title of his autography "What Have We Here?" was the first line he delivered upon meeting Carrie Fisher's Princess Leia in "The Empire Strikes Back." Indeed, he was a likable rascal, and that's part of his popularity.

An interesting find was the 1960 Jerry Lewis film "The Bellboy," for the actor stepped into the director's role for a film hastily put together when Paramount Pictures wanted a summer release.

Appearing as a guest presenter was Lewis' son Chris, who said that his father wanted the already completed "Cinderfella" to be held for a Christmas release. Since Lewis was performing at the Fontainebleau Hotel in Miami, he quickly penned a script with some help from Stan Laurel.

What's fascinating about "The Bellboy," with Lewis in the title role, is that his eccentric bellboy named Stanley remained mute until the very end, as a tribute to silent film comedians.

Chris Lewis also observed that "The Bellboy," filmed almost entirely in less than a month at the Fontainebleau, was a film with "no story, no plot." It's pretty much, as Chris noted, a "series of silly sequences" which delivers the laughs.

Another discovery of comic gold is 1951's "The Lavender Hill Mob," where bank clerk Alec Guinness organizes an unlikely band of thieves to steal gold and melt it down as Eiffel Tower souvenirs. An unexpected treat is seeing pre-stardom Audrey Hepburn as a cigarette girl in the opening scene.







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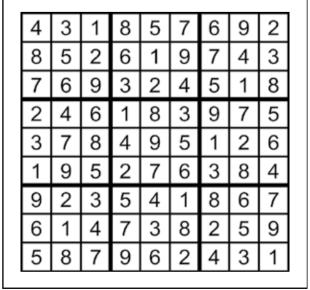


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Valdovino's Sales LLC, 1015 Skyline Drive, Valleio. CA 94591. Date filed in Solano County: April 2. 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: January 1, 2024

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Lucky Hair and Nail Salon LLC,

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STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-000594 The following persons are doing business as: Creative Solutions Education, 1735 West H Street, Dixon, CA 95620.

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Tara Weiand, 1735 West H Street, Dixon, CA 95620.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF EMANUEL CAMILLERI CASE NO. PR24-00207 To all heirs, beneficiaries, cred-

itors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Emanuel Camilleri. A Petition for Probate has been

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to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: May 9, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 10, Room 305; Superior Court of California, County of Solano, 600 Union Street, Fairfield, CA 94533.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a no-tice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file

kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Deborah A. Biggane. 5065 Misty Ridge Drive, Roseville, CA 95747; 619-432-5399 Publish: April 19, 26, May 3, 2024 CAMILLERI

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LORRAINE M. SARAGOSA, AKA LORRAINE MARIE SARAGOSA CASE NO. PR24-00073 To all heirs, beneficiaries, cred-

itors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Lorraine M. Saragosa, aka Lorraine Marie Saragosa. A Petition for Probate has

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The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: May 16, 2024, 10:00 a.m. in Dept 10; Superior Court of California, County of Solano, 600 Union Street, Fairfield, CA 94533. IF YOU OBJECT to the grant-

ing of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
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### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** OF THE DIXON PLANNING COMMISSION

The Dixon Planning Commission will hold a PUBLIC HEARING to consider the following project:

PROJECT:

City of Dixon 5-Year Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Plan Update for Fiscal Year 2025 through Fiscal Year 2029 - The City of Dixon is updating it's CIP for the next five years. A CIP is a five-year forecast which identifies major (capital) projects requiring the use of public funds over and above routine annual operating expenses. A capital project creates, improves, replaces, repairs, or permanently adds to City assets including: land, site improvements, parks, buildings, streets, bike paths, bridges, utility improvements, major equipment, computer hardware, and communication systems purchases The CIP plan and the Commission's review for General Plan conformity is not subject to

the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378 since it is not a "project" as defined under CEQA. Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm. This meeting will be physically open to the public. All

**HEARING DATES &** LOCATION:

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participating via video conferencing at http://www.zoom.us or via teleconference by calling (669) 900-9128 (Entering Meeting ID: 988 621 1137 and Passcode: 604754) and will be given the opportunity to provide public comment. Contact Jordan Santos, Junior Engineer at (707) 678-7030 or jsantos@cityofdixon. us. You can also come to City Hall, 171 S 5th St, Dixon, CA 95620 to look at the file for

the proposed project. The office is open weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You can

also view the staff report 72 hours before the meeting at https://www.cityofdixon.us/

members of the public may participate in the meeting by attending the meeting or remotely

INFORMATION:

WHAT WILL

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MeetingAgendasMinutesVideos All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing to express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposed application. Testimony from interested persons will be heard and considered by the Planning Commission prior to making any recommendation on the application. The Planning Commission serves as an advisory body for this matter and will make it's recommendation to the City Council. The City Council will hold a duly noticed public hearing at a future date. to consider this matter.

The meeting will be physically open to the public and all persons attending the meeting must abide by all State rules and public health guidelines, regarding masking and social distancing in City Council chambers.

**PUBLIC** COMMENTS: Prior to 4:30pm on the day of the meeting, written comments can be: 1) emailed to PlanningCommission@cityofdixon.us or 2) mailed/dropped off to: City of Dixon, Planning Commission, 600 East A St, Dixon, CA 95620 and must be received by 4:30pm on the day of the hearing. Copies of written comments received will be provided to the Planning Commission and will become part of the official record, but will not be read aloud

You may also attend the public hearing at the time and location listed above or participate remotely, to provide comments during the meeting. To speak or provide comments remotely during public comment period, you may 1) via video conferencing click on "raise hand" 2) via teleconference press \*9, or 3) email comments/questions to publiccomment@ citvofdixon.us

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### **Dixon Unified School District Labor Talks Continue**

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English teacher Julie Lattig, who wrote she works "more hours and makes less money."

"My students ask me," Miss Lattig, will you be here next year?' And while my mouth says that is the plan, my heart aches in my chest because while I want so desperately to stay here, it is getting harder and harder to justify doing so," Lattig wrote.

Cuevas noted that the next email came from his Dixon High School English teacher, Lisa Krebs, who wrote that while she "never gives up on Dixon, it feels like Dixon is giving up on me."

"It is getting harder and harder to provide for my family on my salary," Krebs wrote. "Even as a 31-year-veteran teacher with a master's, who teaches 120% percent every chance she gets."

Krebs's email became more personal as she opened up about students being like family, whom she trusts to babysit and wash the family car.

"I have gone to court to help students stay in this country and wrote hundreds of recommendation letters on my own time to help Dixon students get scholarships and jobs," Krebs wrote.

Tremont Elementary School teacher Molly Gallagher McNeal told the audience she would likely get emotional when speaking due to her deep "Dixonite" history, with generations in her family graduating from the district. Gallagher McNeal said she started her teaching career in Vacaville 25 years ago but left because "Dixon was the place to work."

"It was a strong district that made its employees feel valued and respected... When I got the offer, I jumped at it," Gallagher McNeal said, noting that 21 years later, it's not the same. "Tonight, I stand

Gallagher McNeal said that, like her peers, she also considers leaving Dixon and returning to work in Vacaville or a neighboring district. Nick Santini stood at the podium on behalf of his wife, who he said teaches at the district, telling officials, "You have to do better" because "teachers don't feel valued."

After Santini said the financial offer put on the table for the teachers was a "slap in the face," Dixon High School teacher Nick Stidham got up to speak, saying he had not planned to do so until feeling compelled.

As far as the "state of negotiations," Stidham, a 17-year multimedia teacher and the department chair for Visual and Performing Arts told officials that in his nearly two-decade career, he could have left Dixon for better pay but chose to remain with the "incredible" students and his

"I do question more and more if teachers like me, who you have heard about, are wondering if it is really worthwhile to be committed long term here if we are not going to be fully supported from a financial standpoint by our district and our community," Stidham said, to even louder applause than his peers.

Jennifer Moody, paraprofessional at Dixon High School, said she can make up to three dollars more an hour "20 minutes down the road," it is not the pay she is most concerned about.

"Our students deserve every opportunity and they deserve every ounce of respect, and where that starts is our teachers and staff, and we can't even do that," Moody said. District Official Shawntel McCammon

said school representatives met with the Service Employees International Union on April 22, and with Dixon Teachers Association officials on April 24, as Superintendent Dolan promised.

"Negotiations are ongoing, and meetings will continue to be held," McCammon said. "There have been no actions or decisions have been made at this time."

However, Dixon Teachers Association Co-President Sadorra said, "The school year is nearing its end and a new superintendent is coming in, which narrows the timeline to settle.

"Leaving these negotiations unsettled is not in anyone's best interest," Sadorra

### **Aquatics Program Makes a Splash**

Continued from page 1 lap swim classes offered in group and individual lessons.

"Our competition pool has eight lanes, kickboards, pull buoys and water aerobics equipment available for use upon request," Graf said. "What's new this year is that the community can view our full schedule and make class reservations in our new online portal."

The city aquatics program also offers water aerobics, beginning in June.

"The schedule will be posted in the coming weeks," Graf said. On the other end of the

infant spectrum of swim-

ming, aquatics is good for seniors because of its low impact, according to Schnitter. "The water reduces pressure on joints, bones, and

muscles. Aquatic exercise

benefits anyone with arthri-

tis, joint injuries or limited

mobility," Schnitter said. Overall, aquatics is excellent for all ages in between, according to the recreation director, who notes at least three reasons to exercise

Dixon Community Pool offers aquatics for all ages from toddlers to seniors. Photo courtesy of the City of Dixon

in water. First, it provides whole-body workouts with water's built-in resistance.

"It improves cardiovascular health since swimming works the heart and lungs," Schnitter said, adding that it also improves mental health because it helps regulate the breathing pattern. "The color, sound, and feel of water can lower pulse rate and increase feelings of calmness, known as the blue mind effect."

Additionally, Schnitter said that being on a swim team can improve life-long skills such as self-motivation, time management, communication and teamwork. Those who just want to lounge around in the water with no instruction at all can enjoy Dixon City Recreation Swim that beings on June 10

and runs until Aug. 4 from 1 to 4 p.m. every Thursday and Saturday.

"Swimming is a great way for children to socialize and stay active," Schnitter said. "Recreation swim allows kids to interact through engagement with familiar water games like Sharks and Minnows, Colors and Marco Polo"

Graf said no matter what age you are, the variety of programs at Pat Grannuci Aquatics Center offers many opportunities. "During the summer, the

pool is open seven days a week and it is a great place to come and beat the heat or get in daily exercise," Graf

For the full aquatics program schedule, visit cityofdixon.us/rec.

Persons listed in this log from the Dixon Police Department are considered innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Only activities deemed significant by the Police Dept. are included.

### **DIXON POLICE LOG**

#### Sunday, April 14, 2024

**1805** - An informational report was taken in the 1400 block of Ary Ln.

1825 - A stolen vehicle arrest report was taken in the 300 block of North Lincoln St. The suspect a juvenile was contacted and arrested. The juvenile was taken to juvenile hall.

#### Saturday, April 13

2231 - Information report in the 1400 block of Ary Ln.

**0346** - Information report in the 400 block of S Jackson St. 1132 - Suspicious person report 300 block Fitzpatrick Court.

1430 - Follow-up in West Sacramento regarding burglary incident from night shift.

1524 - Shoplifting report 100 block North First Street.

#### **1654 -** Traffic Stop for stolen plates West A Street at I-80. Friday, April 12

**1848** - A stolen vehicle was recovered in the 2800 block of W A St.

**2139** - Damaso Landeros Delgado (40) was arrested in the 700 block of W D St North for driving under the influence of alcohol. He was released to a sober adult with his signed promise to appear.

**0021** - Elias Lane (27) was contacted in the 1400 block of Ary Ln and found to have an outstanding bench warrant for failure to appear and to be in possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. Lane was arrested and booked into the Solano County Jail without incident.

0336 - An officer on-viewed and interrupted an in-progress auto burglary in the 200 block of Fuller Ln.

0342 - Traffic collision report in the 200 block of Fuller Ln.

Thursday, April 11

**1719** - Confidential report in the 200 block of S 1st St.

2218 - Jesus OrtizLopez (28) was arrested in the 8500 block of Pedrick Rd for driving under the influence (DUI). Due to several prior DUI convictions, OrtizLopez was charged with a felony count of DUI. OrtizLopez was transported and booked at the Solano County Jail.

0844 - Battery report 200 block East D Street.

0935 - Hit and Run Collision report 1900 block Rehrmann Drive.

1320 - Confidential report 500 block College Way. 1340 - Lost property report 1500 block Pembroke Way.

1450 - Agency Assist 500 block College Way. 1620 - Follow-up at Dixon PD resulted in the arrest of David Sirizzotti (43) of Dixon for burglary, vehicle theft,

possession of stolen property, conspiracy, and violation of probation. He was booked into the Solano County

### Thursday, April 10

2118 - In the 100 block of Evans Rd, Ignacio GarciaLeon (74) was arrested for driving under the influence of a controlled substance. GarciaLeon was released to a sober adult with his signed promise to appear.

0626 - Burglary report 100 block West E Street.

released for a failure to appear warrant out of Yolo County.

Tuesday, April 9 1213 - Warrant arrest in the area of Ary Lane and Market Lane. Angelo Quintero (26), of Dixon, was cited and

1229 - Agency assist at the Dixon Police Department. 1416 Informational report taken in the 400 block of

#### East A Street. Monday, April 8

2002 - A theft report was taken in the 2000 block of North 1st St.

2156 - A found Property report was taken in the 1200 block of Stratford Ave.

### **Lois Cross to Address Women in Business**



Lois Cross will be the speaker for the Chamber's Women in Business Night. Courtesy photo

### By MPG Staff

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Women are invited to hear guest presenter Lois Cross offered at the next Dixon Chamber of Commerce 'Women in Business Night' on Thursday, May 23, 5:30

to 7 p.m. Cross, MSN, is the prior Sutter Health Director of Clinical Operations and current Senior District Representative for Congressman Garamendi. She is also current Chair of the Travis Regional Armed Forces Committee which is the local community

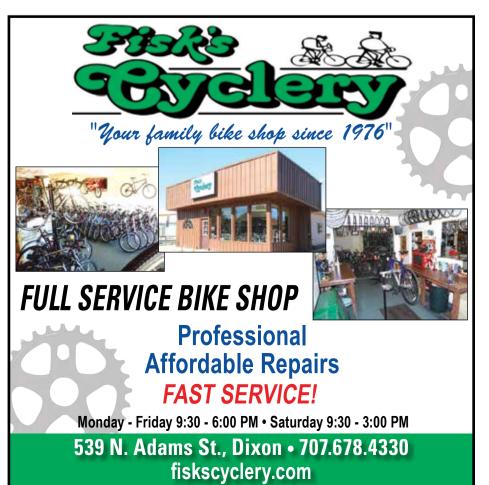
organization that supports men, women, and missions of Travis Air Force Base. Its membership is composed of local business and civic leaders, including elected officials throughout Solano County, State, and Federal government. The committee is governed by an all-volunteer Board of Directors.

The meet up will be held at The Creative Space, 160 West A Street in downtown Dixon, and admission is \$10 that can be paid

on Eventbrite.com. "It will be a fun evening as we sip, mingle, and get inspired," posted Chamber CEO

Shauna Manina on social media. "We want to help gather and inspire local women business owners, leaders and aspiring entrepreneurs," said Robin Tully of the Chamber of Commerce Business Education and Resource Committee. "I don't think many of us realize just how many local businesses are owned or ran by women. I'm confident we will have a diverse, impressive, and vibrant group of women there to meet

one another, share ideas and help each other." For more information, contact Tully at robin@tullygroup.com or call the Chamber at (707) 678-2650.





## COMICS & PUZZLES



















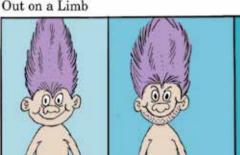


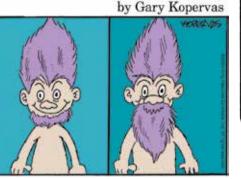


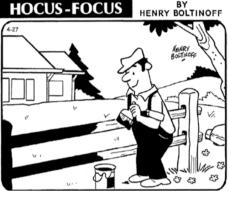














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# Dixon Family Services Celebrates 40



Dixon Family Services Director Cookie Powell is handed a framed recognition for 40 years of community service by Ron Turner, field representative for California Senator Bill Dodd.

Story and photo by Debra Dingman

**DIXON, CA (MPG)** - About two dozen people gathered recently to share in the 40th anniversary of Dixon Family Services, an organization established in 1984 to provide a wide variety of human services for low-income families and individuals.

"We specialize in helping those struggling to meet their basic needs of food, rent, and utilities," explained Executive Director Cookie Powell. During Covid, the need for human services increased drastically and there were many calls for help: from people who had never needed any kind of benefit before. They never closed during that unprecedented and dangerous time, and that the staff members were to be commended for being brave enough to come to work every day, she explained.

"They did this because it is in their hearts and souls to help those in need," said Powell.

Guests were treated to fanfare and refreshments after an explanation of where the organization had experienced times of plenty of financial support but also times of financial drought.

"Yet supporters have always pulled through for our citizens," Powell said, publicly thanking Joe and Christa Bruch from Dixon Grocery Outlet who has donated food as well as gift cards over holidays and regularly helps stock the DFS food pantry. In July, the store runs a fundraiser called "Independence from Hunger" and offers customers a \$5 coupon if they donate \$5 to the organization.

"The pantry helps fight food insecurity in hundreds of households each year," said an appreciative Powell.

For the convenience of Dixon residents, representatives of government benefits and healthcare programs are also located in the DFS building including a WIC

(Women, Infants, and Children) Clinic. Victor Hernandez lauded Powell and her staff for keeping the doors open to the WIC Program.

"Solano County sees 9,300 clients a month through six clinics, and three of those are in Dixon," said Hernandez, health education specialist for Solano County Public Health. "In the Dixon clinics, 600 are served."

Tours were given for those who wanted to see the insides of the historical building and the offices where they work with families.

"It used to be the courthouse and also the Dixon Police Department all in one. I remember going to court here three days after I got my license," said Powell, drawing a laugh from the crowd.

Dixon is a small, culturally-diverse community, with a large percentage of families living at or below poverty.

"We will continue to do as much as we can to alleviate some of the ill effects of poverty, motivated by our overarching goal of ensuring that all children are safe, healthy, and thriving in their homes," Powell said. "Our success depends greatly on foundation grants and donations from those who want to be part of our mission to improve lives."





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Friday, May 10th **7** pm

Flying U Rodeo and **Production Bull Riding Event**  Saturday, May 11th **7** pm

**Maxx Kakl Powersports Tractor Pull Competition**  Sunday, May 12th 5:30 pm

**Demolition Derby Presented** by Moondog Motorsports

Tickets \$40 (all ages) + fair admission. Tickets available online and at the fair box office (M-F 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) (tickets are subject to availability and may sell out prior to the day of the show.)

### <u>Leber Garden Stage</u>

Thursday, May 9th

Michael Furlong's **Tribute to Tom Petty** & The Heartbreakers 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday, May 10th

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1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The Outlaw Mariachi 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 11th

**Dixon Dance Studio** Noon

**Robby James & The** Streets of Bakersfield 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Ariel Jean Band** 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Sunday, May 12th

**Maya Band** <u>1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.</u>

The Rhythm **Method Trio** 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

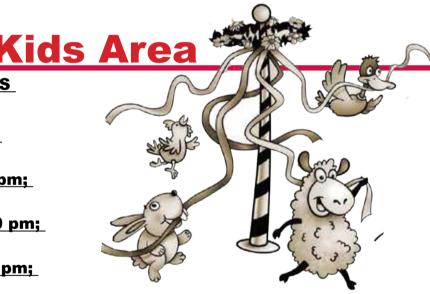
#### JD PLATT'S K9 KINGS **ENTERTAINMENT**

Thursday, May 9th: 4:30 pm & 6:30 pm

Friday, May 10th: 2:00 pm; 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Saturday, May 11th: 2:00 pm; 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm

**Sunday, May 12th: 2:00 pm;** 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm



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**Magic of Frank Thurston** 

Today's Youth Stage

Friday, May 10th: 12:30 pm; 3:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Saturday, May 11th: 12:30 pm; 3:00pm & 5:30 pm

Sunday, May 12th: 12:30 pm; 3:00 pm & 5:30 pm

Vacaville High School **Drumline** 

Main Gate Courtyard Saturday, May 11th - 1 p.m.



### <u>Picnic Stage</u>

### Saturday, May 11th

**10th Annual Dixon May Fair Classic Car Show** 11 am - 3:30 pm

**Chamber of Commerce Parade Awards** 2:00 pm

**Hey Jude Beatles Tribute Band** 

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm,

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm **Car Show Awards** 

3:30 pm

Sunday, May 12th

Mariachi America -**Main Entrance Noon – 2 p.m.** 

DJ

2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Grupo Los Covas** 2:30 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.

Marisol y Su Revancha

3:35 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Los Jefes Del Valle

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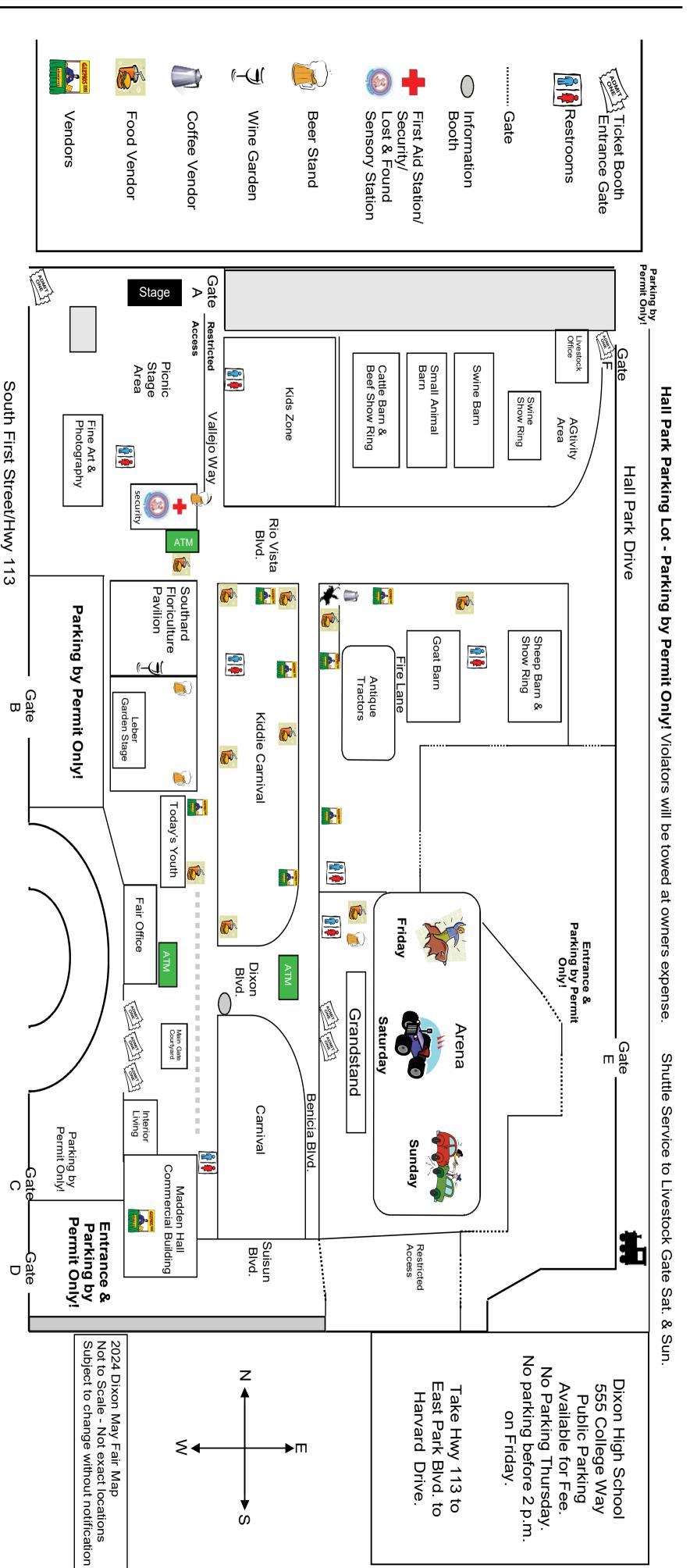
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Banda La 8va Maravilla 8:20 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

**Exhibit Buildings & Admission Gates Close** 9 p.m.

Fair Closes until 2025

10 p.m.



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# Songs of the Eagles to Perform

By MPG Staff

DIXON, CA (MPG) - New entertainment at this year's Dixon May Fair will be provided by the Songs of the Eagles on the Leber Stage on Thursday, 6 - 9p.m.

The time... the early 70's. The place... a dark desert highway. The setting... the famous Hotel California which according to the legend is the place "you can never leave."

Of course, you will never want to leave as the familiar chart-topping music of The Eagles: Henley, Frey, Schmit and Walsh fills the room with the songs loved by generations for more than 40 years.

Inside the Hotel California you will find the Tequila Sunrise Ballroom where a six-piece band performs to perfection. The Eagles greatest hits such as, "Take It Easy" to "Get Over it." The male vocalist will "Take You to The Limit," with his dynamic version of "Witchy Woman" and "Heartache Tonight."

With five number one singles and four number one albums, The Eagles were among the most successful recording artists of the 1970's. At the end of the 20th Century, two of those

albums, "Eagles: Their Greatest Hits (1971-1975)" and "Hotel California," ranked among the ten best-selling albums ever, according to the certifications of the Record Industry Association of America.

Though most of its members came from outside of California, the group was closely identified with a country- and folk -tinged sound that initially found favor in and around Los Angeles in the late 60's, as played by bands such as, 'The Flying Burrito Brothers' and 'Poco', which both contributed members to 'The Eagles.' The band also drew upon traditional rock n' roll styles and in their later work helped define the broadly popular rock sound, eventually referred to as Classic Rock. This helped The Eagles to achieve a perennial appeal among the generations of music fans who continued to buy their records many years after they had split up, which inspired the reunion they mounted in the mid-90's. The Eagles were inducted into the Hall of Fame in January 1983.

The Eagles released their first album in 28 years in October 2007 and the new touring schedule to promote this album is guaranteed to spark a resurgence in The



The Songs of the Eagles Band will perform first on the Leber Stage. Outlaw Mariachi will play on Friday, and a tribute to the band Boston will be Saturday night. Courtesy photo

Eagles music.

Sit Back, close your eyes and feel the years drop away as you

experience a musical journey that will transport you to the very best of times! For more info, go to www.

eaglescoverband.com.

Additionally, the Outlaw Mariachi will be performing on Friday from 7 to 10

p.m. and 'Long Time,' A Tribute to the Band Boston will play on Saturday from 7 to 10 p.m.

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Southard Floriculture Pavilion: Youth and Adult Gardens, Cut Flowers, Container Grown Plants, Arnold Collier Farm Implement Collection Display, Tips from the Solano County Master Gardeners, Integrated Pest Management Kiosk

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### Thursday, May 9, 2024:

KUIC Thrifty Thursday + \$5.00 Admission for Everyone! (4 and Under Free), Fair opens at 4 pm

Livestock Shows in Progress (Fair Admission Required) 8:00: Youth Swine Show – Swine Pavilion

9:00: Youth Sheep Show – Sheep Show Ring

4:00: FAIR OPENS and Butler Amusements Carnival Opens

4:00: Aftershock Cloggers – Leber Garden Stage

4:00-9:00: Wine Room Open

4:00-8:00: Master Gardeners of Solano County – Southard Floriculture Pavilion 4:30: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show - Allied Propane Kids

Zone

5:00: Youth Cavy Show – Small Animal Barn

6:00-9:00: Mike Furlong's Tribute to Tom Petty – Leber Garden Stage 6:00: Aftershock Cloggers - Main Gate Courtyard

6:00: Youth Still Life Awards Ceremony - Today's Youth

6:00: Youth Dairy Cattle Show followed by the Junior Beef Cattle Show – Cattle Show Ring

6:30: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show - Allied Propane Kids

9:00: Exhibit Buildings & Admission Gates Close 10:00: Fair Closes until next day

### Friday, May 10, 2024:

Kids Day – Free Fair Admission for Kids 12 and Under Fair Opens at Noon

Livestock Shows in Progress (Fair Admission Required) 8:00: Youth Goat Show – Sheep Show Ring

9:00: Youth Rabbit Show – Swine Show Ring

Noon: FAIR OPENS, Butler Amusements Carnival Opens Noon-5:00: Dixon Fire Department's Sparky the Fire Dog – Allied Propane Kids Zone

Noon-8:00: Master Gardeners of Solano County – Southard Floriculture Pavilion

Noon-10:00: Wine Room Open

12:30: Magic of Frank Thurston – Today's Youth Stage

1:00: Youth Pygmy Goat Show – Sheep Show Ring 1:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds

1:00-5:00: School of Rock Vacaville – Leber Garden Stage

2:00: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show – Allied Propane Kids Zone

3:00: Magic of Frank Thurston – Today's Youth Stage

3:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds

4:00: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show – Allied Propane Kids

4:00: Youth Dog Show – Livestock Area 5:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds

6:00: Seating begins for Flying U Bull Riding Event (must have a ticket to enter) 6:00: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show – Allied Propane Kids

6:00: Magic of Frank Thurston - Today's Youth Stage

6:00: Pee Wee (Children 8 & Under) Showmanship – Sheep **Show Ring** 

7:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds

7:00-10:00: Outlaw Mariachi – Leber Garden Stage 7:00: Grandstand, Flying U Rodeo Bull Riding Event, Tickets \$40, Advance sale includes Fair admission. Day of

event \$40 without Fair admission. 10:00: Exhibit Buildings and Admission Gates Close 11:00: Fair closes until tomorrow

### **Saturday, May 11, 2024**

Fair Opens at 11 am 10:00: Dixon Chamber of Commerce Parade – First Street,

11:00: FAIR OPENS

11:00-3:00: 10th Annual Dixon May Fair Classic Car Show

Picnic Stage Area 11:30: Junior Livestock Auction - Beef Show Ring

Noon: Butler Amusements Carnival Opens

Noon: Dixon Dance Studio – Leber Garden Stage

Noon-10:00: Wine Room Open

12:30: Magic of Frank Thurston - Today's Youth Stage 12:30-8:00: Master Gardeners of Solano County - Southard Floriculture Pavilion

12:30-1:30: Hey Jude - Picnic Stage 1:00: Vacaville High School Drumline - Main Gate

Courtyard 1:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds 2:00-6:00: Robby James and the Streets of Bakersfield -

Leber Garden Stage 2:00: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show - Allied Propane Kids

2:00: Dixon Chamber of Commerce Parade Awards - Picnic

2:30: Diaper Derby – Allied Propane Kids Zone

2:30-3:30: Hey Jude – Picnic Stage

3:00: Magic of Frank Thurston – Today's Youth Stage

3:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds

3:30: Classic Car Show Awards Ceremony – Picnic Stage 4:00: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show – Allied Propane Kids

5:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds 5:30: Magic of Frank Thurston – Today's Youth Stage 6:00: Seating begins for Truck & Tractor Pull (must have a

ticket to enter)

6:00: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show - Allied Propane Kids

7:00-10:00: Ariel Jean Band – Leber Garden Stage

7:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds 7:00: Grandstand, Maxx Kakl Motorsports, Truck & Tractor Pulls, Tickets \$40, Advance sale includes Fair admission. Day

of event \$40 without Fair admission. 10:00: Exhibit Buildings and Admission Gates Close 11:00: Fair closes until next day

### **Sunday, May 12, 2024:**

Mother's Day Rose Giveaway - Main Gate First 500 through Main Gate — Subject to Availability

Fair Opens at Noon

Livestock Shows in Progress (Fair Admission Required) 9:00: Large Animal Supreme Showmanship - Livestock Area

11:00: Small Animal Supreme Showmanship Noon: FAIR OPENS, Butler Amusements Carnival Opens

Noon-2:00: Mariachi America – Main Gate Courtyard Noon-6:00: Master Gardeners of Solano County – Southard Floriculture Pavilion

Noon-9:00: Wine Room Open

12:30: Magic of Frank Thurston - Today's Youth Stage

1:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – Grounds

1:00-5:00: Maya Band – Leber Garden Stage

2:00-2:20: DJ – Picnic Stage

2:00: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show - Allied Propane Kids 2:20-3:20: Grupo Los Covas – Picnic Stage

3:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds

3:00: Livestock Exhibitor Awards – Cattle Show Ring

3:00: Magic of Frank Thurston - Today's Youth Stage

3:35-4:30: Marisol y Su Revancha – Picnic Stage 4:00: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show - Allied Propane Kids

Zone 4:00: Seating begins for Demolition Derby (must have a

ticket to enter)

4:45-5:40: Los Jefes Del Valle – Picnic Stage

5:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds

5:30: Magic of Frank Thurston – Today's Youth Stage

5:30: Grandstand, MoonDog Motorsports Demolition Derby, Tickets \$40, Advance sale includes Fair admission. Day of event \$40 without Fair admission.

5:55-6:50: Alerta Máxima – Picnic Stage 6:00: K9 Kings Flying Dog Show - Allied Propane Kids

6:00-9:00: Rhythm Method Trio - Leber Garden Stage 7:00: Hillia Hula Hoop Extraordinaire – grounds 7:05-8:05: Los Canarios De Michoacán – Picnic Stage 8:20-9:15: Banda La 8va Maravilla — Picnic Stage 9:00: Exhibit Buildings & Admission Gates Close 10:00: Fair closes until 2025

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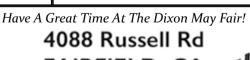
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