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GSDA needs YOU



What: GSDA Charter Council meeting of parents and staff

When: November 7 from 1-3 p.m. (the first of four annual meetings)

Where: GSDA Central County office (Miramar)

Why: Be part of the team that reviews our school's progress and plans for continual improvement.

How: Call or email Gail Levine: glevine@jdsd.net or 858-536-7933 for more information or to volunteer your time.



PARENT CONNECT MEETINGS

Central County – Thursday, Oct. 20, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Topic - How to use math TE and math games.

East County - Wednesday, Oct. 26, 8:30 -9:30 a.m.

North County - Wednesday, Oct. 26, 1:15-2:15 p.m.

Topic - The Friends of GSDA will present great ideas on how their group can benefit you children.
Planning for topics – What would GSDA parents find useful?



YMCA of San Diego County/SDG&E

Character Development Poster Contest Guidelines

1. The contest is open to boys and girls K-12th grade.
2. Please design poster on paper no smaller than 11" x 17".
3. Please select only one of the following values for focus: Caring, Honesty, Respect or Responsibility.
4. The contestant may use the following coloring materials: crayon, marker, or paint. Please do **NOT** use pencil.

5. **IMPORTANT:** Please include the following on the back of each entry: contestant's name and phone number, grade, school name, school address, and school phone number. Posters without this information will be excluded from the contest.

Prizes:

Elementary School – Two Zoo/Wild Animal Park Season Passes

Middle School – One year YMCA Youth Membership and \$75 Barnes & Noble Gift Card

High School – One year YMCA Youth Membership and \$75 Barnes & Noble Gift Card

For more information please call Crescent Prado at (858) 292-9622.

Submit to your consultant or site admin. by Oct. 28, 2011.



Write Out Loud

FREE Workshops

Students age 12-18

Saturday – October 22, 2011

9:30am-1:30pm

Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation
404 Euclid Ave, San Diego, CA 92114

Re-imagine the works of Edgar Allan Poe into a creation of your own!

Teaching Artists will guide you in the medium of your choice

FILM – DANCE – WRITING – ILLUSTRATION – MUSIC

Lunch will be provided

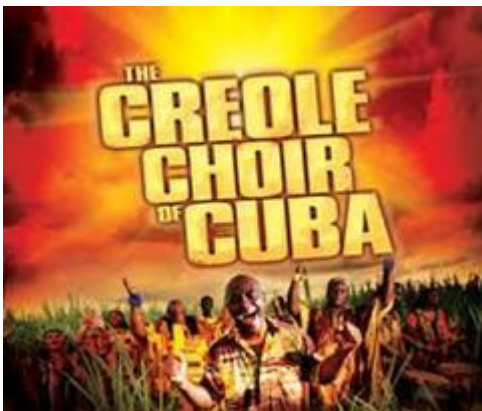
Community Service hours Available

Have your creation considered for inclusion in the Shades of Poe

Community Wide Celebration in April 2012

TO REGISTER: Call 619-297-8953 or writeoutloudsd@gmail.com www.writeoutloudsd.com

THE CREOLE CHOIR OF CUBA



ArtPower! presents the Creole Choir of Cuba as part of its first **U.S. tour**. Comprising descendants of Haitian migrants, the Grammy-nominated group resurrects the barely heard voices and unsung songs that were lost to the nation. Soaring a cappella arrangements of Haitian and Martinique merengues, mazurkas, and other styles-sung in Creole and strengthened by tight Afro-Caribbean percussion-come together in a

stirring live performance.

Prior to this event you will have a custom designed campus tour of UC San Diego.

When: Tuesday, November 1, 2011 Tour begins 9:30am from the Triton Statue at the front of Price Center (Student Center) Performance is from 11:00-12:00

Where: [Mandeville Auditorium](#), UCSD The closest parking garage is Gilman
<http://tesc.ucsd.edu/ring2008/images/map.pdf>

Cost: \$5 per person. 2 and under are free

Who: All ages

Send your [field trip request form](#) with payment to your resource center by October 28 2011.



Are you in 7th through 12th grade?

Looking for a chance to see the world and learn something new along the way?

How about a 6-day trip to Washington D.C.?

Discovery Student Adventures is offering a trip to Washington D.C. in the summer.

- **Take the Ultimate Field Trip!**
- **Learn Adventurously with Discovery Student Adventures trips**
- **See the world through the eyes of an explorer, a scientist, an adventurer.**
- **Trips include educational, adventurous, "green", and community service activities.**
- **. On a Discovery Student Adventure, the world is your classroom. So pack your curiosity—you've got the world to see.**

Please join us for an [informational family meeting](#) to learn more about Discovery Student Adventures. Call Robin at 858-536-7936 for more information and sign up at your site.



You haven't seen PETCO Park until you've gone behind-the-scenes on one of their guided tours! Discover "writer's row" in the press box, learn about the historic Western Metal Supply Co. Building and explore the Padres dugout. The crown jewel of downtown San Diego, PETCO Park serves up baseball Southern California style-complete with swaying palm trees and a sandy beach beyond center field.

This event is about 80 min. and includes 1 ½ mile walking.

Bring a lunch and after the tour enjoy the rest of the day at the Park in the Park.

When: November 7, 2011, 9:45 a.m.

Meet in front of the VIP gate to enter as a group

Where: [Petco Park](#) 100 Park Boulevard San Diego, CA 92101

Who: All ages

Cost: \$4 Student, \$8 Adult and children under 36" are free

There is all day parking for \$3 or minimal street parking.

For questions: contact Beci Patin at 858-536-7930

Attending Consultant: Grace Ingrande and Carol Thompson

Send your field trip request form with payment to your resource center by November 2, 2011.



SEA WORLD

Description:

Celebrate the wonders of the sea at SeaWorld San Diego. Visit the star Shamu in his new home. Try the thrilling rides like Journey to Atlantis, Shipwreck Rapids and Wild Arctic. Join Elmo and his friends at the Sesame Street Bay of Play featuring family-friendly rides. Don't miss the hilarious antics of Clyde and Seamore's sea lion and otter show. Feed and touch dolphins and bat rays, and get up-close to beluga whales, polar bears, sharks and penguins. Enjoy fascinating aquariums, sea turtles, manatees, and exotic birds from around the world, Create memories to last a lifetime at SeaWorld San Diego.

When: Wednesday, December 7, 2011
Check in at **9:15 a.m.** at the Education Gate (East of the Main Entrance) **We MUST check-in and enter as a group!**
Field Trip begins at 10:00 and takes approximately 2 1/2 hours

Where: [Sea World](#)

Who: This field trip is appropriate for all students.

Cost: \$6.00 per person attending. Children 3 and under are free. Passes may be used. Parking is free in the educational trip parking lot with the parking permit that you can pick up from your site admin.

For questions, contact Beci Patin 858-536-7930

Attending Consultant: Kim Tiffany & Kelly Aquino

Send your field trip request form with payment to your resource center by November 30, 2011



Notes from a parent:

There is a Junior Girl Scout Troop forming in the Mira Mesa area for 4th and 5th grade girls. Contact Barbara Reynolds at gstroops8801@san.rr.com for more info.



***Smile!* It's GSDA Picture Day!**

Make Up Picture Day in Central County Only:

Thursday, October 27, 2011 – Arrive anytime between 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Picture packages will be available on these days.

Photo sitting is **free** of charge.

Students who have their picture taken will receive a school photo I.D. card.

FRIENDS OF GSDA HAVE A GREAT OFFER TO HELP SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL



Papa John's Pizza will donate \$2 to GSDA for the first 500 orders that are place online at papajohns.com through May 12, 2012.

To support our school follow these 4 easy steps:

1. Go to www.papajohns.com and log in to place your order. .
2. Enter **GSDA2012** in the promo code box. (.01 Off your order will pop-up, add to order to have your order count towards our school) A \$10 minimum is required to be eligible for the donation.
3. Choose any of the delicious products off the menu
4. Wait for the doorbell and ENJOY!

Help support Greater San Diego Academy by giving your friends, family and neighbors our **GSDA2012 promo code**


before ordering from any of Papa John's 29 San Diego Locations.



Attention all  participants.

Annual Renewal Deadline is November 1

If our supporters do not renew by November 1st, their Vons and Pavilions contributions will **STOP**. This means that even though you continue to shop, GSDA will not be earning money generated by their purchases. Please renew now!

If you are not yet registered with  , please register now! It is a fundraising program in which participating business partners (Macy's, Vons, many [local restaurants](#) and [more](#)) contribute a percentage of your grocery loyalty cards, credit card, and debit/ATM card purchases to our school. You may find out the details of the program and sign up by clicking on the above icon. Enter either our name, Greater San Diego Academy, or our group ID 500023777. Click search and then click our name and continue your registration. Your purchases will be tracked and available to you online, allowing you to see just how much you are earning on your child's behalf!

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