

About Town

The El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce Monthly Newsletter
Serving the El Sobrante Business Community Since 1957

President's Message

We are looking forward to our annual Hometown Holiday Faire on December 2nd at the Masonic Hall. This year Santa and Mrs. Claus will be in attendance posing for pictures with kids and kids-at-heart. There will also be a lot of artists and crafters giving us an opportunity to get some holiday shopping done. Our annual holiday mixer will be held on December 13th at 3905 San Pablo Dam Road. Food will be provided by Yum Yum "Eat 'Em Up" and will be hosted by AS&FO Investment Properties. If you or

anyone you know needs office space, they are the people to talk to.



SHOP LOCAL!!!
You will find some wonderful resources, products, some delicious food offerings and will also be helping our community!

Nicole Donn, President

2023 Chamber Board Meetings

Board meetings are usually held on the first Monday of every month at 5:30 pm. We will meet in person December 4, at the Chamber office. Contact Scott Tuffnell, stuffnell09@yahoo.com if you need the Zoom link. The 2023 meetings are scheduled to be held on the dates below:

January 2	February 6	March 6	April 3
May 1	June 6	July 10	August 7
September 11	October 2	November 6	December 4

Mortgage Minute by Nicole Donn

The Mortgage Minute is on the El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce website at <https://www.elsobrantechamber.com/category/blog/newsletter-articles/>



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Events Table

December 2, 10 am – 3 pm	Hometown Holiday Faire at Masonic Lodge, 5050 El Portal, Richmond
December 2, 10 am – 2 pm Members 10 am – noon, Public noon – 2 pm	Friends of the El Sobrante Library Book Sale, at Fahden House, back of the Library Parking Lot
December 13, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Holiday Mixer 3905 San Pablo Dam Rd. see p.8
December 16, 9:30 - noon	SPAWNERS Meets next to 4805 Santa Rita Rd. see p. 3
December 16, 10 am	Green Team 94803 Cleanup – Meet at Library


Green Team

The Green Team 94803 article in on the Chamber website at:

<https://www.elsobrantechamber.com/category/blog/newsletter-articles/>

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Cloverfield Organic Farm

The Cloverfield Organic Farm article is on the Chamber website at:

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Cloverfield
Organic Farm

SPAWNERS

Join us for weeding, picking up trash, and planting (weather and supply dependent) at our Wilkie Creek Outdoor Classroom on **Saturday, December 16th** from **9:30 to noon**. Meet us next to **4805 Santa Rita Road** in Richmond, CA. Water and snacks will be provided — please bring a reusable water bottle and sturdy shoes. All ages and abilities are welcome! Heavy rain cancels.



Protect your local creek!

- Volunteer Work Parties
- Nature Walks & Talks
- Educational Programs

Contact:

Mitch Olinger, Program Coordinator
Mitch@thewatershedproject.org
www.spawners.org

The logo features the text "Signs By Scott" in a blue, cursive font on a white banner with a drop shadow. Below the banner, a list of services is provided in blue text: "Engraving • UV Printing • Sublimation", "Name Badges • Trophies • Awards", and "Banners • Promotional Items". At the bottom, the phone number "510.701.3311" and the email "Scott@SignsByScott-ca.com" and website "www.SignsByScott-ca.com" are listed.

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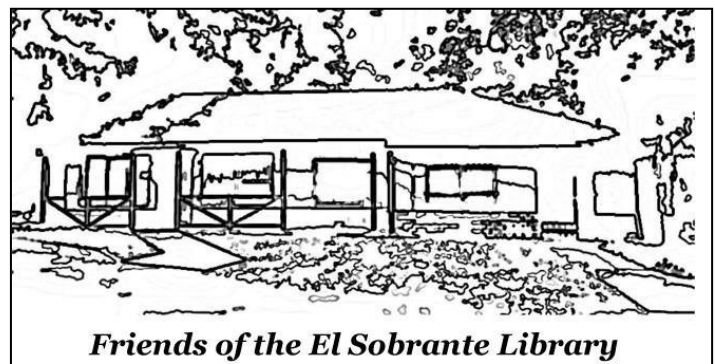
The logo for Mechanics Bank features a stylized cube icon to the left of the text "Mechanics Bank®". Below the logo, the name "Veronica Vela" is listed as the Branch Manager for the El Sobrante Branch, with NMLS #2500014. The address "3884 San Pablo Dam Road, El Sobrante, CA 94803" and phone number "510.262.7400 OFFICE" are provided, along with the email "veronica_vela@mechanicsbank.com" and website "www.mechanicsbank.com".

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Friends of the El Sobrante Library BOOK SALE December 2, 2023

The Friends of the El Sobrante Library Book Sale will be Saturday, December 2, 2023, from 10 am to 2 pm, at the Fahden House, at the back of the library parking lot. Masks are optional. The Friends will be selling Memberships. Member hours will be 10 am to noon, and the general public from 12 pm to 2 pm. Proceeds from all sales fund several library programs.

For December, the Friends are having a Holiday Sale featuring Great Books, Gifts, and Jams and Jellies.



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EL SOBRANTE'S 6TH ANNUAL
Hometown Holiday Faire



Gift Vendors  **\$5 Raffle tickets** 

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023
10:00AM UNTIL 3:00PM

FREE ENTRY

Photos w/Santa  **Lunch** 

Richmond Masonic Lodge
5050 El Portal Dr. El Sobrante CA 94803

Bring a canned food or new, unwrapped toy to support the Bay Area Rescue Mission and get a free raffle ticket [limit 1 free per family]



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El Sobrante
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

NOMINATION FOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR 2023

NOMINEE NAME _____

REASON FOR NOMINATION:

NOMINATION FOR BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR 2023

NOMINEE NAME _____

YOUR NAME _____

YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION _REASON FOR NOMINATION:

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Note: Nominee does not have to be a paid member of the Chamber.

Submit on or before December 10, 2023.

**Mail to: El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce, 3769-B San Pablo Dam Road, El Sobrante
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You are cordially invited to



DEC. 13
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
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