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◀ 17th Annual Bike to Work Day Thursday, May 12, 2011

The Cupertino Bicycle Pedestrian Commission (BPC) in conjunction with the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition (SVBC) and many other community BPCs are encouraging commuters and students to leave their cars at home and join tens of thousands of their fellow Bay Area residents in biking to work or school.

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▶ Celebrate Cupertino Day at Blackberry Farm May 7, 2011, 10 am - 6 pm 21979 San Fernando Avenue

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◀ Summer Concert Series June 2, 9, 16 & 23, 6:30 - 8 pm, Memorial Park Amphitheater

Pack a picnic and bring a friend for a fun-filled evening of music!

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Bike to Work Day, continued from page 1

As in the past, the Cupertino BPC will set up an Energizer Station in front of the Quinlan Community Center at 10185 North Stelling Road. The Energizer station will be open from 6:30-9:30 am, serving both hot coffee and coffee cake while dispensing information and encouragement to all passing cyclists.

Bike to Work Day (BTWD) is a community event that encourages residents to try bicycling as their mode of transportation to get healthy exercise while relieving traffic congestion, improving air quality, reducing petroleum consumption, and saving money.

SVBC coordinates BTWD for Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties. Bay Area-wide BTWD contests challenge groups of cyclists to form teams and submit records of their bike commuting during Bike Month, which is the month of May. Information can be found at the SVBC website bikesiliconvalley.org/btwd. Check the 511 website at bicycling.511.org for information to help map bike routes to work.

Cupertino had a very successful BTWD last year with 140 cyclists pedaling north and 96 pedaling south on Stelling Road past the Energizer Station. 92 cyclists stopped for coffee, cake, and a chat about their commute. A small sample of bicyclists crossing the Mary Avenue Bicycle Footbridge suggests upwards of 353 bicyclists participated in BTWD representing a 9 percent increase over the participation in 2009.

Blackberry Farm, continued from page 1

Cupertino residents are invited to enjoy and explore the Blackberry Farm, and join for nature tours from 11 am - 3 pm. There will be a BBQ lunch from noon to 2 pm and residents can enjoy free swimming at the pools from 10 am - 5:30 pm. Pools will close at 5:30 pm.

The City of Cupertino wants to thank the community for their patronage and looks forward to seeing Cupertino residents and businesses at Blackberry Farm again this summer!

Check out our new class offerings at Blackberry Farm!

Water Fitness - Water is a perfect environment for exercising, losing weight, strengthening and toning muscles, reducing stress, relaxing, and simply having fun. Floatation devices are provided. Open to all swimming and fitness levels.

6/6 - 7/22 MWF 6 weeks** \$72R/\$86NR 8:30 - 9:30 am
7/25 - 9/2 MWF 6 weeks \$72R/\$86NR 8:30 - 9:30 am

Drop-ins welcome! \$8 per class or purchase a 13 class punch card for only \$65R/\$78NR. Cash and checks only. **No Class 7/4

Outdoor Tai Chi - Enjoy the outdoors with the movements of Tai-Chi, which can increase flexibility, stability, balance and improve circulation; providing a great non-impact work-out. Taught by a silver medalist international champion, these classes have been well received all around Cupertino and the South Bay.

4/27 - 6/15 W 8 weeks \$64R/\$77NR 8:30 - 9:30 am
6/22 - 8/10 W 8 weeks \$64R/\$77NR 8:30 - 9:30 am
8/17 - 10/5 W 8 weeks \$64R/\$77NR 8:30 - 9:30 am

Register at Blackberry Farm, the Quinlan Community Center, or online at www.cupertino.org/register. For more information, call 408.777.3140

Summer Concert Series, continued from page 1

June 2- Cupertino Symphonic Band
A local non-profit organization, featuring music from musicals and movies, classical, big band and much more.

June 9- TinMan
A 5-piece professional band presenting the greatest rock classics of all time.

June 16- Mariachi Azteca
Mariachi Azteca has been serenading the San Francisco Bay Area for over 25 years.

June 23- Highwater Blues
Musicians with a passion for blues-based American music.

June 30- OTR
Classic rock & roll and R&B dance music from the 60's all the way to today's hits.

****July 4- The Peelers**
San Francisco Bay Area's riveting cover band sensation that plays all your favorite music from the 70s, 80s, 90s, and today.



July 7 - Dub FX
Reggae music with a hot new stylistic blend, adapting to the changes of the times.

2 **July 4 concert will begin at 10:30 am

CREST Awards, continued from page 1

Individuals and groups who have made outstanding contributions to the City of Cupertino will be honored Wednesday, June 1, 2011. This year, nine individuals and one organization will receive the CREST Award – Cupertino Recognizes Extra Steps Taken. The awards ceremony and reception will be held in the Cupertino Community Hall, 10350 Torre Avenue, June 1, at 7 pm. The ceremony is free and open to the public. This year's winners are:



1) Bob Adams: Bob is a consummate professional and community contributor. He is currently the Vice-President of the Cupertino Library Foundation Board, a member of the Community Service Committee of the Rotary Club of Cupertino and a member of the Cupertino Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Adams chairs the annual food drive to benefit the West Valley Community Services sponsored by Silicon Valley Chapter of the Financial Planning Association. He also provides pro-bono financial advice to seniors and others for the last 7 years.

2) Nancy Coss-Fitzwater: Nancy is one of the most sincere, hardworking, and self-motivated volunteers at the West Valley Community Services. In less than a year, Nancy has logged over 250 hours of service to her community. She has helped streamline the response to donors, participated in the Back-to-School Shopping Spree as an adult chaperone and volunteered to help make appointments for clients and community members interested in participating in the WVCS's free income tax-assistance program (VITA).

3) Cupertino Senior TV Production Group "The Better Part": The Cupertino Senior TV Production Group, The Better Part, is the longest running Public Access TV show in Cupertino. During 2010 The Better Part TV Production Group cablecast 48 different shows to cities in Santa Clara, San Mateo, and Santa Cruz counties. On August 26, 2010 The Better Part produced its 1,000th show, which was cablecast in October 2010. This dedicated and enthusiastic group of 24 Cupertino Senior Center volunteers is making a difference through Public Access Television, by meeting twice a week to produce their weekly show. The members perform all the duties: camera, directing, audio, producing, video editing and script writing to name a few.

4) Fran Ellis: Fran is a significant volunteer contributing to the success of the Cupertino-Toyokawa Sister City Organization, the Cupertino Cherry Blossom Festival and is a board member of the Cupertino Tournament of Bands. For the past seven years, Fran has been the Cherry Blossom Festival food booth chairperson and she is also the treasurer of the organization, as well as chairing the annual Toyokawa student delegation visit BBQ for over 5 years. She is also on the board of the Nihonmache Outreach Committee whose mission is to educate the public about the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II, and issues regarding Asian-American justice.

5) Janet Hedley & Anna Weber: Janet and Anna have spent many hours creating an ecological learning environment for students, parents and staff at Christa McAuliffe School in the Cupertino Union school District to minimize the school's environment impact and to promote environmental stewardship within the school community. They have encouraged reuse by providing reusable table coverings, keeping printer cartridges out of the landfill by

establishing an on-site cartridge collection program and promoting energy awareness with student created posters that remind everyone to save energy.

6) Gladys Maiden: Gladys has been a main stay of the Friends of the Cupertino Library for almost thirty years. She has been through almost every office in the organization in her attempt to keep The Friends of the Cupertino Library healthy and moving forward. She is currently an officer serving as Book Sale Co-Chair; a position Gladys has held many times in past years. After thirty plus years of dedication to the Friends of the Cupertino Library, Gladys can still be depended upon to be in the library several days a week fulfilling the functions of collecting, sorting, pricing and readying books for the next book sale.

7) Pat Pecko: Pat has over 500 hours of volunteer service in the food pantry in just over two years at the West Valley Community Services. She has been instrumental in changing operations in the food pantry for the better and continually looks for new ways to improve the ability to serve the clients of WVCS and to do so in a dignified and respectful environment. In addition to the large quantity of time she has donated to the agency, Pat has also been very generous in helping supply the pantry with the necessary trash bags, cleaning supplies and other tools that help the volunteers complete their assigned tasks.

8) Vicky Tsai: Vicky has many years of community service both within and outside the Cupertino Chamber of Commerce, in particular her efforts to bring Asian-American businesses into the mainstream of Cupertino public life. She served concurrently as Special Events Chair for the Chamber, overseeing celebrations of the special days of this multicultural community, particularly the Lunar New Year, Vicky's most notable achievement this year was her creative response to the current economic downturn. Realizing many talented professionals have lost their employment in other people's companies, she joined Mandarin & Cantonese Business Seminar Committees to open their eyes to a new possibility - working for themselves.

9) Hung Wei: Hung has been a strong community volunteer over the past few years. She has donated her time to be an advisor for the Monta Vista High School student-run publication, Verdadera. Hung also volunteers her time in the Scrip & Auction Fundraising for Monta Vista Senior All-Night Party and is an active member of the Cupertino Rotary Club. She is a board member of the Northwest YMCA and co-chaired the 1st Annual Bridge to Health Run. Hung is also a board member of the Fremont Union High School Foundation, which is a fundraising arm for the five high schools in the district. As a board member of the Asian-American Parent Association (AAPA), she is involved in

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by Jerry Tallinger - Cupertino CERT member

Yes, you are living in California, Earthquake Central! Every year there are several thousand earthquakes worldwide and about 60 per day in California. Wow, you probably don't believe it, but it is true. Most earthquakes are below 2.5 in magnitude and generally cannot be felt by humans. With the density of population in Cupertino and expensive expansive infrastructures, large earthquakes pose a risk to our lives and community. With all that risk, it is time to get educated about earthquakes.

Earthquakes happen along fault lines or cracks in the earth's mantle or shell where large sections of the earth are either slowly grinding together sideways, or slowly moving under one another. Of course there is resistance and every so often, it moves suddenly. This creates an earthquake. The earthquake is measured in terms of magnitude and intensity. Magnitude is measured by sensitive instruments called Seismograms. Magnitude is the size of the earthquake at its source and intensity is the effect which varies by location. In the Richter scale, an increase of one unit of magnitude (from 4.0 to 5.0) means a 10-fold increase in the size of the earthquake.

There are plenty of good sources of earthquake information on the internet, but the best source I found for current information is the United States Geological Survey site (USGS).

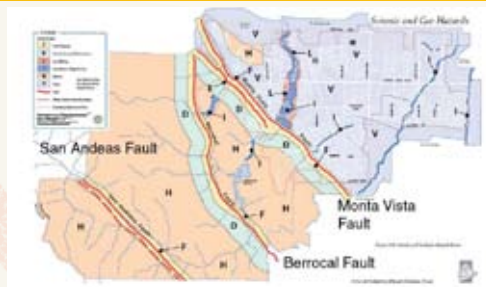
You can look at recent earthquakes at: earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/recenteqsus or explore the Cupertino area fault lines at: geohazards.usgs.gov/qfaults/ca/California.php or to simply learn more go to: earthquake.usgs.gov/learn

What If a Large Earthquake Hits

Your first priority during an earthquake is to stay safe. The USGS website has this advice.

If you are indoors, DROP to the ground; take COVER by getting under a sturdy table or other piece of furniture; and HOLD ON until the shaking stops. If there isn't a table or desk near you, cover your face and head with your arms and crouch in an inside corner of the building. Stay away from glass, windows, outside doors and walls, and anything that could fall, such as lighting fixtures or furniture. Stay in bed if you are there when the earthquake strikes. Hold on and protect your head with a pillow, unless you are under a heavy light fixture that could fall. In that case, move to the nearest safe place. Stay inside until the shaking stops and it is safe to go outside. If you attempt to go outside while it is shaking, you risk falling down or getting hit by falling debris.

If you are outdoors, stay there. Move away from buildings, streetlights, and utility wires. Once in the open, stay there until the



shaking stops. Again, the greatest danger is from falling debris.

If you are in a moving vehicle, stop as quickly as safety permits and stay in the vehicle. Avoid stopping near or under buildings, trees, overpasses, and utility wires. Proceed cautiously once the earthquake has stopped.

Have a Communications Plan

Phones may not work after an earthquake or overloaded. Everyone wants to call family and relatives at the same time. Out of area calls will get precedence so have an out-of-area contact such as a family member, and give them a list of others who may be calling them. Let all your family and friends know that this is going to be your main person for information after an earthquake or other disaster and that everyone should contact them.

Also, cell phones may not work but hard wired phones (not cable or internet phones) and pay phone booths may work, so keep some quarters handy for pay phones. Also, it is better to send a text message as it is more likely to make it through if lines are clogged. If you don't know how to text, have a teenager show you how, or consult hour cell phone company for text message instructions before you need it.

Upcoming Public Sessions:

FREE Personal Emergency Preparedness Workshop, May 9, 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Earthquake safety, disaster preparation, disaster communication tips, First aid techniques that save lives, home safety, fire safety including how to use a fire extinguisher and emergency supply suggestions.

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 to request a class.

If you do only one thing to prepare this month...

Sign-up for the Personal Emergency Preparedness Workshop in May listed above or organize an Earthquake Preparedness and Home Safety talk for your Office, Church, Club, or Neighborhood group.

by Gail Fretwell-Hugger

In the Cupertino History Museum in Quinlan Center there are several large family history albums containing wonderful stories of those who came to the West Side/Cupertino area in the early days. They came from different parts of the world and their stories are rich in history, culture and family events. A common theme is how hard everyone worked on the farms and ranches that made up Santa Clara Valley long before it became a high tech hub.

One man who came to the United States from Kumamoto, Japan, was Sakuhei Hirata. He came west with a group of single men. After stopping in Hawaii and staying for a time in Washington, where he worked for the railroad, he moved to Watsonville, California and went to work for an apple rancher.

In 1916, a woman in Japan - a "go-between," (similar to a "matchmaker") arranged a meeting between Sakuhei and a friend of hers named Tomeko Okamoto. The meeting was a success and Sakuhei and Tomeko were married in Japan. However, Sakuhei returned to California alone and found work as a sharecropper for a strawberry grower. He now had an occupation and a place to live so he sent for Tomeko who arrived in 1917. Their first child, Mas was born a short time later and three more boys arrived soon after; Jerry, Masao and Masake. Sadly, Masake died in the terrible worldwide influenza plague which lingered through the early 1920's. Three daughters were also born to Sakuhei and Tomeko; Helen, Haruko and June.

Mas and his brothers and sisters grew up around strawberries, apples and other row crop fruits and vegetables in the Watsonville and San Juan Bautista area. When Mas was 14, father Sakuhei died. Three years later, mother Tomeko also died. Friends of Mas' parents, who lived in Alviso on a row crop ranch, asked all the children to come and live with them.

When eldest son Mas was 18, he got a job driving a truck to various farms to pick up produce. On one trip to the Nishiyama farm in Coyote, he met 20 year old Tee, Mrs. Mishiya's daughter. Soon Mas was making trips to the Nishiyama farm even when he had no produce to pick up. Mas and Tee fell in love and were married in 1940 in the Buddhist Church in San Jose.

War broke out with Japan in 1941. In 1942, Mas and Tee with their baby son, Tom, were uprooted from their home and sent to a bleak

and isolated internment camp in Poston Arizona. There they faced many hardships. Their first duty at the camp was to fill a large, long bag with straw that became their only mattress in a barracks where 4 families were forced to live together. There was a community bathroom and showers and absolutely no privacy for anyone. In December 1942, Tee had a baby girl, Lynda, born one month premature. Lynda should have been placed in an incubator, but there weren't any at the camp. Later, a hospital was set up in the camp by Japanese professionals. The camp had one dentist, a couple of lawyers, some teachers, occupational therapist and medical doctors. Caucasian teachers and professionals were brought in to administer the camp.



Mas and Tee in their lovely front yard Japanese garden.

Mas signed up to go to Tooele, Utah, where he could work in an ammunition depot where he helped load 105mm cannon shells, land mines and bombs into planes. (The bombs weighed 250 to 500 pounds each) He signed up for the job so he could get his family out of the awful conditions at the Arizona camp. The new location in Utah had a type of federal housing and a little bit of privacy. There were no guards. Mas worked in Utah for one year and finally the war ended and they could

go "home". In 1946 the family went back to Coyote, just south of San Jose and worked as farm laborers.

Through a mutual friend, Mas learned of a job in Cupertino as a foreman on a fruit ranch. The ranch had a home for a new foreman who would be willing to stay. Mas and Tee stayed for 12 years. They wanted stable roots, a permanent job and home for the children when they started school. In 1958, the orchard land was sold and Mas went to work for Fremont High School District where he was in charge of landscaping until he retired at age 62. Tee worked at the Richard Woelffel Company as their bookkeeper for 24 years and two other companies later on, until she retired completely in 1985.

Their children, Tom and Lynda, attended schools in Cupertino and both were still living in Santa Clara Valley in the 1990's. On the occasion of Mas and Tee's 50th wedding anniversary, the children wanted to send their parents to Hawaii but Tee did not want to travel. In place of an island vacation, the children had a landscaper design and build a

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cupertino library

LIBRARY INFORMATION | 10800 Torre Avenue, Cupertino

LIBRARY OPEN HOURS

Mon – Tues	1 to 9
Wed – Thurs	10 to 9
Fri – Sat	10 to 6
Sunday	12 to 6

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

General Library Number	408.446.1677
Adult and Teen Reference	408.446.1677, ext. 3372
Children's Reference	408.446.1677, ext. 3373
Accounts, Billing	800.286.1991
TeleCirc	800.471.0991

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

To see the programs and events offered at all Santa Clara County 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 Web site at: www.santaclaracountylib.org

The Library will be closed on Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day.

STORYTIME HOURS

Cupertino Library Story Room:

Bedtime Stories

3 years old and up.....Tuesdays, 7 pm

Stories for Ones

1 year old and walkingThursdays, 11:30 am

Stories for Twos

2 years old.....Thursdays, 10:15 am

Stories for Threes

3 years old.....Wednesdays, 10:15 am

Stories for Fours

4 years old.....Wednesdays, 4 pm

Stories for Fives

Preschool, 5 years oldMondays, 4 pm

Programs for Children & Families

WEE EXPLORE PROGRAM

Learning the Library Together!

For children ages 2 - 5 and their parents.

Pick up a Wee Explore Passport at the Children's Reference Desk or in the Parents Corner. Children and parents receive a sticker for their Wee Explore Passport for each activity they complete together.

LIBRARY EXPLORER: SUPER CHALLENGE!

For students, 4th - 8th grades

Pick up a Super Challenge Passport at the Children's Reference Desk. Complete a different Super Challenge question each month and earn a Library Explorer Passport sticker.

CUPERTINO CINEMA CLUB

Thursday, April 14, 4 pm, Cupertino Library Story Room

School-aged children are invited.

Programs for Teens

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY FOR TEENS

Saturday, May 7, 10 am - 6 pm

Sunday, May 8, 12 - 6 pm

Cupertino Library Teen Area

Celebrate "Free Comic Book Day" in the Teen Area. Comic books will be available all day, as supplies last, on Saturday and Sunday and are for Teens ages 13 - 19 to enjoy.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS WORKSHOP

May 11, 7 - 8 pm

Cupertino Community Hall

This one hour workshop is designed to show students and parents what college admissions officers are looking for. Topics include a variety of admissions policies and the key factors used by admissions officers when making enrollment decisions.

CUPCAKE DECORATING WORKSHOP

Saturday, May 21, 3 - 5 pm

Cupertino Community Hall

Join Master Baker, Kelly Williamson, and learn cupcake decorating techniques using frosting, piping, and candies. Space is limited to the first 30 attendees. This program is for teens, ages 13 - 19. Cupcakes and decorating materials will be provided. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

TEEN STUDY DAYS

Saturday, May 28, 12 - 5:45 pm

Sunday, May 29, 12 - 5:45 pm

Saturday, June 4, 12 - 5:45 pm

Sunday, June 5, 12 - 5:45 pm

Cupertino Community Hall

Need a place to study for finals? A spot to work on group projects? Join us for a study session at Community Hall! Tables, chairs and snacks will be provided. For teens ages 13 - 19. Co-sponsored by the Cupertino Library and the Cupertino Parks and

Recreation Department. Underwritten by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

Programs for Adults

SELF-ACUPRESSURE FOR CHRONIC PAIN RELIEF

Wednesday, May 4, 1 - 3 pm
Cupertino Community Hall

Learn Chinese wisdom of 5,000 years and reduce your pain through acupressure! Yaron Wu will present information about how and why acupressure can be so effective in bringing pain relief. This health lecture, presented in MANDARIN, will also include hands-on demonstrations by Dr. Wu and his assistants.

FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS - IKEBANA (JAPANESE FLORAL ART)

Saturday, May 7, 2:30 - 4 pm
Cupertino Community Hall

In honor of Asian Pacific Heritage Month and Mother's Day, join us and enjoy the live demonstration of Soketsu style flower arrangement by a certified instructor and create your own afterwards. All supplies will be provided free to the first 20 adult participants. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Thursday, May 19, 7 - 8:30 pm
Cupertino Library Story Room

The group will read and discuss *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett. The book discussion group meets on the third Thursday evening of each month. Adults of all ages are welcome.

Also in 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.

Individual or Small Group Programs by Appointment

INTERNET BASICS FOR ADULTS

Beginning classes on how to use the Internet are available by appointment. Participants must be able to use a computer keyboard and mouse. To schedule an appointment, please call the Library's Reference Desk at

408.446.1677 ext. 3372.

INTERNET CLASSES IN MANDARIN

Beginning classes on how to use the Internet are available in Mandarin, by appointment. Participants must be able to use a computer keyboard and mouse. To schedule an appointment, please call the Library's Reference Desk at 408.446.1677 ext. 3372.

TEEN DATABASE CLASSES

Database instruction for teens, ages 13 - 19, is available at the Library, by appointment.

To schedule an appointment to learn about the Library's subscription databases, please call the Library at 408.446.1677 ext. 3372.

For more information on any of the Cupertino Library's adult programs, please call the Reference Desk at 408.446.1677 ext. 3372.

For Your Information

DATABASES AND RESEARCH TOOLS

Santa Clara County Library subscribes to online databases for adults and children, on a variety of subjects, including business, science and literature. Go to the Library's webpage at www.santaclaracountylib.org, click on Electronic Library 24/7, and enter your library card and PIN number to access a database. You can research your family history using *Heritage Quest*, access full-text product reviews from Consumer Reports, search the *Encyclopaedia Britannica Online*, and much more. If you have any questions about the databases, please call the Reference desk, at 408.446.1677.

THE FRIENDS OF THE CUPERTINO LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The next used book sale will be held at Community Hall on:

- Saturday, May 14, 2011
- Sunday, May 15, 2011

THE FRIENDS OF THE CUPERTINO LIBRARY 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 when you visit the Library. The books are available on a first-come, first-served basis (no reserves). All titles check out for one week.



adult 50 plus news

50+ Zoomers!

Wednesday, April 27, 9 - 11 am

Calling all Boomers, Zoomers, and Seniors! In case you haven't heard the term, Zoomers are 50+ Adults with Zip! Zoomers are breaking the retirement tradition and redefining what it means to be a mature adult in the new millennium. The Cupertino Senior Center has it all for you to add some zip into your life by understanding the aging process, practice preventive healthcare, learn about a healthy diet, perform daily exercise, maintain strong social support systems, and possess a positive self-image. Explore this newsletter, and then it is time to get active and involved!

PRESENTATIONS & SERVICES

Yarn Donations Requested

The Needlecraft Group needs yarn donations to make hand knit lap blankets and hats for local charities. Yarn donations may be dropped off at the front desk at the Cupertino Senior Center. If you enjoy knitting or needlework, consider joining this group of dedicated volunteers in the center's Bay Room every Thursday, from 11:15 - 1:30 pm. Call 408.777.3150 for more information.

Container Gardening

Tuesday, May 17, 2 - 3:30 pm

Grow your own organic food, or ornamental plants. Master Gardener, Laura Westley, will show you how to garden anywhere using containers. Learn the basics: soil, water, fertilizer, container materials, sizes, plant varieties and common pests. Sign up at the lobby table. Free for members, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

Phone and PG&E Bill Evaluation Service

Wednesdays, 5/18 & 6/15, 1 - 4 pm

Thursdays, 5/26 & 6/23, 9 am - 12 pm

To ensure your phone and PG&E bill is correct, Self-Help for the Elderly is partnering with a program funded by CPUC (California Public Utilities Commissions) to provide assistance to consumers on phone bill complaints. Please bring your phone bills. No appointment is needed.

Current Events Discussion Group Planning Meeting

Thursday, May 19, 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Expand your horizon, discuss and understand how local and world events affect you. Nick Szabo, a former mayor of the City of Cupertino, is organizing a current events discussion group. If you are interested, please sign up at the lobby table. Members free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass

Healthy Steps in Silicon Valley

Monday, May 23, 10:30 - 11:30 am

Stay healthy, learn steps one can take to be 8

active, and manage common health issues. Grace Trafton, our member, and volunteer for the Health Trust, will provide information, and resources for health and fitness after 50. A handbook developed by Health Research for Action at the U.C. Berkeley will be given to the participants. Sign up at the lobby table. Free for members, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

SOCIALS

Book Review Meeting

First Friday, 1:15 - 3 pm

Join the lively and stimulating monthly Book Review Meeting. Learn about new books and meet new people. Members free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

May 6 - *Piano Shop on the Left Bank* by Thaddeus Carhart, reviewed by Kay Kinney

June 3 - *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford, reviewed by Alice Perkins

May Social and Birthday Bash

Wednesday, May 11, 12 Noon

Let's go on a "Musical Cruise" with the Stardust Music Sisters! They will take you on a journey of familiar tunes including Calypso, Caribbean, Italian and Jazz. There are sure to be some musical surprises, you don't want to miss! Enjoy a BBQ lunch prepared by a favorite birthday chef. May birth date members will be honored. Members \$8, senior guests pay \$5 day pass. Space is limited; sign up early.

Lunch with Friends

Wednesday, 12 noon

Socialize with friends over a homemade, healthy meal. Members \$6, senior guests pay \$5 day pass. Pre-registration is required.

May 4 - Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with homemade Chicken Enchilada, salad and dessert.

May 18 - Lemon garlic chicken, rice, and dessert

May 25 - Red beans and rice with kielbasa, and sides

Wii Lunch with Friends

Wednesday, 12 - 1:30 pm

May 4 - Chicken Enchilada

May 18 - Lemon garlic chicken

Enjoy a great lunch with a choice of playing bowling, ping pong and archery among other games on the Nitendo Wii. Wii play will be first come first serve. Members \$8, senior guests pay \$5 day pass. Pre-registration is required.

Monthly Movie

Wednesday, May 25, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

The National Velvet - 1944 movie starring Elizabeth Taylor. The story of a jockey who helps a young girl train her horse for England's National Sweepstakes. Popcorn and

lemonade will be served. Free for members, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

Learn B-I-N-G-O

Wednesdays, May 4 - June 29, 12:30 - 2 pm

Bingo is a fun game that is a perfect opportunity to socialize and meet new people. Two of our member volunteers, Helen Ho and Joyce Paul, are willing to teach BINGO to members who want to learn. Helen can also speak Mandarin. This is a FREE program. Bingo winners will receive certificates to use at the Friday Bingo program. Please sign up at the table by the reception desk.

NEW CLASSES

AARP Mature Driving Course

Monday, May 16 and Thursday May 19, 2011, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm each day

AARP offers a classroom driving course at the Cupertino Senior Center. Certification is given on completion of this 8-hour class. Certification is required to get an insurance discount. Call Instructor Dick Kohl at 408.268.0428 to enroll. Space is limited to the first 30 seniors.

ESL Intermediate Level

Tuesday, May 31 - July 19, 10 am - 12 Noon

Start talking! Learn phonics, blends, pronunciation and, meaning of new English words. There will be conversation in English using the new vocabulary. Students will learn how to write simple sentences and use correct spelling in their sentences. \$25

Harmonica, Introduction to Basics

Monday, June 6 - August 1, 3:45 - 4:45 pm

Have fun! Learn to play, and start jamming immediately. No previous experience required. Bring a C-Major diatonic harmonica, or purchase one from the instructor for \$5. Members \$15

Computer Skills Demo + Lab

Find May and June's full schedule of subjects at cupertino.org/senior

Wednesday: 5:15 - 7 pm,

Thursday: 1:45 - 4 pm

Friday: 9 - 11:15 am

Learn from the demo then enhance your computer skills on PC or iMac. An instructor will be present to assist during lab sessions. Prior sign up is required. Fee varies \$3 - \$12 per a Demo+Lab session. Self paced videos: Learning the Internet, Microsoft Word, and Microsoft Windows will also be available. (Bring headphones or purchase them at the lobby desk)

ADULT 50 PLUS TRIPS

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

TOURS

Waves, Wine, and Wonder, A 3-day Mystery Trip, May 17 - 19 2011, \$582 Double Occupancy

Southeast Alaska, August 19 - 27, 2011, \$4995 Double Occupancy

Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta, October 7 - 12, 2011, \$2149 Double Occupancy

Experience the colorful balloons from around the world, then enjoy tours of Old Town Albuquerque, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, Santa Fe City tour, Taos Pueblo and much more! Call for more information.

New Orleans Holiday, November 29 - December 3, 2011, \$1699 Double Occupancy

Join us as we celebrate the holidays New Orleans style! Tour includes four nights in the French Quarter, walking tours, School of Cooking tour, Garden District, Oak Alley Plantation, and much more.

DAY TRIPS

All Aboard for Beans and Beer, \$95, May 9

Jack London Square and the Oakland Museum with Gary, \$99, May 27

Forbes Island Dinner and the Palace of Fine Arts, \$92, June 2

49-Mile Scenic Drive with Gary, \$97, June 22

Music of the Spheres at Lick Observatory, \$139, June 25

Masterpieces by Picasso, \$99, June 30

Lend me a Tenor, \$98, July 16

New Almaden and Hayes Mansion Dinner with Gary, \$68, July 22

Portola Valley Wonders Revisited, \$63, July 29

Whimsical Junk Art in Sebastopol with Gary, \$82, August 9

Teatro ZinZanni, \$144, August 14

Billy Elliot, \$148, August 31

Santa Cruz Follies, \$83, September 14

"Share Discovery Through Travel"

The Better Part - see page 15

CUPERTINO SENIOR CENTER

ADDRESS: 21251 Stevens Creek Blvd.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday, 8 am - 5 pm

PHONE: 408.777.3150

EMAIL: seniorcntr@cupertino.org

WEB: www.cupertino.org/50plus

Another Environmental Recycling Day & Document Shredding Event Saturday, May 21

The next Environmental Recycling Day & Document Shredding Event will be held on May 21 from 9 am – 1 pm at De Anza College, parking lot “B”. The City of Cupertino & Recology offer this free drive-through, drop-off service for Cupertino residents at least twice a year to encourage extended use of products and to prevent valuable resources from being sent to the landfill. Accepted items are: Electronic Waste (i.e., computers, monitors and printers), U-Waste (batteries, cell phones, CFLs and fluorescent tubes), reusable furniture, clothing (for donation; no dirty, stained or torn furniture, and no mattresses), and residential documents (for confidential onsite shredding; two (2) box limit). Recycling Day compliments the FREE e-waste drop off location offered weekly by Apple Computer for residents of Cupertino. Look for more details on this event on the City’s website www.cupertino.org, visit “Calendar of Events” or visit Recology @ www.recologycupertino.com.



Creek Clean Up Event, Saturday, May 21

The City of Cupertino will host a community cleanup as part of National River Cleanup Day on Saturday, May 21, from 9 am to 12 pm at Creekside Park, 10455 Miller Avenue, Cupertino. Volunteers and City staff will clean up areas surrounding Calabazas Creek by Creekside Park. Gloves, trash grabbers and other tools will be distributed. Volunteers are encouraged to dress for safety; wear old shoes, long sleeves, pants and sunscreen. Free refreshments will be offered. Do something good for your community and have fun, make it a family event! To register to volunteer please contact the Public Works Dept at 408.777.3354 or email environmental@cupertino.org.

Help Keep Our Storm Drains and Waterways Clean

Sweeping and piling debris, leaves, or branches into the street or storm drain not only clogs the drains, but can also cause serious environmental harm. Water in the storm drain empties to local waterways

and the San Francisco Bay. Too much debris can upset the ecology of local streams and hurt fish. Pesticides, fertilizers and other pollutants from yard waste are washed into these water bodies as well. Please place all yard trimmings in your yard cart, extra garbage can, or compost bin. Thanks for doing your part to keep our storm drains clean and the environment safe.

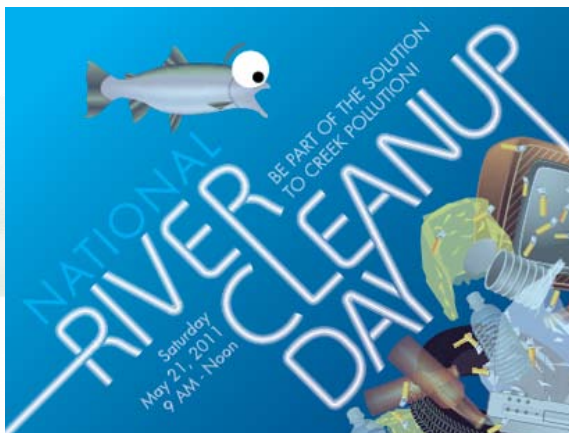
Washing Your Car Tips

Wash cars on an unpaved surface where dirty water won’t flow to a driveway, street, gutter or storm drain. Empty your bucket of soapy water into a sink or toilet. Minimize soap and water use. Even biodegradable soap is toxic to wildlife. Clean brake dust off of wheels with paper towels, and dispose of towels in the trash.

Wash your car at a professional car wash where rinse water is recycled. A Watershed Watch Discount Card is available at www.mywatershedwatch.org. Use your Watershed Watch at the following locations:

- \$4 off car washes at Classic Car Wash
- \$4 off the Premier Special Car Wash at Capitol Premier Car Wash
- \$4 off car washes at Pacific Car Wash
- 25% off featured green product of the month at Yamagami Nursery
- 10% off your purchase at Mel Cotton’s Sporting Goods
- \$2 off admission per person at Happy Hollow Park & Zoo
- 10% off standard installation from Rainsavers
- \$10 off a Jiffy Lube Signature Service Oil Change.
- 10% off your purchase at Mel Cotton’s Sporting Goods

Must present Watershed Watch Discount Card at time of write-up.



» Free Worm Compost Classes in Cupertino May 18 & June 29

The City will hold two free “Let Worms Eat Your Garbage” workshops:

Date: May 18 (Wednesday)

Time: 7 - 9 pm

Where: Cupertino’s Community Hall, 10300 Torre Ave

Register: City of Cupertino Public Works 408.777.3354
or environmental@cupertino.org

Date: June 29 (Wednesday)

Time: 7 - 9 pm

Where: Quinlan Community Center, 10185 North Stelling Road

Register: City of Cupertino Public Works 408.777.3354
or environmental@cupertino.org



If you want an inexpensive but highly valuable organic fertilizer for your garden – worm castings are the way to go. This class goes step by step through the fundamentals of composting with red wiggler worms – the best digesters in nature. This class is also great for residents living in multi-family buildings.

Worm bins will be available for Cupertino residents upon request.

First Time Home Buyer Seminar

On Saturday May 7, the City of Cupertino and the Silicon Valley Association of REALTORS® are hosting a first time home buyer seminar as part of Santa Clara County Affordable Housing Week. Topics for the seminar include, Credit Repair/Improvement, Entering the Housing Market; and Financial Resources in Santa Clara County for the First Time Home Buyer.

After the seminar, attendees are invited to stay for refreshments and a resource fair. Attendees can receive information from participating organizations on foreclosure prevention, consumer credit counseling, landlord/tenant counseling, fair housing and much more. For more details on planned county-wide Affordable Housing Week activities, please visit the Silicon Valley Leadership Group’s website at www.svl.org.

First Time Home Buyer Seminar
Saturday, May 7, 9 am - Noon
City of Cupertino Community Hall,
10350 Torre Avenue
Cupertino, CA 95014

Contact Vera Gil at 408.777.3251 or housing@cupertino.org for more information.

Wild Game Feed

The Cupertino Host Lions Club will host its annual Wild Game Feed on Thursday, June 2, at Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose. The menu features such items as Wild Boar, Buffalo, Calamari, Octopus, Quail, Salmon, Crab, Buffalo Stew, Crawdads and much more. A spread of appetizers will be served, and followed by a sit-down dinner and more. Tickets are \$60 for entry and all you can eat, or \$90 which includes entry, all you can eat, a mug, selected drinks and general raffle tickets. No tickets sold at the door. Contact Howard Jensen at 408.209.7251 for more info.

West Valley Community Services Fundraiser

West Valley Community Services presents Taste of Compassion hosted by Bowlmor Lanes in Cupertino on Monday, April 25 and Tuesday, April 26. Tickets are \$24 in advance, \$26 at the door. 50% of proceeds directly benefit services to prevent hunger and homelessness in Cupertino, Saratoga, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno and West San Jose. Enjoy a great meal, for a great cause. Visit www.tasteofcompassion.org or call 408.255.8033 ext. 152 for more information or to make reservations.

community calendar

MAY	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
1 SAT	De Anza Flea Market	8 to 4 p.m	De Anza College	864.8946	deanza.fhda.edu/fleamarket/
	PEP Class	9 am-12 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100		
	Cupertino Kids Chess Club*	10 am-12:30 pm	10675 S. De Anza Blvd. # 4	996.1236	Albert Rich (cchesschampions@yahoo.com)
	Organization of Special Needs Families*	2 - 4 pm	20920 McClellan Rd.	996.0558	osfamilies.org/
	Planetarium Shows*	7 pm	De Anza Planetarium	864.8814	planetarium.deanza.edu
2 MON	Cupertino Toastmasters*	6:30 pm	Northwest YMCA, 20803 Alves Dr., Cupertino	650.492.0859 Ask for Dorothy Liu	cupertino.freetoasthost.net
	TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)*	6:30 pm	First Baptist Church, 10505 Miller Ave.	725.0380	tops.org
	American Legion Post 642	7 pm	10201 Imperial Avenue #3	374.6392	sccgov.org/portal/site/va
5 THUR	C.A.R.E.S	7:30 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	345.8372	cupertinoares.org/
6 FRI	Cupertino Las Madres*	10 am - 1 pm	Call for location	861.0417	lasmadres.org
	De Anza Kiwanis*	7:15 am	Intl. House of Pancakes	973.1832	classic.kiwanis.org
	CCWG	6:30 - 8 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100		
	Cupertino Coin Club	7:30 p.m	West Valley Pres. Church 6191 Bollinger Ave.		CupertinoCoinClub.com
7 SAT	Daughters of Norway	9:30 am	Sunny View Retirement Community	255.9828	daughtersofnorway.org
8 SUN	Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh USA*	10 - 1:30 pm	Creekside Park Hall	368.0357	www.hssus.org
9 MON	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 am	20589 Homestead Rd.	252.3954	cupertinoioof70.org
	Fine Arts League	7 pm	Community Center	863.9991 Ask for Janki Chokshi	falc.org
11 WED	Al-ANON Family Group*	7 pm	Bethel Lutheran Church, 10181 Finch Ave.	379.9375	ncwsa.org/scvafg
	Cupertino Sanitary Dist*	8 pm	20833 Stevens Creek #104	253.7071	cupertinosanitarydistrict.com/
	De Anza Optimist Club*	7:15 am	Holder's Restaurant	252.3336	optimist.org
	Cupertino Optimist Club*	12:15 pm	Blue Pheasant	255.3212	optimist.org
	Tandem Toastmasters*	12 - 1 pm	HP Building 48L, Carmel Conference Room 19483 Pruneridge Avenue	447.0797	tandemtoastmasters.vsgcorp.com
	Macintalkers Toastmasters*	5:30 pm	Apple Computer, 1 Infite Loop		macintalkers.com vppr@macintalkers.com
	Cupertino Rotary Club*	Noon	Community Center	920.2224	cupertinorotary.org
	Philotesian Rebekah #145	7:30 pm	Cupertino Odd Fellows	252.3954	caioof.org/IOOF/CA_RA_Officers.html
	Cup. Symphonic Band*	7 pm	Monta Vista High School	262.0471	netview.com/csb/
	Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*	7 pm	Hyde Middle School	747.0943	krazydazys.org/
	Cupertino Las Madres*	10 - 1 pm	Call for location	861.0417	lasmadres.org
	Viewfinders Digital Video Club	7:30 pm	Community Center - In Cupertino Room	252.2667	viewfindersclub.org
	Cup. Host Lions Club*	7:15 pm	Mariani's Restaurant	209.7251	cupertinohostlionsclub.org
	De Anza Lions Club*	6:45 am	Holders Country Inn	255.3093	deanzalions.org/
	Cupertino-West Valley Welcome Club	11:30 a.m		257.6136 252.1529	newcomersclub.com
	12 THUR	Northwest Y Service Club*	6:30 pm	Northwest YMCA, 20803 Alves Drive	650.964.3734
Cupertino Amateur Radio Emergency Service (CARES)		7:30 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	345.8372	cupertinoares.org/
Connect Club I*		Noon	Holders Country Inn	252.7054	cupertino-chamber.org
Connect Club II*		8 am	Chamber of Commerce	252.7054	cupertino-chamber.org
Business Networking Intl.*		7 am	BJ's Brewery	996.9111	BNI.com

MAY	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
12 THUR	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 pm	Union Church	253.8394	oa.org
	Food Addicts in Recovery (FA)*	7 pm	St. Jude's Church	354.8493	foodaddicts.org/
	Cupertino Las Madres*	10 - 1 pm	Call for location	861.0417	lasmadres.org
13 FRI	Malihini Orchid Society	7:30 pm	Hewlett-Packard, Oak Rm.	267.3397	malihini.org
16 MON	CERT/MRC	7- 9 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100		
17 TUES	Alcoholics Anonymous* Women's Group	7 pm	Bethel Luth. Church, 940 S. Stelling Rd.	374.8511	aasanjose.org
	Al-ANON Family Group*	5 pm	Bethel Lutheran Church, 10181 Finch Ave., Fireside Room	379.9375	ncwsa.org/scvafg
	Cupertino Kiwanis*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant	252.3830	cupertinkiwani.homestead.com
	Knights of Columbus 4981*	7:30 pm	10201 Imperial Ave.	296.8146	kofc.org/un/
	Cupertino Men's Service*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant		
	Cupertino Sr. TV Production*	9:30 am	Senior Center	252.2667	
	Cupertino Las Madres*	3 - 5 pm	Call for location	861.0417	lasmadres.org
24 TUES	African Violet Society	12:30 pm	Sunny View Lutheran Home	736.9262	avsa.org
	Los Gatos Camel Herders	6:30 pm	Holder's Restaurant	482.0147	
25 WED	The Powerful Pens	7 pm	18000 Chelmsford	626.9784	
26 THUR	Embroiders' Guild of America	7 pm	Sunny View Retirement Community	873.1190	ega-gpr.org
	Quota Service Club* (Aids hearing & speech impaired)	Noon	Blue Pheasant	252.8568	quota.org
	Rolling Hills 4H Club	6:30 pm	Monta Vista Recreation Center		clubs.ca4h.org/santaclara/rollinghills
	West Valley Republican Women	11:30 am		252.6312	westvalleyrepublicanwomenfederated.org

Submit information about clubs and organizations meeting in Cupertino to Kirsten Squarcia, City of Cupertino, 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino, 95014, 408.777.3212, kirstens@cupertino.org

Clubs with asterisks meet more than once monthly. Call the contact number for details.

The City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day.



Books for Africa!

Want to get rid of your old books? Donate them to the poor kids in Africa who need books for better education! You can place them in the collection box in the Monta Vista High School Office (located at 21840 McClellan Road) or the Cupertino Quinlan Center. You can donate textbooks, reading books, children's books, full sets of encyclopedias, and other reference books that are less than 15 years old! School supplies are welcome as well. Tell all your friends and family!

If you have any questions or comments, email at mv.cl.global@gmail.com.

council actions

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011

Council Members Present: Chang, Mahoney, Santoro, Wong, Wang

Council Members Absent: None

Conducted Study Session regarding trail alignment for Stevens Creek Trail Corridor Project Phase II

Approved the February 15 City Council minutes

Approved the March 1 City Council minutes

Adopted Resolution No. 11-033 to accept Accounts Payable for period ending February 18, 2011

Adopted Resolution No. 11-034 to accept Accounts Payable for period ending February 25, 2011

Adopted Resolution No. 11-035 to accept Payroll for period ending February 18, 2011

Adopted Resolution No. 11-036 to approve destruction of records from the City Clerk department

Approved the Alcoholic Beverage License application for On-Sale Beer and Wine, Bombay Oven, 20803 Stevens Creek Boulevard, (near Saich)

Approved the Alcoholic Beverage License application for On-Sale Beer and Wine, Shanghai Garden Restaurant, 20956 Homestead Road, Suite A2 & A3 (Oakmont Square at Homestead & Stelling)

Adopted Resolution No. 11-037, accepting the authorization for Underground Water Rights, SI 24, LLC, 10600 North De Anza Boulevard

Adopted Resolution No. 11-038, accepting the authorization for Underground Water Rights, Suresh R. Tammana and Subha P. Tammana, 22140 Hibiscus Drive

Continued the petition for reconsideration of the City Council's November 29, 2010 decision to deny an appeal of a Director's Approval for a personal wireless service facility at 11371 Bubb Road to April 5

Accepted Alternative trail alignments for Stevens Creek Corridor Project Phase II; Place the trail between the red line as noted on the staff power-point and the second row of trees; Look at the trail coming out on Stevens Creek; Work with AD HOC committee and look at both alternatives for bridge placement and have staff come back with cost and design analysis on April 5

Conducted first reading of Ordinance No. 11-2075 and directed staff to research whether its permissible to place a cap on the total time limit for reconsideration items and can the process be separated into two steps: 1. Have any of the 5 criteria been met; 2. If no, the petition will not be considered

further and if yes, a full hearing will commence (A report will be included in items of interest)

Enacted Ordinance No. 11-2074 "An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cupertino amending Chapter 19.100 (Parking Regulations) of the Cupertino Municipal Code with associated amendments to Chapter 19.08 (Definitions Ordinance) related to clarifying language regarding storage and parking of heavy equipment and planned non-operational vehicles in residential zones"

Directed Staff to research the possibility of joining a council meeting remotely if a council member cannot attend the meeting in person (a report will be included in items of interest)

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

Approved the February 15 Redevelopment Agency Minutes

Cupertino Emergency Notification News

There's been a mountain lion spotted near downtown. There is a toxic cloud floating overhead. These are two, real and recent events which occurred in Morgan Hill and the City of Santa Clara, respectively. In each of these events, the respective cities used AlertSCC to notify the affected neighborhoods. AlertSCC is Santa Clara County's emergency notification system.

We encourage you to sign-up with AlertSCC, add your contact phone numbers and email address so you can receive urgent notifications which may affect you either at home, around Cupertino, or at work. If you live in Cupertino, go to www.cupertino.org/alertscc and sign-up. If you live or work outside of Cupertino, go to alertscc.com, find your city and sign-up. For general news and event notifications, Cupertino is on Facebook, www.cupertino.org/facebook and Twitter at www.cupertino.org/twitter. To learn more about Cupertino's emergency preparedness program, visit www.cupertino.org/emergency.

The Better Part

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

MAY 2, 3 & 6 – ESCAPE FROM THE IRON CURTAIN
Hear one family's story about life and escaping from behind the iron curtain.

MAY 9, 10 & 13 – AMERICAN HEALTH CARE COSTS
Per capita healthcare costs in the US are much higher than in any other country, in spite of ranking number 37 in quality. Why are we not getting our money's worth?

MAY 16, 17 & 20 – SENIOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
Senior League Baseball: America's national sport, played by the older generation.

MAY 23, 24 & 27 – DIAMONDS – 4 C'S
Local GIA Accredited jewelry professional answers frequently asked questions that are helpful in making an informed decision for someone out to buy diamond jewelry.

MAY 30, 31 AND JUNE 3 – RELAY FOR LIFE
The Relay for Life is an annual worldwide fund-raising event for the Cancer Society. This program describes the Cupertino community's participation, the results of the 2010 fund raising for the American Cancer Society.

DVD or VHS copies of programs can be purchased by visiting: www.thebetterpart.com. Copies of past programs can also be found in the Santa Clara County Library System and on YouTube. Want to join the group who produces these programs? Call 408.257.0284.

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beautiful Japanese garden in the front of their home. One of their family traditions is that when a person in the family has a birthday, the birthday person chooses the restaurant for the gathering and then the birthday person pays the bill. It's something they all look forward to.

(Cupertino has a sister city program with Toyokawa, Japan and there have been many visits back and forth over the years which have been educational and most enjoyable for all who have had the opportunity to participate in this program.)

Resource: Hirata Family history information album project – Cupertino History Museum.

Have Something to Contribute?

To submit information to "Cupertino Scene," email: scene@cupertino.org.

Submission deadline for the June edition is May 4.

Welcome New Businesses

- **Bromium Inc**
20813 Stevens Creek Blvd Ste 150
- **Fan Medical Services**
20380 Town Center Ln Ste 215
- **Harini A Krishnapuram DDS**
20395 Pacifica Dr Ste 109
- **Intellity Real Estate Services**
10430 S De Anza Blvd Ste 170
- **Leeward Financial & Insurance**
19925 Stevens Creek Blvd Ste 100
- **Mint Salon & Spa**
10617 S De Anza Blvd
- **Royal Foot Spa**
10615 S De Anza Blvd Ste C

The City Channel News Ticker

If you are a regular viewer of the Cupertino City Channel, you may have noticed a continuous crawl of news information at the bottom of your screen. This feature is known as the City Channel News Ticker.

Launched in August 2010, the News Ticker is designed to keep Cupertino residents informed of the latest headlines and other items of news affecting the Cupertino community. While much of the information is specifically related to city of Cupertino programs and events, there are also regular updates of weather, public safety advisories, and alerts. The City Channel program schedule is also regularly posted on the News Ticker.

News tickers have been used on cable news channels for years as an effective way of communicating quickly-evolving stories and news bulletins. During an emergency or breaking news situation, the City Channel plans to use its ticker to provide viewers with a continuous stream of relevant, updated information targeted specifically to Cupertino residents. In addition to the City Channel, these emergency alerts will also be available on the City's website, Radio Cupertino (1670 AM), and the city's Twitter and Facebook sites.

The Cupertino City Channel is available to Cupertino residents on Comcast Cable Channel 26 or AT&T U-verse Channel 99.



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Finance	408.777.3220	finance@cupertino.org
Parks & Recreation	408.777.3120	parks@cupertino.org
Planning/Community Development	408.777.3308	planning@cupertino.org
Public Information	408.777.3262	pio@cupertino.org
Public Works	408.777.3354	—
Sheriff Services	408.868.6600	www.sccsheriff.org



Access City online at www.cupertino.org/access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

City Meetings

May 3	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
May 4	Library Commission (EOC)	7 pm
May 4	Technology, Info & Communication Comm. (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
May 5	Parks and Recreation Commission (Community Hall)	7 pm
May 10	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
May 11	Teen Commission (QCC)	6:30 pm
May 12	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	9 am
May 12	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
May 12	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
May 17	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
May 18	Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
May 24	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
May 24	Fine Arts Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
May 26	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	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

***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



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