

City of Sierra Madre

Fall/Winter 2011





Community Newsletter and Brochure

COUNCIL & COMMISSIONS

City Council Members

Mayor John Buchanan
Mayor Pro-Tem Josh Moran
MaryAnn MacGillivray, Joseph Mosca, Nancy Walsh
City Council meets at 6:30 pm the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month in Council Chambers.

Community Services Commission

David Crochetiere, Chair Pat Alcorn, Vice Chair Rachelle Arizmendi Leslee Hinton Jeff Shantz Vacancy

Meets the 3rd Monday of each month in the City Hall Council Chambers at 6:00 pm

Planning Commission

Kevin Paschall, Chair Bob Spears, Vice Chair Gina Frierman-Hunt Tom Pendlebury William Pevsner, Chair Russell Replogle John Vandevelde

Meets the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month in the City Hall Council Chambers at 7:00 pm

Community Arts Commission

James Faulkner, Chair Cathy Imhoff, Vice Chair Vacancy Vacancy Vacancy

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the City Hall Council Chambers at 6:30 pm

Library Board of Trustees

Catherine Addé, Chair Glenn Putnam,Vice Chair Pete Siberell, Chair Vacancy Vacancy

Meets the 4th Wednesday of each month in the City Hall Conference Room at 7:00 pm

General Plan Steering Committee

Denise Delmar, Chair

Ken Anhalt, Vice Chair

Colin Braudrick, Wendy Davis, Leslee Hinton, John
Hutt, Edward Miller

Debbie Sheridan, Teryl Willis

Senior Community Commission

Ann Luke, Chair William Nelson, Vice Chair Nina Bartolai Dorothy Jerneycic Alan Leahy Amy Putnam Vacancy

Meets the 1st Thursday of each month in the City Hall Council Chambers at 3:00 pm

Tree Advisory Commission

Kathleen Blanchard, Chair Caroline Brown, Vice Chair Jeff Hall Bryan Horsman Bill Robinson Ilona Volkman Vacancy

Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month in the City Hall Council Chambers at 7:00 pm

Commission and Committee Vacancies

The City of Sierra Madre has a number of vacancies on commissions and committees looking for people like you to join! The Sierra Madre City Council encourages citizen participation in its decision-making process through the use of citizen commissions. Applications may be obtained from the City website at www.cityofsierramadre.com or at City Hall. Applications will be accepted until all positions are filled. For more information please call 626-355-7135.

Administrative Staff

Elaine Aguilar, City Manager
Marilyn Diaz, Police Chief
Steve Heydorff, Fire Chief
Karin Schnaider, Administrative Services Director
Bruce Inman, Public Works Director
Danny Castro, Development Services Director
Toni Buckner, Library Services Director
Elisa Weaver, Community & Personnel Services Director

Community & Personnel Services Department

Elisa Weaver, Director
Kristi McClure, Deputy Director
Miguel Hernandez, Personnel Analyst
Adam Matsumoto, Recreation Supervisor
Rosemary Garcia, Administrative Assistant
Susan Clifton, Recreation Coordinator
Kyle Schnurr, Events Specialist
Lawren Heinz, Film Monitor

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

September		3	Senior Community Commission Meeting	
8	SMCC Mixer at Lizzie's Trail Inn	5	SMUMC - Greatest Little Rummage Sale in Towr	
8	SML - Barks and Books	3-5	AHS - Fall Play	
13	City Council Meeting	9	City Council Meeting	
15	SML - Book Club	9	Community Arts Commission Meeting	
19	Community Services Commission Meeting	10	SML - Barks and Books	
20	AHS - Demystifying the HS Admissions Process	11	Veterans Day - City Hall Closed	
22	SMCC Social Media Workshop: Get Connected	16	SMWC - Prayer Breakfast	
24	SMKC - Pancake Breakfast	17	AHS - Harvest Concert	
24	Wellness in the Park - Senior Health Screen Fair	17	SML - Book Club	
27	City Council Meeting	20	AHS - Open House	
29	Sierra Madre Honor's Dinner	21	Community Services Commission Meeting	
October		22	City Council Meeting	
6	Coordinating Council	24-25	Thanksgiving Holiday - City Hall Closed	
6	Senior Community Commission Meeting	26	SMCC Dickens Village	
10	Columbus Day - City Hall Closed	December		
11	City Council Meeting	1	Coordinating Council	
13	SML - Barks and Books	1	Senior Community Commission Meeting	
14	Sierra Madre Winter Art Exhibit & Reception	2-3	SMWC - Huge Holiday Sale	
15	Oktoberfest Golf and Tennis Tournament	3-4	St. Rita Church "No Room at the Inn"	
15	SMHPS - Adventure in History through Costumes	4	SMUMC - Alternative Gift Fair	
16	Sierra Madre Search & Rescue Team Open House	8	SML - Barks and Books	
17	Community Services Commission Meeting	13	City Council Meeting	
20	SML - Book Club	14	Community Arts Commission Meeting	
20-21	Downtown Window Painting	14	AHS - Candlelight Celebration	
21-22	St. Rita School Harvest Festival	19	Community Services Commission Meeting	
25	City Council Meeting	27	City Council Meeting	
27	SML "Money, Your Future, and You"		KEY	
29	AHS - Festival of Haunts	AHS - Alverno High School		
29	SMWC - Bridge and Games Tea	SMCC - Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce		
31	Halloween Costume Parade and Contest	SMKC - Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club		
Noven	November		SML - Sierra Madre Library	
3	Coordinating Council	SMUMC - Sierra Madre United Methodist Church SMWC - Sierra Madre Woman's Club		
		SIVIVV	C - Sierra Madre Worlding Club	

For update information and calendar events visit the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce at www.SierraMadreChamber.com

Sierra Madre Little League



Interested in the Sierra Madre Little League? Check out www.smll.org for information regarding registration, age and residency verification, schedules, and fees. If you have additional questions contact Steve Tanner, 626-355-1249, stanner@arguscg.com or Brenda Wendt, 626-355-6027, brendaawendt@aol.com.

Sierra Madre Girls Softball Association

Established more than 30 years ago, Sierra Madre Girls Softball Association (SMGSA) has become one of the best girls fast pitch softball leagues in the San Gabriel valley, with teams competing at the state and regional levels while maintaining the spirit of a recreational league. Our goal is to help our girls build strong fundamental softball skills while having fun. For more information please visit www.smgsa.org.



CITY INFORMATION







City of Sierra Madre Department Contact Information

Administrative Services, Development Services, City Manager's Office & Public Works 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024 • Phone: 626-355-7135 • Fax: 626-355-2251

Fire Department

242 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024 Phone: 626-355-3611

Community & Personnel Services

611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024 Phone: 626-355-5278 • Fax: 626-836-6656

Library Services

440 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024 Phone: 626-355-7186 • Fax: 626-355-6218

Police Department

242 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024 Phone: 626-355-1414 • Fax: 626-355-5468

For more detailed information on City Departments please visit www.cityofsierramadre.com

Hart Park House Senior Center Renovation

During the renovation of the Hart Park House Senior Center, all programs have been relocated to the Sierra Madre Community Recreation Center located in Sierra Vista Park, 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. (next to the pool).

The daily Senior Lunch Café is hosted n the Sierra Madre Room and opens at 10:30 am with lunch served promptly at 12 noon. The Meals-on-Wheels program will continue to deliver meals to Sierra Madre homebound from an alternate location – there will be no interruption in service. For more information, please visit the City's website at www.cityofsierramadre.com, by calling (626) 355-5278 or reading monthly updates in the Senior Moments Newsletter or the local news paper.

Thank you for your understanding!

Volunteers Wanted for the Sierra Madre General Plan Update

Now is a great time to volunteer for Sierra Madre's General Plan Update! This is an important document that the community should be involved with. The General Plan Steering Committee seeks volunteers to assist with various tasks to help complete the technical reports needed for the General Plan Update. Topics needing volunteer help include noise, land use and urban form, natural environment, transportation and mobility, community services and facilities, and historic and cultural resources.

You can sign up by doing any of the following: Call De Alcorn at 626-355-4793, Call Development Services Department at 626-355-7135 and/or email GeneralPlan@CityofSierraMadre.com

Please provide your name, phone number, email address, and the topic that you'd like to help with.



ONLINE WATER BILLING IS HERE!

You can now view and pay your bill from the comfort of your own home. Simply visit our website at www.cityofsierramadre.com and click on the link "I want to" then click "pay my water bill." Setup is very simple. If you have further questions please contact the Administrative Services Department at City Hall or call 626-355-7135 and they will be happy to assist you.

Business License Renewal

All City Business Licenses expire December 31, 2011. If you own a business be sure to renew your business license.

Who Needs a Business License?

A business license is required for any person or business making a physical presence in our City conducting business. Whether the business is headquartered here in a commercial location, out of a home office, or headquartered outside of the City, but coming into our City to conduct business. Any individual, corporation, sole proprietor, partnership or any entity that wishes to conduct a business within the City of Sierra Madre must secure a business license.

City law states that no person shall engage in business or transact and carry on a business, trade, profession, calling or occupation in the City without having procured a license from the City to do so or without complying with any and all applicable provisions of the City ordinance relating to business license. (A separate license is required for each branch or location of business.

STREET SWEEPING

Did you know that there is an easy, no-cost way you can assist the City in keeping our streets cleaner? You can! By parking your car off-street on your weekly street sweeping day, you allow the street sweeper to continue along the edge of the street where it is most effective in removing trash, leaf litter, and ponded water. By parking your vehicle off-street on street sweeping day you allow the City to maximize the benefit of its street sweeping expenditures and you assist the community in meeting state and federal clean stormwater regulations. Residential streets are sweet weekly, between the hours of 7:30am and 4:00pm. If you have questions

Residential streets are swept weekly, between the hours of 7:30am and 4:00pm. If you have questions about the City's street sweeping program, or are unsure which day of the week your street is swept, contact James Carlson or Bruce Inman of the Sierra Madre Public Works Department at 626-355-7135.

Sierra Madre Farmer's Market

The Sierra Madre Farmer's Market is held on Wednesdays, from 3:00-8:00 p.m. (with the exception of major holidays). Beginning November 9th the market will be open from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in becoming a vendor at the Farmers Market, please contact Melissa Farwell from Raw Inspiration at (818) 591-8161 Ext. 806 or visit rawinspiration.org for an application. For additional information, please call Community Services Dept. at 626-355-5278.



CITY INFORMATION

"Wellness in the Park"

Senior Information & Health Screen Fair
Hosted by the Sierra Madre Community & Personnel Services Department and
Sierra Madre Senior Community Commission, St. Rita Senior Ministry and be.royal oaks

Saturday, September 24th – Memorial Park

7 am to 11 am - Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast, \$5.00 per person 9 am to 12 noon - FREE Health Screenings for Seniors, which include osteoporosis, hearing, body fat, dental, FREE flu shots (for those whose primary insurance is Medicare, all others \$25), healthy eating & downsizing tips, and so much more...

Please join your community leaders, participating vendors, and neighbors for a morning filled with valuable information.

For additional information, please contact Susan Clifton at 626-355-5278 X227

Are You Signed Up for iContact?

The City of Sierra Madre email notifications, or eBlasts, are sent out weekly. eBlasts are filled with information regarding the City's upcoming public meetings, events, programs and much more. To sign up for the City's eBlasts, visit www.cityofsierramadre.com, from the drop down tab menu choose "Online Services", click on "City Eblasts Signup", enter your information, select from the list of communication, and submit. For additional information, please contact the Community & Personnel Services Department at 626-355-5278.

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Ready for 7 EMERGENCIES NEED A PLAN

Be prepared to care for you and your family for at least 7 days in the case after any type of emergency by following these general steps:

- Assemble Emergency Supply Kits for your home, workplace, and vehicle.
- Develop and practice an Emergency Plan with members of your household.
- Develop and practice an Evacuation Plan with members of your household and neighbors.
- Store a seven-day supply of food and water in closed and clean containers. Each person requires at least one gallon of water per day. Refresh your stored items when needed.
- Pay attention to your surrounding, stay informed with current and local conditions, pay attention to notifications and follow directions from emergency agencies.

PETS

Be sure to include all of your pets when planning your Emergency and Evacuation plans

- Consider appropriate lodging in advance should you be asked or required to evacuate.
- Pets are generally not allowed inside the City's shelter buildings.
- Maintain copies of current records of your pets including any licensing, microchip, rabies and medical information.
- Be sure to have current photos of your pet and do not forget extra water and your pet's food.

Sierra Madre Emergency Radio Station, "AM-1630"

In case of emergency (fire, earthquake, mudslide, etc), tune to AM-1630 to hear important public safety bulletins from the Sierra Madre Emergency Operations Center

REGISTRATION POLICY

WALK - IN REGISTRATION LOCATION

Community Recreation Center

611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA 91024

8:30am-6:30pm Monday through Thursday 9:00am-6:00pm Closed Alternate Fridays

(Fridays closed are September 9 & 23, October 7 & 21, All Fridays in November, December 2, 16 & 30, 2011)

Online Registration Available at http://www.cityofsierramadre.com/onlineregistration

General Information

- All activities are filled on a first-come first-served basis.
- All activities are subject to cancellation or change.
- Activities are closed when maximum enrollment is met. Classes will be cancelled if minimum enrollment is not met.
- If paying by check or money order, please make payable to "City of Sierra Madre."
- There will be a \$35 service charge for all returned checks.

Policy on Cancellation/Refunds

It is the goal of the Sierra Madre Community and Personnel Services Department ("Department") to provide quality programs and services to the Sierra Madre community. Staffing and program decisions are made based on registrations and anticipated revenues to cover program costs. Cancellations adversely impact the Department's ability to retain qualified staff and offer the high level of services patrons have come to expect. Therefore the Community Services Commission and City Council have set the following policy on cancellations and refunds:

Cancellation By City: Full refunds will be issued for any program or excursion/trip cancelled by the City in the form of a credit to the patron's account with the Department, or a refund by check upon the submission of a written request to the Director of the Department. The written request must be made within 10 days of the date of the cancelled program or event. Credits will remain on the account of the patron for one year after the date issued, and may be used for any program or service offered by the Department.

Cancellation By Patron: Notification of the cancellation must be made at least three (3) days before the commencement of the program. A refund will be issued, less a \$6.00 cancellation fee, in the form of a credit to the patron's account. The credit will remain on the patron's account for one year from the date issued and the credit may be used for any program or service offered by the Department.

There will be no make-ups or refunds for missed classes. The Department will not prorate class registration fees for patrons who register after the first day of class.

Refunds, in the form of credit, will not be issued for any excursion/trip, except for a medical excuse, unless the Department is able to fill the patron's spot from a waiting list.

Medically Excused Absences: A full refund for days missed, less a \$6.00 cancellation fee, will be issued for any program or excursion/trip which a patron cannot attend for medical reasons, provided a doctor's note is provided to the Director of the Department. The refund will be in the form of a credit to the patron's account good for one year from the date of cancellation, or a refund by check upon the submission of a written request to the Director of the Department. The written request must be made within 10 days of the date of the event which the patron could not attend for medical reasons.

Concerns regarding the quality or manner in which a class or program has been conducted should be immediately directed to 626-355-5278.

YOUTH CLASSES

*Please note: If a class is canceled due to inclement weather or instructor/City emergency, the participant's account will be credited the amount of that missed class. The participant will have 1 year to use the credit for another class or recreation activity.

Ballet, Tap & Creative Dance

Miss Claire's Dance Classes will introduce young children to a positive dance and movement class. Her ballet and tap classes improve creative movement skills and provide a basis of coordination. Dancers learn technique for basic tap and ballet. Parent participation is required in the 2 to 3 year old class.

New session: October 19 - November 30

January 11 - February 22, 2012

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 12:00 – 12:45 – Level I (2-3 yrs.)

12:45 pm - 1:30 pm - Level II (3-5 yrs.)

Fee: \$89 / 7 weeks Instructor: Miss Claire

Location: Youth Activity Center (2nd floor)

Gymnastics in Movement

The 3:30 pm class introduces 3 & 4 year old children to the fun activities involved in gymnastics. The use of beams, bars, trampoline and floor activities increase children's strength and confidence. Our 4:15 pm class for 5 & 6 year olds continues to build a child's skills with more challenging and age appropriate tasks while our 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm class is open to older children and more complex skills. **All classes suitable for beginners.**

New sessions: September 29 & January 12

Day: Thursdays

Time: 3:30 - 4:15 pm Beginning (3-4 yrs.) 4:15 - 5:00 pm Beginning (4-6 yrs.)

5:00 - 6:00 pm Adv. & Beg. (6-10 yrs.)

Fees: \$103 / 8 weeks

Instructor: Brian Grenham **Location:** Sierra Madre Room

Kidz Love Soccer... "Where the score is always FUN

to FUN!"

Mommy/Daddy & Me Soccer – (ages 2 – 3.5)

Introduce yourself and your toddler to the "World's Most Popular Game"! As you and your child participate in our fun age appropriate activities, your child will be developing their large motor skills and socialization skills. The fun happens on the field, and in Mommy/ Daddy & Me Soccer, parents are part of the action, not watching from the sidelines!

Tot-soccer – (ages 3.5 - 4)

Little tykes will enjoy running and kicking just like the big kids! Encourages large motor skill development through fun soccer games and introduces small children to the group setting. Shin guards are required after the first meeting.

Pre-soccer – (ages 4 – 5)

Teaches the basic techniques of the game and builds self-esteem through participation and fun soccer activities. Children learn to follow instructions in a nurturing, age appropriate environment. Shin guards are required after the first meeting.

Soccer 1 – (ages 5-6)

Players will learn dribbling, passing, receiving, shooting, age-specific defense, etc. Fun skill games are played at every session, and every participant will have a ball at his or her feet. Small-sided soccer matches will be introduced gradually. Shin guards are required after the first meeting.

Soccer Skillz & Scrimmages – (ages 7-10)

Kidz will enjoy advanced skill building: dribbling, passing and shooting in a team play format. Each class will focus on scrimmages that emphasize application of finer technical points. All levels are welcome to come enjoy the world's most popular game! Shin guards are required.

Day & Times: Thursdays, Sept. 22 thru Nov. 3 **Mornings:**

9:00 - 9:30 am - Mommy/Daddy & Me Soccer

9:45 -10:15 am - Tot-Soccer 10:15 – 10:50 am - Pre-Soccer

Afternoons:

2:40 - 3:10 pm - Tot-Soccer 3:10 – 3:45 pm - Pre-Soccer 3:45 - 4:30 pm - Soccer 1

4:30 - 5:15 pm - Soccer Skillz & Scrimmages **Fee:** \$85 / 7 weeks (includes a youth jersey)

Instructor: Kidz Love Soccer **Location:** Sierra Vista Park

Day & Times: Thursdays, Sept. 22 thru Oct. 20

Evenings:

5:30 - 6:00 pm - Mommy/Daddy & Me Soccer **Fee:** \$64/5 weeks (includes a youth jersey)

Instructor: Kidz Love Soccer **Location:** Sierra Vista Park



*Please note: If a class is canceled due to inclement weather or instructor/City emergency, the participant's account will be credited the amount of that missed class. The participant will have 1 year to use the credit for another class or recreation activity.

Tennis

The goal: introduce the fundamentals of tennis along

with athletic skills. The class will work on the basics of tennis including; hand-eye coordination, footwork, balance, and having fun. Students will also learn courage and discipline through tennis. *Please note*



students are required to bring (2) canisters of tennis balls the first day of class. *All Tennis sessions are 6 weeks.

Sessions Begin: Oct. 12, Nov. 23 & Jan. 4, 2012 Days, Times & Fees:

Wed, 4:15 - 5:00 pm (Pee Wee) Fee: \$30 Wed, 5:00 - 6:00 pm (Beginning) Fee: \$39 Wed, 6:00 -7:30 pm (Intermediate) Fee: \$51 Sessions Begin: Oct. 13, Dec. 1 & Jan. 12, 2012 Thurs, 3:45 - 4:30 pm (Pee Wee) Fee: \$30 Thurs, 4:30 - 6:00 pm (Advance) Fee: \$51 Sessions Begin: Oct. 21, Dec. 9 & Jan. 20, 2012

Instructor: Andreas Weyermann **Location:** Memorial Park Tennis Court

Fri, 4:00 - 6:00 pm (Jr. Workout)

Hapkido Karate

Hapkido is one of the most practical and effective martial arts systems in the world! Hapkido relies on perfection of technique, rather than speed and brute strength. Practitioners seek to gain advantage through footwork and body positioning to employ leverage, avoiding the use of strength against strength. Participants will learn dynamic kicking and percussive punching techniques. Karate uniforms can be purchased through the instructor.

Sessions Begin: Oct. 10 (no class Oct. 31), Nov. 14, Dec. 12 & Jan. 9, 2012

Days, Times & Fees:

Monday (Beginning 9 yrs. & up); 7:00-8:00 pm **Sessions Begin:** Oct. 1, Oct. 29 (no class Nov. 26), Dec. 3 (no class on Dec. 24) & Jan. 7, 2012 Saturday: (5-8 yrs. old); 10:00 - 11:00 am Saturday: (Adv. 9 yrs. & up); 11:00 am -12 pm

Fee: \$32 / 4 weeks **Instructor:** Daniel Leyva **Location:** Youth Activity Center



Coordinating Council Meetings

Fee: \$63

The Coordinating Council meets the first Thursday of every month at noon, at the YAC, 611 E. Sierra Madre, Sierra Madre. It is a roundtable style meeting, with one organization highlighted each month with a 15 minute presentation to inform community members of activities, events and fundraisers going on in the community. If you're interested in joining this group, please submit your contact information (include name, address, phone number and email address) by emailing city@cityofsierramadre.com. For more information, please call 626-355-5278.

Bailey Canyon Eco Challenge

This challenge is designed for non-profit youth organizations wishing to meet community service goals and wanting to develop or enhance outdoor skills such as camping, cooking, astronomy, mountaineering or ecology. The group will describe a service activity they wish to perform, in a detailed letter, which is appropriate for Bailey Canyon. Some possible activities include trail clearing, fire ring maintenance and other conservation/ecology efforts. Groups must describe in detail the outdoor skills they want to learn or practice. Please submit a letter describing the activity in detail along



with the park reservation form to the Community Services Commission for approval of the activity. All fire permits and insurance requirements must be met. **Fees:** No charge for participants under 18 or for supervising adults. For more information contact 626-355-5278.

YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTER

Located on the top floor at:
611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.
Sierra Madre, CA 91024
Membership \$32.00 per year
Hours of Operation:
Monday 12:30pm - 6:00 pm
Tuesday - Thursday 3:00 - 6:00 pm



The Youth Activity Center (YAC) is a year round facility for youth ages 11-17 years old. The YAC offers daily activities, study hours, guest speakers, a computer room, games, and much more! Youth and their parents can sign-up for the YAC at the Community and Personnel Services Office. For more information please call at 626-355-5278.

Youth Activity Center Activities and Events

All activities and events are absolutely FREE for YAC members

Oktoberfest Golf & Tennis Tournament
Saturday, October 15
Annual Pumpkin Carving Contest
Friday, October 28 @ the YAC

Turkey Potluck
Tuesday, November 22 @ the YAC
YAC Holiday Decorating Party
Monday, December 5 @ the YAC

Kersting Court Fridays

Join the Youth Activity Center (YAC) in Kersting Court every Friday starting this September. The YAC will be hosting **FREE** activities in Kersting Court from 3:00pm-6:00pm for youth of all ages. Be sure to check out the new activity each Friday and say hello to the YAC staff! For more information contact the Community Services Office at 626-355-5278.

Your Family's Interest and Need for After School Programming

The City of Sierra Madre Community & Personnel Services Department in collaboration with the Pasadena YMCA is assessing the need for afterschool programs. Currently, the YMCA operates afterschool programs for youth under 10 and the City operates programs for those 11-17. The two organizations are evaluating a partnership in which the YMCA assumes the operation of teen programs as well. If you are interested in participating in a voluntary survey inquiring about your family's interest in and need for after school programming in Sierra Madre or have any questions or comments, please contact, Kristi McClure, at the Community & Personnel Services Department (626) 355-5278 Ext. 703. The information received here will help the City of Sierra Madre and YMCA develop youth programs that focus on academic achievement, enrichment specialty classes, and recreational development.

Sierra Madre YMCA Program

"Peace of Mind" is what parents have when they enroll their child in the YMCA afterschool programs. With so many demands on today's families, parents need all the support that they can get. That's why child care at the Y is about more than looking out for your kids. It's about the nurturing their development by providing a safe place to learn foundational skills, develop healthy, trusting relationships and build self-reliance. To enroll or ask questions, please visit the website at www.ymcala.org/pas or call Camille Rillorta at 626-432-5880.

Days & Hours:

Monday - 12 pm - 6 pm Tuesday through Friday - 2 pm - 6pm On-Site Location Number: 626-355-5261 **Location:** 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA **Registration:** Forms are available at www.ymcala.org/

pas. For more info call 626-432-5880 or email

PeterMatus@ymcala.org

HALLOWEEN EVENTS

The Community and Personnel Services Department, in conjunction with the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club and Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce presents Halloween Happenings. Halloween activities include: trick-o-treating, costume parade along Sierra Madre Blvd., and a costume contest in Memorial Park.

Monday, October 31, 2011

3:30-5:00pm: Downtown Sierra Madre Trick-o-Treating

Sierra Madre businesses are handing out candy in and around Kersting Court. Participating businesses will have a trick-o-treating sign posted in their window. This portion of Halloween Happenings is arranged by the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce.

4:00-5:00pm Costume Contest Sign-Up

The Costume Contest is sponsored by the Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club. *Registration may only be done in Kersting Court* prior to the start of the costume parade.

5:00pm Costume Parade

Everyone is invited to participate in the Sierra Madre Costume Parade, no registration is required! The start of the parade begins in Kersting Court. The Sierra Madre Fire Department is once again leading the parade down Sierra Madre Blvd. to the finish at Memorial Park.



5:30pm Costume Contest

Once parade participants arrive at Memorial Park, the Costume Contest begins shortly at the Bandshell Participants will be judged in the following age categories: walking-2 years, 3-4 years, 5-7 years, 8-10 years, and 11 and up. Awards for the top three contestants will be presented immediately following the judging of each age category. Remember youth must pre-register in Kersting Court to be eligible.

Downtown Window Painting

Interested in showing off your artistic side to the Sierra Madre Community?! Then this is your opportunity to paint Halloween inspired artwork on local downtown business windows! Youth compete is teams of up to four members in various age categories. Certificates are awarded to the top three teams in each age category. Be sure to sign up early at the Community Recreation Center! For more information contact 626-355-5278.

Dates & Times: Friday, October 21 from 2:30pm-6:00pm & Saturday, October 22, 2011 from 8:00am-12:00pm. Awards presentation at 1:00pm.

Who Can Participate? The Downtown Window Painting Contest is open to youth ages 9-17. Each team must consist of two to four youth of the same age group, with at least one participant being a Sierra Madre resident. Groups will be divided in the following age categories: 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-17 years.

Application: Each team must complete an application and return it with a colored drawing of the artwork to the Community and Personnel Services Office, located at 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Deadline: All applications must be received by Monday, October 17, 2011 at 5:00pm. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Judging & Awards: Judging of the window paintings will take place on Saturday, October 22 from 12:00pm-1:00pm. An awards presentation will take place in Kersting Court at approximately 1:00pm with winners announced in each age category.







OKTOBERFEST FUNDRAISER



Oktoberfest Golf and Tennis Tournament

Get out your tennis racquets and golf clubs! Advanced players and novices alike are invited to participate in the 7th Annual Oktoberfest Golf and Tennis Tournament on **Saturday, October 15, 2011** benefiting Sierra Madre youth and aquatic center programs. If you are interested in supporting the Oktoberfest Fundraiser there are many ways to participate both at the event and in advance.

Interested in playing?

Golf Tournament:

The golf tournament begins at 8:00am with assigned tee times and all skill levels are welcome! Golf will be played on a nine-hole course as a foursome, best-ball format at the Eaton Canyon Golf Course. The best-ball format is perfect for beginning golfers! Golfers can sign up as a team or as an individual (lunch included) and the top team receives individual trophies and immortality on the Oktoberfest Golf Tournament perpetual trophy. Want some additional fun! Take a chance in our Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive, and Putting contests.

Tennis Tournament:

The tennis tournament is played as round robin doubles with rotating partners in co-ed divisions and all ability levels are welcome. Participants can show off their skills in the serving contest at 8:00 a.m. with tournament play following. First, Second, and Third place trophies will be awarded and the top finisher will be added to the Oktoberfest Tennis Tournament perpetual trophy. Lunch is included with tournament registration.

Enjoy the festivities, but don't want to play?

Lunch Reception:

Join us for an Oktoberfest inspired lunch complete with beer, brats, potato salad, and German chocolate cupcakes. Place your bids on a variety of silent auction items and purchase tickets for the raffle.

Participants can register for the tournaments or lunch reception online at www.cityofsierramadre.com/onlineregistration or in person at the Community Recreation Center. For more information on the Oktoberfest Golf and Tennis Tournament, please contact Events Specialist Kyle Schnurr at 626-355-5278.

Can't participate, but still want to support?

If you have an interest in helping support the Oktoberfest Golf and Tennis Tournament, please contact Events Specialist Kyle Schnurr at kschnurr@cityofsierramadre.com.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Please purchase punch pass cards at the Community Recreation Services Office. Passes are not sold at the class.

* All classes must have a minimum enrollment of 6 unless otherwise stated.

**Please Note: If a class is canceled due to inclement weather or instructor/City emergency, the participant's account will be credited the amount of that missed class. The participant will have 1 year to use the credit for another class or recreation activity.

NEW - Sunrise Yoga

This class offers gentle asanas (postures) and meditation to begin your day with a sense of peace and enhance your overall well-being (e.g. body, mind and spirit). Please bring a yoga mat and yoga pillow to use for meditation.

Pays & Time: Wednesdays 7:00 am - 8:00 am **Fee:** \$24/4 class punch pass for 50 & over \$32/4 class punch pass for 49 & under

Instructor: Andrea Walsh **Location**: Sierra Madre Room (Community Recreation Center)

NEW - Gentle Yoga

Give yourself a well-deserved break from daily duties and responsibilities, whether you are a parent of a young child, a grandparent or a person who just needs to find peace in your life. Yoga is for everyone. Join us for gentle asanas (postures) and meditation. This powerful combination will increase your energy and flexibility. It will leave you with a sense of well-being and peace, enhancing every aspect of your life. Bring a yoga mat and pillow for meditation if you wish.

Pays & Time: Wednesdays 8:30 am - 9:30 am **Fee:** \$24/4 class punch pass for 50 & over \$32/4 class punch pass for 49 & under

Instructor: Andrea Walsh **Location**: Sierra Madre Room (Community Recreation Center)

Yoga for All Ages

Yoga, the union of body, mind, spirit and breathe.

This combination is very health-giving, aiding the immune system, increasing lung capacity and flexibility. This class will consist of traditional asanas with a focus on meditation at



the end of our session. Bring a towel or mat and wear loose fitting clothing. Classes are on-going. Please purchase punch pass cards at the Community Services Office. No passes sold at classes.

Days & Time: Tuesday 5:15 – 6:45 pm No Thursday Nights until 2012

Fee: \$24/4 class punch pass for 50 & over \$32/4 class punch pass for 49 & under

Instructor: Andrea Walsh **Location**: Sierra Madre Room (Community Recreation Center)

T'ai Chi Ch'uan

Learn the Yang Long Form of t'ai chi. This gentle form of exercise and meditation is suitable for adults of all ages. Practicing t'ai chi improves balance and breathing, while promoting body awareness, relaxation and stress reduction. A beginner's class (Part 1 & 2) starts June 28. Upon learning this Classical Form, your practice continues by participating in the advanced class, which refines your movements through more instruction and group practice. Thereafter, special forms are offered to the advanced student who chooses to further study t'ai chi ch'uan. "A new beginner's class (part 1&2) starts January 31, 2012.

Day: Tuesday

Times: 7:00 – 8:00 pm (Beginners Part 1&2)

8:00 - 9:00 pm (Beginners Part 3&4)

7:00 - 8:15 pm (Advanced) 8:15 - 9:00 pm (Special Forms)

Fees: \$32/4 class punch pass (advanced, special forms, or beginner students)

Instructors: Sam and Cynthia Sirlin **Location**: Sierra Madre Room

AARP Driving Class

The 55 Alive/Mature Driving Class is designed to help senior drivers recognize their physical limitations and learn how to best compensate for them. Most insurance companies honor the class certificate by discounting insurance rates. Must pre-register. (Requirement of 10 students; drivers over 70 must take DMV written test). *Checks are made payable to AARP and brought to the first day of class, Oct. 25th.

Day & Time: Oct. 25 & 26, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm **Fee:** \$12 AARP Member, \$14 Non Member

Instructor: Certified AARP Instructor **Location:** Community Recreation Center



Hapkido Karate

Hapkido is one of the most practical and effective martial arts systems in the world! Hapkido relies on perfection of technique, rather than speed and brute strength. Practitioners seek to gain advantage through footwork and body positioning to employ leverage, avoiding the use of strength against strength. Participants will learn dynamic kicking and percussive punching techniques. Karate uniforms can be purchased through the instructor.

> Day & Time: Saturdays, 9 – 10 am Sessions Begin: Oct. 1, Oct. 29 (no class on Nov. 26), Dec. 3 (no class on Dec. 24) & Jan. 7

Fee: \$34 / 4 weeks **Instructor:** Daniel Leyva **Location:** Youth Activity Center

Tennis

The goal of the program is to improve your competitiveness, focus and learn tennis strategies. The fundamentals for all strokes will be learned. Participants are required to bring two canisters of tennis balls to the first day of class. *All Tennis sessions are 6 weeks long. Days, times and fees are listed below.

Morning Classes (Adults)

Monday (Advanced) 8 - 10 am Fee: \$64

Sessions Begin: Oct. 17, Nov. 28 & Jan. 23

(no class on Jan. 16)

Thursday (Intermediate) 8 - 10 am **Fee:** \$64 Sessions Begin: Oct. 13, Dec. 1 & Jan. 12

Friday: Fit to Hit - (Moderate) 8-9 am **Fee:** \$60

Sessions Begin: Oct. 21, Dec. 9 & Jan. 20

Evening Classes (Adults)

Wednesday(Intermediate) 7:30-9pm Fee: \$51 Sessions Begin: Oct. 12, Nov. 23 & Jan. 4 Thursday (Beginner) 6 – 7:30 pm

Fee: \$51

Thursday (Intermediate)7:30 – 9pm Fee: \$51

Sessions Begin: Oct. 13, Dec. 1 & Jan. 12

Instructor: Andreas Weyermann **Location:** Memorial Park Tennis Courts

Zumba®

Are you ready to dance yourself into shape? That's exactly what the Zumba® program is all about. It's an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness-party that's helping many of people toward better health. Zumba® Fitness is the Latin-inspired dance-fitness program that blends redhot international music and contagious steps to form a "fitness-party" that is downright addictive.

> **Day & Time**: Monday 7:15 - 8:15 pm Sessions Begin: Sept. 12 & Nov. 7

*Open House on Oct. 24th come try **Zumba** for Free.

Fees: \$60 / 6 weeks

Instructors: Juan Carlos Ferrer/ Cristina Banuelos

Location: Sierra Madre Room

Water Aerobics

Sierra Madre Aquatic Center is continuing water aerobics into the fall season! The benefits of water exercise include low impact, resistance, and cardiovascular training in a fun environment. Agua Aerobics can be taken by people of all ages, and is especially beneficial for those seeking a low to no impact workout. Exercising in water also reduces overheating from continuous training and since we conduct the class in the shallow end you do not need to be a strong swimmer.

Dates: September 13 through October 27

Days: Tuesday & Thursday Time: 10:00 am - 11am Fee: \$20 / 4 class punch pass

Sponsored by the Senior Community Commission

Fall Off-Season Lap Swim Program

The Sierra Madre Aquatic Center will be open through Fall 2011 for lap swimmers. This is a great opportunity for low impact exercise in a heated outdoor pool. A minimum of 50 fall season passes must be sold by Friday,

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September 16 for the program to continue. Registration may be done at the Community Services Office.

Dates: September 6 through November 23, 2011 Hours: 12:00 - 2:00 pm (Sun, Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat)

and 7:00 - 9:00 pm (Tues & Thurs)

Cost: \$101 per participant (no daily admission & price includes entry

to water aerobics). For more information call 626-355-5278



SENIOR SERVICES

ATTENTION: The Hart Park House is closed for renovation

Hart Park House - Senior Center

Located in Memorial Park at: 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA 91024

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday: 9:00am-2:00pm Service Desk Closed Alternate Fridays Phone: 626-355-7394



Hart Park House Senior Center Renovation

During the renovation of the Hart Park House Senior Center, all programs have been relocated to the Sierra Madre Community Recreation Center located in Sierra Vista Park, 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. (next to the pool). The daily Senior Lunch Café is hosted n the Sierra Madre Room and opens at 10:30 am with lunch served promptly at 12 noon. The Meals-on-Wheels program will continue to deliver meals to Sierra Madre homebound from an alternate location – there will be no interruption in service. For more information, please visit the City's website at www.cityofsierramadre.com, by calling (626) 355-5278 or reading monthly updates in the Senior Moments Newsletter or the local news paper.

Thank you for your understanding!

Senior Center Renovation Questions & Answers

Question: Now that the Renovation Project has started, when will it be done?

Answer: The project is scheduled to take four to six months with a grand reopening scheduled for January 2012.

Question: Why is a new kitchen being constructed rather than remodeling the old kitchen?

Answer: The Hart Park House Senior Center is home to a State & Federal funded senior lunch program & the County Health Department requires certain items be in the remodeled kitchen. Additions to the new kitchen will be an oven, a hand washing sink, a food prep sink and a 3-comparment sink for washing/sanitizing utensils. Based on these requirements the Renovation Committee went with relocating the kitchen so appropriate space would be available.

"Wellness in the Park"

Senior Information & Health Screen Fair will be hosted by the Sierra Madre Community & Personnel Services Department & Sierra Madre Senior Community Commission, St. Rita Senior Ministry and be.royal oaks retirement community. The event takes place on Saturday, September 24th Memorial Park. The Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast begins at 7am to 11am. At 9am to 12pm, the **FREE** Health Screenings for Seniors, which include osteoporosis, hearing, body fat, dental, **FREE** flu shots (for those whose primary insurance is Medicare, all others \$25), healthy eating & downsizing tips, and so much more...

Please join our community leaders, participating vendors, and your neighbors for a morning filled with valuable information. For additional information, please contact Susan Clifton at 626-355-5278.

Senior Moments Newsletter

The publication contains senior information, schedule of activities, current events and more! The Senior Moments Newsletter can now be viewed online at www. cityofsierramadre.com at the beginning of each month and is reprinted in the Mt. Views Newspaper. Other options available to receive the newsletter each month: e-mailed to your home, pick-up a copy at the Library or City Hall and via US mail. For more information contact Susan Clifton, Recreation Coordinator, at 626-355-7394.



*Please note all activities below take place at the Community Recreation Center, 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. For information please contact, 626-355-7394.

A special **FREE** Lunch Express Shuttle is now running during the renovation of the Hart Park House Monday – Friday. The shuttle will leave Memorial Park at 11:40 am & go directly to the recreation center and at 1 pm the shuttle will return to the recreation center to take seniors back to Memorial Park.

MONDAYS

YWCA Intervale Program Daily Lunches

All seniors and friends are invited. Meals are served Monday through Friday at 12:00 pm. Meals cost \$2.00 for seniors 60+ and \$3.75 for guests. Daily reservations are necessary so please call 626-355-0256.

Strength Training

Join Lisa Brandley at the Hart Park House every Monday, 1:00 – 1:45 pm for this free energizing class. Great for stretching with light hand weights while you sit and exercise with your friends. This is a great source for a low impact workout. All hand weights are provided for participants.

TUESDAYS

Water Aerobics - 10am -11am at the Sierra Madre Aquatic Center, see page pg. 14 more information.

YWCA Intervale Lunch Cafe – 12:00 pm

FREE Blood Pressure Testing

2nd Tuesday of the month, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Hart Park house. A nurse from Methodist Hospital will be available to answer all your questions. No appointment needed.

Bingo

Come play with us every Tuesday afternoon at the Hart Park House. Bingo starts promptly at 1:30 pm and concludes at 3:30 pm. Cards are only 25 cents each. Special prizes are available on the first and fourth Tuesdays of the month.

WEDNESDAYS

YWCA Intervale Lunch Cafe – 12:00 pm

Chair Yoga

Wednesdays from 11:00-11:45 am there is a free Chair Yoga Class conducted by Teryl Willis. Join in some simple & gentle movements, deepen your breathing, refresh your joints and finish with balance

improvement exercises. The class does not require extensive physical exertion.

FREE Legal Consultation

Attorney Geoffrey D. Chen will volunteer his time on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Community Recreation Center 10am-11:30am – Appointments necessary.

THURSDAYS

Water Aerobics - 10am -11am at the Sierra Madre Aquatic Center, see page pg. 14 more information.

YWCA Intervale Lunch Cafe – 12:00 pm

Day Adventures

Join us each month for different out-of-town adventure. Trips depart from and return to the Community Recreation Center unless otherwise noted in the newsletter. Reservations must be made in advance either in person or online at www. cityofsierramadre.com/onlineregistration. Trip information may change so for more information please refer to the Senior Moments newsletter.

Thursday, September 15 - Gerber Olive House & Lunch in Ontario

Saturday, October 22 - Big Bear Oktoberfest

Thursday, November 17 - Castillo Isabella Castle & Lunch at the Mission Inn, Riverside

Thursday, December 15 - Candlelight Pavilion Christmas Show in Claremont

Game Day

Nintendo Wii and Wii Fit - This virtual reality game is now available Monday through Thursday, contact Susan Clifton, at 626-355-7394 to arrange for a time to play or to have a tournament with your grandchildren.

FRIDAYS

YWCA Intervale Lunch Cafe – 12:00 pm

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

Senior Club

Meets every Saturday at 11:30 am at the Sierra Vista Senior Apartments located at 70 Esperanza. Dues are only \$5 per year for ages 55+. Bingo played beginning at 12:30 pm. Be sure to bring your own lunch.

VFW

Join the Veterans of Foreign Wars meets on the second Sunday of each month, 3:00 - 5:00 pm, in the Sierra Madre Room, 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.

TRANSPORTATION

Gateway Coach

Transportation Runs Monday - Friday

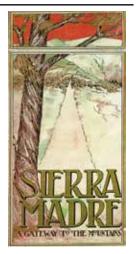
The fare is \$1.00 - However, some riders qualify for free services including seniors (65 or older), those who are disabled and youths who are 16 and younger. To qualify, riders will need to show a California I.D. to verify age.

Commuter Loop

7:00 - 8:34 am; 5:00 - 6:34 pm

Round-A-Bout 11:00 am - 3:45 pm

Schedules and stops have changed to improve transportation services! For a detailed schedule please visit the Community Recreation Center, City Hall, Library, Senior Center, or log-on to www.cityofsierramadre.com



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Dial-A-Ride

Reservations – please call 626-355-3873

Sierra Madre Dial-A-Ride program is a curb-tocurb transportation service for elderly and disabled residents of Sierra Madre. Out-of-town trips can go no more than two miles beyond the City, but may travel to a variety of the medical facilities in Pasadena, Arcadia, or Duarte.

Riders must be residents of Sierra Madre and must be 62 years of age or older, or must have a form, signed by a physician, attesting to a disability which hinders mobility and the use of MTA buses. All patrons of the service must first register with the City's Community and Personnel Services Department, and present proof of residency and age or disability. Rides are paid for by the use of vouchers, which are \$1 for in-town trips / \$2 for out-of-town.

On Tuesdays, Dial-a-Ride will travel East as far as Duarte's City of Hope, but not in the Westerly direction. On Thursdays, Dial-a-Ride will travel West as far as Pasadena's Huntington Hospital, but not in the Easterly direction. On Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays Dial-A-Ride will travel in both directions for scheduled appointments.

Monday-Saturday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm No service Sundays and Holidays In-town trips \$1.00 each way Out-of-town trips \$2.00 each way

Medical trips will continue to receive priority only if they are reserved a minimum of 48 hours in advance of the date of service. Existing non-medical trips reserved within 48 hours of the requested time will not be bumped by last-minute medical trip requests. Last-minute medical trips will be accommodated as much as availability allows.

Upon making a reservation please provide the address of the destination, number of persons traveling, whether a wheelchair-accessible vehicle is needed and your telephone number. The dispatcher will advise travelers of the approximate pick-up time. Please allow for a 20 minute window. At pick-up drivers are not required to wait more than 10 minutes. Passengers requesting a wheelchair accessible vehicle must make their request at least one hour in advance.

Drivers may assist upon request in loading and unloading of senior citizens and disabled riders' packages not exceeding twenty-five (25) pounds.

Dial-A-Ride vouchers can be purchased at City Hall, Community Recreation Center or the Library.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

SIERRA MADRE PUBLIC LIBRARY

440 West Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA 91024 626-355-7186 www.sierramadre.lib.ca.us



LIBRARY HOURS

Monday – Wednesday, Noon – 9:00 pm Thursday & Friday, Noon – 6:00 pm Saturday, 10 am – 6 pm Closed Sundays and major holidays



UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

"MY PC"

"MY PC" is a series of four 3-hour Microsoft workshops starting in October (dates and times TBA), introducing the fun new features you can enjoy with Windows 7. The classes will include an Introduction to Windows 7, Digital Photo Editing, Creating Slideshows, and Connecting with Family and Friends. The workshops are free, with a \$20.00 deposit per class, refunded upon attendance. The deposit may be rolled over if you wish to attend more than one class. Seats are limited, and registration, which begins September 1, is required. For more information, please call Jill Schofield at 626-355-7186.

"Money, Your Future, and You"

This entertaining, hands-on, interactive program for teens and young adults will be held on Thursday, October 27 at 7:00 p.m. Investment advisor Clemens Kownatzki is gearing this program to young adults entering the work force or about to head for college. His user-friendly approach to learning essential financial skills and developing good money habits will include practical tips and real-life principles of sound money management. Participants will learn

the long-term financial strategies that will help them avoid the burden of debt and living precariously from paycheck to paycheck. Free. No registration required.

"THIRD THURSDAY" BOOK CLUB

Lively roundtable discussions of new and noteworthy books, moderated by Catriona Shafer and Sophia Duran. Meets at the Library on the third Thursday of the month, 11:00 a.m. – Noon. The following are the discussion dates and selections for the remainder of 2011:

September 15: Henderson the Rain King, by Saul Bellow **October 20:** Lord of Misrule, by Jaimy Gordon

November 17: Mona in the Promised Land, by Gish Jen

The club will take a holiday break in December. A flier listing these selections is available for takeaway at the Library Service Desk. *Funded by The Friends of the Library*.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Download Favorite Titles with OverDrive:

The Library has partnered with the Southern California Digital Library to provide thousands of popular audiobooks and eBooks for loan as downloads to your computer, iPod or e-reader. All you need is an active Library card to enjoy 24/7 access to this wonderful new fiction and nonfiction digital collection. Please note that these titles will not be accessible using the Library's computers; users must provide their own downloadable device. To access the collection, go the Library's homepage and follow the easy instructions.

Free WiFi at the Library:

You can connect to the Internet on your laptop and work for free, without interruption whether inside the Library or in the patio garden. Drop by the Library Service desk and find out how!



LIBRARY SERVICES

Learn a Language with "Mango":

An active Library card and password gives you free access to 38 language modules with Mango—a new, user-friendly Library online database. Mango uses real-life situations and native speakers to help you learn a language's essential vocabulary and phrases, and develop practical conversational skills. You can track your progress as you learn how to communicate effectively in another tongue. Mango also offers ESL programs for a variety of non-English speakers. Try it today!

"Titles to Go" Homebound Service:

If you are a resident of Sierra Madre and cannot come to the Library, the Library can come to you! You need not be permanently homebound to qualify—if you are temporarily indisposed due to a broken limb, or

are recovering from surgery, for example, you are also welcome to take advantage of this service. Volunteers are available to take care of all your Library needs—selecting and delivering fiction and non-fiction books to your home, and returning the items when you have finished them. With your active Library card, a full



range of material will be available to you—large and regular print books, audio books, Playaways, and music CDs. Call Ana Valencia, Program Coordinator, at 626-355-7186, to get started on this free program today!

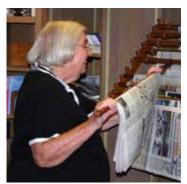
Speed Read Books:

For those who like to read 'em first and read 'em fast, the Library offers a "Speed Read" shelf of the most popular Best Sellers. Speed Read copies are available for seven-day checkout only, with no renewals or holds allowed. Overdue fines are \$1.00 per day per book. These books are second copies of titles that can also be found on our New Book shelves for the standard three-week checkout.

Library Volunteer Program:

Be part of our own Library's mission to provide our patrons with a welcoming environment, quality materials, and technology, while working alongside a professional, dedicated staff. We need your help

with short-term projects well as ongoing tasks in the following areas: technology, scrapbooking, archives, photography, grounds keeping/ gardening, and behind-the-scenes general Library work. Volunteer applications



are available at the Library Service Desk. For more information visit our site at www.volunteermatch.org, or call Ana Valencia, Library Volunteer Coordinator, at 626-355-7186.

Adult Computer Classes:

Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:00-11:30 a.m. Offered year-round. Classes include Basic Computer I & II, Basic Internet I & II, Email Basics, Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Desktop Publishing. Schedules and registration forms are available at the Library's Circulation Desk. A \$20.00 deposit per class is required at the time of registration, which is refunded upon attendance.

Sierra Madre Historical Archives:

Explore local history at the Sierra Madre Historical Archives, jointly owned and maintained by the Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society and the Sierra Madre Public Library. For assistance with research, please call Debbie Henderson at 626-355-7186 x 118 for an appointment.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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YOUTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

A FAMILY PLACE

Sierra Madre Public Library is a Family Place library, a statewide initiative to promote the literacy, early childhood development, parent education and family support of young children. A Family Place Library is a center for early childhood information, parent education, emergent literacy, socialization and family support. A Family Place builds on the knowledge that good health, early learning, parental involvement and supportive communities play a critical role in young children's growth and development.

The core components of a Family Place library include books, toys, music and multimedia materials for babies, toddlers and parents; a specially-designed,

welcoming space for families with young children: Parent/Child Workshops; connecting parents to community resources and developing programs and services tailored to meet local needs; developmentally and



appropriate programming for very young children and their parents. For more information on Family Place programs and services, please call Meegan Tosh at 626-355-4672.

PRESCHOOL STORYHOUR

Mondays 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. and Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Lively stories, songs, and crafts for young children.

BARKS AND BOOKS

On the second Thursday of each month, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., September – July. Children visit with and read to specially trained dogs, assisted by Pasadena Humane Society volunteer Dorothy Raymond.

TEEN BOOK CLUB AND ADVISORY BOARD:

Youth in Grades 7 – 12 meet every Thursday from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m., October through June, at the Youth Activity Center, 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. Join us for fun books, games, crafts, and yummy snacks, to

brainstorm ideas for teen programs, outreach, and book club selections, and to discuss current cultural and literary trends. Sign up on line or at the Library. For more information on the youth programs, call Meegan Tosh at 626-355-4672, or go to the Library's homepage, www.sierramadre.lib.ca.us.

SIERRA MADRE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

It was 1953 when a few visionaries recognized that even a library needs a friend and so began the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library. "The purpose of the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library is to promote awareness of, support for, and utilization of the high quality programs, services, and facilities of the Sierra Madre Library as a lifelong center of learning."

How can you be part of this vital volunteer organization? Applications for membership can be found on the Friends' website (http://www.sierramadrelibraryfriends.org) or you can contact membership chair Dave Hart at 626-446-8209. Our Best Used Book Sales are held every other month (the next two are in October and December) and co-chairs Martha Troedson 626-355-0650 and Alan Leahy 626-355-9783 can always use help evaluating, sorting, pricing, and selling the huge number of books that are culled from our library's shelves or donated. And just think – you'll get a first look at the high quality books we have for sale.

The Sierra Madre Library's Annual Wine and Cuisine Tasting chair, Sue Levoe 626-355-3236, says that planning began in August and that volunteers are needed for ticket sales, publicity, acting as hosts that evening, working with the high school volunteers, setting up, cleaning up, contacting the restaurants that participate, and, most especially, soliciting items for the silent auction.

Alison Snow 626-355-1544 is this year's chair of the Friends of the Sierra Madre Library Art Fair. Art Fair volunteers are needed for the exhibits, food, entertainment (music), and publicity committees. Alison would especially like help on the entertainment committee finding musicians to play at the Art Fair throughout the weekend.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Community Arts Commission Fall/Winter Art Exhibition & Reception

The City of Sierra Madre Community Arts Commission presents the Fall/Winter featured Artist, Halcyon Koerber. Her work will be displayed at the Sierra Madre City Hall starting Monday, September 19, 2011 through Thursday, November 17, 2011. Halcyon Koerber's Art Exhibition Reception is scheduled for Friday, October 14, 2011 from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm and is open to the public at Sierra Madre City Hall.

Call for Artists for Art Shows

If you are interested in submitting your work for an art show, please submit samples (copies, not originals) of your work to: Community & Personnel Services Department, c/o Community Arts Commission - Art Review Board, 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. If you have additional questions, please call the Community & Personnel Services Department at 626-355-5278.

Sierra Madre Friends of the Arts (SMFOTA)

The Sierra Madre Friends of the Arts will provide Sierra Madre with engaging arts events and activities for its artists and community that will encourage creative learning, promote cultural and multicultural experiences, and enrich the appreciation of the arts.

Become a member of SIERRA MADRE FRIENDS OF THE ARTS, Student (under 16) \$10; Individual \$20; Family \$45; Contributor \$75; Patron \$100; SPONSOR \$250. Join us at our next General Meeting on October 18 at 7 p.m. upstairs in the Youth Activity Center adjacent to the Community Center. For more information please contact Visit us on Facebook; Sierra Madre Friends of the Arts. For more information please contact Patricia Ancona at pancona@lacma.org or PO BOX 192 Sierra Madre, CA 91025.

Sierra Madre Rose Float Association's 2021 Entry: "Colorful Imagination"

Colorful Imagination will be the Sierra Madre Rose Float Associations 80th entry in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses annual parade. The Association takes great pride in representing our wonderful city each year and in receiving awards consecutively the last six years. Colorful Imagination is a whimsical presentation of children playing with paint allowing their imaginations to create via the blending of colors beautiful butterflies up to 10 ft long with articulating wings raised to 25 ft.



Upcoming Events/Mixers/Ribbon Cuttings

Celebrating 80th Anniversary of Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Saturday, Nov. 26 Society on Thursday, September 8, 5:30 p.m. at Lizzie's Trail Inn

Social Media Workshop: Get Connected

Linking it all Together: Facebook, Twitter, Linkedin, Email Marketing, Where: The beautiful Santa Anita Park, Arcadia, CA When: Thursday September 22, 2011, 8:30am - 12 noon RSVP: Attendees MUST RSVP before September 19, 2011 To register FREE and RSVP go to: http://conta.cc/hutdogs For more information visit www.SierraMadreChamber.com

2012 Wistaria Festival - Save the Date

Sunday, March 25, 2012

Presented by the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce For more information visit www.wistariafestival.com

Dickens Village

3:00pm to 8:00pm

- Shopping
- Santa Claus
- Sledding
- Horse and **Buggy Rides**
- Caroling
- Tree Lighting Ceremony

JOIN US!! Downtown Sierra Madre.

www.SMDickensVillage.info





Sierra Madre Civic Club

SMCC meetings are held yeararound on the 2nd Thursday night of the month, 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center 611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd. Women throughout the area are invited to join the group and enjoy a special club experience. For more information call Alice Clark at 626-355-7385. Members have published a cookbook, "Recipes We Proudly Share", priced at \$15.00 each and available by calling 626-355-0852.

Sierra Madre Environmental Action Council

The Sierra Madre Environmental Action Council (SMEAC) was formed in 1971 and is dedicated to promoting environmental quality in the community through continuing educations, programs, and projects. Regular meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of the month. We invite you to join us in our efforts and to share our environmental concerns. For information contact Alison Snow at 626-355-1544.

Sierra Madre Garden Club

The Sierra Madre Garden Club invites you to attend their dinner meetings held on the 2nd Monday night of the month, 6:30 p.m., from October through May, a delicious catered dinner followed by a program of interest. Dinner cost is \$9.00 with reservations made by calling 626-355-0606, or for more information. To attend just the program - no charge and no reservation is needed, arrive by 7:15 p.m.

Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society

The SMHPS presents an Adventure in History through Costumes on October 15, 2011 at 2pm and tickets are \$40, the Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society in a continued celebration of it's 80th anniversary, will offer an afternoon tea and authentic costume presentation. For more information call Dane Lenton at 626-355-3905 or visit the web site www.smhps.org.

Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club

The Sierra Madre Kiwanis Club's Annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser will happen on Saturday, Sept. 24 in Memorial Park. The breakfast will feature delicious pancakes,



succulent sausage, healthy OJ, and lots of wide-awake coffee! Breakfast will be served 7 to 11 am. Tickets cost

\$5 each, and are available from any Kiwanis member or from many local merchants who will have tickets for sale. Just look for the "Pancake poster" in their windows. Tickets can be purchased at the event that morning.

Sierra Madre Mountain Conservancy

The Sierra Madre Mountain Conservancy is a local, non-profit, public benefit corporation dedicated to the protection and preservation of the natural beauty and integrity of the foothills along Sierra Madre's northern boundary. The SMMC participates with the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Rim of the Valley Corridor program to preserve public lands to protect trailhead access for hikers on the Mt. Wilson Trail leading into the Sierra Madre Historical Wilderness and the Bailey Canyon Trail leading into the Bailey Canyon Wilderness. For information contact: Caroline Brown, President, 626-355-9350 or Marcia Bent, Secretary, 626-355-5372.

Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team

Open House on Sunday October 16 from 1-4 p.m. at the Rescue Station, 1901 Stonehouse Road at Grandview Avenue, Sierra Madre, Celebrating 60 years of Service

to the Community 1951-2011! Sierra Madre Search and Rescue Team is an allvolunteer, not for profit organization, supported entirely by private donations, and dedicated to saving lives



in the wilderness. We never charge for a rescue. SMSR is recruiting. If you are physically fit, live locally and have outdoor experience, please visit our website at www. smsr.org for an application.

Sierra Madre Woman's Club

Sierra Madre Woman's Club is located at 550 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Daytime meetings are held most months on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Bridge and Games Tea is Saturday, October 29, 1pm-4pm to attend call 355-1351. Annual Prayer Breakfast, Wednesday, November 16, 8am-9am call 355-3928 to make a reservation. Huge Holiday Sale is Friday and Saturday, Dec. 2 & 3, 9am to 3pm, proceeds support club charties, shop phone is 626-355-7739. For membership, please call Phyllis Chapman, 626-355-3928.

PARK AND FACILITY RESERVATIONS

General Information

Select recreation facilities may be rented by private organizations and community groups. Reservations and permits must be filed with the Community and Personnel Services Department. A reservation guarantees the permit holder use of the facility, if no reservation/permit is made the facility is available on a first come first serve basis. Any group desiring information concerning reservations should call Recreation Coordinator Susan Clifton at 626-355-7394 or visit www.cityofsierramadre.com. All Sierra Madre parks are open to the public from 6:00am-10:00pm except Bailey Canyon, which is open from dawn to dusk.

How to Reserve?

Please visit the City's online reservation system at www.cityofsierramadre.com/onlineregistration. Users will need to create an online account in order to request reservations of facilities or parks. Once an online request is submitted the City will contact you within 5 business days to update the status of the reservation. Please note, currently the Hart Park House is under renovation.

How Much?

Rates are divided into local non-profit organization and all other group rates. Park reservations start at \$53* for local non-profits and \$80* for private groups. Park fees increase as the size of the reservation increases and are subject to additional liability insurance requirements. Groups may also reserve a variety of City of Sierra Madre facilities including: multi-purpose rooms, Youth Activity Center, and Aquatic Center. More information can be found at www.cityofsierramadre.com/onlineregistration or by calling Recreation Coordinator Susan Clifton at 626-355-7394.

Facility	Non-Profit Fee*	All Other Renter Fee*
Community Recreation Center - Fireside Room (Daily)	\$381.00	\$762.00
Community Center - Sierra Madre Room (Daily)**	\$516.00	\$1,043.00
Hart Park House (Daily)**	\$440.00	\$879.00
Youth Activity Center (Daily)**	\$686.00	\$1,371.00
Aquatic Center (Hourly)	\$57.00	\$140.00
Annual Use Groups (Monthly)	\$150.00	N/A
Annual Use Groups (Weekly)	\$500.00	N/A
Additional Fees		Fees*
Facility Attendant (Hourly)		\$24.00
Lifeguard (Hourly)		\$24.00
Alcohol Permit		\$68.00
Security Deposit		\$500.00
Cancellation Fee		
Cancellation 30 or more days prior to event 15% of deposit reta		
Cancellation less than 30 days prior to event 50% of deposit re		

^{*} All fees subject to change by the City Council

**Ask staff for rates without tables and chairs









MEMORIAL PARK PAVILION

SIERRA MADRE AQUATIC CENTER

SIERRA VISTA PARK

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PARKS AND FACILITIES

BAILEY CANYON



451 W. Carter Ave.

Park amenities include: picnic areas, hiking trails, botanical area, handicap accessibility and parking, fire ring, interpretive display, restrooms and marker signage.

MEMORIAL PARK



222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Park amenities include: Hart Park House, playground, weeping bandshell, covered pavilion, courts, community gardens and handicap parking.

GOLDBERG PARK



171 S. Sunnyside Ave.

Milton and Harriet Goldberg Park stones benches, sand play area, dry stream bed, desert willow hut structure and California native plants.

SIERRA VISTA PARK



611 E. Sierra Madre Blvd.

Park include: Community Services Office, YAC, Aquatic Center, pavilion, playground, tennis, volleyball and basketball courts, Heasley and Dapper fields, Rose Float Barn, restrooms and dog park.

MT. WILSON TRAIL PAI



89 E. Mira Monte Ave.

Park amenities include: playground equipment, multiple picnic table areas, benches, open grass area, City's beloved turtle.

MOUNT WILSON TRAIL



189 E. Mira Monte Ave.

A trail leading to Mount Wilson Observatory which was founded in 1904, the trail is the site of the second oldest trail race in California Intermediate destinations are First Water and Orchard Camp.

For more information please visit www.cityofsierramadre.com or contact the Community and Personnel Services Office at 626 • 355 • 5278