



What a week it's been! Thank you all for joining us for the Grand Opening of the Library | Parks and Recreation Center last Saturday. A big thank you to you, our community, for your approval of Measure W, a key component to making this happen. It was so wonderful to see this beautiful new public amenity activated with many smiling faces and enjoy the laughter of children on the new playground which was described by one of Saturday's speakers as akin to birds chirping. If you were unable to join us, come, build community, and check out all that this new building has to offer during regular business hours.

For more information, visit www.ssf.net/lpr.

Last night, I had the honor of providing an update on the progress and challenges facing our city in my State of the City Address. I provided an overview of our city's accomplishments over the past year and provided an update on the long-term financial outlook of our city. Our city remains committed to advancing community projects in 2024 including a new preschool, a new Aquatic Center, Centennial Way Trail improvements, Matsumoto Caltrain Plaza, Oyster Point 2C improvements, and the design of Linden Avenue Park. There's so much more to come in 2024. If you want to view the State of the City Address in its entirety, please go to https://ci-ssf-ca.granicus.com/player/clip/1772?view_id=16&redirect=true&h=2bbc6e4707e93c742611a889049e33fd

We also have a myriad of activities that are happening tomorrow, November 4th.

- 42nd Holiday Boutique and Makers Fair by the South San Francisco Senior Services from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at our new Library | Parks and Recreation Center at 901 Civic Campus Way. We have over 50 new and returning vendors coming to sell a variety of gifts, such as jewelry, holiday décor, plants and succulents, accessories, home goods, candles and wax melts, pet gifts, and more! The Holiday Boutique and Makers Fair is a great place to start your holiday shopping with gifts for everyone on your list, and it is a fun and festive event for the whole family.
- Coffee with Assemblymembers Phil Ting and Diane Papan from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Philz Coffee (2248 Westborough Blvd.). Assemblymembers Ting and Papan would like your input on legislative and budgetary matters! To learn more, visit [South San Francisco Community Office Hours](#) or call Assemblymember Phil Ting's District Office at (415) 557-2312.
- County of San Mateo's Latino/a/x Collaborative for the Sana, Sana, Colita

de Rana mental health event tomorrow, November 4th from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at South San Francisco High School (400 B Street). This free, family event will cover topics such as accessing behavioral health services, healing sessions for the Latinx community, emotional wellness, and community resources. Visit Sana, Sana, Colita de Rana | County of San Mateo, CA (smcgov.org) to learn more.

With Halloween now behind us, please remember some eco-friendly tips when disposing your pumpkins and unwanted candy. Pumpkins can be placed in your green bin for your weekly scheduled yard waste collection day. Alternatively, you can introduce your carved pumpkin to a backyard composter, allowing you to make your very own compost right at home! For accelerated decomposition, consider chopping the pumpkin into smaller pieces. Please remember that painted pumpkins and those with melted candles are considered contaminated, therefore are non-compostable and must be disposed of in your gray trash bin. For all unwanted candy, it's crucial to unwrap it before placing it in your green bin as the wrappers are non-recyclable and considered trash as well. By diverting food waste from our landfills, we, South San Franciscans actively combat climate change!

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

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, stop by the Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center table which supports entrepreneurs in South San Francisco, Daly City, and the rest of North San Mateo County to start and grow their businesses. Through classes, workshops and 1-1 consultations, Renaissance aims to help small business owners bring their dreams to reality and troubleshoot any growing pains. At the farmers' market we will be sharing information about our upcoming marketplaces, giving SSF residents the chance to shop hyperlocal this holiday season, as well as our programming. You can learn more about Renaissance services at rencenter.org or by stopping by the Economic Advancement Center at 366 Grand Ave, South San Francisco, from 9am-5pm Monday-Friday.

PARKS AND RECREATION EVENTS

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.

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

Both Main and Grand Ave Libraries will be closed in observance of Veterans Day from Friday through Saturday, November 10-11, 2023.

Library Hours

Library hours at the Main Library (901 Civic Campus Way) are:

- Monday and Tuesday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
- Wednesday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- Thursday 12 p.m. - 8 p.m.
- Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Sunday 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Library hours at the Grand Library (306 Walnut Ave) are:

- Monday and Tuesday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- Wednesday 12 p.m. - 8 p.m.
- Thursday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Sunday closed.

Simple Sashiko | Grand Library (306 Walnut Ave) | Friday, November 3, 4:30 p.m.

Dive into the world of *sashiko*, a type of traditional Japanese embroidery from

Edo-era Japan, with easy brooches! Based on a basic running stitch, *sashiko* creates a textured pattern that can be used for both mending and embellishment. Learn the basics of this centuries-old technique with our easy project.

Supplies are limited. This program is recommended for ages 12+.

Cantonese Storytime | Main Library, Youth Library, 2nd Floor (901 Civic Campus Way) | Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

Join Ms. Maggie on Saturday mornings for Cantonese Storytime. See you there!

Meditative Drawing with Kenneth Tan | Main Library, Community Room, 2nd Floor (901 Civic Campus Way) | Saturday, November 4, 2:00 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.

Puppet Workshop with Ramon Abad | Grand Library (306 Walnut Ave) | Saturday, November 4, 2:00 p.m.

South San Francisco welcomes Filipino-American puppeteer Ramon Abad to the Grand Avenue Library, where he will be hosting a puppet-making workshop! Ramon will present a short puppet show before assisting children in making their own simple puppets. Those with cell phones will be encouraged to shoot their own video performance. Ramon Abad is a Filipino-American puppeteer, artist, and teacher who has led numerous residencies and workshops that engage young children, teens and adults in exploring puppetry. To see Ramon's work, visit ramon-puppetry.com. All ages are welcome!

Homestead National Park presents Follow the Buffalo | Main Library, Community Room, 2nd Floor (901 Civic Campus Way) or [Virtual via Zoom](#) | Monday, November 6, 6:00 p.m.

The Homestead Act of 1862 had far reaching impacts on the United States including western expansion, immigration, and technological innovation. The impacts of the Act also extended to those Native Americans who already called the West home. The American bison or "buffalo" was sacred to many Native American tribes. The animals played an integral part in all aspects of daily life. In this program a park ranger will use real parts of the buffalo to examine the different ways Native American tribes utilized the sacred animal. This program will be streamed LIVE via Zoom from Homestead National Park. You can watch it from your home or at the Main Library, 901 Civic Campus Way, 2nd Floor Community Room. To watch from home, [register via Zoom](#).

Toddler Storytime | Main Library, Youth Library, 2nd Floor (901 Civic Campus Way) | Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Join us on Tuesday mornings for stories, songs, and fun for children 18 months to 3 years of age with parent or caregiver.

Bouncing Babies Storytime | Main Library, Youth Library, 2nd Floor (901 Civic Campus Way) | Wednesdays, November 8, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for Bouncing Babies Storytime while Teacher Bill is away this week! Bouncing Babies Storytime has stories, songs, and rhymes for babies from birth to 18-months and parents or caregivers. Stay and Play to follow

storytime. Teacher Bill's [Happy Baby Signs Storytime](#) will resume the following Wednesday, November 15, at 10:30 a.m.

NOIRvember Movie Night: Double Indemnity (1944) | Grand Library (306 Walnut Ave) | Wednesday, November 8, 5:00 p.m.

Film Noir: the home of femmes fatales, hardboiled gumshoes, and desperate plans gone horribly awry. In *Double Indemnity*, Barbara Stanwyck stars as Phyllis Dietrichson – perhaps the greatest femme fatale of them all – who lures insurance salesman Walter Neff (Fred MacMurray) into an insurance fraud scheme that soon turns murderous. Come sit in the dark with us and experience the world of Film Noir – where it's always night, often raining, and petty schemes spiral out of control.

Family Storytime | Grand Library (306 Walnut Ave) | Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.

Join us on Thursday mornings for stories, songs, and fun for children of all ages and parents or caregivers.

Welcome to the Digital Media Lab! | Main Library, Digital Media Lab, 2nd Floor (901 Civic Campus Way) | Tuesday, November 7, 12:00 p.m.

Stop by to get an overview of the digital resources available to you at the new Library. We will discuss available equipment and digital literacy resources.

Explore the Insides of a Laptop | Main Library, Makerspace, 2nd Floor (901 Civic Campus Way) | Thursday, November 9, 3:30 p.m.

Do you ever wonder what goes on inside of your laptop? Join us in the Discovery Center where we will disassemble a laptop to see and learn about all of the parts inside! This program is recommended for ages 8 and up. Registration is required ([register here](#)).



San Mateo County
Latino/a/x Collaborative



presents

10th Latino/a/x Health Forum



Dra Garcia, has received numerous Leadership Recognition Awards for her commitment to serving Chicano, Latinx community.



The event is dedicated to
Hector Robles- Moncada
Co-chair & leader of the 1st Sana Sana Event

Sana, Sana, Colita de Rana

A Decade of Healing Together

Family Event

Saturday, November 4, 2023

11 am to 3 pm

South San Francisco High School

400 B Street

South San Francisco, CA

Presented in Spanish with English Translation

Keynote Speaker: Dra. Estela Garcia

Learn about:

- How to obtain Behavioral Health Services
- Healing from Immigration Grief
- Emotional Wellness
- Community Resources

Free
Event

Music Artist: Francisco Herrera!!!

Come and enjoy delicious food and dancing!

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