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#### ➤ 2014 Cupertino Silicon Valley Reads Essay & Poetry Contest Entrants for Adults and Teen Categories Sought

The Cupertino Library and the Cupertino Library Foundation announce its sixth annual 2014 Silicon Valley Reads essay contest, and the first poetry contest which invites middle-school applicants to participate for cash prizes.



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Family Special - 3 Months for \$199.

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# happenings in cupertino

#### CREST Award Nominations, continued from page 1



The City of Cupertino is looking for the nominations for the 2014 CREST (Cupertino Recognizes Extra Steps Taken) Award.

The CREST award honors outstanding community volunteers Individuals or organizations making major contributions to the quality of life in Cupertino during the 2013 calendar year are eligible to be

nominated for the CREST Award. Individuals of all ages will be considered. The CREST Awards presentation will take place on Wednesday, June 4, in the Community Hall. Any person, agency or organization is encouraged to submit nominees for consideration.

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All nominations should be submitted online, mailed or hand-delivered, to the Public Affairs Office at City Hall by 4:30 pm on Friday, March 7, 2014. Applications postmarked on or before this date will not be accepted if they do not arrive by the deadline. Forms may be sent or brought to the Public Information Office, City Hall, 10300 Torre Avenue, Cupertino, CA 95014. Individuals may not nominate themselves nor may an organization nominate itself. A relative may not nominate a family member, and past recipients of CREST within the last five years are ineligible. Nominees need not reside in the City of Cupertino; however, the efforts for which they are being nominated should strongly impact the Cupertino community. For more information on the award and the nomination form, visit www.cupertino.org/crest.

CITY OF CUPERTINO PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

### GET FIT IN 2014

### Family Special – 3 Months for \$199

2 ADULTS AND 2 YOUTH UNDER 18 • INCLUDES FREE CHILD CARE



#### Fitness Special includes

- Full use of the fitness room Bombay Jam
- 2 racquetball courts
- ½ court basketball, badminton, table tennis
- Yoqa
- Pilates
- Body sculpting

- Sports Conditioning
- Circuit training
- Strength training
- U-Jam & Zumba
- TRX
- Trekking

### The Sports Center is open 7 days a week

Monday - Friday, 6 am - 10 pm, Saturday, 8 am - 10 pm, Sunday, 8 am - 8 pm 21111 Stevens Creek Blvd Cupertino CA 95014 408.777.3160

Silicon Valley Reads, continued from page 1

This essay contest is open to Cupertino adults and teens in grades 9 - 12, and focuses on responses to a question springing forth from the two featured books from the 2014 Silicon Valley Reads program. This year's book selections are: The Shallows: What is the Internet Doing to Our Brains by Nicholas Carr, and Mr. Penumbra's 24 Hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan.



#### This year's essay contest question is:

"Is technology changing the way you read and access information? Is this bad or good?"

Cupertino's newly named Poet Laureate, Jennifer Swanton Brown, in conjunction with the Cupertino Library Foundation, has inaugurated a poetry contest to accompany the Silicon Valley Reads offerings for the Cupertino community. Poetry contest entrants may be adults, high school teens, and middle-school students, grades six through eight.

Cash prizes will be awarded by the Cupertino Library Foundation in all categories, with the grand prize for the essay contest being \$500 for the top teen and adult; \$300 each for the second prize for the adult and teens. For the poetry contest, there is a cash award of \$350 each for the top adult, teen and middle-school entrant. Second prize is \$200 each for an adult, teen and middle-schooled children.

All entries must be received online by 11:59 pm Monday, March 17, or hand-delivered to a Cupertino Librarian by close of business the same day. The winners will be announced by March 30. For more information on guidelines for the essay and poetry contests, visit www.cupertinolibraryfoundation.org.

### Euphrat Museum of Art Exhibition: Deep Reading

February 3 - March 20, 2014

Cupertino's Euphrat Museum of Art will present Deep Reading is offered in conjunction with Silicon Valley Reads 2014. *Deep Reading* looks at the intersection of humanity and technology and traditional practices in the digital age. Artworks explore banned books, the book as an experience, and the global life of a cell phone or tablet. New technology is used along with ancient art practices - computer woven tapestries and AR (augmented reality). One-of-a-kind and small edition artists' books explore history, memory, and philosophy. An installation of recycled book sculptures rise above in flight speaking to freedom of information.

Featured artists include Milton Bowens, Julie Chen and Flying Fish Press, Antonio Cortez, Wayne Jiang, Pantea Karimi, John Kurtyka, Marlene Larson, Magnolia Editions with Enrique Chagoya, Guy Diehl, and Hung Liu with Michael McClure, Kent Manske, Moonbot Studios, Jamila Rufaro, Vita Wells, Nanette Wylde, and Xiaoze Xie. Special projects Toxic Networks with Chesa Caparas' Stanford Human Rights Educational

Initiative project and *Uncoding*, an artists' books installation with De Anza College Art and Design students.



Museum hours are Monday - Thursday, 10 am – 3 pm. The museum is open Saturday, March 1, 10 am - 1 pm and is open to tour groups by appointment. The reception is scheduled on Wednesday, February 19, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, with artists and author Robin Sloan. For more information, visit **www.deanza.edu/euphrat.** 

#### **Mary Avenue Dog Park Dedication**

The City of Cupertino is opening a new dog park on Saturday, February 8, 2014, and residents and their well behaved, well socialized dogs are invited to the dedication ceremony.

The Mary Avenue Dog Park is located on the west side of Mary Avenue at the corner of Villa Real and Mary Avenue. The dog park features a fenced enclosure for dogs to be off-leash under the supervision of their owners or handlers. The enclosed dog park is split with fencing to provide two dog run areas – one for smaller dogs and the other for larger dogs. The dedication event will have a Valentine's Day theme and will be held from 11 am to 1 pm featuring a "leash" cutting to officially open the dog park. Dress-up your dog in their best Valentine's Day attire and receive a free giveaway while supplies last.

Please check the city's website **cupertino.org/ dog** for detailed event information. If it is
"raining cats and dogs" the morning of
February 8, please check the webpage if
the dedication event will be cancelled due to
inclement weather.

#### **Student Bag Art Contest**

The City of Cupertino is hosting an art contest for Cupertino students on the matter of WASTE. Students will connect through art to the fate of the waste we produce, changes we can make to waste less, or how waste is connected to other environmental issues. Winning artwork will be applied to reusable shopping bags, which will likely be sold by retailers and distributed within our community to encourage the reusable bag option to single-use bag waste. Winning designs will be chosen from three categories, grades K-4, 5-8, and 9-12. Selections will be based on how well artwork represents the contest themes, and how well the designs can be applied to reusable bags. Winners will be announced in spring of 2014. Bags will be available to schools after winners have been selected. Only one submission per student will be accepted. Students may collaborate on artwork, but all contestants must be Cupertino residents to participate. Artwork must be received by the City NO LATER than 11:59 pm Friday, March 14, 2014. Late submissions will not be accepted. Visit www.cupertino.org/reusebags to download the entry form. Email bagart@cupertino.org or call 408.777.3243 for questions.

# simply safe | february

#### by Jerry Tallinger - Cupertino CERT member

#### Why Are We Concerned With Flooding?

With the little rain we got this year so far, why are we concerned with flooding? We are overdue for lots of wet weather. Historically, Cupertino residents are pretty safe from major flooding because of the many flood protection measures taken by the Santa Clara Valley Water District in cooperation with the City of Cupertino. In December of 2002, Calabazas Creek overflowed and flooded the area around Bollinger Road. During the 1955 Calabazas Creek flood, water poured into residential streets and homes, forcing the evacuation of more than 100 families. Completed in late 2008, by SCVWD and Cupertino, the Bollinger Road Bridge Reconstruction Project provides more room and safer passage for pedestrians, bicycles and vehicles during a flood of Calabazas Creek. Some of the measures taken to control floods include dams, crib-walls, overflow channels, and bypass channels. Even with all these measures, flooding could still occur in some areas of Cupertino if we get excessive rains, drain channels or sewers get clogged with debris, or a large earthquake causes the Stevens Creek Reservoir dam to fail. Even if you are not in a flood zone, flood safety is important to learn because you never know when you may encounter a flood in your travels. See the FEMA-Cupertino flood zone map at www.cupertino.org/downloads/pdf/ Intial\_Study\_Figure21.pdf to see if you are in danger of flooding.

Flood Safety – Did you know that except for heat related fatalities, more deaths occur from flooding than any other hazard? Most people fail to realize the power of water. For example, six inches of fast-moving flood water can knock you off your feet. To quantify this, water moving at only 4 mph, a brisk walking pace, exerts a force of about 66 pounds on each square foot of anything it encounters; double the water speed to 8 mph and the force zooms to about 264 pounds per square foot. That's enough force to push a car or light truck off a flooded road if the water's up to door level. Also, rapidly-moving water often contains debris such as trees, propane tanks, and even boulders rolling along just under the surface. If you are struck by this debris, you or your vehicle can be knocked off a bridge or water crossing and swept away before you know it.

How can you stay safe? Follow these three simple rules:

- Avoid low areas prone to flooding and move to higher ground. Remember a low area may experience flash flooding from heavy rain miles away.
- Most flood deaths occur because people try to

- cross swift moving water. Remember the safety message 'Turn Around, Don't Drown'.
- If water enters your home before you are able to evacuate, move to upper levels, and take supplies with you. Wait for help. Do not attempt to swim through flood waters.

For more information see:

#### www.cupertino.org/emergency.

Organize a Safety Class for your Business, Church, Club or Neighborhood.

Did you know any group of 10 or more can ask for a FREE one-hour Earthquake and Home Safety Class? Have a safety evening social party or luncheon. We will come to you or use City Hall. Read more below and make it one of your resolutions this year.

#### **Upcoming Public Sessions:**

FREE! Earthquake Preparedness and Home Safety. The class is one hour and is scheduled on request for Cupertino businesses, churches, or social groups of 8 or more. This class can come to you! Contact the Cupertino Office of Emergency Services (OES) at 408.777.3335. Email OES@ cupertino.org for more information, or to request a class for your company, group or organization.

FREE! Personal Emergency Preparedness Workshop (PEP) Earthquake safety, Disaster preparation, Disaster communication tips, First aid techniques that save lives, Home safety, Fire Safety including how to use a fire extinguisher, Emergency supply suggestions - and more! The next two PEP classes are: Monday, February 11, 6 – 9 pm at Cupertino City Hall, 10300 Torre Ave, Cupertino and Tuesday, March 4, 6 – 9 pm at Campbell Community Center, 1 W. Campbell Ave Room E-42, Campbell, CA, 95008 For registration send e-mail to info@cnt.sccgov.org, (provide your full name, e-mail address, phone number and residential or work address) or contact the Santa Clara County Fire Department at 408.378.4010.

#### Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

This is the perfect time to learn to be part of the disaster response solution. This is an intensive training session by the Santa Clara County Fire Department on preparedness and helping others during a disaster. You must be able to attend all classes for graduation. (The next class starts in April. More details in the next issue of the Scene.) The registration fee is \$35 which will be reimbursed to Cupertino residents upon successful completion of the course. If you have questions or want to register contact: info@sccfd.org or 408.378.4010.

#### If you do only 1 thing to prepare this month:

It's Not Too Late for Flu Shots. The flu typically peaks in February and lasts until May. If you have been putting it off, now is the prime time for prevention by getting your shot in early February.

Simply Safe is a monthly article to inform the community about emergency preparedness, training schedules and volunteer opportunities.

# roots | Another Lady Diana

#### by Gail Fretwell-Hugger

I've always been fascinated by the "back stories" behind the names of roads, creeks, mountains and other geographical sites. Very often, when I look at a road, I think of when it was probably a path made by animals to get to water and maybe over hills or mountains. Later, Native Americans would use those same paths and later still, early settlers would use them and over time the narrow tracks would become roads that pre-date our modern freeways. Builders of towns and subdivisions like to name streets and places too and some of the names have historical significance. Here is one that I read recently in a book, "Sign-

posts" by Patricia Loomis. (Patricia's articles originally ran in the San Jose Mercury News from 1971-1981. The "quiet, still city" of Morgan Hill that she mentions has grown considerably since those years.)

"There is a story of riches, tragedy and glamour woven in the name of a quiet, still rural city in southern Santa Clara County. The name "Morgan Hill" may conjure visions of a vast cattle empire, or to romanticists, it may recall the area's first lady, the dazzling Diana, whose beauty and bear-

ing carried her into the social strata of the nation's capital and the castles of Europe. Lady Diana Murphy Hill Rhodes is a legend that goes back to the days before the turn of the 19th century... before there was a city on the plain of oaks... and is perpetuated on "Signposts" for Diana Avenue.

Daughter of Daniel and Maria Fisher Murphy, she was a native Californian and heiress to a portion of the lands her famous grandfather, Martin Murphy Sr. acquired in the days before California became a state. Her dark beauty came from her Spanish-Irish heritage - maternal grandmother was Liberata Cesena, who became the wife of English sea captain William Fisher. Early in 1882 and against the wishes of her family, 23 year old Diana wed the dashing Morgan Hill. Supposedly the secret ceremony was performed in San Francisco by a Methodist minister although both

Diana and Morgan were Catholic. Papa Daniel did not approve of the 6 foot 2 dark and handsome Morgan with his perfectly matched pair of carriage horses and impeccable manners. Maybe Daniel had heard the talk about Morgan's sister, Althea, the San Francisco adventuress who was the current mistress of wealthy Comstock (silver) lord, ex-U.S. senator, William Sharon. At any rate, Daniel Murphy forbade the marriage and late in October as he lay dying at his Elko, Nevada ranch, he extracted a promise from Diana that she would never marry Morgan Hill, or so the story goes. Trouble was, the deed was already done. Suppos-

edly, Diana felt so badly about the promise to her father she filed for divorce from Morgan a few months after her father's death. However Diana's family discovered that Morgan had a good head for business and thought he was just the right fellow to manage the impetuous Diana. All was forgiven and the young couple went off to Europe for their honeymoon.

Then in 1910 the first of 3 tragedies struck. The couple's only daughter, Diane, committed suicide in France, a year after

her marriage to a French nobleman. Morgan Hill succumbed to a long illness in 1913 on the same ranch his father-in-law had died 31 years before. In 1915 Diana's only brother died in San Jose. In 1916 Diana disposed of all her holdings and with some \$20 million sailed for Europe, never to return. There she married Sir George Rhodes, British baronet and the first cousin of Britain's famed "empire builder", Cecil Rhodes. When he died a few years later, Lady Diana stayed in France, a leading social figure, her beauty still turning the heads of European admirers until her death in a Cannes villa in 1937 at the age of 78."

Thanks to Patricia Loomis for her great local history tales in "Signposts". It's not quite your traditional "Happy Valentine's Day" story... but wishing one and all a happier ending to their own Valentine's Day story.



#### Radio Cupertino

Cupertino residents can tune in regularly to Radio Cupertino, 1670 AM, for the latest information about their community. Every day Radio Cupertino presents the most up-to-date information regarding community news, events, and local weather. Radio Cupertino also offers a regular agenda preview program highlighting the items of discussion for the upcoming City Council, Planning Commission, and Parks and Recreation Commission meetings. Regular council and commission meetings are broadcast live in their entirety on 1670 AM.

For local breaking news, Radio Cupertino is your 24-hour source of information. In the event of a

local emergency, Radio Cupertino will broadcast bulletins and advisories to keep Cupertino residents informed with the latest available information. Radio Cupertino has a daytime broadcast range of about three to five miles. During the day, our station can be heard throughout most of Cupertino, as well as parts of Sunnyvale, Santa Clara, Campbell, Saratoga, and west San Jose. At night, however, our signal is somewhat reduced due to interference from distant commercial radio stations. Use a car radio receiver for optimal reception. At 1670 AM, Radio Cupertino operates in the extended AM broadcast band (1610 to 1710 KHz). This band was established by the FCC in 1993.

# cupertino library

#### **LIBRARY INFORMATION** | 10800 Torre Avenue, Cupertino

LIBRARY HOURS		TELEPHONE NUMBERS	
Monday	10 am – 9 pm	General Library Number	r408.446.1677
Tuesday	10 am – 9 pm	Adult and	
Wednesday		Teen Reference	408.446.1677, ext. 3372
Thursday		Children's Reference	408.446.1677, ext. 3373
Friday	· ·	Accounts, Billing	800.286.1991
Saturday Sunday		TeleCirc	

To see the programs and events offered at all Santa Clara County Library District Community Libraries, search our online catalog, review your library account, get homework help, and conduct research using our online databases, please visit the Santa Clara County Library District Web site at: www.sccl.org

#### Silicon Valley Reads

Silicon Valley Reads is an annual community program that selects books focused on a contemporary theme and offers free events throughout Santa Clara County to engage the public in reading, thinking and discussing the topic. Two books that focus on books and technology have been selected for the 12th annual Silicon Valley Reads program in 2014. All residents of the 15 cities in Silicon Valley are invited to engage in reading and dialogue on the theme "Books & Technology: Friends or Foes?" For more detail on the essay and poetry contest see the cover story on page 2.

#### PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

The Cupertino Library presents a wide variety of programs for children of all ages. For more information on all of our Children's programs, including our Storytimes, please visit the Events section of the Library's website at **www.sccl.org**, or stop by the Children's Desk in the Library. The staff would like to thank the Friends of the Cupertino Library for its generous sponsorship of many of the Library's programs for children and families.

#### Valentine's Day Craft

#### Wednesday, February 12, 3:30 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

School age children are invited to make a Valentine's Day craft.

#### Cupertino Cinema Club

#### Thursday, February 13, 4 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

School-aged children are invited. Patrons may call 408.446.1677 x3321 for the free movie title.

#### **Reading Buddies**

Come read to a therapy animal! Children who are currently in kindergarten to 5th grade may register in person at the Children's Desk starting February 18 for one of our March programs.

#### PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

#### **Teen Gaming Day**

#### Friday, February 28, 4 - 5:30 pm Cupertino Story Room

If you're in 7th to 12th grade, come play Super Smash Brothers, MarioKart and more multiplayer video games.

#### Teen Movie and Popcorn Day Friday, February 14, 4 – 6 pm Cupertino Story Room

Teens are invited to the Cupertino Library for a recently-released feature film and popcorn snack. Please phone the Cupertino Library Adult Reference Desk at 408.446.1677 for the movie title one week prior to event date. Take an afternoon study break with your friends! Generously sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

#### **PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS**

#### Feng Shui for the Year of the Horse

#### Monday, February 10, 7 pm Cupertino Community Hall

Feng Shui master, Mr. Y.C. Sun will use a combination of Feng Shui and I-Ching, the 2000-year-old Chinese law of the universe, to make predictions on global events for 2014, the Year of the Horse. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

#### Art Lecture by the De Young Museum February 15, 2 pm Cupertino Community Hall

The World of Jane Austen: Art and Culture in 18th and 19th century Britain. Travel through the era of English novelist Jane Austen by exploring the arts of her time. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library

# Exploring the Library materials using your eDevice.

#### Wednesday February 19, 3 - 4 pm Children's Story Room

Bring your eDevice in and we will show you how to download materials for free from the library website.



#### Adult Book Discussion Group Thursday, February 20, 7 - 8:30 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

This month the Cupertino Adult Book Discussion Group will discuss a 2014 Silicon Valley Reads selection, *The Shallows: What the Internet is Doing to Our Brains.* It's an explosive look at technology's effect on the mind. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library

#### Sleep and Your Health

#### Wednesday, February 26, 7 – 8:30 pm Cupertino Community Hall

Millions are suffering from chronic sleep disorders. Chronic sleep disorders frequently associate with other serious chronic diseases. Join Dr. Eddie Cheng and Kristina Liu to learn the common causes and treatments for insomnia and obstructive sleep apnea. The presentation is followed by a Q&A session. Dr. Eddie Cheng, MD PhD is a board certified physician and Stanford clinical Instructor in Family Medicine with 30 years of clinical and teaching experience in diagnosis and behavioral treatment of chronic sleep disorders, obstructive sleep apnea, chronic headaches and TMJ disorders. Kristina Liu RPS-GT, PhD is a registered sleep technologist with experience in laboratory and home test diagnosis of sleep disorders, CPAP treatment management and compliance.

#### Café Scientifique Cupertino Library

Thursday February 27, 7 pm Cupertino Community Hall

#### Winter 2014 Film Series with Mark Larson

#### January 22 – February 26, 6 – 8:30 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

There will be cinematic thrills and chills, laughter and tears, when the Cupertino Library presents a new series of lectures devoted to some of the greatest films from around the world. In this six-week session, filmmaker and historian Mark Larson will be your guide in a showing of some of the most extraordinary, and often overlooked, motion pictures ever made. Join us and experience a wide array of films created by a roster of brilliant international filmmakers. An in-depth lecture on the making of the films by Mr. Larson and a spirited group discussion will follow every

film. Registration is required. For more information and to view film schedule please visit: http://tinyurl.com/lfx7d5b. This series is generously sponsored by the Cupertino Library Foundation.

#### VITA - Free Tax Assistance

Saturday, February 8, 1 – 5 pm Saturday, February 22, 1 – 5 pm

VITA and the Asian Pacific American Internal Revenue Employees (ASPIRE) will provide free help filing your income taxes. Assistance is available in English, Chinese, Hindi, and Tagalog. Assistance will be provided on a first come, first served basis.

For best results, please bring the following documents with you, if possible:

- Photo ID and Social Security card or ITIN for each family member
- W-2 forms and all 1099 or 1098 forms
- A check with your account number for direct deposit
- Last year's tax return (if you have it)



#### ALSO AT THE CUPERTINO LIBRARY

#### Knitting at the Library

Every Tuesday, 4 – 6 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

Bring your needles and yarn to the Library every Tuesday and join the drop-in knitting program. Knitters of all skill levels and ages are welcome.

#### **ESL Conversation Club**

Every Friday, 1 - 2:30 pm Cupertino Community Hall

#### @ Your Service... Personal E-Reader Tutorials by Appointment

Do you want to learn how to load e-books and library e-content on your fancy new device? Get all of your e-reader questions answered by scheduling a personal consultation with a Cupertino librarian! For more information, call the Cupertino Library Adult Reference Desk at 408.446.1677. To book an appointment, please visit our web site: www.sccl.org/at-your-service.

# adult 50 plus news

#### Stay Active, Be Healthy in 2014!

What is your New Year's resolution? The Cupertino Senior Center is here to support you as you strive to success with your resolution.

**Fit in Fitness:** The evidence is in for fitness-regular exercise has been associated with more health benefits than anything else known to man. Please check our class and activity listing.

**Enjoy Life More:** It's an important step to a happier and healthier you! Take up a new hobby or try a recreational activity. There are many choices for you at our center.

**Learn Something Exciting and New:** Have you vowed to make this year the year to learn something new? Come and see what we offer.

**Help Others:** When it comes to volunteering, it's really about giving back and helping others. Join us and get involved.

**Travel More:** There's a big old world out there, waiting for the gallant traveler to set foot on a new path. Share Discovery Through Travel has many wonderful destinations already planned for you.

#### **EVENTS**

#### **Lunch with Friends**

#### Wednesday, 12 pm

Join us for a delicious and healthy meal! Pre-registration is required. Member fee \$6, senior guests add \$5 day pass.

**February 5** - Mild chili con carne, roll, salad, and dessert.

**February 26** - Turkey a la King, biscuit, and dessert.

#### February Social and Birthday Bash Wednesday, February 12, 12 pm

Sounds of Italy will fill the room as Reno Di Bono serenades you on the accordion in February. Gnocchi in a parmesan garlic cream sauce, soup, side of peas, and a dessert will bring the taste of Italy to your plate. Members with February birthdays are in for a treat! Member fee \$8, senior guests add \$5 day pass.

#### Chinese New Year Celebration Wednesday, February 19, 12 pm

Let's celebrate the year of the Horse, people born in this year are said to be popular, attractive, and like the company of others. Join us for a Chinese meal and enjoy cultural entertainment, the lion dancers will usher in the New Year. Preregistration is required. Members \$10, senior guests add \$5 day pass.

#### Movie of the Month

Wednesday, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

**February 26** - The Ides of March (2011), the story of an idealistic staffer involved in campaign dirty politics.

Lemonade and popcorn will be served. Members free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

#### 50+ Bocce Ball

#### Wednesday, February 26, 9 am - 12 pm

If you like playing bocce ball, enjoy being outside, meeting new people, and having fun; 50+ Bocce Ball is for you. We will meet at the Bocce Ball courts alongside the Stevens Creek Trail at Blackberry Farm Park at 9 am. First time players welcome, instructions will be available. Free for members.

#### **CLASSES – Great Values**

#### **Ballroom Dance Class**

Wednesday, February 12 - March 5, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Learn to dance Hustle and Tango. The instructor will not only teach you the steps, he will also teach you the posture, how to lead and follow. Member fee \$32.

#### **Yogalates**

#### Monday, February 3 - March 31, 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Yogalates combines the breathing techniques and stretches of yoga together with Pilates exercises to build strong core muscles, and improve flexibility and balance. Member fee \$45.

#### Intermediate ESL Conversation

#### Tuesday, February 11- April 1, 1:30 - 3 pm

Join this lively ESL conversation class where you will gain confidence by speaking about topics of your interest. Small class setting, 6 - 8 students for maximum interaction between instructor and students. Member fee \$20.

#### **Art History Class**

#### German Expressionism

#### Tuesday, February 25 - April 1, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

This movement emerged during the 1900's in Germany, the painters typically distorted color, scale, and space. After WWI, they became a bitter protest movement. Join art historian, Ken Young, as he explores the life and work of different artists representing this period. He will talk about contributions made by Oscar Kokoshka, Franz Marc, Max Beckmann, Ernst Ludwig Kirschner, and end the session with an impersonation of George Grosz. Member fee \$45.

#### **AARP Smart Driver Renewal**

#### Wednesday, February 26, 12:30 - 5:30 pm

Call Boyd McDonald at 650.965.4012 for class fee information and registration. Open to the public.

#### Tai Chi for Older Adults

#### Thursday, February 27 - April 17, 10:30 - 11:30 am

Tai Chi is an ancient form of exercise from China. Studies have shown that practicing Tai Chi improves balance, flexibility, and helps to attain better health. All levels welcome. Member fee \$46 each class.

#### **RESOURCES**

#### **Managing Your Blood Pressure**

Monday, February 3, 10 - 11 am

Dr. Stratz from El Camino Hospital will discuss

the newest guidelines for managing blood pressure and lowering the risks of heart attacks and stroke. Please sign up at the lobby table. Members free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass

#### Pre-Diabetes Health Lecture Monday, March 3, 1 - 2:30 pm

Registered dietitian, Judy Farnsworth from PAMF, will discuss what pre-diabetes is and how to manage it. Learn SMALL lifestyle changes for making BIG steps towards diabetes prevention. Open to the public, please sign up at the lobby table. Free event!

#### **VTA Clipper Cards**

Seniors can now apply for Clipper Cards through email or fax. Please check www.vta.org/clipper/youth/index.html for additional information or go to: Downtown Customer Service Center, 55-A West Santa Clara Street San Jose, CA 95113, open Monday - Friday, 9 am - 6 pm.

#### **ADULT 50 PLUS TRIPS**

Itineraries subject to change.

Call the Senior Center at 408.777.3150 for reservations or more information on any trip.

#### **TOURS**

# Islands of New England, May 30 - June 6, \$2759 double occupancy

Journey back to the time of the Pilgrims at Plymouth, spend a day exploring Nantucket's beautiful cottages and cobblestone streets, enjoy a tour of cranberry bog, indulge in a traditional New England lobster feast, and much more!

#### Amazing Blue Danube to the Black Sea River Cruise - Bucharest to Vienna, July 8 - 22, 2014

The Blue Danube flows through ten different countries and more than a dozen languages are spoken on its banks. Imagine the variety in food, architecture, and history that goes with each of these cultures. Enjoy an Intriguing, panoramic view of two thousand years of European history as you travel along the lyrical 'Blue Danube' in the very comfortable ship built in 2014!

#### Maine Coastal Cruise, September 20 - 27

People have been drawn to the spectacular coast of Maine throughout history for its pristine natural landscapes. As you wind around islands and through narrow waterways including Eggmoggin Reach and Merchant Row, you will experience the enrapturing mountains, sparkling waters, and charming coastal towns which make Maine one of the most magical places in America.

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#### **DAY TRIPS**

A Grand Night for Singing, Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, Thursday, February 6, \$73

Julia Morgan and the Cathedral, Tuesday, February 11, \$109

Cirque du Soleil – Amaluna, Friday, February 21, **\$119** 

Explore the Exploratorium, Wednesday, February 26, **\$63** 

Mardi Gras Travel Party, sign up, Tuesday, March 4

Golden Gate Fields, Thursday, March 6, **\$82** 

Glenn Miller Orchestra, Sunday, March 16, **\$107** 

A Spring Bouquet, Thursday, March 2, **\$54** 

Day 'Round the Bay with Gary – East Bay, Tuesday, March 25, **\$81** 

Mamma Mia, Wednesday, April 2, **\$99** 

Sierra Scenic Lunch Train, Thursday, April 10, **\$123** 

Pinnacles National Park, Thursday, April 17, **\$71** 

Day 'Round the Bay with Gary – North Bay, Wednesday, April 23, \$98

**Georgia O'Keeffe and Lake George**, Tuesday, April 29, **\$74** 

**Graton Resort and Casino**, Friday, May 9, **\$49** 

Day 'Round the Bay with Gary – Peninsula, Wednesday, May 28, **\$97** 



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# Got Leftover Paint from a Household Project? Just Take It Back!

Unwanted paint has always been the single largest type of hazardous waste generated by Santa Clara County residents, and convenient disposal options have never existed for painting contractors – until now.

Disposing of paint the right way just became easier. You may bring your used household paint back to one of 20 paint retail locations in Santa Clara County. Find a drop-off site at hhw.org. Paint must be in the original can with a label.

To prevent the impacts of hazardous waste please do not place paint in your garbage cart or pour it down the drain. You may also dispose of paint and other household hazardous waste through Waste Management (WM) At Your Door services. Appointments are required via www.wmatyourdoor.com or call 800.449.7587.

### Apple's E-Waste Recycling Facility Has Moved

The Apple Electronic Waste Recycling drop-off has moved from its former Cupertino location to 1326 Kifer Road in Sunnyvale. Cupertino residents are still welcome to drop off their e-waste (unusable electronics) free of charge during the same hours of operation: Monday, Wednesday, & Friday, 8 am - 4 pm. Proof of residence is required.

Cupertino residents have two other free options for recycling electronic waste: 1) WM At Your Door Services - call 800.449.7587 to schedule a free home pick-up; or 2) Environmental Recycling & Shred It Days at De Anza College occurring annually on May 17 and October (see city website for more 2014 dates).

#### Keep Trash Enclosures Clean to Protect Our Creeks and Bay

Disposable cups, food wrappers, plastic bags, packaging, cigarette butts—trash is building up on every street corner, walking trail, and highway, in gutters and parks and floats in rafts of trash in our ocean. Litter is a problem that is, literally, everywhere. Environmental regulatory agencies are requiring your local municipality to reduce litter entering San Francisco Bay by 40% by 2014, 70% by 2017 reaching 0% visual impact by 2022. Most Bay Area municipalities have begun to reduce litter, such as banning single-use thin plastic grocery bags, educating students about the harmful impact of litter, and hosting creek and on-land litter clean-up events. To help achieve even next year's 40% reduction goal, local municipalities are asking property managers and maintenance workers to take simple, but essential, actions to stop litter from entering our creeks and bay.

# How does garbage from trash collection areas and waste containers pollute San Francisco Bay?

- Open lids on garbage or recycling bins, carts and compactors invite birds and animals that spread garbage in search of food. Wind and rain can easily float this garbage into storm drains, which empty into local creeks and San Francisco Bay, without any filtering treatment.
- Open or leaky waste containers that collect rainwater which mixes with garbage and recyclables, may spill onto streets and wash into storm drainage inlets.
- If waste containers overflow, bags of garbage and loose materials will spill onto streets when collection vehicles empty the overfilled containers.

#### What can you do to prevent water pollution?

- Keep lids on garbage or recycling bins, carts and compactors completely closed — post notices near waste collection areas that remind people to keep lids closed.
- If you consistently notice overfilled waste receptacles, contact the City at 408.777.3354 to report overflows or Recology at 408.725.4020 to request frequent service, or larger waste containers.
- Keep waste areas free of litter with frequent sweeping and clean up. Avoid using water hoses to wash areas clean as that will only contribute to storm water pollution.
- Weekly, inspect your garbage or recycling bins, carts and compactors for leaks. Contact Recology at 408.725.4020, for immediate replacement of leaky waste receptacles or broken lids.
- Keep waste receptacles as far away from storm drain inlets as possible.
- Check the perimeter of your property for litter regularly, including parking lots, sidewalks, and landscaping.
- Help create a Cleaner Cupertino!

#### Free Compost Class in Cupertino on March 15

The City will hold a free backyard compost workshop at Cupertino's Community Hall, 10350 Torre Ave, Saturday, March 15, 10 am – 12 pm. Register online with the County of Santa Clara



at www.reducewaste.org/classes. Cupertino residents attending one compost workshop will receive one free compost bin per household; contact environmental@cupertino.org after attending a class to receive your bin.

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#### **EPA Awards Cupertino for Food Waste Reduction Efforts**

US EPA recognized the City of Cupertino for innovation in reducing food waste through its national Food Recovery Challenge. The City teamed up with its hauler, Recology, and EPA's Pacific Southwest office to work with local grocers and markets to divert food waste from landfill to compost.

In 2010, the City added an innovative stipulation to its franchise agreement with Recology to keep 75% of community-generated waste out of landfills by 2015, a 10% increase from 2010 levels. Reducing food waste is a key component of this plan. More than 2,000 tons of food waste has been diverted from the landfill since the City amended its franchise agreement to include this goal. Cupertino has also seen a 6% increase of material reused, recycled, or composted rather than sent to landfill in that time. Marina Foods in Cupertino was the participant that achieved the largest improvement in food waste diversion.

EPA commended Cupertino's innovative approach to reducing waste as a model for other grocers and mid-size to smaller communities to follow. Nationally, food waste is the single largest type of waste going to landfills and incinerators. When excess food is disposed of in a landfill, it decomposes and becomes a significant source of methane, a potent greenhouse gas. Excess food doesn't have to be wasted; much of it is safe, wholesome food that could potentially feed millions of Americans or be composted into nutrient-rich soil amendments. Please help the City reach its 75% diversion from landfill goal by disposing all of your food waste in your yard waste (organics) bin.

### Green@Home Workshop Explains How to Save Even More in 2014!

If you haven't received your free HouseCall from Acterra's Green@Home program, now is the time! Made possible through a 2014 Silicon Valley Energy Watch Grant, Green@Home is offering a FREE online home energy and water savings assessment to all Cupertino residents. Interested in learning how to cut your family's utility costs, while creating a healthier home and local environment? Come talk with Acterra and City staff at this informational workshop, and learn how you can take advantage of these new services, before it's too late!

Growing Green@Home Workshop February 13, 2014, 7 - 9 pm Cupertino Senior Center, 21251 Stevens Creek Blvd

Please RSVP to **lisad@acterra.org** or 650.962.9876 x 380

#### Save the Date - Earth Day Festival

Please join us for this annual emerald-green day of enviro-learning, planet-exploring, naturedancing, eco-crafting, mother-earth-celebrating and more! Cupertino's ever-vibrant 6th Annual Earth Day Festival will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2014 from 11 am – 3 pm at the Cupertino Civic Center Plaza (between the Library and City Hall). If you are Interested in tabling at this community event, which draws ~10,000 attendees interested in learning new ways they can conserve resources at home and outdoors, while growing healthier all year 'round? Please use www.cupertinoearthday2014.eventbrite. **com** to register your organization to attend. Looking for an exciting and unique day of service for your school club, church or organization? Volunteers, please use www.cupertinoearthdayvolunteers2014. eventbrite.com to register to volunteer.

#### GreenBiz Networking Event

#### February 5, 5:30 - 7 pm, Cupertino Community Hall

Join your GreenBiz team and local certified green businesses at the first quarterly Green Business Networking Event onFebruary 5, at Community Hall in Cupertino. Come to see first-hand how businesses just like yours have made the commitment to sustainable operations and have experienced financial and marketing benefits from their green business certification.

The event, open to businesses and nonprofits in Cupertino and Mountain View, will further show-case industry environmental best practices, introduce new utility cost-savings technologies, and foster new business-to business partnerships. Presentations on contemporary sustainability topics, relevant to local small-to-mid-sized businesses, will be shared by colleagues, real estate industry representatives, and sustainability experts from organizations such as PG&E, Silicon Valley Energy Watch, Recology, US Green Building Council, and the City of Cupertino. Subsequent events will be held in May, August, and November. Light refreshments will be served.

Register to attend at cupertino.org/greenbiz

# community calendar

FEB	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
1 SAT	De Anza Flea Market	8 - 4 pm	De Anza College	408.864.8946	deanza.fhda.edu/fleamarket/
	Cupertino Kids Chess Club*	10 - 12:30 pm	10675 S. De Anza Blvd. # 4	408.996.1236	Albert Rich [cchesschampions@ yahoo.com]
	Organization of Special Needs Families*	2 - 4 pm	20920 McClellan Rd.	408.996.0558	osfamilies.org
3 MON	Cupertino Toastmasters*	6:30 pm	Saint Joseph of Cupertino School-Science Room, 10110 N. De Anza Blvd.	650.492.0859 Dorothy Liu	cupertino.freetoasthost.net
	American Legion Post 642	7 pm	10201 Imperial Avenue #3	408.374.6392	sccgov.org/portal/site/va
4 TUES	School Emergency Preparedness	9:30 am	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	408.777.3176	
6	C.A.R.E.S	7:30 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	408.345.8372	cupertinoares.org/
THUR	Planetarium Shows*	7 pm	De Anza Planetarium	408.864.8814	planetarium.deanza.edu
13 THUR	Cupertino Quota*	12 - 1 pm	The Blue Pheasant	408.252.8568	cupertino.quota@yahoo.com
14 FRI	Cupertino Las Madres*	10 - 1 pm	Call for location	408.861.0417	lasmadres.org
	De Anza Kiwanis*	7:15 am	Intl. House of Pancakes	408.973.1832	classic.kiwanis.org
	HP Communicator Toastmasters	7 am	10181 Finch Avenue-Bethel Lutheran Church	408.673.1820	jwassocs.com
	Cupertino Coin Club	7:30 pm	West Valley Pres.Church 6191 Bollinger Ave.		CupetinoCoinClub.com
	CCWG	6:30 - 8 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100		
17	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 am	20589 Homestead Rd.	408.252.3954	cupertinoioof70.org
MON	Fine Arts League	7 pm	Community Center	408.863.9991 Janki Chokshi	falc.org
19 WED	Viewfinders Digital Video Club	7:30 pm	Community Center - In Cupertino Room	408.520.1379	viewfindersclub.org
	Al-ANON Family Group*	7 pm	Bethel Lutheran Church, 940 S. Stelling Rd.	408.379.9375	ncwsa.org/scvafg
	Cupertino Sanitary Dist*	8 pm	20833 Stevens Creek #104	408.253.7071	cupertinosanitarydistrict.com/
	De Anza Optimist Club*	7:15 am	Holder's Restaurant	408.863.0835	optimist.org
	Cupertino Optimist Club*	12:15 pm	Blue Pheasant	408.255.3212	optimist.org
	Tandem Toastmasters*	12 - 1 pm	HP Building 48L, Carmel Conference Room 19483 Prune ridge Avenue	408.447.0797	tandemtoastmasters.vsgcorp.
	Macintalkers Toastmasters*	5:30 pm	Apple Computer, 1 Infinite Loop		macintalkers.com vppr@ macintalkers.com
	Cupertino Rotary Club*	Noon	Community Center	408.920.2224	cupertinorotary.org
	Philotesian Rebekah #145	7:30 pm	Cupertino Odd Fellows	408.252.3954	caioof.org/IOOF/CA_RA_ Officers.html
	Cup. Symphonic Band*	7 pm	Monta Vista High School	408.262.0471	netview.com/csb/
	Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*	7 pm	Hyde Middle School	408.747.0943	krazydazys.org/
	Cupertino Las Madres*	10 - 1 pm	Call for location	408.861.0417	lasmadres.org
	Cup. Host Lions Club*	7:15 pm	Mariani's Restaurant, BBLC Hall, 99 North Bascom Avenue, San Jose	408.209.7251	cupertinohostlionsclub.org
20	De Anza Lions Club*	6:45 am	Holders Country Inn	408.255.3093	deanzalions.org/
THUR	Northwest Y Service Club*	6:30 pm	Northwest YMCA, 20803 Alves Drive	408.351.2444	yserviceclub@ymcasv.org
	Connect Club I*	Noon	Holders Country Inn	408.252.7054	cupertino-chamber.org
	Connect Club II*	8 am	Chamber of Commerce	408.252.7054	cupertino-chamber.org
	Business Networking Intl.*	7 am	BJ's Brewery	408.996.9111	BNI.com

Submit information about clubs and organizations meeting in Cupertino to City Clerk, City of Cupertino, 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino, 95014, 408.777.3223, cityclerk@cupertino.org Clubs with asterisks meet more than once monthly. Call the contact number for details.

FEB	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
20	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 pm	Union Church	408.253.8394	oa.org
THUR	Embroiders' Guild of America	7 pm	Sunny View Retirement Community	408.873.1190	ega-gpr.org
	Food Addicts in Recovery (FA)*	7 pm	St. Jude's Church	408.354.8493	foodaddicts.org/
	Cupertino Las Madres*	10 - 1 pm	Call for location	408.861.0417	lasmadres.org
22 SAT	American Association of University Women	11 am	Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church 728 West Fremont Ave.	408.298.656	eadorable@sbcglobal.net
23 SUN	Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh USA*	10 - 1:30	Creekside Park Hall	408.368.0357	www.hssus.org
25 TUE	Al-ANON Family Group*	5 pm	Bethel Lutheran Church, 10181 Finch Ave., Fireside Room	408.379.9375	ncwsa.org/scvafg
	Alcoholics Anonymous*Women's Group	7 pm	Bethel Luth. Church, 940 S. Stelling Rd.	408. 374.8511	aasanjose.org
	Cupertino Kiwanis*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant	408.252.3830	cupertinokiwanis. homestead.com
	Knights of Columbus 4981*	7:30 pm	10201 Imperial Ave.	408.296.8146	kofc.org/un/
	Cupertino Men's Service*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant		
	Cupertino Sr. TV Production*	9:30 am	Senior Center	408.252.2667	
27 THUR	Cupertino Quota*	12 to 1 pm	The Blue Pheasant	408.252.8568	cupertino.quota@yahoo.com
	CERT/MRC	7 to 9 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100		
28 FRI	Malihini Orchid Society	7:30 pm	Hewlett-Packard, Oak Rm.	408.267.3397	malihini.org

	CITY MEETINGS	
FEB 4	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
FEB 5	Library Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	7 pm
FEB 5	Technology, Info & Communication Comm. (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
FEB 6	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	9:30 am
FEB 6	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
FEB 6	Parks and Recreation Commission (Community Hall)	7 pm
FEB 11	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
FEB 12	Teen Commission Meeting (Quinlan Com.Center 10185 N.Stelling Rd)	6 pm
FEB 13	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	9 am
FEB 13	Administrative Hearing Meeting	5 pm
FEB 13	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
FEB 18	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
FEB 19	Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
FEB 20	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	9 am
FEB 20	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
FEB 25	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
FEB 26	Teen Commission Meeting (Quinlan Com.Center 10185 N.Stelling Rd)	6 pm
FEB 27	Administrative Hearing Meeting	5 pm

Unless otherwise noted, all City Council and commission meetings are held at 10350 Torre Ave. City Hall is open Monday through Thursday, 7:30 am to 5:30 pm; Fridays, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> These meetings will be seen live via webcast at www.cupertino.org, or on The City Channel, Cable 26.
For all city meetings' agenda and minutes go to www.cupertino.org/agenda

# council actions

### **REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER** 17, 2013

#### **Council Members Present:**

Chang, Mahoney, Santoro, Sinks, Wong **Absent:** None

Obtained a briefing and gave direction, and no action was taken for Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Gov't Code 54956.8); Property: 10800 Torre Avenue, Cupertino, CA 95014; Negotiating Parties: Public Works Director and Jee Sung Lee; Under Negotiation: Price and terms

Obtained a briefing and gave direction, and no action was taken for Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Gov't Code Section 54956.8); Property: 21111 Stevens Creek Boulevard, Cupertino, CA 95014; Negotiating Parties: Public Affairs Director and AT&T; Under Negotiation: Price and terms

Presented the Proclamation to Cupertino Librarian Nancy Howe recognizing her work for the Santa Clara County Library District

Presentation of Proclamation celebrating the 35th Anniversary of the Toyokawa, Japan and Cupertino, USA Sister City relationship was postponed to a later council meeting

Presentation of Proclamation to the Toyokawa Sister City Committee was postponed to a later Council meeting

Accepted the Presentation of Fine Arts Commission Annual Report

Approved the November 19 City Council minutes

Approved the December 3 City Council minutes

Adopted Resolution No. 13-104 accepting Accounts Payable for period ending November 8, 2013

Adopted Resolution No. 13-105 accepting Accounts Payable for period ending November 15, 2013

Adopted Resolution No. 13-106 accepting Accounts Payable for period ending November 27, 2013

Adopted Resolution No. 13-107 declaring weeds a nuisance and setting hearing date of January 21 for objections to proposed removal

Approved the First Amendment to the Employment Contract for the City Attorney

Adopted the Resolution No. 13-108 amending the Unrepresented Employee Compensation Program adding new position category for Public Works

Granted additional time or payouts to the City Manager and City Attorney; Authorized the City Manager to grant additional vacation hours or payouts to key staff on the Apple Campus 2 project

Approved Alcoholic Beverage License for Shanghai Family Restaurant, 10877 N Wolfe Road

Approved Alcoholic Beverage License for Extraordinary Soup & More, 20371 Stevens Creek Boulevard

Approved Alcoholic Beverage License for Beijing Duck House, 10883 S. Blaney Avenue, Suite B

Made assignments (Wong recused from voting on Stevens Creek Trail cities working team) with the following amendments: Appointed Council Member Chang as Representative and Council Member Mahoney as Alternate on the Santa Clara County Expressway Plan 2040 Policy Advisory Board

Received Public Works Construction Project Updates

#### **General Plan Amendment**

In early 2013, the City Council initiated a process to study mobility, urban design and economic development ideas along the major mixed-use corridors in Cupertino, including the Vallco Shopping District. The process involves extensive community discussions during public workshops and through online surveys. Based on initial community input, the City is preparing a Concept Alternatives Report that includes a series of land use, height, and intensity options for the future. There are many opportunities for the community to participate and provide input! Please visit the project website at www.cupertinogpa.org for information on recently published reports and upcoming meetings.

#### **Housing Element Update**

The City recently initiated a process to update the State-mandated Housing Element of the General Plan. The Housing Element identifies appropriate locations and policies for future housing in Cupertino. Information related to the Housing Element Update process and opportunities for public input are available on the project website at www.cupertinogpa.org.

The following meetings and workshops are scheduled in February and March:

#### **Housing Commission Workshop**

February 13, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, City Hall EOC Room Housing Element: Housing Element Update overview and discussion

# City Council and Planning Commission Public Workshop and Meeting

February 18, 3 - 6 pm, Cupertino Community Hall General Plan Amendment: Concept Alternatives Report presentation, discussion, and direction.

# City Council and Planning Commission Public Workshop and Meeting

March 4, 3 – 6 pm, Cupertino Community Hall Housing Element: Housing policy and sites discussion and direction.

#### **Environmental Scoping Meeting**

March 11, 5 – 6 pm, Cupertino Community HallGeneral Plan Amendment and Housing Element: Environmental scoping discussion

# City Council and Planning Commission Public Workshop and Meeting

March 18, 3 – 6 pm, Cupertino Community Hall General Plan Amendment: Draft General Plan Amendment concepts and direction

# news items

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#### THE BETTER PART

The programs listed below are aired on Mondays at 4:30 pm on Channel 15. The repeat showings are on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 pm on Channel 15.

#### February 3, 4 & 7

**Seniors' Quality of Life and Care** – This program addresses how seniors can improve quality of life as they age and long-term care alternatives.

#### February 10, 11 & 14

**Click on Your Career** – Thought leader and employment authority Dr. Tracey Wilen describes effective job-search techniques for the new economy.

#### February 17, 18 & 21

**Working After Retirement** – Leading medical editor Dr. Charles Bedord describes the challenges and rewards of staying professionally active after retirement.

#### February 24, 25 & 28

General Ostenberg's Reserves in the Middle East – Maj. General Robert B. Ostenberg describes the U.S. Army Reserves' training and service in the Middle East. #1092

#### Welcome New Businesses

Authentic Fresh Mex Grill 10123 N Wolfe Rd, Ste FC-14

Hong Wei Acupuncture Clinic 10601 S De Anza Blvd, Ste 104

Vitalqi for Life Acupuncture & Medical Olgong Center 20279 Stevens Creek Blvd

**Gregory Construction** 20990 Homestead Rd

Site for Sore Eyes 10123 N Wolfe Rd, Ste 2034

**Spicy Station** 10118 Bandley Rd, Ste A

**Himalayan Boutique** 10123 N Wolfe Rd

Mezen

20488 Stevens Creek Blvd, Ste 2040

**Tpumps LLC** 19959 Stevens Creek Blvd

**Shen DDS Dental Corp** 20410 Town Center Ln, Ste 190

Kwik Kopy Business Center 146 10675 S De Anza Blvd, Ste 1

#### McClellan Ranch Tours

2nd Saturday of every month, March 8 - June 14, 10 am - 12 noon

Rolling Hills 4-H Youth Members would like to educate the public about the animals at the farm, agriculture, and the 4-H Youth Development Program. There are miniature horses, chickens, dairy goats, pygmy goats, pack goats, and during the spring and summer there are also market animals: steer, swine and sheep. Not all the market animals will always be there even during the spring and summer. Tours are FREE and open to anyone. Public tours will take place at McClellan Ranch Park once a month on the 2nd Saturday. If you are unable to stop by at this time, feel free to visit the ranch at a different time with a 4-H volunteer or member. Private tours are available for school groups, Girl Scout troops, etc. Please contact us for private tours and to answer questions at mcclellanranch4htours@gmail.com.

# Signup for the Cupertino Alert System (CAS)

Cupertino has a new notification service called CAS. Get alerts about emergencies and other important community news by signing up for Cupertino Alert System. This notification system enables the City to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures,

missing persons, and evacuation of buildings or neighborhoods. You can receive alerts on your home phone, work phone, mobile phone, SMS, FAX or email. Sign-up today and keep informed at **www.cupertino.org/cas** or if no internet access call the City of Cupertino Media Coordinator, Robert Kim, at 408.777.1359 for assistance.



Submission deadline for the March edition is February 5.



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