



Fight the flu this season with a Flu Shot! Join me and our partners at the Kaiser Permanente Filipino Nurses Association, San Francisco Premier Lions Club and its affiliates, and the Francis Drake Masonic Lodge No. 376 this Sunday, October 15th for Free Drive-Thru Flu Shot Clinic from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the City Hall Parking Lot. A walk-up station will be available. For more information, visit www.ssf.net/flu or call 650-272-7431.

On Wednesday, October 18th, join the South San Francisco Parks and Recreation Department as we celebrate the Grand Opening of the new Orange Memorial Park Sports Fields! The first pitch happens at 6:30 p.m. on the corner of West Orange Avenue and Memorial Drive in South San Francisco. Community members are invited to visit www.ssf.net/parkprojects to learn more.

Are you ready for when the next "big one" hits? Join us in participating in International Shake Out Day on October 19th, when millions of people worldwide will participate in earthquake drills at work, school, or home. At 10:19 a.m. (local time) on October 19th, you can join millions of people across the world practicing earthquake safety. Remember to **drop** where you are, onto your hands and knees, **cover** your head and neck with one arm and hand, and **hold on** until the shaking stops. To learn more and register, visit www.shakeout.org.

I hope to see you at the steps of City Hall on Saturday, October 21st at 10 a.m. for the Philippine flag raising in commemoration of the Filipino American History Month. Then, put on a costume and join us at Orange Memorial Park from 12:00 p.m. to 4 p.m. for the Halloween Extravaganza. It is a Free Family Fun Day including a pumpkin patch, games, food, and more! Give our recreation team a call for more information at 650-829-3800 or visit www.ssf.net/rec.

As always, if you know of a friend or neighbor who does not receive these important City updates, please forward this email to them, and they can [sign up here](#).

Your Mayor,
Flor Nicolas

LOCAL NEWS AND HAPPENINGS

Filipino American History Month Celebration

October is National Filipino American History Month and we want everyone to

come celebrate on Saturday, October 21 at 10:00 a.m. on the steps of City Hall (400 Grand Ave.). Join Mayor Flor Nicolas, Consul General of the Republic of the Philippines in San Francisco, Mr. Neil Frank R. Ferrer, SSF Youth Commissioner, Nika Mariano, St. Augustine's choirs, and delicious food provided by Ongpin, Karilagan, Fil-Am 2, and Ling Nam Starbread. Additionally, the Philippine flag will be raised at City Hall and be sure to pick up a SOUTH CITY PROUD PINOY shirt for just \$5 each! Enjoy the food, music, and most of all, celebrate with the City of South San Francisco!

Farmers' Market

Come to Farmers' Market this Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Orange Memorial Park for fresh, delicious fruits and vegetables straight from the source! Additional features include a Mexicana-Filipina food truck, fresh hummus, fresh baked goods, candles, plants, crafts, and much more!

Additionally, come out and meet some of the men and women of the South San Francisco Police Department at this week's Farmer's Market. There will be a meet and greet with some of the department's K-9s and their handlers. Come see their emergency vehicles and check out their information/resource table and swag (while supplies last). They love interacting with our community!

Additionally, San Mateo County's Latino Collaborative, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, the Office of Diversity and San Mateo County's Office of Community Affairs will be promoting the 10th Annual Sana Sana Health Forum which will take place on November 4th from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at South San Francisco High School. It will be a FREE family-friendly event to promote health and wellness among the Latino/a/x communities in San Mateo County. Activities will include: Native & Indigenous Peoples Initiative blessing, trivia questions, resource announcements and tabling, breakout sessions to support the Latinx community healing and honor resiliency, music, entertainment, food, and more.

Finally, you are encouraged to stop by the Bay Area Community Health Advisory Council (BACHAC) table. BACHAC is dedicated to eliminating health disparities across generations and diverse communities through education and services. BACHAC has worked with corporations, mid-and small sized companies, community-based organizations, nonprofit health organizations, governmental agencies, health educators, institutions of higher learning, and the faith community to create a village united around a common goal: increasing awareness of and reducing the debilitating effects of health concerns that disproportionately affect communities of color.

PARKS AND RECREATION EVENTS

Orange Memorial Park Sports Field Grand Opening

Save the date for the grand opening of the new Orange Memorial Park Sports Field on Wednesday, October 18 at 6:30 p.m. on the corner of West Orange Avenue and Memorial Drive in South San Francisco. Community members are invited to visit www.ssf.net/parkprojects to learn more.

Halloween Extravaganza!

SAVE THE DATE! Halloween Extravaganza Saturday, October 21, 2023, 12:00

p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Orange Memorial Park 781 Tennis Drive, SSF Free Admission
It's that time of the year to get into the Halloween spirit with this fun event for all community members to enjoy! Festivities will include a pumpkin patch, games, food, and more. We hope to see you there and costumes are always encouraged.

Library | Parks and Recreation Center Ribbon Cutting

The City of South San Francisco is excited to announce the grand opening and ribbon-cutting celebration of the new Library | Parks and Recreation Center on Saturday, October 28, 2023, at the corner of Chestnut and El Camino Real, 901 Civic Campus Way. This project has been in the works since November of 2015 when voters passed Measure W, the ½ cent sales tax which is making possible so many quality-of-life improvements for our community. Stay tuned for more information over the coming weeks about the activities planned for this very exciting new state-of-the-art co-located Library | Parks and Recreation Center, and City Council Chambers. Visit www.ssf.net/LPR for more information about this new facility.

Private Rentals at the new Library | Parks and Recreation Center

The new Library | Parks and Recreation Center will have a Banquet Hall and a Social Hall available to rent for private events. If you are interested in renting this facility, please [click here](#) and submit your interest form. By submitting this form your name will be placed on an interest list, this does not guarantee your event date. Please [click here](#) for rental fees for this facility. For questions, please contact the Recreation Administrative Office at (650) 829-3800. Photos and room diagrams coming soon.

Recreation Office Moving

In preparation for the grand opening of the new Library | Parks and Recreation Center, the last day of in-person service at the Recreation Office at the Municipal Services Building (33 Arroyo Drive) will be on Friday, October 13, 2023. Remote customer service will be offered via phone and e-mail from Monday, October 16 to Friday, October 27, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Classes and permitted events will continue in the Municipal Services Building through Friday, October 27. Registered participants in classes affected by the move will be notified of their class relocation. The Recreation Office will resume regular in-person service on Monday, October 30 at the new Library | Parks and Recreation Center, 3rd floor, Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Questions? Contact the Recreation Office at (650) 829-3800 or email web-rec@ssf.net.

Call for Artists

The South San Francisco Cultural Arts Commission invites entries to the 2023 "Dia de Muertos/Day of the Dead Art Exhibit" Online Entry Deadline is Wednesday, October 18, 2023. Two- and three-dimensional art and cultural craft entries are invited for a multi-media art show that reflect the themes and traditions of Dia De Muertos / Day of the Dead. This cultural event is a joyful celebration that is observed in Mexico, Central America and world-wide in regions with people of Mexican ancestry. Participation is open to Bay Area residents, 16 years and older. Halloween iconography is NOT eligible. Detailed information and [online entry form](#) is located on the Cultural Arts webpage, [Current Opportunities for Artists](#). Selected art will be included in an extended exhibit at the new Library | Parks and Recreation Center, 3rd floor gallery and on a virtual platform from October 30 through November 19. (schedule to be

announced) For updated information, visit www.ssf.net/culturalarts or contact Ernie Santos, Cultural Arts Specialist at ernie.santos@ssf.net.

Dia de Muertos Art Exhibit

Saturday, October 28, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sunday, October 29, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Free admission Library | Parks and Recreation Center 901 Civic Campus Way Join us for a wonderful community art exhibit at the new Library | Parks and Recreation Center honoring Day of the Dead.
www.ssf.net/culturalarts for more information.

50th Anniversary of the Thanksgiving Fun Run

This year marks the 50th celebration of our Annual Thanksgiving Fun Run! Save the dates for our highly anticipated annual 5K Thanksgiving Fun Run on Saturday, November 18. We'll also be celebrating the Oyster Point Marina Park Ribbon Cutting event. Don't miss out on this momentous event which will include a live DJ, awards for top runners and a best costume award!

- Special price of 50 cents to register!
- Ages 12 years and under: FREE.
- Pre-registration includes a t-shirt.

Register TODAY at www.ssf.net/rec-catalog. Additional event details will be updated at: www.ssf.net/rec. For questions or sponsorship inquiries, please contact the Recreation Office at (650) 829-3800 or email web-rec@ssf.net.

Sign Hill Stewards

You are encouraged to sign-up to help restore habitat and protect nature with the Parks and Recreation Department in South San Francisco. Join Natural Resource Specialist, Candace LaCroix, every other Friday and the last Saturday of the month on Sign Hill. Registration is required. Registration information can be found here: www.eventbrite.com/e/sign-hill-stewards-habitat-restoration-tickets-304822130197. For questions email: candace.lacroix@ssf.net.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Meditative Drawing with Kenneth Tan | Grand Ave Library (306 Walnut Ave) | Sunday, October 15, 2023, 3:00 p.m.

Join Kenneth Tan, artist and author of [*Crescenciana: A Memoir in Words and Illustrations*](#), for a class in meditative drawing. In this class, you'll learn to draw several line patterns that you'll use to create your own unique image. The process of drawing patterns can be calming, meditative, and fun! This class is beginner-friendly, and no previous drawing experience is necessary.

Virtual Cookbook Spotlight: Bakerita: Gluten-Free, Dairy-Free, and Refined Sugar-Free | [Virtual Via Zoom](#) (Registration Required) | Wednesday, October 18, 6:00 p.m.

Shining a spotlight on some of the library's favorite cookbooks and recipes! Join us virtually for a gluten-free cookie baking demo, from our kitchen to yours. Learn basic techniques, tips, and tricks for creating gluten-free and dairy-free treats, discuss your favorite gluten-free or dairy-free recipes, and find out what's new to discover in the South San Francisco Public Library cookbook collection!

San Mateo County Reads Presents Susan Verde, Author of *The Water Princess* | [Virtual via Zoom](#) (register here for this virtual, Countywide program) | Thursday, October 19, at 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Meet Susan Verde, the author of the book *The Water Princess*, a poignant children's book inspired by Georgie Badiel's true story. It follows Princess Gie Gie's daily struggle to fetch water in a water-scarce African village. With evocative language and beautiful illustrations, the book highlights the importance of clean water access and the resilience of children facing challenges.

Asian Art Museum presents *Demons, Creatures, and Monsters—Oh My!* | [Virtual Via Zoom](#) (Registration Required) | Thursday, October 19, 2:00 p.m.

Mythical creatures, legendary beasts, terrifying monsters... they are supernatural, mystical, often god-like or demon-like beings, and they have fascinated us since ancient times. Even today, they continue to thrill, terrify, entertain, and inspire us. They have filled folklore, stories, songs, and works of art. They may even be able to protect us – from viruses. Presented by the Asian Art Museum of San Francisco Community Speakers Program.

Artist Talk with Rina Ayuyang, "The Man in the McIntosh Suit" | Grand Library (306 Walnut Ave) | Saturday, October 21, 1:00 p.m.

Join us for a Filipino-American take on Depression-era noir featuring mistaken identities, speakeasies, and lost love with graphic novelist Rina Ayuyang. The year is 1929 and Bobot is just another migrant worker in rural California. Or rather, a migrant worker with a law degree from the Philippines reduced to manual labor in America. When his cousin writes claiming to have spotted his estranged wife in nearby San Francisco, he heads to the big city to find her. What follows is classic noir with seedy dives, mouthy pool sharks, and obsession. Rina Ayuyang indulges her passion for old Hollywood and movie musicals to create something she always had hoped for—a classic tale about people who looked just like her.

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City Hall Parking Lot



Sunday, October 15, 2023
10:00 AM - 2PM **(WHILE SUPPLIES LAST)**



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For more information visit www.ssf.net/flu



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Estacionamiento del Ayuntamiento



Domingo, 15 de Octubre de 2023

10AM - 2PM (MIENTRAS DUREN LAS RESERVAS)

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GRAND OPENING



**OCTOBER
18**

6:30 P.M.
FIRST PITCH/FIRST KICK
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**W. ORANGE AVE.
& MEMORIAL DR.**

FOLLOWED BY GAMES BY
SSF UNITED YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE
SSF YOUTH BASEBALL MANAGERS ASSOCIATION

FIELD OPENS AT 5:00 P.M.

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City of South San Francisco
Department of Parks & Recreation
invites you to attend our

HALLOWEEN

EXTRAVAGANZA

Saturday, October 21, 2023

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Orange Memorial Park

781 Tennis Drive, SSF

Free Admission

COSTUMES ENCOURAGED

TRUNK
OR
TREAT

*PUMPKIN PATCH

JUNGLE JAMES
PETTING ZOO

*FLOATING
PUMPKIN
PATCH

STORY WALK

GAMES



*Pre-registration required.

Registration opens Oct 6th at 6 a.m. go to
www.ssf.net/rec-catalog to register.

Event details at www.ssf.net/rec

SSF Recreation Office (650) 829-3800 web-rec@ssf.net

Spaces limited.



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