

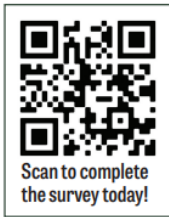


ABOUT TOWN - FEBRUARY 15, 2023 UPDATE FROM MORAGA TOWN STAFF

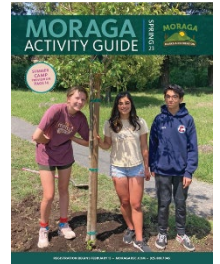


MORAGA SPRING/SUMMER RECREATION REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Recreation registration is now open! Head to www.moraga.ca.us/activityguide to view upcoming programs. Don't miss out on the early bird registration discount for Moraga Day Camp and Day Camp Jr. Also the Town of Moraga Parks and



Recreation Department would like your input to help determine program, activity, and event priorities for our community! You can complete the survey online at moraga.ca.us/recreationsurvey, via email to recdesk@moraga.ca.us, or return the page to the Parks and Recreation Department in person, mailed to 2100 Donald Drive Moraga 94556. Please share your feedback by March 10, 2023. We value your input and look forward to hearing from you!



GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION COALITION APPLICANTS WANTED



Contra Costa Health (CCH) is seeking dedicated and passionate individuals to join a new Gun Violence Prevention Coalition to support the County's efforts to reduce gun violence. The Coalition will help to set and achieve goals of CCH's Violence Prevention Project, work supported by a \$1.5 million federal grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. CCH is currently seeking applications from representatives of community-based organizations, law enforcement agencies, other health-centered and faith-based organizations, and those who were formerly incarcerated and justice-involved. Residents are strongly encouraged to apply with lived experience, diverse backgrounds, and perspectives. To apply for the GVPC, please go to: <http://tiny.cc/CCGVPC> and **submit your responses no later than Friday, February 24, 2023, by 5 p.m.**



APPLICATIONS FOR GRAND JURY SERVICE SOUGHT

The Contra Costa County Superior Court is accepting applications for Civil Grand Jury Service for the Fiscal Year 2023/24 term. The Civil Grand Jury is made up of 19 members who serve for one year, July through June, to monitor, review and report on city and county governments, special districts and schools. Jurors receive a stipend for attending full jury and committee meetings and are reimbursed for allowable jury travel. Application deadline is March 24, 2023. Contact the Office of the Civil Grand Jury at 925-608-2621 or visit [CCC Grand Jury](http://cccgrandjury.com) for more information and to complete an application.



CAMPOLINDO KEY CLUB'S 2023 DRIVE-THRU CANNED FOOD COLLECTION



Campolindo Key Club is doing a food drive in partnership with the Kiwanis Club of Moraga Valley every Friday February 24-March 17! To participate, email campokeyclub@gmail.com with your name and address. On Friday morning place a bag of nonperishable food next to your mailbox. On Friday afternoon one of our drivers will come by and pick up your donation. On Saturdays, those donation bags are delivered to the food banks! Acceptable items include soup cans, canned beans, cooking oil, cereal, canned veggies, peanut butter, rice bags, uncooked pasta, and canned meats. Please no glass!



2023 MORAGA CITIZEN OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

Do you have a person or couple in mind to be honored as the 2023 Moraga Citizen(s) of the Year? Selection criteria for nominees should be persons who: 1) have given their time and talents to help make Moraga a vibrant community, where people want to live, work and shop; and 2) bring the community together and help residents to be proud of Moraga. Nominees must have a Moraga mailing address and cannot be a current elected member or paid staff of the Town Council, the Town, or any other local public agency (e.g., School District or Fire District). Please email your nomination to nominations@lamorindaweekly.com or mail to Moraga Citizen of the Year Nominations, Lamorinda Weekly, 1480 Moraga Road Suite C #202, Moraga CA 94556. **The deadline for receipt of nominations is Thursday, March 9, 2023.** A celebration dinner will be held on Friday, April 28, in the Holy Trinity Cultural Center in Moraga to honor the winner.



MAYOR HOLDS MOCK COUNCIL MEETING WITH CUB SCOUTS

On February 2, Vice Mayor Onoda and Mayor Sos had the pleasure of meeting with Cub Scout Pack 351 in the Casita building at the Hacienda. The scouts participated in a hands-on mock council meeting in accordance with Council rules. The meeting agenda included having the scouts suggest improvements to Moraga’s parks and bicycle lanes. The parents in attendance provided public comment. The session offered the scouts a window into our town government and how public meetings work. The scouts were engaged and articulate, and demonstrated why they are our future leaders.



RECYCLESMART AND REPUBLIC SERVICES



Recycle Smart is working with Republic Services to improve its collection service to customers. There will be new rates for this year. The current franchise agreement with Republic will be extended to lock in for two



years the current favorable rates with an estimated total of \$15M in savings for ratepayers over the remaining life of the agreement. All rates across the RecycleSmart service area will go up this year, with a 6.27% increase for Moraga customers (about \$2.63 per month for a 32 gallon can). Republic has agreed to invest in improvements to bring service back to pre-pandemic levels. If anyone has issues with their garbage service especially a missed pickup, please call Republic Services customer service directly at 925-685-4711 to receive an account credit.



MORAGA PARK FOUNDATION NEEDS YOU!

The Moraga Park Foundation is looking for board members! Board members are the decision makers of the Moraga Park Foundation. Among our activities, board members attend monthly meetings to participate in discussions involving town park and recreation activities, review and approve past, present, and future finances, and discuss and vote on project funding proposals from the Town and community that are beneficial to our parks and recreation. Prerequisites for board membership are your desire to participate in park and recreation improvements in Moraga and the surrounding community. You must also be a present or past resident of Moraga. The desire to serve in a board leadership position and previous fundraising experience is a plus. For more information, please contact volunteer@moragaparks.org or <https://moragaparks.org/volunteer/>.





FREE MOVIE SCREENING NIGHT - THURSDAY, MARCH 9

The Campolindo High School Parents Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) group invites the community to attend a special showing of the film “Repairing the World: Stories from the Tree of Life.” What if your community turned a blind eye to acts of aggression and did nothing to speak out against hate? Please join DEIB for this free film event depicting how the city of Pittsburg has come together to fight hate and extremism in the aftermath of the shooting at the Tree of Life Synagogue. The showing is at [Del Valle Theater in Walnut Creek](#) on Thursday, March 9 from 7:00-9:00pm. The movie runs 80 minutes, and there will be a Q&A session with director, Patrice O’Neill, after the film. [Register for the event here.](#)



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY TO HOLD FIVE COMMUNITY VISIONING SESSIONS FOR ARTS AND CULTURE PLANNING



During the week of March 14, five Arts & Culture Community Visioning Sessions will be held throughout the County. The events are free, and all are welcome. The County is developing an “Arts & Culture Strategic Plan” as part of its effort to identify an organization that will serve as a new countywide arts council. The goal is to guide an arts and cultural planning effort through an inclusive community engagement process that recognizes and respects the geographic and demographic diversity of the County. It will also inventory the County’s arts and cultural assets, including organizations, venues, and public art. The Arts & Culture Community Visioning Sessions will be held in various locations around the county. Each session is approximately 90 minutes in duration, and light refreshments will be provided. Registration is recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. A Spanish-speaking interpreter will be available at each session to assist. For more information, please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/CCCVSACP>.



A BEHIND-THE-SCENES LOOK AT THE WORLD OF WASTEWATER

Ever wondered what happens to your water after it goes down the drain? Your local sewer utility, Central San, is now accepting applications for its award-winning citizens’ academy—Central San Academy! This FREE program offers an in-depth, inside look into how used water gains new life. This year’s session runs February 21 through March 28 and includes four Tuesday evening classes from 6:00 pm – 9:00 p.m., as well as one daytime facilities tour. Refreshments provided. Space is limited. **Apply by February 20, 2023.** To learn more and apply online, visit: centralsan.org/academy.



PRESIDENTS’ DAY HOLIDAY - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20

The Town offices and the Hacienda de las Flores will be closed in observance of Presidents’ Day Monday, February 20, re-opening for business on Tuesday, February 21.



UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

- Monday, February 20 – [Art in Public Spaces Committee Meeting](#)- **CANCELLED**
- Monday, February 20 – [Park and Recreation Commission](#)- **CANCELLED**
- Tuesday, February 21 – [Planning Commission](#), **CANCELLED**
- Wednesday, February 22, 6:30 pm – [Town Council](#), Council Chambers

The Town Council Chambers are located at [335 Rheem Boulevard, Moraga, CA 94556](#).

All meetings are open to the public. Visit the [Town's](#) website for updated agendas and packets. The Town of Moraga Livestreams Town Council, Commission and Committee meetings using Vimeo. [View live streaming of meetings.](#)



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