Community Notes July 14, 2022

- Bodega Land Trust's last newsletter had an interesting story about historic grazing and controlled burning for improved fire safety and grassland. Go to www.bodegalandtrust.org for news.
- Bohemian Corridor Business Association merchants and residents have saved \$1120 so far for a Public Restroom fund. The next flea market to raise funds is Saturday July 30th 8: am to 4: pm in the Community Center parking lot. Please support your local businesses. Check individual websites for details.
- *Fire-safe Occidental's Protection Committee* made note that public libraries are offering Emergency Preparedness workshops. The link to Fire Safe Occidental's most recent newsletter of July 8th has schedule and location information http:firesafeoccidental.org
- Harmony Union School District is finalizing its agreement to operate the indoor programming and maintenance of the Occidental Community Center. The exterior care and booking of outdoor programs will be through the Parks Department. www.harmonyusd.org
- *KOWS* 's antennae has a new home and will be up and running next week. Local news host Laura Goldman's program is broadcast every Friday evening at 5 p.m. Tune in at 92.5 FM soon. Their new website domain is <u>http://kowsfm.com</u> where programming and app links are posted.
- Occidental Arts and Ecology Center will continue to be opened Saturdays and Sundays 10: a.m. to 5: p.m. for plant sales. In person Tours of the Garden are now at 1: to 2:30 on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Volunteers are now being served lunch. On site retreats are reopening. Sign up online at Occidental Arts and Ecology Center
- Occidental Center for the Art's gallery will continue showing the spectacular Pointless Sisters' Annual Exhibit until July 31st. The Quilt Raffle will continue until December's drawing. Three more musical events are scheduled this month. Check website for details. Donations are also gratefully accepted in the Pandemic Fundraising Drive. See details at www.occidentalcenterforthearts.org.
- Occidental Community Choir has written music for next holiday season and will begin rehearsals next month. For auditions see Occidental Community Choir

- Occidental Community Council meets on third Saturday at 10:30 a.m. outside the Community Center. Approved minutes are posted on the Council Bulletin Board near Occidental Market. Their website has been the nexus for groups serving the community Occidental Community Council.
- Occidental Community Farmers Market reopened yesterday and will continue each Friday 4: pm to 8: pm until October 28. Vendors and community organizations may apply for spaces at <u>Vendors – Occidental Community Farmers' Market</u>
- Occidental Community Service District meets each second Tuesday of the month at 7: pm in person at the fire hall or via zoom. To receive a zoom invite contact Tiffany at occidentalcsd@gmail.com.
- Occidental Library Station is open again in Occidental on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 10: a.m. 2: p.m. and from 1: to 5: p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. It also offers online book holds and loans. e-cards are free. It has information packets available for Emergency Preparedness. <u>sonomalibrary.org/locations/occidental-library</u>
- Occidental's West County Health Center requests that all visits are preceded by an appointment and a phone call to ensure COVID precautions are followed. Call 874-2444. The new Russian River Health Center is nearly complete. Online local Dashboard is available also. www.wchealth.org
- *Redwood Arts Council* is planning its 43rd Season to begin in September. See the line up at <u>www.redwoodarts.org</u>
- Salmon Creek Watershed Council meets monthly by zoom the fourth Tuesday at 10: a.m. To receive an invitation to zoom, contact <dshatkin@sonic.net>. View the Kiosk in front of Howard Station for a better understanding local wildfire causes and history. For more watershed information and resources go to www.salmoncreekwatershed.org.