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Festival Blooms in Park April 20 & 21



The 19th annual Cherry Blossom Festival honoring Cupertino's sister city of Toyokawa, Japan, will be held at Memorial Park, Saturday and Sunday, April 20 and 21. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and admission is free.

The event offers a wide selection of Japanese food and beverages, entertainment, demonstrations, cultural exhibits, art, crafts and clothing for sale. A special children's section will feature activities and hands-on arts and crafts, including face painting and a petting zoo.

During the festival, a series of cultural displays and demonstrations will be featured at the Quinlan Community Center. This year's guest cultural exhibitor is Isako Wasono who, along with her students, will be displaying her handmade Japanese dolls and demonstrating her special techniques. Other cultural exhibits and demonstrations include ikebana (flower arranging), bonsai (miniature trees), suiseki (rocks without water), nihon shishu (em-

broidery), origami (paper folding), shodo (calligraphy), temari (decorative balls), sushi making and sumi-e (brush painting).

All-day entertainment takes place in the park amphitheater. Among scheduled events are two Taiko groups, Japanese dance, martial arts and children's musical performances. In front of the Quinlan Community Center, on the lawn, Akita and Shiba Inu dogs will be shown.

Food offerings will include chicken salad, green tea, teriyaki hamburgers

and hot dogs, teriyaki skewered corn, sushi, tempura, chicken teriyaki, udon noodles, gyoza (meat in Japanese pastry), yaki

soba, fruit on a stick, manju (dessert), ice cream, beer, sake, wine, soda and bottled water.

Craft booths throughout the park will offer a wide variety of items for sale, including kimonos, cards, paper sculptures, pottery, jewelry, washi eggs and dolls,

Japanese antiques, clothing, paintings, candles, photos, woodwork and T-shirts.

The 200 cherry trees and the two traditional lanterns at the park were gifts to the City of Cupertino from Toyokawa.

The festival benefits the nonprofit Cupertino Sister City Committee, which promotes friendship and student exchange programs between the two cities. Local nonprofit or-



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Cupertino Scene

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ganizations that support services for disadvantaged, youth sports, music and language programs will have booths which raise funds for their groups.

Parking is available at De Anza College. Purchase a one-day parking permit for \$2.00 from machines on lot (8 quarters required).

For further information about the Cherry Blossom Festival, call Lucille Honig, festival coordinator, at 257-7424 or Marge Tanaguchi at 255-2093.

Cherry Blossom Entertainment Schedule

Saturday, April 20, 2002

- 11:00 Opening Remarks, Bill Nishimoto
- 11:05 Sunnyvale Suzuki Violinist
- 11:30 Palo Alto Kendo
- 11:55 Welcome remarks by Mayor Richard Lowenthal, and introduction of students traveling to Toyokawa, Japan.
- 12:05 "Budding Artists of Cupertino" by Hema Kundargi, Chairperson of the Fine Arts Commission
- 12:15 San Jose Taiko
- 1:00 Bando Mitsusa Kai
- 1:30 Satsuma Dojo
- 2:00 Cupertino Judo Club
- 2:30 Aikido Silicon Valley
- 3:00 Okinawa Dance Academy – Miyagi Ryu Ohtori No Kai USA
- 3:25 San Jose Taiko
- 4:10 Closing remarks

Sunday, April 21, 2002

- 11:00 Opening Remarks, Bill Nishimoto
- 11:05 Fujimoto Kai of San Francisco
- 11:30 San Jose Kendo
- 12:00 Western Aikido Yosho Kai
- 12:25 Kaji Yama Taiko
- 1:10 Bando Mitsusa Kai
- 1:40 Satsuma Dojo
- 2:10 Northern California Naginata Federation
- 2:35 Cupertino Judo Club
- 3:05 Aikido Silicon Valley
- 3:30 Kaji Yama Taiko
- 4:20 Closing remarks, Bill Nishimoto

Outstanding Volunteers Needed

The city of Cupertino is accepting nominations for its annual CREST Award, given to outstanding community volunteers.

CREST stands for Cupertino Recognizes Extra Steps Taken. The award honors up to 10 volunteers who have made significant contributions to the Cupertino community during the past year. Recipients will be recognized at an awards ceremony on Thursday, May 16, at the Quinlan Community Center in Cupertino.

Nomination forms are available at Cupertino City Hall, the Cupertino Library, the community center and the Cupertino Chamber of Commerce. The forms also may be obtained by calling the city's public information office, 777-3262.

Deadline for submitting nominations is Friday, April 12.

A committee made up of representatives from each of the city's advisory commissions will review nominations and select the recipients for this year's CREST Award.

Reading Night at Sedgwick

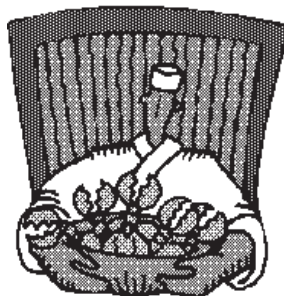
The Sedgwick State Preschool is having a Preschool Reading Night for 3 to 4-year-old children and is inviting the Cupertino Union School District community to come. It will be on Thurs. April 4 from 6:45-8:00 at Sedgwick Elementary School at 19200 Phil Lane, Cupertino, CA.

Sedgwick teacher, Ruth Wachob, will give some tips and techniques for reading to your child and then the wonderful storyteller, Bonnie Malouf will tell stories to our group. There is no cost. To reserve a space, call Sedgwick State Preschool (a free preschool for low-income families) at 366-2676.

Charity Crab Feed

The Fremont Union High Schools Foundation is again partnering with the Rotary Club of Cupertino, and the Foothill-De Anza Colleges Foundation to put on a Crab Feed fundraising event on April 5, 2002. The proceeds will be used to provide the Digital Divide support for the FUHS District.

The Fremont Union High Schools Foundation is a Non-Profit organization serving communities in the Fremont Union High School District. The Foundation provides supplementary resources where they are needed most - in our schools, for our kids. The URL for the Foundation is <http://www.fuhhsd.org/Foundation/index.html>. The Crab Feed is an all-you-can-eat buffet with plenty supply of fresh cold crab, pasta, salad, and bread. It is co-sponsored by Fremont Union High Schools Foundation, Rotary Club of Cupertino, and the Foothill-De Anza Colleges Foundation.



In addition to tasty foods, the event also features Silent & Live Auctions, Drawings & Prizes. We had close to 900 attendees last year and we are expecting 1,000 people attending this year's event.

The Crab Feed will be Friday, April 5, 5:30 to 8 p.m., at De Anza College, Hinson Campus Center, 21250 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino. Tickets are \$30 per person including food and parking. Donations in any amount to help underwrite this event are welcome. Tickets are available at all Fremont Union High Schools and the FUHSD Educational Services Center, 589 W. Fremont Avenue in Sunnyvale. Checks payable to "Fremont Union High Schools Foundation (FUHSF)". Tickets will NOT be available at the door.

Cherry Blossom Volunteers

The Toyokawa Sister City organization is looking for volunteers to help out in the booths (food, beverage, etc.) at the Cherry Blossom Festival. The festival is scheduled for April 20th and 21st from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Memorial Park. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Lucille Honig at (408) 257-7424.

Quota Annual Luncheon

Plan to recognize your staff at the Quota Club Annual Salute to Staff Luncheon, April 25 at Quinlan Center from 12 to 1 p.m. The main speaker at the lunch will be Sheriff of Santa Clara County, Laurie Smith. Cost is \$29 per person for a sit down lunch provided by Alotta's and served by Quota members. Proceeds support Quota's service focus to support the hearing impaired and disadvantaged women and children. Tickets available from any Cupertino Quota member or call Barbara at (408) 257-0625.

Community Congress for General Plan

The General Plan is the city's blueprint that governs growth and addresses changes. Residents will have an opportunity to discuss anticipated growth and future needs of the General Plan at the annual Congress on Friday, May 3 from 3 to 8 p.m. at De Anza College Hinson Center.

Participants will work in facilitated discussion groups to reflect on new directions the city may take.

State law requires each jurisdiction to review its General Plan regularly. The last comprehensive review of Cupertino's General Plan was in 1993.

For more information about the Congress, e-mail, laural@cupertino.org, or call 777-3331.

Simply Safe

By Marsha Garcia

April is California Earthquake Preparedness Month. There will be a statewide "Earthquake: Duck, Cover, and Hold" drill on Tuesday, April 2 at 10:30 a.m. Adults and children, at home, school and in the workplace are encouraged to use the opportunity to practice these life saving actions: Duck under a heavy table, cover your head and hold on to the table leg until the ground stops shaking.

Additional preparedness information is available online and in the Cupertino library. Here is a list of useful websites:

Federal Emergency Management Agency www.fema.gov, California Office of Emergency Services www.oes.ca.gov, Cupertino Emergency Services www.cupertino.org, Collaborative for Disaster Mitigation <http://www.sjsu.edu/cdm/main.html>, American Red Cross www.prepare.org, and www.redcross.org/ca/scv, Community Preparedness Website Project www.preparenow.org, Santa Clara Valley Water District www.scvwd.dst.ca.us, Pacific Gas & Electric www.pge.com, United Animal Nations <http://www.uan.org/ears/tips.html>.

Information is available in multiple languages. Cupertino Emergency Services can help you locate specific language information. Earthquake Preparedness ideas and information will be on display this month in the lobby of Quinlan Center.

Attention animal lovers - during disasters animals become the forgotten victims. A local veterinarian, with a complete mobile emergency clinic, is preparing a disaster response plan for animals and is looking for volunteers. Some job duties include veterinary care for large and small animals, website maintenance, communications, care, shelter and administration. No experience necessary. Contact Dr. Margaret Saiki at (408) 399-5353 for more information.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) classes begin April 3, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. All seven classes are held during the day. The next evening session begins July 12.

Kaleidoscope Public Safety Training for 6 through 12th grades, April 15, 17, 19. This twenty-hour class includes training in CPR, First Aid, fire safety, fire extinguisher use, 9-1-1 tour, earthquake preparedness and law enforcement. Cost is \$15 and includes a T-shirt.

If you do only one thing to prepare this month...every day you have a 50/50 chance that an earthquake will occur. Pretend that "the big one" hits as you are reading this column. Make a list of supplies that you wish you had with you... then go out and get them!

For further information on classes or preparedness, go to "Emergency Preparedness" at www.cupertino.org, or contact Marsha Garcia, 408 777-3335. Registration forms are also available at the Library, Quinlan Center and City Hall.

Employment Opportunities

The Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting applications for **Senior Center Event Attendant**. Applicants will be supervising the facility for rental events and center programs. This position is for weekday evenings and weekend work, 10-20 hours per week. The pay is \$11.50 per hour. Applications and job announcements may be picked up and turned in at Parks and Recreation Office, Senior Center, 21251 Stevens Creek Blvd, 777-3150.

Assistant Director of Public Works

The City of Cupertino is seeking its first Assistant Director of Public Works. The ideal candidate will be a public works professional with broad experience in all areas of public works and possess excellent management, communication, and interpersonal skills. In addition, candidates should have a proven track record of innovation/creativity, and building strong relationships with elected officials, staff, the community and regional agencies. A bachelor's degree in engineering, planning, public administration or a related field and registration as a civil engineer in California at the time of appointment is required (if registered in another state must obtain California registration within the first year of employment).

The salary range for the position is \$92,082 to \$111,927 annually depending on qualifications, plus \$250/mo car allowance. The City pays for the employee contribution to the Public Employees Retirement System and provides an excellent benefit package.

To be considered for this exceptional career opportunity, submit resume, cover letter, current salary, and three work-related references by Friday, April 12, 2002, to:

SHANNON ASSOCIATES

740 University Avenue, Suite 130

Sacramento, CA 95825

916-567-4280

Fax: 916-567-1220

Email: resumes@shannonassoc.com

Website: www.shannonassoc.com

Planning Commission Vacancy

Notice is hereby given that the City of Cupertino is accepting applications for an unscheduled vacancy on the Planning Commission for a term that ends January 2005.

The vacancy occurred when Commission Member Geoff Patnoe resigned. The term of this unscheduled vacancy expires on January 15, 2005.

The Planning Commission consists of five members appointed by the council to overlapping four-year terms. The commission's primary function is to advise the city council on land use matters such as specific and general plans, zonings and subdivisions. The commission reviews other matters as specified by city ordinances or Title VII of the Government Code of California. Meetings are held at 6:45 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at City Hall in the council chamber. Applicants must be residents of the City of Cupertino. Members receive a compensation of \$50 per meeting. The Planning Commission falls under the Political Reform Act of 1974 and financial disclosure is required.

The deadline for applications is Tuesday, May 7 by 5:00 p.m., and the City Council will conduct interviews on Monday, May 13 beginning at 6:00 p.m. For more information, or to obtain an application, please contact the Cupertino City Clerk's Office at (408) 777-3223.

Morion Finders

Thanks to everyone who called us about finding the other "morion." Last month's winners were, Ann Peavey, Lorraine Helms, Barbara Capron, Rakesh Jain, Gloria Arya.

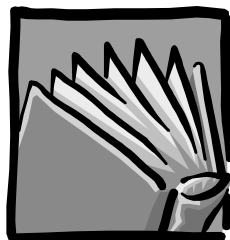
April Puzzlement

This group's name will change after the third reading. At the time of printing there has been one reading. What will be the new name of this group? E-mail your answer to internetforum@cupertino.org. We will send a Cupertino Travel Alarm/Calculator to five randomly selected correct responses received by end of business (5:30 p.m.) April 10, 2002. One entry per person.

Library News

Thanks to the City Council, Citizens and city of Cupertino, Extended Library Hours:

Monday	10-9
Tuesday	10-9
Wednesday	10-9
Thursday	10-9
Friday	10-6
Saturday	10-6
Sunday	12-6



Library telephone numbers are:

General Number	(408) 446-1677
Accounts, Billing	1-800-286-1991
Dial-in Catalog	1-877-471-3349
TeleCirc	1-800-471-0991

The library has a Web Catalog at <http://webpac.santaclaracountylib.org/>, and a catalog at telnet://library.santaclaracountylib.org/. The brochure, Library Catalog Access from Home or Work, is available at the library. Bookmark these library web addresses:

Santa Clara County Library Web Site:

<http://www.santaclaracountylib.org>

Teen Page Web Site:

<http://www.santaclaracountylib.org/teen>

Kids Page Web Site:

<http://www.santaclaracountylib.org/kids>

Lobby Book Sale

The Friends of the Cupertino Library have a book sale in the library lobby, with books priced from \$1 to \$4.

Children's Storytimes

Preschool Storytime (ages 3-1/2 to 6)

Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.

Bedtime Storytime (3 years and up)

Tuesdays, 7 p.m.

Toddler Storytime (ages 2-1/2 to 3-1/2)

Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.

Twos Storytime (ages 1-1/2 to 2-1/2),

Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.

National Library Week

In celebration of National Library Week and John Steinbeck's Centennial Birthday, Katie Rodger, from the Center for Steinbeck Studies at San Jose State University, will present a program on *The Red Pony*. The classic 1949 film will be shown followed by a discussion of the

film and the book. The program will be in the Community Room,

April 15, 2002, 7p.m. -9 p.m. For more information please call 446-1677.

Self-Help Tax Forms

A self-help tax form area on the landing between the lobby and Young People's Room offers giveaway forms. Binders of reproducible tax forms are on tables near the copy machines, both in the lobby and on the landing.

Vita Tax Volunteers

Vita tax volunteers will be available to help with tax forms from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Children's Story Room on Saturdays, through April 13, 2002.

Internet Basics for Adults

Basic Internet classes for adults will be held at the library every Saturday, 10 to 10:30 a.m. These drop-in classes are limited to 5 participants and are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Participants must be able to use a computer keyboard and mouse. Those interested should come to the Adult Reference desk at 10 a.m. on Saturday mornings. For more information please call (408) 446-1677.

Internet Classes in Mandarin

Basic Internet instruction in Mandarin Chinese is available at the library by appointment. If you would like to schedule an appointment please call the Reference Desk at 446-1677.

Bestseller Collection

Funded by the Friends of the Cupertino Library, the Bestseller Collection is a special browsing collection designed to make it easier than ever to find a bestseller on the library shelf when you visit the library. The books are available on a first-come, first-serve basis (no reserves). All titles check out for one week. Located next to the New Books area on the main floor near the adult reference desk.

Parent-Children Catalog or Internet Classes

Parents of schoolchildren may schedule personal appointments with a children's librarian for either introductory Internet (exploring web sites for children) or library catalog instruction. The classes are open to parents alone, or with their children. To schedule an appointment, call (408) 446-1677, Ext. 3320.

Block Leader Training Offered

A half-day training for residents who want to get to know, trust, and work with their neighbors will be held on Saturday, April 13 at the Cupertino Senior Center.

The training features a panel discussion and individual coaching from experienced neighborhood leaders and tips on how to approach neighbors and maintain communication. The city's Emergency Preparedness, Neighborhood Watch and Block Party programs also will be presented.

The block leader program was designed in response to the community's interest to build closer ties within the neighborhoods. Eighteen residents participated in a similar training in February.

For more information, contact Laura D. Lee at 777-3331, or e-mail laural@cupertino.org.

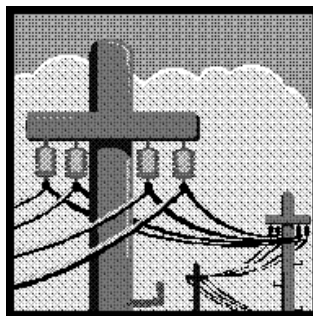
Promise of Fiber Optics

*By Sal Algeri, Chair,
Telecommunications Commission*

You may have heard in the media the almost limitless bandwidth capabilities of fiber optic communications. The major inter-exchange carriers like AT&T, MCI/Worldcom, Sprint, Verizon, British Telecom, etc.

have been converting to all fiber optic backbone systems since the mid 80s. The advances in technology have allowed these carriers to transmit 800 billion bits per second. The equivalent of 10 million voice calls over a single pair of fibers. The high speed backbone network connects to the local telephone switches.

These advances have driven long distance telephone rates to the lowest in history and has allowed digital transmission over



the internet to be very inexpensive. This technology allows us to research and information gather for only a connection charge to the internet through an ISP. It has also created complete new industries like e-commerce. This was not even a word 20 years ago. The trends in business is to make all our transactions on line capable like banking, bill paying, shopping and communicating, including e-mail, instant messenger.

Some reports estimate that the backbone utilization is only about 30% to 40%. Then why can't you get your information faster? Why do downloads take so long? The problem is not the backbone network. In coming months we will explore the current bottleneck in the local networks and how technology can help solve this problem.

Cultural Communication Tips

Communicating with people from different cultures can be both exciting and confusing. It's exciting because we can learn new things about other people and other cultures. And it can also be confusing when you find yourself in a situation where you are not sure what to say or do.

The Citizens of Cupertino Cross-Cultural Consortium (5Cs) has compiled tips from several cultures about some of the more common ways people socialize, greet one another, give gifts, visit homes, and other interactions. The list provides a window into some of the cultural norms that guide communication in: China, India, Iran, Japan, Mexico, Taiwan, and the United States. Information from other cultures is welcome, as the web page will be updated often.

To find the "Cultural Tips and Hints" list, visit: www.cupertino.org and go to "Cultural Connections".

For more information about the 5Cs or the cultural tips project, call 777-3331, or e-mail laural@cupertino.org.



Pest Control Factsheets Available

New pest control factsheets that include information on less-toxic products and techniques are available this Spring at two local nurseries in Cupertino: Yamagami's and Woolworth's Garden Center, both on S. DeAnza Blvd., just south of Hwy. 85. Nursery staff have received special training on pest control and can guide customers in using an Integrated Pest Management approach to resolve their bug problems. Factsheets are also available at Quinlan Community Center and at the Cupertino library.

Fluorescent Tubes and Bulbs

Because florescent tubes and compact fluorescent bulbs contain a small amount of mercury, when they no longer work, they should be disposed of as hazardous waste. Be careful not to break the tubes or bulbs. Store them carefully and bring them to the County Household Hazardous Waste Program. If lamps are accidentally broken, store them in a sealed container. Pick up spilled powder and add it to the sealed container. Call 277-7300 for a free disposal appointment. The Program also accepts other mercury-containing products, including:

- Pre-1997 tennis shoes that light up (before 1997, these shoes contained a mercury switch),
- "Silent" wall light switches
- Wall heater thermostats (don't remove the mercury switch from the thermostat—bring in the whole thermostat)
- Broken mercury fever thermometers (these cannot be sold after July 1, 2002). If a thermometer breaks, collect as much of the spilled mercury as possible (two pieces of stiff paper can help to collect the mercury from a smooth surface), and place it into a small glass jar for transport. Do not vacuum up mercury. Vacuuming would contaminate the vacuum and aerosolize the mercury.

Mercury has been found in the sediment of some of the creeks in the South Bay, as well as in some types of fish caught in the Bay. The cities throughout the Bay Area are making a concerted effort to prevent mercury from being released into the environment.

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal

During Spring cleaning, remember that it is easy and free to properly dispose of unwanted hazardous cleaning, hobby and gardening products. Cupertino residents wishing to make an appointment for free disposal of items such as old paint, pool chemicals, used motor oil and antifreeze, batteries, solvents, fertilizers and pesticides, should call 299-7300. Small businesses also may be eligible to participate for a nominal fee.

Learn to Compost

There are three more chances to attend a free backyard composting class this Spring at McClellan Ranch: April 6, May 4, and June 1. Class is held from 10 a.m. to noon. Call 918-4640 to register. Visit our compost bin display area to help you choose which kind of bin to build or buy.

Compost Available Again

Bulk compost is available again, to Cupertino residents, on Friday and Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 11:00, at Stevens Creek Quarry on Stevens Canyon Rd., at no charge. Bring shovels and your garbage bill. Bags at the site are provided courtesy of Hanson Cement Co. Call 777-3241 or visit the city's website (www.cupertino.org) for information.

Jr. Nature Museum

Free at McClellan Ranch Park on Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

April 6, Compost Critters – Who does the work of turning old leaves, twigs and grass clippings into the raw materials plants need to grow? We'll look at compost through a hand lens and find out. A video with great close-up photography will be played to help us identify what we find. Program starts at 12:30 p.m.

April 13, Introduction to integrated pest management (IPM) by Ruth Troetschler, author and expert on modern pest control. Talk and slides begin at 10 a.m. 16 years and older please. Call (408) 777-3149 for more information on weekend programs.



Roots

*By Gail
Fretwell Hugger*

Remembering Genevieve

She was born the second of eight children on February 13, 1914 to John and Emma Dow Ziegler in San Francisco. When she was very small, the family moved to a little cabin at the very top of Regnart Canyon Road in Cupertino. Over time, she and her brothers and sisters helped their parents enlarge the cabin into a small house. She walked down the canyon road and through the orchards with the Regnart kids to attend the original Lincoln School on the corner of Highway 9 (De Anza Blvd) and Prospect Road; a daily trip of about 7 miles.

When Genevieve was about 10 years old, she and Alice Regnart found a dead gopher snake on the way home from school. There were a lot of snakes in the canyon then. They hurried and coiled it up in the dusty road and ran to hide in the bushes. Before long, shy cousin Thelma Regnart came up the road on her way home from school. She literally almost stepped on the snake, screamed and hopped over it. Then she heard Genevieve and Alice giggling in the bushes and chased them all the way home.

After Genevieve grew up, she lived and worked in San Francisco for the Federal Reserve Bank and served in positions that were not usually open to women at that time. She later worked for Ames Research center in Sunnyvale, until a bout with cancer pushed her into retirement. But she not only overcame the cancer, she used her recovery time to help counsel other women on how to deal with cancer and demonstrated that it was possible to go forward and have a full and productive life. When she was feeling better she took a job in the Monta Vista High School office where she worked with principal Dale DeSelms for 12 years and made a host of friends there.

She was a member of the Cupertino Historical Society and held several offices, including President of the organization. Some of the mem-

bers of CHS were lifelong friends from grade school days. She was tireless in her efforts to support the historical society. Once, she gathered some of her old school chums and CHS members and they set off to look for one of the oldest oak trees in Cupertino. The fact that the group had to walk along a part of Regnart Creek that necessitated exploring people's backyards did not deter her in the least. The tree must be located!! Some of the less intrepid folks feared they might be arrested as trespassers but the tree was located and duly noted.

Genevieve cared about others. She took care of her uncle Henry Ziegler for several years until his death. She raised her nephew, George Rachac and sent him to college. She helped found the Cupertino Museum in Quinlan Center. For years she collected day old bread from local markets for Cupertino Community Services to distribute to needy families. The Cupertino Sertoma Club honored her community efforts with a well-deserved award in 1993. She was an active member of the LDS church in Cupertino and served in many positions there. She loved the music programs and sporting events at Monta Vista High School and continued to attend them long after she retired in 1980. Former principal, Dale DeSelms remembered that Genevieve always made sure he met the parents of new students when they came to enroll their children. The school staff respected her for the caring way she treated people and her cheerful, buoyant attitude.

In her 80's, walking became difficult and the steep hill on which her little canyon house stood became harder for her to manage, though she still walked her dog up and down the canyon road, visiting with her neighbors. In 1997, she finally left her beloved canyon home and moved to Shingle Springs to live with her nephew, George and family. She told old friends to come and take some of her large potted plants so they wouldn't die. Also discovered near the house were two very large, deep stone grinding bowls, used by Indians who lived near the canyon creek nearly 200 years ago and these were saved for family members. Genevieve passed away on March 3, 2002. Her plants continue to thrive and bloom each spring, near Easter time, and serve as remembrance of the loving care she gave to them and to others. She will be missed.

Senior Center News

For information on these or other senior programs, call 777-3150.

The Senior Center offers a great variety of classes, services and travel opportunities for adults 50+, membership is required for most classes and activities, but services are open to all seniors.

Flash Your Membership Card

Being a member at the Cupertino Senior Center has many great advantages. Your annual \$12 fee not only pays for your parking permit and mailing the monthly newsletter, it also goes towards all of the wonderful drop-in and social events offered monthly. So, starting in April, we are going to ask that you start showing your membership card before entering drop-in activities and social events so we can ensure that only members are enjoying these programs. Please, don't forget to bring your membership card with you to the Senior Center.

Instructional Computer Lab

4/4, Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

4/18, Thursday 1 to 4 p.m.

Three 1-hour sessions will be offered. These free classes are limited to 8 participants per session and offer an opportunity to enhance your PC, e-mail and Microsoft skills. Prerequisite: Beginning PC class, experience and base knowledge of e-mail and Microsoft software applications. Please sign up prior to class and only one class session per day.

Beginning Computer Class

5/9 to 6/13, Thursdays 2 to 4 p.m.

This is a basic course where you can learn using a PC computer (IBM type). Register in advance. \$55.

Mac Graphics Class

4/1 to 5/14, Mondays 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Learn to create great cards, calendars, and letterhead by using graphics. Tuesday Labs with Class. Sign up at desk. Fee: \$40.

Beginning Internet & E-mail

4/4 & 4/11, Thursday 2 to 4 p.m.

Come learn how to access the Internet and send and receive e-mail. Sign up at desk, \$40.

Wednesday Weekly Soup Lunches

12 noon to 12:30 p.m.

Join us for a delicious hot soup lunch, choice of two nutritious soups served with rolls and fruit. Now you can buy up to 4 tickets per month at one time. \$2. Advance sign-up is required; tickets will be sold until 10:30 a.m. on the day of the lunch.

Spring Luncheon

4/18, Thursday, 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Special lunch sponsored by the Advisory Committee, join us for a celebration of spring. \$7. Advance sign-up is required. Limited space.

Income Tax Assistance

Need help in preparing your tax forms? Appointments are available for a free one-hour consultation for seniors. Volunteer tax aides (AARP) will be available on most, Mondays, Tuesdays and, Wednesdays until mid April. Please call (408) 777-3150 to set up an appointment, the consultations are held at Quinlan Center.

Book Group

First Friday of the month, 1:15 to 3 p.m.

4/5, *Girl in Hyacinth Blue* by Susan Vreeland, 5/3, *Corelli's Mandolin* by Louis DeBernieres. You are invited to come and join in our lively discussions, learn about new books and meet new people.

Movie of the Month:

The Way We Were

4/23, Tuesday, 2 to 4 p.m.

Starring Barbara Streisand and Robert Redford. This is a classic love story sparked by the attraction of opposites, played out against the backdrop of American life during times of foreign war, domestic prosperity and McCarthy-era paranoia in Hollywood.

New Member Orientation

4/9, Tuesday, 2 p.m.

For new members, come to this orientation and tour the facility. Learn about trips, classes, events and volunteer opportunities and let us know about your interests.

Evening Swing Dancing

4/3, Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m.

Dance to the tunes of The Bob Gutierrez band with your favorite partner or friends. Just listen or dance to tunes you remember. Come and check out our new expanded dance floor. \$5. Refreshments.

Karaoke Weekly Social

Thursdays, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. If you like to sing, join us for 3 hours of drop in Karaoke fun. Bring your own diskettes (VCD) or use Center's. Everyone is welcome! Refreshments provided. \$1.

Monthly Evening Karaoke

4/10, Wednesday, 6 to 9 p.m.

Starting April, the Center will sponsor an evening Karaoke on the 2nd, Wednesday of the month. Come for hours of fun and music. Must be Senior Center members. \$1.

Volunteer Advisory Council Meeting

4/15, Monday, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Members of the Volunteer Advisory Council meet monthly to discuss Center events and plan for future activities. Everyone is welcome.

Ballroom Dance Weekly Class

Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m.

Join other Senior Center members for 2 hours of ballroom dance. Instructors will be available to demonstrate different dances. \$10/month

Dance the Night Away

5/3, Friday, 7 to 9 p.m.

The Cupertino High School Leadership students are sponsoring a "Senior " Prom for our members at the Senior Center. Come dance the night away to the Oldies with some Cupertino High School students. Refreshments will be served at this free event.

Upcoming Trips

Upcoming trips for seniors: Mystery Trip, 4/19; Ballet San Jose, 5/3/02; Canadian Maritimes, 5/24 to 6/4; Napa Valley, 6/10 to 6/19; Fall Foliage: Treasures & colors, 10/5 to 10/18. For more information about upcoming trips and to sign-up, come into the Senior Center or call 777-3150.

Changing Demographic Committee

We sponsor activities at the Senior Center with an International flavor. Our goal is to make the Cupertino Senior Center a friendly and sociable place for seniors of all nationalities who reside in our area. We have sponsored music, dance and choral performances, movies, fashion shows and food events. We are meeting on, Monday, April 22, 2002 at 3 p.m. in the Arts and Crafts Room. Come to this meeting, participate with us in the planning of these events and enjoy the rewards of this important service to our community.

Caregiver Support Group

4/17, Wednesday, 1:30 to 3 p.m., 6 to 7:30 p.m. This group meets on a drop in basis and facilitated by Jackie Baddeley, the Senior Center Social Worker. Ideas, support, encouragement and sometimes humor are offered to those people whose responsibilities include taking care of a loved one in the caregiver's home, in the loved one's home, in an institution, or even at a distance.

Lively! Mondays

4/1, 4/8 and 4/29, Monday, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. *Lively! Mondays*, a drop-in discussion group for Cupertino Senior Center members to share ideas, no specific topic for this session, open forum.

Bereavement Support Group

4/10, Wednesday, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

This support group meets on the second, Wednesday of the month. The purpose of the group is to offer companionship, ideas and support for those who have lost a loved one.

Drop-In Consultation

Thursday mornings, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Jackie Baddeley, Senior Center Social Worker, offers drop-in office hours. Jackie will be able to discuss simple issues, such as social security, avoiding a nursing home, benefits available and hiring help. If needed, follow up visits are available by appointments. *Chinese translation is available every, Thursday.*

Blood Pressure Check

Mondays: 4/8 & 4/22 (2nd and 4th, Mondays) 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Thursdays: 4/4 & 4/18 (1st and 3rd, Thursdays), 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Health care providers suggest having your blood pressure checked regularly. You can have your blood pressure checked on second and fourth, Mondays (except during holidays), also first and third, Thursdays. This service is open to everyone and is free.

Support services for Chinese, Latino and Caucasian Family Caregivers

Affiliated with the Veteran's Affairs Palo Alto Health Care System and Stanford University school of Medicine, the Older Adult and Family Center is offering a free program for family members giving care to a relative with memory problems. If you or someone you know would like to learn more about this opportunity, call (800) 943- 4333 and your call would be returned within 24 hours. Call 1-800-943-4333 and press 2 then # for English, 3 then # for Mandarin, 4 then # for Spanish, 5 then # for Cantonese.

Housing Questions

Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. By appointment, work with our housing expert, one on one, to find out what alternatives are available in this area and how to apply. Call (408) 777-3150.

HICAP Appointments

4/11 & 4/25, 1 to 3 p.m. (2nd & 4th Thurs.)

4/2 & 4/16, 10 a.m. to 12 noon (1st & 3rd Tue). Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program. By appointment only, call 777-3150.

SALA

4/3, Wednesday, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

4/29, Monday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Senior Adults Legal Assistance provides free legal services to seniors by appointment. Call 777-3150.

Community Calendar

Submit information about clubs and organizations that meet in Cupertino to Linda Lagergren, City of Cupertino, 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino, 95014, 777-3202. Clubs with asterisks meet more than once monthly. Call the contact number for details.

APR.	Club/Organization	Time	Location	Phone
1 Mon	American Legion Post 642	8 p.m.	10201 Imperial Ave., #3	374-6392
	AI-ANON Steps for Living*	7:30 p.m.	940 S. Stelling Rd.	379-1051
	Take off Pounds Sensibly* TOPS	6:30 p.m.	First Baptist Church 10505 Miller Ave.	252-2434
2 Tues	Alcoholics Anonymous* Women's Group	6:30 p.m.	Redeemer Luth. Church, 940 S. Stelling Rd.	650-903-0321
	AI-ANON Family Group*	5:30 p.m.	Bethel Lutheran Church 10131 Finch Avenue	379-1051
	ToughLove*	7 p.m.	Bethel Lutheran Church	481-9236
	Cupt. Toastmasters 4608*	6 p.m.	HP/Agilent 5301 Stevens Creek, Bldg. 50	973-7803
	Cupertino Kiwanis*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant	252-3830
	Knights of Columbus 4981*	8 p.m.	10201 Imperial Ave., #3	243-8462
	Cupertino Men's Service*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant	
3 Wed	Cross-Cultural Consortium (5Cs)	7 p.m.	City Hall	777-3331
	AI-ANON Family Group* AI-ATEEN*	7:30 p.m. 8:15 p.m.	940 S. Stelling Road Redeemer Lutheran Church, 940 S. Stelling	734-5869 292-8897
	Cupertino Sanitary Dist*	8 p.m.	20065 Stevens Creek #C	253-7071
	De Anza Optimist Club*	7:15 a.m.	Holder's Restaurant	253-4424
	Cupertino Optimist Club*	12:15 p.m.	Blue Pheasant	255-3212
	Tandem Toastmasters*	Noon	Compaq, 10501 Tantau	865-1815
	Cupertino Rotary Club*	Noon	Community Center	920-2224
	Philotesian Rebekah #145 Cup. Symphonic Band*	7:30 p.m. 7 p.m.	Cupertino Odd Fellows Cupertino High School	252-3954 262-0471
4 Thurs	De Anza Lions Club*	6:45 a.m.	Holders Country Inn	253-3219
	Cup. Host Lions Club*	7:15 p.m.	Mariani's Restaurant	252-2633
	Northwest Y Service Club*	7 p.m.	Northwest YMCA 20803 Alves Drive	725-8195
	Cupertino Amateur Radio Emergency Service	7:30 p.m.	City Hall	345-8372
	Women's Quilting Group*	9:30 a.m.	West Valley Pres. Church 6191 Bollinger Rd.	253-2984 252-0932
	Connect Club I*	Noon	International House of Pancakes St. Crk. Blvd.	252-7054
	Connect Club II*	8 a.m.	Chamber of Commerce	252-7054
	Connect Club III*	Noon	Chamber of Commerce	252-7054
	Rolling Hills 4H Club	7 p.m.	Monta Vista Rec Center	257-4745
	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 p.m.	Union Church	541-9069
HP Communicators Toastmasters #4606*	7:00 a.m.	HP Cupt. site, Bldg. 46T 19055 Pruneridge Ave.	650-691-8724	

5 Fri	Alcoholics Anonymous* Fast Start Group	5:00 p.m.	Redeemer Lutheran Church 940 S. Stelling Rd	374-8511
	De Anza Kiwanis*	7:15 a.m.	Intl. House of Pancakes	973-1456
6 Sat	De Anza Flea Market	8 to 4	De Anza College	864-8946
8 Mon	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 p.m.	20589 Homestead Rd.	252-3954
	Bicycle/Ped Adv. Com.	7:30 p.m.	City Hall	777-3240
	Fine Arts League	7 p.m.	Community Center	777-0209
	Friends of Cupt. Library	7:30 p.m.	Cupertino Library	253-8294
9 Tues	Southbay Toastmasters*	6:30 p.m.	Tandem Bldg. 251, 10100 N. Tantau, Rm. 1258	253-7622
	Sertoma Club*	7:15 a.m.	1366 S. Saratoga- Sunnyvale Rd.	252-2584 255-5293
	Poets Society*	7:30 p.m.	Coffee Society	725-8091
10 Wed	Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*	7 p.m.	Collins School	245-9156
11 Thurs	Quota Service Club* <small>(Aids hearing & speech impaired)</small>	Noon	Blue Pheasant	252-8568
	Cupertino-West Valley Welcome Club	11:30 a.m.		257-6136 252-1529
12 Fri	Malihini Orchid Society	7:30 p.m.	Hewlett-Packard, Oak Rm	267-3397
	Cupertino Coin Club	7:45 p.m.	West Valley Pres. Church	253-1232
13 Sat	Daughters of Norway	9:30 a.m.	Sunnyview Retirement Community	255-9828
	McClellan Ranch Volunteers	9:30 a.m.	McClellan Ranch	255-2422
16 Tues	African Violet Society Viewfinders Camcorder Club	12:30 p.m. 7 p.m.	Sunnyview Lutheran Home Community Center Cupertino Room	736-9262 252-2667
18 Thurs	Toyokawa Sister City	7:30 p.m.	City Hall	257-7424
	West Valley Republican Women	11:30 a.m.		252-6312 446-4144
	Bicycle/Ped Adv. Com.	7 p.m.	City Hall	777-3240
23 Tues	De Anza Youth Soccer	7:30 p.m.	Community Center	973-1495
	Historical Society	6:30 p.m.	Community Center	
24 Wed	Rancho Neighborhood Association	7:30 p.m.	Rancho Pool and Recreation Facility	973-1600

Deadline for submitting May calendar information is April 3.

Council Actions



Monday, March 4, 2002

Housing Committee Interviews

Appointed Frances Seward to the Financial Representative position for a full term ending January 2005.

Regular City Council Meeting

Council Members Present: Chang, James, Kwok, Lowenthal, Sandoval

Accepted Applications for Alcoholic Beverage Licenses from:

- Fontana's Italian Restaurant, 20840 Stevens Creek Blvd.

- TK Noodle, 20735 Stevens Creek Blvd.

- Kim In Suk, 20956 Homestead Rd.

Adopted fiscal year 2002-2003 goals.

Approved application for grant funding to rehabilitate Portal and Wilson Parks.

Council Supported designating the Union Pacific Railroad Trail Corridor as future open space to the General Plan Update and referred the report and recommendations to the City Councils of Campbell and Saratoga, the Town Council of Los Gatos, the VTA Board and the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors.

Proposal by Faria School Site Council to consider 30-minute "Drop-off" zones on the streets adjacent to the school. Council agreed that the School Site Council should contact neighbors with the assistance of the Public Works Department and that the Public Works Department should report back in early summer.

First reading of "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cupertino Amending chapter 2.86 Housing Committee of the Cupertino Municipal Code Concerning Renaming the Housing Committee," renaming it the Housing Commission.

Set joint session with the Housing Commission for Monday, April 15 at 5:30 in Conference A or C/D; set Sports Center project study session for Monday, April 1 from 4:30-6:00 in the Council Chambers; set joint session with Library Steering Committee on Tuesday, March 19 from 5-6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Agenda Previews



City Council

Monday, April 1, 2002

5:30 p.m., Budget study session

6:45 p.m., **Council Meeting**

Study session on the Sports Center project from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Approve the destruction of records from the Code Enforcement and Community Development which are in excess of 2 years old.

Public hearing to review use of the Twenty-Eighth program year (2002-2003) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Hearing to approve the recovery of costs of abatement of public nuisance at 10200 Stern Avenue.

Proposed Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Commission.

Second reading of Ordinance Regarding Sale of Surplus Supplies and Equipment.

Adjourn to a study session regarding the City's Housing Program, Monday April 15 at 5:30 in Conference Room A.

Planning Commission

City Council Chambers

Monday, April 8, 2002, 6:45 p.m.

Public Hearing

Applicant: Derek Fluker

Location: 22811 San Juan Road

Time extension for a hillside exception consisting of a 2,953 sq. ft. residence on a prominent ridgeline, development on slopes greater than 30%, height exception, front setback exception, and a parking exception to have less than four functionally independent parking spaces.

General Plan study session. Tentative subject: preferred development alternative.

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April	3	Telecommunications Commission (Conf. Rm)	7:00 p.m.
April	4	Parks and Recreation Commission***	7:00 p.m.
April	8	Planning Commission***	6:45 p.m.
April	10	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm.)	4:00 p.m.
April	11	Housing Committee (Conf. Rm.)	3:30 p.m.
April	11	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:30 p.m.
April	15	City Council***	6:45 p.m.
April	16	Library Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:30 p.m.
April	22	Planning Commission***	7:00 p.m.
April	23	Fine Arts Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:00 p.m.

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