

Community Notes

September 18, 2018

HARMONY UNION SCHOOL had practice last week with the Wireless Emergency Alert in a County-wide test of the system. Classes in Afterschool Enrichment with the ARK and YMCA are planned from September 10 to October 8, and from October 12 to October 26. Sign up at www.harmonyark.org

KOWS is seeking technical support for locating their antennae in Sebastopol. You can contact the Steering Committee by emailing kowssc@yahoo.com. The Variety Showcase airs every 3rd Thursday from 7:30 to 9: pm.

OCCIDENTAL ARTS AND ECOLOGY CENTER's new meeting hall is complete. It is 3500 square feet and ADA compliant. It includes conference hall, auxiliary meeting room, courtyard and deck, lounge, reception office, kitchen, audio-visual and teleconferencing facility, and bathrooms.

OCCIDENTAL CENTER FOR THE ARTS's new Lobby is now weather-tight. The Gallery is hosting the Pointless Sisters and their fantastic fabric art until September 30th. There is a call for entries to the next show "Myth and Magic". The Auditorium will feature a book launch and three musical acts this month. See the website for full listings. A benefit for OCA will be held at the Rainbow Cattle Co. in Guerneville (16220 Main Street) September 25 6-8 pm with dinner by Saucy Mama for \$5 and super raffle.

OCCIDENTAL COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY COUNCIL met on September 6th to review facility use and needs. The Center is at capacity use currently with after-school, SRJC, and exercise classes meeting. Evening sports continue. Concern for the condition of the tennis court surface was expressed to the Parks Ranger, Tim Pritchard who will do maintenance work on it this month. Next meeting is October 4th at 6:30.

OCCIDENTAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL has juried applications for the next Craft Faire December 8 and 9. All vendor applicants will soon be contacted. A corrected and updated Google calendar of local events is at www.occidental-ca.org. The annual underwriting of \$360 was paid to KOWS.

OCCIDENTAL COMMUNITY CHOIR's rehearsals resumed with its 51 members. Orientation for new singers took place and the non-profit will hold its first membership meeting tomorrow night.

OCCIDENTAL COMMUNITY SERVICE DISTRICT meeting held August 21, Chief Lunardi reported intention to have a Fire website created. There is pressure from the County to consolidate fire districts for efficient response since the October fire of last year. Discussions continue regarding formation and funding.

SALMON CREEK WATERSHED COUNCIL has just completed doing wet-dry mapping of the watershed. This marks the sixth year of watershed mapping. Volunteers will table at Friday Farmers' Market on 21st.

WEST COUNTY OCCIDENTAL HEALTH CENTER has moved an Emergency Trailer to the Community Center parking lot. This resource will be available to address injuries due to earthquake or fire.

YMCA website has been updated. After school programs for Harmony Union students have resumed. Children will continue plantings of flowers and vegetables in the Center's planters.