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# WEST END NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

NOVEMBER 2013

## West End Neighborhood Association Fall Meeting

**November 21st, Thursday 7 p.m.**

**At DeTurk Round Barn Park**

Our special guests are Craig Anderson from LandPaths and Sgt. Bradley Conners SRPD who is in charge of both Beat 9 and the Downtown Enforcement team.

We will discuss the proposed West End Street closures and have updates from the W. E. Farmers Market, Chop's & the Arlene Francis Center.

Our meetings are a great time to check in as a neighborhood. We can discuss current events and future plans. If you are a new neighbor, come out introduce yourself.

*Hope to see you on November 21th.*

### The W. E. Neighborhood Association Board:

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**DeTurk Round Barn Committee:** Deborah Crippen, Ben Taylor, Allen Thomas

### \$10 a year- SUCH A Deal!

Our DeTurk Round Barn rental for our meetings, Bocce, our annual BBQ/Bike Parade, park cleanups and Halloween Kid's Parade and more are funded by our Neighborhood Sponsors and neighbor contributions.



All the work is done by volunteers. Suggested neighbor contribution is \$10 a year. Make a check to West End Neighborhood Association and send to Dan Wright 512 Jefferson Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95401 or you can pay your dues online at the website with paypal.

## West End Calendar

A complete calendar at [www.srwestend.com](http://www.srwestend.com)

### 2013 W. E. Dates:

**West End Farmers Market** Every Sunday 10 a.m. To 2 p.m. until December 15th on Donahue St.

**W. E. Neighborhood Assn. Fall Meeting-** Nov. 21st, Thursday 7 p.m. DeTurk Round Barn.

**December 4th, 6 p.m. At Finley Center Person Auditorium 2060 W. College Ave-** Proposed W. E. Street closure plan meeting.

### Events and Happenings:

**November 30th & December 1st- Santa Paws-** Doggie photo with Santa. Benefits Canine Companions for Independence. Location: Western Farm Center 21 W. 7th St.

**Nov 29th, Friday- CHSQ Holiday tree lighting.**

**Nov 29th- Dec 22nd- A Christmas Story** 6th St. Playhouse GK Hardt Theatre

**December 8th, Sunday 10a.m. To 4 p.m.- Shop Party/WEFM** Farmers Market plus Handmade goods, gifts & food, beer. Location: DeTurk Round Barn

**December 7th & 8th Saturday & Sunday- Luther Burbank Home & Gardens Holiday Open House**

**Jan 10th- Feb 2nd- Victor Victoria** Location: 6th St. Playhouse, GK Hardt Theatre

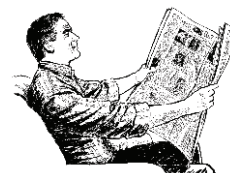
### Repeating:

**Every 1st Saturday 10 a.m.-** Clean the creek  
[www.firstsaturdaycleanup.org](http://www.firstsaturdaycleanup.org)

**Every 2nd Sunday 3 p.m. NEW TIME!! West End Poodle Party** Rain cancels the event.

Location: DeTurk Round Barn Dog Park 819 Donahue St.

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# WEST END UPDATES

## West End Streets Studied for Closure

Santa Rosa's City Council wants to construct a new bike and pedestrian path across the newly improved SMART railroad tracks near Coddington Town. The Council decided to pursue an at grade crossing type. At grade means - the same level as the railroad tracks. The at grade solution is less costly than constructing a bridge. A bridge would keep people away from passing SMART and freight trains.

The City needs to get approval from SMART and the California Public Utility Commission before they can build any new crossing. The City must submit plans for the crossing and an Environmental Impact Report to the CUPC before the Commission rules on the application for a new crossing.

The CUPC told the City that if the wants the cheaper and more dangerous crossing type the city must remove at least one, if not two, existing crossings somewhere else in Santa Rosa. The City Council has chosen three crossings to be studied so Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Sts. are on the chopping block. If the City submitted plans for a bridge, as Rich Moshier the Director of Public Works recommended in 2012, there would be no need to close any streets.

**December 4th, 2013, Wednesday at 6 p.m. At Finley Center-** There is a meeting to give your input to the City regarding the street closure plan.

Let the City know the type of crossing you want. **Email Scott Bartley, Mayor - [sbartley@srcity.org](mailto:sbartley@srcity.org)**

### Thanksgiving at Stark's Steak and Seafood

Let Stark's cook your Thanksgiving meal. Stark's will be offering a prix fixe Thanksgiving meal for \$27- that includes oven roasted turkey, andouille sausage and bleu cheese stuffing, traditional giblet gravy and pomegranate-cranberry sauce. The regular menu is also available. Reserve now! Call Stark's for more information and reservations- 546-5100.

### Railroad Square Holiday Events

Enjoy holiday shopping, eating and activities in charming & historic Railroad Square

**December 7th, 12-5 p.m.** Merchant Open House. Carolers, refreshments, sales and holiday cheer.

**December 7th 6- 7 p.m.** Memorial Hospice Tree Lighting & Ceremony at Depot Park

**Traditional Horse and Carriage Rides**

Thanksgiving up to Xmas Eve Day- 11 a.m. To 4 p.m. (3 p.m. On Xmas Eve day) .

### Panettone

The Franco American Bakery located on West 7th Street is getting ready to bake its traditional Panettone bread. Panettone has been baked at Franco America since Mario Bastoni started baking it in the late 1920's. The bread is made three times a year- at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. Panettone is a small loaf cake bread that is filled with raisins, walnuts, candied fruit and is favored with rum and anisette. You can start looking for the bread at the bakery around the 21st of November and the 19th of December. Franco American and the Bastoni family are an important link to our neighborhood's past.

### The Welfare League Thrift Shop

The Welfare League gives Santa a little help every year. On December 10th - 13th - during their "Christmas Unlimited" distribution Welfare League members and community volunteers come together to assist parents in selecting their "Christmas Unlimited" packages for their children.

Over 2000 children who have been identified through schools and agencies, receive new clothing and toys. Revenue generated from their thrift store and private donations fund this program. The Welfare League is located at 126 4th Street in Railroad Square.



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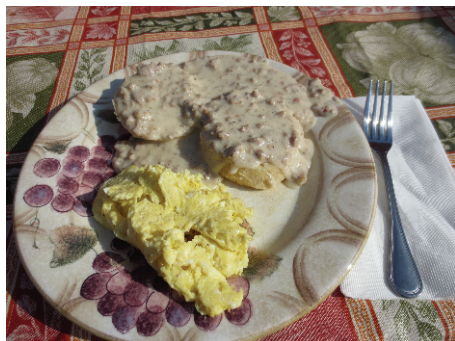
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# Neighborhood News

## WEFM

By Allen Thomas

The West End Farmers Market is a shining example of neighbors coming together with the City of Santa Rosa to create something special. The new market near the DeTurk Round Barn Park on Donahue Street has caught the attention of Santa Rosa and Sonoma County farmers market goers. The word on the street is that the



**Oh yeah! Biscuits and Gravy.**

market is filled with cheerful vendors that sell healthy, fresh and tasty items. People are amazed by the quality of the produce, cheese, eggs, nuts, olives, flowers, fruit and honey every

Sunday during the market season. Folks can have coffee and baked goods, fresh juice or a full brunch. Crafters and artists round out the West End Farmers Market earning it the reputation as the sweetest market in the county.

The opening day was cool and overcast but the local community showed up in force and it continues to be loyally supported. The WEFM averages about 26 vendors per week and draws shoppers from within the West End, local hotels, Santa Rosa and from around the North Bay. The market has added the ability for shoppers who use Cal-Fresh to swipe their EBT cards and get WEFM tokens to use at the market. The market provides safe unsupervised bike parking supplied by a West End neighbor. Josh Windmiller from the Northbay Hootenanny books all of the music for the market.

The market is blessed to have over 20 volunteers that show up to help set up and break down the



**Local Music at WEFM**

market. Other volunteers helped get the market started and still provide behind the scene guidance and creative support. Without the support of all of the

volunteers the market would not exist. The feeling of cooperation and hard work thrives within the spirit of the West End residents and its supporters.

The December 8th market will be a joint event with the Shop Party group and the WEFM. The Shop Party will feature handmade gifts inside the round barn and the WEFM will be happening at the same time. The event will run from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Go to [www.wefm.co](http://www.wefm.co) for more information.



**Healthy Habits start early**

This year's market will close after our December 15th market. The market organizers are looking to open sometime in the Spring of 2014. The WEFM has been become a social and shopping gathering place and new faces are always welcome.

## SMART Train Update

From November 20th- 22nd there will be tree removal and sidewalk removal between 3rd and 5th Street in Railroad Square.

Test trains are estimated to start running in fall of 2014.



## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS EMERGENCY/POLICE 911

**(On Cell phone dial 528-5222)**

**Non-emergency Police 528-5222**

**Neighborhood Watch! Know your neighbors and communicate about crime issues. You can also put your crime reports on the West End Facebook Page!**



Our wonderful W. E. sponsors support helps us publish our newsletter, hold our meetings in the DeTurk Round Barn and have our BBQ and Bike Parade. Thank them by patronizing their businesses.

## Thank-you West End Neighborhood Sponsors!

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