

SAN LEANDRO NEWS



JULY 2012

CITY MANAGER MESSAGE

It is shaping up to be a very special year for San Leandro. One billion dollars (\$1B) worth of private and public projects are transforming San Leandro as we speak. Healthcare, critical infrastructure, technology and quality of life investments are underway. The largest private project and the largest public project in our history are being completed thanks to the hard work of many people past and present. That's the Kaiser Hospital project and the Water Pollution Control Plant expansion. In addition, our new Senior Community Center has been recognized nationally after 10 years of hard work. On behalf of the City of San Leandro, I'd also like to thank Councilmember Joyce Starosciak and her family for their public service to our community, especially to our City and school organizations.

- Chris Zapata, City Manager

LIT SAN LEANDRO IS COMING TO THE SAN LEANDRO LIBRARY!



Installation work is currently underway for **Lit San Leandro**, a high speed 11-mile fiber optic loop that will provide unsurpassed levels of

Internet bandwidth for many San Leandro businesses. The bulk of the fiber loop should be completed within the coming weeks. One early benefit from this exciting project is that Lit San Leandro will soon be connected to the San Leandro Main Library. This means that every work station will have a super high speed Internet connection. Additionally, plans are in place to

install high-speed WiFi in every one of the library's meeting rooms. Although Lit San Leandro has been primarily focused on helping businesses, the library connection will provide a great amenity for the entire community. The connection should be live in about a month.

LIT SAN LEANDRO FEATURED ON 'THE CEO SHOW'

Mayor Cassidy and OSISOFT President Patrick Kennedy were interviewed on the July 3 episode of 'The CEO Show' on KLIV AM1590, a weekly program that focuses on the tech industry. The interview focused primarily on Lit San Leandro. Dr. Kennedy explained how the data revolution is leading to an increasing demand for bandwidth from businesses in virtually every industry and Mayor Cassidy described how Lit San Leandro fits into a larger pattern of investment in the City. The full interview can be heard [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✦ **Downtown Farmers' Market** – Wednesdays, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., Parrott Street at East 14th Street.



- ✦ **Free Nutrition Forum** – Tuesday, July 10, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Senior Community Center, 13909 East 14th Street

Must be 50+ to register. Please call (510) 577-3462 to register (course #26516).

- ✦ **Annual National Night Out (NNO)** – Tuesday, August 7, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

If you or your neighborhood is planning a special NNO event, please contact SLPD Officer Tim

RECREATION AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT RECEIVES NATIONAL AWARD FOR PARKS AND RECREATION!

San Leandro Recreation and Human Services Department was recently selected to receive a National Facility Design Award by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) for the Senior Community Center. NRPA will present the award publicly at a special reception at the Association's 2012 Congress & Exposition in Anaheim on October 17.



The San Leandro Senior Community Center was chosen for the National Award for being a model facility in its inclusiveness and responsiveness to the needs of the community. A Senior Needs Assessment completed in 2000 identified a multi-purpose senior center as the highest priority need for seniors in San Leandro. Ten years of the City working with community members, stakeholder groups and partner organizations resulted in the San Leandro Senior Community Center; a 21,000 square foot, LEED Gold-certified new focal point in the community that offers senior programs, rental facilities and a state-of-the-art Emergency Operation Center. Read the entire press release [here](#).

NEW ACTING LIBRARY SERVICES MANAGER ANNOUNCED

City Manager Chris Zapata is pleased to announce the appointment of Theresa Mallon to the position of Acting Library Services Manager. Ms. Mallon, a San Leandro native, assumed the position on July 1. An internal competitive process was held to select Ms. Mallon for this assignment. The acting position was created upon the recent retirement of the Library Director.



Ms. Mallon has worked for the San Leandro Public Library system for 20 years and has worked in nearly all areas of library services. She holds a Masters Degree in Library and Information Sciences. Her passion and commitment to the library and the community have been demonstrated throughout her career with the City. "I believe Theresa will work with residents, staff and the Library-Historical Commission to continue the tradition of exemplary service in our "best of class" library system," stated City Manager Zapata.

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Loryn Aman has worked for the San Leandro Public Library in the Library Technical Services department since 2007 as a Library Assistant. Loryn's primary responsibilities include processing/cataloging library materials, organizing various subject displays, and providing customer service at the main library and branches. Loryn began working at the San Leandro Library as an office assistant in 2003 and has recently received her Master's Degree in Library and Information Studies from San Jose State University.



A diehard Giants fan, she and her husband, Chris, live in San Leandro with their dog Posey.

Free Nutrition Forum

Are you a senior wondering how good nutrition affects your health? Mary Collett of the Alameda County Nutrition Program will address the importance of eating well as you age, and explain the components of a complete nutrition plan. Panelists from Spectrum Senior Meals, Davis Street Family Resource Center, SOS Meals on Wheels, the Alameda County Food Bank and other agencies will provide information about their programs and how to participate in them. Must be 50+ to register. Please call (510) 577-3462 to register (course #26516).

Tuesday, July 10 ~ 9:30 am – 11:30 am

San Leandro Senior Community Center

13909 East 14th Street

DON'T MISS FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT AT CHABOT PARK



Family Movie Night at Chabot Park

Admission: FREE !!!



Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and snacks, and enjoy this summertime family event. Customer Service: 577-3462.

Wednesday, July 25 Showtime: 8:30pm

Rated G, 103 minutes

Location: Chabot Park

1698 Estudillo Avenue

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT – AUGUST 7

Join members of your community, the San Leandro Police Department, and the Alameda County Fire Department in this year's **Annual National Night Out** (NNO) on **August 7**. Last year's National Night Out campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials from over 15,000 communities.



NNO is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;
- Generate support for, and participation in, Neighborhood Watch Programs and other anti-crime efforts;
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and Police/Community relations; and
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are fighting back against crime.

The National Association of Town Watch was established in 1981 as a nonprofit, crime prevention organization. The first National Night Out was introduced in 1984. San Leandro has a long history of participating in National Night Out. For more than 20 years, members of the Police Department have been visiting neighborhood activities throughout the City.

If your homeowner association or neighborhood is planning something special on August 7, members of the Police Department would like to stop by to introduce themselves between the hours of 6:30 and 9:00 p.m. Please contact the Administrative Services Division through Police Officer Tim DeGrano, tdegrano@sanleandro.org or 577-3248.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Maintenance Work on Freeway Ramps

At the request of Public Works staff, Caltrans recently agreed to give San Leandro some extra maintenance attention. Caltrans crews mowed the Marina Avenue/I-880 cloverleaf two weeks ago and spent four half days last week cleaning several on and off ramps on Highway 580. The 580 ramps that were cleaned included the eastbound Grand Avenue on and off ramps, the westbound Benedict Drive on ramp, the eastbound MacArthur Boulevard on ramp, and the westbound Foothill Avenue off ramp. A small Public Works crew worked with Caltrans in the cleanup effort on 580. Attached are photos of the Grand Avenue on and off ramps where the Public Works crew was able to focus its attention on two of the four half days. Public Works staff is continuing its dialogue with Caltrans to clean the remaining on and off ramps in San Leandro.



Eastbound 580 Grand Avenue Off Ramp



BEFORE



AFTER

Eastbound 580 Grand Avenue On Ramp



BEFORE



AFTER

Sinkhole – Williams Street Between Westgate Parkway and Doolittle Drive

Last month, surface water was observed in the roadway outside 1933 Williams Street. East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) was informed, and discovered their water line utility was leaking at this location and made a repair. Shortly thereafter, a depression in the center of the roadway, near the EBMUD repair location was reported. The depression was monitored as it developed into a small sinkhole. The sinkhole is located directly over the City's sanitary sewer line. City camera inspection determined the pipeline was in good condition and is functioning normally, but an accumulation of silt was observed in the pipeline downstream of the sinkhole location. City staff is currently proceeding with evaluating the extent of the damage and best course of action to repair the roadway.



REDUCE YOUR BILLS • CREATE NEW JOBS • SAVE THE PLANET ALL FREE OF CHARGE

Since 1994, [Rising Sun Energy Center](#) has evolved from a modest renewable energy education center into a leading green workforce development, non-profit and retrofit services organization that provides residential efficiency services for Bay Area residents.

Rising Sun Energy Center's mission is to create a society that uses energy and water responsibly and equitably. We do this by:

- Providing green workforce development training & employment that creates green career pathways for youth and adults
- Offering low-to-no cost residential retrofits & services that lower energy & water usage
- Educating our communities about sustainable behaviors and technologies



SIGN UP NOW FOR A FREE GREEN ENERGY HOUSE CALL

Free Green House Calls are NOW available from California Youth Energy Services (CYES)! [Book your GHC today!](#) Your CYES Green House Call with our friendly and professional youth Energy Specialists will consist of:

- A walk through of the house with the client; looking for energy saving opportunities
- Replacing all incandescent bulbs with FREE energy-saving compact fluorescent versions (which use about a 1/4 of the energy!)
- Installing FREE high-efficiency faucet aerators and showerheads (all the pressure without the water waste!)
- Inspecting all toilets for efficiency and leaks
- Exchanging energy-wasting halogen floor lamps for efficient fluorescent versions
- Checking the attic insulation of the home ([you may qualify to save up to 50% off in attic insulation subsidies](#))
- Installing a FREE retractable clothesline to reduce dryer use or a FREE power strip to reduce phantom load from electronic devices
- Installing FREE Hot Water Pipe Insulation
- Providing an energy and water conservation education
- Emailing a customized report to the client after the CYES appointment

You'll start saving from the moment they step through the door.

After your green house call we'll even let you know about other rebates and free programs, including in-depth services like bill discounts, weatherization, attic insulation, and more. We'll help guide you to the government and utility programs that match your qualifications.

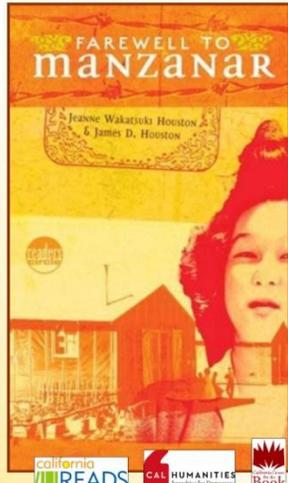
CALIFORNIA READS 2012

The San Leandro Library is a fortunate recipient of California Reads grant and has selected to read the book *Farewell to Manzanar*. For more information, click [here](#). There will be events all summer long!

California Reads 2012

Searching for Democracy

California Reads is a grant from the California Council for the Humanities. Its aim is to bring Californians together to explore important topics through books that invite conversation. The San Leandro Library is a fortunate recipient of a California Reads grant and has selected to read the book *Farewell to Manzanar*. Please join us for events all summer long.



Read the book
Farewell to Manzanar is a heartrending, classic memoir about the internment experience seen through the eyes of a young Japanese American girl. Join a book group to discuss the book's powerful messages at the June 30 Meet the Author event. A limited number of free copies will be distributed.

Meet the author
Prize-winning author Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston will kick-off the California Reads program by discussing her life at Manzanar and the lessons learned. Refreshments will be served.
Main Library • Saturday, June 30 • 2:00pm

See the classic
The acclaimed TV special *Farewell to Manzanar* was the first film to be written, performed, photographed and scored by Japanese Americans about the World War II camp experience and broadcast on prime time television.
Main Library Thursday, July 12 • 7:00pm
Manor Library Thursday, August 16 • 7:00pm

Discover the history
Visit the Japanese American Museum in San Jose and take a walking tour of Japantown. Lunch and transportation included. Fee is \$30 per person. Tickets available on June 4 after 12:00pm for in person purchase at the Main Library.
Main Library • Saturday, August 18 • 9:00am to 4:00pm

Celebrate the culture
Come to the California Reads finale to celebrate the Japanese American culture. There will be entertainment and lunch. This FREE event is reserved for members of the *Farewell to Manzanar* book discussion groups.
Main Library • Saturday, September 8 • 2:00pm

California Reads program is made possible with support from Cal Humanities in partnership with California Center for the Book
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WEEKLY UPDATE

If you would like to review weekly information from the City Manager, please check out the *Weekly Update* on the City's website at www.sanleandro.org/depts/cityhall/city_manager.asp.

Also, for more information on the City of San Leandro and its programs and services, visit the City's website at www.sanleandro.org. To register to automatically receive press releases, meeting agendas or other electronic notifications, go to e-Notify at <http://www.sanleandro.org/portal/default.asp>.

JULY CITY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Meeting dates, times and location are subject to change. Please confirm meetings by visiting www.sanleandro.org.

- 7/9 City Council Work Session, 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers
- 7/10 Shoreline-Marina Committee Meeting, 4:00 p.m., Sister Cities Gallery
- 7/11 Facilities Committee Meeting - CANCELLED
- 7/16 City Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers
- 7/19 City/SLUSD Liaison Committee Meeting, 4:00 p.m., Sister Cities Gallery
- 7/24 Rules and Communications Committee Meeting, 4:30 p.m., Sister Cities Gallery

MONTH OF AUGUST – CITY COUNCIL RECESS