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Here it is folks. The month we have all been waiting for. It may only be a virtual BridgeFest raffle this year, but the prizes will make up for it. I know I'm not the only one wanting a shopping spree, or the stay at Bear River Casino. With all these amazing prizes to go out, I have to say, I hope I get this beautiful quilt. I got the honor of seeing it at our last board meeting and boy oh boy! Any number of these prizes though would put a smile on my face. Raffle tickets are still for sale, as well as all the BridgeFest Swag, sweaters, t-shirts and cups. If you haven't gotten them already, give us a ring 707-777-1775 and get your order in!

As your new director I have been settling into the position nicely and meeting so many more of the amazing people in our community. It is no joke that this town was built on the backs of volunteers. I just want to send out such a huge thank you to all who have participated in fundraising events, dinners, raffles, pie sales, and all those who have supported the center and its mission with donations and time. We appreciate you all! I urge anyone who would care to volunteer to give us a ring at the number above, we have big goals and projects going on here and many hands make light work.

Our facility will remain closed to the public throughout the month until we get the water flowing again. Although it has put some projects on hold, it has given me a chance to ease into the job and also plan for reopening. We have some programs we want to start back up and we also want to hear what you want. What programs are you missing in your life that would bring you out and about to say hello to your fellow community members? Let us know. Pancakes anyone?

I say all these things with the hope that Covid will stop rearing its ugly head and allow us to begin interacting again with friends and family. Any events or programs that we move forward with will absolutely be done with the concern for health and safety as the top priority and follow the guidelines that are current at any given time.

On a final note before signing off, I want to say another thank you to Lyn Javier for her devotion to

the position of Board President. July was her last month. Thank you Lyn for your service to the community and all you do! We have since bumped up our board member Laurie King to the President position and are so grateful to her for taking it on. Thank you Laurie! So many changes, but the mission remains.

Keep on smiling Bridgeville,
Danielle Holway

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SUMMER REMINDER - STAY SAFE

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- Prevent forest fires: Watch for dragging chains on your trailer or driving over dry grass.
- Don't have camp fires in the woods.
- Get your house fire safe



• Wear sunscreen, hats, and protective clothing. Use aloe for sunburns if necessary.

- Stay hydrated.
- Don't leave children and pets in cars.
- Be careful around rivers, lakes, boats and pools. Drowning is one of the leading causes of children deaths.



Be safe, have fun, and enjoy the summer.

We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about progress and prosperity for our community... Our ambitions must be broad enough to include the aspirations and needs of others, for their sakes and for our own. ~ Cesar Chavez

Who are the members of the Bridgeville Community Center Board of Directors?

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Bridgeville Community Center Mission Statement

"The Bridgeville Community Center is dedicated to improving the quality of life for all our community members. We are committed to bringing people of all ages together to encourage good health, self-esteem, creativity, and personal development."

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Bridgeville Community Center is seeking community members to be part of the BCC Board. Please review the Bridgeville Community Mission statement to see what we are trying to do. Contact the BCC for more information.



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25th Anniversary!



BridgeFest Tri-Tip Dinner

**DUE TO A SPIKE IN COVID, THE AUGUST
20 TRI TIP DINNER HAS BEEN
CANCELLED**

mmmmm!
TRI-TIP DINNER! AND
FOR VEGETARIANS:

PICK YOUR PIE! BLUEBERRY, STRAWBERRY-
RHUBARB, PEACH AND MIXED BERRY

Pick Up 5-6:00pm By the Old Bridge!

RAFFLE TICKETS AND T-SHIRTS ARE STILL BEING SOLD.



**WATCH FOR!
BridgeFest**

On Facebook

Saturday, August 21
Raffle and Shenanigans
recorded for Facebook
bridgevillecommunitycenter.org

Humboldt County Libraries



Time to Return Books

Library book returns are open. This is the time to return books, and waiving all late fees.

Feel free to use these at BridgeFest next year.

Q: What do aliens prefer to drink?

A: Gravi-tea.

Q: How do you get a baby alien to sleep?

A: Rocket.

Q: Where do aliens park their flying saucers?

A: At a parking meteor.

Q: What's E.T. short for?

A: Because he's got little legs.

Q: What is a lightyear?

A: The same as a regular year, but with less calories.

Q: What do honest politicians and UFOs have in common?

A: You hear of them, but you never see them!

Healthy Aliens

By Lauri Rose, WWQ and Intergalactic Gadfly

Those Who Decide All Things held a Council to discuss the fate of the 2021 Intergalactic Flying Saucer Trials (IFST). I was honored to be in the audience (via Zoom, of course). There was quite a feed delay but, it was worth every frustrating second. Those 11' Jukians with their 3' feathered headdresses were *amazing*. Just seeing the leaders of the Known Multiverse gathered together in all their various garbs and glory was quite the experience.

Discussing the Earthdemic and the IFST caused a great deal of contention. The Council ended up pulling an all-nighter with much pro-ing and con-ing. (Note: On Sirius 7 all night is a REALLY long time.) What was most interesting to this intergalactic ethnographer was the approach various species took to the problem.

The Hornofians, Aachoo bless their souls, have a culture of reciprocity. They feel connected to every other adorable little ball of snot on their planet and know if they give a little, they'll get a little. (Okay, they don't think of themselves as 'adorable', that's me. They think they are incredibly beautiful and we are funny looking. Especially our sexual organs.) They argued it would be most helpful to Bridgevillians if everyone took the risk and we held the Trials. They thought it would boost the Bridgeville economy and we'd be sure to return the favor if the planet Hornorfia ever had a similar need.

The Darsubeans, who you may remember are rapacious individualists with a culture of extraction, argued that Bridgeville could rot in the Ice of Hecubaeus for all they cared. They stated they owed nothing to Earth even though the extraction of the unrecognized element balsuim from our atmosphere is contributing to climate change (and making one Darsub family extremely rich). In the Darsubean culture the consequences of an action, beyond the effect on the individual doing it, are rarely given consideration. As you can imagine, their planet is a wreck. But, they have advanced space technology so the rich will be able to escape. And the poor? Well, if they had any colonies they wouldn't be poor, so who cares. (That's not *my* philosophy – that's pure Darsub).

The Makindido from the Star System Caritas (Earth Translation for brt8.z) feel everything, whether animate or inanimate, is imbued with Spirit. At home they stop to ask permission and say thank-you before they do *anything*. It sounds time consuming but, I once vacationed there and found it made me think about how I am in relationship to *everything*. At the end of my two week stay I felt really connected and *good*!

The Makindido argued that since the river, bridge and streets of Bridgeville have been so welcoming to the Intergalactic Community we should show them gratitude and care for them as the Relations they are. For quite some time they argued among themselves about whether continued visitation would make the Bridgeville environment feel most loved or whether a couple seasons of not being pounded by feet, fin and feathers would feel better.

The Council consensus was to nix the Intergalactic Flying Saucer Trials again this year. The Makindido urge everyone to buy lots of Big Raffle tickets and blueberry pies to show their appreciation for the Community Center.

Fly Long, Fly Far, Look Good

Our 25th Year! 2021 BridgeFest BroadCast!

**HUGE RAFFLE DRAWING TO BE PRESENTED ON
FACEBOOK SATURDAY AUGUST 21st**

This year we are celebrating the 25th Anniversary of BridgeFest on the Old Bridge at Bridgeville! What started as a desire to have a little party on the then unused 1925 highway bridge, has become a major fundraiser for the Bridgeville Community Center. Well, we are not going to be greeting our Alien friends on the Old Bridge come August 21st. There will be only memories of past BridgeFest excitement when hundreds of us humans mingled with unknown numbers of those from Outer Space. Once again our community is taking this extra precaution in our effort to stem the advance of the COVID-19 virus.

But we can all "get together" on FACEBOOK for the guaranteed excitement of the HUGE RAFFLE prize drawings. We will be hosts to a few select Alien friends who will witness the choosing of the winning tickets on August 21st. **Buy a few tickets now** and enjoy the anticipation of winning one (two, more?) of the great prizes donated by local businesses and individuals in support of our Community Center.

Be reminded that Pierson's donated two (TWO!) \$200 Gift Cards. And there will be the one night stay, dinner, and cash from Bear River Casino and Hotel. Among other Huge Raffle prizes will be the \$200 Gift Certificate from Redwood Thrift and the coveted Stihl Battery Powered Chainsaw from Western Chainsaw.

We certainly appreciate the devotion of the Bridgeville Quilters in their creation of the most beautiful BridgeFest Quilt. Definitely buy some tickets for this one!

A few recent donations include a \$50 Gift Certificate from Wild Cactus Clothing and a Vintage Planter from Ace Hardware in Fortuna.

Excitement is building for creating a best-ever BridgeFest Celebration **next year**, right there on our Old Bridge. Be a part of that party!

Hey! There is plenty of BridgeFest swag to help you get into the celebration. Support the BCC with your purchase of T-shirts, sweat shirts, coffee mugs, and more.

Special note this month of our cash supporters, listed on the back of the BridgeFest T-Shirts:

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Finally, please remember our fundraising efforts by ordering Drive-Thru Dinners and those delicious Home-Baked Pies. There will be a Tri-Tip Barbecue on the grass in Bridgeville, and the Pies will be there as well. Call the Center at 777-1775 to order.

Buy those HUGE RAFFLE tickets and prepare to win!



"Dear MFP" (*Master Food Preserver*)

By Dottie Simmons



How do I love Corn? Let me count the ways...?

Canned whole-kernel corn: It takes around 32 pounds of fresh corn on the cob to make 7 quarts, 20 pounds for a canner load of 9 pints. Because it is not acidic, corn MUST be processed in a pressure canner.

Select ripe or slightly immature corn for best quality. Husk corn, remove silks and wash. Blanch corn on the cob for 3 minutes in boiling water. Cut kernels from the ear about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way down the kernel. **Do NOT scrape the cob.**

Raw Pack: fill clean, hot jars with raw kernels, leaving 1-inch headspace. If desired, add 1 teaspoon salt per quart. Without compacting kernels, add boiling water, leaving 1" headspace.

Hot Pack: place kernels in saucepan, adding 1 cup of hot water per quart of corn. Bring to boil and simmer 5 minutes. Fill jars with corn and liquid, adding 1 tsp. salt per jar if desired, leaving 1" headspace.

To Process: Tighten lids and process in **PRESSURE** Canner at 11 pounds pressure (dial-gauge canner), 55 minutes for pints, 85 minutes for quarts. For each 2000 feet of elevation increase the pressure one pound, timing remains the same. In a weighted-gauge canner process at 10 pounds up to 1000 feet elevation and 15 lb. at higher elevations.

Freezing: For corn-on-the-cob, blanch small ears 7 minutes, medium 9 minutes, and large ears over 1-1/2" in diameter 11 minutes. Chill quickly, drain and package. Seal, label, date, and freeze.

For whole kernel or cream style corn, blanch whole ears only 4 minutes. Cool and cut kernels from cob at 2/3 depth for whole kernel. For cream-style, also scrape the cobs with the back of the knife for the juice and heart of the kernels. Package leaving $\frac{1}{2}$ " head space, seal, label & date, and freeze.

Dehydrating Prepare corn as for canning. Spread blanched kernels in a single layer on trays and dehydrate at 125° for 6 to 8 hours or until brittle. Stir occasionally to facilitate drying.

Pickled, corn is enjoyed as Corn Relish. Corn relish can be made with fresh or frozen corn kernels. It only requires boiling water bath processing as the vinegar makes it acidic enough. Find the full recipe here: https://nchfp.uga.edu/how/can_06/pickled_corn_relish.html

If this is your first time canning, it is recommended that you read information about canning online first: https://nchfp.uga.edu/how/can_home.html. Questions about food preservation? Contact the Master Food Preserver Program through the Humboldt County Cooperative Extension Office for information: (707) 445-7431, or online at: <http://cehumboldt.ucdavis.edu>



BRIDGEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

By Danielle Holway

Have you ever wondered what it is like to go into a burning building? To feel the heat on your neck, the most vulnerable spot on any firefighter who is donning structure gear. It gets warm. Bridgeville volunteer firefighter Danielle Holway was lucky enough to attend the training of the instructors on Fortuna's new Fire Training Tower. This 3 story tower is quite an impressive piece of equipment. There are 2 burning rooms, rat maze, structures to practice forcible entry, a 3rd story location to repel off of, a roof prop for cutting ventilation and so much more. It is a firefighter's winter wonderland. Many thanks to Fortuna for allowing our members to assist in training, and getting the education to also help teach the use of this tower. As a department we also had Firefighter Capistrano, Chief Katzdorn and Firefighter Holway attend the ribbon cutting ceremony. We look forward to more training opportunities within its walls.

We want to thank everyone for their consciousness and attention to fire safety over this last couple months and moving forward from here until the rains come. We are our first line of defense and any actions we take to be protecting our homes and communities can keep us that much safer. Again, if you have any questions about your home and fire safety, please don't hesitate to reach out. It is not just your home you may be protecting.

On a revision note, I must apologize for my incorrect date of fire meeting in last month's newsletter. We do not meet on the first Monday. Our department meetings are on **The first Tuesday of every month at 6pm** either at the fire barn or at the community center next to the school. If you need to show up late, that is A OK. We are always reaching out for volunteers as firefighters or even members of the community for supporting roles. Thank you all for your continued support.

Call Log

6/22 medical aid 3:40pm
6/23 wildland check 3:33pm
6/23 traffic collision 6:15pm
6/26 traffic collision 9:15pm
7/1 medical aid 12:36pm
7/3 medical aid 5:17pm
7/15 fire, aircraft 11:58 pm
7/21 traffic collision 1:00pm



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TRCCG News

Two Rivers Community Care Group

Both memorials and funerals are ceremonies that help us come to closure with someone's death. They are often religious and held in a chapel but they don't have to be. They just need some kind of formal and ritualized recognition of the passage being celebrated, in this case, death.

It used to be that when someone died you sent their body to a mortuary (aka funeral home). Then you told the funeral director how much you had to spend, and they made most of the decisions for you. Nowadays many people skip the expense of a funeral and just hold a memorial gathering.

Funerals are usually held in a mortuary or religious sanctuary and the body is present. After the service there is generally a procession to the cemetery and the body is laid in the ground. One can hardly miss the significance of covering the body with dirt. Life is over for this particular person. For family and friends standing around the grave, finality and forever are defined by the first thuds of earth on the coffin. It is a powerful ritual to help us along on our grief journey.

Memorials, or celebrations-of-life as they are now called, can take place anywhere. They can be led by a religious leader or a respected community member or anyone you chose. They can be as formal or informal as is appropriate for the person being celebrated. The body is not usually present at a memorial, though ashes maybe displayed in a place of honor.

Whether you have a memorial/funeral at a mortuary or a life-celebration in a meadow, deciding how best to honor someone will take a little thoughtfulness. The first thing to consider is if your loved one would even want a memorial. Many people don't. If the person was well woven into their community, a memorial can be an important ritual for the whole community to come to terms with the loss. My mother was well-known in her community but did not want a memorial, we had to find another way to let her far-flung friends and community members know she was gone. An obituary placed in the local paper served the purpose of priming the small town grapevine and getting the word out. But, we still got some flack for not giving the community a chance to grieve together and affirm how much she was loved and how they would all keep her memory alive, together.

Next month we will explore how to plan a meaningful memorial that acknowledges our sorrow but still speaks to the joy we carry from knowing the deceased person.



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WANTED: Loving, caring people to help neighbors in need. Two Rivers Community Care Group, a volunteer hospice, seeks volunteers to help neighbors facing life altering illnesses and end-of-life issues. Call the Bridgeville Community Center to volunteer or if you need our services. 777-1775.

Volunteer Firemen Wanted- The Bridgeville, Mad River, and Ruth Volunteer Fire Departments are looking for volunteers. The house they save may be yours or your neighbors. Contact them directly to sign up. Southern Trinity Fire: 574-6536



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bring a 5 gal Bucket to sit on!

Pam Walker
1953-2021

Pam died July 23 due to complications during an extensive hospital stay for a broken leg. Pam was the heart of her big family and a very special community member. She was the head cook at Bridgeville School forever till her retirement. Pam hosted many community parties and gatherings at their home along with her partner Dana. She was a STAR dispatcher for years - always there to help in any way she could. We will miss her tremendously. Memorial get together will be announced in the future.

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15	16	17 Order Drive-thru dinners	18	19	20 - BCC Drive-thru Dinner 5-6pm - BCC USDA Food Pantry, 10am-4pm	21  Honoring 25 years of BridgeFest (see you next year in person)
22 ○	23	24 BCC Mobile-Food Pantry-Dinsmore, 8:30 am-11:30am	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 	 Please Don't Start Smoking			

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Mondays: BCC CLOSED

Thursdays: Cancelled Community Potluck Brunch

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