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The El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce Newsletter

June 2026

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El Sobrante Chamber of Commerce
Mixer / Client Appreciation Event

June 24, 2026
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM
4973 Appian Way
El Sobrante, CA 94803

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TOP NEWS



LAUREN HANLEY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2026



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- Scholarships available for students attending trade schools, community colleges, or four-year universities
- Financial assistance for books, materials, and other educational expenses
- Awards determined by the end of the school year
- Winners will be announced in Chamber materials

Are you planning to attend a trade school, community college, or four-year university? You may be eligible for a \$1,000 scholarship to support your education!

APPLY HERE
Deadline is June 15th, 2025



www.elsobrantechamber.com/ECC25

New Eligibility Criteria:

- ✓ Applicants must have a connection to El Sobrante (residency, employment, or community services)
- ✓ Students must attend a high school in 94803 or, if El Sobrante resident, a public or charter school in West Contra Costa County
- ✓ Special focus on students involved in the arts, theatre, and writing

Contact us for more info:
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STILL ACCEPTING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

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El Sobrante
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

EVENTS

DAY & DATE	TIME	ORGANIZER	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday June 1	5:30pm- 7:00pm	Chamber	Board Meeting	OFFICE 3769-B San Pablo Dam Rd.
Saturday June 6	10:00am- Noon members Noon -2:00pm all	Friends of the El Sobrante Library	Book Sale	Fahden House El Sobrante Library
Saturday June 20	9:30am - Noon	SPAWNERS	Workday	Wilkie Creek Worksite
Saturday June 20	10:00am - Noon	Green Team 94803	Workday	El Sobrante Library Parking Lot
Wednesday June 24	5:30pm- 7:00pm	U.S.Financial Mortgage Co.	Monthly Mixer	4973 Appian Way
Saturdays (or by appt.)	10:00am -4:00pm	El Sobrante Historical Society	Museum OPEN	Fahden House El Sobrante Library



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<https://www.cloverfieldfarm.us/post/2026-june-at-cloverfield-organic-farm>

GREEN TEAM 94803

The Green Team 94803 cleans up! Green Team 94803 invites you to their monthly clean up Saturday, June 20 @ 9:30am up at the 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.

Keep El Sobrante Clean and Beautiful



SPAWNERS

Our volunteer work days take place every 3rd Saturday from 9:30am-12:00pm at our [Wilkie Creek Outdoor Classroom](#). We are passionate about restoring native plant habitat, supporting riparian restoration, and making this space a valuable natural and educational resource! All are welcome at our events, and no experience is necessary. Please wear sturdy shoes and work clothes, and we will provide tools, gloves, and refreshments.



Come Join Us!

- Planting Work Parties
- Creek Clean ups
- Nature Walks
- Water Quality Monitoring

Contact us at:
spawners@thewatershedproject.org

Join us for
**Magic Ben's
 21st
 Birthday**

**COME CELEBRATE
 ALL WEEKEND!**



**Friday June 19th, 2026, Saturday
 June 20th & Sunday 21st
 1:00-4:00 PM**

Cloverfield Organic Farm
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OPTIONAL:
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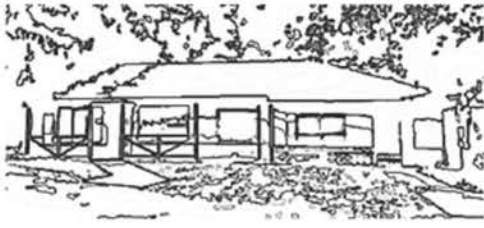
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Friends of the El Sobrante Library
(FESL)

BOOK SALE

Saturday, June 6, 2026
Feature of the Month

Travel Books

Where will you wander this summer?

Members: 10 am - 12 pm
General: Noon - 2 pm

Proceeds from book sales fund El Sobrante Library programs



BRUSH HOUR PAINT PARTY

A fundraiser to provide funds necessary for traffic safety to the

El Sobrante Stroll
\$50.00 per person
limited seating

DATE: July 13, 2026
TIME: 4:30 - 6:30 pm

PJs Restaurant
3721 San Pablo Dam Rd. El Sobrante



Scan here to register & pay

Enjoy complimentary appetizers and a No-Host bar while being guided on painting a picture to take home, lead by Mike Georgette.



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ORGANIZED



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Go to : <https://www.elsobrantechamber.com/shop-chamber-membership-rates/>

Contact our Membership Chair, Marie Carayanis, 510-387-0581 or email mariecofcas@yahoo.com with questions.

31st Annual Stroll



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2026

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- **TREASURER** - Lorna Padia Markus, owner PJs

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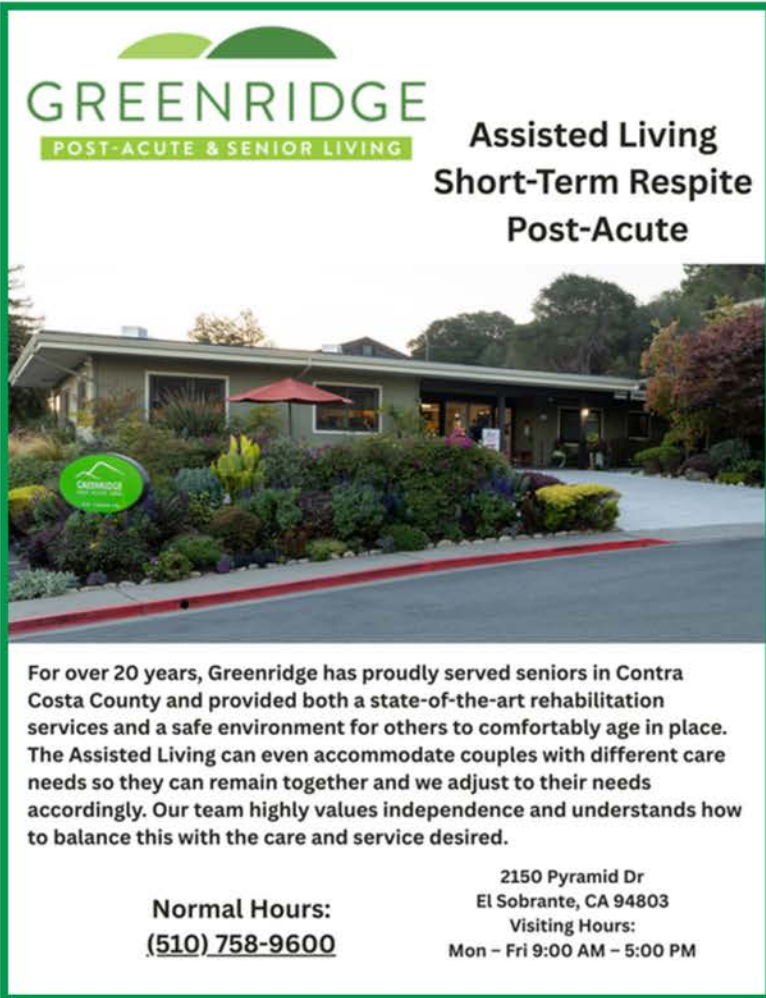
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- Jennifer Duncan - Mgr., Artist Tree
- Mavis Freeman- DOO, Catalyst Cares
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- Harpreet Sandhu - AC Transit BOD
- Robert Sharp- Commercial Property owner
- Rajdeep Sidhu - Owner, Mountain Mike's Pizza

NON-VOTING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Jim Hammack - Scholarship Committee
- Tom Lang - Stroll Co-chair
- Scott Tuffnell - Marketing, Stroll Co-chairs
- Judy Ward - Marketing Co-chair

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<https://www.elsobrantechamber.com/board-of-directors/>

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About Town Newsletter submissions will be Wednesday, June 19 @5:00pm Send your pictures, flyers, etc in JPEG format to be included in our newsletter to elsobchamber793@gmail.com



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