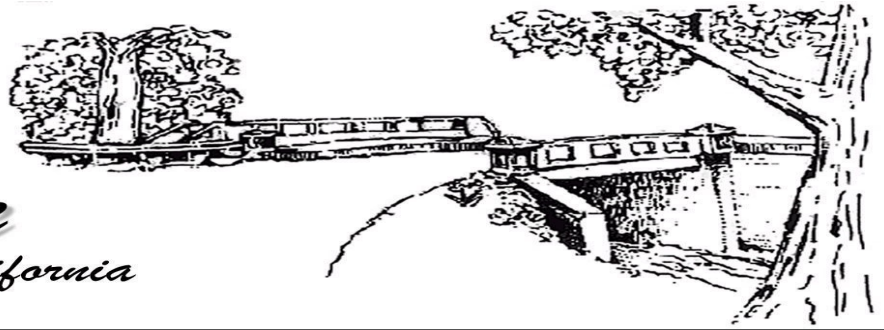


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The Creekside Cabana Club

October 2020

DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK & GET AN EXTRA HOUR OF SLEEP!

Sunday, November 1, 2020

Daylight savings time ends Sunday, November 1st at 2 AM

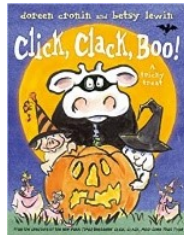


Don't forget to **set your clocks BACK**
1 hour before you go to bed on
Saturday, October 31st!



HALLOWEEN BOOKTACULAR GIVEAWAY

Stop by select San Jose Public Library locations where Express Pickup is available from **Monday, October 26 to Saturday, October 31**, and receive **1 FREE** book for kids birth to 18 years of age while supplies last! Wearing a costume to get a free book is not required but encouraged to get kids into the Halloween spirit. Make sure not to miss out on this great offer! You can find out more information about this by visiting www.sjpl.org/blog/halloween-booktacular-giveaway.



VETERANS' DAY IS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2020



THANK YOU! While we cannot gather this year like we have traditionally done in years past to celebrate our veterans, there is still a way to show your support for them! The Veterans' Day Parade that takes place in downtown San Jose will be held virtually this year. We are planning an exciting event that is both inclusive and reflective of the day to honor our men and women in uniform. The virtual Veterans' Day Parade will take place on Wednesday, November 11th, 2020 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm on the United Veterans Council website at <https://uvcscc.org/events> as well as on various media outlets including social media sites. The theme for this year's virtual event is "**Honor Their Sacrifice**".

THE POOL IS NOW CLOSED!

We hope that all who used the pool, enjoyed going for a swim especially on those hot summer days. Stay safe and here is hoping that we will once again be able to open it up for everybody to use as we normally would in 2021.



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MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS

Creekside Cabana Club Board Meetings are held the third Wednesday of the odd months of the year in the Creekside Cabana Club clubhouse at 8:00 PM. All members are invited to come and find out what exciting things will be happening at the Cabana.

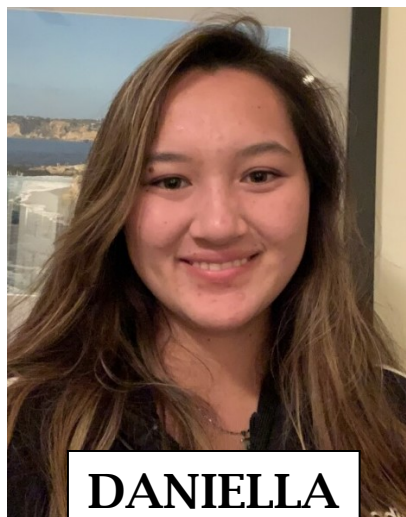
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Note From Our Pool Manager, Ivonne Luescher



Hello Creekside! The pool is now officially closed for 2020. And what a doozy of a year 2020 has been with COVID-19 and fires having a huge impact on our operations. I'd like to say **THANK YOU** to our wonderful staff pictured here for being flexible and willing to work and therefore allowing our members to use the pool even if in a limited capacity. I hope that those members who got to use the facility felt safe and enjoyed their time in the pool as we took all the necessary precautions to keep everyone protected during these unprecedented times. I'd also like to thank our members for also being flexible as we did our very best to try to give them the opportunity to use the facility despite having decreased to no income which would normally come from associate memberships, swim lessons, cabana club rentals and pool party rentals. It was truly a balancing act! I really look forward to the time that we can go back to "normal" with swim meets and holiday events and lots of members being able to enjoy and make memories at our little piece of paradise in the community I love. For any questions or concerns, I can be contacted by

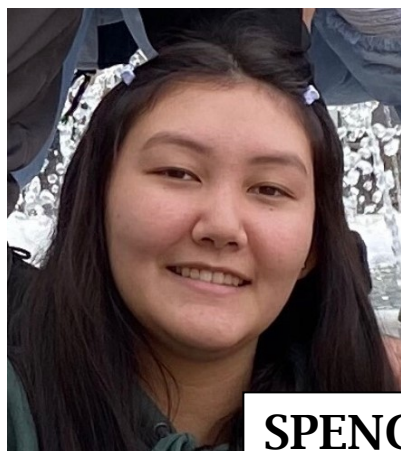
email at creeksidecabanaclub@gmail.com. And just a friendly reminder that with regards to the availability of the clubhouse for use, this is a separate issue that goes through Michelle Moreno whose contact information can be found under the "clubhouse rental" tab at the top of our webpage. In closing, here is hoping that everybody stays safe as well as does the right things such as wearing a mask and social distancing to keep everybody around them and in their community safe. If we can do this while staying positive and being respectful and patient with one another, then just maybe there is hope that we can once again open normally in 2021 and truly enjoy all that our Cabana Club has to offer! We are all in this together!



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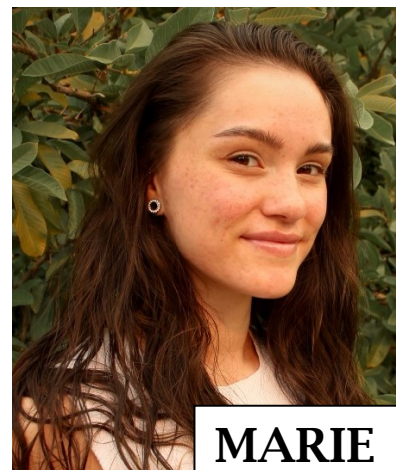
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CELEBRATING HALLOWEEN & TRICK-OR-TREATING IN 2020

Halloween and the traditional way of going trick-or-treating may not look the same this year, but this does not mean you have to celebrate this beloved holiday any less! Here are some ideas you can do with your family this year that still makes it **FUN** for all but keeps everybody **SAFE** at the same time.

1. Indoor Candy Hunt or Indoor Trick-or-Treating: Go on an indoor Halloween candy hunt Easter style. Just put candy into little pumpkin-shaped eggs and hide them in the house for the kids to find. You could even turn off the lights and use glow sticks to enhance the candy hunting experience. Alternatively, you can also close all the doors (bedroom doors, bathroom doors, closet doors etc.) in your house, turn off the lights and have one person supervise while the kids walk around the house with flashlights knocking on each door that other family members are behind handing out candy.

2. Go on a Halloween scavenger hunt: Give your kids a list of things to look for in your neighborhood while looking at Halloween decorations from a distance. And remember to wear a mask and stay at least 6 feet apart from people not in your household when out in public this Halloween.

3. Spooky Movie Marathon: A spooky movie marathon on Netflix or Disney Plus while enjoying some of your favorite candies or treats instead of popcorn might be the perfect way for you to celebrate Halloween this year. Some classics as well as fun Halloween movies to watch are *Hotel Transylvania*, *The Dog Who Saved Halloween*, *It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown*, *Beetlejuice*, *The Addams Family*, *Double, Double Toil And Trouble*, *The Nightmare Before Christmas*, *Hocus Pocus*, *Casper*, *Matilda*, *The Mummy*, *Halloweentown*, *ParaNorman*, *Frankenweenie*, *Mom's Got A Date With A Vampire*, and *Ghostbusters* just to name a few.

4. Host A Virtual Costume Contest: You can still wear awesome costumes on Halloween and show them off by hosting a virtual costume contest on Zoom or Skype with friends and family. You can even give out awards for the most creative or creepiest costume and plan to play some virtual games together.

5. Have A Halloween Dance Party: Even if the only attendees at your dance party are you and your kids, you can still crank up some Halloween-themed tunes and dance it out. Learn the "Monster Mash," teach your kids how to do the "Thriller" dance or blast the "Oogie Boogie Song" on repeat and show off your best mummified moves.

6. Play Halloween Games: Instead of trick-or-treating you can have a Halloween themed game night with your family. You can turn classic games into Halloween games such as Witch Hat Ring Toss, Mummy Wrap and Pop Goes The Pumpkin (www.romper.com/p/11-super-fun-kids-halloween-games-for-the-best-party-ever-80936). You can also play board games like the *Hocus Pocus* board game and *Ghostbusters Monopoly* or put together puzzles featuring pumpkins, ghosts, or mummies to add to your Halloween themed game night fun.

9. Tell Ghost Stories: Grab some blankets, build a giant indoor fort, and pile inside with your family to create the perfect space to share some creepy Halloween ghost stories. Make the room dark and then pile inside the fort with your kids, using flashlights to illuminate your face from below your chin while you tell spooky ghost stories.

10. Smash A Halloween Piñata: One exciting way for your kids to receive Halloween candy without trick-or-treating this year is to put it inside a Halloween themed pinata. This way you can fill it up with your family's favorite treats.

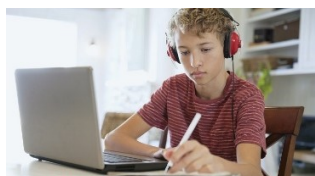
11. Make a Special Halloween Meal: Your family has to eat at some point on Halloween, so you might as well amp up the spooky factor by making a special Halloween themed meal. Plan your menu to feature popular Halloween dishes such as Mummy Hot Dogs, Ghost Pizzas and Jello Skulls.

12. Bake and Decorate Halloween Cookies: Making some delicious Halloween sugar cookies with the kids and then decorating them like spiders, ghosts, and pumpkins is one way to help them celebrate the holiday with some treats, even if you won't be going door to door. You could also bake a cake or cupcakes to decorate in a Halloween theme.

13. Make Halloween Crafts: Even if you have already decorated your house for Halloween, there is no harm in making a couple more, small decorations with your kids on Halloween. Have some fun making coffee filter bats together (www.thisgrandmaisfun.com/coffee-filter-halloween-bats)!



Are you stressed about what to do about work and the school year starting with distance learning? Are you looking for a well-respected, fun, and educational child care that can take care of your kids safely during these uncertain times? If so, check out **DUFFY'S FAMILY CHILD CARE** while there are still a few spots **AVAILABLE!**



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3898 Yerba Buena Ave., San Jose, CA 95121
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- Breakfast & Snacks Are Provided - Need To Bring Your Own Lunch
- Homework Assistance And Educational Computer Time Provided
- Fun Activities Including Arts & Crafts As Well As An Occasional Trip To The Park To Scooter Or Skateboard During The Day
- All Necessary State & Local COVID-19 Protocols Such As Wearing Masks, Regular Hand Washing, Daily Sanitation, And Following Social Distancing Whenever Possible Being Followed To Ensure The Safety Of Your Kids

**If interested, contact Sally Duffy @ (408) 270-0644
for further details as well as references.**

WINTER CONDITIONING



2020



**3664 NORWOOD AVE.
SAN JOSE, CA 95148
4 BEDS, 2.5 BATHS
1,968 SQ FT
8,100 SQ FT LOT**



**2162 TORYGLEN WAY
SAN JOSE, CA 95121
4 BEDS, 1.5 BATHS
1,330 SQ FT
6,832 SQ FT LOT**

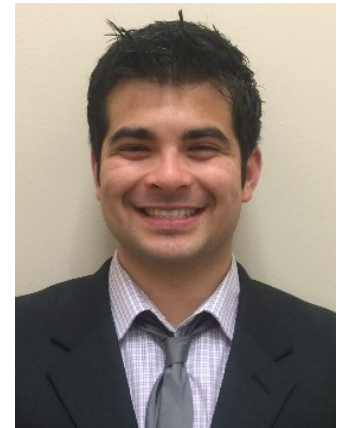


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Ever Wonder Where Día de los Muertos Actually Originated From?

The Day of the Dead (el Día de los Muertos), is a Mexican holiday where families welcome back the souls of their deceased relatives for a brief reunion that includes food, drink, and celebration. A blend of Mesoamerican ritual, European religion and Spanish culture, the holiday is celebrated each year from October 31st to November 2nd. October 31st is Halloween and November 1st is “el Día de los Inocentes,” or the day of the children and All Saints Day. November 2nd is All Souls Day or the Day of the Dead. According to tradition, the gates of heaven are opened at midnight on October 31st and the spirits of children can rejoin their families for 24 hours. The spirits of adults can do the same on November 2nd. While the Day of the Dead today is celebrated all around the world, it dates back some 3,000 years, to the rituals honoring the dead in pre-Columbian Mesoamerica. The Aztecs and other Nahua people living in what is now central Mexico held a cyclical view of the universe, and saw death as an integral, ever-present part of life. Upon dying, a person was believed to travel to Chicunamictlán, the Land of the Dead. Only after getting through nine challenging levels, a journey of several years, could the person’s soul finally reach Mictlán, the final resting place. In Nahua rituals honoring the dead, traditionally held in August, family members provided food, water, and tools to aid the deceased in this difficult journey. This inspired the contemporary Day of the Dead practice in which people leave food or other offerings on their loved ones’ graves or set them out on makeshift altars called ofrendas in their homes. The most prominent symbols related to the Day of the Dead are calacas (skeletons) and calaveras (skulls). In the early 19th century, the printer and cartoonist José Guadalupe Posada reenvisioned Mictecacihuatl, the Aztec goddess of the underworld, as a female skeleton known as La Calavera Catrina, now the most recognizable Day of the Dead icon. During contemporary Day of the Dead festivities, people commonly wear skull masks and eat sugar candy molded into the shape of skulls. The pan de ánimas of All Souls Day rituals in Spain is reflected in pan de muerto, the traditional sweet baked good of the Day of the Dead celebrations today. Other food and drink associated with the holiday, but consumed year-round as well, include spicy dark chocolate and the corn-based liquor called atole. You can wish someone a happy Day of the Dead by saying, “Feliz día de los Muertos.”

The Perfect Fall Dessert: Cream Cheese Frosted Pumpkin Cake



INGREDIENTS

2 cups all-purpose flour
(spooned and leveled)
2 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. baking soda
2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
1 tsp. ground cinnamon
1 tsp. salt

1 (15 oz.) can pumpkin puree
1 cup oil (canola or vegetable)
1 cup brown sugar
1 / 2 cup granulated sugar
4 large eggs
2 tsp. pure vanilla extract

ICING:

1 (8 oz.) package brick-style cream
cheese, softened
1 / 2 cup unsalted butter, softened
2 cups powdered sugar
1 tsp. pure vanilla extract

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 350 °F. Spray a 9x13 baking pan with nonstick cooking spray and set aside. In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, baking soda, pumpkin pie spice, ground cinnamon, and salt. Set aside. In a separate bowl, whisk together the pumpkin puree, oil, sugars, eggs, and vanilla until fully combined. Add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients and mix until just combined. Pour the batter into the prepared pan and spread into an even layer. Bake for 30-40 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the center of the cake comes out clean. If needed, cover loosely with foil for the last 5-10 minutes of baking to prevent excess browning. ICING: In a large mixing bowl, using a hand-held mixer, beat the cream cheese until smooth. Add the butter and mix for up to 1 minute until well combined. Add the powdered sugar and vanilla extract and continue mixing until fully combined, scraping down the sides of the bowl as needed. Scoop the frosting onto the cooled cake and spread it around into an even layer.



VEGETABLE GARDENING CHART



With many people hunkering down at home and not going out as much, gardening has become more of a regular pastime. Here is a complete chart which tells you what time of year is the best to plant which vegetables (Y=Yes, N=No and P=Possible on the chart) whether it be as a seed directly in the ground or transplanted from pods grown in the house. For more tips and information on how to plant certain vegetables if you go to the UC Master Gardeners of Santa Clara County's website at mgsantaclara.ucanr.edu.

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	From seed to transplant
<u>Artichoke</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	12 weeks
<u>Arugula</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	P	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	4 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	P	Y	Y	Y	P	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	
<u>Asparagus</u>	Plant crowns	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	
<u>Basil</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	6 weeks
<u>Beans</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	3 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Beets</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	6 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	N	
<u>Bok choy</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	3 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	
<u>Broccoli</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	N	6 weeks
<u>Brussels Sprouts</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	N	N	6 weeks
<u>Cabbage</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	N	6 weeks
<u>Cabbage (Napa)</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	3 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	
<u>Carrots</u>	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	
<u>Cauliflower</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	P	Y	P	N	N	6 weeks
<u>Chard</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	4 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	
<u>Chayote</u>	Plant fruit	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	
<u>Cilantro</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	P	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	4 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	P	Y	Y	Y	P	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	
<u>Collards</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	6 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	
<u>Corn</u>	Direct seed	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Cucumber</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	4 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Dill</u>	Direct seed	N	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	
<u>Eggplant</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	8 weeks
<u>Fava beans</u>	Direct seed	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	N	
<u>Fennel</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	6 weeks
-	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	



VEGETABLE GARDENING CHART

(Y=Yes, N=No and P=Possible)



		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	From seed to transplant
<u>Garlic</u>	Plant cloves	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	
<u>Kale</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	4 weeks
	Direct seed	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	
<u>Kohlrabi</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	6 weeks
	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	
<u>Leeks</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	8 weeks
<u>Lettuce</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	4 weeks
	Direct seed	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	
<u>Melons</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	4 weeks
	Direct seed	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Mustard Greens</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	4 weeks
	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	
<u>Okra</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	4 weeks
	Direct seed	N	N	N	N	P	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Onions</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	8 weeks
<u>Parsley</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	N	N	N	N	9 weeks
<u>Parsnips</u>	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	
<u>Peas</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	3 weeks
	Direct seed	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	N	
<u>Peppers</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	8 weeks
<u>Potatoes</u>	Plant pieces	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Pumpkins</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	3 weeks
	Direct seed	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Radishes</u>	Direct seed	N	P	Y	Y	Y	P	N	P	Y	Y	P	N	
<u>Spinach</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	4 weeks
	Direct seed	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	
<u>Squash (Summer)</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	3 weeks
	Direct seed	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Squash (Winter)</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	3 weeks
	Direct seed	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Sweet Potatoes</u>	Plant slips	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	
<u>Tomatoes</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	6 weeks
<u>Turnips</u>	Transplant	N	Y	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	4 weeks
	Direct seed	N	N	Y	Y	P	N	N	P	Y	Y	N	N	
<u>Zucchini</u>	Transplant	N	N	N	P	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	3 weeks
	Direct seed	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	

Happy Gardening!



KARATE CLASSES ARE BACK IN FULL SWING!



Dragon Cloud Dojo Creekside has been back in full swing for 2 months now for our returning students only at this time. It has been fun seeing you all back doing karate with us as we hold classes with a maximum of 12 students per class outside of the clubhouse at the Creekside Cabaña Club while adhering to the county mandated social distancing and facemask requirements. A full list of our class offerings, times and much more information about our karate program and our two very accomplished karate instructors (both 5th degree black belts as well as two time Hall of Fame award winners), Senseis James and Deborah Garner, can be found on our website at www.dragoncloudsj.com. For more information about our karate program, feel free to contact either Sensei James or Deborah Garner directly by email at dragonclouddeb@gmail.com or by phone at (408) 223-7233. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to continue learning from them and we look forward to the day this pandemic is behind us and we can once again offer our classes to anyone interested in learning karate as it is a great outlet at any age!

Congratulations To Our Newest 5th Kyu Green Belt Promotion Recipient, Caitlin!



Caitlin has been studying the Art of Chugoku Kenpo Karate since she was 6 years old. This young lady is dedicated, talented, tough, committed and always willing to learn. She has competed in several tournaments over the past few years and has been awarded several metals for her competition divisions. She is excellent in Kata (forms) and excels in Kumite (fighting). And do not let that cute face fool you! She can quickly and efficiently execute multiple striking techniques on anyone who tries to hurt, hit or grab her.

As Caitlin moves further along in her martial arts training, she is considered an advanced student at the Green belt level. She is now able to start her weapons training with the Bo staff and move on to learning 15 more self defense techniques as well as several more advanced Katas.

Congratulations Caitlin on your belt promotion!





StoryWalk: A Free, Outdoor Reading Adventure: Join the San Jose Public Library for its first StoryWalk reading experience in the Alum Rock Village in East San Jose. StoryWalks are FREE outdoor reading experiences where families walk along a short route and read a story, station by station. These StoryWalks are a great way to discover and support local community businesses, family bonding, physical activity, and the joys of reading and learning. Local small businesses in the Alum Rock Village along Alum Rock Avenue and White Road will display story pages on their storefronts. Each bilingual Spanish-English story page is accompanied by fun questions and prompts for caregivers and children to do together. The story pages stay posted for several weeks at a time for families and passersby to enjoy. For more information about this go to www.sjpl.org/blog/storywalk-free-outdoor-reading-adventure.

Great Shake Out 2020: While the pandemic has shaken things up a bit by bringing with it many uncertainties and challenges, so would an earthquake if we are not prepared. That is why one thing is for sure, despite COVID-19, ShakeOut is still happening this year! While International ShakeOut Day is always the third Thursday of October and was October 15th this year, you can always hold our #ShakeOut drill when and where you want. You can choose another date or several dates, and include people in multiple locations such as your home, place of work or school, and perhaps through video conferencing to keep everybody safe during the pandemic. It is always a good idea to practice earthquake safety in different situations each year which is why we encourage you to do these drills. ShakeOut organizers are here to support you and more information about this can be found on their website at www.shakeout.org.

Window On The River Park 2020: This challenging year has emphasized the vital role that parks play in our public health and civic well-being. Now, more than ever, we are reflecting on the power of community through crisis. That is why we are asking you to join us once again on October 22, 2020 from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm to celebrate community resilience through our Guadalupe River Park, with an eye towards our vision as San Jose's Civic Greenway. This year however, we are bringing the park and party to you during the first-ever virtual celebration of all things Guadalupe River Park & Gardens. For more information and to register for this event, go to www.grpg.org/events/window-on-the-river-park.

17th Annual Water Festival: This beloved, FREE and educational festival that takes place annually at Guadalupe River Park & Gardens has been postponed for now due to the pandemic but will be held again on September 16, 2021 for you to enjoy. Go to www.grpg.org/education/waterfestival for more information.

Pumpkins In The Park: This beloved and FREE harvest family friendly fair that draws hundreds of people and takes place annually at Guadalupe River Park & Gardens has been postponed for now due to the pandemic. We look forward to welcoming you back to Discovery Meadow for this day of fun and learning for the whole family on Saturday, October 9, 2021 from 10 am to 4 pm when we are hopefully able to gather once again. For more information and any updates, go to www.grpg.org/events/pumpkins-in-the-park.



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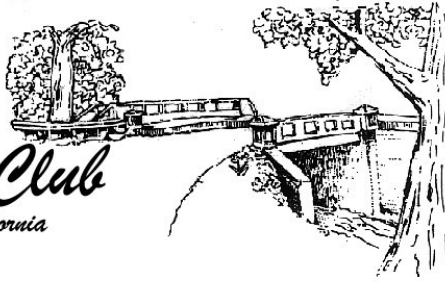
Cycle of Hope 2020: Ride Cycle of Hope from Saturday October 1 to Sunday October 25, 2020 and support Habitat for Humanity. Cycle of Hope is back for its third year, but this year's charity ride looks a little different. As we shift gears to keep ourselves and our community safe in the face of the pandemic, we are bringing our event to you this year with the Cycle of Hope: Ride from Home. While we may not be gathering by the hundreds this year, some things have not changed. You can still expect plenty of courses for you to ride on at every skill level as well as the option to design your own, plenty of perks, a finish celebration to remember, and the chance to make a real change in the housing crisis. Most importantly, we are still riding toward a common purpose which is be part of a change to help provide safe, decent, and affordable shelter to more people in the Bay Area. And all wheels on the ground are needed to do it. So, even though we are apart for this very important event this year, together, we ride. If interested, go to www.habitatsv.org/events/cycle-of-hope-2020 for more information.

Second Harvest of Silicon Valley: Now more than ever, food banks are in great need of monetary donations, food donations as well as volunteers to help distribute food if healthy! One such food bank is Second Harvest and more information about how you can help can be found at www.shfb.org.

Loaves & Fishes: The pandemic has left many families hungry, displaced, and homeless. This is why now more than ever we need volunteers that are healthy to step up and help serve at our various sites or deliver nutritious meals to these families. If you are unable to volunteer, monetary donations towards such things as purchasing the food necessary to make the meals, are greatly needed and appreciated at the moment as well. For more information on how you can help, go to their website at www.loavesfishes.org.



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