# ~<u>Artist of the Month</u>~

#### **Shantel Albers**

"Quilting helps me relax", says Shantel Albers, November's artist of the month. Shantel says that she started quilting 2 years ago. Using a singer sewing machine. She says that she can sew just about anything.

Two years ago her sister asked her to make her a quilt. She says it took a long time to finish but it was worth it because she found that she truly loves making them. Since then she has done several more quilts, entering three of them in this year's Humboldt County Fair. Where one called, Flying Geese Bargello received an Award of Merit ribbon and the Glowing Stars quilt was awarded a Third Place ribbon. The glowing stars quilt actually glows in the dark too!

She says that she decided to showcase her quilts at the Gallery because her friend Vanessa took her by to look inside one day and it was just the kind of place that she wants to join and start showing her creations.

Shantel says that her dream is to own and operate a quilting shop some day. But for now she is happy teaching others to quilt.

To take a look at Shantel's beautiful quilts, which are for sale, as well as many other artist's creations, come to the visitor center in Rio Dell.

# **Rio Dell-Scotia News**

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## VOL.XVI NO.II ~AROUND TOWN~

# The Rio Dell—Scotia Chamber of commerce is seeking new members

The Rio Dell/Scotia Chamber of Commerce has been extremely active over the past year hosting many events and presentations including many activities during Wildwood Days, Mr. Jerry Rohde history presentations, and reviving the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, and more. We are currently hosting a series of Town Hall style meet your local businesses series on Tuesday evenings at 5:30 pm. The next will be an introduction to our local vineyard and winery, Monument Mountain Vineyards on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 406 Wildwood at 5:30. Tuesday November 24<sup>th</sup> will feature the Rio Dell Volunteer Fire Department.

In addition the Chamber has represented businesses during the water rate increase discussions, and interacts with the City at every council meeting and as needed on behalf of both the business community and individual businesses. Our efforts to create a business friendly Rio Dell and Scotia continue throughout the year and will continue into the future.

There are significant costs associated with providing these services and coordinating or collaborating in community events and representing the business community. The Chamber receives funds from individual and business memberships, fundraising events, ads in this monthly newsletter, and from renting display space to artists and start-up businesses at its office location, 406 Wildwood Avenue in Rio Dell. We are currently initiating our annual membership drive and encourage you to either renew or join the Chamber.

We would like to recognize four local businesses that have gone above and beyond to keep our staff funded into the future, Pizza Factory, Bigfoot New and Recycled Treasures, Dias Artistries, and Aqua Dam have offered to sponsor our staff at varying levels. Even with these significant contributions we must enhance our volunteer staff as existing funding developed through grants and rental incomes has dwindled and our major costs are associated with employees. This is not a reflection on our staff's accomplishments, quite the contrary, their efforts go far beyond expectations. We hope to expand our membership, rental incomes, and continue to develop and expand our sponsor relationships, among other revenue streams in order to expand staffing in the future.

We are now developing our annual Christmas store, offering home based businesses and craft makers 25 square feet of space over the holiday season for \$25 during the months of November and December. These space rentals are particularly good for those who want to enhance their holiday related products. We provide the sales staff and accounting, you provide the merchandise.

Please support the Rio Dell/Scotia Chamber of Commerce over the Holiday Season.

The Rio Dell—Scotia Chamber of Commerce and the Eagle Prairie Arts District NEED Volunteers to meet and greet the public. Be part of art and the community, and give a hand to help us out!

For more information please call 707-506-5081 Tuesday through Saturday from 11:00 to 5:30 p.m.

#### Did You Know?

#### By: Adam Dias

When I think of The Pizza Factory, I've come to expect the intoxicating smell of fresh made pizza dough smoldered with cheese and fresh toppings coming to a crisp. I can always expect a friendly staff, great menu, a warm family atmosphere, and bathrooms clean enough to eat off of.

However, what is interestingly different about The Pizza Factory, and unexpected, is the newest, although not so new, addition to the 25 year old family business. Where there used to be a party room, now sets Wildwood Gallery.

The gallery was installed about two years ago after The Eagle Prairie Arts District hosted its 2nd Arts on the Avenue, which is now a monthly event on the second Saturday of each month. Once owner Jim Rich saw the wonderful art hanging in his party room he simply decided he no longer had a party room, and instead converted the room into a place to showcase his art collection and give local artist's a place to show and sell their work for free!

For Jim, this is but another chapter in the long list of chapters associated with the 25 year old Pizza Factory. Never shying from offering community outreach and support, Jim Rich has a long and storied history of giving back. Whether it be building bikes for the youth, or donating to his community, Jim is always at the forefront of giving in Rio Dell.

After opening my gallery and studio in Rio Dell, Jim gave me some advice, he said "Adam, in this town you have to give until it hurts, and then you have to find a way to give some more," and he is right, this town needs it, it needs strong businesses that care and contribute to the community. I have never forgotten this, and though I will never reach the magnitude to which Jim has contributed to this community, I can say that I am proud to be a part of his gallery, and I am proud to contribute to the betterment of my community.

The Wildwood Gallery was just the second to open in Rio Dell in the last 3 years, and is by far one of the most successful, mostly because it was opened for all the right reasons.

Interested in showing at Wildwood Gallery? Then what are ya waiting for, get down to the Pizza Factory and talk to Jim!



Open Mon-Fri 8:30-5:30, Sat 9-5, Sun 10-4 33 Center Street, Rio Dell 764-5632

## Buy and Sell Christmas Store!

People can rent space in the Visitors Center / Art Gallery at 406 Wildwood Ave. Rio Dell to sell merchandise.

The gallery is offering for the month of December only! A \$25.00 rent space to show and sell your homemade gift items. There is no commitment other than the \$25.00 which entitles you to display your items as you chose in a space provided, the size of a small card table, and our staff will handle the sales for you and there is no commission. So what do you have to lose?

# Annual Yard Sale! Rio Dell Baptist Church 100 Butcher St.

It's that time of year again!! Two weekends! Rio Dell Baptist Church, 100 Butcher Street. Fri./Sat. Nov. 13 & 14 9a.m.—4 p.m. Fri./Sat. Nov. 20 & 21 9a.m.—4 p.m. This year they have a lot of nice furniture and household goods. Come early and find yourself some "treasures"!

This is a chance to provide a convenience for the residents, sales opportunity for those wanting to make money and added shopping opportunities for residents.

If you are interested in taking advantage of the Holiday season and utilizing some of our space please contact our office between the hours of 11am and 5:30 pm Tuesday – Saturday for more information or to reserve your spot. www.riodellscotiachamber.org

# **Chamber Mixer Series**

The series of Chamber mixers begun in September continues with the **Nov. 10** event featuring **Monument Mountain Vineyard**. Owner Carol Hoopes will have wines to sample and some for the silent auction, as well as other refreshments. The event is free and open to all, and will be held at the Chamber of Commerce office, 406 Wildwood Ave., Rio Dell, with refreshments starting at 5 and the program at 5:30 p.m.

On Nov. 24, the mixer will be at the Rio Dell Volunteer Fire Department, where Chief Shane Wilson will talk about the funds the fire department is receiving and the equipment it is purchasing, as well as challenges the department continues to face as it is asked to expand the territory it serves. As with the other mixers, it will be free, and there will be refreshments starting at 5 p.m. with a program at 5:30, and a silent auction item.



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> **Come to a Party! Arts on the Avenue November 14, 2015** 6-8 p.m. at 406 Wildwood Avenue, Rio Dell

The Eagle Prairie Arts District would like for you to join members, enjoying a fun social evening, just having a relaxing time and a potluck dinner and BYOD. We'd love to have you join us!

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#### Rio Dell Senior Center-

Senior Meeting & Lunch every week at The Church of Christ, 325 2nd Ave., Rio Dell,.

**Meeting time -** 10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. **Lunch** is catered by CC Market and is served at noon. Please call 764-3629 the Monday before to reserve a lunch if you plan to attend.

Senior Brown Bag Program– Food boxes given the 2nd Thursday of every month for local seniors. Boxes distributed from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Church of Christ, 325 2nd Ave. in Rio Dell. To sign up call Food for People at 445-3166.

#### **Rio Dell Library-**

Tuesday-11-4, Wednesday – 1-6, Saturday- 11-4

There is a First5 Puppet Story Time every second and fourth Saturday of the month starting at 11:00 am with story teller Kathy Frye. 715 Wildwood Ave, 764-3333.

#### <u>Rio Dell Playgroup Now Open</u>~

Playgroup is open again. Come join us for fun and activities!

Every Friday from 10-12p.m. Inside Early Head Start Building-95 Center St.

For families & care givers with children 5 and under.

#### **Emergency Food-**

**The Journey Church**, 95 Belleview Ave. Rio Dell, Tuesday & Thursday 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Rio Dell-Scotia Chamber of Com**<u>merce</u>, 406 Wildwood Avenue in Rio Dell. Tues-Sat 11—5:30. Meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month 12 pm at the Rio Dell Pizza Factory. For more info call 506-5081.

**Bread for Life Food Pantry**- 143 Main Street, Scotia, 3rd Thursday, and following Friday 10 am - 12 p.m., For more info call 764-5239 **Clothing Closet-**

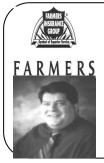
**Ruth's Room:** Rio Dell Baptist Church, Tuesdays 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Call 764-3811 for more information.

#### **Eagle Prairie Arts District Activities**

Arts on the Avenue second Saturday of each month. Meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Chamber's Visitors Center. Call 506–5081 for more info.



#### **Bigfoot's New and Recycled Treasures**



Mon-Friday 8:30 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. 534 12th Street BlueShield Fortuna, CA 95540

Phone: 707-725-5777 Fax: 707-725-5165 Email: rossinsurance@northcoast.com



#### **Faith Center South**

Faith Center South is a church service that takes place the last Sunday of every month from 6-7:15 p.m. at the Winema Theater in Scotia. Services include: Live music, a message, coffee and dessert. Children's ministries are provided at the Scotia Inn. **This Family service is open to all and** we hope to see you there! **Faith Center** 1-707-442-1784 www.eurekafaithcenter.org

#### Phat Rabbit Boutique

375 Wildwood Avenue, Rio Dell, Open 12-6 Tuesday—Saturday, Specializing in things for the ladies! Designer Jeans, Purses and Jewelry Owner Sarah Williams Call 707-764-2777



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#### The Strong and Better Balance Program Strong and Better

Balance Program is for seniors or anyone wanting to strengthen their bones or better their balance to prevent falls and broken bones. This program is FREE of charge to attend! The group will be meeting from 12-1 pm every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Baptist Church (100 Butcher Street, Rio Dell). Come on out and join the many that are already attending to build and maintain good health! If you would like more information please call Susan at 707-407-8707.

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