

HARMONY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT Superintendent has facilitated the agreement to complete the sidewalk on Bohemian Highway across the street from the Fire House in Occidental by citing the danger to school children walking from Harmony Village to the bus stop.

KOWS has a webpage kows92-5.org/ in addition to their facebook page. Did you know they broadcast 24 hours per day 7 days a week? They are 100 volunteers strong celebrating ten years of broadcasting.

OCCIDENTAL ARTS AND ECOLOGY CENTER is located in the Dutch Bill Creek Watershed. In January Coho salmon were spawning in the creek due to coordinated efforts of Gold Ridge Resource Conservation and interested watershed residents. Their book *Basins of Relations* about watershed stewardship is now in its 3rd edition.

OCCIDENTAL CENTER FOR THE ARTS has closed its Gallery temporarily for a new floor being installed. Now that the permit is in hand, preparations for a new Lobby ground-breaking have begun. Meanwhile, the music, dancing, and book launches continue in the Auditorium. There is a call for the next Gallery Show "Anything Goes" Exhibition by members only. Show reception March 3, 4:-7: pm.

OCCIDENTAL COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY COUNCIL received a ping pong table for after school use by HUSD students. A new guideline for Emergency Contingencies is being developed by the Community Center site manager, Ranger Tim Pritchard.

OCCIDENTAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL has developed its 2018 Budget. John Blair and Aleksandra Takala made a generous donation beyond the Craft Faire income. Balance: \$14,014.44. Holiday Crafts Faire Report: \$6085.62 Income. 2017 Expense Report \$10,281.72. Proposed Budget for 2018 Passed: 10% Admin/Website, 10% Resource Fund, 15% Donations, 20%, Ongoing Projects, 25% New Projects, and 20% Crafts Faire. A current New Project being explored is updating the map mural on Bohemian Mkt. wall.

OCCIDENTAL COMMUNITY CHOIR is writing and rehearsing music for its spring concert series "The Great Wheel". Concerts will be the first two weekends of May. All but one (Glaser Center) are performed at OCA. Plans for entry into the Apple Blossom Parade are in progress. The Choir will also sing at the Sonoma County Choral Festival April 7th. Preparations are being made for the 40th Anniversary Events next year by locating contact information for 350 alumni.

OCCIDENTAL COMMUNITY SERVICE DISTRICT Fire Chief, Ron Lunardi, sent a letter of endorsement to Supervisor Lynda Hopkins which proved to be influential in getting the sidewalk completion approval. Brelje and Race are drawing up the engineering designs and Piassa Construction will complete the sidewalk before completing the ADA compliance construction.

SALMON CREEK WATERSHED COUNCIL is completing an on-going project to publish and also post on their website the booklet "**Salmon Creek Watershed Council Welcomes You to our Watershed and It's Nearby Areas.**" It is intended to be a resource guide for all residents of the area.

WEST COUNTY OCCIDENTAL HEALTH CENTER has posted the video "The New Russian River Health and Wellness Center" on its website to assist in the capital campaign to rebuild after their fire in 2015. They plan to break ground this coming spring. Donations may be made online <http://www.wchealth.org/help/donations>

YMCA offers its Activity Room for rent at from \$20 to \$30 for a two hour minimum. Phone 874-2242.