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# OCTOBER

The *Sierra Renaissance Society* will be resuming its presentation schedule starting Friday, November 19, 2021, from 1:00 - 3:00 pm in our great new location in the Lion's Hall in Diamond Springs, 4701 Missouri Flat Road. The first part of the meeting (short!) will be our annual business meeting which includes election of Officers, followed by a presentation:

***“Water: What We Have, What We Need & What We Worry About” by Dan Corcoran***

Dan Corcoran serves as EID's director of operations. For the past two decades, Dan has advised water and power utilities across California, including supporting district operations since 2004.

All members are encouraged to attend. Please join us for delicious pie and coffee, provided by Christa Campbell of *Rainbow Orchards*. Masks are required in the building.

## **Words from Interim President Mary Lynch**

While we haven't met as Members in a while, the Board has continued working on your behalf, towards the day when we can all be enjoying activities that both satisfy our curiosity about our local and state community and that bring us together to enjoy each other's company.

Our exciting news is that all Presentations in 2022 will be at the Mother Lode Lion's Club on Missouri Flat Road! Please join me on November 19 at the Lion's Club from 1-3PM to elect the Society's Leaders for 2022, and learn about our most precious resource, Water, while eating luscious pie baked in Rainbow Orchards ovens just for us.

Till we meet may you and yours stay safe, take care, and know that we appreciate each and every one of you!

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# 2022

- January 2022, no meeting
- February 18, 2022 – *Skiing the Muir Trail*, by Art Baggett
- March 18, 2022 – *Women of Influence: Making History in El Dorado County*, by Mary Cory
- April 15, 2022 – *Helping Community Love and Respect Each Other thru El Dorado County History*, by David Zelinsky
- May 21, 2022 – TBA
- June 18, 2022 – TBA
- July 2022, no meeting
- August 19, 2022 – TBA
- September 16, 2022 – TBA
- October 21, 2022 – TBA
- November 18, 2022 – Annual business meeting and presentation
- December 2022, no meeting



## The View from Apple Hill's Rainbow Orchards

Fall in El Dorado County is cherished as “Apple Season”. In 1964 the Apple Hill Growers originally formed to revive agriculture after the pear blight devastated the region’s agriculture. Not just apples anymore, the growers have expanded to berries, stone fruit, pears, many varieties of apples, vegetables, and flowers with onsite bake shops, cider mills, and wineries. The mini apple pies enjoyed at the SRS annual meeting come from freshly picked Pink Lady apples grown at Rainbow Orchards. Rainbow Orchards was founded in 1977 by Tom Heflin and Christa Campbell, otherwise known as Farmer Tom and the Donut Queen (of those universally famous Apple Cider Donuts). An Apple Hill Grower member, Rainbow Orchards prides itself on sustaining the small family farm and contributing to the wellness of the broader community.

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# Volunteer!

We would love to have you volunteer to help SRS! Do you have special knowledge of things like audio/visual equipment, arranging presentations, signage, newsletters, marketing, etc.? We would love to have your help! Contact Bill Robinson at 530-306-3615 (text OK too!) or at bilrstudios@gmail.com.

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# News

## **Tom Dillon**

SRS Treasurer Tom Dillon has taken a leave from SRS for a while due to family commitments in Chicago. Tom still has ties to El Dorado County, and we hope to see him in the future.

## **Patsy Thompson**

Patsy Thomson, a long-time SRS member passed away on September 22. Many of you who came to our meetings before the pandemic will remember the wonderful goodies she provided for SRS meetings. You can see her obituary in the Mountain Democrat [here](#). RIP Patsy and thank you.

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*It is easy enough in the world to live after the world's opinion;  
It is easy enough when alone to live after one's own;  
But the great man is he who, in the midst of the crowd,  
Can keep, with perfect sweetness, the independence of solitude.*

From Emerson's Essays

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# Last Words

As we move out of the recent pandemic, we hope to resume workshops too. Our SRS Curriculum Committee is committed to bringing you the best presentations and workshops that we can!

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# Last Laugh

Important:

Etiquette question: Is this placement of the cat (in lieu of the salad plate) correct? Or should the cat be placed above the plate, alongside the dessert spoon and cake fork?



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