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Our Neighborhood: Best Bites in Fair Oaks



Fair Oaks has many wonderful restaurants. We'll let you in on some local favorites to visit when you're in town.

We always begin site tours at [Fair Oaks Coffeehouse & Deli](#) (you can't go wrong with their burritos, cinnamon rolls and live music!)

After introductions, chatting and answering questions, we visit our land. And then we enjoy lunch at a nearby restaurant.

We have two wonderful choices:

1. [The Smokey Oaks Tavern](#) (known for their smoked meats, bahn mi fries and crafted cocktails) is located right next to our site.
2. Or we can choose to dine at [Siam Patio](#), just one block east of our site, with wonderful Thai food at reasonable prices.

All three restaurants offer delicious food and great service! Be sure to check them out next time you visit. And [view more places of interest near our site on our website map.](#)



Fair Oaks EcoHousing Members enjoy a meal at Smokey Oaks Tavern.

Upcoming Events

Fair Oaks EcoHousing Site Tour: Saturday, September 10th at 10:30am

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, September 24th!**

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

Community-Building Potluck: Sunday, September 18th



Come share a meal with us!

This will be an 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 the Sacramento, Arden-Arcade Area (RSVP for address).

Family-friendly: kids are welcome.

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SEPTEMBER

Join us in the Bay Area!

Cohousing: Earth-Friendly Living Near Sacramento

Sunday, September 25th from 2-3:30pm
Gatehouse Clubhouse: Saratoga, CA 95070

For more information, contact:

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OCTOBER

Save the Date!

Presentation By Cohousing Expert Katie McCamant

Thursday, October 6th at 7pm
Keller Williams Office
8525 Madison Ave, Ste 122 (at Kenneth) Fair Oaks

[Katie \(of CoHousing Solutions\)](#) is our development consultant, and co-author of the seminal book on cohousing, *Creating Cohousing*.

We invite you to this free presentation, sponsored by Fair Oaks EcoHousing and Renaissance Village Homes, to learn more from Katie and meet both of our community's members. Watch for more details in our next newsletter.

Welcome to Dana, Chris and Ben!

We're excited to welcome the Jenks family to our community! Get to know the rest of us [on our website](#).

DANA JENKS grew up in Fairfield, California. She joined the US Navy at 17 and became a Photographer for a public affairs detachment at Treasure Island, CA. She later returned to UC Davis, where she met Chris Jenks, her Lab TA, in a Chemistry class. Chris and Dana lived in Davis for 15 years. They moved to Sacramento in 2005 and bought a house in East Sacramento. Dana currently works as a Physics, Automotive and Art teacher at George Washington Carver School of Arts and Science, the first public Waldorf high school in North America. She also runs the Access TV Hub for Rancho Cordova out of her art class. She is a Waldorf-trained teacher and also an avid cob artist and builder. Dana and Chris are raising their grandson Ben. She is looking forward to living in cohousing and hopes more Waldorf families will join. She can help students with physics and math tutoring and Waldorf educational support.



CHRIS JENKS was born in Illinois, but left when he was an infant and travelled globally with his family. Chris currently works for the California Energy Commission in the alternative transportation fuels unit. He holds a PhD in Organic Chemistry from UC Davis. He has also done chemistry work on a volunteer basis in order to help make natural medicines for addiction treatment more available. He learned about cohousing and intentional communities in the '90s and always wanted to find a way to participate. Chris enjoys hiking and camping and growing useful or exotic plants, especially fruit trees.

BEN is currently in pre-school at Camellia Waldorf and will be attending Sacramento Waldorf when he goes to kindergarten. He likes trains, trucks, sticks, music and nature walks with his grandma.



Want to Learn More About Fair Oaks and Sacramento?

Click below for useful links, there's a lot to keep us busy here!

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

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