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## Member Wins Environmentalist of the Year Award



Fair Oaks EcoHousing is quite proud of member and founder Marty Maskall's accolades!

She will be recognized as **Environmentalist of the Year** by the Environmental Council of Sacramento ([who recently endorsed our project](#)) on **Wednesday, November 16th** in Sacramento. ECOS has been presenting these awards, as a time to celebrate and recognize the past year's regional champions and community sustainability successes, since the early 1970's.

You're invited to join us at this special event for wine, jazz and celebration of Marty's hard work on our project (even the Mayor-elect will be in attendance). The reception begins at **5:30pm** and the ceremony goes from **6:30-8:30pm**. [More info here on their website.](#)

Be sure to purchase your tickets ahead of time! [Click here for the purchase link.](#)

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## Upcoming Events

### Picnic in the Parkway: Saturday, October 15th

You're invited to join us from **11:30 - 1:30pm** for a picnic in the **American River Parkway at Sacramento Bar**. Sandwich makings will be provided, along with paper plates and utensils. Please bring your favorite picnic food and drink (alcohol is ok) to share.

You may want to bring a lawn chair or two. This is a family-friendly event. Kids are warmly welcomed. Dogs are also welcome. Bring your swimsuit and your bike, raft, or kayak. This park is a favorite launching spot for rafts.



you don't have an annual Park Pass.

Sacramento Bar is at the foot of Pennsylvania Ave, off Fair Oaks Blvd, just west of Sunrise. Look for the "Fair Oaks EcoHousing" sign. There's a \$5 entry fee if

## Community-Building Potluck: Sunday, October 16th



This will be a casual time to meet each other, break bread, and talk more about cohousing. First-time guests don't need to bring a dish to the potluck. Food and drinks will be provided.

Join us at **6:30 pm** in **Folsom** (RSVP for address).

Family-friendly: kids are welcome.

RSVP to **Bob Oyafuso** at (916) 353-0376 or [boyafuso@sbcglobal.net](mailto:boyafuso@sbcglobal.net)

## Fair Oaks EcoHousing Site Tour: Saturday, October 22nd

**Fair Oaks EcoHousing** will be a beautiful neighborhood of 30 homes on 3.7 acres in Fair Oaks, CA, 18 miles east of downtown Sacramento. We're looking for the rest of our future neighbors! Come see the site and our architectural plans at an upcoming tour.



Meet at **10:30am** at the **Fair Oaks Coffeehouse** in Fair Oaks Village, located at 10223 Fair Oaks Blvd, at the intersection with Park Drive. Look for us on the side of the Coffeehouse, in the patio area or in the building at the back. We can carpool to the site. The tour will last about an hour, with an optional lunch afterwards at the [Siam Patio Restaurant](#) or the [Smokey Oaks Tavern](#). Group members will lead the tour of our beautiful property. Kids are welcome.

Can't join us that day? Additional tour offered on **Saturday, November 12th!**

To sign up, contact **Linda Tanforan** at (916) 359-3742 or [lmtanforan@gmail.com](mailto:lmtanforan@gmail.com)

## Bay Area Cohousing Presentation: Sunday, October 30th

**Learn more about the benefits of cohousing from future residents of Fair Oaks EcoHousing**

Join us from **2-3:30pm** at **Vista Del Lago Club House**: 151 Buckingham Dr, Santa Clara, CA.

Fair Oaks is in the Sacramento area, about 130 miles from Santa Clara. It may sound like a formidable commute, but there are many folks who take the train between Sacramento and Bay Area cities. Come hear from someone who has experienced that commute!

### For more information:

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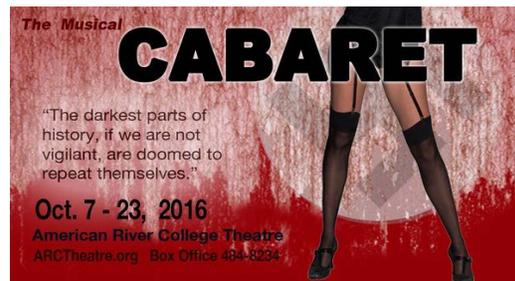
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[Click here to view directions and more info.](#)

## Welcome to Kathy Burleson!

Fair Oaks EcoHousers Gina, Justine, Mary, Marty, and Joy enjoyed a terrific local production of "Cabaret" at American River College this past Saturday. Fun, sexy, great music & chillingly political. **Our new member Kathy Burleson designed the set and lighting.**

**Cabaret:** At the dawn of the 1930's in Berlin, the Nazi party is growing stronger. The Kit Kat Klub is a decadent cabaret used as a mirror image of the changing German society. Each song and dance comments on the plot and on Germany's "progression" from hedonism to Hitlerism. It's a musical that manages to be both a decadent dazzler and a sober exploration of how hatred and bigotry can lead a society, almost unthinkingly, toward disaster. (Note: *Cabaret* is rated R for adult situations. You can [buy tickets online here](#). \$15 General, \$12 Students & Seniors. Shows are Thursdays at 6:30 pm, Friday & Saturday at 8 pm and Sunday at 2 pm).



**Kathy Burleson** grew up in the San Francisco Bay Area, first studying computer programming. Fate took a turn though, and steered her 180 degrees into the field of technical theatre, and she went to CSU Sacramento and later UC Davis for an MFA in Theatre Design. She has designed lights or sets for various theatres in northern California, including Sacramento Theatre Company, Western Stage, and the Fair Oaks Theatre Festival, and currently is the Scenic/Lighting Designer and Chair of the American River College Theatre Department. Kathy's husband was also in that field, and they enjoyed many years together working on shows.

Kathy's likes include traveling to the mountains or cruising, seeing shows and museums, fixing up houses, and exploring computer software.

Kathy comes from a big family. Her fondness for cohousing came from family vacations at her grandmother's farm in Mississippi where the farmhouse became the "common house" at holiday time for returning family members who slept in every building on the farm, and brought food galore to common meals. She remembers the craziness and warmth and kids running around and old folks rocking on the porch. She's looking forward to establishing that sense of extended

family with new neighbors here at Fair Oaks EcoHousing!

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## Cohousing in the News

### To Thrive, We Must Be In Touch With Each Other

*"When we live connected to a community, we are more likely to become champions for one another, not just for ourselves. It's a small step from there to becoming advocates for the larger community, even for the community of all life. From there, the idea of the common good is not so hard to grasp."*



[YES! Magazine Article Online](#)



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*Pictured above: Fair Oaks Village, Fair Oaks Theatre Festival, Floating the American River.*

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