

# Day care evacuated in bomb scare

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No one was injured and a device was neutralized following a bomb scare on May 26 in Weed.

Weed Police officers responded to a Weed residence at approximately 11:30 a.m. after a reporting party overheard 33 year-old Larry Pasley say he was going to blow up a vehicle, according to the department's public information officer, Jim Cummings.

The vehicle was allegedly bought by Pasley and then the seller wanted it back, Cummings said.

Officers attempted to locate Pasley at his residence and found a sealed PVC container with a cloth wick nearby, Cummings said.

Pasley was found and subsequently arrested on charges of possession of a destructive device, possession of a destructive device in a public place, use of an explosive/destructive device, making a destructive device without a permit and possession of controlled substance paraphernalia.

A day care located next to Pasley's residence was evacuated and the device was neutralized by Siskiyou County Sheriff's Department bomb technicians, said Cummings.

No one was injured throughout the incident, Cummings said.

Agencies involved included the WPD, Weed Fire Department, Siskiyou County Sheriff's Department and CAL FIRE.

# Forest Service to waive recreation fees on June 11

The Shasta-Trinity National Forest invites visitors to enjoy a fee-free day in honor of National Get Outdoors Day this Saturday, June 11.

This year's fee waiver extends to the following campgrounds and recreation facilities:

- Hayfork and Yolla Bolla Areas – Basin Gulch, Forest Glen, Hell Gate.
- Mount Shasta and McCloud Areas – Ah-Di-Na, Cattle Camp, Fowlers, Sims, McCloud Boat Ramp.
- Weaverville and Big Bar Areas – Big Flat, Burnt Ranch, Hayden Flat - waiver applies to the family campground, not the group campsites.
- Pigeon Point - waiver applies to the family campground, not the group campsite.
- Shasta Recreation Company, the concessionaire who operates many of the recreation sites in the National Recreation Area, will also waive fees at the following sites:
  - Shasta and Trinity Lake Areas.
  - Bailey Cove Day-use Area at Shasta Lake.
  - Pine Cove Picnic Area near Lewiston.
  - Stoney Creek Swim Area near Weaverville.

"We are waiving the fees at our sites to encourage people from all walks of life to get outdoors and enjoy the many recreation activities provided on our forest," said public services staff officer Brenda Tracy. "We hope that recreation experiences on public lands will foster a lifelong appreciation and a sense of stewardship for our natural resources."

To locate the recreation sites log on to [www.fs.usda.gov/goto/stnf/recreation](http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/stnf/recreation), scroll down to the interactive map and navigate by clicking on the Forest Service shield in an area of interest.

This fee-free day supports the goals of President Obama's America's Great Outdoors initiative, as well as First Lady Michelle Obama's Let's Move Outside program.

The Forest Service mission is to "sustain the health, diversity and productivity of the nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations." The agency manages 193 million acres of public lands and includes the world's largest forestry research organization.

For more information contact Schirete Zick at (530) 226-2595, or by email at [szick@fs.fed.us](mailto:szick@fs.fed.us)

# River Run art show to open this Saturday

The River Run Gallery in Weed will hold a "Spring Showers and June Flowers" show, with an opening reception this Saturday, June 11, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Participating artists include Joel Glick, Roberta Moser, Linda Vivas, Steve Taylor, Chris Messer, Jill Gardner, Shery Larson, John Rickard and Sharon LoMonaco.

River Run will be accepting work for the show until Thursday, June 9.

# Meals on Wheels receives \$20,000 grant, raises funds for match

The Mount Shasta Meals on Wheels Auxillary is currently in the process of raising money to purchase a new delivery vehicle for the Senior Nutrition Center program.

Recently, the group was awarded a \$20,000 grant from Walmart and the Meals on Wheels Association of America, said Dawn Fazende, the founder of the Auxillary group.

"The money is contingent on us raising an amount equal to 10 percent

of the grant – in this case \$2,000," she said.

They're asking for the public's help to reach this amount.

"So far we have received donations totaling \$375. We need an additional \$1,625," Fazende said.

Currently, the local Meals on Wheels program is using two 1994 rear wheel drive vans that often break down, said Fazende.

"Imagine if one of those vans broke down in the

snow with a load of carefully cooked food. Imagine you were the senior waiting for what might be your only hot meal of the day, or the only human face you will see that day," Fazende said. "What if one of the vans broke down while full of seniors being transported into town to have a meal outside the home (for socialization purposes). What if we had no way to give single seniors an opportunity to shop for groceries at Rays, to pick

up prescriptions at the drug store... Please help keep the food and service flowing!"

To donate, send checks to Meals on Wheels Auxillary at 300 E. Lake Street, Mount Shasta, CA 96067. You can also send donations via Paypal at the website [www.mealsonwheelsshasta.com](http://www.mealsonwheelsshasta.com). Donations are fully tax deductible.

For more information, contact Fazende at 926-1762.



California Assembly member Jim Nielson looks back at the camera person recording a question and answer session in his Sacramento office May 25. Castle Rock Elementary School students Emalee Koschnick, Greg Duarte and Brianna Becerra requested the identity of who authorized the legislative report that recommended consolidation of small schools with enrollments of less than 100.

# ★ Lobbying for small schools . . .

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In class Wednesday, Telles added with a laugh, "She blew everyone there away!"

He said that at the end of that meeting, Nielsen invited the school to bring a few students down to his office in the Capitol for a tour and a visit. "We said we'd take him up on it."

On May 25, 2011, after seeing recommendations in the LAO, they did just that.

Eighth grader Brandon Seymour said that they took it easy on their Sacramento representative. "We all had questions," he said. "Mr. Telles faxed them to Assemblyman Nielson ahead of our visit."

The students refined their

inquiry down to the main concerns. Those were:

Do you know which legislators commissioned the report?

What could we do to make sure the state Assembly and Senate understand that closing Castle Rock Elementary School is not in the best interest of our community, and that local control is very important to us?

Do you support the LAO plan, and would you vote for legislation to force consolidation if it came to the floor for a vote?

Student Indikah Broom reported Nielson's response to the first question, "He couldn't tell us who authored it," she said.

Added Ricketts, "We found out who wrote it, but

she will not comment on who authorized it."

His answer to the second question was, as Isabella Glenn reported, "To get other small schools involved and to do something about it. He said that he was very proud of us."

Ricketts said that theirs was the first of 144 small schools facing the same situation who had approached the Assemblyman. "He said the more small schools who join us, the better chance we have," she said. "He told us to write the Legislative Analyst's office."

And Telles said, "He needs other legislators to stand with him to support the small schools."

Nielson's answer to the third question was frank and,

to Telles, a good political lesson. "He said that if a budget plan is presented that consolidates small schools, but has a lot of other, good things in it for his district, he will vote for it," reported small school superintendent/principal Telles. "Nice thing he said that!"

During the visit, the class recorded both audio and video of them posing the questions, and of Nielson answering them. Student Susan Garcia, who will be studying with Ricketts again in the coming school year, suggested the video team intends to further its filmmaking reputation. "We've been noticed; now we want to be heard!" she declared.

# ★ Behavioral Health budget . . .

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District 3 Supervisor Michael Kobseff said he "sees duplication" in services offered by the resource centers and the HSA and wants to see the groups work in concert to come up with a solution.

"This whole problem could have been prevented if we had all worked together far before now," he said.

Because enough work hadn't been collaborative before now, the staff now

faces a time crunch, everyone was told.

County Administrator Brian McDermott told the supervisors he would be bringing the board recommended budgets within the next two weeks. While the initial bunch could be absent an HSA budget, a final recommended budget would need to be adopted by the end of June.

In addition, with "inevitable" layoffs that come with the trimming of the budget from \$17 million to \$7 million, notices would need to be sent out sooner rather than later, McDermott said. Employees must be given two weeks notice, so with the

new fiscal year beginning July 1, notices should be sent out by June 14, he said.

"We are in a bad situation and we need to make some difficult decisions now," McDermott said.

Cook said the reason the difficult decisions have to be made now lie with the supervisors.

"Behavioral Health is not the problem. The problem comes from this board approving these past actions," he said. "This board, we are the ones who did this."

And while District 2 Supervisor Ed Valenzuela said he doesn't think a permanent solution could be

reached now, Armstrong would not accept that.

"We expect you to go back to the drawing board and come back with something where you work collaboratively with the other organizations," she told the HSA staff. "Don't come back with the same plan and tell everyone they are stuck with it."

The HSA staff will give the supervisors an update – though Cook said the board is hoping for a final budget plan – at a special meeting scheduled for today, June 8 at 9 a.m. at the Yreka City Council Chambers.

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