



PACIFIC GROVE WEEKLY SUMMARY

May 15, 2015

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Saturday, June 13th Community Walk in the Asilomar State Park Sand Dunes. Please join Asilomar State Parks staff and City staff the morning of Saturday, June 13 at 9:30am for an update on the [Local Coastal Program](#) and a walk through the sand dunes. Learn about your coast and the unique environmentally sensitive habitat area found in the sand dunes. The walk is about ¼ mile and is accessible. Please call Lisa Bradford, State Parks staff at 646-6445 for accessibility details.

Date: Saturday, June 13, 2015

Time: 9:30-10:30am

Gathering Location: Hearst Social Hall, 800 Asilomar Blvd, Pacific Grove

Morning refreshments and breakfast items will be available for purchase.

Please email or call Anastazia Aziz, AICP, Senior Planner at aaziz@cityofpacificgrove.org 831-648-3183 or see attached flyer for more information. Thank you for your participation!

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Movies in the Park-Monterey. On June 12, 2015, the Monterey Firemen's Association (MFA), Monterey Firefighter's Association, Local 3707 (MFFA), Monterey Chief Officer's Association (MCOA), Old Monterey Business Association (OMBA) and the City of Monterey will sponsor a community "Movie in the Park". The feature film will be Disney's "Planes, Fire & Rescue" and will be shown at approximately 8:00 p.m. or sunset on the lawn at Monterey City Hall located on Pacific Street. There will be free popcorn, cotton candy and cookies while supplies last. There will also be food trucks with meals for sale. Additionally, there will be activities for the kids, such as touring the Fire Safety Trailer, as well as *My Museum's* Wheelie Mobile and the Library Bookmobile. Come early to get enjoy the activities and reserve a seat on the lawn. Please utilize blankets or low sitting chairs, as not to block other's views.



Movies in the Park – Carmel. On July 31, 2015, the Monterey Firemen's Association (MFA), Monterey Firefighter's Association, Local 3707 (MFFA), Monterey Chief Officer's Association (MCOA) and the City of Carmel will sponsor a community "Movie in the Park". The feature film will be Disney's "Big Hero 6" and will be shown at approximately 8:00 p.m. or sunset on the lawn at Devendorf Park located between Ocean and 6th Avenue. There will be

free popcorn and cotton candy while supplies last. Come early to reserve a seat on the lawn. Please utilize blankets or low sitting chairs, as not to block other's views.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Recreation Assistant I & II have successfully completed the On-boarding process.

Recruitment postings for Assistant Planner, Police Officer - Lateral, Police Officer Recruit and Police Intern are now closed. Selected applicants will be interviewed within the next 30 days and offers to hire extended.

Preparing Agenda Report for City Council to adopt AB 1522.

LAW/POLICE DEPARTMENT

Weekly Highlights. Attached you will find Chief Myers' Weekly Police Report for the week of May 8, 2015 to May 14, 2015, with the Year-to-Date Monthly Highlights.

MUSEUM

2015 Walk of Remembrance. The 2015 Walk of Remembrance will begin Saturday, May 16, with introductions at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History and include light refreshments. Pacific Grove Mayor Bill Kampe and Museum Executive Director Jeanette Kihns will greet visitors to the Museum at 1 p.m. Gerry Low-Sabado, a 5th generation descendent of Pacific Grove's Chinese Fishing Village, will speak about her family's pioneering history and a recently found connection between her family and eminent naturalist Ed Ricketts, often written about by famed author John Steinbeck. At 2 p.m., The Monterey Bay Lion Dance Team will lead the walk to Lover's Point, then along the bike trail, to the site where the village once stood.

<http://www.pgmuseum.org/museum-events/2015/5/16/walk-of-remembrance>

Nature Exhibit. The Museum's Illustrating Nature exhibit, featuring science illustrations from California State University, Monterey Bay, will be on display through June 14. Be sure to check it out before it's gone! <http://www.pgmuseum.org/museum-events/2015/5/1/illustrating-nature-opening-reception>



PUBLIC WORKS

Weed Abatement. The Public Works Department has been working on the Recreation Trail and George Washington Park this week. Along the trail we pruned trees and abated weeds in the medians along the Recreation Trail. The entrances and sides of George Washington Park had started to become overgrown and City Staff has trimmed back the trail heads so they are easily identified and access is eased for our residents and visitors.



WATER

Pacific Grove’s Local Water Project. On Wednesday and Thursday we received presentations from and interviewed the three Design-Build teams who had submitted full proposals. We will

be taking our recommendation to the Council on Wednesday, May 20, for the selection of the preferred contractor.

Irrigating Parks. As the City enters into the summer months the Public Works Department will be implementing the drought management guidelines from the State and the Water Management Districts, and will only be irrigating our parks and Cemetery twice a week. The State is in the process of determining the best ways for California to actively combat the drought scenarios and save 25% of the State's water. It has been deemed that the best way to do this is through outdoor irrigation and only watering two days a week. The Public Works Department will be constantly watching the turf in our parks and Cemetery, and will be using fertilizers, using proper cultural practices, and using wetting agents to maximize the efficiency of the water that we do apply to our turf areas. Please bear with the City if some of our turf show signs of drought stress.

The City of Pacific Grove Community & Economic Development Department Presents...



June 13th Community Walk in the Asilomar State Park Sand Dunes

Local Coastal Program Update



You are invited to participate in a **Dunes Walk** led by Asilomar State Parks staff and City staff. Walk is about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile.



- Learn about the Sand Dunes and Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas
- Local Coastal Program Update Process and Timeline
- Questions, Comments, and Feedback
- ADA Accessible – please call Lisa Bradford for details 646-6445

For more information please see the City of website
www.cityofpacificgrove.org

Saturday, June 13th 2015

9:30-10:30 am

**Gather at: Hearst Social Hall
800 Asilomar Ave, Pacific Grove**

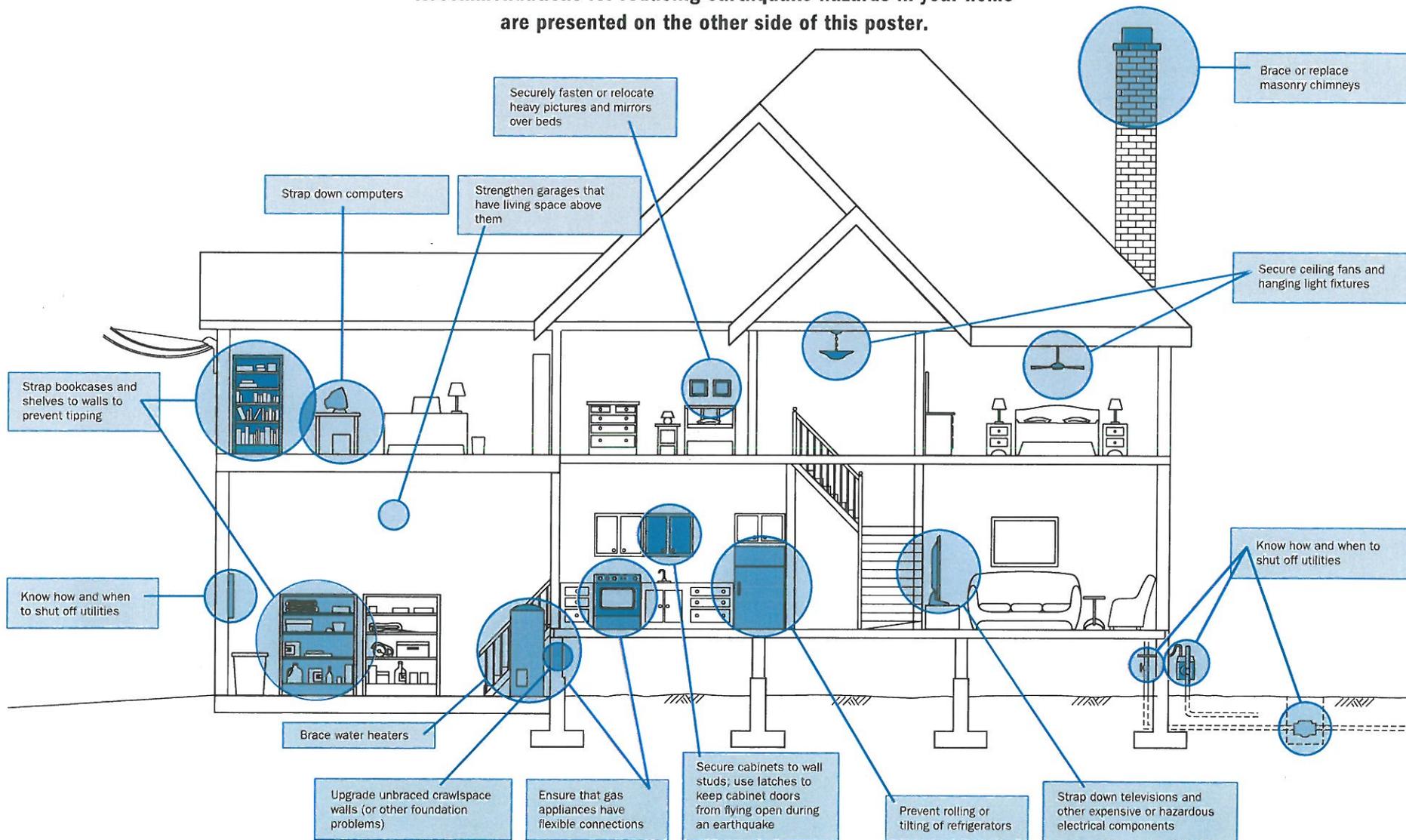
For more information contact Anastazia Aziz,
Sr. Planner at: aaziz@cityofpacificgrove.org
or 831-648-3183



Earthquake Home Hazard Hunt

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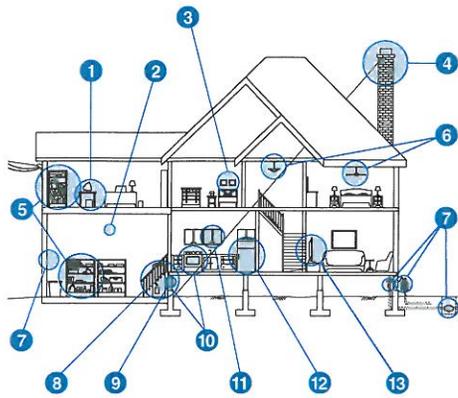
Recommendations for reducing earthquake hazards in your home are presented on the other side of this poster.



FEMA



Earthquake Home Hazard Hunt



This poster has information for you and your family to help you find and fix areas of your home that might be damaged in an earthquake and that might injure family members during an earthquake. Information is also provided on planning for an earthquake and safety steps you can take during and after an earthquake.

Your earthquake home hazard hunt should begin with all family members participating. Foresight, imagination, and common sense are all that are needed as you go from room to room imagining what would happen if the earth and house started shaking. Anything that can move, break, or fall when your house starts to shake is a potential hazard.

What would happen to heavy furniture, fixtures, and appliances?

- Look at tall bookcases and shelves. How much would fall off the shelves? Would the whole bookcase topple, or is it anchored to the wall? Anchor bookcases and other top-heavy furniture to wall studs using flexible fasteners (e.g., nylon straps) and lag screws. ①
- Prevent refrigerators, washers, and other heavy appliances from moving by blocking the rollers. ②
- Add bracing to support air conditioners, particularly on rooftops.
- Do you have hanging light fixtures or plants? Could they swing and hit a window or swing off their hooks? As a minimum precaution, transfer hanging plants from heavy clay pots to lighter ones and use closed hooks on all hanging items. ③

Check for possible flying glass.

- Replace glass bottles in the medicine cabinet and around the bathtub and shower with plastic containers.
- What kind of latches are on your kitchen cabinets? Consider replacing magnetic "touch" latches with ones that would hold the cabinet doors shut during an earthquake. In some cases, a lip or low barrier across shelves may prevent breakables from sliding out. ④
- Where do you sit or sleep? Anchor heavy mirrors and pictures over beds, chairs, and couches with wire through eye screws into studs. Locate beds away from windows. ⑤

Think about fire safety.

- Remove all flammable liquids, such as painting and cleaning products, to the garage or outside storage area. Be sure these items are secured on their shelves or stored away from heat sources and appliances, particularly your water heater and furnace.
- Secure gas lines by installing flexible connectors to appliances. ⑥
- Is your water heater secured? Metal straps can be used to fasten your water heater to the wood studs of the nearest wall. ⑦

What would happen to the house itself?

- Look at the outside of your home. What about your chimney? Masonry chimneys pose a real hazard in earthquakes, especially the freestanding section above the roof line, as bricks may fall into the house. ⑧
- Check your roof. Make sure all tiles are secured – loose tiles could fall.
- Check foundation for loose or cracked plaster.
- Secure the wood sill and wall framing to the foundation using anchor bolts.
- Sheath crawlspace walls with plywood to prevent collapse. ⑨
- Strengthen connections between posts and beams with bracing.

With your powers of perception more finely tuned, you may wish to extend these suggestions to your workplace. Check to determine whether your company has an earthquake safety plan.

Children can share their new awareness in the classroom. Determine whether their school has a practical earthquake plan, whether earthquake drills are held, and what the policy is if an earthquake occurs while school is in session.

Correcting Problems

Utilities ⑦

Teach responsible members of your family how to turn off electricity, gas, and water at main switch and valves. **Caution:** Do not shut off gas unless an emergency exists. If gas is ever turned off, a professional must restore service. Contact your local utilities for more information.

Label the water shut-off valve, found where water enters the house. Also the main water shut-off valve, found with the meter in a concrete box in the sidewalk or yard.

Weak Crawlspace Walls ⑨

Wooden floors and stud walls are sometimes built on top of an exterior foundation to support a house and create a crawlspace. These walls carry the weight of the house. During an earthquake, these walls can collapse if they are not braced to resist horizontal movement. If the walls fall, the house may shift or fall.

You can look under your house in the crawlspace to see whether there are any wood stud walls supporting the first floor. Check to see whether the stud walls are braced with plywood panels or diagonal wood sheathing. If your house has neither of these, the wood stud crawlspace walls are probably insufficiently braced or are unbraced. Please note that horizontal or vertical wood siding is not strong enough to brace wood stud crawlspace walls.

Plywood or other wood products allowed by code should be nailed to the studs (see Figure A) to strengthen your foundation. The type of wood product used, the plywood thickness, and nail size and spacing are all important when making this upgrade.

Many other types of foundation walls are used in the United States that may need upgrading to resist earthquake damage. Check with your local Building Department or a licensed architect or engineer for recommendations on how to determine whether your foundation and walls are likely to be damaged in an earthquake and what upgrades may be needed. Check with local officials for permit requirements before starting work.

Remember, it is very expensive to lift a house, repair the foundation and walls, and put it back on its foundation, while upgrading before an earthquake will be much less costly.

Garages With Living Spaces Above ②

The large opening of a garage door and the weight of a second-story room built over the garage can result in the garage walls being too weak to withstand earthquake shaking, resulting in severe damage. If the narrow sections of the wall on each side of the garage door opening are not reinforced or braced, the potential for earthquake damage is greater.

Look at the area around the garage door opening – are there braces or plywood panels? If not, strengthening may be needed. Consult a licensed architect or engineer to determine the strengthening required to upgrade your garage walls. Your home may need to have plywood paneling or a steel frame designed and installed around the door opening (see Figure B). Remember to obtain a permit from your local Building Department before starting work.

Chimney Bracing ⑧

To prevent the chimney from breaking away from the house, you should have it secured to the framing of the roof with sheet metal straps and angle bracing (see Figure C). If your roof doesn't have solid sheathing, consider adding plywood panels above the ceiling joists. Have the chimney inspected by a professional to determine whether the chimney should be upgraded or replaced.

Figure C. Bracing masonry chimneys.

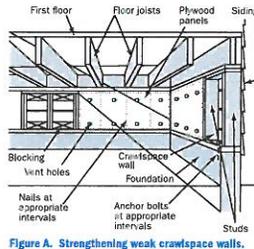


Figure A. Strengthening weak crawlspace walls.

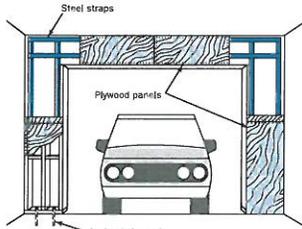
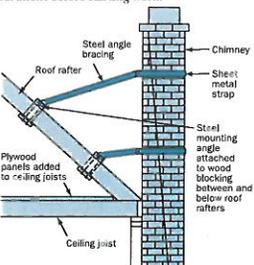


Figure B. Strengthening garage walls below living space.



Hanging Objects ⑤

Prevent wall hangings from bouncing off walls:

- Secure mirrors, pictures, plants, and other objects on closed hooks.
- Secure the bottom corners with earthquake putty or adhesive pads.
- Place only soft art such as tapestries over beds and sofas.

Home Electronics ④

Electronics are heavy objects and costly to replace. Secure TVs, stereos, computers, and microwaves with earthquake-resistant flexible nylon straps and buckles for easy removal and relocation (see Figure D).

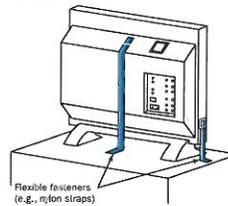


Figure D. Securing home electronics.

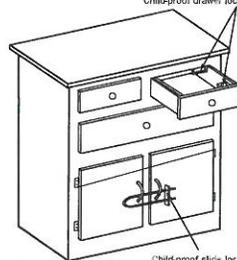


Figure E. Securing cabinet doors and drawers.

Furniture ⑥

Follow these important guidelines:

- Secure all tall, top-heavy furniture such as bookcases, wall units, and entertainment centers (see Figure F). Attach them securely to the wall studs with straps.
- Secure the top, on both the right and left sides of the unit, into wall studs, not just into the drywall.
- Use flexible mount fasteners such as nylon straps to allow furniture independent movement from the wall, reducing the strain on studs.
- Secure loose shelving by applying earthquake putty on each corner bracket.
- Store heavy items and breakables on lower shelves.

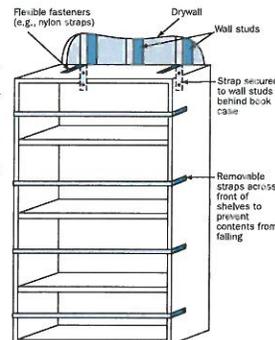


Figure F. Securing top-heavy furniture.

Water Heaters ⑦

Water heaters should be braced (see Figure G). There are many solutions – all relatively inexpensive.

Purchase and install a strap kit or bracing kit from your local hardware store.

Other options include:

- Have a licensed plumber strap your water heater according to code.
- Use heavy metal strapping and screws to secure the water heater to the wall studs.

The gas and water lines should have flexible connector pipes. These are safer than rigid pipes during an earthquake. Be sure to check the straps once a year. They may come loose as a result of vibrations or other causes.

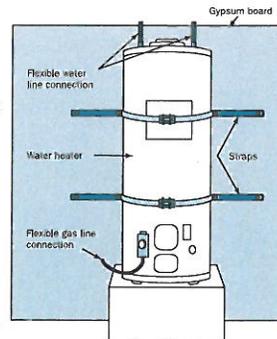


Figure G. Securing water heaters.

Take Action To Protect Yourself and Your Family From Earthquakes

Create and Practice Your Disaster Preparedness Plan

An emergency preparedness plan includes life-critical actions, life-saving training, and the advance plans to enable you to respond to earthquakes and potential physical injuries and hazards no matter where you are.

Life-Critical Actions – Learn how to:

- Drop, cover, and hold.
- Signal for help, if you are trapped somewhere. Teach children and adults to use an emergency whistle and/or to knock three times repeatedly. If trapped, Rescuers searching collapsed buildings will be listening for sounds.

Life-Saving Training – Consider training in:

- First Aid
- CPR
- How to use a fire extinguisher
- How to shut off gas, water, and electricity

Your Disaster Preparedness Plan Should Include:

- Disaster Supplies Kits for home, workplace, and car
- Practicing Drop, Cover, and Hold
- Financial Plan
- Family Communications Plan that each family member understands
- Needs for all family members, including children, seniors, and pets

Financial Plan

You should store your family's documents, such as insurance policies, deeds, property records, birth certificates, and other important papers, in a safe place away from your home (e.g., safety deposit box). Make copies of important documents for your disaster supplies kit. Consider saving money in an emergency savings account that could be used in any crisis. Back up critical files on your computer and keep a copy in a safe place away from your home.

Create Your Disaster Supplies Kit

Because you don't know where you and your family will be when an earthquake occurs, prepare a Disaster Supplies Kit for your home, workplace, and car. For detailed information about the items that should be included in your disaster supplies kit, refer to FEMA 526, *Earthquake Safety Checklist*.

Family Earthquake Drill

It's important to know where you should go for protection when your house starts to shake. By planning and practicing what to do before an earthquake occurs, you can condition yourself and your family to react correctly and spontaneously when the first jolt or shaking is felt. An earthquake drill can teach your family what to do in an earthquake.

- Each family member should know safe spots in each room.
- Sale spots: The best places to be are under heavy pieces of furniture, such as a desk or sturdy table; under supported archways; and against inside walls.
- Danger spots: Stay away from windows, hanging objects, mirrors, freestanding, and tall, unsecured pieces of furniture.
- Reinforce this knowledge by physically placing yourself in the safe locations. This is especially important for children.
- In the days or weeks after this exercise, hold surprise drills.
- Be prepared to deal with what you may experience after an earthquake – both physically and emotionally.
- Following the drop, cover, and hold procedure is the best way to be safe during an earthquake.
- Take cover under a sturdy desk, table, or bench and hold on to the desk or table leg so that desk or table stays on top of you. Hold on until the earthquake shaking stops.
- Family members should practice drop, cover, and hold in the safe spots that you and your family have identified.

Further Information

For more information about earthquake preparedness and safety, refer to the following publications, which are available from the FEMA Distribution Facility at 1-800-480-2520. As noted, some are available for download from the FEMA website.

After Disaster Strikes: How to recover financially from a natural disaster, FEMA 292. Available in both English and Spanish.

Are You Ready? An In-Depth Guide to Citizen Preparedness, IS-22, August 2004. Full publication and individual sections available online in both English and Spanish at http://fema.gov/preparedness/prepare_guides_links.shtml.

Before Disaster Strikes: How to make sure you're financially prepared to deal with a natural disaster, FEMA 291, May 1997. Available in both English and Spanish.

Earthquake Safety Checklist, FEMA 526, August 2005.

Earthquake Safety Guide for Homeowners, FEMA 530, September 2005.

Food and Water in an Emergency, FEMA 477, August 2004. Available online in both English and Spanish at http://fema.gov/preparedness/prepare_guides_links.shtml.

Preparing for Disaster for People with Disabilities and Special Needs, FEMA 476, August 2004. Available online in both English and Spanish at http://fema.gov/preparedness/prepare_guides_links.shtml.

Visit the FEMA website at <http://www.fema.gov/hazards/earthquakes/> for information about the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP) and more ways to address earthquake risks.

WEEK 2



**BOUNCE BACK FASTER
FROM DISASTER
BUILD TO CODE**

The power of natural disasters can be overwhelming. While you can't necessarily stop natural disasters from happening, there are steps you can take to increase your home's chance of survival, even in the face of the worst Mother

Nature can dish out.

- 1. Plan and hold earthquake drills for your family. To learn more about planned earthquake drills in your area**
- 2. Identify two ways to escape from every room in the home.**
- 3. Keep a flashlight and sturdy shoes by each person's bed.**
- 4. Select a safe location away from the home where your family can meet after evacuating.**
- 5. Have an earthquake kit containing water, food, medicines and other necessities for at least three days**
- 6. Make sure your home is securely anchored to its foundation**
- 7. Strap water heaters, appliances and TVs to wall studs.**
- 8. Anchor bookshelves, heavy furniture, appliances and televisions to wall studs.**
- 9. Secure pictures, mirrors and ornaments to the wall with appropriate fasteners.**
- 10. Know where and how to shut off electricity, gas, and water services.**

For more Earthquake safety tips visit:

<http://www.ShakeOut.org>

To learn more about Building Safety visit:

<http://www.iccsafe.org>

For further questions or concerns regarding Building Safety call the City of Pacific Grove, Building Department:

(831) 648-3191



**Pacific Grove ALL-COMERS Invitational
Youth Track Meets**

**Sponsored by the Pacific Grove Recreation Department
at Pacific Grove High School, Richard Chamberlain's Track**

Saturdays, May 16, 2015

FREE

ORDER OF EVENTS

EVENT #		TIME
# A	Standing Long Jump (6 & under Girls / Boys)	10:20 am
# B	Softball Throw (6 & under Girls / Boys)	10:20 am
# 1	800 m (11 & older Girls)	10:30 am
# 2	800 m (11 & older Boys)	10:35 am
# 3	50 m (8 & under Girls / Boys)	10:45 am
# 4	50 m (9 & 10 Girls / Boys)	10:55 am
# C	Standing Long Jump (13 & older Girls / Boys)	11:00 am
# D	Softball Throw (13 & older Girls / Boys)	11:00 am
# 5	100 m (8 & under Girls / Boys)	11:10 am
# 6	100 m (9 & 10 Girls / Boys)	11:20 am
# 7	100 m (11 & 12 Girls / Boys)	11:30 am
# 8	100 m (13 & older Girls / Boys)	11:40 am
# E	Standing Long Jump (11 & 12 Girls / Boys)	12:00 noon
# F	Softball Throw (11 & 12 Girls / Boys)	12:00 noon
# 9	200 m (8 & under Girls / Boys)	12:00 noon
# 10	200 m (9 & 10 Girls / Boys)	12:15 pm
# 11	200 m (11 & 12 Girls / Boys)	12:30 pm
# 12	200 m (13 & older Girls / Boys)	12:40 am
# G	Standing Long Jump (10 & under Girls / Boys)	12:30 pm
# H	Softball Throw (10 & under Girls / Boys)	12:30 pm
# 13	1600 m (all age groups Girls / Boys)	12:50 pm
# 14	400 m (8 & under Girls / Boys)	1:05 pm
# 15	400 m (9 & 10 Girls / Boys)	1:10 pm
# 16	400 m (11 & 12 Girls / Boys)	1:15 pm
# 17	400 m (13 & Older Girls / Boys)	1:20 pm
# 18	4 x 100 m Relay (8 & under Girls / Boys)	1:30 pm
# 19	4 x 100 m Relay (9 & 10 Girls / Boys)	1:40 pm
# 20	4 x 100 m Relay (11 & 12 Girls / Boys)	1:50 pm
# 21	4 x 100 m Relay (13 & Older Girls / Boys)	1:55 pm

Notice: All Times are subject to change!

Each Agency is responsible for recording their own kid's times & distances.

**2015 Summer RECREATIONAL SWIMMING @
the Stillwell Lovers Point Children's Pool
(620 Ocean View Boulevard)**



**RECREATIONAL SWIMMING
POOL IS OPEN DAILY**

Friday, May 22 - Monday, September 7, 2015

Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays (+ Labor day)

12:00 noon - 4:30 pm

Mondays - Thursdays (starting June 8)

2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Cost: \$2 per swimmer on Weekdays

\$4 per swimmer on Weekends & Holidays

Next at
The Little House



Saturday, May 16
5:30

A King's Glory?

*The Duke of Windsor
Palm Beach, FL, 1970*

Howard Burnham characterizes the controversial ex-monarch at one of his last public appearances in America, a fund-raising dinner at the Palm Beach Yacht Club.

Duchess Wallis is indisposed, so the Duke has to solo. He reviews his roller-coaster of a life in which the youth of golden promise became a jaded faded playboy.

**THE LITTLE HOUSE, Jewel Park,
(Central and Grand, Pacific Grove)
Saturday, May 16, at 5:30 pm
\$10 at the door**

(Sponsored by Pacific Grove Recreation Department)