



Preserving the Quality of Life of our Blue Ridge | Saturday, April 13, 2019 • Breaux Vineyards
Space is limited; guarantee your seating and reserve your table by February 28, 2019. Individual tickets will go on sale in early February.

Please join us for a celebratory evening of great community, delicious food, local beer and wine, a silent auction, and music—and enjoy the beautiful starry night

Leadership Table Sponsor - \$10,000

Sixteen (16) admissions to the Celebration; top-level recognition on all event print materials, signage, and celebration website; and two premiere tables for eight. Special pre-reception featuring a Breaux wine tasting with Jennifer Breaux. Private briefing on the Rockwool issue by local experts. Matted nature print by a local artist for each guest.

Gold Table Sponsor - \$5,000

Eight (8) admissions to the Celebration; recognition on all event print materials, celebration website, and signage; and premiere table for eight. Special pre-reception featuring a Breaux wine tasting with Jennifer Breaux. Matted nature print by a local artist for each guest.

Silver Table Sponsor - \$2,500

Four (4) admissions to the Celebration; recognition on all event print materials, celebration website, and signage; and half table for four. Special pre-reception featuring a Breaux wine tasting with Jennifer Breaux. Matted nature print by a local artist for each guest.

*Please note that discounted tickets and tables are available for nonprofits and educational institutions.
Please contact Marie Uehling, see box below for more information.*

Individual Tickets:

VIP Tickets - \$500

Two admissions to the Celebration, recognition on all event print materials, and celebration website. Special pre-reception featuring a Breaux wine tasting with Jennifer Breaux.
Individual VIP tickets are available on request.

Individual Tickets - \$125

One admission to the Celebration.

I cannot attend but would like to make a donation in the amount of \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Jefferson County Vision
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STARRY NIGHT OR SCARY NIGHT?



IT DEPENDS ON YOUR VISION

The Story Behind the Rockwool Industrial Plant

Rockwool is a Danish Company that manufactures insulation material for construction. Its manufacturing process uses intense heat to melt rock and turn it into a cotton candy-like material. Though still awaiting certain approvals, Rockwool has broken ground on a 460,000 square-foot plant, the size of eight football fields, in an old apple orchard owned by the City of Ranson (see map.) The land lies directly across the road from North Jefferson Elementary School and near two other schools. The plant will include twin smokestacks 21 stories high that emit 500,000 pounds of toxic air pollutants, such as formaldehyde, particulate matter, and many other carcinogenic compounds like hydrochloric acid, into the air.

State and Jefferson County agencies awarded substantial benefits to attract Rockwool to build here, including tens of millions of dollars in forgone tax revenue, revenue that other residents and businesses are required to pay. The benefits also include multimillion dollar expenditures for infrastructure to support the Rockwool plant. The return on this investment will be 150 new jobs, most of which are below the average salary in Jefferson County.

Perhaps as many as 12,000 residents in Jefferson County and neighboring counties, who believe Rockwool's pollution will jeopardize their health, way of life, and livelihoods, have banded together under the leadership of Jefferson County Vision, a nonprofit organization (JCV), to fight Rockwool. They are determined to shed light on the government approval process that authorized Rockwool to move forward thus far and to fight further permitting needed to complete construction of the plant. In particular, questions around the sewer bond approval necessary for supplying this plant, and other heavy industry coming behind it, are critical.

Where Celebration Funds Raised Will Go

JCV filed several civil lawsuits against the Jefferson County Commission, Jefferson County Development Authority (JCDA), and other county agencies. Three of these suits are awaiting court dates. Among other things, these pending lawsuits challenge the behind-the-scenes process preceding certain Rockwool project approvals.

Jefferson County Vision is sponsoring the Starry Night Celebration to raise significant funds to continue to educate the public on the detrimental impact of Rockwool on the wider community and to continue its legal challenge to halt construction of the Rockwool plant. Please support this vital effort to preserve the unique beauty, history, and way of life of our community and most of all, the health and well-being of our children.

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