

About Town

The El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce Monthly Newsletter

Serving the El Sobrante Business Community Since 1957

President's Message by Nicole Donn, President



May was an eventful month for your El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce. We participated in a lovely ceremonial ribbon cutting with the Junior Girl Scouts of Troop 30993 for a very thoughtful project they designed and built. A free food pantry located in front of the El Sobrante Moose Lodge. It's inspiring to see young members of our community thinking of those who are less fortunate and doing something to help. If you have extra non-perishable food, please bring it by and put it on the shelves. If you are hungry and need food, please help yourself!

The monthly mixer on May 21 was hosted by the Friends of the El Sobrante Library at the remodeled Fahden House at the library.

We got to see the excellent selection of books for sale and enjoy finger food and good company!

The Chamber of Commerce also helped sponsor a lovely mural depicting the local watershed painted by an internationally recognized local artist, Yulia Pinkusevich. Go by 4927 Appian Way and see it for yourself.

On June 18th, US Financial Mortgage will be hosting their popular mixer, so put the event on your calendar and RSVP, so we know to get enough food, and come on by. (See flyer in this newsletter)

We are making plans to honor legacy businesses that have been operating continuously in El Sobrante for at least 20 years. If you have or know of a business that fits that criteria, please let us know.

Join the El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce to grow your business. There is power in numbers! We look forward to hearing your ideas and helping you implement them.

Folks, come out, meet your neighbors, and spend your money locally! El Sobrante is a great place to live, work, shop and have a business. With your help, we can make it even better!

Board Meeting Schedule

Board meetings are typically held on the first Monday of every month at 5:30 pm. In person at the Chamber office. The 2025 meetings are scheduled to be held on the dates below:

January 6	February 3	March 3	April 7
May 5	June 2	July 7	August 4
September 8	October 6	November 3	December 1

June Events

Saturday June 7	10:00am -2:00pm	FESL Book Sale	El Sobrante Library
Wednesday June 18	5:30pm- 7:00pm	Mixer -US Financial	4973 Appian Way, ES
Saturday June 21	9:30am – NOON	SPAWNERS Workday	Wilkie Creek Site
Saturday June 21	10:00am - NOON	GREEN TEAM Clean up	El Sobrante Library
EACH SUNDAY	10:00am -2:00pm	Farmers Market	5116 Sobrante Ave

Green Team 2024 Organization of the Year

The Green Team 94803 cleans up! Green Team 94803 invites you to our next monthly Third Saturday Cleanup (June 21, 10 am) at El Sobrante Library. We have the gear; you just need to be there! We also need help with maintaining the downtown planters and removing graffiti and stickers. Always fun and free! More at KeepElSobranteBeautiful.info, send an email to help out.



Cloverfield Organic Farm



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

<https://www.cloverfieldfarm.us/post/2025-june-at-cloverfield-organic-farm>



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SPAWNERS



Join SPAWNERS for their monthly workday at the WILKIE CREEK SITE, next to 4805 Santa Rita Road. This month's workday will be Saturday, June 21 from 9:30am until Noon. Wear sturdy shoes, bring a water bottle, tools and snacks provided. All are welcome.



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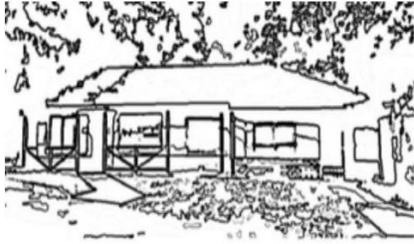
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Happy Father's Day, Sunday June 15, 2025





Friends of the El Sobrante Library
(FESL)

BOOK SALE

Saturday, June 7, 2025

Feature of the Month

Travel

Plan Your Next Adventure!

Members: 10 am - 2 pm

General: Noon - 2 pm

Proceeds from book sales fund El Sobrante Library
programs

2025 memberships available

Rawbois Studio:

Business of the Month by Bob Sharp

El Sobrante welcomes **Rawbois Studio**, a dynamic hair stylist establishment that has quickly captured the community's attention, earning the prestigious title of Business of the Month for June from the El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce.



Located at 3575 San Pablo Dam Road, Suite 7, this vibrant barbershop is the brainchild of business partners Eddy and George, two Richmond natives with a passion for style and community.

Eddy and George are thrilled to bring their expertise to El Sobrante, a town they see as the perfect place to grow their vision. "We're beyond excited to open our doors here," says Eddy. "El Sobrante has such a welcoming vibe, and we can't wait to connect with everyone through our craft." George echoes this sentiment, adding, "This is more than just a business for us—it's about building a space where people feel confident and connected."

Specializing in men's grooming, Rawbois Studio offers top-notch services including shape-ups, fades, beard trims, and enhancements. Their skilled hands and keen eye for detail ensure every client leaves looking sharp and feeling their best. Whether you're after a clean fade or a polished beard, Eddy and George deliver with precision and flair.

Although they have hours of operation (see below), to make an appointment they recommend using Instagram by using the QR code below.

Business Hours:

- Monday-Friday: 12:00 PM-7:00 PM
- Saturday: 7:00 AM-7:00 PM



The El Sobrante Stroll
is celebrating a
milestone
anniversary this year

SUNDAY, SEPT. 21st from 10:00am
to 4:00pm

Committee meetings planning the
event are held on the last

Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm.

Contact to help plan the parade,
car show, entertainment and
visitor services

elsobchamber793@gmail.com

Chamber Service Committees

The Chamber works in many ways to improve the community. Beyond being a Chamber member, you may join one of our committees to organize and implement one of the many projects we have. Committees include Beautification, Marketing and Promotions, Scholarship, Special Events, and our Annual Stroll. You may check the box on your membership application or renewal form or contact the Chamber to find out about a committee you might be interested in – elsobrantechamber793@gmail.com.



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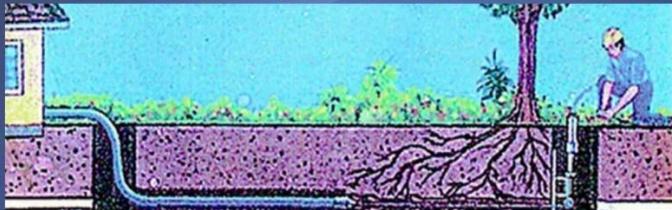
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Future Chamber Events

June -18 Mixer – U.S. Financial

July -16 Mixer - Jim Cowen Insurance

August – 25 – Summer Mega Mixer @ Old Homestead, Crockett

September -21 - our 30th Annual El Sobrante Stroll

-28 – El Sobrante PRIDE



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El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce presents



30th Annual El Sobrante Stroll



The Pearl of the East Bay
Sunday, Sept. 21, 2025
10:00am to 4:00 pm

For information about the event, vendor applications and opportunities to volunteer go to <https://www.elsobrantechamber.com/stroll>
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El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce MIXER

US Financial Client APPRECIATION PARTY

Nicole and Staff at US Financial cordially invite you to their annual Mixer

Date: June 18, 2025

Time: 5:30pm-7:30pm

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