

ELEVATING THE BUSINESS OF LAKE COUNTY

The Lake County **Chamber of Commerce** is a private, not-forprofit organization, a 501(c)6, of businesses that have come together to advance the financial, industrial and civic interests of Lake County.

### Who We Are: 284 members and growing!



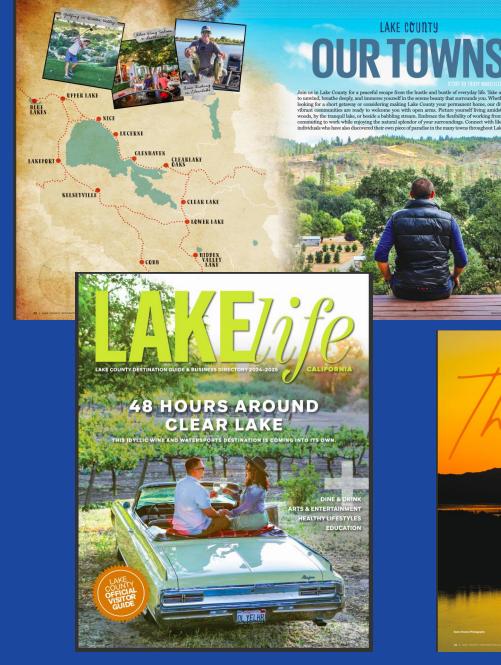
Two full-time staff: Amanda Martin, CEO Coleen Yorba Lee, Operations Manager

**10 Volunteer Board Directors:** Don Smith, President Robert Boccabella, President-Elect Diane Thompkins Plante, Financial Officer Alex Nuñez Weston Seifert Kendall Fults Greg Folsom Lora Horn Alyssa Mingo Autumn Karcey

# Enhancing the visitor's experience in Lake County The Lakeport Visitor Center Open Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 5:00pm

- In the month of April 2025 there were at least 266 visitors who came in.
- LCCC staff and volunteers provide information pertaining to the whole County, for daily in person visitors, and daily phone calls. We give recommendations and information about the County that goes well beyond our business membership.





- Lake Life Magazine a partnership between the Lake County Chamber of Commerce and the Tourism Improvement District / "Visit Lake County".
- The 2025 Lake Life magazine will be out in late May 2025, and 20,000 copies printed and distributed inside Lake County, at large events like the Pear Festival, and outside of Lake County in neighboring regions.



Our local hospitals, real estate agents, and other agencies, utilize the Lake Life Magazine as a recruitment tool, to help attract healthcare workers and interested home buyers to Lake County.



For a small rural county near the end of the north coast wine trail, Lake County has a surprisingly rich variety of arts and entertainment venues to help occupy time on your first visit and to give you good reason to return.



#### FISHING Beautiful Blue Lakes is a popular des-

tination for bass, bluegill and rainbow rout fishing. It's also acknowledged for its relaxing electric boating, paddle boarding and kayaking its quiet waters. Lake Pillsbury, set in the Mendocino National Forest, boasts over thirty miles of shoreline. It's a popular playground for fishing, boating, hiking, swimming and camping. Our ancient and storied lake, Clear Lake is a half-million years old, making it the oldest lake in North America. At over seventy square miles Clear Lake is a destination recognized across the country for its bass fishing with myriad bass clubs offering prizes nearly every month of the year. Another event. the annual Catfish Derby takes place each May in Clearlake Oaks, creating a tradition for fun, family and fishing, too! For a list of Clear Lake Fishing Contests visit the CA.GOV California Department of Fish and Wildlife at: https://nrm.dfg. ca.gov/

#### HIKING

Lake County offers an abundance of hiking opportunities within its various parks and Public Lands Mt. Konocti



ake County is a renowned bird watcher's paradise located on the Pacific Flyway. Visit any number of parks and wild lands to catch sight of any of the hundreds of species that migrate, or live here year round Magnificent hald eagles, osprey, golden eagles several species of herons, Ame ican white pelicans, many duck species and more, abound! Bring

**Bird Watching** 



MOUNTAIN RIKE TRAILS Six Sigma Banch and Winery in Lowe Lake offers mountain biking and hiking on their country trails and hosts the Nor-cal High School Mountain Bike championships each year. Downloadable guides are available on their website https://sixsigmaranch.com Phone: 707-994-4068

iking trails in Lake County, such as the 72 mile Bedbud Trail. Note: If you are **Boggs Mountain Demonstration State** short on time he sure to visit one of the Forest is a jewel in Lake County! The trails are open year round, with light use found on this map: https://lakecountyca encouraged after inclement weather. For more information: boggsmountain.org



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trays their wells, power plants and steam

injection pipelines. Visit their website for

up to 725 megawatts of energy 24/7.

GEOTHERMAL **OPPORTUNITIES Calpine Geothermal Visitor Cente** & Harbin Hot Springs The wonders of the phenomenal Ges sers Geothermal Field come to life at Calpine's Geothermal Visitor Center in Middletown. The surrounding Mayacamas Mountains have been home to Pomo Miwok and Wappo Indigenous People for over 12,000 years. Today, the Geysers is

mal power plants on Earth, generating tours up the Geothermal Fields. 15500 Central Park Rd., Middletow Calnines' Geothermal Visitor Center is a 1-866-GEYSERS great educational destination since it prohttps://gevsers.com vides the public with engaging interactive Harbin Hot Springs' healing waters exhibits on the geology and history of The are the result of the flowing springs from Geysers, complete with real-time seismic data and a topographical model that por-Iarbin Mountain in the Mayacamas

Mountain range. The rustic hot springs

retreat, owned by Heart Cons

he Center's hours, or call to learn abou



Fiddlers' Jam. elystagestop.com. d in the shadow of Lake Coun Mount Konocti, is the pionee ttle town that doesn't sleep. Th iation makes sure there is son son. If it's Father's Day, it's Lake Swine Baconfest, Main Street is offer all things bacon. Pork belly Baconfest is a bacon lover's par boutiques put everything on sale ablishments are standing room by the historic Brick Tavern for

nd of the pear harvest in Lake ime for the Kelseyville Pear estival in 1993, it has entertaine all over the world. Shop the the famous tractor parade an under the sun. Held on the er, the event is preceded the n Farm-to-Fork dinner on Main wn produce and farm-raised efs and served family style. Mexican celebration of Dia de la device's declaration of indepen-Again, Main Street is the focal and music demonstrations as well selicious Mexican specialty foods rical "Christmas in the Coun Dozens of decorated floats, and farm tractors parade along



Lake Life provides visitors with information on how to enjoy the natural beauty of Lake County from: hiking, fishing, mountain biking, bird watching and more!

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Breathtaking views await you on Mt

along the boardwalk trail, or enjoy the

moss-covered boulders and native buck

view of Big Valley. Highland Springs

Recreation Area is a multi-use park

with Disc Golf, boat ramp, hiking trails

and horse and bike trails for use after the

wet season. The North Cow Mountain

Recreation Area boasts 26,000 acres of

public land, 30 miles of which are hiking,

equestrian and biking trails. Berrvessa

Snow Mountain National Monument's

Cache Creek Wilderness Area includes

dozens of smaller Lake County parks

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## Enhancing the visitor's experience

#### The CTA Program

- Brought to the County by the Lake County Chamber of Commerce and the only CTA program in the Nation that is volunteer run.
- Provides training to County employees, Police Officers, hospitality workers, etc.
- Showcases attractions and businesses in Lake County

Lake County's CTA Program has been awarded two International CTA of the Year Awards! Coleen Yorba Lee - 2025

Michele Carson - 2023



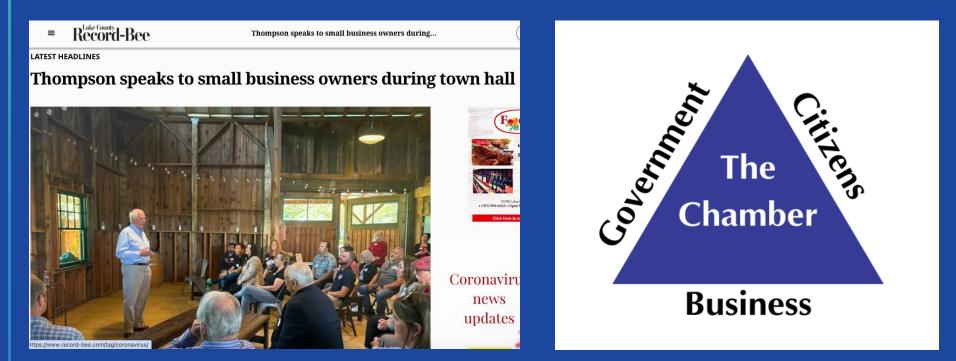




## Advancing civic interests in Lake County

#### Facilitating Town Halls / Round Tables

- Chambers of Commerce can serve as a nexus point between Government, Citizens and Business.
- We are uniquely qualified to coordinate town halls / round tables that bring education to Lake County citizens on topics of critical importance.



## Coordinating large events to attract tourism

Lake County Splash In celebrates a return of a fan favorite



After a brief hiatus the Splash In returned to Lake County better than ever for April 25 to 27, at California's oldest and largest freshwater lake. as pilots, their families and friends rejoiced in the adventurous world of flight this spring. William Roller photo. Lake County Publishing



Clear Lake Seaplane Splash In event, April 24th – 27th 2025

• Clear Lake featured on National Seaplane Pilot Association podcast.

The 37th Annual Clear Lake Team Bass Fishing Tournament, March 15th & 16th 2025

- A total of **\$16,800** awarded to the top 15 anglers!
- 1st Place awarded to Lake County Father and Son team



Join Amanda and Steve McCaughey for a discussion about both the Clear Lake Splash-In and the growing vision and opportunities for seaplanes at this Northern



### Elevating business in Lake County LCCC Mixer Events



- Every month LCCC hosts a Mixer event which brings business to caterers, wineries, restaurants, etc. and networking opportunities.
- Mixers also provide a platform for non-profits and community action groups to publicly present on new projects.
- April Mixer, at Ripe Choice, Herb Lingl presented on Seaplane Splash In and John Parker on Ely Stage Stop.
- March Mixer, with BiCoastal Media and launching of Summer Concerts in the Park series.

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#### Upcoming LCCC Mixers

**Barbecue by Biasotti**, Tuesday, <u>May 20th</u> 5:30pm – 7:30pm

 Joining forces with Satellite Rotary Club and Middletown Area Merchants Association

Joint Mixer with Calistoga Chamber at Greenview Restaurant <u>June 11th</u>, 5:30pm – 7:30pm





#### <u>Grand Openings –</u> <u>Ribbon Cuttings</u>

 Bringing public awareness to new businesses that are opening throughout the County.



185 N Main St, Lakeport, CA 95453 A second location of Arti Indian Cafe!

THURSDAY,

MAY 8, 2025



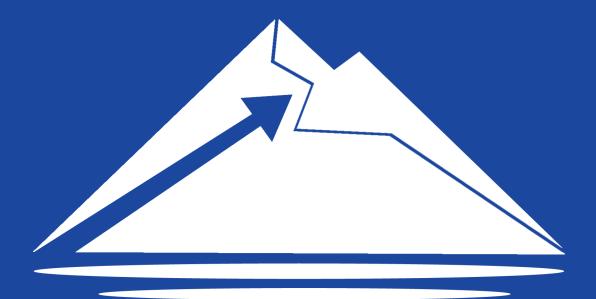
## **Future Opportunities**

#### **Business Visits**

- The Lakeport Economic Development Advisory Committee (LEDAC) conducts "business walks" to survey the state of businesses in Lakeport.
- LCCC would like to do a similar in-person survey for the whole of Lake County, visiting members and nonmembers.
- LCCC would then generate a monthly report to the Lake County Board of Supervisors.
- It is easier to retain existing business then it is to attract new business.

#### Young Professionals Network

- For any professionals in Lake County ages 21 – 40 years old.
- The Santa Rosa Metro Chamber: "Our YPN program convenes young professionals, innovative thinkers, and prominent industry leaders to inspire, educate and empower young business leaders. YPN is a professional development program designed to engage and introduce young professionals to the Santa Rosa region's vast resources and opportunities."



## LAKE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Thank you, Lake County Board of Supervisors!