

Creating Energy & Strength through Unity Our alliance provides continuity and a communication network for citizens and groups dedicated to progressive causes.

Progressive Alliance Calendar April 2021

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April 1 Free Farmers Market Cameron Park

Placer Food Bank in partnership with local groups (Rural Resistance Placerville) provides fresh produce at four EDC locations throughout the month. Cameron Park is first Thursday, 3:30-5:00pm at Cameron Park Library 2500 Country Club Dr, Cameron Park. Contact: (916)783-0481 placerfoodbank.org

April 3 Egg Hunt & Open Farm Day at Wakamatsu Farm

On the first and third Saturdays of each month Wakamatsu Farm will be open from 10-2. Enjoy exploring the grounds and buildings. Bring a picnic, chair, and blanket and relax a bit. For information visit: <u>ARConservancy.org</u>

April 3 Free Master Gardeners Online Class: Composting

Learn how compost provides vital nutrients for your garden soil. 9-10:30. Registration is required: <u>mgeldorado.edu</u>

April 7 Wakamatsu Farm Workday

Volunteer workdays will be centered around small site projects such as: weeding, native plant and orchard care, and trail maintenance. All ages are welcome but an adult must accompany children under 7 years. 9-12 noon. Registration: <u>dillion@arconservancy.org</u>

April 8 Girls Speech Competition - Join us to support local girls!

Democratic Women are hosting a Girls Speech Competition Topic: How should our society draw the line between individual freedom and liberty versus the greater good of the community? 6pm-7:30pm. Join Zoom Meeting <u>HERE</u> Meeting ID: 886 5832 6627, Passcode: 406034 Contact: <u>DemWomenEdc@gmail.com</u>

April 10 Placerville Co-op Owner Discount Day

Shop local! The 10th of each month is Owner Discount Day, 10% off your purchases. Location: 535 Placerville Dr, Placerville. Contact: (530)621-3663

April 10 So You Want to Hike, or Maybe Even Saunter, Like John Muir?

Enjoy an easy family hike at Cronan Ranch. All ages and well-behaved dogs welcome. 9-11am. For registration and info contact: julie@ARConservancy.org

April 10 Celebrating Pine Trees - A Backyard Discussion

An open air presentation all about Pine Trees includes a carving collection, a display of various pines, and a lesson on how to harvest pine nuts. 10-12 noon. Responsible teens + welcome. Contact: julie@ARConservancy.org

April 11 Sierra Club Maidu Group Meeting

All Sierra Club members are welcome to attend this zoom meeting. 5:30-7:30pm. For meeting invitation contact: <u>barbara.brydon@comcast.net</u>

April 11 El Dorado Progressives Monthly Meeting via Zoom

Topic: AB-20 Corporate-Free Elections Act 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Register in advance for this meeting <u>HERE</u>. Contact: <u>eldoradoprogressives@gmail.com</u>

April 14 Free Farmers Market Pollock Pines

Placer Food Bank in partnership with local groups (Rural Resistance Placerville) provides fresh produce at four EDC locations throughout the month. Pollock Pines is second Wednesday, 2:00-3:30pm at Pollock Pines Community Center 2675 Sanders Dr, Pollock Pines. Contact: (916)783-0481 <u>placerfoodbank.org</u>

April 15 Free Farmers Market Georgetown

Placer Food Bank in partnership with local groups (Rural Resistance Placerville) provides fresh produce at four EDC locations throughout the month. Georgetown is third Thursday, 2:00-3:30pm at Saint James Mission Church 2831 Harkness Rd, Georgetown. Contact: (916)783-0481 <u>placerfoodbank.org</u>

April 16 North and Middle Fork Confluence Hike

On this moderate to easy hike you will see 2 rivers, 3 bridges, and hear a romantic story about the trail. Leashed dogs and 12 + years welcome. 12:30-2pm Contact: julie@ARConservancy.org

April 16 Free Farmers Market Placerville

Placer Food Bank in partnership with local groups (Rural Resistance Placerville) provides fresh produce at four EDC locations throughout the month. Placerville is third Friday, 3:30-5:00pm at Markham Middle School 2800 Moulton Dr, Placerville. Contact: (916)783-0481 <u>placerfoodbank.org</u>

April 17 Master Gardeners of EDC Plant Sale (See May 1 for 2nd Sale)

One day sale of edibles/vegetables. 8-3, Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. *You can choose an online reservation or a first come/first served line. Details will be posted April 1 on the website: <u>HERE</u>

April 17 Open Farm Day at Wakamatsu Farm

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April 19 Plant Peeping at Kanaka Valley

Take a leisurely stroll through oak woodlands and open chaparral while enjoying views of Folsom Lake and the American River. This is a slow-paced easy hike with frequent stops and discussions. Well-behaved dogs on leash and ages 5 + welcome. 10-2. Contact: julie@ARConsetrvancy.org

April 21 Wakamatsu Farm Workdays

Volunteer workdays will be centered around small site projects such as: weeding, native plant and orchard care, and trail maintenance. All ages are welcome but an adult must accompany children under 7 years. 9-12 noon. Registration: <u>dillion@arconservancy.org</u>

April 22 United Democrats Zoom Meeting

The United Democrats of El Dorado County will be holding their monthly meeting via Zoom. We will have a Social Half-Hour from 11:30am to 12:00pm. Our formal meeting

will be from 12:00 to 1:00pm with speaker Supervisor Wendy Thomas. Contact: John savage956@hotmail.com

April 24 "Green" Scavenger Hunt for Kids

Families walk to the river and back, using all of their senses to fill in their activity guide sheets. Designed for pre-K through 6th grade students but all families are welcome. 9-11am. Contact: julie@ARConservancy.org

April 24 Coffee and Conversation with Democrats

Let's talk about how to talk to your neighbor again...you know, the one who voted for "the other guy". What are the strategies of empathy, knowledge, and information that disconnected them? Register <u>HERE</u>

April 26 Placerville PFLAG Meeting

Placerville PFLAG is resuming our support meetings via Zoom! Please join us- the 4th Monday of every month at 6:30pm. NEXT MEETING 4/26. For information & the link to the meeting, please email: pflagplacerville@gmail.com

May 1 Master Gardeners of El Dorado County Plant Sale

One day sale of ornamentals/perennials. 8-3, Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville. *You can choose an online reservation or a first come/first served line. Details will be posted April 1 on the website: <u>HERE</u>

May 1 Rise and Shine is BACK!

Join us for a day of volunteering in the great outdoors. Register today and choose a project with a friend or in your neighborhood. We'll meet our team leaders on Saturday May 1st at 8am at our project site. Bring tools that you think will help to clean up, spruce up, and fix up our parks, trail, and community spaces. Register for your project and choose your lunch and shirt option so we can plan for the big day <u>HERE</u>! Questions? Call Amy Sellers (916)847-9972 or Placerville Community Services at (530)642-5542

Save the Date

The newly-formed Writers Alliance will be offering two seminars in May. **May 6** Putting It In Writing: Writing Effective Letters to the Editor 6:30-8:30pm **May 20** Putting Our Talents to Work: Building a Writers Alliance 6:30-8:30 pm Stay tuned for further information. Contact: <u>ml.elliott@sbcglobal.net</u>

For Your Information

El Dorado Community Health Centers has Vaccine clinics available every week to patients and residents of El Dorado County. The link to sign up for clinics is <u>HERE</u>. Contact: Diana <u>dkantola@edchc.org</u>

Friends of Seniors, a fund of the El Dorado Community Foundation, will be awarding a total of up to \$10,000 in grants to El Dorado County nonprofits that support the wellness, life enrichment, dignity and independence of Seniors residing on the WESTERN slope of El Dorado County. All applications are due by 11:59pm Friday, April 30, 2021. For more information or to apply, please click this link: <u>https://app.smarterselect.com/programs/66205-El-Dorado-Community-Foundation</u> Contact: <u>klishman@mac.com</u>

City logo/noose update: Placerville's City Council will view a presentation on the history of Placerville on April 7. That presentation will be videotaped and available for viewing on or after April 9. Following that, the Council will take up the noose/logo issue at a regular meeting later in April or early May. You can follow the progress of this issue by accessing the city website <u>HERE</u>

The Center for Violence Free Relationships is open for in-person appointments if zoom and phones services are unavailable. Visit their website for protocols for in-person appointments. <u>thecenternow.org</u>

Sherwood Demonstration Gardens is open the first and second Saturday of the month, 9-12 noon. Docents will be on hand to guide visitors through the gardens and answer any questions. Social distancing and face coverings are required. 6699 Campus Dr Placerville. Gardening questions can also be directed to: 530-621-5512 or mgeldorado.ucanr.edu "Ask a Master Gardener".

Rural Resistance is planning to set up and maintain Mutual Aid Community Food Pantries. Let them know if you have any shelving, bookcases or such that they could use. They are also continuing to collect food donations for our neighbors in need. Drop-off times in EDH, Placerville, and Roseville are at private homes on Thursday before 5 pm. Friday drop-off is at Raley's, 166 Placerville Drive, Placerville 9-11 am. Contact: <u>ruralresistanceplacerville@gmail.com</u>

ARC Nature Camps for Kids are back! For information and to register, go to <u>ARConservancy.org/education</u>

Sierra Wildlife Rescue will be opening its Baby Bird Nursery later this month. Volunteers are needed to care for the baby birds. April Classes 10th Transporting Wildlife, 10-12 noon 10th Electronic Medical Records, 10-12 noon 24th Rehabbing Crows and Ravens, 1-3pm All classes are held at the Wildlife Center in Diamond Springs. Contact: <u>sierrawildliferescue.org</u>

Help is needed to build a foot bridge across the inlet at Lake Tabeaud in Amador County. The project is being spearheaded by Bud Hoekstra from Glencoe, CA. The project is being planned for the summer of 2020. If you're interested in helping, contact Bud for details. Contact: <u>fooothillberrries@gmail.com</u>

Upper Room is asking for \$ donations and could use some kitchen help on Mondays. Contact: <u>http://upperroomdininghall.org/</u>

Housing El Dorado is collecting monetary donations to help provide much-needed housing and services for our homeless neighbors. Please help with a donation <u>HERE</u> Contact: <u>pathways@housingeldorado.org</u>

Staff and volunteers needed for the Pathways Winter Lodging Program. Located at Green Valley Church with a day program coming soon at the Placerville Library on M/T/W mornings. Contact: Julie H, Program Manager at: pathways@housingeldorado.org

Websites and Contact: Information:

Big Brothers/Big Sisters Contact: Amber Henrichs 530-626-1222 amber@mentors4youth.org

The Center for Violence-Free Relationships 24/7 Crisis Help Line: 530-626-1131 or 916-939-6616, Office Phone: 530-626-1450 or 916-939-4464 <u>www.thecenternow.org</u>

Coalition for Change

www.coalitionforchange.org patty.wilson5@gmail.com Democratic Women's Club

www.edcdems.org Contact: Lorraine King 916-220-2872 Lorraine.king@sbcglobal.net

El Dorado Peace & Justice Community www.edpjc.org jrmarti2@earthlink.net PO Box 543

Diamond Springs, CA 95619 Jim Martin (530) 622-9549

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Photo of the Month



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