



## Updates from Supervisor Mitch Mashburn - April/May 2024

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### Dear Neighbor,

It's another beautiful Spring in Solano County - with the wildflowers in full bloom. I hope you're getting a chance to enjoy everything our community has to offer with friends, neighbors and loved ones.

If you're looking for things to do, our Community Events section is busting at the seams, proving time and again that Solano County is a great place to Live, Work and PLAY. I appreciate everyone who has sent in events to share with our neighbors.

Thanks also to everyone who has followed my official page on Facebook. I hope you'll [click and follow](#) me there to get more frequent updates and to join the conversation.

As always, thanks for allowing me into your email inbox to keep you up to date on what's happening here in the Fifth District of Solano County. Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions, comments or concerns, or to share your neighborhood's good news or problems that need attention.

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## Recognizing Animal Care and Control Appreciation Week



The work of Solano County's Animal Care and Control division is more than what we always see – so we take a week each April for a national recognition of the great and often heart-wrenching work they do for families and pets, and to take a closer look at what they refer to as 'controlled chaos.'

We're all familiar with the shelter that takes in animals that are sick, abandoned or taken off the streets, and where they make every effort to rehome them. The feeling of success in watching an animal adopted is too often countered with other animals being put down. It's tough work done by a team of truly dedicated professionals and volunteers.

Their 'community-centric' approach has led to a homeless outreach project, a pet food pantry, Hip to be Tipped, Spay It Forward, redemption assistance, deferred intake, pet safety net program, foster program, and even an office dog program.

Each day, their team sees animal cruelty and abandonment, owners who can't afford to redeem their pets from the shelter or must relinquish their pets because of housing or financial constraints. They nurse back the sick and injured, help community members who need help with food and vet bills and much more.

With just one animal care and control office serving 900 square miles of land and water with a population of 450,000 people, it's a lot of work for one team. But you can help! The office is always in need of volunteers, fosters, adopters, funding, and support. You can advocate for pets and work side-by-side with them to make a powerful impact on our community. Volunteering with them has been an important part of our family life for years, and we'd love to have you join us.

For more information about how you can help [HERE](#).

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**Wildfire Community Preparedness Day – Saturday, May 4th**



2024

# WILDFIRE COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS DAY



JOIN US FOR A DAY OF  
FAMILY-FUN ACTIVITIES  
AND LEARN HOW TO BE  
WILDFIRE READY!

**SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024**  
**10 AM - 2 PM**

## EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- DELICIOUS FOOD TRUCKS
- RAFFLE PRIZES
- OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY
- FIRE DEMONSTRATIONS
- EMERGENCY VEHICLE DISPLAY
- MEET YOUR LOCAL FIRE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS
- LEARN ABOUT REDUCING THE RISK OF WILDFIRE FROM LOCAL FIRE RESOURCES



### LOCATION

LAKE SOLANO PICNIC AREA  
8685 PLEASANTS VALLEY RD



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

DAY USE FEES WILL BE WAIVED  
NO PETS ALLOWED ON PARK GROUNDS

As we've all learned in recent years, fire preparedness and prevention is more important than ever here in Solano County, where more and more of Northern Solano has been impacted by fires.

Thanks to the Solano Fire Safe Council, it's also easier than ever to learn what you can do to keep yourself, your family, pets and property safe in the event of another catastrophic fire.

At the 2024 Wildfire Community Preparedness Day, you can learn more about how to make yourself safer from fire threats, while meeting the team of firefighting professionals who keep us safe – at a fun-filled day at Lake Solano Park. Join us on Saturday, May 4th, and learn more [HERE](#).

## Solano County Earth Day Cleanup Events

**Solano County EARTH DAY CLEANUP**

**SATURDAY APRIL 20, 2024**

*Be a Part of the Movement, Keep Solano Clean & Green*

**#KeepSolanoClean**

*"You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make."*  
- Jane Goodall

**BENICIA**  
Location: Ninth Street Park  
Time: Saturday April 27\*, 8am-11am  
Contact: Sharon Denney  
Email: SDenney@ci.benicia.ca.us  
www.ci.benicia.ca.us

**DIXON**  
Location: Pond C on Yale Drive  
Time: Saturday April 20, 9am-11am  
Contact: Leland Markusen  
Email: lmarkusen@cityofdixon.us  
www.cityofdixon.us/stormwater

**FAIRFIELD**  
Location: Lower Ledgewood Creek (parking lot behind Home Depot)  
Time: Saturday April 20, 9am-11am  
Contact: Melvin Aquino  
Email: maquino@fssd.com  
www.fssd.com

**RIO VISTA**  
Location: Sandy Beach Park  
Time: Saturday April 20, 10am-12pm  
Contact: Marissa Medders  
Email: MAMedders@SolanoCounty.com  
www.solanocounty.com

**SUISUN CITY**  
Location: Lower Union Ave Creek (Good end of Railroad Ave near Marina Blvd)  
Time: Saturday April 20, 9am-11am  
Contact: Melvin Aquino  
Email: maquino@fssd.com  
www.fssd.com

**VALLEJO**  
Location: Blue Rock Springs Creek Corridor (below Wardlaw Park)  
Time: Saturday April 20, 9am-11:30am  
Contact: Doug Darling  
Email: ddfish-life@stsiglobal.net  
www.vallejowatershedalliance.org

**LAKE SOLANO**  
Location: McGary Road (meet at Lynch Canyon parking lot)  
Time: Saturday April 20, 9am-11:30am  
Contact: Diana Samuels  
Email: DL.Samuels@SolanoCounty.com  
www.solanocounty.com

**VACAVILLE**  
Location: Grizzly Island Road (meet at Suisun Hill Bridge)  
Time: Saturday April 20, 9am-12pm  
Contact: Daniel Garvin  
Email: daniel@solandlandtrust.org  
www.solandlandtrust.org

**VACAVILLE**  
Location: Rocky Hill Trail  
Time: Saturday April 20, 9am-11am  
Contact: Peter Wanberg  
Email: Peter.Wanberg@cityofvacaville.com  
www.cityofvacaville.com/creekcleanup

**PLEASE DO YOUR PART TO HELP SAVE RESOURCES BY BRINGING YOUR OWN GLOVES, WATER BOTTLE, AND COLLECTION BUCKET.**



For more information contact  
707.678.1655 (ext 104)  
or visit: [www.cleanupsolano.org](http://www.cleanupsolano.org)



There are plenty of Earth Day Cleanup events to choose from all over Solano County. For more information about the event closest to you, your work, or school, click [HERE](#)

## Live, Work, PLAY in Solano County - Community Calendar



Follow me on [Facebook](#) for updated information about these and other great community events!

**Friday, April 19th**

Karaoke for K9s

6:30-9:00pm

@Village 360, 4949 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield

**Saturday, April 20th**

21st Annual Loop the Lagoon

Races start at 8:00, 8:05, 9:00 & 9:15am

@Lagoon Valley Park, 4627 Pena Adobe Road, Vacaville

More information [HERE](#)

Circle D Horsemen's BONANZA

10:00am-3:00pm

@5250 Griffin Road, Vacaville

Free Admission

Petting Zoo, Poop Plop Fundraiser, Vendors, Food & Desserts

STEAM Discovery Festival

10:00am-4:00pm

@Solano Community College, Fairfield

Free Admission

Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics FUN

More information [HERE](#)

Trilogy Rio Vista Spring Gift, Craft, & Jewelry Faire

10:00am-3:00pm

@Vista Club, 1201 Clubhouse Drive, Rio Vista  
Handcrafted items, Food Trucks & Hourly Raffle

34th Rush Ranch Open House

10:00am-3:00pm

@3521 Grizzly Island Road, Suisun City  
Free Admission  
Entertainment, Vendors, Exhibitors, Blacksmith Shop & Wagon Rides

Blues, Brews & BBQ Cook-off

12:00-4:00pm

@the County Green in Downtown Fairfield, 580 Texas Street  
Live Music, Drinks, & Food  
More information [HERE](#)

Dixon Lions BBQ Drive Thru

4:00-7:00pm

@Tractor Supply, 2000 North First Street, Dixon  
Tickets \$20; Call Cassie at 707-301-8483

**Saturday, April 20th & Sunday, April 21st**

VacaCon

10:00am-4:00pm

@ Ulatis Community Center, 1000 Ulatis Drive, Vacaville  
Celebration of Pop Culture, Anime & Comics – Celebrity Guests, Exhibits, Cosplay, KidsZone & more  
More information [HERE](#)

**Sunday, April 21st**

Food Truck & Family Fun – Ready, Set, Spring!

11:00am-3:00pm

@Veterans Memorial Hall, 1305 North First Street, Dixon  
Food Vendors & Kids Activities

**Saturday, April 27th**

2024 Color Run for Autism Awareness

10:00am-2:00pm

@Jepson Middle School, 580 Elder Street, Vacaville  
Outdoor play, Games with prizes, Bounce house, Dancing & Vendors  
More Information [HERE](#)

1st Annual Cornhole Tournament by Dixon Athletic Boosters

Check in at 11:00am, Start at 12:00pm

@Solano Brewing, 5500 Weber Road, Vacaville  
More information [EMAIL HERE](#) ([dixonathleticbooster@gmail.com](mailto:dixonathleticbooster@gmail.com))

BrewBash Lagerfest

12:00-4:00pm

@Sheldon Plaza, Driftwood Drive, Suisun City  
More information [HERE](#)

### **Sunday, April 28th**

#### Be You! Fun Day at the Park for Special Needs Awareness

1:00-4:00pm

@Play for All Park, 815 Elmira Road, Vacaville

Free Event

Parade, Games, Guest Speakers, and Resources

#### Bingo de Mayo – a FUNdraiser for Saving Gracie

5:00-8:00pm

@Journey Downtown, 308 Main Street, Vacaville

Bingo, Taco Bar, & Live Music

More Information [HERE](#)

### **Wednesday, May 1st**

#### Community Bike Fair

2:30-5:30pm

@Green Valley Middle School, 1350 Gold Hill Road, Fairfield

Free bike repairs & maintenance, Bike Rodeo, & Helmet fitting & decorating

More Information [EMAIL HERE](#) ([CPeacher@sta.ca.gov](mailto:CPeacher@sta.ca.gov))

### **Saturday, May 4th**

#### Junk in the Trunk

9:00am-1:00pm

@Laurel Creek Community Park, Fairfield

More information [HERE](#)

#### Wildfire Community Preparedness Day

10:00am-2:00pm

@Lake Solano Picnic Area, 8685 Pleasants Valley Road, Vacaville

Free Admission

Family-Fun Activities & Learn How to be Wildfire Ready!

#### Girls on the Rise

10:00am-2:00pm

@Solano County Events Center, 601 Texas Street, Fairfield

For young women, ages 15-25, interested in the legal field

Free Admission, Register [HERE](#)

#### Lynch Canyon Kite Festival

10:00am-2:00pm

@Lynch Canyon, Fairfield

Free Admission

Fly Kites, Bring a Picnic, & Enjoy Lynch Canyon

#### Ulatis Vendor Bazaar

10:00am-4:00pm

@ Ulatis Cultural Center Parking Lot, 1000 Ulatis Drive, Vacaville



Free Admission  
Vendors, Food, Music & Kids Zone

Rio Vista 2nd Annual River Rumble

11:00am-3:00pm

@the foot of Main Street, Rio Vista

Food Trucks, Live Music, Vendors, Jump House, & Kids Activities

2nd Annual Kentucky Derby Day

11:00am-4:00pm

@308 Main Street, Vacaville

Enjoy the races & cocktails, food,& raffles

Tickets available [HERE](#)

4th Annual Leaders of Men Dressing for Success

1:00-3:00pm

@Suisun City Marina, 800 Kellogg Street, Suisun City

More information [HERE](#)

Relay For Life of Vacaville

3:00-10:00pm

@Andrews Park, Vacaville

Raising Funds & Awareness for Cancer with Live Music, Food, & Tributes

More Information [HERE](#)

**Sunday, May 5th**

2nd Annual Cinco de Mayo Festival

11:00am-4:00pm

@Suisun City Historic Downtown Waterfront

Free Admission

Car Show, Live Music, Food & Entertainment

**THURSDAY - SUNDAY, MAY 9-12th**

DIXON MAY FAIR

More Information [HERE](#)

**Saturday, May 11th**

57th Annual Dixon Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast

7:00-10:00am

Olde Vets Hall, 231 North First Street, Dixon

Tickets: \$5.00 per plate

Mother's Day Market

10:00am-2:00pm

Sweet Pea's, 891 Alamo Drive, Vacaville

Flowers, Food, & Fun

**Sunday, May 12th**

13th Annual Mother's Day Artisan Fair

10:00am-4:00pm

@the Suisun Waterfront

Live Music & Vendors

**Saturday, May 18th**

Vacaville Lemonade Day

More information [HERE](#)

Rio Vista CARE Cowboy Up! Dinner

5:00-6:00pm Social Hour, 6:00pm Dinner

@St. Joseph's Hall, Rio Vista

For More Information call Rio Vista CARE @ 707-374-5243

A Night Out with Leaders of Men Inc.

6:00-8:00pm

@1000 Kentucky Street, Fairfield

More information [HERE](#)

**Sunday, May 19th**

4th Annual Wings-N-Wheels Car Show

10:00am-2:00pm

@Travis Air Force Base Aviation Museum, 461 Burgan Blvd

**Music Events – Ongoing**

Vacaville Town Square Live Music, Thursdays from 5:00-8:00pm – April 4th – June 20th

Fairfield Music Series, Fridays from 6:00-9:00pm – May 3rd – September 20th

@different locations throughout the city each week

More information [HERE](#)

**Farmers Markets**

Fairfield – Every Thursday – May 2nd through September 26th

from 3:00-7:00pm @County Green, Downtown

Suisun City – Sunday, May 19th from 12:00-4:00pm

@Harbor Plaza, Downtown Suisun

Vacaville – Saturdays from 8:00am-12:00pm – May 11th – October 26th @Andrews Park

**Is your event missing? Email the details to [adsharp@solanocounty.com](mailto:adsharp@solanocounty.com) and follow [my Facebook page](#) for updates.**



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## About Me

I'm honored to serve as your representative on the Solano County Board of Supervisors since taking office in January 2021. As you may know, I spent 10 years on the Vacaville City Council and retired from the Solano County Sheriff's Office – I've spent my entire adult life in public service, and I'm pleased to be able to continue in this new role. My wife, Tonya, and I were both raised here, and are raising our girls here. I'm committed not just to strengthening our communities today, but to ensuring the next generation has the opportunity to thrive.

## About the 5<sup>th</sup> District

The 5<sup>th</sup> District is a beautiful little slice of Solano County – including the City of Rio Vista, Elmira, portions of the Cities of Fairfield, Suisun City and Vacaville, as well as the beautiful rolling hills of Eastern Solano County. The 5th District is the proud home of thousands of airmen and civilian employees at Travis Air Force Base, hundreds of small farms, orchards and ranches, and a portion of the San Francisco Bay Delta – the largest estuary on the west coast of North and South America, and the world's only inland Delta.

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