

CENTRAL COAST CHAPTER CRFG

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September Meeting

Finley Family Nursery: Saturday, September 12, 2026

Schedule:

(Note: these times are approximate and may change slightly due to actual time needed.)

- 12:30-1:** Set up crew
- 1:00-1:30:** Socializing and refreshments.
Bring a snack to share and your own water.
- 1:30:** Chapter business meeting.
- 1:45-3:00:** Information about what attendees can expect to see and do.

Bring:

A snack to share and your water bottle. Wear clothes and shoes suitable for walking in dirt.

Where:

Finley Family Nursery, 50 Vaquero Drive (corner of El Pomar), Templeton, CA. Chet and Jayme Finley will tell us about their retail nursery and take us on a tour. At the nursery, they sell fruit trees, roses, and a variety of lavenders and landscape trees and shrubs. For more information about their nursery, check out their website, <https://www.finleyfamilynursery.com/>.

Additional Info:

The public is welcome! Please bring a friend.

Restrooms will be available.

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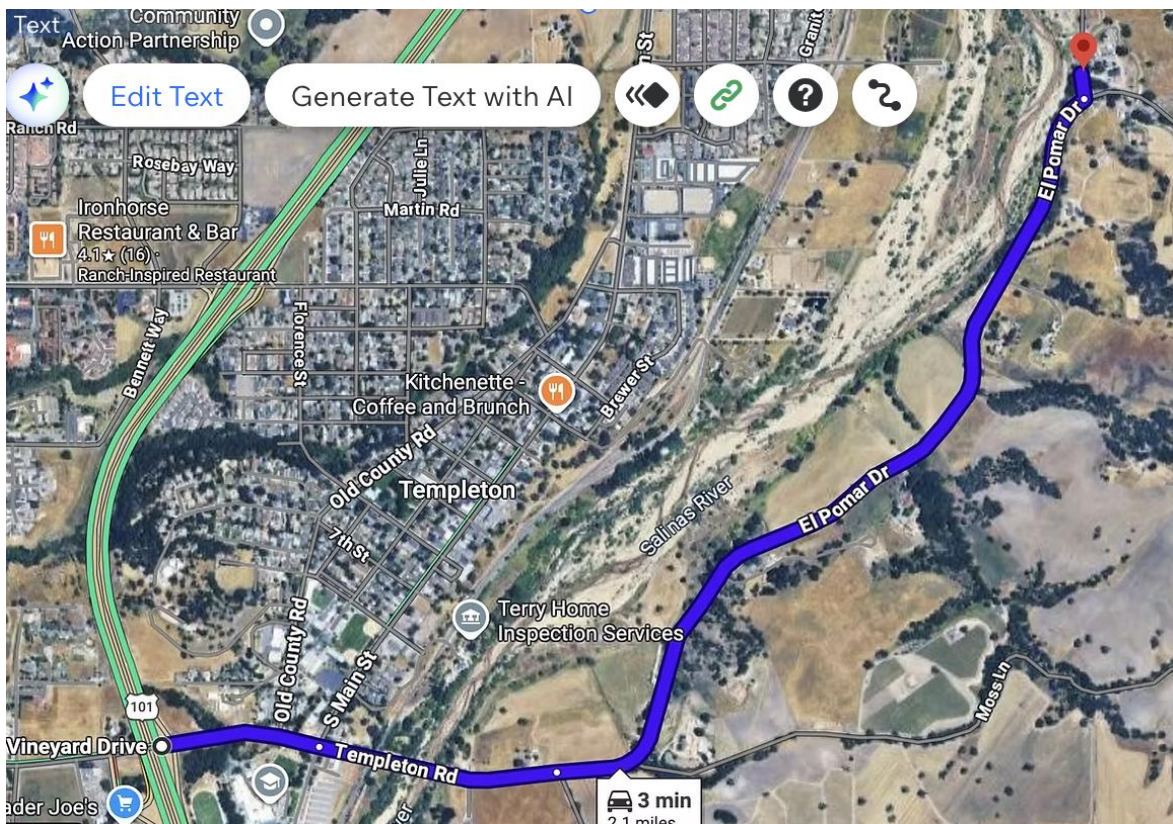
Location & Parking:

Finley Family Nursery

[50 Vaquero Rd, Templeton, CA 93465](#)

Parking is available at the nursery.

1. Take Highway 101 to Templeton, CA
2. Take the Vineyard Drive exit. Turn east onto Vineyard Dr.
3. About 1000 feet after you cross the river, continue straight on El Pomar Dr. (Vineyard Dr. veers to the right).
4. Follow El Pomar Dr. for approximately 1.5 miles, then turn left onto Vaquero Rd.
5. Turn right into Finley Family Nursery.



No Pets

Don't bring pets! Please review "Our Best CRFG Manners While Visiting Homes, Nurseries, Growers, etc." below. We never bring pets to meetings or tours, and we never even ask if we may!"

Announcements

Help save our demonstration orchard!

Cal Poly is considering a plan that could replace nearly 40 acres of prime agricultural land—currently used for hands-on student instruction—with a hotel conference center, senior housing, student housing, and more. This land includes CRFG-Central's demonstration orchard, a hub for our chapter and a community resource into which we have contributed countless volunteer hours.

Sign the petition! <https://www.change.org/p/save-cal-poly-slo-farmland>

More information and ways to help can be found on our website:
<https://www.crfg-central.org/>

Upcoming events:

August 31, 7:00 p.m.: Quarterly chapter board meeting

Quarterly meeting of the CRFG-Central chapter board. This is our regular quarterly meeting, at which we will discuss chapter business, including nomination and election of officers and committee chairs and planning our December potluck and plant raffle. The meeting will be on Zoom, and chapter members are invited to attend. The Zoom code is:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88115421820?pwd=mXmJL2PiRghVlfSVxBsTrT3UYTxCQt.1>

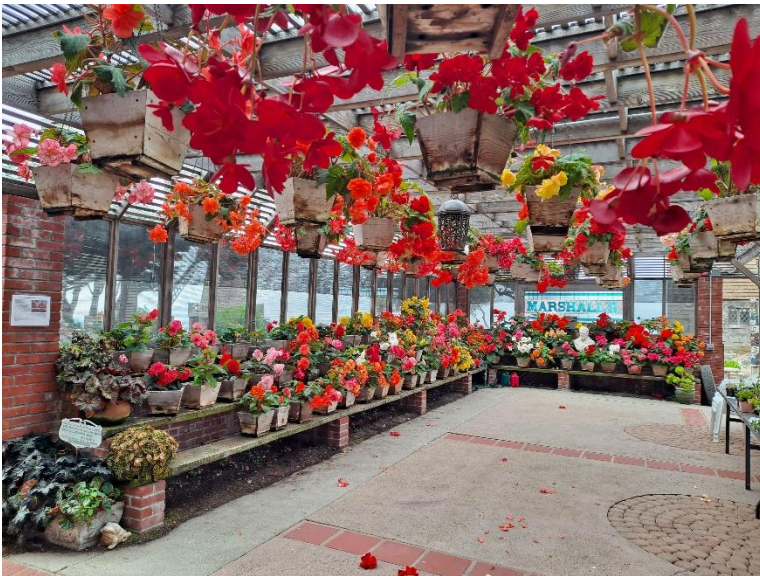
Meeting ID: 881 1542 1820
Passcode: 056472

September 25 and 26: The Arroyo Grande Harvest Festival.

Our chapter will have a booth and sell plants. CRFG members are always welcome to come and bring plants to sell, help with setup or takedown and plant sales, or just stop by and check out our booth.
<https://www.agharvestfestival.com/>

August 8 Chapter Meeting

August's meeting took place on August 8 at the enchanting Chapman Estate in Shell Beach – a lovely setting with a romantically brooding Tudor house and stone lighthouse tower, surrounded by gardens and overlooking the ocean. Your fearless reporter and newsletter editor was jetting off to Europe to see the solar eclipse, so was not present to make a report of the day's activities. Dara took photos, though, which may help give everyone who couldn't attend the meeting a sense of the beauty of the estate and its spectacular begonia collection.



The Chapman Estate begonias





The pavilion

View over the ocean



