



LM CHAMBER NOTES

NEWS FROM THE LOS MOLINOS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Dec. 2 – Corning Hometown Christmas & Lighted Parade

Dec. 8 – Food for the Hungry Food Drive Drop-off at Umpqua Bank, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Dec. 9 – Breakfast with Santa, Los Molinos Veterans Memorial Building, Breakfast is \$5. 8 a.m. - noon.

Dec. 9 – Food for the Hungry Food Drive Drop-off, NuWay Market, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Dec. 9 – Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce Christmas Mixer, Umpqua Bank, 950 Hwy 99E, Corning, 6 – 8 p.m.

Dec. 23 – The 11th Annual Gerber Children's Christmas Fiesta, noon to 4 p.m., Los Hermanos Mexican Cocina, 414 San Bonito, Gerber.

Dec. 20 – The Great Light Fight: The 8th Annual Los Molinos Business Lighting Contest Judging at 7 p.m.

Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce

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The Chamber meets the second and last Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Los Molinos Veteran's Memorial Building.

Christmas brightens up Los Molinos



The crew at NuWay Market poses with the coveted Santa Trophy they won after taking first place during the Los Molinos Light Fight.

8th LM Light Fight to kick-off

NuWay Market won the bragging rights after winning first place in last year's Los Molinos Light Fight sponsored by the Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce. Second place went to Latimer's Pharmacy and third place honors to Los Molinos Volunteer Fire Department. Los Molinos businesses are encouraged to start decorating their business on Dec. 1. Deadline to sign-up to be judged is 7 p.m. on Dec 20. Judging will take place that evening. Winners will be announced on the LM Chamber Facebook page and local media. The contest is open to all Los Molinos business and members, to enter contact LM Chamber Vice President Bryan Fox at 530.366.2037.

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Umpqua Bank to host mixer



This year's Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce Christmas Mixer will be hosted by Umpqua Bank on Saturday, Dec. 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. This year the mixer is open to all ages and those attending are invited to bring a potluck dish to share. There will also be a collection bin for those wishing to contribute to this seasons Food for the Hungry annual canned food drive. Those also wishing to contribute a door prize are invited to do so. There may even be a special guest from the North Pole.



LM Bling!

Los Molinos will continue to shine this Christmas Season with the placement of bright lights for both sides of the 99E. Each year Bryan Fox, chamber Vice President organizes this effort and with his crew will be out again this year after Thanksgiving to install the lights which shines brightly and brings the spirit of the season.

The 8th Annual LOS MOLINOS LIGHT FIGHT

Sponsored by the Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce

Open to all Los Molinos business.
Judging will take place on Dec. 20 at 7 p.m.



Let's Get Ready to Make Los Molinos Shine!!!

To get on Santa's Light Fight List,
call Bryan Fox at 530.366.2037 ASAP

First place gets their name on the
coveted Santa Trophy!

Some Christmas Events to add to your list

CORNING CHAMBER PRESENTS

HOLLY JOLLY

Hometown

CHRISTMAS

Parade of Lights

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PARADE ENTRY \$20

Saturday December 2nd
5:30p East Down Solano
Houghton to 3rd



Santa Claus will be making a stop in Los Molinos on Saturday, Dec. 9 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at the Los Molinos Veteran's Memorial Building. Santa visits at 8:30 to 11 a.m. There is no charge to visit Santa and each child will receive a book and candy cane. Breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to noon, tickets are \$5. A silent auction for gift baskets will be held during the event. Auction and Breakfast proceeds will help fund the Mia Peters Memorial Scholarship and LMHS Class of 2024 sober grad night.

Support Food for the Hungry

Food for the Hungry will be holding their annual food drive to benefit the needy of the central Tehama County area. Donations of canned and non-perishable food items can be dropped off at the parking lot at Umpqua Bank in Los Molinos on Friday, Dec 9 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday, at the NuWay Market parking lot from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Items can also be brought to the Annual Los Molinos Chamber Christmas Mixer on Saturday Dec. 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Umpqua Bank.

Christmas at the Old Mansion



Come join in on a great Los Molinos tradition, the Christmas at the Old Mansion Boutique! Ring in the holiday cheer! Stock up on stocking stuffers and delectable for Christmas. Featuring a variety of homemade goods, jewelry, bread, toys, preserves, salves, quilts, pottery, candles and much, much more. Dec. 2 and 3, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 25076 Sycamore Ave.

Toy for Tot's drop-off spots in LM



The Cabin Saloon and NuWay Market are among local business that have partnered with the US Marine Cops Toys for Tots annual toy drive. Those wishing to donate a new unwrapped toy can do during regular business hours at each location.



Hosted by Umpqua Bank

7843 HWY 99 E, Los Molinos

Saturday, Dec. 9th, 6 to 8 p.m.

This year the mixer is open to all ages. Bring a potluck dish to share. There will also be a collection bin for Food for the Hungry annual canned food drive. Those also wishing to contribute a door prize are invited to do so.

Come Mix n' Mingle with Holiday Cheer!



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LM Chamber recognizes Students of the Month

LOS MOLINOS - Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce has inaugurated a new Student of the Month Program.

Post-COVID-19, many community organizations in Tehama County either disband or discontinue programs that celebrated the successes of students in the Central Tehama County region.

The Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce decided to correct that by awarding a Student of the Month at each of the Central Tehama Schools. These include Los Molinos Elementary, Vina School, Lassen View Elementary, Gerber Elementary, Richfield Elementary and Los Molinos High School.

"It is our belief that we must recognize the students who are doing the right thing, working hard, and making good decisions," said Kendi Merlo, chamber director and chairman of the Student of the Month Program.

Each school is invited to choose one student of the month from any grade and for any reason from September to May each school year. These students, along with their families and a school representative, are invited to attend the chamber meeting at 6:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of their award month in order to be recognized.



September 2023 Students of the Month were: Alyssa Molina, Vina School; Madison Harris, Lassen View Elementary School; Denyse Valencia, Gerber Elementary School; Evangeline Rush, Los Molinos Elementary School; and Maria Dimas Oliva, Los Molinos High School



October 2023 Students of the Months: Cassidy Merkle, Lassen View School; Makayla Lodin, Richfield Elementary School; Kevin Benson, Sr., Los Molinos Chamber president; Ximena Cervantes Aguilar, Vina School; and Joni Bloxham, Gerber Elementary School. Not pictured are: Brayan Cayetano Venegas, Los Molinos High School; and Indiana Kester-Krammer, Los Molinos Elementary School.



Students receive a certificate along with a "Student of the Month" insulated tumbler to show the world that they are making a difference at their school and in their communities. The tumblers were designed by Camby Weston of Cam's Creative Creations and featured the student's school name and mascot.

LM Chamber Scholarship recipients



The 2023 Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce High School Scholarship recipients Ava Peters and Jasmine Ruiz rode as dignitaries in this year's 4th of July Parade. Both graduated this year from Los Molinos High School and received \$500.



November 2023 Students of the Month were: Queila Aceituno-Jimenez, Los Molinos High School; Isabelle Joannette, Gerber Elementary School; Paisley Klepper, Los Molinos Elementary School; Avery Gibson, Vina School; Gabriel Henry, Richfield Elementary School; and Gavin Dubbs, Lassen View Elementary School.

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Ross takes honorary mayor's race



Newly elected Los Molinos Honorary Mayor Allan Ross stops during the 56th Annual 4th of July Parade to greet one of his supporters.



Allan Ross,
2023 Los Molinos
Honorary Mayor

Los Molinos has a new honorary mayor and his name is Allen Ross, sponsored by Brewer's Arena. Ross raised \$4,289.32. He was officially sworn into this important office on Saturday, July 1 during the Annual Los Molinos Luau and Car Show at the Los Molinos Veteran's Memorial Hall.

Margaret Judd, sponsored by Crossland's 6 took the title of vice mayor. Judd raised \$2,153.77. Judd will step in and perform any mayor duties, should Ross find himself incapacitated. Second Vice-Mayor was Kristyanna Ranberg, sponsored by NuWay Market. Ranberg raised \$1,850.

While this is an election that can be clearly bought, voters are encouraged to

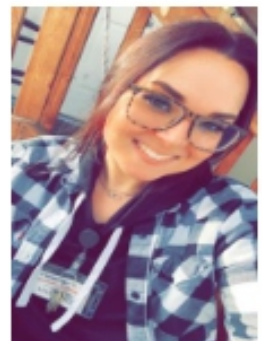
vote as often as possible, it is all in good fun. Funds raised during the Honorary Mayors race funds the annual 4th of July Parade and festivities in Los Molinos.

2023 Official Ballot Locations

Crossland's 6
The Cabin Saloon
NuWay Market
Los Molinos Ace Hardware
More for Less
Los Molinos Market
Latimer's Pharmacy
Jack's Restaurant
Umpqua Bank
Burger Shack
Tony's Take and Bake.



Margaret Judd,
Vice Mayor



**Kristyanna
Ranberg,**
Second Vice Mayor



Miss Agriculture America Anastasia Hartman with Jr. Miss 4th of July Quinn Burlison, Miss 4th of July Alice Burlison and Teen Miss 4th of July Emma Hendrix.

Miss 4th of July helps local vets

Local teen, Anastasia Hartman, 17, was crowned Miss Agriculture America on May 27. She is the daughter of Rodney and Wendy Hartman of Red Bluff. Previously she won the title of junior teen agriculture West Coast four years ago.

As part of her role she organized this year's Los Molinos 4th of July Pageant to help raise funds for Project Hero and the Chamber's High School Scholarship. Project Hero supports local veterans and their families providing food during the holidays. This is the second year she has organized this event which is becoming a Los Molinos tradition.

This year's Miss Grand 4th of July Tara Babiasz, Miss 4th of July was Alice Burlison, Teen Miss 4th of July Emma Hendrix, and crowned Jr. Miss 4th of July was Quinn Burlison. Mini Grand Miss 4th of July India Hinton, Mini Miss 4th of July McKinley Estes and Mini Miss Independent Maci Webb.

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Rockin' Los Molinos on the 4th of July



Grand Prize – Julia's Fruit Stand with Julia's Rockn' Los Molinos (pictured above); Best Float – Los Molinos Elementary; Dick Ochs Auto Award – John and Evelyn Scott, 1956 Ford Thunderbird; Lee Nellis Bicycle Award – Jamie and Trish Karnes; Tom Jones Tractor Award – Walker Spencer, 1947 Farmall Cub Tractor. **Floats:** Clubs/Organization: First Place – Los Molinos Elementary School; Second Place – Corning Chamber of Commerce; Third Place – Los Mo DoJo. **Commercial:** First Place – Julia's Fruit Stand with Julia's Rockn' Los Molinos; Second Place – Gallagher's Plumbing, Heating and Air with Sham Rock n' Roll; Third Place – Andrew Sortees bodyguard to Minnie Mouse Sawyer Sortees. **Automobiles:** Modified: First Place – Chuck Crossland and Crossland Off-road Racing; Second Place – Darrell Mullins and King Varney, 1934 Truck; and Third Place – Speero Tannous, 1974 Cushman Dock Cart. **Classic 1940-1969:** First Place – John and Evelyn Scott, 1956 Ford Thunderbird; Second Place – Bill and Charlotte Gaultney, 1938 Chevy; and Third Place – Tim Sain, 1968 GMC Pick-up. **Contemporary 1970 to present:** First Place – Walt and Teresa Horner with Shane Hall and Rocking WT Ranch. **Antique:** First Place – Ron Warner and Miss Helen a 1928 Desoto; Second Place – Tehama County Museum, Darrell Mullins, Replica 1903 Oldsmobile Rio; and Third Place – Joseph and George Erbes, 1929 Ford Model-A Pick-up. **All Tractors:** First Place – Walker Spencer, 1947 Farmall Cub Tractor; Second Place – Loyd Spencer and Airedale Duchess, 1945 Farmall BN Tractor; and Third Place – Dawson, Kendell and baby Peyton Spencer, 1947 Farmall B Tractor. **Equestrian:** Junior Rider Under 12: First Place Kaydence Hardin and Beverly Wilson with the Rockin Paints. **Working Western:** First Place – Corning Junior Rodeo Royalty, Queen Jenna Joe Neilsen and Cheyenne Brown, First Princess. **Costume/Fancy Dress:** First Place – Rodrigo Garcia and Los Molinos de Acaballo de Los Molinos **Family Group:** First Place – Liesa Morga Rock'n Elvis and Crystal Pollard with Luna Rocking Around the Moon. **Military:** First Place – Joe Clark, 1942 U.S. Army Jeep **Bicycles:** Age 12 and under: First Place – Jazmine Beltran, Rockn' Red, White and Blue on her Bike Second Place – Janelle Beltran, Wonder Woman Age 13 and over: First Place – Michelle Burss with her bike donated to her by the Shriner's Second Place – Jamie and Trish Karnes with Minnie Mouse Sawyer Sortees and Shadow the Dog.

LM Parade honored local heroes

Rockin' Los Molinos was the theme and the mood of the 56th Annual Los Molinos 4th of July Parade. This year also saw the return of the Playday at Mill Creek Park afterwards thanks to the help of more volunteers. Los Molinos native and superstar Kenny Brewer returned to serve as the parades announcer and the National Anthem was performed by 9-year-old Jena Barker, (pictured right.)

This year's Grand Marshal was Tim Kuhn. Kuhn, (pictured above left,) is a Los Molinos business owner and supporter. He owns Los Molinos Ace Hardware, Kuhn Dowg's Place and has served as a member of the LMUS Board of Directors among his many civic involvements.

Honored as Parade VIP was John Southworth, Southworth, (picture below, left,) was Firefighter of the Year and is with the Los Molinos Volunteer Fire Department, Company 10. All of the parade honorees rode in vehicles provided by Red Bluff Dodge, except for Southworth, who brought his own ride, a fire engine. Once again Bryan and Ranita Fox served as parade chairs and organized this year's event.





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 Broken Spur Ranch
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 Crossland #8
 Dairyville Community Club
 Dean Kindell
 Donnie & Rane Landingham
 Dudley's Excavation
 Edward Jones - Coming
 Edward Jones - Red Bluff
 Farmstead Meat LLC - Megan Weiss
 Friends of Los Molinos Library
 H&R Block - Ronda Holland
 Independence Rock Media - Cal Hunter
 Jack Blanke
 Jerry Crow
 Job Training Center
 John & Marsha Wille
 Jones Ranch
 Judge Todd Bottke
 Julia's Fruit Stand
 Junior's Tree Service
 Keith Weinkauff

Ken Sudberry
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 Tehama County Museum Foundation
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 Tehama Together, Inc.
 The Cabin Saloon
 3Core - Dan Zuno
 Vina School
 Umpqua Bank



Assembly James Gallagher recently honored Megan Weiss as Women of the Year for District 5. She was joined by the 4 other honorees: Butte County - Donna Hottinger, Glenn County - Christine Zoppi, Sutter County - Stephanie Steele, and Yuba County - Martha Bunce.

Weiss honored as Women of the Year

CHICO - Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce Director Megan Weiss was one of five women honored by Assembly Republican Leader James Gallagher (Yuba City) as Women of the Year. Gallagher and his wife Janna hosted a luncheon in Chico to recognize the 2023 recipients on Aug. 3.

The five women, one from each county in District 3, attended a special lunch at Butte Creek BBQ in Chico, accompanied by a guest and their nominators. Gallagher presented each woman with a formal resolution and offered thanked them for their service to community.

"It's a deep honor to recognize these five women as our district's 'Woman of the Year,' said Gallagher. "Their selfless dedication to service truly embodies the North State's caring spirit. Through their contributions, they have touched countless lives and made our area a better place to call home."

At the time of the award Weiss was the curriculum coach for all three schools within the Los Molinos Unified School District, she has since been named assistant principal. Weiss has earned a sterling reputation for her strong advocacy on behalf of all students. She goes the extra mile in everything she does, chairing numerous education-focused committees outside the scope of her position, sharing her talents and expertise with the Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce as a director, and serving as a 4-H swine project leader.

Gallagher's office solicited nominations throughout the district to honor outstanding woman from each county he represents in the State Legislature.

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**2024 Los Molinos Chamber of Commerce
 Installation &
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 February 17.**

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