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### Editor's Note

Wow! In your hands right now (or on your digital contraption) is our biggest issue ever! Thank you to our readers, advertisers, non-profits and service clubs who have made *Cloverdale Connect* such a success. This is our community paper and it's a great collaboration.

Inside this issue you'll find **Pets On Parade**, the annual **Garden Guide**, information about new businesses opening, events like the **Citrus Fair**, **CPAC** performances along with blues and jazz coming to the **Arts Alliance**. Tickets are on sale now for the big **Comedy Show** in July and don't forget the **8th Annual AVFilm Festival** that begins this month.

So get out of your chair, put your flip flops on and go enjoy everything that's happening in Cloverdale. You'll see faces you haven't seen in a long time and meet some new friends too.

I'll see you around town!

*Dana*



The Easter Bunny reads *Cloverdale Connect* before hop-hop-hopping off to fill your Easter basket!



**Front Page Photo Contest Winner - Suzanne Black**  
Congratulations!  
She won a Gift Card from **Cloverdale Nursery**

## EXPERIENCE CLOVERDALE

**Easter Egg Hunt on April 16**, hosted by Cloverdale Lions Club - 1500 boiled eggs, prize eggs, the Easter Bunny too!

The **Citrus Fair**, complete with the traditional parade and Cabaret, **April 21-24**

**The AVFilm Festival, April 29- May 8**

Discussions and planning have started for a community-wide **Fourth of July** and a **Happy 150th Cloverdale Birthday** event.



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Pets On Parade, Garden Guide, Shout Out,  
Citrus Fair and more!



# LOOK WHO SHOPS LOCAL...

“THERE’S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE IN CLOVERDALE!”

“NEED A GIFT? SPIRITS NEED A LIFT?...CLOVERDALE”

“ENTERTAINMENT & THE ARTS FIND A HOME IN CLOVERDALE ”



### ERIN MAVIS CLOTHING

“ I LOVE ERIN MAVIS BECAUSE SHE HAS SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY. I WILL LITERALLY HAVE NO IDEA WHAT TO GET SOMEONE AND ALL I HAVE TO DO IS TELL ERIN A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE PERSON AND SHE PICKS OUT THE PERFECT GIFT!”  
— DANIELLE STREB



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— JENNESS BREWER, REDMETAL BARN CURATOR



### I.SEE.

CLOVERDALE IS SO LUCKY TO HAVE I.SEE. OPTICAL CO. SARA HAS A GREAT SELECTION OF EYEGLASSES AND SUNGLASSES, INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY BRANDS. SHE HELPED ME PICK OUT FRAMES THAT I NEVER WOULD HAVE PICKED OUT ON MY OWN AND I GET COMPLIMENTS EVERYWHERE I GO. IF I COULD GIVE HER 10 STARS, I WOULD!  
— MOLLIE ASAY



### BOLT FABRIC + HOME

WHENEVER WE'RE LOOKING FOR A HOUSE-WARMING SURPRISE, UNIQUE HOLIDAY TREASURE, OR SOMETHING JUST FOR FUN, WE ALWAYS FIND GREAT GIFTS AT BOLT. JUST WALKING INTO THE SHOP IS INSPIRING, AS KATE HAS A TERRIFIC TALENT FOR CHOOSING EXTRAORDINARILY FABULOUS FABRICS!  
— ANN MACKENZIE  
MACKENZIE DESIGN STUDIO



### Will Carter Returns

Will Carter grew up in Cloverdale in the early 2000s with fond childhood memories in the parks, plaza, and youth clubs of his hometown. Will's love for Cloverdale took off in earnest spring of 2012, when he was one of the four initial employees of Plank Coffee. There Will connected with the people and culture of Cloverdale and has been overjoyed ever since seeing

Cloverdale continue to grow! After high school, Will studied at the SRJC and began working at Cloverdale Computer. For more than six years, Will took pride in supporting the residents of Cloverdale through the business his late father, Greg Carter, founded in 2010. Now, following in his father's footsteps, Will is back in Cloverdale and offering computer repair and support to all of Cloverdale with his new business **Carter Systems**.



**Apollo**  
Montana Wise



**Angel**  
Crystal Dagler



**Chloe Ann**  
Christine Flaherty



In loving memory,  
**Bennie**  
Jolene & Jackie Evans



**See more Pets on Parade on page 15 and in the May and June Issues**

Gifts from **Animal Hospital of Cloverdale, Cynthia's Dog Grooming** and **Heart City**. One lucky winner will be chosen by random drawing to win a great pet prize package!



### Pavelka's Puns

I said to the doctor, the older I get, the more gossip I spread. He said it is called "rumortism".

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**FAMILY FIESTA**  
Sunday, April 24  
Latin Music & Dance

*#FreshSqueezedFun*



Tickets are available now at the  
Cloverdale Citrus Fair office & Online.  
(707) 894-3992  
**CloverdaleCitrusFair.org**



Wishing you a  
**Happy Easter!**

TEDI, MARIA, RUSS, CHARLES, BILLY,  
MICHAEL, ELSIE, ELISSA & DEBBIE



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### Cloverdale Future Farmers Angelica Fernandes

Cloverdale FFA has been staying busy with Career Development Event Contests (CDE) at different schools and colleges. Students can compete in a wide variety of agriculturally related events at the state level such as Vine Pruning and Judging, Livestock Judging, Floral, Farm Power, Welding, and much more. Our students here at CHS are competing on the Dairy Products CDE Team. Our upcoming contests are throughout the end of the school year.

Six lucky students were also chosen to attend the State FFA Leadership Conference hosted at the Golden One Arena in Sacramento from March 26-29! These students were sponsored by the Citrus Fair Board Members. We want to thank Citrus Fair for their continued support for the FFA program.

CARE Foundation has also been a tremendous support for our school garden project. They have donated funds to help the students get a kickstart to the school garden. This project is projected to start in the coming months. Students will be planting a new vineyard of 4 rows and continue to build planters boxes for the upcoming summer garden. There are lots of projects being started at the school garden, so stay tuned!

Lastly, the Cloverdale FFA Students would like to give their thanks to all the community members that have supported them and the program. There are numerous local companies that have donated time and money to the program and we are truly grateful to be located in such a small, giving community like Cloverdale!



**BENEFIT THE CLOVERDALE SENIOR CENTER**

**DINNER & AUCTION**

Enjoy a seated dinner with a silent and live auction, senior art show, full bar, and a professional comedy show to top off the night with laughter. This event is outdoors under the stars.  
**Special Guest Senator Mike McGuire**

**SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2022**  
**5:00-10:00 PM**  
At the Cloverdale Citrus Fairgrounds - Outdoor Event

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Phone: 707.894.2910


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### Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

Sunday Services At 10:00am  
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[goodshepherdclloverdale.org](http://goodshepherdclloverdale.org) | 122 N. Main St, Cloverdale | (707) 891-6015



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Phone: 707.894.2535

The Bridge Foursquare  
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United Church of  
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Phone: 707.894.2039

Living Water Church  
450 S. Franklin St.  
Cloverdale, CA 95425  
Phone: 707.894.3274

### CELEBRATE EASTER WITH US



All of Cloverdale is invited to the  
Living Water Church  
Easter Worship Celebration at  
**FURBER PARK**  
Sunday April 17th  
Starting at 10:15 am

Live music, Easter egg hunt  
and bounce houses

## United Church of Cloverdale and Good Shepherd Episcopal Join Forces for Refugees



World Relief is holding their fundraiser, Pedal to Resettle, on International Refugee Day this year, June 18th. **United Church of Cloverdale** has teamed with **Church of the Good Shepherd** to take the challenge to support World Relief as they resettle refugees in the greater Sacramento Area. The name of their team is **United Shepherds**. World Refugee Day is an international day designated by the United Nations to honor refugees around the globe. It celebrates the strength and courage of people who have been forced to flee their home country to escape conflict or persecution. World Refugee Day is an occasion to build empathy and understanding for their plight and to recognize their resilience in rebuilding their lives.

Tens of thousands of refugees come to the United State each year from Ukraine, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Syria and elsewhere. World Relief of Sacramento serves one of the top regions in the country for receiving and resettling these newcomers.

This year's World Refugee Day is focused on:

- Ensuring every refugee child gets an education.
- Ensuring every refugee family has somewhere safe to live.
- Ensuring every refugee can work or learn new skills to make a positive contribution to their community.

Support the team or a team member with a donation or join the team. No matter how you choose to participate, the first step is to log on to <https://worldrelief.org/sacramento/pedal-to-resettle/> If you want more information about World Relief, call either church office or contact Bob Scott, Dana Johnson, Becky Henderson, Lavonne Blucher-Nameny, or Jim Nameny.


## Pet Parade Sponsor Animal Hospital of Cloverdale




The Animal Hospital of Cloverdale has been providing loving and quality care for pets since 1981. They are a full-service hospital that offers high quality preventative care, medicine, dental care, and surgery.

The loving and professional staff at the Animal Hospital of Cloverdale offers the highest quality of care for their valued patients.


### Beneficial Bugs You Need To Know




Lacewing



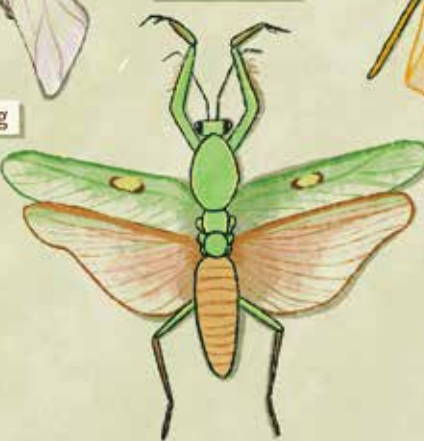
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## Lockhorns Are Unique Part Of Cloverdale's History - Mary Jo Winter

Mary Jane Whitsman Horn was just 14 in 1847 when she and her parents crossed the plains from Missouri to Oregon with a band of pioneers. They traveled by way of ox train, arriving in Portland as the ground was being cleared for the city.

In 1853, she married James M. Horn and they raised a family of ten children, one of whom was Riley McClusky Horn of Cloverdale. His daughter, Beatrice "Bee" Horn Maio, was a beloved community member and an original member of the Cloverdale Historical Society.

Sometime before 1916, Riley found two mule deer bucks on Juniper Mountain in Eastern Oregon. They had been dead for about two days, forever locked together by two short spikes on their horns.

During their struggle to break apart, the deer tore up an acre of soil and bunch grass. Ironically, with a play of about two and a half inches, the horns were not tight. Because they were pulling away from each other, though, the spikes locked and

sealed their fate.

The mounted bucks were first displayed in George Cavalli's grocery store during the 1920s before being moved in the 1930s to a bar called The Lockhorn, owned by Tony Reger and named in their honor.

In the 1940s, The Lockhorn Bar moved again to where La Hacienda is now. When Victor Calderon sold the restaurant, the lockhorns did not fit into the new owners' remodeling plans. The Horn Family descendants really wanted the deer to remain in Cloverdale and offered them to the Historical Society. Unfortunately, the History Center building does not have sufficient wall space available to display them.

Having spent several weeks in a Menlo Park storage unit, the lockhorns are now headed back to Cloverdale and moving into their new permanent home at the Citrus Fairgrounds.



**Let's support our Cloverdale businesses!**  
Submit your "Shout Out" to [info@cloverdaleconnect.com](mailto:info@cloverdaleconnect.com)

Had a good dinner from **Pick's** tonight. Great service. Good food. Thank you Pick's  
Angela Cordova

A heartfelt Thank you to **Mike Boehm**, who came out early this AM, and fixed my automatic garage door! He takes such good care of Mom and I! There are no words really, to express my gratitude for him  
Liane Fabian

The **Wolfpack** is hard at work again on my backyard. They did a great job on the front yard and my hedges a couple weeks ago. I highly recommend them. Hit up Stephanie Rudas to get in touch.  
Kat Ryan

I love **Dahlia & Sage**. I am so thankful you are in town. Your selection of local organic produce is impeccable. I also love that you special order items for me with a smile! You're the best!  
Janet Norton Navara

As much as "**Ray's**" is often maligned, their "order online and pickup" service is FANTASTIC! We began using it through "Mercato.com", because of Covid concerns, but now, we have found the convenience to be so grrreat, we'll continue it regardless of Covid. We discovered "Ray's" has amazing meats and seafood, often better than more "upscale" markets. And if you're lucky enough to get "Mike" as your shopper, all the better. Love this idea to focus on "the positive" regarding Cloverdale businesses.  
Vic Aiuto

Shout out to Nicole Hinchliffe who passed out cups of water at **Pick's** to the kids during the walkout.  
Sophia Dycus

I love **Cloverdale Nursery**. Such an inviting place to buy my plants and much more. Wonderful customer service and full of knowledge. Thank you for being in Cloverdale!  
Janet Norton Navara

Big shout out to **Cloverdale Nursery**! Another business in town that demonstrates excellence in everything they do! They know many customers by name...they even somehow knew my birthday and wished me happy birthday as I entered the store! They are exceptionally knowledgeable and helpful and the amazing new inventory is exquisite! Thank you Cloverdale Nursery!  
DeeDee Robbins

I want to recognize **Clover Dog Pet Supply** for having what we need when we needed it and saved my in laws a trip to Ukiah. Thank you!  
Dianne Bugarin Secchitano

I want to shout out **Dahlia and Sage Market**, Frances Kruger, for saving me MANY trips to Santa Rosa. I find so many gems in there! Love that store!  
Danielle Rachel Streb

I want to shout out **Wolf House Brewing**! They are always so welcoming, caring and provide our town with incredible food, beer and service! Especially from Adrienne Nicole!! It's our weekly spot and it never disappoints!  
Savannah Delcampo-Snyde

If anyone is looking for a cleaning company, I highly recommend **Lupe (Lupita Zendeja)**. She did an excellent job on my home.  
Swathi Chettipally



# Green Thumb Garden Club News

Jennifer Weiss

The Green Thumb Garden Club is having our **Annual Plant Sale**, which will begin on **April 20th**. The location of the sale is 1162 Mountain Pine Rd., Cloverdale. Hours are 10-4 every day. We will have many types of vegetable starts, as well as flowers, and some assorted landscape plants. Check our website at [www.saleslogistix.com/plants.htm](http://www.saleslogistix.com/plants.htm) for specific varieties. Sales will only be in person-come early for best selection! For questions please call Sue at 707-843-9561.

Mark your calendars for the first ever **Green Thumb Garden Club Arts and Crafts Fair**. This will be for one day only: **Saturday, May 7th**. It will take place at the History Center at 215 N. Cloverdale Blvd. from 10am till 4pm.

We will feature arts and crafts created by our members, a bake sale, a “second life” table with gently used garden items, and succulent planters. There will also be raffles for special gifts. This will be a wonderful opportunity to get Mom a one-of-a-kind gift for the garden!

All our sales go to support our scholarship program for local students. We are a 501c charity.

## Rattlesnake Season Is Approaching

Roy Blodgett



As the days continue to lengthen and warm, I'm observing increasing reptile activity around our home, so I figure it is time to post about my rattlesnake conflict mitigation services.

My approach is education oriented, and prioritizes working with landowners to become more snake-aware, seeking to mitigate unwanted encounters with rattlesnakes as much as possible. In more cases than not, this involves making simple changes around the property with how water, debris, and other potential snake attractants are managed. I also offer translocation services for snakes that are too close to home, should the need arise.

Please feel free to contact me through my website to set up a consultation or ask any questions.

[www.rattlesnakerelations.com](http://www.rattlesnakerelations.com)

# Manure Options

April Lance

Animal manure has long been used as a fertilizer in gardens and on farm fields, creating nutrient-rich, moisture-retaining soil for your plants. Manure loosens up the soil we have here in Sonoma County, allowing easier planting and the ability of your new plants roots to expand.

Here are some values commonly assigned to different animal manures:

**Fresh cow manure**, sometimes called moo doo, is about 17% organic matter, offers .3% nitrogen, .2% phosphorus, .4% potassium, and is 83% moisture. To add .2 pounds of nitrogen to a 100 square foot garden patch you would need to add 75 pounds of cow manure without bedding, or about three 5-gallon buckets full. Composted manure has even less nitrogen so you would need to add 200 pounds of it to have the same effect! Dried cow manure has much higher nutrient levels - 2% nitrogen, 2% phosphorus, and 2.4% potassium—so you could use much less, roughly 10 pounds per 100 square feet.

**Fresh sheep manure** is about 32% organic matter, has .7% nitrogen, .3% phosphorus, and .9% potassium and is 66% moisture. To add .2 pounds of nitrogen to our 100 square foot garden we would need to add 40 pounds of manure with no bedding or 50 pounds with bedding included. Dried sheep manure is 4% nitrogen, 1.4% phosphorus, and 3.5% potassium so you'd need only 10 pounds per 100 square feet.

**Fresh chicken manure**, sometimes called hen dressing, is 25-45% organic matter, has 1.1% nitrogen, .8% phosphorus, and .5% potassium, and is 55-75% moisture. Add 30 pounds of it, including bedding, to a 100 square foot bed to get .2 pounds of nitrogen. Composted it would have less nitrogen, so you'd need 70 pounds.

**Fresh horse manure**, sometimes called road apples, is 24% organic matter, has .7% nitrogen, .3% phosphorus, and .6% potassium, and is about 75% moisture. To add .2 pounds of nitrogen to the 100 square foot bed we'd need to incorporate 65 pounds of it with bedding included.

**Fresh rabbit droppings**, AKA bunny honey, are 33% organic matter, offer 2.4% nitrogen, 1.4%phosphorus, .6% potassium, and only 43% moisture. As little as 10 pounds would add .2 pounds of nitrogen to the garden.

Contact April for more information: [AprilLanceBees@gmail.com](mailto:AprilLanceBees@gmail.com)

## Handcrafted Bird Houses



You can see **Marc Johns'** work in our local community garden on Cloverdale Blvd. Cost is \$15.00 for Bluebird / Finch houses, \$25.00 for Chickadee, \$30.00 for woodpecker

Contact Marc at 707.849.7055  
[sonomacountybirdhouses@gmail.com](mailto:sonomacountybirdhouses@gmail.com)  
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## Bugs, Worms & Nematodes at ACE

The Ladybugs, Praying Mantis, Red Worms and Beneficial Nematodes are in at ACE to help your garden flourish.

- Use the Ladybugs and praying mantis to protect and treat your yard from those stubborn aphids & spider mites.
- Use the Beneficial Nematodes against grubs
- Finally give your plants that extra boost by adding Red worms to your soil!





	SOW DIRECTLY	START INDOORS	TRANSPLANT	MAINTENANCE
JANUARY				ORGANIC MULCH ON ANY BARE SOIL. PRUNE DECIDUOUS TREES, CANE BERRIES, GRAPES
FEBRUARY	SPINACH, RADISHES, TURNIPS, PEAS, BEETS, ASIAN GREENS (BOK CHOYS; MUSTARDS)	ONIONS, LETTUCE, BRASSICAS (BROCCOLI, CABBAGE, KALE, CAULI- FLOWER, KOHLRABI), PEAS, LEEKS, ASIAN GREENS		PLANT BARE ROOT FRUIT; ASPARAGUS. CONTINUE PRUNING; SPRAY FOR PEACH LEAF CURL; COMPOST ON STRAWBER- RIES AND OTHER PERENNIALS
MARCH	SPINACH, RADISHES, TURNIPS, BEETS, PEAS, CARROTS, CILANTRO, ASIAN GREENS, POTATOES	ONIONS, LETTUCE, BRASSICAS, CHARD, LEEKS, PARSLEY, TOMATOES, PEPPERS, EGGPLANT	LETTUCE, LEEKS, ONIONS, BRASSICAS, PEAS, ASIAN GREENS	COMPLETE PRUNING
APRIL	BEETS, CARROTS, CHARD, LETTUCE, CILANTRO, DILL, POTATOES, LEEKS, ONIONS	LETTUCE, CHARD, PARSLEY, TOMATOES, CUCUMBERS, MELONS, ONIONS, BASIL, LEEKS	LETTUCE, LEEKS, ONIONS, BRASSICAS, CHARD	FERTILIZE CITRUS; SELECT NEW GROWTH ON FRUIT TREES, THIN RASPBERRY CANES; THIN FRUIT
MAY	BEANS, BEETS, CARROTS, CHARD, CORN, LETTUCE, CUCUMBERS, SQUASH, MELONS, PUMPKINS, POTA- TOES, LEEKS, ONIONS, DILL, CILANTRO	BASIL, LETTUCE (HEATTOLERANT VARIETIES), CHARD, PARSLEY	LETTUCE, CHARD, TOMATOES, PEPPERS, EGGPLANT, PARSLEY, CUCUMBERS, MELONS, LEEKS, ONIONS	THIN FRUIT; SELECT NEW GROWTH; SPRAY GRAPES FOR MILDEW. KEEP WEEDS UNDER CONTROL
JUNE	BEANS, BEETS, CHARD, CORN, CUCUM- BERS, SQUASH, MELONS, PUMPKINS, CILANTRO, DILL, LEEKS	BASIL, CHARD, LETTUCE (HEAT-TOLER- ANT VARIETIES)	BASIL, LETTUCE, CHARD, TOMATOES, PEPPERS, EGGPLANT, PARSLEY, CUCUMBERS, MELONS	THIN FRUIT; SELECT NEW GROWTH; SPRAY GRAPES FOR MILDEW. KEEP WEEDS UNDER CONTROL.
JULY	BEANS, BEETS, CHARD, CORN, CUCUM- BERS, SQUASH, CILANTRO, DILL, LEEKS	LETTUCE, CHARD, LEEKS, LATE IN MO. – BRASSICAS INCLUDING BRUSSELS SPROUTS	BASIL, LETTUCE, CHARD	SUMMER PRUNING; SPRAY GRAPES FOR MILDEW; FERTILIZE STRAWBER- RIES & OTHER FRUIT AS NEEDED. MULCH VEGETABLES
AUGUST	BEETS, CARROTS, PEAS, CILANTRO, SPINACH	LETTUCE, BRASSICAS, KALE, FENNEL, RADICCHIO	LETTUCE, CHARD, LEEKS, BRASSICAS	HARVEST! DEEP WATERING. CLEAN UP FALLEN FRUIT.
SEPTEMBER	BEETS, CARROTS, PEAS, CILANTRO, SPINACH, RADISHES, TURNIPS, ASIAN GREENS, DILL	LETTUCE, BRASSICAS, ENDIVE, ESCAROLE, BOK CHOY, ONIONS	LETTUCE, BRASSICAS, FENNEL, RADICCHIO, LEEKS	CLEAN UP FALLEN FRUIT
OCTOBER	RADISHES, SPINACH, ASIAN GREENS, MACHE, FAVA BEANS, COVER CROPS		LETTUCE, ENDIVE, ESCAROLE, BRASSI- CAS, ONIONS	CLEAN UP FALLEN FRUIT; MULCH PERENNIALS; MAKE COMPOST
NOVEMBER	COVER CROPS, FAVA BEANS, GARLIC, SHALLOTS			MULCH PERENNIALS; MAKE COMPOST





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## In Honor Of Earth Day 2022 On April 22, The City Of Cloverdale Is Highlighting How The City Is Doing Its Part To Invest In Our Planet!

The City of Cloverdale is situated within a larger geographic area referred to as the Russian River Watershed. The Russian River Watershed encompasses an area of nearly 1,500 square miles of forests, agricultural lands and urban lands in Mendocino and Sonoma Counties. The mainstem of the Russian River flows 110 miles from its headwaters near Redwood Valley and Potter Valley along the eastern edge of Cloverdale before heading out to the Pacific Ocean near Jenner. The watershed is home to approximately 360,000 people, 238 streams and creeks, and 63 species of fish.

The Russian River Watershed Association (RRWA) is a coalition of ten cities including the City of Cloverdale, Sonoma and Mendocino counties and a host of special districts in the Russian River watershed that have come together to coordinate regional programs for clean water, habitat restoration, and watershed enhancement. RRWA was formed in 2003 to create opportunities for our member agencies to expand their stewardship role in the watershed. The City of Cloverdale appoints a Councilmember to sit on the Board of Directors of RRWA. This year and last, Councilmember Cruz represented the City on the RRWA Board.

Annually, the RRWA Board of Directors approves a workplan that includes both public outreach and collaborative outreach, the intent of which is to draw attention to programs that support the health of the water shed and provide public information to address impacts to water quality.

### Public Outreach & Response:

- The RRWA is partnering with Sonoma Water's Water Education Program for the annual high school video contest for Water Awareness Month, in which participating students have the chance to win cash prizes. In recent years a local Cloverdale high school student won a prize for their video. This year's theme is, "Water, there's never enough to waste!" First, second, and third place videos are selected by a panel of professionals in the water and media fields. Cash prizes are split between the student(s) who create the winning videos and the high school they attend. The winning videos are used as educational outreach materials throughout the watershed. The first prize is \$1,500 and the in-person awards ceremony & student showcase is scheduled for May 26 at 6:00 pm at the Advanced Energy Center.

- RRWA continues to see success with a new program in collaboration with the Cloverdale Chamber of Commerce involving the placement of restaurant placemats at participating Cloverdale restaurants. Restaurant Placemats is a way to reach out to children about the watershed, river wildlife species, and limiting storm drain pollution. Council-member Cruz was instrumental in getting us connected with Cloverdale's Chamber of Commerce and several new restaurants in Cloverdale. Placemats are in **MoE's Eagles Nest Deli, Papa's Pizza, Tian Yuen, 101 ThaiWay, Flavia's, Zini's Diner,** and the **Cloverdale Public Library**. We're excited to announce that we've received a new bilingual version that we'll start distributing soon.

- RRWA facilitated the watershed wide sign program "Ours to Protect" featuring the egret that we see along bridges throughout the watershed. Cloverdale has these signs at Porterfield Creek and Cloverdale Creek. It's important for people to know that storm drains are directly connected to our local waterways. All pollutants on roadways, sidewalks, parking lots, and other surfaces that drain to storm drains end up in our local creeks where they can harm aquatic species and negatively impact water quality.

### Environmental Articles:

- RRWA publishes an environmental article each month as authored by staff from our member agencies which can be found on our blog <https://www.rwatershed.org/blog/>.

Recent articles include "A thirsty burglar or a dripping faucet? Either way you may be losing precious resources," "Dog Doo Dilemma," and, "Make a Move to Native and Drought Tolerant Plantings." We send these articles to a host of local publications and sometimes they get published in one of the local papers.

The April article will be, "Carbon Gardening: A Dirt Simple Solution to Climate Change." The Carbon Gardening initiative is about educating and promoting gardening on an urban residential scale to help sequester carbon. This article will include 8 easy steps on how to grow a carbon garden, including minimizing soil disturbance, covering soil with living plants and mulch, planting a diverse assortment of regionally appropriate and native plants, watering properly, and avoiding synthetic chemicals/fertilizers. The article will be available on the RRWA blog in a few weeks.

### Collaborative Outreach:

- The RRWA manages a regional contract for Our Water Our World (OWOW) to coordinate and implement pesticide-related education and outreach at nurseries. The OWOW is a joint effort by water pollution prevention agencies, participating retail stores, and pesticide distributors and manufacturers — working together to reduce the risks associated with pesticide use. Our Water Our World will host a webinar on Wednesday April 13 from 5 to 6 pm. The Topic will be "Drought Proof Gardening: Create a water-efficient garden that will look beautiful through the dryer months." Learn techniques and strategies for water-wise gardening that will help keep your garden healthy and pest-free. The webinar/workshop is ideal for any level of gardener and is free. Information on the upcoming webinar will be added to the RRWA website.

- Safe Medicine Disposal – The Cloverdale Police Dept. hosts the Safe Medicine Disposal bin at the Police Station lobby. It's important to water quality that all medications, whether prescription or over-the-counter, including pet medications, be properly disposed of so they stay out of our landfills and sewer systems. The DEA is having their 22nd National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on April 30. Your outdated medicines can be safely disposed of at Cloverdale's PD. The last DEA Take Back event on October 23, 2021 generated 41,970 lbs. of unwanted medications from California alone, and Cloverdale PD was a participant.

- The RRWA hosts a series of webinars and training focused on watershed health. This year the Russian River Friendly Landscaping is heavily focused on the Carbon Gardening initiative. The work includes 8 short videos which we hope will be available for viewing and sharing in the coming months as well as upcoming environmentally friendly events and workshops around the watershed during the year.

- The RRWA publishes the Russian River-Friendly Landscape Guidelines, a publication and a program of landscaping practices, which provide landscape professionals the tools to protect our watershed lands and waterways through an integrated approach to environmentally friendly landscaping. The City of Cloverdale is committed to protecting the health of the Russian River watershed. Our partnership with RRWA enables the city to bring critical programs and activities that help improve water quality, for clean water, and watershed enhancement. Please keep an eye out for more information about various programs offered by RRWA throughout the year and help keep our precious watershed healthy!





# Wilhelmina "Willi" Castagnetto

Wilhelmina Diane Thoeni-Castagnetto, departed her loving family on March 4th, 2022 at her residence in Cloverdale. Willi was born in Florida in 1958 and was later adopted in 1960 by Evelyn Alaska Thoeni and Kenneth Christian Thoeni. Willi was a mother to three sons who she raised with love and devotion with her husband Kevin.



An avid animal lover, Willi was known to foster animals, giving them a second chance at life. Her fun and eccentric personality was always on display, through her fashion, love of amazing food, and appreciation in a variety of music.

She is survived by her sons, Nicholas Lopedota, 40, Travis Castagnetto, 34, Wyatt Castagnetto, 30, husband Kevin Castagnetto, 62, and brother Rick Thoeni, 73.

She was laid to rest at Olive Hill Cemetery in Geyserville on March 11th. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Sonoma County SPCA can be made in Willi's name.



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Can You Feel It? A “Rebirth” ~ Neena Hanchett

With April upon us and as I write this, the Covid pandemic (now endemic) behind us, the community and our many organizations are “waking up” from a two-year Rip Van Winkle type sleep. Many found wonderful ways to hold events, however changed. Zoom became our meeting platform, which was better than not seeing each other at all. It still is an effective stand-by for people having difficulty attending in-person meetings.

Drive-thru food pick-up fundraisers were supported and enjoyed by the community. New venues were found for annual events, like the Cloverdale Rotary’s Asti Tour de Vine in 2021. Friday Night Live, presented by the Cloverdale Arts Alliance, started and ended later in the year, but it happened! The Citrus Fair was held out of doors but still enjoyed by many. The carnival showed up a few months later. The Cloverdale Performing Arts Center and the Alexander Valley Film Society

presented many on-line streaming events which were creatively executed. We did it...

Let's look forward. My “kinda fuzzy” crystal ball is seeing an annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 16, put on by our amazing Cloverdale Lions Club. Fifteen hundred boiled eggs, prize eggs, the Easter Bunny-it’s all coming back... A spring Citrus Fair, complete with the traditional parade and Cabaret happens later this month. The Alexander Valley Film Festival, enjoyed by many people in Cloverdale and beyond, starts later this month as well. In person performances are resuming at CPAC.

Discussions and planning have started for a community-wide Fourth of July and a Happy 150th Cloverdale Birthday event. Stay tuned for that. In the meantime, be kind to each other. We’ve been through a lot.

Parks & Recreation



Parks staff continue to perform landscaping projects, weed abatement and facility maintenance repairs. Recently, a general clean-up and winter pruning was accomplished at the Cloverdale Senior Center. All trees were pruned to ISA standards as well as all shrubs hedged for aesthetics and to encourage growth. The City's bucket truck was utilized to remove hazardous limbs hanging over structures.

Weed abatement was completed through our downtown corridor along sidewalks and in front of local businesses. The effort continued at the Porterfield Creek Preserve. Mechanical string weed eating was conducted and organic herbicides were applied with the goal to maintain the growth of vegetation.

In preparation for the kick off of Cloverdale high school baseball season staff worked closely with coaches and school district officials to prepare the park for the next upcoming months. Second Street City Park will be hosting daily practices, tournaments and games.



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Pet insurance will cover some emergency situations without the obligation to pay back. Policy costs and coverage vary widely so do your research. With the right policy, an affordable monthly fee will provide you with adequate coverage when you need it. Like all insurance, though, you may pay for years and not need it.

If this is the case, you may consider setting up an emergency fund, saving a designated amount each month instead of paying it to an insurance company. This way you keep the money in your own bank account, and when the need arises you will have \$1,000 or whatever amount you need to pay the vet bills right away.

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## Alexander Valley Healthcare Welcomes Dr. Kevin Garvin ~ Anne Hilow

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"I have for a great majority of my dental career worked at clinics even while owning my own practice. In 2013, with one assistant, we re-opened the AVH dental office at Third Street. Since then the dental services at AVH have taken off. Our full-time team of professionals treat patients five days a week. Dental treatment is a service, one that should be accessible to all regardless of insurance status. I had planned to semi-retire to devote time to needy community members at some point, COVID accelerated my plans a few years. At AVH, our patients include former private practice clients as well as our broader community. That includes people who feel that good dental care may be beyond their means. There is great pleasure in serving the community with excellent care."

Dr. Garvin, born in San Francisco, graduated from U.C. Berkeley with a B. A., then earning his Doctor of Dental Surgery stripes at the U.C. San Francisco School of Dentistry. He served in the U. S. Navy onboard the U.S.S. Nimitz aircraft carrier during the Persian Gulf deployment, the U.S. Marine Corps and then the U.S. Navy SeaBees in Afghanistan.

Dr. Garvin is also trained in root canal treatment, crowns and bridges, tooth-colored restorations, extraction of teeth and removable replacement of teeth as well as restoration of dental implants.

Married for over 30 years, the doctor has two grown sons and two well-loved canines. Before moving to Healdsburg, he lived in Cloverdale. He enjoys his faith, church, playing tennis and following the San Francisco Giants. He's excited to serve the Cloverdale community and surrounding areas on a full-time basis at Alexander Valley Healthcare Dental. AVH welcomes all patients regardless of immigration status, race, color, religion, gender, age, disability or ancestry. We accept Delta Dental and welcome all patients regardless of insurance status.

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## Transitioning My Special Needs Child to Cloverdale ~ Swathi Chettipally

One of the many fearful thoughts of a special needs parent is “what happens when I am gone?”. This is the biggest question which kept screaming at me 24/7 as soon as the doctor handed over the diagnosis for my child with special needs, Autism, and communication challenges.

As a mother of an adult child, Siri, we are working on the most stressful and anxious process of our lives called transition, from home to her own place in Cloverdale [www.CRanch.net](http://www.CRanch.net). We have a place and a plan for her which we think is a perfect one, but then the confusing question is who will be there to take care of her? That's when we started thinking of organizations which are doing the same with many more individuals like Siri.

It was our pleasure meeting Holly Skidmore and Lisa Carbone of LifeHouse Agency. Initially, I didn't think they would understand where I am coming from as a mother of a special needs child looking for caregivers for her. Even though they have been in the business since 1954 and have been successful with what they do, as a mother I didn't feel comfortable to trust someone other than myself. Many times, I hesitate to leave Siri with her father or her brothers, as I think they may not be able to understand her or she may be of some inconvenience to them.

After I met Holly & Lisa, I felt all my anxieties have been addressed. There are so many ways our brain tries to keep our anxiety levels up and running but little does it know that there are people on this earth who can love and care equally or even more for your child in your absence.

Cloverdale is the best place for my child Siri, and LifeHouse Agency will be replacing my presence in her life which is an exciting thing to watch from a distance. I have great respect for the people who choose to work with individuals with special needs. As far as I am concerned, they are angels on this earth.

## Blues Night Returns



On Saturday, April 9, the Cloverdale Arts Alliance will present The Blues Night, running second Saturdays, monthly through May. Featuring an all-star lineup of local musicians, The Blues Night brings the best

in local live performance to Cloverdale, delivering two solid hours of popular and classic songs from a wide spectrum of blues influenced American music, including jazz, funk, swing and more.

The Blues Night features a cooking house band, The Blue Lights. In addition, each show will introduce new songs and specials guests. Whether you are a musician, fan, like to dance, or just appreciate good music, Blues Night will bring a fun lively music experience for all!

The Cloverdale Arts Alliance is located at 204 N. Cloverdale Blvd. Tickets are \$5 for Cloverdale Arts Alliance members and also non-members. Doors open at 7:00 pm; music from 7:30 – 9:30 pm. The Blues Night takes place the second Saturday of each month. Tickets are available at the door.

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The VFW is an organization of US War Veterans, who during their service fought in wars, campaigns and expeditions on foreign land, waters or airspace. Auxiliary members are the relatives of veterans both living and deceased, who qualify for VFW membership through their military service. Drop by to learn more about becoming a VFW or Auxiliary member. Together the VFW and Auxiliary serve veterans, the military and their families in honor of the sacrifices and commitment of every man and woman who has served in uniform.

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# March Cloverdale Weather Recap

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## Benefits of a Carbon Garden

Connor DeVane

A carbon garden is a landscape that draws down and stores more carbon from the air than it releases into the air. Building healthy soil has immense benefits beyond slowing down climate change. Healthy, carbon-rich soil can store more water, helping to minimize drought impacts and protect the Russian River Watershed!

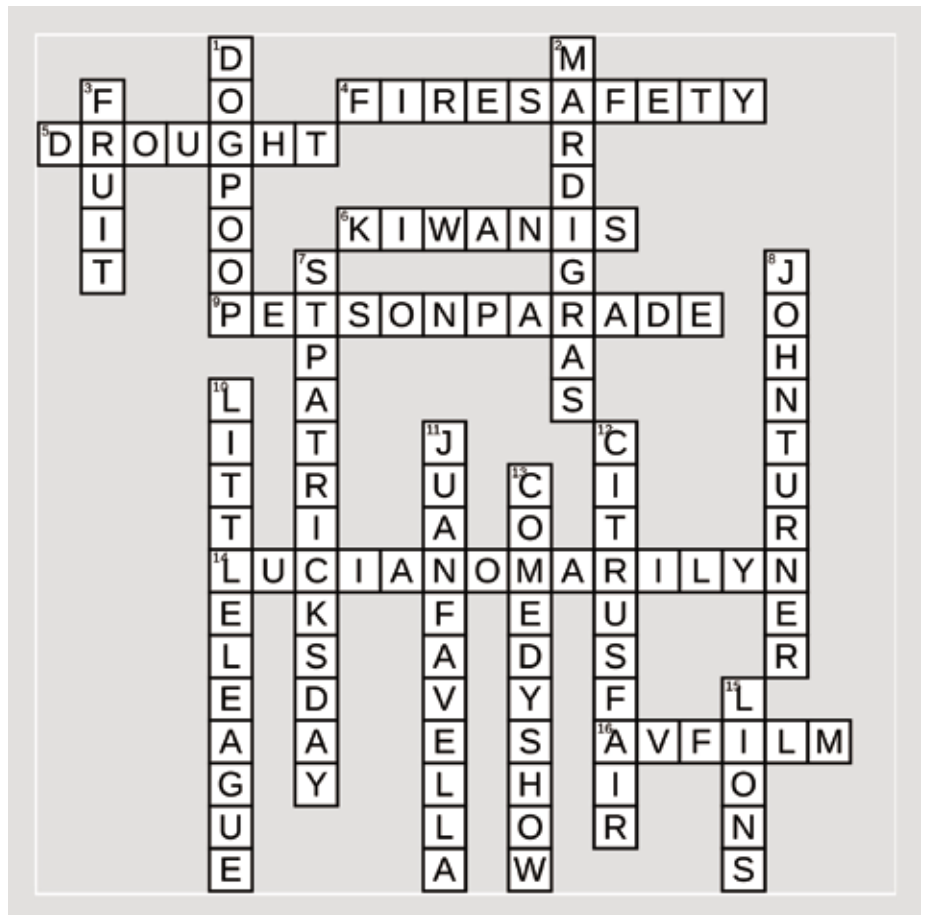
## How do you grow a carbon garden?

1. Minimize soil disturbances - there are trillions of soil organisms living in healthy soil. When we disturb them, CO<sub>2</sub> is released. Let them thrive in peace by minimizing tilling and digging
2. Cover your soil - leaving exposed soil allows it to dry out and be eroded by wind and water. Instead, cover it with living plants AND
3. Apply compost and mulch - Mulch and compost protect soil, and they add more organic matter and nutrients to it as they decompose!
4. Plant biodiversity - plants thrive in diverse communities, just like people! You want a diversity of regionally appropriate species, but also of plant types -- trees, shrubs, grasses and so on.
5. Plant CA natives - native species have a deep relationship with local soils. Bonus points for native trees, shrubs and woody perennials
6. Water properly - just like us, plants and soil are at their best when properly hydrated. Be sure to use plants that thrive in our climate and group them by water needs to make watering easier and to avoid overwatering.
7. Avoid synthetic chemicals and fertilizers - these inputs will deteriorate your soil's health and make soils more dependent on their use in the future. Garden pests can be controlled through less toxic integrated pest management.
8. Avoid external inputs - ideally, a carbon garden is what we call a closed-loop system. Make your own compost! Use all those fallen leaves and plant trimmings as mulch!

*Written on behalf of RRWA. RRWA is an association of local public agencies in the Russian River Watershed that have come together to coordinate regional programs for clean water, habitat restoration, and watershed enhancement.*



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### Cloverdale’s Kind-Hearted Fairy Michele Armanino

One of Cloverdale's colorful residents, Kellie McDonald, is a talented crafter and performer who credits her love of entertaining and making people laugh to her dad, Donald, who regularly took her to see Circus, Circus in Reno when she was a little girl. “My dad loves circus entertainers and is an avid collector of clown memorabilia.” Kellie said. As time passed and her own interests in performing peaked, Kellie attended clown classes in San Francisco’s Golden Gate Park where she learned to hone her own personal character style. As a single mother Kellie found that entertaining at children's parties allowed her to create her own schedule, spend time with her daughter and earn some extra money. Today, Kellie, often costumed for events as a colorful fairy, is a married mother of three, volunteering her time crafting with Cloverdale residents, young and old.

McDonald, an art dabbler at heart, conducts crafting classes at the King’s Valley Senior Apartments Center and Cloverdale Senior Center with useful themes such as: seasonal wreaths, rock painting, (painted rocks can be featured in gardens or used as paper weights) and Origami, (the art of paper folding) an excellent exercise for the brain and fine motor skills for all ages.

Young children squeal with delight as Kellie mischievously skips into birthday parties with a flourish, tapping her wand and twirling about in her multicolored tulle tutu. McDonald, who has been designing and sewing her own costumes since she was a child, uses sparkly, fun, cheerful and kid-friendly materials for her many different ensembles. Last Christmas, Kellie, dressed as an Elf on the Shelf, spent a day at the Cloverdale Retail Therapy store, where she chatted with little tykes, collected their letters to Santa and handed out candy canes bringing cheer to the hearts of all.

Kelly says, “Smiling and laughing with a playful fairy makes everyone happy because it’s an escape from reality - at least for a little while.”

### Mary Jane Mittelstadt Named Citrus Fair Parade Grand Marshall *First Female Board President of the Citrus Fair Association Honored John Vogt*



Mary Jane Mittelstadt (formerly Vogt, nee: Lunney) is the 2022 Citrus Fair’s Grand Marshal. Her selection for this honor is appropriate for many reasons. She was Cloverdale’s first female Citrus Fair Board President, in 1982. She also served on the Fair’s Board of Directors for many years, and she has participated in Fair-related activities and events for decades.

Mary Jane and her husband Joe, with their five children in tow, arrived in Cloverdale in 1963, following Joe’s job transfer. She felt like she’d died and gone to heaven. The small town accepted her and her growing family with open arms. And it had everything a family needed. There were well-stocked grocery stores and department stores, restaurants and a movie theater, optometrists, and health clinics where Mary Jane, a registered nurse, not only worked but delivered her sixth child. Over the next few years, as Mary Jane and Joe raised their family, she involved herself in various civic, school, religious, and social activities and organizations.

Mary Jane formed deep friendships with many of the Cloverdadians in these groups, friendships that have endured to this day. These include the Bogners, the Goodmans, the Andersons, the Del Sartos and the Humphreys, just some of the many folks Mary Jane counts as her closest friends. When she married Lloyd Mittelstadt several years after the passing of Joe, Mary Jane involved herself in ever more Cloverdale and Fair-related activities, and her circle of friends grew.

As the years have passed, Mary Jane has reflected on her decades spent in the little town of Cloverdale. It is much changed and not nearly as sleepy and sedate as in days past. But one thing hasn’t changed much, according to Mary Jane, and that is the warm and embracing nature of the townspeople. It was as true in 1963 as it is now, and Mary Jane Mittelstadt is proud to call herself a Cloverdalian.

### Wood Artist Crafts Bowl Denise Keller



Above are pictures of the bowl that Earle Cummings created for me. The tree where the wood came from, was very special to us, providing shade, a roost for owls, hawks, wood peckers, and a variety of other birds and, of course, an abundance of acorns for the squirrels. The tree was lovely, although not well.

My mother who passed away 4.5 years ago, loved trees and they were the subject of many of her works of art, from paintings to drawings, and stained glass. Earle is also making a second bowl for my sister out of the same piece of wood he took for the original bowl.



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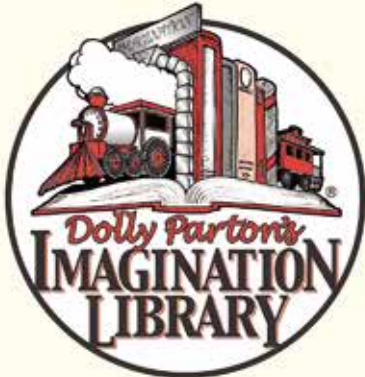
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# Cloverdale Vineyard Races

Julie Carter, Race Director



Runners mark your calendar for October 23rd 2022. We will return to the Gallo vineyards and continue the incredible event my husband Greg Carter started. Please remember every dollar made goes to provide literacy programs for kids including the Dolly Parton Imagination Library to all kids under 5 in Cloverdale. Looking forward to seeing everyone there! Let's Run!

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# Cloverdale JV Boys Hang Another League Pennant

Jessica Diaz



With ever changing COVID protocols, academic eligibilities and injuries and constantly changing game schedules, finding the right combination was a challenge. With tenacity and will, the group of players

came together to form a well-oiled machine of an up-tempo and disciplined group. With the ability to post nearly 70+ points per game, the scoring was never an issue but to hold the other team to a respective total came into question.

Anchored by Sophomore Diesel Cavallo, and backing from Sophomore Emilio Diaz, as well as Cole Grell and Jordan Patton, the group excelled in Coach Gordon Hoover's up-tempo but disciplined system. Losing only to St. Helena and Kelseyville but beating league leading Middletown twice proved that this team was the real deal.

Coach Hoover said with his assistant coach Chano Diaz, "We were able to place the boys in the right place for success." Hoover said, "I rely on Chano for all the little things. He has an incredible understanding of the game. Dealing with COVID scares, injuries, game cancellations and ever-changing game schedules, we had to overcome, and they did their job. One of the travesties of this season was that we couldn't share it with the community we love so much here in Cloverdale playing most of the home games with less than 50 people in the stands. I cherish every season, but this year was certainly special. Thanks to my team and to the parents, officials, score and timekeepers that made it happen this year. Basketball is a team sport, and the entire team has a part in the outcome. Thanks to the entire group."

## Win The Mother's Day Prize Package

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## Let's Travel Craig Clark

The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) has lowered the COVID-19 travel health notice for cruise ships to Level 2, which is "moderate" risk. I returned from a Princess cruise last week and masks were no longer required.

Speaking of cruises here's a list of Bad Decisions that could ruin your cruise:

**You don't read the fine print** Heard the one about the blogger who was denied boarding because she was too many weeks pregnant? She didn't read the fine print in her cruise contract.

**You pick the wrong season.** Cruise to Alaska early in May, and you'll find the salmon are not yet running and snow is still blocking hiking trails. Cruise to the Caribbean during spring break and your planned peaceful retreat might be overrun with tipsy revelers.

**You choose the wrong travel companions.** Your travel party can make or break your cruise. Choose wisely -- or at least have realistic expectations before you set sail.

**You pack (or don't have) your travel documents.** Packing them in your luggage and handing your suitcases to a porter could end with no cruise for you.

**You skip the muster drill.** The muster drill is a mandatory safety briefing that takes place on the first day of every cruise.. skip it and you will be found out -- and possibly kicked off. You climb on your balcony railing. Hoist yourself up to sit on your balcony railing, or even climbing on the patio furniture can quickly lead to you plunging into the waves below.

**You forget the all-aboard time**

**You never put your phone in airline mode.** That will cost you in roaming charges.

**You pack all your clothes before disembarking.** Do not pack the clothes you plan on wearing on debarkation day. You don't want to depart the ship shoeless, in your pajamas. Leave a toothbrush and some deodorant out, as well.



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The videos are due April 8, 2022. Entries can be an individual or group effort and prize awards are split between the individual(s) who submitted the video and the high school they attend. Winning videos will be shown at select movie theaters in Santa Rosa, on Sonoma Water's YouTube channel, and on KRCB local channel 22. To view past winning videos, please visit: [SonomaWater.org/video-contests](http://SonomaWater.org/video-contests)

## Kristen Strom Performing at THE Jazz Club



On Thursday, April 7, the Cloverdale Arts Alliance will present saxophonist Kristen Strom at THE Jazz Club. In addition to leading her eponymous quartet, Kristen Strom is an integral part of some of the San Francisco Bay Area's leading bands. She has performed with many well-known artists, including Manhattan Transfer, Roberta Flack, Johnny Mathis, Jimmy Heath, Steve Turre, Kevin Mahogany, Michel LeGrand, the San Jose Symphony, the Temptations, Natalie Cole,

The Four Tops, and the San Francisco Production Beach Blanket Babylon.

This performance will be at the Cloverdale Arts Alliance Gallery, located at 204 N. Cloverdale Blvd.

Tickets are \$20 for Cloverdale Arts Alliance members and \$25 for non-members. Doors open at 7:00 pm; music begins at 7:30 pm. THE Jazz Club takes place the first Thursday of each month from January through May. To receive reserved seating privileges, purchase advance tickets online at [www.cloverdaleartsalliance.org](http://www.cloverdaleartsalliance.org). Tickets are also at the door, if available.

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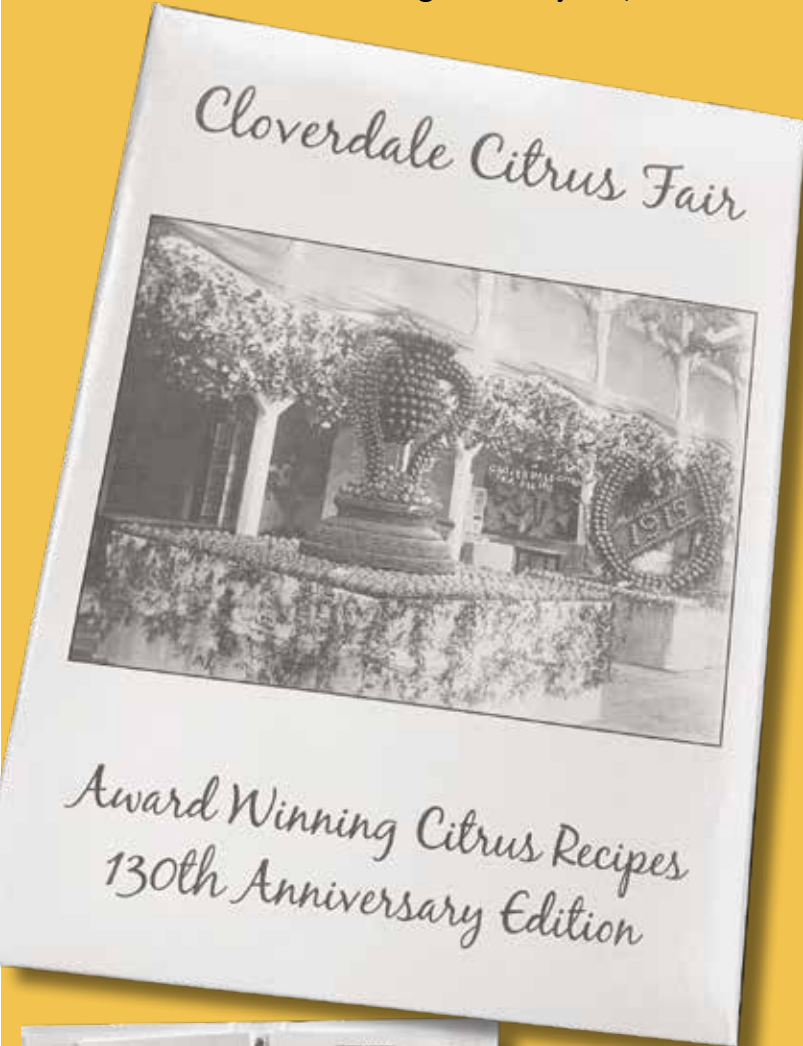
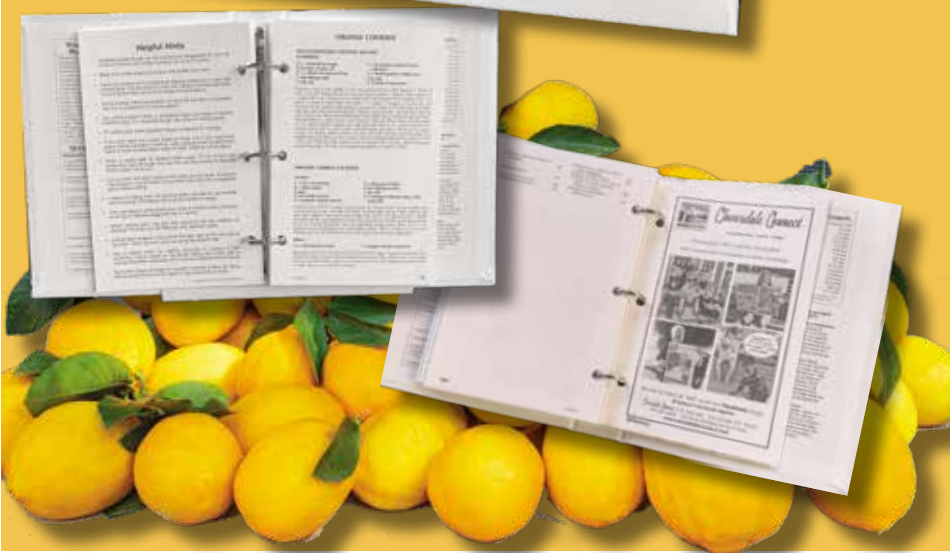
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## The Sale of Your Personal Home Could Have an Excellent Tax Benefit

Anne Miserlian Baker

If you own a home and you're thinking of selling, please, talk with your tax advisor first. I am not a tax advisor, but I know enough to understand that getting accurate tax advice, specific to your situation, could save you thousands or tens of thousands of dollars in taxes on your next return.

Correspondingly, there are some very simple, yet unyielding rules to follow when selling your primary residence. There are even rules which test what you can claim as your primary residence. So this is a step you want to have buttoned up before you put your home on the market.

So, what's the special tax benefit for the seller of a home that is their primary residence? It's this. A single person can exclude or shelter up to \$250,000 in profit, called gain, from the total amount on which they are taxed! A married couple can exclude up to \$500,000!

Here's a simplified example. Say you, a single person, purchased a home in 2012 for \$250,000. You then sold it last month for \$525,000. You paid \$25,000 in escrow fees and commissions so your net gain is \$250,000. Without this special break, you would be paying taxes on the difference, on the gain of \$250,000.

Hopefully, when you go to file your taxes next year, you will pass all of the tests and can take advantage of this super beneficial tax break. The two simplest rules are this:

- You have owned the home for at least two years.
- You have lived in the home for at least two of the last five years.

If this is you, and you are looking at a sizable increase in your sale price from your purchase price, you want to make sure you can take this benefit. Talk with your tax professional first. And, Congratulations!

## Grow Your Garden

Gina Berry, MS, RD, CLT

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This is the time of year for planting a fruit and vegetable garden. Nothing compares to the perfectly ripe taste of a homegrown tomato or a delicious, sweet carrot. Gardening is a great physical activity that not only provides you with tasty produce, but also gets you outside for some fresh air. Growing your own food is one of the best ways to teach children about fruits and vegetables and will get them excited to try some new foods.

Start Small - No need to go all out with an extravagant garden your first time. Try a window box with a few herbs like basil, parsley, and mint. Or, start with some quick growing radish sprouts which are delightful on a salad.

For parents who struggle with getting their kiddos to eat vegetables, gardening can be a powerful tool. Not only is it fun, but it will spark interesting questions about science and nutrition. And, I haven't met a child yet who can resist picking a fresh cherry tomato or sugar snap pea right off the plant for a tasty snack.

No time for gardening? Pick up some local produce at the store or farmer's market. The shorter time between harvest and your table means less risk of nutrient loss due to heat, light, and oxygen. Happy Planting!

## The Creative Corner

Christy Latchford



Instead of diving into some nefarious plot about how it is no coincidence that taxes come due at the same time Spring is about to rear her head making the purchase of fun garden things a challenge to purchase on a budget; I will instead share a couple of affordable and EASY hacks to add some whimsy and cheer to your homes.

First up is painting flower pots. There are of course the classic shapes, but at a reasonable price these modern cylindrical gems can be found at Cloverdale Nursery right here in town! Now because I am a frequent shopper (it isn't a problem, I have it totally under control) of the ACE oops shelf of paint I have a bit of a selection to choose from. For the simple kitty shapes, I used a white porch/concrete paint which should have awesome adherence. Any paint can work... but keep in mind if it's going to be exposed to the elements. Using exterior paint or an exterior clear sealer is going to save the day.

Second, is a spin on the back of closet door shoe organizers which are crazy affordable on Amazon, Target, etc. I saved the metal over the door holders to use for something else, put some screws up and voilà, plant start holders until the weather warms up a bit and they can be relocated to our garden beds.

Lastly for the non plant people - painted pots can be used for anything and for families with kiddos.....why not hang an attractive shoe holder by the front door so dirty shoes don't muck up your floors? My point is when the tax man is stealing a bit of our joy, we can still find ways to brighten up our homes if we open ourselves up to seeing things with fresh eyes and a little creativity.





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## Dennis Parker

Dennis Parker passed peacefully on March 2, 2022, at the age of 78 in his hometown of Cloverdale. Dennis graduated from CHS in 1961 where he was a star athlete (baseball, basketball, football). He was an avid hunter and fisherman his entire life.

Dennis attended the US Coast Guard Academy and served as a Search & Rescue helicopter pilot for 22 years. He retired in 1988 and began a second 25-year career of service as a financial advisor. Dennis liked to say that he saved people physically and fiscally.

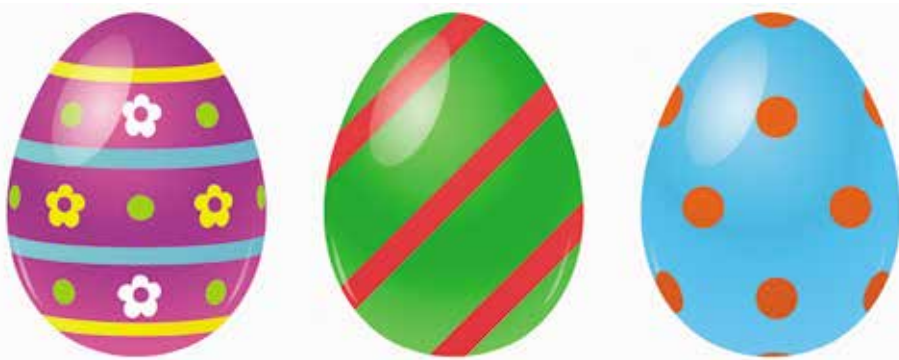
Dennis is survived by his wife, Nita; daughters Joanne, Judy, and Laura; and grandson Oliver. A Celebration of Life is on April 13th, 12-3 at Alexander Valley Hall.

Memorial donations can be made to [Alz.org](http://Alz.org), [cusdcare.org](http://cusdcare.org) or [cloverdalehistoricalsociety.org](http://cloverdalehistoricalsociety.org).

## Attention Chargers Football Parents

Chargers Football would like to invite players to participate in the 2022 Citrus Fair Parade taking place on Saturday, April 23rd at 11:00am. Please arrive by 10:30am.

*Please don't forget to wear your jerseys!!!*



## CHS Prom May 14

Tickets go on sale April 25 for the Cloverdale High School Prom.

Prices are \$40 Upperclassman Single,  
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CHS Juniors and Seniors are welcome to bring a student guest as their date to the prom.

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There will be three cash prizes awarded. You can start decorating as early as April 1, but the decorations should be complete by Monday, April 18, in time for the judging, which will take place from Tuesday, April 19th through Thursday, April 21st.

*Good luck and have fun!*

If you have any questions, please contact the chamber at 894-4470 Monday-Friday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. If it's easier to email,

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If you are interested in becoming a sponsor for the 2022-2023 Sculpture Trail, inquire at [jmannfor@gmail.com](mailto:jmannfor@gmail.com).

They are also seeking financial support to cover general operating expenses and the Artists' Reception on June 4th at the Performing Arts Center. The reception is a free community event.

2022 will see the return of Cloverdale Sculpture Trail with new sculptures gracing the downtown streets. Installation has been scheduled for Thursday, April 28th, and the Call has been published. Sculptors have been spending their sequestered time since March, 2019 to create many new sculptures.

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## Autism Awareness Month

### Swathi Chettipally

April is International Autism Awareness month. Autism doesn't take vacation from families. It is a 24/7, 365 days a year challenge for us and our kids.

This is our brand-new family formed by choice along with a few visiting friends. What connected us? Well, it's our kids born with special needs, especially Autism. Autism is a spectrum of neurodivergence with complex issues which makes it hard for them to navigate through life.

Each one of our families did our best with our kids by getting them therapies, finding opportunities to better themselves while trying to teach the world to accept them just the way they are. They may not look, behave nor communicate the way we are used to with typical people, but they all are intelligent and hardworking, and can understand everything, even if they cannot reciprocate.



We as parents are working hard to make Clearwater Ranch ([www.CRanch.net](http://www.CRanch.net)) a happy and a thriving place for our kids and their future. In case you have not heard about us, we are

newly developing independent living housing for individuals with developmental disabilities. Autism is a spectrum and no two individuals are the same - which makes it complex to understand.

The residents of the Ranch will have an opportunity to learn various skills so that they can wake up excited to start their days and eventually make an impression not only on the Cloverdale community but beyond. The parents of Clearwater Ranch are so happy to have chosen Cloverdale a new home for their precious kids with special needs. They are also grateful to the Cloverdale community for welcoming their loved ones with open arms!

## Homeless Count

Recently, the count of how many homeless are residing in Cloverdale was compiled, also referred to as the Sonoma County PIT Count for the Annual Homeless Census.

**Mayor Todd Lands** and **Angela Cordova** joined with Reach for Home to conduct the 2022 PIT Count. When asked why the Mayor had his boots to the ground and participated in this event, Todd Lands response was: "I am the Mayor for all of Cloverdale and I want to make sure that we have accurate counts so we can personalize our effectiveness to better serve the unsheltered." Thank you, Mayor Lands, our Cloverdale community appreciates you. The results of the count will be shared at a later time.

## Healthy Haven Wellness Now Open

Healthy Haven Wellness, the new Community Wellness Shop located at 116 E. First Street, is now open. Open 7 days a week from 6 am to 2 pm, Health Haven Wellness offers GLUTEN FREE and VEGAN option Grab n Go food options, a HEALTHY coffee shop, juice bar, meal preparation, Wellness Classes, Cooking Classes, and a Commercial Kitchen.

Coming soon is their website, [www.healthyhavenwellness](http://www.healthyhavenwellness), where you will be able to mobile order and sign up for classes.

Follow the Healthy Haven Wellness journey on FB or Instagram, [healthyhavenwellness](https://www.instagram.com/healthyhavenwellness)



## A Thirsty Burglar or a Dripping Faucet?

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency more than 1 trillion gallons of water are wasted annually through leaks. That's enough water to fill Lake Sonoma more than eight times.

While drought-conscious Californians shudder at the thought of such a precious resource literally going down the drain, leaks create other issues. Water leaking from a faucet inside the home usually goes down a drain into sewer or septic systems, but a leaking pipe or connection fitting can cause interior damage. Water leaking outside the home can weaken foundations and hardscaping over time. Larger leaks can lead to higher water and sewer bills.

Locally, the Sonoma Marin Water Saving Partnership, and cities and water districts throughout the region provide helpful information on how to detect leaks by using your water meter and – for some cities – water-smart apps that allow you to see water use hour-by-hour. Hint: If you are using 10 gallons of water at 2 a.m. when no one is home, you either have a thirsty burglar or a large leak.

While your utility bill and water meter are great starting points, everyone (including rural residents who rely on wells) can check for leaks by listening for dripping faucets and for toilets that refill without being flushed, and by doing a simple toilet dye test (dye tabs are available for free at most city water departments and can be inexpensively purchased at hardware stores). Don't forget to check garage and laundry room sinks and washing machine fittings. Outdoor leaks can sometimes be more difficult to detect but have the potential to save large amounts of water (and money) when fixed. Take advantage of the spring weather to check and repair irrigation systems.

*This article was authored by Ann DuBay, Sonoma Water, on behalf of RRWA. RRWA is an association of local public agencies in the Russian River Watershed that have come together to coordinate regional programs for clean water, habitat restoration, and watershed enhancement.*

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**Scalloped Potatoes**  
 Easter is approaching and I enjoy scalloped potatoes with the family dinner. This version uses three cheeses so it's very rich and hard to put the fork down. I use Yukon potatoes, they are much more flavorful.

- Ingredients**
- Salt and pepper
  - 4 pounds baking potatoes, scrubbed
  - 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
  - 1 onion, finely chopped
  - 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
  - 1 ½ cups shredded Gruyère or crumbled Blue cheese (about 5 1/2 oz.)
  - 1 ½ cups shredded Cheddar
  - ¾ cup grated Parmesan
  - 1 tablespoon chopped fresh thyme
  - 2 cups heavy cream
  - 3 bay leaves

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add potatoes and cook, 25 to 30 minutes. Drain, set aside until potatoes are cool

In a small skillet, melt 1 Tbsp. butter over medium heat. Add onion and cook, stirring until tender, about 6 minutes. Add garlic and cook, about 2 minutes longer. Transfer to a medium bowl.

Preheat oven to 350°F and line a large baking sheet with foil. Generously butter a 9-by-13-inch baking dish and place it on lined baking sheet. Add Gruyère, Cheddar, Parmesan, thyme, 2 tsp. salt and 1 tsp. pepper to onion mixture and stir until well combined.

Peel and slice potatoes 1/4-inch thick. Arrange 1/3 of potatoes in baking dish, and sprinkle with 1/3 of cheese mixture. Repeat layering twice, finishing with cheese. Pour cream over potatoes, press bay leaves on top. Bake until cream is mostly absorbed and top is golden brown and bubbling, about 1 hour 15 minutes. Remove bay leaves. Let cool 10 minutes and serve.

**Local Care For Local Elders Is Back**

Local Care for Local Elders has re-emerged and is now meeting with independent care providers in our community. Local Care for Local Elders encourages any care giver to attend meetings, review the benefits of membership of this support group and become a new member.

Local Care for Local Elders members have profile cards at the Senior Center where clients can choose their own personal care provider for specific needs. These cards have a picture of the care provider, their availability, skill level and fees. As independent contractors, they are hired by the client for home care needs such as shopping, meal preparation, housekeeping, personal care, companionship, and transportation.

Local Care for Local Elders meets monthly as a support network to discuss issues, improve skills and make teams for jobs. Their members are professional and have background checks. They are experienced working with Hospice and connect with other local resources to give their clients the best possible care. Contact Janet Seaforth for more information 707-894-7345

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