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April 25 & 26, 2015, 10 am - 5 pm

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#### **Cupertino Recognizes Community Volunteers**

The awards ceremony and reception that includes a brief presentation by City Councilmembers will be held on Thursday, May 28, 7 pm at the Cupertino Community Hall, 10350 Torre Avenue. The ceremony is free and open to the public. This year's CREST winners are:



- 1) Angela Chen: Angela has served Cupertino and the larger Santa Clara County for over 30 years with dedication in a variety of public positions and volunteer activities. She is currently the treasurer, administrative focal point and liaison to both the City and Chamber of Commerce, Board member of the Cupertino-Hsinchu Sister City Assoc., Cupertino Audit Committee member, Cupertino Sanitary District Board Director and Board member of the De Anza Foundation.
- 2) Cecil Dobbs & Richard Sherman: Cecil and Richard began their volunteer careers in February 2011 by delivering food to clients who are unable to come to the Food Pantry at West Valley Community Services. Richard and Cecil's primary role in volunteering with WVCS is that of being a gleaner. Every Monday morning, they go to local markets and pick up fresh produce, dairy, bread and pastries. Cecil and Richard also deliver food to De Anza College for the Campus Cupboard, which targets at-risk students and CalWORKs participants currently attending college.
- 3) Cathey Edwards: Cathey is the foundress and head administrator of the new Faith in Action Silicon Valley Rotating Shelter. Cathey created this organization which addresses the problems and needs of homeless men in the City of Cupertino, and adjoining areas. The shelter operates 365 days a year for homeless men, offering them case management, help in finding employment, becoming self-sufficient, and finding permanent housing.
- 4) Family Giving Tree: The Family Giving Tree actively works in Cupertino with both educational and senior service agencies in support of children, their parents and seniors. This includes the Live Oak Adult Day Service and De Anza College's Occupational Training, which serves disadvantaged students and families through the CalWorks program. In 2014, the Family Giving Tree worked in partnership with more than 320 Bay Area educational institutions and social services to fulfill holiday wishes for 71,600 children and their families.
- 5) Gerd Goette: Gerd has been a leader of the Cupertino Citizen Corps since he completed the CERT program in 2008. As part of the monthly Citizen Corps Steering Committee, Gerd has been an integral part of defining and developing the Volunteer capabilities, training, drills and integration into the City of Cupertino Emergency Operations Center (EOC). He has logged hundreds of hours in the volunteer portal and has taken an over 200 hours of additional training on his own to receive an Emergency Management

- Certificate for CalEMA/California Specialized Training Institute.
- 6) Jim Harrah: Jim began his journey as a Cupertino Senior Center Volunteer on his 70th birthday. Now, at 94, Jim is still an active part of the Senior Center's Volunteer Program, and has helped revolutionize the way members are informed about all of the programs and services available at the Cupertino Senior Center. He has taken the Senior Center newsletter from a single 8 ½" by 11" sheet to what is now a 10-page publication.
- 7) Margaret Rich: Margaret has been a critical volunteer in the Medical Reserve Corps since 2007. Her continued dedication to help others has been a lifelong journey and Cupertino has been the beneficiary. Margaret participates as a leader, emergency responder, outreach evangelist and she provides medical support at community events.
- 8) Lichung Ting: Li has donated over 800 hours of volunteer work in the various capacities within West Valley Community Services, improving the overall quality of services provided to clients. He volunteers weekly in the food pantry, is a volunteer translator and also assists with special events such as the Back to School Shopping Spree as a volunteer chaperone to help kids obtain school clothes.
- 9) Tzu Chi: Tzu Chi is an international humanitarian organization and a non-governmental organization with an international network of volunteers. In Cupertino, the Tzu Chi members meet the West Valley Community Services van at the local Farmer's Market and immediately begin dropping off crates to all the Farmers that have saved produce for WVCS. In 2014, they collected 40,000 pounds of produce. Not only did they form relationships with WVCS, but they also formed relationships with the local growers and businesses in the area.
- 10) WVCS VITA Program: The West Valley Community Services Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program began in 2010 and offers free tax help to people who generally make \$53,000 or less, people with disabilities, the elderly and limited English speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. The VITA team has seven volunteers and is comprised of retired and working professionals in the field of finance and accounting. Last year the WVCS VITA program helped 77 clients prepare their taxes and receive \$94,834 in refunds.

#### **Crime Prevention Workshop**

The City of Cupertino and the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Department will be hosting a crime prevention workshop on Wednesday, June 3 at 7 pm at the Cupertino Community Hall, 10350 Torre Ave., in Cupertino. There will be presentations and resources that residents can take advantage of to better protect our community. For more information visit **cupertino.org/crime**.

# BIKE TO WORK DAY

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MAY 14, 2015

The Cupertino Bicycle Pedestrian Commission (BPC) and Cupertino Library, 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.

Once again this year, the Cupertino BPC will set up an Energizer Station in front of the Quinlan Community Center at 10185 North Stelling Road, operating from 6:30 - 9 am and serving both coffee and food 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 National Bike Month, which is the month of May. Information can be found at **bikesiliconvalley.org/btwd**, the SVBC website. 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 a count of 191 cyclists pedaling past the Quinlan Community Center Energizer Station, of which 97 stopped for coffee and a chat about their commute. This is an increase in ridership of more than 50% over the previous year. With recent improvements to bike lanes and bike routes citywide, a further increase in ridership is anticipated this year.

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## **Celebrate Cupertino Day at Blackberry Farm**

May 2, 2015, 10 am - 6 pm 21979 San Fernando Avenue

Cupertino residents are invited to enjoy and explore Blackberry Farm located at 21979 San Fernando Avenue, Cupertino. There will be free ice cream from 1 - 4 pm (limited to the first 500 people) and residents can enjoy free swimming at the pools from 10 am - 5:30 pm (availability subject to pool's capacity). Pools will close at 5:30 pm.

Discount offers will be available on 10-day swim passes and individual / family memberships. Thank you for your patronage and the City of Cupertino looks forward to seeing you at the Blackberry Farm this season!

#### Wild Game Feed

The Cupertino Host Lions Club will host its annual Wild Game Feed on Thursday, June 11, 2015, at Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose. The menu features items such as Wild Boar, Buffalo, Calamari, Octopus, Quail, Salmon, Crab, Buffalo or Goat Stew, Crawdads and much more. A spread of appetizers will be served, followed by a sit-down dinner and more. Tickets are \$60 for entry and all you can eat or \$90 which includes all you can eat, a beer mug, selected drinks and general raffle tickets. No tickets are sold at the door. For tickets, contact Howard Jensen at 408.209.7251, or go online to: wildgamefeed2015.eventbrite.com.

#### **Cupertino Poet Laureate**

The Poet Laureate Selection Committee is on the lookout for applicants for the position of Cupertino Poet Laureate. The person selected will serve from January 2016 - December 2017, the third in the City to officially promote the wonderful world of poetry and other literary forms to Cupertino's diverse population. Pick up applications at City Hall, Cupertino Library Reference Desk, Quinlan Community Center, Senior Center and De Anza College, or visit cupertino.org/poetlaureate. Applications are due to Cupertino City Hall by 5 pm, July 10, 2015. Through personal presentations and hosted educational events, the Cupertino Poet Laureate will introduce youth and adults to the benefits of personal and community expression, calling attention to the City, its incredible variety of cultures, and history. For application and other details, visit cupertino.org/poetlaureate.

## simply safe | may

by Jerry Tallinger - Cupertino CERT member

#### **How to Help Avoid Residential Burglary**

Don't welcome a burglar into your home. Most residential burglars devote little if any time to the advance planning of any specific break-in. If their advance checking and closer examination reveals any risk, they move onto a safer target. The more you can do to keep your home from looking like an easy target, the safer you are. The first step in improving overall security is to take a hard look at the security measures already in use in your home. Think about these tips below or better still request a free home security assessment from the SCC Sheriff's Office. Be sure to make improvements where necessary.

- Make your home look occupied. Leave lights and radios on when you go out. If you are going to be away for a length of time, connect some lamps, TVs, or radios to automatic timers to turn them on in the evening and off during the day.
- Make it difficult to break in. Lock all outside doors, garage doors and windows before you leave the hou<mark>se o</mark>r go to bed. Ev<mark>en if it is fo</mark>r a short time, lock your doors. Deadbolts are good for outside doors. Check your locks on doors and windows and replace them with secure devices as necessary. Padlocks on fences to backyards are a good idea. Sliding glass doors are vulnerable. Special locks are available for better security. The use of a piece of 1"x1" wood or dowel or PVC pipe in a bottom door or window track is an excellent way to prevent a burglar from forcing open a door or window. They would have to break the window which they generally do not want to do. Also, do not hide a key outside. Burglars already know all the good hiding places.
- Don't forget to lock your cars in the driveway or when going out, even for a short time. An unlocked car with a garage door opener is the same as an unlocked home. Never leave laptops or other valuables visible in your car. Thieves are experts at breaking into cars. Even when away from the vehicle for just a few minutes, residents have found themselves the victim of a window smash burglary, finding that their laptop, purse, I-phone, or gym bag has been stolen from the vehicle.
- Don't allow daily deliveries of mail, newspapers or flyers build up while you are away. Arrange with the Post Office to hold your mail, or arrange for a friend or neighbor to take them regularly.
- Arrange for your lawn to be mowed and yard maintained if you are going away for an extended time
- Keep valuables well hidden or in a safe or bank deposit box, especially when you go away for a while. An investment in a safe can be a few hundred to a thousand dollars depending on size but can save you many thousands and the loss of precious memories. A safe is a great place to



keep all critical papers, photos, and guns. Also, if you are able, keep an electronic copy of scanned photos and computer files in the safe. Look at the fireproof rating when selecting a safe.

- Keep a personal inventory list of valuables with replacement values. If possible take photos of the items and create an electronic copy to help with any investigations and with insurance claims.
- Join or start a Neighborhood Watch. Call the City of Cupertino and ask for someone to coordinate one for you. Let you neighbors know when you are going to be away and ask them to watch for suspicious activity. Any subjects or vehicles observed on a residential block that are unfamiliar to the area should be reported to the Sheriff's non-emergency line at 408.299.2311.
- If an unknown party or solicitor knocks on your door, at least acknowledge their presence and don't ignore the ringing door bell. Burglars have used solicitation as a means to determine if a residence is unoccupied. Homeowners do not need to open the door, but they should initiate some form of verbal communication with the solicitor, even if it's through a closed door. A subject with criminal intent will be less prone to enter a home knowing that it is currently occupied. Simply telling the person that you are not interested is often sufficient. Additionally, solicitors are required to register with the City to obtain a permit and must display identification. When in doubt about a solicitor, call the Sheriff's Office non-emergency number at 408.299.2311.
- Consider investing in a residential security system for your home. There are many companies which install and monitor your home for a monthly fee. You can also invest in a self-installed system which includes cameras and will call your smart phone when a break-in is detected. Motion activated lights can also help.

Remember this is not a complete list. Do your own research and select improvements wisely. Even if you follow all the suggestions above it is not a guarantee you will not be burglarized. If you are burglarized, call 911. Also, be a good neighbor and report any suspicious activity around your neighborhood, work or when out and about. Remember, law enforcement officers are not everywhere and need your help to stop criminals. They are there to help you!

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If you do only one thing to prepare this month:

Find out about a Neighborhood Watch in your area and join. If one doesn't exist, start one.

## roots The Good Old Days in Pueblo San Jose

#### by Gail Fretwell-Hugger

When we look out over our valley now, with high rise buildings and cars whizzing to and fro on free-ways, it's hard to imagine what it looked like in the 1700's - in the days of the vast Spanish ranchos and a lifestyle and culture that moved at a much slower pace than we have ever known. Let's do a little time-travel and venture back to those days of long ago and pause for reflection, keeping in mind that life could be more harsh at times in by-gone days, as well as more bucolic. Here are some historical vignettes to spark our imaginations.



Native Californians Racing. Horsemanship and skill in the use of the lasso, or reata, were qualities highly esteemed by the Californians, who were trained from childhood to life in the saddle. Hutchings Illustrated Magazine, 1886.

"It appears that there is nothing new under the sun. The infant pueblo (of San Jose) was troubled by theft and even riots on occasion. In order to control the disorderly conduct, the governor ordered in 1792 that every unmarried young man over twelve years of age must sleep in the guardhouse. In 1799, a list was drawn up specifying the names of the men that were obliged to sleep in the juzgado. There were 14 names on the list." (I wish they had printed the names - no doubt many local landmarks were subsequently named after them)

"The closest thing to a City Hall in the 1700's in San Jose was the guardhouse which was used by the soldiers assigned as a military guard and escort for the town. Eventually this became a three-room adobe; one third used for prisoners, one third for the Alcalde and Ayuntamiento and one third by the soldiers. These multi-purpose structures in Spanish California were called "Juzgados". (Since the letter "j" in Spanish sounds like the English letter "h", the word "Juzgado" morphed into a term used by the Americans - a "hoosegow" (jail).

In 1802, San Jose built the earliest prison in the area with special walls, doors, and a stock inside for the punishment of wrong-doers. It was a considerable time later that San Francisco would build similar facilities. One of the standard methods of punishing criminals in San Jose was the use of the stocks. When Josefa Perez was tried and found guilty for giving information to the Americans in the 1840's before the Alcalde's court, she was sentenced to a term in the the stocks in the Juzgado. The stocks in San Jose were inside, out of view of passersby. Lesser offenders were punished with only one leg confined in the wooden structure, and greater offenders with both legs. The worst offenders had both their legs and their neck trapped in the stocks. Josefa was sentenced to have both legs enclosed. She apparently had many friends who visited her and commiserated with her during her confinement. She had to receive them while lying on her back on the floor.

The most common punishment for men was lashing with a whip. Women, however, were usually assigned to hard labor. This normally took the form of cleaning the streets, which was easier said than done as all the roads, were dirt roads. Furthermore in those

days the horse was the standard vehicle of transportation. (Talk about "dirty jobs") .

Over at Mission Santa Clara, "Bad women of the upper class" were treated to a less productive but more frustrating form of hard labor. They were given a grinding surface of stone (the metate, which was usually used for grinding corn for tortillas) and a bowl of stones. The hard labor consisted grinding the bowl of stones into smaller stones... hour after hour."

Try to picture this early description of the old San Jose pueblo. "The buildings of the Pueblo, with few exceptions, are constructed of adobes (mud bricks). The church, which is situated near the center of town, resembles the exterior of a huge Dutch barn. The streets are irregular, every man having erected his house in a position most convenient to him. Aqueducts convey water from the Santa Clara Riv er (the Guadalupe River) to all parts of the town. In the main plaza hundreds, perhaps thousands of squirrels, whose abodes are underground, have their residences. They are of a brownish color and about the size of our common gray squirrel. Emerg ing from their subterraneous abodes, they skip and leap about over the plaza without the least concern, no one bothering them. (Must have been a very lumpy ground surface in the plaza, with all the squirrel entrance burrows in it - horses and humans alike could break a leg in one of the holes if they weren't careful). The ranchos of the Spanish Dons are in the valley, but their residences and gardens are in the town. Señor Don Antonio Sunol received visitors one afternoon and conducted them through his garden to view apples, pears, peaches, figs, oranges, grapes and other fruits. The grapevines bowed to the ground with the weight of the yield and after tasting some fruit, the visitors declared it the best they had ever tasted. From the garden they strolled to the Don's flour mill, recently erected by his sonin-law, a Frenchman."

The vignettes of the early San Jose Pueblo conclude with the following statement. "The Pueblo de San Jose is one of the oldest settlements in Alta California. A house built of adobe brick was pointed out, which had been standing between 80 and 90 years, and no house in the place appeared to be more substantial or in better repair."

There are still a few historic adobe buildings in the Santa Clara Valley - the oldest one in San Jose is the Peralta Adobe (1797) with adjoining Fallon House in the San Pedro Square area. Both buildings are open for public tours. The Spanish missions of California, all rebuilt in the early 1900's, are excellent examples of adobe brick and tile architecture of the period.

Resource: "Historias" - the Spanish Heritage of Santa Clara Valley - California History Center, De Anza College



The Fandango. The Rancho Era was one of warm hospitality & romance. According to an American traveler, "dancing, religion, music, and amiability, were the orthodox occupations of the ladies of Alta California." The New Century Magazine, 1890.

## cupertino library

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

LIBRARY HOURS		TELEPHONE NUMBERS	
Monday	10 am – 9 pm	General Library Number	r408.446.1677
Tuesday		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		TeleCirc	
Sunday	12 noon – 6 pm	relectic	000.4/1.0771

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: **sccl.org.** 

#### PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

The Cupertino Library presents a wide variety of programs for children of all ages. For more details on any of these programs, please call the Children's Reference Desk at 408.446.1677, ext 3321, 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.

#### Jim Gill in His 2015 Family Room Tour Sunday, May 3, 1 pm, Cupertino Community Hall

Getting ready to read is tons of fun! Join us to clap, sing, dance and even sneeze along to silly and inspiring musical games for the whole family. Bring a blanket so everyone can sit and enjoy the concert together.

Jim Gill is a musician and author with unique credentials among children's artists. Jim is a Child Development Specialist, completing his graduate studies in child development at the Erikson Institute of Chicago with a special emphasis in the study of play. Jim's recordings and books are opportunities for playful interactions between a child and a caring adult. The family concerts are not simply performances, but rather a time for the children and parents to sing, play and learn together.

#### **STEAM LEADS Superhero School\*\***

The Cupertino Library invites middle school students currently in 6th – 8th grades to join our spring STEAM LEADS Superhero School. Offered in the months of March, April and May, Superhero School provides a unique opportunity to participate in STEAM activities in the library and online.

This May, become a Math-magician! Superhero School events listed online at sccl.org/Locations/Cupertino/STEAM-LEADS.

#### Children's Garden @ Cupertino Library\* Tuesdays, May 5, 12, 19, 26, 3:30 – 4:30 pm Cupertino Library Courtyard

The Cupertino Library's Children's Garden will be open to all ages on Tuesdays from 3:30 - 4:30 pm, weather permitting. School-aged children are invited to participate in various hands-on garden activities throughout the season.

Children under five must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

#### **Mother's Day Craft**

### Wednesday, May 6, 4 pm, Cupertino Library Story Room

School-aged children are invited to create a fun picture frame gift for Mother's Day, and take a picture in front of our fun Children's book character "mothers" backdrop.

#### **Cupertino Cinema Club**

#### Thursday, May 14, 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 May 18 for one of our June programs.

#### **Cupertino Library LEGO Club**

#### Thursday, May 21, 4 – 5 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

Children in 1st through 8th grade are invited to build with LEGO bricks in the Story Room. The Library will provide LEGO bricks; please leave your own LEGO bricks at home and all LEGO creations will stay at the library.

#### **Children's Room Summer Volunteers**

Teens – be a hero this summer and volunteer in our Cupertino Library Children's Room! We are looking for volunteers ages 14 – 17 to volunteer 2-3 hours each week from June 15 – August 21. Apply at the Children's Reference Desk today; applications are due May 31.

#### **PROGRAMS FOR TEENS**

### S^4-Super Summer Science Search™ Contest

#### Registration May 1 – June 1 Entry Deadline August 1

cupertinolibraryfoundation.org/ s4-super-summer-science-search Outgoing 6th, 7th and 8th graders are invited to sign up for the S^4 Contest – a fun, fascinating and free summer activity! Use science, critical thinking and the library's online databases to solve a real-world problem. Win an iPad Mini or cash!

#### Free Comic Book Day

#### Saturday, May 2, All Day, Teen Room

The Cupertino Library and Comic's Conspiracy are pleased to present Free Comic Book Day. Stop by the library's 2nd floor Teen Room on the first Saturday in May to pick up your free comic book!

#### Mother's Day Picture Frames\* Saturday, May 9, 4 – 5 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

Get your picture taken and design your own personalized photo frame to give Mom on her special day. All materials will be supplied. No registration necessary, but space is limited. This craft is for people ages 12 – 18.

#### Teen Study Days\*

#### May 23, 24, 30, 31, 12 - 5:30 pm Cupertino Community Hall

Join us in Community Hall to study, work on projects, and get ready for the end of the school semester. Open work spaces and seating will be available. Refreshments will be served throughout the day. Ages 13 – 18.

#### **PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS**

## Globe on Screen: Titus Andronicus\*\* Monday, May 4, 7 pm, Bluelight Cinema

Returning to Rome from a war against the Goths, the general Titus Andronicus brings with him the queen Tamora and her three sons as prisoners of war. Titus' sacrifice of Tamora's eldest son to appease the ghosts of his dead sons and his decision to refuse to accept the title of emperor initiates a terrible cycle of mutilation, rape and murder. And all the while, at the center of the nightmare, there moves the villainous, self-delighting Aaron.

## Master Gardeners: Gardening with Succulents

#### Wednesday, May 13, 7 - 8:30 pm Cupertino Community Hall

It's time to expand your use of succulents in the garden! Succulents' ability to retain water in thickened stems and leaves enables them to adapt to our current drought conditions. Learn from Master Gardener Laura Balaoro how and where to plant succulents in your garden, the many types of succulents, common pathogens and propagation methods. Sponsored by Cupertino Library and UCCE Master Gardeners.

#### Adult Book Discussion Group\*

Thursday, May 21, 2015, 7 pm Cupertino Library Story Room This drop-in book club meets the third Thursday of every month. This month, the group will discuss *The Storied Life of A. J. Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin. When his most prized possession, a rare collection of Poe poems, is stolen, bookstore owner A. J. Fikry begins isolating himself from his friends, family and associates before receiving a mysterious package and the opportunity to remake his life.

#### **Chinese Book Discussion Group\***

#### Thursday, May 14, 10 am – 12 noon Cupertino Library Teen Group Study Room

The Cupertino Chinese Book Discussion Group will discuss *Ge ming qian xi de motoche zhi lu (Motorcycle Diaries )* by Ernesto Che Guevara. The discussion will be in Mandarin.

#### **Knitting at the Library**

#### Every Tuesday from 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.

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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: sccl.org/at-your-service.

## The Green@Home DIY Toolkit Available NOW at the Cupertino Library

The City of Cupertino and the Cupertino Library have teamed up to bring you a new, free, ecofriendly service – the Green@Home Do-It-Yourself (DIY) Toolkit! This kit makes cutting energy and water costs at home as easy as checking out a book from the library. Cupertino Library patrons can now check out a Green@Home DIY Toolkit for one week and use the kit's tools to install a range of FREE utility conserving devices, also provided in the kit (the devices are yours to keep!). Swing by the Cupertino Library to borrow a kit to start saving energy, water and money!

## Hatching a Nest Egg: Transitioning from Asset Accumulation to Retirement Distribution

#### Monday, May 18, 2015, 7 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

Transitioning from asset accumulation to retirement distribution. Do you know from what account to take distribution first in retirement, when to start taking social security and how to make sure your capital will last a lifetime? Get answers to these questions and more. Free workshop by the Financial Planning Association of Silicon Valley.

## adult 50 plus news

#### "Get into the Act"

#### May is Older Americans Month

Older adults are a vital part of our society. Since 1963, communities across the country have shown their gratitude by celebrating Older Americans Month each May. The theme of this year's celebration is "Get into the Act," to focus on how people like you are taking charge of their health, getting engaged in their communities, and making a positive impact in the lives of others. By promoting and engaging in activity, wellness, and lifelong learning, you can "Get into the Act." The Cupertino Senior Center offers education, wellness, and social service resources yearround, and Older Americans Month offers an opportunity to emphasize how you can access the home and community-based services you need to thrive independently in our community. Throughout the month and all year-round, the Cupertino Senior Center offers classes, lectures, and social opportunities for staying involved and taking advantage of our positive, healthy, and connected community.

#### Adult 50+ Membership

Membership includes access to Adult 50+ programs, trips, services, classes, socials, and mailing of the bimonthly newsletter. Join for 2015 in November 2014 and the membership is good through January 2016, over 12 months of fun!

It's easy to become an Adult 50+ member:

- Be at least 50 years or better
- Complete a "New Member Application" form (available at the Senior Center or online)
- Pay the membership price of \$27. Cupertino residents pay \$22

#### Stay Active Fund

The Stay Active Fund is about helping adults 50+ remain active, engaged, and participating at the Cupertino Senior Center. This fund provides assistance to offset the cost of Senior Center membership and registration for classes and events. The program is available each year from November 4 to June 30, or until the funds are depleted. Please contact the Senior Center for more details.

#### **EVENTS**

#### 50+ Bocce Ball

#### Wednesdays, 9 am - 12 pm

Meet at the Bocce Ball courts alongside the Stevens Creek Trail at Blackberry Farm Park at 9 am. First time players are welcome, instructions available. Free for members.

#### The Better Part Encore Presentation:

Public Safety and Crime Prevention

Monday, May 11, 4 - 5:30 pm

We all want to keep ourselves and our families safe from crime. Unfortunately, some criminals are targeting seniors, the most vulnerable segment of our society. Come and learn some tips from our guest, a Deputy Sheriff, on how to

avoid being victimized by some common scams and frequent crimes. Free for Senior Center members, senior guest pay \$5 day pass. Sign up at the Senior Center lobby table.

#### May Social and Birthday Bash Wednesday, May 13, 12 pm

Let the good times roll in May with the Steve Siacotos performing 50s and 60s classics. Refreshing cucumber salad, tuna noodle casserole, and warm apple cobbler will be served. Vegetarian option available when registering. Members with May birthdays will be honored. Member fee \$10, senior guests add \$5 day pass.

#### **Classical Accordion Concert**

#### Monday, May 18, 12 - 1 pm

Local Bay Area accordionists are coming together and combining their talents to offer a concert for our members. Selections will include Mozart, Dvorak, Brahms, Bach and more. Join us for this great opportunity to hear the masters play! Members are free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass. Sign up at the lobby table.

#### 50+ Softball

#### Thursdays, 9 am - 12 pm

Join us weekly on the Memorial Park softball field in 2015. Batting practice begins at 9 am with a pick-up game at 10 am. Member fee \$38 for the season.

#### Movie of the Month

#### Wednesday, May 27, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

The King of Masks (1996) - The streets of 1930's Sichuan set the stage for this award winning tale of hope and transformation. A rare master of an ancient art, the King of Masks is desperate to find an heir and pass on his trade. A destitute child becomes his apprentice, but when that child reveals an unexpected secret, their new bond is put to the test. This movie will be presented in the original Mandarin with English subtitles. Popcorn and lemonade will be served. Members are free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

#### **CLASSES AND LECTURES - Great Value!**

#### **Book Review Meeting**

#### First Friday of the month, 1:15 - 3 pm

Learn about new books and meet new people. New faces are always welcome. Free for members, senior guests pay \$5.

May 1- *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker, reviewed by Helen Nowicki

#### Strategies for Coping with Vision Loss Monday, May 11, 10 – 11 am

Presented by Alice McGrath, Community Relations Manager of the Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Participants will learn about the unique needs and resources available for those who are experiencing significant vision loss. Alice, who is legally blind, will also answer your questions. Members are free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass. Sign up at the Senior Center lobby table.

#### **Let's Talk Current Events**

#### Wednesday, May 20, June 24, 1:30 - 3 pm

Join this lively monthly discussion group to discuss important and interesting topics and learn about others' points of view. Discover how things going on around the world will affect you with Nancy McGinnis, legal specialist and current lecturer at San Francisco State University, facilitating the conversation. Cupertino Senior Center members are free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

#### **AARP Smart Driver Class**

#### Wednesday, May 20 and 27, 12:30 - 4:30 pm

This is a full 8-hour AARP Smart Driver class, split into two 4-hour sessions. Call Les Schreiber 408.316.8654 for program information and to register.

#### How to Download Free Library e-Books Wednesday, May 27, 3:30 – 5 pm

Cupertino Library has free e-books to read on your e-Reader device. This hands-on workshop will include downloading the free Overdrive app, how to search for e-books, downloading an e-book, and how to customize your reading experience. Digital books are automatically "returned" to the library – no late fees! Please bring to class a fully-charged device and your passwords for iTunes/Apple, iPad, Amazon or Kindle, along with your Santa Clara County Library card and PIN. Free for Senior Center members, senior guests pay \$5 day pass. Sign up at the Cupertino Senior Center front desk.

#### **SOCIAL SERVICES**

#### Health Insurance Counseling (HICAP)

Monday, May 11, 25, 1 - 3 pm

Consultation on Medicare and health insurance. Please call 408.777.3150 to make an appointment.

#### Housing

#### Monday, May 4, 18, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Information on resources for senior housing options. Please call 408.777.3150 to make an appointment.

#### Senior Adult Legal Aid (SALA)

Friday, May 1, 8, 15, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Provides free assistance to elders for basic legal matters in public benefits, long-term care, elder abuse, housing, consumer issues, incapacity planning, probate alternative, and simple wills. Must be 60 or older and live in Santa Clara County. Please call 408.777.3150 to make an appointment.

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

#### Itineraries subject to change.

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

#### **DAY TRIPS**

A Taste of San Francisco with Gary, Thursday, May 7, \$118

Neil Diamond - Live!, Tuesday, May 12, **\$116** 

Book of Mormon, Thursday, May 21, \$169

Doug McConnell and Point Reyes National Seashore, Thursday, May 28, \$88

Presidio Officers Club and Fort Point, Friday, June 5, \$78

**Exploring Rooftop Gardens with Gary,** Thursday, June 11, **\$104** 

Cruising the Bay on a Presidential Yacht, Thursday, June 18, **\$104** 

Anything Goes – Musical, Saturday, June 27, \$99

Matilda – The Musical, Wednesday, July 28, \$118

**The Phantom of the Opera,** Thursday, September 3 & Wednesday, September 30, **\$128** 

#### **TOURS**

**Inspiring Iceland**, August 16 – 24, \$5,199 double occupancy. Highlights include Reykjavik, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Snaefellsnes Peninsula, Puffin Cruise, and Blue Lagoon.

Tuscan and Umbrian Countryside, October 16 - 26, \$5,199 double occupancy. Highlights include: exploring smaller more traditional towns, a cooking class held in a 16th century farmhouse, a home-cooked meal at a local Umbrian family's home, local wine tasting, Volterra and Guamacci Museum, Assisi, San Gimignano, Olive Oil factory, and more!

Christmas Cruise on the Danube, December 1 - 10, \$2,495 double occupancy, cruise price. Prague to Vienna on Avalon Waterways!

**Tropical Costa Rica**, February 4 - 12, 2016, \$2,915 double occupancy. Highlights include: Coffee Plantation, Montverde Cloud Forest, Arenal Volcano, Hanging Bridges, and more!

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: cupertino.org/50plus

## eco news may

#### Gold is the New Green!

2015 brought us our fourth straight year of extreme drought in California. The State has mandated a historic 25% decrease in urban water use. To make sure there is water for future years, we must all do what we can to help conserve! Did you know that the single biggest impact we can have on saving water is to let green lawns turn a lovely gold? About 50% of household water usage is for our yards! Many people will proudly



display golden lawns this summer. If you aren't quite ready to let your lawn turn gold, try testing your lawn's limits by reducing your water (to 2-3 minutes, 3 times per week or less) and then increase it just enough to keep your lawn slightly green. If you know of water saving actions to add to the bullets below, please submit your tips to **environmental@cupertino.org** and we'll share them in our next newsletter.

- Repair leaks. Leaks send our precious water supply and your money down the drain. As a test, turn off all water and see if your meter is still moving. If it is, it's time to investigate.
- Swap lawn for drought tolerant plants and grasses. Learn what works from local nurseries or **bayfriendlycoalition.org**. Find rebates of \$2/square foot at **valleywater.org**.
- Irrigate efficiently. Water during early morning hours, group plants with similar water needs together, install a water or moisture-sensitive controller, use drip irrigation when possible and apply mulch or mix compost into soil to help hold water.
- Install water-efficient toilets (1.6 gallons per flush or less), washing machines, low-flow showerheads (2.0 gallons/minute or less) and faucet aerators (2.0 gallons/minute for kitchens, less for bathrooms). Rebates are available at **valleywater.org**.
- Looking to replace an appliance with a more water-efficient one?
   Look for the US EPA's WaterSense label to guide you.
- Only run washing machines and dishwashers with full loads.
- Turn off the faucet while brushing teeth, washing dishes, and shaving.
- Wash cars less frequently or take them to a commercial car wash where water is recycled.
- Sweep pavement to clean instead of hosing down patios, sidewalks, and driveways.
- Use hose attachments with a temporary turn-off valve to stop the flow of unneeded water.
- Host a free Water-Wise House Call from Santa Clara Valley Water District. Sign up at **valleywater.org** or call 800.548.1882.

Pick one action to try each day or week – every person can make a difference and every drop counts! Visit **save20gallons.org** for more tips and to calculate how much water your actions saved.

#### **Cupertino Symphonic Band Spring Concert**

The Cupertino Symphonic Band invites you to their Spring Concert on Sunday, May, 17 at 3 pm in the Prospect High School Theater. The Prospect High School is located at 18900 Prospect Rd, in Saratoga.

From the Magic of Andrew Lloyd Weber and Michael Bublé to Shostakovich and Dvorak, this event will showcase the range and talent of the musicians in the band. Conducting this ensemble will be Jason McChristian. The concert is free, but as always, donations of canned goods will be provided to West Valley Community Services. These donations are always appreciated! For more information visit cupertinosymphonicband.org or like us on Facebook facebook.com/CupertinoSymphonicBand.



#### Did you know:

the City of Cupertino has its own Instagram page? Follow our page

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to showcase your pictures of our wonderful City!

#### We Want your Kitchen Scraps!

Please put your kitchen scraps and old food that sat in your fridge too long into your brown yard waste cart to be composted! All compostable organic material is collected with yard waste and is professionally composted to use in (drought-tolerant) gardens and landscaping. Food waste may be wrapped in newspaper, dirty paper towels and old paper bags, or bagged in CLEAR plastic bags. WITHOUT plastic bags is preferred. Cupertino residents (with proof of residency) may pick up FREE rich compost created from organics collected citywide, at the City's pick up site, Stevens Creek Quarry, 12100 Stevens Canyon Road, on Friday and Saturday mornings, 8:30 - 11 am. The site must close if it has rained or is raining.

## Accepted items for your brown yard waste cart include:

- All food and food scraps (veggies, fruit, meat, bones, bread, noodles, coffee grounds, etc.)
- Paper products (paper towels, tissues, pizza boxes, plates and cups, egg cartons, take-out boxes, and waxed cardboard, used tea bags etc.)
- Plant material (clean untreated wood, wood chopsticks, all plants and vegetation)

NO ashes, dirt/rock/concrete, pet waste, plastics or recyclable items are accepted in the brown cart. We also CANNOT compost biodegradable plastics (corn, potato-based, Tater-Ware™ etc.) since they take too long to break down at Recology's composting facility in Gilroy.

Interested in composting your kitchen scraps at home? Take a FREE Santa Clara County-sponsored backyard composting workshop with UC Extension. Visit ucanr.edu/hcep or call 408.918.4640 for a list of dates and locations. Cupertino residents will receive a free Soil Saver backyard compost bin after attending a workshop. Limit of one free bin per household.

Cupertino compost update: Last month students at Monta Vista High School won a \$1,000 TED project competition to compost food waste at their school. Cupertino is proud of its now 64 (and growing!) businesses and commercial properties, in addition to many residents, that currently separate organics for collection. Please join your students and neighbors in helping to divert waste from the landfill and compost your food waste!

For more information about composting or collection, visit **cupertino.org/environmental**, email **environmental@cupertino.org**, or call your Environmental Services team at 408.777.3354.

#### Shop Green and Shop Local!

GreenBiz Cupertino, the City's green business support service, wants you to know that almost 50 certified green businesses call

our city home. Find out who they are at cupertino.or/greenbiz, or search for certified businesses wherever you go in our green and golden state at greenbusinessca.org. These businesses have taken actions to protect our local environment and make our community healthier by conserving energy and water, reducing waste, and preventing pollution. When you visit Cupertino's green business



partners, remember to take your GreenBiz Discount Card (available at City Hall and at participating businesses) for great promotions of products and services for new customers. If you have a favorite local shop, restaurant, or other business that isn't on our card, encourage them to join the program so they can appear on next year's card! Happy (green and local) shopping!



#### Clean Our Creeks! Saturday, May 16

Bring family, friends, and neighbors to help keep our creeks clean and healthy. The City's semiannual community creek cleanup is on Saturday, May 16, 9 am - 12 pm at Creekside Park, 10455 Miller Avenue. Volunteers and City staff will clean segments of Calabazas and Regnart Creeks. Gloves, trash grabbers and bags will be provided. Volunteers are asked to complete a waiver form, wear sunscreen and dress for safety (long sleeves, pants and old shoes or rain boots). Refreshments will be offered. Register at cleanacreek.org or call 408.777.3354.

## community calendar

MAY	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
2	De Anza Flea Market	8 am - 4 pm	De Anza College	408.864.8946	deanza.fhda.edu/fleamarket
	Cupertino Kids Chess Club*	10 am - 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	21685 Granada Ave	408.996.0850	osfamilies.org
	Planetarium Shows*	7 pm	De Anza Planetarium	408.864.8814	planetarium.deanza.edu
4	Cupertino Toastmasters*	6:30 pm	Saint Joseph of Cupertino School-Science Room, 10110 N. De Anza Blvd.	650.492.0859 Ask for Dorothy Liu	cupertino.freetoasthost.net
	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 pm	Union Church	408.857.6123	oa.org
	American Legion Post 642	7 pm	10201 Imperial Avenue #3	408.374.6392	sccgov.org/portal/site/va
5	School Emergency Preparedness	9:30 am	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	408.777.3176	
7	C.A.R.E.S	7:30 - 9 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	408.345.8372	cupertinocares.org/
8	Cupertino Las Madres*	10 am - 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.		CupertinoCoinClub.com
11	Fine Arts League	7 pm	Community Center	408.863.9991 Ask Janki Chokshi	falc.org
14	Cupertino Quota*	12 - 1 pm	The Blue Pheasant	408.739.1522	cupertino.quota@yahoo.com
18	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 am	20589 Homestead Rd.	408.252.3954	cupertinoioof70.org
20	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		408.447.0797	tandemtoastmasters.vsgcorp.com
	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.htm
	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 am - 1 pm	Call for location	408.861.0417	lasmadres.org
	Cup. Host Lions Club*	7:15 pm	BBLC Hall, 99 North Bascom Avenue, San Jose	408.209.7251	cupertinohostlionsclub.org
	Viewfinders Digital Video Club	7:30 pm	Community Center - In Cupertino Room	408.520.1379	viewfindersclub.org viewfindersclub.org/Meetings.htm
21	De Anza Lions Club*	6:45 am	Holders Country Inn	408.255.3093	deanzalions.org/
	Northwest Y Service Club*	6:30 pm	Northwest YMCA, 20803 Alves Drive	408.351.2444	yserviceclub@ymcasv.org
	Business Networking Intl.*	7 am	BJ's Brewery	408.996.9111	BNI.com
	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 am - 1 pm	Call for location	408.861.0417	lasmadres.org
	American Association of University Women	6:30 - 8 pm	Moorpark Hotel 2nd Floor, 4241 Moorpark Ave, San Jose, CA 95129	408.996.7492	Susanps@sonic.net
	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 pm	Union Church	408.759.2617	oa.org
	Cupertino-Toyokawa Sister Cities	7:30 - 9:30 pm	City Hall Conference Room A	408.867.2162	jeang8@hotmail.com

MAY	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
22	Malihini Orchid Society	7:30 pm	Vallco Shopping Center	408.267.3397	malihini.org
24	Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh USA*	10 am - 1:30 pm	Creekside Park Hall	408.368.0357	hssus.org
26	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	
28	Cupertino Quota*	12 - 1 pm	The Blue Pheasant	408.252.8568	cupertino.quota@yahoo.com
	CERT/MRC	7 - 9 pm	City Hall, EOC		

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.

	CITY MEETINGS	
MAY 5	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
MAY 6	Library Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	7 pm
MAY 6	Technology, Info & Communication Comm. (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
MAY 7	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	9:30 am
MAY 7	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
MAY 7	Parks and Recreation Commission (Community Hall)	7 pm
MAY 12	Planning Commission (EOC)***	6:45 pm
MAY 12	City Council Budget Study Session (Community Hall)	4 pm
MAY 13	Teen Commission Meeting (Quinlan Com.Center 10185 N.Stelling Rd)	6:30 pm
MAY 13	Economic Development Committee (Conf. Rm. A)	10 am
MAY 14	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	9 am
MAY 14	Administrative Hearing meeting (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
MAY 14	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	6 pm
MAY 19	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
MAY 20	Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
MAY 21	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	9:30 am
MAY 21	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
MAY 25	Fine Arts Commission Meeting (Cancelled)	7 pm
MAY 26	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
MAY 27	Teen Commission Meeting (Quinlan Com.Center 10185 N.Stelling Rd)	6:30 pm
MAY 28	Administrative Hearing meeting (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 cupertino.org/webcast, or on The City Channel, Cable 26.
For all City meeting agendas and minutes go to cupertino.org/agenda.

## council actions

## SPECIAL MEETING (CLOSED SESSION AND COMMISSION INTERVIEWS) & REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2015

Council Members Present: Chang, Sinks, Paul, Wong Absent: Vaidhyanathan

Authorized Cupertino to join an Amicus brief request to be filed by the Town of Los Altos Hills subject to review with a cap on expenditure of \$1,000

Obtained a briefing and gave direction

Gave direction to the City Manager regarding the City Attorney position

Conducted interviews and appointed Keita Broadwater and Vaishali Deshpande to full terms ending January 2019

Adjourned the Special Meeting to the regular City Council meeting, Cupertino Community Hall Council Chamber, 10350 Torre Avenue

Council received an update from Captain Rick Sung regarding crime statistics

General Plan Amendment was re-noticed to April 21

Approved the minutes for the February 3 City Council Meeting

Approved the minutes for the March 3 City Council Meeting

Adopted Resolution No. 15-012 accepting accounts payable for the period ending February 20, 2015

Adopted Resolution No. 15-014 accepting accounts payable for period ending March 6, 2015

Recommended approval of application for Alcoholic Beverage License for Eureka! Burger, 19369 Stevens Creek Boulevard, Suite 300

Adopted Resolution No. 14-015 to notice the public of the intent to vacate a portion of Cordova Road, and set a public hearing on April 7, 2015 at 6:45 pm (Vaidhyanathan absent)

Postponed the Master Street Tree List item to April 7 (Wong Abstaining and Vaidhyanathan absent)

Accepted the Public Building Solar Installation Project

Accepted Sports Center Tennis Court retaining wall replacement project

Directed staff to bring this item regarding cancelling summer Council meetings back to a future Council meeting

Received the Construction Project Update Report

Received Report on Committee Assignments

City Manager David Brandt noted that the Neighborhood Block Leader Program won the National League of Cities Cultural Diversity Award.

Adjourned the meeting to April 7 at 6:45 pm

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#### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Friends of the Cupertino Library Book Sale

Cupertino Community Hall Saturday, May 16, 9 am – 4 pm Sunday, May 17, 12 - 3 pm

Come on in and browse the gently-read books for sale--you never know what treasures you can find!

- \* Generously sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library
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Have
Something to
Contribute?

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

Submission deadline for the June edition is May 6.

## Code Poetry Slam! A Perfect Synthesis of Computers and Art!

Saturday, May 2, 1 - 4 pm, Cupertino Community Hall

"Code Poetry" describes different types of things: poems written in a programming language, and meant to be read purely as words on a page; code that aims for elegant expression within severe constraints, like a haiku or a sonnet; or code that generates automatic poetry. (See examples at stanford.edu/~mkagen/codepoetryslam/)

Join code poets from Stanford University in a wild and fun event hosted by Cupertino's Poet Laureate, Jennifer Swanton Brown.

- This three-part event will begin with a demonstration of the form, its history, and performance practice.
- The middle part of the afternoon is devoted to writing code poetry: a workshop open to teens and adults. No experience with code poetry necessary, but coding experience required. Experienced code poets will be available to provide prompts and support.
- The final hour of the event will be a performance "slam" for workshop participants who want to share their work.

The event will take place on Saturday, May 2, from 1 - 4 pm in Cupertino Community Hall and is free and open to the public. Join for the demonstration and/or performance, or stay for the whole afternoon. If you want to join the workshop, please bring your own computer. Read more at cupertinopoetlaureate.org.

## news items

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#### **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 1.408.777.3335, email OES@ cupertino.org for more information, or to request a class for your company, group or organization.

FREE! Personal Emergency Preparedness Class (PEP) offered by the Santa Clara County Fire Department. The class covers 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: May 6, 6 - 9 pm, Cupertino City Hall, 10300 Torre Ave, Cupertino and June 2, 6 – 9 pm, Campbell Community Center, 1 W. Campbell Ave, Campbell. For registration, e-mail, 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) class. 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. The course is offered four times a year and you will have one year to make up any missed sessions for graduation. You may attend the final exercise once all six sessions have been completed. We encourage all Cupertino residents to attend this worthwhile training. The next class runs July 28 -Aug 6, Tuesdays through Thursdays 6 - 9 pm with the final hands-on and graduation August 8, Saturday 9:30 am - 12:30 pm. All classes will be held at Cupertino City Hall, 10300 Torre Ave, Cupertino. 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 call 408.378.4010.

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#### **Drop-in Consultation with Case Manager** Wednesdays 10 am – 12 pm

Karen Goss, Case Manager, is available to discuss simple issues. No appointment is needed. English/Cantonese.

### Caregiver Support Group

Thursday, May 14, 3 - 4:30 pm

Provides a safe place for family caregivers to share their experiences and challenges. Join our circle of support.

## Welcome New Businesses

#### All That BBQ

10493 S. De Anza Blvd.

#### Tieh Chen Sun

10321 S. De Anza Blvd.

#### **Eureka Restaurant Group**

19369 Stevens Creek Blvd., Ste. 300

#### Ross Dress For Less

20650 Homestead Rd.

#### Darius Advisory Inc.

19925 Stevens Creek Blvd., Ste. 100

#### Sterling Bank - Trust FSB

10191 S. De Anza Blvd.

#### Stein Mart Inc. 384

20590 Homestead Rd.

#### Sicad Inc.

19925 Stevens Creek Blvd., Ste. 100

#### The Vitamin Shoppe

20803 Stevens Creek Blvd., Ste. 100

#### R&V Group LLC DBA Crepe' em Coming

20955 Stevens Creek Blvd.

#### 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.

#### May 4, 5 & 8

Flo Oy Wong, Visual Storyteller – An interview with a local Chinese American artist who tells why she transitioned from teaching to creating art that is inspired by her family's life stories.

#### May 11, 12 & 15

Honor Thy Mother – We celebrate Mother's Day week with this classic: Monsignor Ronald Royer proudly tells about his interesting mother in her earlier years. Descriptions of the great devotion and care he gave to her in her aged years at his home is inspiring and encouraging.

#### May 18, 19 & 22

Silicon Valley Rotating Shelter – Men looking to get back to permanent housing and a sustainable lifestyle are assisted by the faith community and other volunteers. The Executive Director tells how this program works and the impact it has had.

#### May 25, 26 & 29

Flying the Hump – For Memorial Day, we honor our veterans with this classic interview. Captain Harry Chagnon relates the struggles flying the new B-29 bombers across the stormy Himalayas, nicknamed "The Hump", against Japan during World War II.



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