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Fall 2024

District Staff is thrilled to be offering new programming for the community of El Granada and neighbors and hope you will help spread the word about upcoming events, classes, and programs. We are partnering with other agencies and non-profits on the Coast to bring a wide array of offerings. If you have suggestions or ideas, please don't hesitate to reach out to our office at hatmore@granada.ca.gov or by calling 650-726-7093!

Upcoming Events

History Repeated

If you want to know more about this quirky little community we call El Granada, you have TWO chances this fall! You will learn about the early history of the area, the



The first train arrived in 1908.

exciting arrival of the Ocean Shore Railroad and its development plans, and the changes after the railroad disappeared. The walks cover about a mile and a half with views of the harbor, two early train stations, the remnants of the original curbs, and a number of early houses. You have two opportunities to enjoy this informative tour:

- Sunday, August 25th from 10:00-11:30AM
- Sunday, November 3rd from 11:00AM-12:30PM

The group will meet and commence at the skate ramp parking lot at the corner of Portola and Obispo Rd. Sign up by emailing gcsdadmin@granada.ca.gov or click [HERE](#). (Image from Granada, a Synonym for Paradise, by Barbara VanderWerf).

Learn to Draw! Drawing Level 1



This five week session is geared toward beginners with a focus on basic techniques of shapes, perspective, dimension, light source, and shading. Class will meet on Tuesdays from 1:30-3:30PM starting September 24th

through October 29th (no class October 15th). Class will take place at the Granada Community Services District Meeting Room, 504 Avenue Alhambra, 3rd Floor. Class Fee \$200 payable to GCSD + \$25 materials fee paid directly to Instructor on first day of class. Instructor, Claudia Marshall, has taught drawing classes on the Coast for over 10 years and works professionally as a portrait artist. Advanced registration is required - please click [HERE](#) to register or come by the GCSD office to register and pay in person. Class size minimum 6, maximum 12.

celebrate fall

OCTOBER 12

Enjoy a day - and evening - of fun activities in El Granada on October 12! From 2:00-5:00PM, come experience Fall Fest! Then, as the sun sets, stick around for a FREE movie night! *And earlier that day, you can take advantage of the Recology Recycling Day!* (See next page for details).

San Mateo County Parks FallFest!



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

Join neighbors, GCSD, and other agencies on

October 12th from 2:00-5:00PM for FallFest! FallFest at Quarry Park is a community event featuring local resources, performances, face painting, food trucks, and more! It will be fun for the whole family!

Fall Movie Night at Quarry Park

Bring the family out for a FREE outdoor movie at Quarry Park where we will be screening *Ghostbusters*, *Frozen Empire*. When the discovery of an ancient artifact unleashes an evil force, Ghostbusters new and old must join forces to protect their home and save the world from a second ice age (IMDb). **Saturday, October 12th** at sunset (approximately 7:00PM). Bring your favorite camp chair or blanket and enjoy! Stay tuned for more details!



Upcoming Events - continued



**FREE
DISPOSAL**

Local Drop-off Recycling Events - LAST OF 2024 -

Saturday, 8:00AM - Noon

October 12th

On the Burnham Strip at Obispo Road & Portola in El Granada

**NO FEES OR
CHARGES**



Acceptable items

small appliances
electronic equipment
fluorescent bulbs
large blocks of Styrofoam
mattresses
metal
auto tires (4 max.)
furniture
unpainted wood

ONE (1) drop-off per household. NO LARGE truckloads. ID or proof of residency is required.

Please call Recology at (650) 355-9000 for more information on acceptable items.

ITEMS MAY BE ACCEPTED OR REJECTED AT THE DISCRETION OF RECOLOGY EMPLOYEES



Not accepted

household trash
hazardous waste of any kind
construction debris
pressure treated wood
aerosol cans
cushions
garden hoses
suitcases
packing peanuts
and other items

excess green waste is no longer accepted

Reminder



As long as we are thinking about fall - don't forget that Pumpkin Festival Weekend is **October 19-20**. Plan accordingly!



September is Responsible Dog Month!

In addition to keeping dogs healthy and safe, dog owners are also responsible for keeping others and the environment safe from dog waste! GCSD maintains a number of pet stations around El Granada and reminds the community to be sure to bag dog waste and dispose of it in a trash can. According to Flowstobay.org, one gram of dog waste contains 23 million fecal bacteria! To learn more, click [HERE](#). And, if you are out walking your dog and notice that a dog waste station needs our attention, please contact the GCSD office!

Bookmobile visits to El Granada



San Mateo
County
Libraries

Save yourself the drive into Half Moon Bay by taking advantage of the San Mateo County Libraries Bookmobile visits to El Granada! The bookmobile will visit the **2nd and 4th Monday of the month from 2:00-3:30PM**.

The Bookmobile will be stationed at the Granada Community Services District lot on Obispo Road (skate ramp parking lot). **Spread the word!**

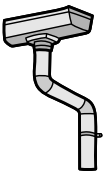
Save the Date!

The San Mateo County Harbor District will be holding its annual Boat Lighting event on

December 14th from 4:00-8:00PM. And this year, GCSD will be helping and providing some additional activities! Stay tuned!



A few reminders to help keep our sanitary sewer system and plant running smoothly throughout the year!



Don't...

- divert storm water from downspouts into your sewer lateral. Not only is this prohibited by law, it also increases the burden on our local sewer plant! When the plant treats storm water unnecessarily, it costs all ratepayers!
- pour FOG (fats, oils, greases) down the drain! FOG belongs in a grease bag or an empty can, not in the drain. This simple step can save you money on emergency plumbing calls, and improves the overall efficiency of the sanitary sewer system. Pick up a grease bag at Spangler's or GCSD office!



Other Community News

If you know of important upcoming community news that you would like to share, please email hatmore@granada.ca.gov.

From our neighbors at Senior Coastsiders:

- Medicare Annual Election Period - Learning to Navigate the Medicare Landscape, September 11th, 3:00-5:00PM. For those who are new to Medicare or interested in making changes to coverage, this session will help attendees choose the correct coverage for now and the future. Call Senior Coastsiders to RSVP - 650-726-9056.
- PUMPKIN RUN! The 46th Annual Pumpkin Run will take place on Sunday, October 20th. Sign up to participate or volunteer at seniorcoastsiders.org.



Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) News:

- September 22nd - Great Coastside ShakeOut, Hours 9:30AM-1:00PM. Everyone participates from their neighborhoods! The only Coastside-wide earthquake drill and radio exercise. Allied agencies welcome! Go to the [CERT website](#) to learn more.
- The El Granada CERT group has its own website and deals with issues affecting El Granada - check out their schedule of upcoming events [HERE](#).



From the City of Half Moon Bay:

If you love free live music, jump on your bike and head down to Half Moon Bay on August 24th for Jazz the Glass at Mac Dutra Plaza from 4:00-6:00PM. And, on September 21st the Summer's End Music Festival will take place at the I.D.E.S. Hall from 10:00AM to 5:00PM.



Coastal Clean up with SeaHugger - Surfer's Beach:

This cleanup event is a great way for families, friends, community groups, and schools to come together to help clean up creeks, parks, neighborhoods, and local beaches. September 21st from 9:00AM to Noon. Learn more and register [HERE](#).



San Mateo Resource Conservation District (RCD) - First Flush:

RCD is seeking volunteers for the First Flush program, their biggest annual community science water quality event that takes place during the first significant rain of the season. No experience necessary. Training provided. Tasks include collecting water samples and recording data at sites from Pacifica to Half Moon Bay. Learn more or sign up to volunteer by emailing FirstFlush@sanmateoRCD.org or going to the google form [HERE](#).



Coastside Land Trust Raptor Walk:

The Wavecrest Raptor Walk with Sequoia Audobon Society on November 16th will explore the local overwintering raptor population on the Wavecrest Reserve. Cost \$15. Check [HERE](#) for more information.



And special thanks to Coastside Land Trust for partnering with GCSO to offer another spectacular nature journaling workshop! This three hour immersive workshop took participants out to Quarry Park to contemplate the beauty of nature and create and interpret in their own unique ways.

Interested in future nature journaling events? Please email hatmore@granada.ca.gov.