



## Mayor's Update

### Happy New Year SSF

I hope you had a safe, enjoyable 2023 winter holiday season with friends and loved ones. The City of SSF and I are rested, refreshed, and excited for 2024! We have a ton of exciting projects to look forward to this year—including a new Centennial Way Trail Park, design development of a new Linden Avenue Park, and the start of construction for the new aquatic center in Orange Memorial Park. I will be sure to keep you updated on these along with the many other programs and events that will be taking place throughout the year.

## UPCOMING SSF & LOCAL EVENTS

### Lunar New Year Celebration

**2024**  
Celebrate Lunar New Year with

**LION DANCE ME & STORYTIME**  
Saturday, January 20, 2024 | 10:30 AM  
Library | Parks & Recreation Center  
901 Civic Campus Way

**2024**  
Celebrate Lunar New Year with

**LUNAR NEW YEAR STORYTIME WITH OLIVER CHIN**  
Saturday | January 20, 2024 | 2:00 PM  
Grand Library  
306 Walnut Ave

Followed by storytime with author, Oliver Chin

**THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON**  
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Come celebrate Lunar New Year on Saturday, January 20. We will have a special lion dance performance from the *Lion Dance Me* at LPR at 10:30 a.m., followed by a story time by author Oliver Chin reading from his new book *Year of the Dragon* at the Grand Ave. Library. We hope to see you there!

At 2pm, Oliver Chin will present a second reading at Grand Avenue Library.

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## Picnic Reservations

Picnic reservations for the 2024 picnic season opens on Monday, January 8 at the Administration Office at the new Library | Parks & Recreation Center and online. The picnic season runs from March 2, 2024 -October 27, 2024. There are 15 picnic sites and two enclosed shelters available. Contact the Recreation Office at (650) 829-3800 for questions or email [web-rec@ssf.net](mailto:web-rec@ssf.net).

[Reserve Here](#)

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## Private Rentals



Let us help you plan your next meeting, party, event, or picnic in one of our beautiful facilities. South San Francisco has several rooms and

facilities available for different functions. We are now booking 11 months out starting Monday, January 8, 2024.

[Learn More](#)

[Questions?](#)

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### **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.

[Register Here](#)

[Questions?](#)

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### **Spring Adult Men's Basketball League (5X5), Softball League and Co-ed Softball League**

Adult Men's Basketball League at the Terrabay Gymnasium and Recreation Center. The registration deadline is February 23, and the season begins in March.

Adult Men's Softball League and Adult Coed Softball League will begin league play in April 2024. Register March 11th – 15th.

Call (650) 829-4680 or click the link below.

[More Information](#)

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### **Pickleball Court Pilot Program**

The Orange Memorial Park Master Plan envisions the addition of dedicated pickleball courts, as funding allows. To provide a space for this growing sport in the interim, tennis court #5 at Orange Memorial Park will be dedicated for pickleball activities as a demonstration project to

determine if that court could be permanently used for pickleball.

Following completion of the pilot project, which will conclude in mid-2024, the court may be resurfaced to repair cracked surfacing, permanently restriped, and outfitted with pickleball nets to the extent budget allows.

During this demonstration period, your feedback will help inform the future of this court. Please take our survey using the following link:

[Take the Survey](#)

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### **Free Senior Tax Assistance**

The Parks and Recreation Department's Senior Services is partnering with AARP to provide free tax preparation services to seniors and other community members (low and middle income) in need of assistance. Appointments will begin Monday, February 5 and will take place every Monday and Saturday until April 13. Appointments will be taken starting on Monday, January 8. Spaces are limited and tax preparation will not be able to accommodate those who have complex returns such as rental properties and other assets that must be depreciated.

For more information or to schedule an appointment please call (650) 829-3820, (650) 829-3816, or come in person to the Roberta Cerri Teglia Center at 601 Grand Ave.

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### **Senior Valentines Day for the Troops**



On Tuesday, January 23, the Parks and Recreation Department Senior Services Program will host their Annual Valentines for the Troops Event from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at the Roberta Cerri Teglia Senior Center. Come and participate in making Valentines cards to send overseas to our troops as well as enjoy a delicious breakfast together. Registration is required for this event. For more information or to register please call (650) 829-3820 or (650) 829-3816.

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**Save the Date: Cultural Arts Commission Art Show**



SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION

# By the Light of the Moon

Celebration  
of Lunar  
New Year



Year of  
the  
Dragon

## ART SHOW

Friday, February 9, 2024  
6 PM - 8 PM

Saturday, February 10, 2024  
10 AM - 4 PM

Library | Parks and Recreation Center  
901 Civic Campus Way  
South San Francisco  
3rd Floor Gallery

Admission  
Free



### ARTIST INFORMATION

Online entry deadline:  
January 23, 2024 (Digital art)  
January 30, 2024 (2-D & 3-D art)



For complete guidelines & online application  
[www.ssf.net/culturalarts](http://www.ssf.net/culturalarts)  
Select "Current Opportunities for Artists"

### INFORMATION

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*"By the Light of the Moon," A Celebration of Lunar New Year, Year of the Dragon.*

### MEDIA:

- 2-Dimensional - Physical work that can be hung on a wall.
- 3-Dimensional - Physical work that can be displayed on a table or pedestal.
- Digital - Art that will ONLY be displayed on an electronic device - TV monitor or screen.

### ONLINE ENTRY DEADLINE:

- January 23 | Digital art
- January 30 | 2-D and 3-D art

ART ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 per entry

[More Information](#)

[Questions?](#)

## **We're Hiring! SSF Recreation and Community Services Coordinator**

The Parks and Recreation Department is looking for dedicated and talented individuals to join our awesome team. We are currently hiring full-time coordinators for Classes, Seniors, Sports and Youth Enrichment Services.

[More Information](#)

**Wimpy Kid Party | Grand Ave Library (306 Walnut Ave)  
| Saturday, January 6, 11:00 a.m.**



Celebrate the world of [Wimpy Kid!](#) Come to watch *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, based upon the first book in Jeff Kinney's popular series. Stay for the crafts; leave with the books! Costumes welcome.

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**Veteran Run Behavioral Health Advocacy Council Meeting |  
Main Library, Adult Library, 3rd Floor (901 Civic Campus Way)  
| Monday, January 8, 12:30 p.m.**

The Veteran Run Behavioral Health Advocacy Council (VRBHAC) is a volunteer group that supports and assists Veterans seeking or receiving health services at the San Francisco VA Health Care System (SFVAHCS). The group discusses issues affecting Veterans receiving health services and provides valuable input to SFVAHCS on how to better serve them.

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**English Conversation Club | Grand Ave Library (306 Walnut Ave) | Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.**

Are you an English learner? Drop in to practice your English conversational skills. All levels are welcome. No registration is necessary!

¿Eres un estudiante de inglés? Ven practicar tus habilidades de conversación en inglés con nosotros. todos los niveles son bienvenidos. ¡No es necesario registrarse!

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**Friends of the Library Board Meeting | Main Library, Community Room, 2nd Floor (901 Civic Campus Way)  
| Tuesday, January 9, 2024. 6:00 p.m.**



The South San Francisco Friends of the Library is looking for a few good friends! Join us at our public quarterly meeting and help support children's programming, adult literacy tutoring, summer learning and



many other library programs.

Yours in service,

James Coleman  
Mayor of South San Francisco



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