

**STAFF REPORT**  
*City Council Consent Item*

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**DATE:** October 21, 2024

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Council Members

**FROM:** Jennifer Lourenzo, Conference Center Manager

**THROUGH:** Amy Nilsen, Interim City Manager

**SUBJECT: River Lodge Conference Center and Fortuna Monday Club Monthly Report for September, 2024**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive report as an informational item.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

**River Lodge Conference Center:**

The River Lodge held a total of six events in the month of September.

September began with a two-day event put on by the California Coastal Conservancy Association. This group held a meeting open to the public. During this meeting they approve millions of dollars in grant funding to local communities, tribes, nonprofit organizations, other government agencies, businesses, and private land owners to implement projects that meet their criteria.

For several years in a row, the Humboldt County Farm Bureau has held their annual dinner at River Lodge. The dinner includes awards to local farmers and even a “Top Dog” award that really does go to a dog! The group has already confirmed a date for next year.

There was one wedding at River Lodge in September.

Humboldt Travelers was back in September. This group comes to learn about various travel destination packages for the upcoming months. The group meets three times a year here at River Lodge.

Fortuna Union High School Athletic Association held their bi-annual Hall of Fame dinner and auction. The event was sold-out.

The Eureka Symphony held a small fundraiser at River Lodge. In addition to the exquisite entertainment, guests enjoyed wine and hors d’oeuvres.

**Fortuna Monday Club:**

The Fortuna Garden Club takes the summer months to do planned garden tours. They returned in September to the Monday Club for their monthly meeting.

Playgroup continues to meet every Thursday and Friday.

The Fortuna Concert Series welcomed Daniela Mineva and Tom Stone.

Fortuna Chamber of Commerce held a monthly meeting and luncheon at Monday Club.

**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:**

Receive River Lodge & Monday Club Monthly Report. Consent Agenda vote.