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# The Westport Wave

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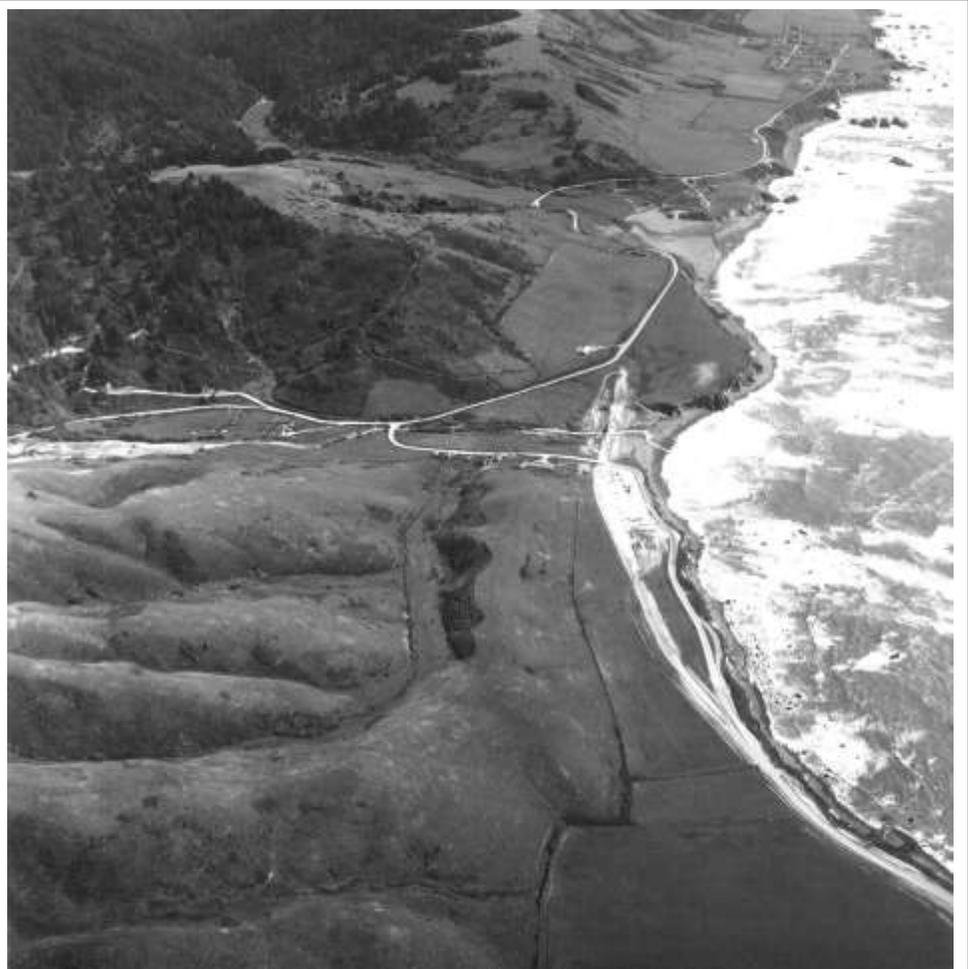
## DeHaven Project Update

Westport Village Society

Significant progress was made in May on tasks needed to support a grant application to acquire the DeHaven Creek Headlands. An appraisal, baseline conditions report, and archaeological survey report were submitted to the State Coastal Conservancy for review. The SCC accepted the Phase 1 Environmental Assessment, Baseline Conditions report, and Archaeological Survey. A budget was drafted for the acquisition, while subsequent planning tasks are now being scoped. The planning will include additional studies, public input, preparation of a Management Plan, and design/permitting of future access improvements.

Our research found many historical images including this one (at right) taken by Caltrans at the outset of their 1964 project to realign Highway 1 at Dehaven Creek. The current highway bridge was under construction at that time. The Dehaven parcel comprised an open headland and beach area back then. Westport is visible in the distance in the photo.

WVS is now over 76% of the way toward our goal of raising \$25,000 by July 1<sup>st</sup>, thanks to 33 generous donors! If you support this conservation and public access project please consider a tax deductible donation. New contributions will double the funding



1964 oblique aerial showing highway realignment in progress. Westport can be seen in top right distance (courtesy of Caltrans).

available to conserve this priceless land until \$1,900 in remaining Challenge pledges are met. The Westport Village Society will offer a premium of a local 2012 history book or a Ducky Race t-shirt for any donation over \$100. Please supply a mailing address if you request a premium and indicate a shirt size preference as appropriate. Checks should be made out to Westport Village Society and marked "DeHaven" in the memo line. Mail them to PO Box 446, Westport CA 95488. Thanks for your support!



## Community Fire-Safe Education 11:00AM Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Westport Firehouse

WVFD

Join us on Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> for a free Community Education program at the Westport Firehouse starting at 11:00AM. Learn what you can do to help keep your property safe during the upcoming fire season.

The key steps to take include maintaining 100 feet of defensible space around your house and other structures, and making sure that access roads and driveways are clear of brush and other obstructions so our fire engines can get to your house. Some grants to help pay for the necessary work may be available through the Fire Safe Council. A representative of the Mendocino County Fire Safe Council will be present to answer questions.

## WVFD Donation Thank-Yous

The WVFD's Board of Trustees offers our sincere apologies to our generous donors for not acknowledging your 2021 donations with a thank you. We have corrected our record keeping for the future! We've been able to locate about 20 donors and will send acknowledgements by the end of May. If you do not receive a post card from us by the end of May and want one, please email Melinda McLaughlin, [melindasmclaughlin@gmail.com](mailto:melindasmclaughlin@gmail.com). She will happily send it to you! Again our deep appreciation to all our supporters and our apologies.



## Westport Hotel and Old Abalone Pub News

Tabby Korhummel, General Manager,  
Westport Hotel and Old Abalone Pub

The Old Abalone Pub is open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday for dinner seating from 5:00PM to 8:30PM. Reservations are welcome. Call 707-964-3688 or see [westporthotel@mcn.org](mailto:westporthotel@mcn.org) for more information.

## Orcas Visit Westport

Thad Van Bueren

A pod of Orcas were seen May 27<sup>th</sup> harassing a pod of gray whales offshore from Westport. The sighting was by Nicholas Grosjean. Information on this Orca pod is available on the web: <https://noyocenter.org/marine-mammals/orcas-killer-whales/>





The Westport Church

### Peace Through Meditation With Babaji, Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2:00PM

Learn simple practices to cultivate inner peace through meditation. Satsang with Babaji at the Westport Church, 1st Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2:00PM

Future Babaji satsangs at the Westport Church: July 3<sup>rd</sup> and August 7<sup>th</sup>.



Babaji

*“Root out the violence in your life, and learn to live compassionately and mindfully. Seek peace. When you have peace within, real peace with others is possible.”*

*Thich Nhat Hanh*

### Thich Nhat Hahn Discussion Group – Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:00AM

Baile Oakes

This Westport Community Church discussion group is focused upon Thich Nhat Hahn’s Book: **“Living Buddha, Living Christ”**. No need to have the book. We will share passages from the book and discuss how they might or might not influence how we show up for our selves and all Creation.

We request that attendees be vaccinated and we will meet according to the Church Covid precautions.

### 24/7 Westport Wave

The Westport Wave is always free to everyone at any time on the Newsletter page of our website [westportvillagesociety.org](http://westportvillagesociety.org) – where you’ll always find our most current issue as well as over ten years of monthly back-issues, all in living color, with live links! Check it out, and tell your friends!



them out of the pipes resulting in higher water quality. We try to do this at least once a year but did not last year because of the drought. This activity will cause periods of discolored water that may stain light-colored laundry. We recommend customers avoid washing light colored laundry on the date scheduled for their area. The water will remain safe to use and will generally clear within a few hours after flushing is completed. If you notice discolored water in your home or business, run the water at the hose bibs outside for a few minutes until clear, then run the cold water inside until the water is clear.

Our customers are still doing a great job of water conservation. Not only is this the right thing to do but helps us keep our expenses down. Thank you everyone!

Again, I would like to bring awareness to our website, [www.westportcountywaterdistrict.com](http://www.westportcountywaterdistrict.com). Kayla is doing a fantastic job creating and maintaining it. There is a lot of good and current information there.

## Westport County Water District News

John Morrill, WCWD Operations Manager

Greetings!

Everything is going well with our facilities. David is preparing the spray fields for use by mowing around and servicing the sprinklers. You will notice the sprinklers discharging our treated waste water starting late in June until August. This is how we dispose of our waste water and make room for next year.

You may also notice us flushing our drinking water system June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Flushing is a vital maintenance activity to clean and flush the City's water mains. Fire hydrants are opened to move a large volume of water at a higher-than-normal velocity through the system. This procedure mobilizes particles and minerals that settle over time and flushes

## Court-Ordered Community Service Opportunities in Westport

Gary Quinton

Do you need to serve court-ordered Community Service or serve in a Sheriff's Department Work Release program? Why not serve it in your community? We would value your time!

There are several places and varied types of work in Westport where you can provide your hours and get credit towards the satisfaction of your court order, including work for the Westport Volunteer Fire Department, Westport-Ten Mile Cemetery District, and the Westport Village Society. Jobs include grass and weed cutting, painting, handyman work, and more. We can help you with registration paperwork and compliance/completion documents. If you are interested, please call Gary Quinton, (707) 964-7073.



with disabilities through the Fort Bragg High School.

In the photos, we are busy putting up Memorial Day flags at the Inglenook and Westport cemeteries for the Westport-Ten Mile Cemetery District.

We had lots of fun! And it was so nice to think of the Veterans who have served our country and honor them.

## Transition Learning Center Students Decorate Local Cemeteries With Flags For Memorial Day

Erin Brazill

These photos are of my students and staff (including Westport native wonderful staff member Anjelica Maxey). Students and staff are from TLC – the Transition Learning Center in Fort Bragg where I teach amazing students





opportunities. This is a ‘living document’ and so we invite all of you to take a good look at the document and let us know what you think. We do this work for you and we greatly value your ideas,” voiced Paul Garza Jr., Chair of the SMEDD CEDS Strategy Committee.

The 2016 CEDS was instrumental in several regional initiatives including financing local entrepreneurs

through a regional revolving loan fund, further action to bring broadband access to underserved communities, and facilitating access to grants for workforce development partners. The 2016 CEDS document will remain active until the 2022 CEDS draft approved by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Agency (EDA). The 2022 Sonoma Mendocino CEDS was drafted and facilitated by Marie Jones, Marie Jones Consulting, in collaboration with Sonoma Mendocino Economic Development District’s CEDS Strategy Committee.

**To access the 2022 CEDS draft, visit the SMEDD website at [www.sonomaedb.org/SMEDD](http://www.sonomaedb.org/SMEDD). To submit questions and comments, please email SMEDD Economic Development District Manager, Bradley Johnson at [Bradley.johnson@sonoma-county.org](mailto:Bradley.johnson@sonoma-county.org). The public comment period ends on Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.**

The Sonoma-Mendocino Economic Development District is a two-county partnership, created through a joint powers agreement in 2015, to engage in regional economic development planning. The District is responsible for overseeing the completion and implementation of the Sonoma-Mendocino Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. The Sonoma-Mendocino Economic Development District’s Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy will be composed of community input and content from current regional plans: MOVE 2030, Strategic Sonoma, and The Sonoma County Economic Recovery Plan.

## Community Invited to Help Shape Regional Economy

Sonoma Mendocino Economic Development District

Ukiah, CA- The Sonoma Mendocino Economic Development District (SMEDD) invites Sonoma and Mendocino County community members to help shape the regional economy by participating in a second round of input for the **2022 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)**, using the goals outlined in the CEDS draft to better reflect the economic development needs of the region. Current data and community-driven economic goals outlined in the CEDS include: developing innovative and value-added sectors, increasing equitable community-wide prosperity, supporting people, and planning for and implementing resiliency. Sonoma and Mendocino communities are encouraged to submit feedback on the goals, objectives, strategies, and projects listed in the 2022 CEDS.

“Every five years, Sonoma-Mendocino Economic Development District (SMEDD) performs a comprehensive study of our region to find the best ways to improve our prosperity and economic resiliency. The CEDS Strategy Committee reviewed and evaluated data, a wide range of input from citizens, community organizations, and local government to determine what our strengths and weaknesses are and to determine our best



we can fit! Even though we're a little behind this year, we should have an abundance of greens, radishes, tomatoes and other goodies all ready to harvest by the end of the month. In the coming weeks we will be busy amending garden beds and getting everything planted. Thanks you to everyone for being so patient and understanding this year; but soon enough we will see another year of organic abundance produced from our little community center plot!

The Community Garden work days will be starting up again in June and will continue to be every third Saturday of the month @10:30am. This month's work day will take place

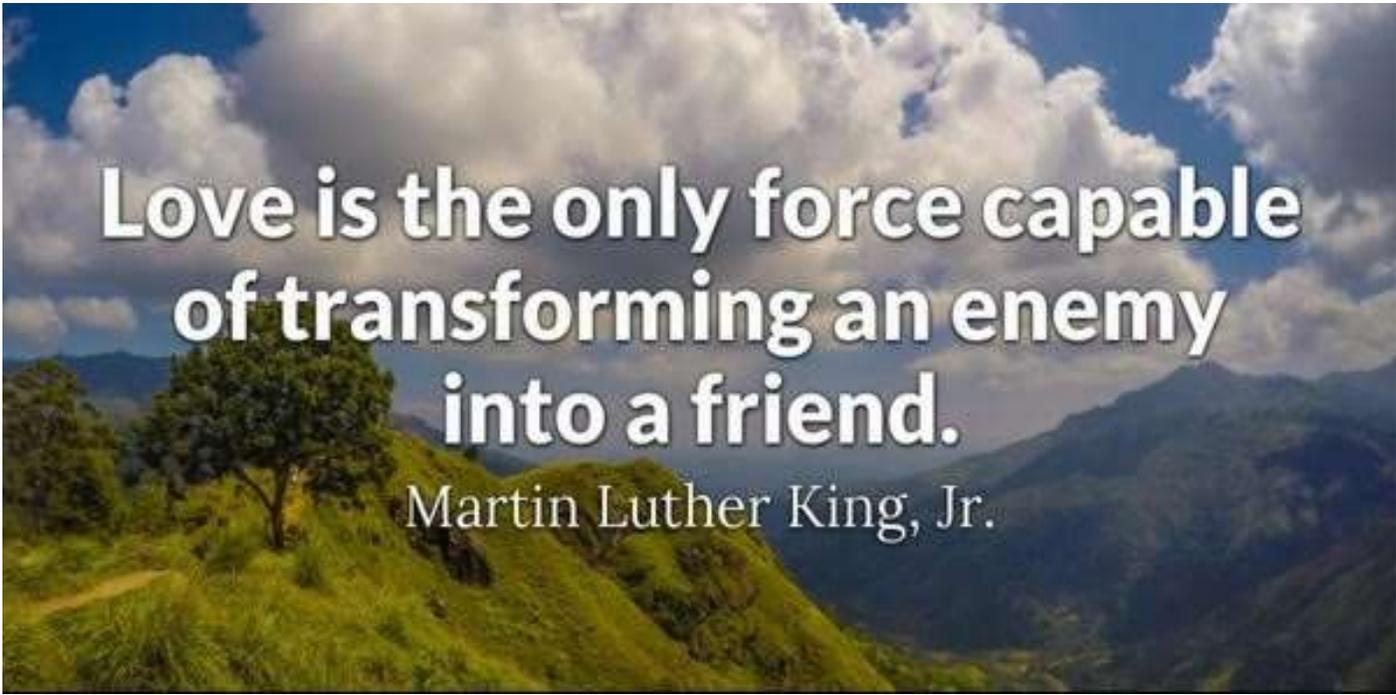
## Westport Community Garden News

Derek DiOrio

Stop by the **Westport Community Garden** in June for fresh, organically grown vegetables – ready for you to harvest, **ABSOLUTELY FREE!** At the Westport Community Garden, fresh produce is free to everyone every day, so please come do your part by harvesting regularly so that nothing goes to waste! Just bring your own cutting utensil and a bag to take your goodies home in. We're at the end of Abalone Street at the Westport Community Center (look for the greenhouse).

Despite an extended hiatus, the Westport Community Garden still has things growing in it and this month will be seeing a pretty major overhaul. So much still needs to be done in the garden; but with a generous donation of starts from Redwood Elementary, and with the help of Erin Brazill, we have more starts than

on Saturday, June 18th @10:30am. But, also, please feel free to stop in anytime you feel like getting your hands in the dirt - there are always weeds that need to be pulled, vines that need to be trellised and veggies harvested. If you are uncertain about what to do, just check the white board inside the greenhouse for up-to-date tasks/jobs needing to be done around the garden. For the month of June, our main focus will be on getting the final beds amended with fertilizer and other nutrients. I hope to have everything planted and growing by the second week of June. Our perimeter deer-fencing is something that really needs work so once everything is planted I hope to start tackling this project with a couple of other members of the community by the end of the month. Other tasks will include weeding, trellising and cleaning up any dead/dying plant matter and repairing any broken garden beds. I want to thank everyone who has contributed to the garden in some way in the past and has helped to keep things watered and growing. I'm excited to get back in there this month and start planting! **Happy Summer everyone!!**



**Love is the only force capable  
of transforming an enemy  
into a friend.**  
Martin Luther King, Jr.

## June Westport Calendar

*(Please note that because of COVID, meeting occurrences, dates, and modes may vary.)*

**Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> – Peace Through Meditation with Babaji, 2:00PM, Westport Church (see page 3)**

**Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> – WMAC meeting CANCELLED.**  
Contact [WMAC95488@gmail.com](mailto:WMAC95488@gmail.com) for details

**Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> – Westport Volunteer Fire Department Monthly Meeting, 6:00PM (call Chief Dan Maxey at (707) 357-4353 to attend remotely)**

**Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> – Bookmobile, 9:00AM-9:30AM, Westport Store (masks encouraged)**

**Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> – Westport County Water District Monthly Board Meeting, 7:00PM (call Kayla Cooper at (707)367-1057 for information on attending by Zoom)**

**Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> – Thich Nhat Han Discussion Group, 10:00AM, Westport Church (see page 3)**

**Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> – Super Full Moon, 4:51AM**

**Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – Westport Community Garden Volunteer Work Day, 10:30AM, Westport Community Garden (see page 7)**

**Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – Community Fire-Safe Education, 11:00AM, Westport Firehouse (see p.2)**

**Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> – Father's Day**

**Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> – Summer Solstice, 2:13AM**

**Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Bookmobile, 9:00AM-9:30AM, Westport Store (masks encouraged)**

**Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> – Micro New Moon, 7:52PM**

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