



Feeling crowded, needs some space (and peace)?
We all have items we would like to pass on but don't want the headache of holding our own garage sale.

Then join in our first annual fundraiser garage sale

Saturday, April 21st

9am - 3pm

712 Capitola Ave., Capitola
(cross street is PlumSt)

Dennis Norton Home Design has graciously volunteered his parking lot for our venture. His business is opposite the Produce Stand on Bay Ave. and Capitola Ave. Village Santa Cruz will be hosting this site and all proceeds go to our organization.

If you have decluttered your home and garage already, then how about bringing plant starts or baked goods to sale? All items welcomed except furniture.

Volunteers to set-up (starting at 7:30), to work behind the tables, and to clean-up are needed. Not only will you be working alongside other Village Santa Cruz members, you will be supporting our mission of self support, fundraising and community building. Besides, you'll breathe a little better with more space in your own surroundings!

Items may be dropped off the day of the sale. For more information or pick-up of items, please contact Village Santa Cruz

Administrative Coordinator Joins Our Team

Village Santa Cruz wants to welcome the newest member to our team, Catherine Masi. Catherine will be taking on the job of Administrative Coordinator, freeing up Jessica to concentrate on outreach and so she can spend the summer months fully with her three kids and husband.

We're excited to have Catherine on board beginning the second week of April.

Thank you, [Community Foundation Santa Cruz County](#) for your support in making this happen.

**Members are invited to come meet & greet Catherine at our
Mid-County MIXER
April 11, 11:30-12:30.**



Sandy holds mic for Jacques as he tells diners at Mid-County Senior Center about Village Santa Cruz.

Jacques is many things to many people: a good friend, a good husband, and a good father. Jacques is a community leader: a member of the Capitola City Council, a board member of Senior's Council. To us at Village Santa Cruz he is an invaluable leader. From its inception, Jacques has been here, bringing his wisdom, humor, and stories of a life well led and always community-minded.

Thank you for all you do, Jacques.

Coming Up...for members

Tues, April 3, Painting/Crafts, 1:30 – 3:00 pm @ member's home in westside. Open to all members, no matter what your artistic level. We do this for the joy of the process and the good company. We have paints and painting supplies to share or you can bring your own. **RSVP** for address.

Wed, April 11, Member Orientation, 11:00-11:30am @ Volunteer Center 1st floor community room, 1740 17th Ave. We will cover: distribution and review of member handbook, Village Santa Cruz website tour, logging onto website, and how to stay connected. **RSVP**
AND

Wed, April 11, Monthly Mid-County MIXER, 11:30 – 12:30 @ Volunteer Center following orientation. Meet & Greet members new and old. Catherine, our new Administrative Coordinator will be there to meet you all. In addition:

Outreach Coordinator Jessica, will be available for Village related tech support and questions. So bring your portable device if there's something you'd like help with. We're looking to recruit a volunteer to help with tech support as well. If you are tech savvy, come help out other members.

Feel free to bring brown bag lunch. Or something to share. We'll provide tea. RSVP

Fri, April 13, Book Group, 1-2:30 pm @ Abbott Square, 118 Cooper St., downtown SC. BOOK SELECTION, *Eight Years We Were In Power: An American Tragedy*, Essays 4-8, by Ta-Nehesi Coates. **Book selections coming up:** May, *Exit West* by Mohsin Hamid; June, *An American Marriage*, by Tayari Jones. July, *Manhattan Beach* by Jennifer Egan. **RSVP**

Sat, April 14, Work Party @ Mary's Home, 9:30 – 12:00. Help me with my spring task list. 9:30 - 10 group check-ins & pick task; 10-11:30 work; 11:30-noon lunch is on me!

The job list: **Declutter art supplies**- with minimal instruction Mary will leave it up to you to decide what to keep, what to toss, & what to donate; **Hand mending**: sew on some buttons, patch blankets, etc.; **Plant raised-beds veggie garden** – starts will be on hand and ready for folks to plant .

Anyone need some garden space? If you want to plant your own veggies for harvesting, let me know. I am happy to share space in my third raised bed. **RSVP** for location.

Tues, April 17, The Dining Out Group, 6:30 pm @ Café Cruz, 2621 41st Ave, We meet once/month for dinner at various restaurants around the county. All members welcome. Each person pays for their own meal. Find out how you can win a Cafe Cruz gift card! **RSVP**

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*** Afternoon Movie/Discussion * Village Writes * Day Trip ***

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Wed, April 25, Afternoon at the Movies. Movie followed by discussion. We'll see what's playing as it gets closer. Each person pays for their own movie ticket. **RSVP**

Thurs, April 26, Village Write, 1-2:30 pm @ member's home in Opal Cliffs neighborhood. This group allows members a relaxed, no-pressure space to write. We write short pieces based on prompts. Each person can decide whether or not to read from their writing. **RSVP** for address.

Mon, April 30, Day Field Trip: Using Public Transportation to visit Palo Alto. Does the idea of driving to the Bay Area limit your activities? Member Aileen has offered to help us navigate public transit as we make our way for a day visit to Palo Alto. **RSVP**

RSVP to events

email info@villagesantacruz.org, phone (831) 824-2404 or register at the website calendar.

Coming UP...all welcome!

Mon, April 2, Westside Coffee Gathering, 1-2:00 pm @ Westside Coffee, 849 Almar Ave. in the Almar Plaza. No agenda, no pressure. Stop by to say "hi" and chat with members of Village Santa Cruz who reside in westside Santa Cruz.

We will decide at this coffee whether or not to move our gathering to Iventa and their outdoor patio May – Sept., to take advantage of the nice weather.

Wed, April 11, Volunteer Orientation, 1:30-2:30pm @ Volunteer Center, 1740 17th Ave. Our Volunteers help in many ways: Direct practical support to seniors which includes calls, visits, and driving; Service coordination: scheduling volunteers to help; Tech support: being available to our members to help them use their devices; Event support: help set up and clean up at our events; Organizational support.

If you want to BE THE HELP please join us for our Volunteer Orientation!

RSVP info@villagesantacruz.org (831) 824-2404 or sign up at our website.

Wed, April 18, Aptos Coffee Chat, 1-2:00 pm @ Ground Control Coffeehouse and Eatery, 10 Seascape Village Dr., Aptos, CA 95003 No agenda, no pressure. Stop by to say "hi" and chat with members of Village Santa Cruz who reside in the Aptos, Seascape and La Selva Beach areas.

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Sat, April 21, YARD SALE! 9am - 3pm, 712 Capitola Ave. (Up the street from Many Hands Gallery). This is our fundraiser yard sale. We've been collecting a lot of treasures, including plants for sale. It's the official City of Capitola Garage Sale Day! You don't want to miss this.

Presentation: *Introducing Village Santa Cruz*, 9:30 - 10:30 am @ Community Foundation of Santa Cruz 2nd Floor Couch Room (elevator available), 7807 Soquel Dr., Aptos (across Soquel Ave. from Del Mar Shopping Center).

AND following this...

Volunteer Orientation, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm @ Community Foundation, same date & place and follows the *Introducing Village Santa Cruz* presentation, above. Attend one or both.

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Human Race 2018



Village Santa Cruz has joined the 2018 Human Race, the biggest non-profit fundraising event in Santa Cruz County.

We are dedicated to inclusivity and offer needs-based scholarships. To celebrate the opening of our PLUS program which offers extra services to our frailest members, we've set our funding goal for Human Race is \$3,360 which is equal to the cost of eight PLUS scholarships.

Please help us reach our goal. Go to <https://humanracesc.org/npo/village-santa-cruz> \$5 or \$50, we appreciate your support for

Village to Village 10th Annual National Gathering



**Oct 7-10, 2018
San Diego, CA**

SAVE THE DATE: This is a great opportunity to meet people from some of the 350 Villages around the nation, and to learn about the breath, scope and direction of the *aging well movement* in general & the Village Model in particular.

It's so much fun!

Contact info@villagesantacruz.org if you are curious and would like to talk with a Village Santa Cruz member whose been to a national gathering.

Details at

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