

Welcome to the El Dorado County SOJ Newsletter



Hi Jeffersonians:

The date for the District 1 State Senate special election, Tuesday March 26th, is approaching fast. The El Dorado County State of Jefferson (SOJ) Committee will host a "**candidate forum**" on Tuesday March 12th at the American Legion Hall, 4561 Greenstone Road, Placerville. As a non-partisan organization, all 5 candidates from both parties were invited to attend. At this time Kevin Kiley and Rex Hime are the only candidates able to participate.

The doors will open at 5:30 PM for our social hour, and the regular SOJ meeting will begin at 6:30 PM. Jefferson Hot Dogs will be available, as well as beverages and desserts. The public is always welcome to attend SOJ meetings, so be sure to invite your family, friends and neighbors. If you want to learn more about Jefferson you are welcome to visit with one of our committee members between 5:30 and 6:30 at the March 12th meeting.

We cannot stress enough the importance of voting, not just in this special election, but also the March 2020 Presidential Primary which is just 12 months away. Voter registration forms will be available at all SOJ monthly meetings. The last day to register to vote for the March 26th special election is March 11th. You can register to vote at <https://registertovote.ca.gov/>, or by visiting the County Elections Department at the government center in Placerville.

Citizens for Fair Representation, backed by Jefferson, will soon be filing their appeal in the lawsuit against Secretary of State Alex Padilla for lack of representation and dilution of vote. Never has the need been greater, for citizens living in the rural northern and central counties, to have their voices heard in the California State Legislature and Governor's office. Watch for updates about the court case, 2nd Amendment issues, and the new feature "Meet the County" in an upcoming issue of the Jefferson Messenger. The Messenger is published the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, you can subscribe or read back issues by visiting: <https://us14.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=92a303e0df8ac34433d255b04&id=7b0a0bc150>

Most of the candidates running for the District 1 Senate seat agree that it is unfair that the single county of Los Angeles has fifteen Senators representing their wants & needs, while we have eleven counties in District 1 with only one Senator representing our interests.

A Big Thank You

Nancy Spitzer, who we call our cookie & coffee lady, would like to express her appreciation to those who continue to provide cookies& other desserts for our monthly meetings. Many in other counties have commented about what a nice addition this is for meetings, and find us to be very lucky to have such wonderful and dedicated volunteers. So to all of you, a Big Thank you from Nancy and all of us.

Other SOJ News and Updates

In January, the 23 Counties of Jefferson agreed to adopt a platform to support businesses, veterans, law enforcement and gun owners. In El Dorado County we are thrilled to announce that we support over 70 businesses that support Jefferson. A perfect example is the bi-monthly breakfasts that Jefferson has at local restaurants. Mark your calendars to attend our next scheduled special Sunday Brunch, March 31st, hosted by **Wally?s Pizza Bar** from 9 AM to 2 PM. Wally?s is located at 4079 Cameron Park Drive, in Cameron Park. If you are not wearing your Jefferson gear that day, please identify yourself as a Jefferson supporter at the door. Also, we want to extend our thanks for the great breakfast and turn out we had at **The Breakroom**, in January.

We now have a "**State of Jefferson Chamber of Commerce**" offering free advertising on Facebook. You can join the group by visiting the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2268237486792896/>. If you are a business owner, have friends in business or frequent a local business, let them know they can post their business cards by visiting the "State of Jefferson Chamber of Commerce." Over the next couple of months there will be opportunities to expand advertising options for the business community. In El Dorado County we post our business supporters at the end of each newsletter. We also display business cards at our welcome table during monthly meetings, which is coordinated by Sharon Durst. In addition to all this, please mark your calendars to attend our **second annual Business Showcase**, August 16th, at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds. **Yes, Jefferson is Open for Business!**

At this time we would also like to announce there is a **State of Jefferson Youth Council**, open to middle, high school and college students. Their goal is to educate young people about the Jefferson movement and discuss ways to improve and expand participation in the movement. This is coordinated by Logan McClain, a student at Sierra College. If you have children or grandchildren who would like more information or join the Youth Council, please email Logan at madcheesepuff@gmail.com. Right now they have members from Placer, Shasta, El Dorado, Glenn and Stanislaus Counties.

For more updates you can listen to the State of Jefferson **conference calls**, which are the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 7 PM. To listen, call 408-628-0986, and enter the code is 989 704

2586#. Mark Baird is usually on the calls and also on the "Jefferson State of Mind" radio show, which broadcasts on KCNR 1460 AM Radio every Sunday from 9 to 10 AM. This is a live talk show that you can listen to on your computer, or because the shows are archived, you can listen at a later date. For your convenience here is a link to the radio broadcasts:

<https://www.kcnr1460.com/>

We look forward to seeing you next week at the "**candidate forum.**"

Our EDC State of Jefferson Newsletters are on our website

You can go to our website and find our newsletters from previous months. When you are on our website, select "committees," select "El Dorado County," and click on the newsletter you want to view. Our website is: <http://soj51.org/>

Please forward this email to all your contacts and Social Media Friends

Thank you, from the El Dorado County State of Jefferson Committee

Disclosure:

The State of Jefferson Formation is a grassroots effort to restore representation to the rural counties of Northern California. This movement is NOT affiliated with any political party. Over the last four years, presentations explaining the reasons for Jefferson have been given to all political parties, as well as men and women's service organization, chambers of commerce, county taxpayers associations, county and city government meetings, high school government classes, and town hall meetings for the general public, throughout Northern California. The State of Jefferson welcomes everyone.

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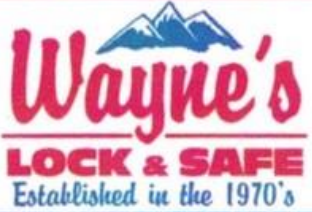


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