



Christmas is in the Air

Santa's elves have been working hard, creating fabulous Christmas ornaments at GHS this year.

In fact, the ornaments are just some of the wonderful products of Ms. Irina Bucu's art workshops held on the Oakhurst campus. Silk painting results have been most remarkable, too!



*Opaque paints- sparkles and sprinkles-
metalflake- all trapped within a glass chamber-
what could be more fun?*

*Ornaments will be available for sale in the GHS Lobby next week
And this weekend: Decorative Xmas Tree Sale @ Pines (Bass Lake)!*

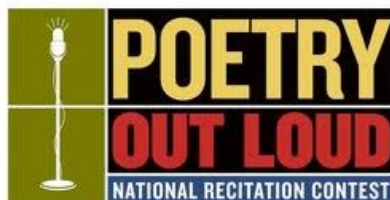
Roses are Red...

Are you one of those people that just love **words?**

It doesn't require a romantic moment to recite a memorized poem- Poetry Out Loud offers an opportunity to "put your heart where your mouth is."

Contact Mr. Boe at GHS if you are interested in representing Glacier in this prestigious event (winter break would be a great time to start memorizing).

*Poems must be selected from an approved list. See website below.



For more information, log on to: <http://www.poetryoutloud.org>

The ornament workshop also made the front page of the Sierra Star- Check out the link here:



<http://www.sierrastar.com/>

Special Dates of Interest:

- **Kingsburg Campus Bowling** (Dec 2 in Selma)
- **ASB Xmas Party**
@ GHS Oakhurst 12/9 (7pm)
- **Fall Semester Ends**
(Work/ Grades Due) 12/16
- **Christmas Day** 12/25
- **New Year's Day** 1/1 (no duh)
- **Due Back** 1/3
- **Poetry Out Loud- Coaching Session** 1/4 (10am)
- **WSCS Board Mtg** 1/11
- **Guitar Workshop** 1/11 (4pm)
- **MLK Holiday** 1/16
- **Auto Workshop** 1/20 (3pm)

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San Francisco Field Trip (March 15-16)

Sign-up by Friday, January 27th, 2012 to secure your spot with a \$25 deposit. Ask for forms.

You are free to reserve a bed at a SF area hostel with the group, or arrange separate accommodations on your own.

Possible planned venues:

Golden Gate Park / Cal Academy of Sciences (with IMAX theatre) / De Young Museum / Chinatown / Beach / Public Transit (BART, ferry, Street Car, Trolley) / Alcatraz / Pier 39 / Angel Island / Asian Art Museum / Maritime Museum / Exploratorium / Theatre

Auto Workshop Starts in January

A basic auto workshop will be held on two Fridays, first on Jan. 20th and later on Feb. 10th, both @ 3 pm.

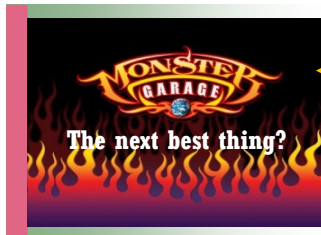
The workshop will cover basic maintenance and upkeep issues, as well as minor repairs and diagnostics.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own

vehicles, to gain an in-depth awareness of their particular car.

Location:

Advanced Automotive Center
40142 Hwy 49
Oakhurst



This workshop will mostly be conducted inside the heated service bays, but warm clothing is recommended

Students taking the workshop for course credit should expect some additional homework outside of class time.

Sign up sheets are posted on the Oakhurst GHS campus bulletin board, or you may request enrollment through your charter teacher.

Special thanks to **Noe Gramajo**, owner of Advanced Auto, for his contributions of time, space, enthusiasm, and energy.

Adrenaline Surge



at Fresno State



Mark your calendars, GHS students...

Friday, February 3rd @ CSU Fresno

9am-1pm Ropes Course

1pm-2pm Lunch (bring \$)

2pm- ? Campus Tour

Transportation: Figure out your own

Ask charter teacher for info and forms





Europe Trip

Now Open to Enrollments

The GHS family and friends trip to Europe has been postponed until the spring of 2013.

Delaying the trip makes payments much more affordable, since there are more months to spread the payments out- it also allows more time to raise funds.

Details about the planned itinerary may be found at:

<http://www.eftours.com/eaf>

Enrolling requires a \$95 deposit, and total trip costs for enrollments made by Dec. 15 will be \$200 less than those posted after that date. Overall cost (without fundraising) is approximately \$2600 (student) and \$3000 (adult).

Think of it as a *really* nice Christmas present!

To enroll, visit:

www.eftours.com/1181041

Passport Information:

www.travel.state.gov

Want to Get Involved? There's No Better Place

Several parents and faculty met in November to discuss the initial steps towards forming a parent organization to support the mission of GHSC.

"We need study groups for English..."

Lisa Peters
parent of 2 GHSC students

It was also suggested that a parent group, in coordination with faculty efforts, might help stimulate the formation of *study groups*, especially those designated towards specific study areas or classes.

The group concluded that a parent group could help facilitate *communication, networking, community building, and fund-raising* towards extra-curricular activities.

One common observation expressed at the initial meeting was that, while periodic social events are scheduled for students, more things could be scheduled. Particip-

pants expressed that apparently there isn't much in place (yet) to encourage interaction between families within our school community. A parent group could help to *bridge the gap* and make important connections between charter school families.

It is projected that parent groups may be formed for each GHSC site, respectively.

The next Oakhurst meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, Jan. 20 at 1 pm.

If involvement in a parent group interests you, please contact Nancy Garcia at 559-897-2321, or ngarcia.ghs@gmail.com

**Rumor has it:
GHS students will be able to tag along as part of the Match Homeschool Group-receiving discount tickets at Badger Pass for skiing and snowboarding (Tuesdays).
Must apply now!**

Log on to:

<http://matchhomeschoolgroup.com/>



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<http://www.yosemitewinterclub.com>

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Academic Gameplan Workshops (in Kingsburg):

Students: If you have ever wondered... "Why do I go to school?" this workshop is for you!

Parents: If you have ever wondered... "How can I teach my child to be organized, study well, and care about education?"

You need to attend these workshops!

Wednesdays: Feb 29, March 7, March 14, March 21

Glacier Portable 9:30am-1:30pm

Bring a lunch, and please be on time!

1.5 credits granted for attendance and participation at all workshops

2.5 credits granted for the above, plus attendance at seminar (TBA)

Sign up in Ms. Garcia's office.

BEGINNING GUITAR WORKSHOP

Bruce Boe

1. B.Y.O.G.
2. 1/11/2012 @ 4PM
3. Si' Si,' MODULE C
4. START FROM SCRATCH
5. NO SKILLS NEEDED
6. GIMME' THE BASICS
7. ANYBODY CAN DO IT
8. WHATCHA' GONNA DO?
9. How 'BOUT IT?
10. WHY NOT?
11. LAME EXCUSE
12. JUST DO IT
13. IT'S YOUR BIG CHANCE
14. BE THERE OR BE SQUARE
15. FOLLOW-UP VISIT
16. HALF CREDIT