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we'd love to write them! Email us at [coveloarts@gmail.com](mailto:coveloarts@gmail.com), come chat with us at the Round Valley Farmers' Market on Fridays, or drop off your ideas at The Round Valley Public Library!

## HARMONY IN NATURE: SPRING BRINGS FIRST COVELO LAND ART FESTIVAL Imagined by Michelle Peñaloza

June 30, 2056

In a mesmerizing convergence of art and nature, Covelo hosted its first annual Land Art Festival, captivating visitors from around the world with breathtaking installations that seamlessly blended visual art creativity with the natural beauty of the region. The festival, held in the picturesque Round Valley, unfolded as a celebration of environmental consciousness and artistic innovation. Covelo, long known for its indigenous culture and history, legacies of various types of agriculture and farming industry, and commitment to sustainability, took the genre of land art to new heights this June with artists using the landscape as their canvas to create large-scale, ephemeral masterpieces throughout Round Valley.



The festival kicked off with a grand opening ceremony, featuring a harmonious fusion of traditional indigenous ceremony and cutting-edge technology. The Round Valley Feather Dancers began the ceremony with dance and song and story about the first peoples of Covelo. Visitors were then greeted by interactive holographic displays showcasing the history of land art and its evolution over the years. The theme, "Nature Reimagined," served as an inspiration for artists to explore the interconnectedness of humanity and the environment.

Over the course of the festival, Round Valley transformed into an outdoor art gallery, with installations ranging from massive sculptures to intricate patterns created into/onto the land via natural mediums such as wood, rocks, moss, and planted flowers and vegetables. Local and international artists collaborated to produce works that challenged perceptions of what defines social practice and fine art as well as beauty in our world that continues to experience the consequences of climate change, sparking conversations about the fragility of our ecosystems and the urgent need for environmental stewardship.

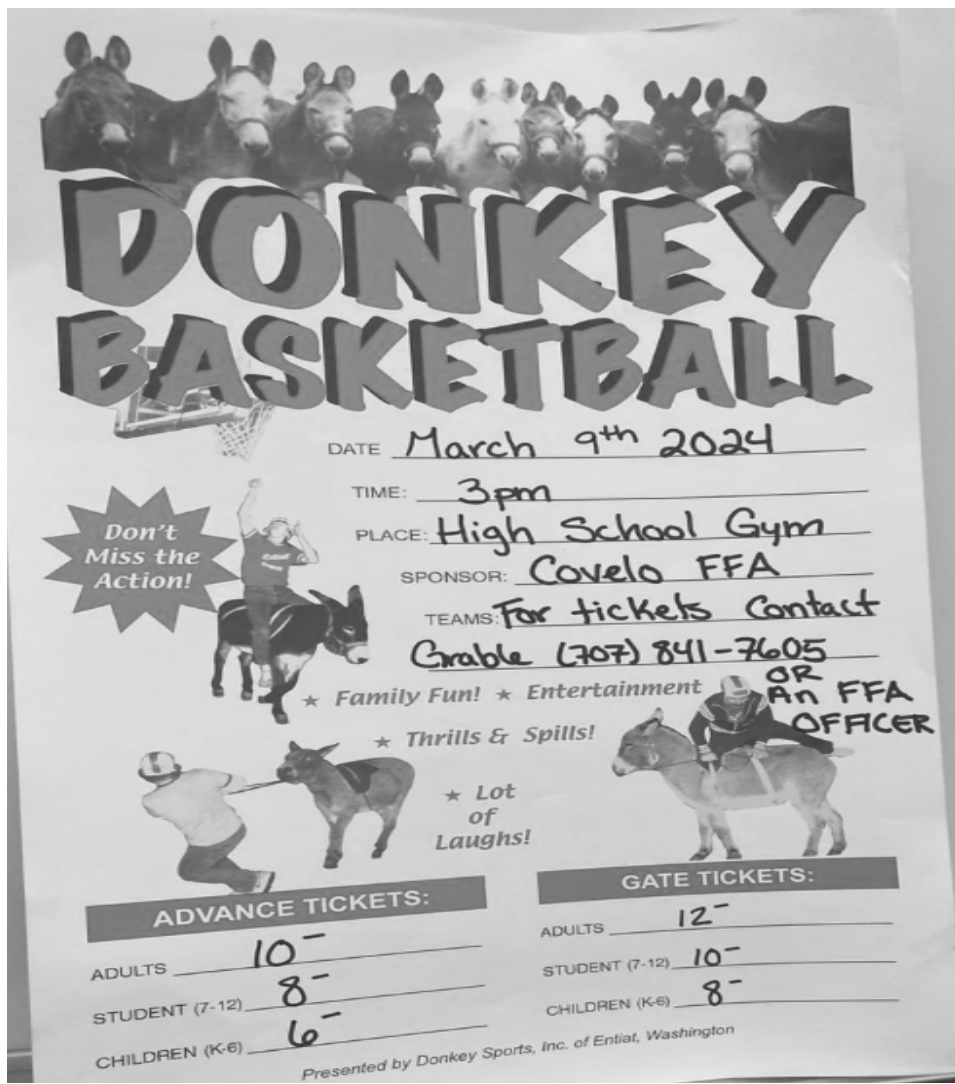
One of the standout installations was "Solar Symphony," a kinetic sculpture powered entirely by renewable energy. As the sun set over Covelo, the installation came to life, blending light, sound, and movement to create a mesmerizing spectacle that underscored the importance of sustainable energy sources. In the heart of Round Valley, the "Blossoming Unity" installation showcased the power of community collaboration. Hundreds of local residents, mostly students from the RV elementary, middle, and high schools came together earlier in the spring to plant a vibrant sea of wildflowers, transforming a barren field into a living tapestry of color. This living art piece served as a symbol of collective responsibility and the potential for positive change. It also was a lesson in patience as the students and community eagerly waited for the planned pattern to, literally, bloom!

Covelo's commitment to environmental education was evident throughout the festival. Workshops and lectures on sustainable living, reforestation initiatives, and the importance of biodiversity drew enthusiastic crowds eager to learn and engage in meaningful discussions.

The Land Art Festival in Covelo will hopefully become a beacon of hope and inspiration, demonstrating that art can be a powerful catalyst for positive change. As the sun set on Round Valley, leaving behind a landscape adorned with ephemeral masterpieces, visitors departed with a renewed sense of appreciation for the delicate balance between humanity and nature. Covelo's Land Art Festival proves that art has the potential to not only capture the imagination but also to forge a deeper connection between people and the environment. Organizers hope this festival will become an annual community event, like the long-standing and loved Blackberry Festival that happens each August.

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# DONKEY BASKETBALL

DATE March 9th 2024  
 TIME: 3pm  
 PLACE: High School Gym  
 SPONSOR: Covelo FFA  
 TEAMS: For tickets Contact  
Grable (707) 841-7605  
 OR  
An FFA OFFICER

Don't Miss the Action!

★ Family Fun! ★ Entertainment  
 ★ Thrills & Spills!  
 ★ Lot of Laughs!

ADVANCE TICKETS:		GATE TICKETS:	
ADULTS	<u>10-</u>	ADULTS	<u>12-</u>
STUDENT (7-12)	<u>8-</u>	STUDENT (7-12)	<u>10-</u>
CHILDREN (K-6)	<u>6-</u>	CHILDREN (K-6)	<u>8-</u>

Presented by Donkey Sports, Inc. of Entiat, Washington





## The Round Valley Food Pantry

SPRING 2024

Schedule - 10 AM-2 PM (while supplies last)

- \* MARCH 15TH
- \* APRIL 19TH
- \* MAY 17TH

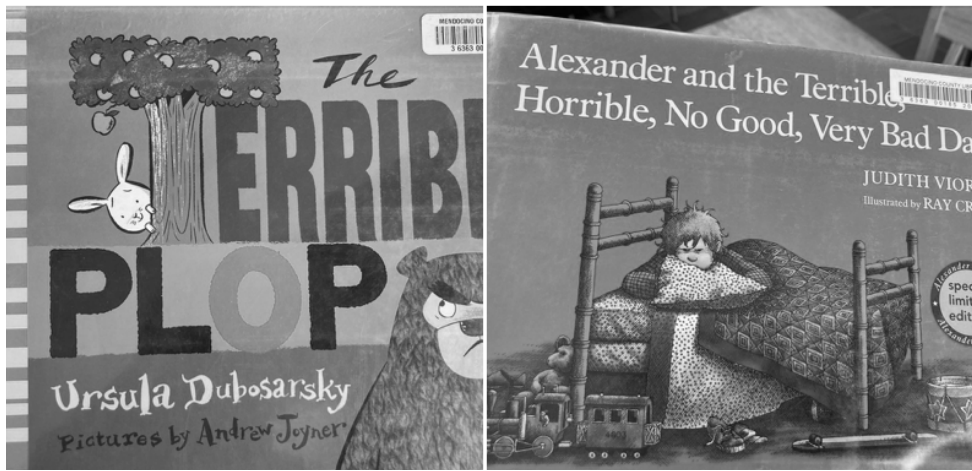
76300 Grange Street- Covelo, Ca  
 (RVIT Health and Safety Complex bld.)  
**DRIVE THRU/CURBSIDE SERVICE**

We have baby diapers, for families with young children. (Size 3, 4, 5)  
 Contact: 983-6262- for info-RV FRC



Storytime this week will be horrible. We will read *The Terrible Plop* by Ursula Dubosarsky, *Horrible Bear* by Ame Dyckman, and *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day* by Judith Viorst. After we read, we will mold with playdough.


Storytime at the Round Valley - Mendocino County Library happens every Saturday at 11:00. All are welcome.



# CVFD FLEA MARKET

MARCH 2 & 3  
 10 AM - 3 PM

FREE ENTRY



**COVELO AIRPORT/ REC CENTER**  
**\$10 a booth per day**  
**reserve your spot (707) 972-3637**

## Employment Announcement

### Peer Support Specialist at Yuki Trails

Starting Wage \$17 per hour

Full Time/40hrs a week with Benefits

#### Qualifications

- Experience in the program outreach and engagement
- Must be responsible, punctual, and courteous in all duties
- Must maintain strict confidentiality
- Ability to attend employee development training
- Agreement to comply with Round Valley Indian Health Center personnel policies and procedures, fiscal policy manual, and adhere to the organization's compliance plan HIPPA regulations
- Must have a valid driver's license

#### Duties

- Views client's needs as a high priority
- Demonstrates a strong desire to help others
- Demonstrates organization and planning abilities
- Serves as a recovery agent by role-modeling the value of every individual's experience
- Informs clients of available programs and resources and assists in referring them to other programs that will aid the client in meeting their specific needs
- Assists clients in establishing and carrying out their goals and objectives
- Models effective coping techniques and self-help strategies
- Maintains professional interpersonal relationships with staff, peers, clients, natural helpers, and other stakeholders

\*Deadline: Open Until Filled

For applications or questions, please contact the administration Department at (707)983-6181 ext 122

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