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CFSSD NEWS

Life's Interruptions

by Cec Chafin

My Dad was always the first person at church....and the last to leave. As a child, I couldn't understand the fascination with staying a full hour after services ended. I wanted to go home; I wanted to get on with other parts of my life.

I vividly remember one Sunday evening when I whined and complained about "hanging around" the church for so long. When we finally left, I was relieved beyond all measure. Stopping at a convenience store on the way home, our family was shocked to realize that we had missed an armed robbery of the store by just minutes. As only my father could do, he gently explained to me the importance of God's protection of us and staying in His will. I learned at an early age that God orders all the events of our lives, even those inconvenient ones, which tend to make us annoyed and irritable.

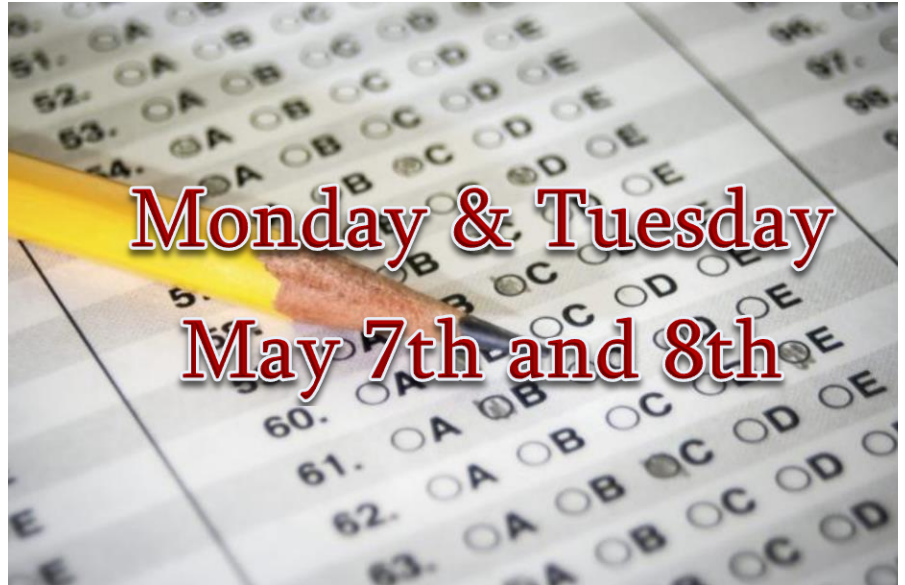
There is a reason for everything, even that red light when you are running late, that child who just threw up when you were finally ready to walk out the door, that child that needs to go to the bathroom after you just loaded your car with frozen vegetables and ice cream on a hot July afternoon, and yes, even that phone call from a needy friend in the middle of World History!

We can be hassled by these "interruptions and inconveniences" in our lives, or we can recognize God's ordering of all the events in our lives and be open to how He will use it for our growth, and use us for His Kingdom. What a lesson we could share with our kids! *"For I know the plans I have for you..."*
Jeremiah 29:11



STANDARDIZED TESTS

More info coming soon on web



Save the Date!

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The San Diego High Tech Fair

The San Diego High Tech Fair is a unique experience for students from 7th through 12th grades to visit with representatives of local high tech companies. They will learn from interactive experiences how the world of science can be fun and rewarding. The students enjoy seeing "real life" applications of what they already may be learning and includes over 60 exhibitors from local, cutting-edge STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) organizations. You will find demonstrations in Physics, Bio-Tech, Chemistry, Engineering, Nano-technology, Robotics and much more!

The participating companies include interactive activities that clearly explain their companies' technologies and products. Because the entrance of each group is staggered by 30 minutes, each student can visit each booth easily *This is not a career fair, it is a technology fair*, and it is loads of fun!

When: Friday, January 26, 2017, 11:30 AM

Where: Balboa Park Activity Center, 2145 Park Blvd, San Diego, CA

Who: CFS students in Grades 7-12 and their parents (sorry, **no younger siblings will be allowed, please make arrangements for your younger students**)

Cost: \$5.00 per family. Reservations and payment are necessary to hold your spot. We need to know how many adults and students!

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity in 2018! Click [here](#) to sign up.

The Importance of Being Earnest

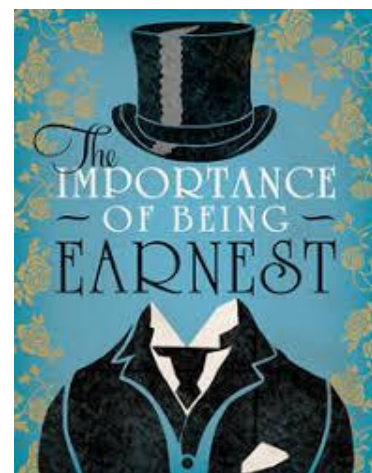
*Deadline fast approaching...January 31st 2018
For this performance of the 1890's classic!*

Oscar Wilde's wildly entertaining comedy sparkles with dazzling wordplay and hilariously unlikely situations. This "trivial comedy for serious people" features two carefree bachelors, Jack and Algernon, each with a carefully hidden double life. But when Algernon discovers that Jack has been posing as a man named Ernest to escape to the city, he promptly travels to Jack's country estate to pose as the fictional figure himself! Silliness ensues with whimsical ingénues, jealous fiancées, indomitable dowagers, and the most famous handbag in theatre history. The Globe's lavish production of this timeless classic offers the opportunity to see what the London *Telegraph* calls "the most perfect comedy in the English language."

Who: Members of any CFS support group in San Diego county and Associate Members

When: Friday,
February 23, 2018,
8:00 pm

Where: The Donald
and Darlene Stage,
The Old Globe
Theatre, Balboa Park



Cost: Students: \$26.00

Adults: \$37.00

(Bargain! Reg. prices range from \$77.00 to \$101.00)

Click [here](#) to sign up.

Reserve and pay early, we have limited tickets at this price! Tickets must be paid in order to reserve spot. Absolutely last day to reserve tickets is January 31st.

⇒ **CHEA** Christian Home Educators Association of California

CHEA is a statewide organization that provides information, support and training to the Christian homeschooling community. CHEA sponsors an annual conference which will be held in Pasadena next July. To join CHEA or for more information go to www.cheaofca.org

⇒ **FPM** Family Protection Ministries

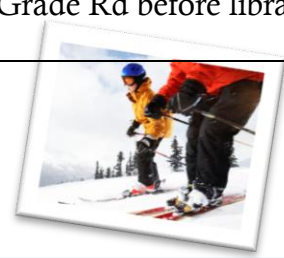
FPM is the voice for homeschoolers in Sacramento. They look out for legislation that will restrict our right to home educate our children. This ministry is funded by donations. You may send contributions directly or through CHEA. With a donation of \$40 you will receive their newsletter. Find more info at <http://pheofca.org/>

⇒ **HSLDA** Home School Legal Defense Association

HSLDA provides low cost legal defense for all families who choose to privately educate their children at home. Membership is \$120 annually. CFS members qualify for a group discount rate of \$100. Find out more about HSLDA at <http://www.hsllda.org>

CHRISTIAN FAMILY PARK GROUPS SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Chula Vista	ChulaVista@cfssd.org	2nd Friday at 10:00 AM	Email for location
El Cajon	ElCajon@cfssd.org	3rd Thursday at 1:30 PM	Shadow Hill Park - rain or shine
Fallbrook	Fallbrook@cfssd.org	2nd Tuesday 7:00 PM	Email for location
La Mesa	LaMesa@cfssd.org	2nd Friday at 10:00 AM	Northmont Park
Mira Mesa	www.cfsmiramesa.org	Select Saturdays & Sundays see newsletter	Breen Park
Poway	Poway@cfssd.org	Selected 1st Fridays at Noon *Rain cancels	See calendar details www.cfspoway.org
Ramona/Backcountry	Ramona@cfssd.org	2nd Friday at 10:00 AM	Dos Picos Park
Rancho Bernardo	RB@cfssd.org	2nd Saturday at 2:00 PM	Email for location
Valley Center	ValleyCenter@cfssd.org	1st Friday at 1:00 PM	Valley Center Community Church Park (off of Cole Grade Rd before library)





Star of India... Overnight!

Prelude to the Revolution 1774

Set sail on the eve of the American Revolution! Re-live the turbulent year of 1774 experiencing the struggle of merchant mariners sailing the triangle trade route between New England and the Caribbean. Embarking on a voyage of the imagination, students will role-play with our maritime instructors, raising sails, loading cargo and protecting the vessel from pirates. Navigating their way through the political storms of the era, students will face frustrations that inspired American colonists to revolt. Ultimately, they will choose their own destiny and find out what role they will play in the war for America's freedom.

This adventure begins at 3:00 PM on Friday, April 6th and concludes on Saturday, April 7th at 9:00 AM (18 hours!)

WHEN: Friday, April 6th- Saturday, April 7th

WHO: All CFS students from 4th grade through 12th grade, limited number of parents

WHY: To experience living history aboard the world's oldest active sailing ship with an award winning crew in period costume, giving us a hands-on exploration in history of the period preceding the Revolutionary War.

WHERE: Star of India, Maritime Museum of San Diego 1492 North Harbor Drive, San Diego,

COST: *Students:* \$77.00 *Minimum age is 4th grade*
Adults: \$35.00

Please note: There is a strict limit on the number of adults. Preference will be given to both early paid registrations' & adults with larger #'s of students. Click [here](#) to sign up.

Pacific Standard Time
(January 31, 2018)

3:48 a.m. PST

Total Eclipse

4:52 a.m. PST

Greatest Eclipse

5:30 a.m. PST

Total eclipse ends:

6:08 a.m. PST

The [Blue Moon](#) – second of two full moons in one calendar month – will pass through the Earth's shadow on January 31, 2018, to give us a total lunar eclipse. *Totality*, when the moon will be entirely inside the Earth's dark [umbral](#) shadow, will last a bit more than one-and-a-quarter hours. The January 31 full moon is also the third in a series of three straight full moon [supermoons](#) – that is, super-close full moons. It's the [first of two Blue Moons in 2018](#). So it's not just a lunar eclipse, or a Blue Moon, or a supermoon. It's all three ... a super Blue Moon eclipse! It is the first Blue Moon total eclipse in 150 years in the Americas!

A SUPER BLUE MOON ECLIPSE!



LEGOLAND Science Classes & Park Visit

Tall Towers Grades K-2

- Learn about natural structures that grow or are built by other living creatures!
- Learn about man made structures, frame structures and shell structures!
- Learn steps to build stable structures!
- Use DUPLO bricks to build your tallest tower!
- Take turns testing your tall tower on the earthquake table!



Evaluate how your tower lasted.

- Compare the car's performance using the two

Energy Lab Grades 3-6

- Use the windmill, hand crank, and solar panel to compare the power generated from wind, solar, and mechanical energy sources!
- Discover how to use the LEGO® capacitor to collect, store and transfer energy!
- Build a LEGO model of a car, with a motor attached!
- Explore the power of two different energy sources: Mechanical and solar!
- Collect mechanical energy, then solar energy, in the capacitor!
- Transfer the power to the motor to make the ride run!



Cost Includes Park Admission for the Full Day!

When: Wednesday, March 21, 2018 9:45 AM

Where: LEGOLAND California 1 Legoland Drive, Carlsbad, CA

Cost: \$11.25 for students
\$27.25 for adults

Please note: (\$10.00 discount for adults bringing at least 3 students) **If bringing more adults than children, extra adults are \$52.50**

Click [here](#) to sign up.

We cannot guarantee unpaid reservations after February 28th!

FYI: Regular park admission is \$89.00 for children 12 and under & \$95.00 for 13 years and older. On Homeschool Days, entr  e fee is \$28.00

**Build a LEGO model of a car
with a motor attached!**



**REGISTRATION
DEADLINE
TUESDAY
FEB 13**

CALIFORNIA WOLF CENTER

Join us for an exciting visit to the California Wolf Center where the preservation and protection of wolves is their passion. This fieldtrip includes presentation on the history of the wolves in North America and how they are working to recover the species today, followed by a guided observation of their two ambassador packs; The Mexican gray wolf and the North American gray wolf. All of their animals are kept as wild as possible, so during our visit we will observe the wolves from behind a fence line. What the wolves choose to do during our visit is entirely up to them!



WHEN: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 @ 1:30 PM

WHERE: California Wolf Center in Julian

We will be meeting at the start of the Center's access road, where K Q Ranch Road intersects with Highway 79. From there, we will line up our vehicles in a caravan and drive together the rest of the way, about 3/4 of a mile. It is a dirt road so it's a bumpy ride, but you won't need 4-wheel drive.

Click [here](#) to sign up

COST: \$10.75 per person (children 4 and under free)



- ✓ Reservations are required. Due to limited seating, you may not be admitted if you arrive without a reservation.
- ✓ Pets are not allowed at the California Wolf Center. Pets may not be left in vehicles.
- ✓ Parental guidance is required for all guests under the age of 18.
- ✓ Please arrive at the specified check in time.

As a courtesy to others, late arrivals will not be admitted.

- ✓ Please wait for an escort when you reach the dirt road.
- ✓ For your safety and for the safety of the animals on exhibit, all tours are guided.
- ✓ You must remain with your escort and/or guide at all times.
- ✓ Cameras and binoculars are welcome. Photographs may be taken through the enclosure fences.
- ✓ The California Wolf Center experiences extreme temperatures and weather conditions. Dress in layers, as the weather can be unpredictable. Wear comfortable closed-toed walking shoes and bring sun protection.
- ✓ Call 760-765-0030 to check weather and road conditions before your visit.
- ✓ The California Wolf Center is located down 3/4 of a mile of rugged dirt road. Please drive slowly on this road (10 miles per hour or less). Large vehicles and motorcycles are not permitted on this road.
- ✓ It is sometimes necessary to cancel programs due to weather.

DIRECTIONS:

From 8 East

Take I-8 East.

Take exit 40 toward CA-79/Japatul Valley Rd (Highway 79). Turn left at CA-79 N (Highway 79 North).

Approximately 2.5 miles north of I-8, turn left to stay on CA-79 (follow green signs to stay on Highway 79 North).

Pass Lake Cuyamaca. Pass Sunrise Highway(S-1).

Approximately 1.5 miles after Sunrise Highway (S-1), turn right at K Q Ranch Rd.

Go approximately 0.25 miles on K Q Ranch Road. Turn right onto the dirt road (Kenis/ Christiansen Private Road).

Wait at the California Wolf Center sign for an escort.

From Points North

Take CA-78 toward Julian.

Follow all signs to stay on CA-78.

In the town of Julian, turn right on Main St.

Turn right onto CA-79 S (Highway 79 South, between the gas station and the post office).

Head south for approximately 4 miles.

Turn left onto K Q Ranch Road.

Go approximately 0.25 miles on K Q Ranch Road. Turn right onto the dirt road (Kenis/ Christiansen Private Road).

Wait at the California Wolf Center sign for an escort.

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Associate Membership

If you live in an area of the county not served by a local CFS group, you may find an associate membership appealing. You may apply for this on our website: [Click here](#).

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Calling All Seniors!
We need to know if there are any seniors looking for a graduation ceremony this June. The Poway CFS Group will be having their own ceremony but please let us know if you are from another park group and are interested in a countywide ceremony. Email Sylvia Pierce at mail@cfssd.org with the name of your senior and which group you are from.

