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STEVENS CREEK CORRIDOR
Master Plan

**Join Us!
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The City is creating a master plan for Stevens Creek Corridor, which includes McClellan Ranch Preserve, McClellan Ranch West, Blackberry Farm Park, Blackberry Farm Golf Course, Stockmeir Ranch, Stevens Creek Corridor Trail, and associated lands.

We want to hear from you! We will be presenting three design alternatives and soliciting feedback from the community at a:

Public Open House
Wednesday, November 5, 5 - 7:30 pm
(presentation 5:30 - 6 pm)
and through an:

Online Questionnaire
Friday, November 7 through
Sunday, November 30
You are also invited to attend:

**Parks and Recreation Commission
Study Session**
Thursday, November 6 at 7 pm

City Council Meeting
Tuesday, December 16 at 4 pm
Events location: Community Hall
10350 Torre Ave., Cupertino



www.cupertino.org/stevenscreekcorridormp

Cupertino Symphonic Band Concert

The Cupertino Symphonic Band presents "A Tribute to Veteran's Concert" on November 16 starting at 3 pm at the Quinlan Community Center at 10185 N. Stelling Road in Cupertino, California. This is a free concert but donations of canned goods will be accepted and provided to the Second Harvest Food Bank. For more information please visit netview.com/csb/ or on Facebook at facebook.com/CupertinoSymphonicBand.

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On November 4, 2014, there will be an election to fill the council seats of Mr. Barry Chang, Mr. Mark Santoro and Mr. Orrin Mahoney. Council members are elected to four-year terms, and can serve up to two full terms in a row. Mr. Mahoney will be termed out, but Mr. Chang and Mr. Santoro are eligible for election for another term. There are eight candidates on the ballot:

Michael Hunsweck

Andy Huang

Don Sun

Mark Santoro

Darcy Paul

Savita Vaidhyanathan

Barry Chang

Robert McCoy



Information about the candidates is available on www.cupertino.org/elections, and it includes candidate photos, biographies, statements of qualification, links to short video statements and the videos of two City Council Candidate Forums.

Are You a Vote by Mail Voter?

The City Clerk's Office at Cupertino City Hall, 10300 Torre Avenue, is a Vote by Mail drop off site for your November 4, 2014 ballot. You may drop off your ballot in your sealed, signed, return envelope during City Hall business hours. The last day to drop your ballot at City Hall is Election Day, November 4 by 5:30 pm.



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Veterans Day Celebration

**November 11, 11 am, Veterans Memorial,
Memorial Park**

Each year on November 11, people across America gather to recognize and honor the contributions and sacrifices of our veterans. This year, the Veterans Day Ceremony will honor all veterans and active-duty military. The guest speakers are:

- **Dr. Francis J. Harvey,**
19th Secretary of the Army
- **Captain Matthew P. Illowsky,**
US Air Force & Cupertino Native
- **Lieutenant Colin Supko,**
USN Seal (ret)

The Kennedy Middle School Choir will be performing and a Military Honor Guard, Santa Clara County Sheriff's Department Honor Guard and Santa Clara County Fire Department Honor Guard will be present at the ceremony. For more information, visit cupertinoveteransmemorial.org.

Cupertino Poet Laureate
Jennifer Swanton Brown
On World Kindness Day
 presents the third in a series of three poetry readings
Unsung Holidays
Chaos Never Dies Day
Euphrat Gallery Thursday, November 13
 Visual and Performing Arts Center
 DeAnza College
 21250 Stevens Creek Blvd.
 Cupertino, CA 95014
www.deanza.edu/mjp
 7 PM
Featured Poets:
David Perez
 Santa Clara County Poet Laureate
Kim Johnson
 Winner of the Cupertino Library Foundation's
 Silicon Valley Reads poetry contest
 including open-mic readings
 Visit Cupertino Poet Laureate on Facebook
 or at <http://cupertino-poetlaureate.org>
 Sponsored by the City of Cupertino, Cupertino Library Commission,
 Cupertino Library Foundation, and Friends of the Cupertino Library.

De Anza and Foothill Art Faculty/Staff Show October 20 – December 4, 2014

The *De Anza and Foothill Art Faculty/Staff Show* highlights the diverse yet interconnected work of art faculty and staff from De Anza College in Cupertino and Foothill College in Los Altos Hills. Painting, drawing, prints, mixed media, photography, sculpture, ceramics, and more will be on display. Also included, special projects with summer Artist-in-Residence Titus Kaphar and De Anza students in the Black Leadership Collective, and a Puento class Día de los Muertos installation.

Reception with the artists,
November 5, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Open Saturday
November 1, 10 am – 1 pm,
Community Art Station

Cupertino Poet Laureate event,
November 13, 7 – 9 pm

1st Thursday open mic nights,
November 6, December 4, 5 – 7 pm

3rd Thursday film festivals,
October 16, November 20, 6 – 8 pm

Museum Hours are Monday – Thursday,
10 am – 3 pm

Open to tour groups by appointment.
Call 408.864.5464. For more information
visit [www.deanza.edu/euphrat/
inthemuseum](http://www.deanza.edu/euphrat/inthemuseum).

simply safe | november

by Jerry Tallinger – Cupertino CERT member

Sharing the Road – Safe Practices for All.

Cupertino has invested a great deal of effort in making the roads, signs and markings safety-oriented. The City can only do so much! It is the responsibility of everyone who uses the roads. Pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers need to be a part of making them safer. As a long time resident, I have seen many pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers who didn't follow the rules of the road that are put in place to keep them safe. We all need to work together to make Cupertino roads safer.

Most people know the rules of the road for cars and motorcycles but do you know bicyclists are subject to most of the same rules of the road? I thought it would be good to review some of the most commonly overlooked rules.

- Both cars and bicycles must come to a complete stop at all stop signs. Not just a rolling-slow-down-sort-of-stop. The wheels must not be still rotating. Proceed only when it is safe to do so. Also, all vehicles must stop before the crosswalk. I can't tell you how many times I've seen a pedestrian almost hit by a car rolling into the crosswalk before almost stopping!
- The same rules apply to 'Right on Red' lights. Both cars and bicycles must come to a complete stop before the crosswalk and then only proceed with the right turn when it is safe to do so and not disallowed by a 'No Right Turn' sign.
- Drivers in a 'slow-moving vehicle' (or traveling at less than the normal flow of traffic speed) with five or more vehicles behind them must pull over in a safe area. This is not only common courtesy, it is the law! This is frequently seen when bicyclists are trying to climb a hill.
- Cupertino has many bike lanes, in fact, it's one of the most bike friendly cities in the area. That means drivers need to know the rules of bike lanes. Drivers are not allowed to drive in bike lanes except to park where permitted, to enter or leave the roadway or to prepare for a turn within a distance of 200 feet from the intersection or driveway. Also, drivers cannot go into a bike lane to pass another vehicle on the right. There is a new law which says drivers must give a bicyclist at least a three foot clearance. No one will bring a tape measure out on the road but do your best to keep a safe distance away when passing and do so at a safe speed.
- Bicyclists also need to follow the 'Rules of the Road'. One of those is riding on the right side of the road and with the direction of traffic. The only riders who are allowed on the sidewalk are those under 10 years old. Bicyclists under 18 are required by law to wear a helmet. But for safety sake, even if you are 18 or over, consider wearing a helmet, unless you have a great desire to be an organ donor early in life. Head injuries can be devastating. Also, bicyclists need to ride defensively and should not assume drivers see them and are going to yield to the cyclists. Remember you are much more vulnerable to injury in a crash than drivers and need to ride defensively.



- For drivers and riders, keep your cars and bikes maintained and make sure all the necessary lights, reflectors, brakes, and other safety equipment are installed and is in working order.
- Cupertino residents are very connected to the world around them. Just don't connect while driving by using cell phones without hands-free interfaces, texting, emailing and reviewing Facebook while driving. This goes for drivers, bicyclists, and even pedestrians when on the road. There are many instances when drivers are holding up traffic at a green light by not paying attention and doing 'who knows what' on their phone. My top offender award goes to the bicyclist who was riding down my street with no hands on the handlebars, ear-buds in his ears, and texting on the phone, not paying any attention to what was in front of him.
- Be extra careful around schools, especially when they are dropping off kids and picking them up. This goes for parents of the kids as well as passing drivers. They are our future!

The above are just some of the laws, observations and considerations we should make to help Cupertino be a safer place for all residents, our workers and visitors. I am sure you have your own list. Be safe and keep safe.

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: Monday, November 3, 6 – 9pm, Los Gatos Sr. Center, 208 E. Main St, #214, Los Gatos and Tuesday, December 3, 6 – 9 pm, Cupertino City Hall, 10300 Torre Ave, Cupertino. For registration by 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.

If you do only one thing to prepare this month: Make a concerted effort to drive, ride, and walk safer by following the rules of the road.

roots | A Little Bit of Thanksgiving History

by Gail Fretwell-Hugger

Although President Abraham Lincoln is credited with issuing the proclamation that created Thanksgiving as a national holiday in 1863, the "backstory" of the holiday makes interesting reading.

Sarah Josepha Hale was New Hampshire born and bred. She became a prominent writer and editor and the author of the widely known children's poem, "Mary Had a Little Lamb". She also founded American Ladies' Magazine which had a circulation of more than 150,000 by the eve of the Civil War. In addition to her publishing work, Hale was a committed advocate for women's education (including the creation of Vassar College in New York). She also raised funds to construct Massachusetts' Bunker Hill Monument and helped save George Washington's Mt. Vernon estate.

Growing up in New Hampshire, Sarah celebrated an annual Thanksgiving holiday as early as 1827. In colonial America, giving thanks to Almighty God for blessings of good harvest and mercies of protection and provision were staples of the new country's early traditions. She often wrote editorials and articles about Thanksgiving and lobbied state and federal officials to pass legislation creating a fixed date for a national holiday. As the years passed and tensions and divisions arose between northern and southern parts of America, Sarah felt that having a day set aside to give thanks to God for shared blessings could help ease the growing chasm between the differing ideas and philosophies of these two geographical areas. By 1854 more than 30 states and U.S. territories had a Thanksgiving celebration on their respective books, but Sarah's hope for a unifying national holiday remained elusive.

A national day of Thanksgiving had not originated with Sarah Hale. The idea had been around since the earliest days of the republic. In 1789 the newly inaugurated President, George Washington, issued a proclamation calling for a national day of thanksgiving to recognize the end of the Revolutionary War, the ratification of the U.S. Constitution and to thank God for His mercy and protection of our newly formed nation.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training schedule. 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

The outbreak of the later Civil War still did not deter Sarah Hale. She continued to urge Americans to "put aside sectional feelings and local incidents" and rally around the unifying theme of Thanksgiving. Interestingly enough, the holiday continued to be observed in some states in both the Union and the Confederacy during the war. Often combatants on both sides would lay down their arms on Thanksgiving Day (and Christmas as well) to give the men rest and to give thanks for whatever meager rations they had or other mercies they felt they had received from God.

Shortly after President Lincoln gave his famous address at the Gettysburg battlefield in the summer of 1863, he received a letter from Sarah Hale in September of that year. In part her letter read,

"You may have observed that for some years past there has been increasing interest felt in our land to have the Thanksgiving held on the same day in all the States; it

now needs a national recogni-

tion and authoritative fixation to become permanently an American custom and institution."

Within a week, Secretary of State William Seward drafted Lincoln's official proclamation fixing the national observance of Thanksgiving on the final Thursday in November each year. In the course of Sarah's campaign for a fixed national day of Thanksgiving she had written to no less than 4 Presidents preceding Lincoln. In the end, Sarah and Abraham Lincoln and others gave us a national day in which to remember our many blessings - and share with family, friends, strangers, newly arrived immigrants and even temporary visitors a tradition with deep meaning - to the traditional turkey on the table has been added food from around the world as each group observes and celebrates in its own way.

A very Happy Thanksgiving to one and all in our wonderful community of Cupertino!

Resources - George Washington Proclamation of Thanksgiving 1789. Abraham Lincoln Proclamation of Thanksgiving 1863. Various sites on Sarah Josepha Hale.

residents to attend this worthwhile training. The next class runs (Tuesday-Thursday) November 4, 5, 6 and November 11, 12, 13, from 6 - 9 pm with the final exercise on Sat, November 15, 10 am - 1 pm. All classes will be held at Los Gatos Council Chambers 110 E. Main Street, Los Gatos, CA, 95030. The registration fee is \$35 which will be reimbursed to Cupertino residents upon successful completion of the course. For questions or to register contact: info@sccfd.org or 408.378.4010.



Abraham Lincoln

Sarah Hale

cupertino library

LIBRARY INFORMATION | 10800 Torre Avenue, Cupertino

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday.....	10 am – 9 pm
Tuesday.....	10 am – 9 pm
Wednesday.....	10 am – 9 pm
Thursday.....	10 am – 9 pm
Friday.....	10 am – 6 pm
Saturday.....	10 am – 6 pm
Sunday.....	12 noon – 6 pm

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

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

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

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

Cupertino Cinema Club

Thursday, November 13, 4 pm
Cupertino Library Story Room

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

Reading Buddies

Come read to a therapy animal! Children who are currently in kindergarten to 5th grade may register in person at the Children's Desk starting November 17 for one of our December programs.

Family Game Day

Wednesday, November 26, 11 am – 5 pm
Cupertino Library Story Room

Children are invited to come play a variety of games in our Children's Room. We will play BINGO in the Story Room at 3 pm.

PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

SAT Writing Workshop

Thursday, November 13, 7 – 8:15pm
Cupertino Community Hall

Did you know that the SAT Essay is worth 25% of your writing score? Join us for an SAT Essay Writing workshop on November 13 at 7 pm. The first 25 minutes you will write a practice essay under timed, test-like conditions. You will receive your scored essay within 48 hours of the event. When you leave this workshop, you will feel more prepared to answer any essay questions on the formal SAT.

Monta Vista High School & Cupertino Library Teen Technology Symposium

Friday, November 14, 5 – 9 pm
Cupertino Community Hall

Calling all STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) learners. The Teen Symposium is back! Join us as we welcome some of the top names in the STEAM fields as they provide the audience with inside information on what it takes to be successful in these fields. If you want to make a future in any of these areas, you do not want to miss this program! Raffle prizes will be given and refreshments will be served. Open to all ages.

ACT Practice Test with Huntington Learning Center

Saturday November 22, 11 am – 3 pm
Cupertino Community Hall

Be prepared for the college entrance exams by taking the ACT Practice Test with the Huntington Learning Center. Gain insight, learn new strategies, and improve your scores by taking this free practice test. Students in grades 9 - 12 only. On-line registration starts Monday, November 3 at 10 am. Space is limited!

PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

Firebird Youth Chinese Orchestra

November 1, 2 pm
Quinlan Community Center, Cupertino Room

As You Like It – Shakespeare To Go

November 15, 2 pm
Cupertino Community Hall

Join Rosalind, Orlando, Celia, and Touchstone as they escape to the forest of Arden in Shakespeare's classic comedy focusing on love, loss and redemption. With a hilarious love triangle, mistaken identities and an exciting wrestling match, this production is a sure delight for all ages. Featuring one of Shakespeare's strongest heroines, thought provoking family dynamics and the famous "All the world's a stage..." speech, *As You Like It* is a perfect way to introduce students to Shakespeare's works, as well as further the exploration with those already familiar.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Cupertino Library Film Series

There will be cinematic thrills and chills, laughter and tears, when the Cupertino Library presents a new series of lectures devoted to some of the greatest films from around the world. In this six-week session, filmmaker and historian Mark Larson will be your guide in a showing of some of the most extraordinary, and often overlooked, motion pictures ever made. Registration is required. For movie details and registration visit: cupertinolibraryfoundation.org/cupertino-library-art-series/2014-fall-film-series/.

Globe On Screen Film Series

NEW! At the Bluelight Cinemas! 21275 Stevens Creek Blvd, Cupertino, CA 95014

This series includes several of Shakespeare's most beloved Shakespeare classics, performed by some of the UK's most highly-acclaimed acting talent.

Twelfth Night

November 6, 6 - 9:15 pm, Bluelight Cinemas

Mark Rylance, winner of multiple Olivier and Tony Awards, and Stephen Fry star in the production, directed by Tim Carroll. Critics raved that Mark Rylance's "dazzling high definition performances" lifted the production "into the sublime". Stephen Fry's turn as Malvolio – his first return to the stage in 17 years – won him huge acclaim from critics and audiences. *Twelfth Night* is an all-male Globe 'Original Practices' production that aims to replicate as closely as possible the music, costumes, dance and scenery of Shakespeare's time.

Henry V

November 13, 6 - 9, Bluelight Cinemas

Henry V, Shakespeare's masterpiece of the turbulence of war and the art of peace, is directed by the Globe's Artistic Director, Dominic Dromgoole. A perennial favourite at the Globe, the play is a profound and compelling exploration of what it means to be English with the persona of the charismatic but conflicted king at its heart. Jamie Parker returns to the Globe after his star turn as Prince Hal in *Henry IV Parts 1 & 2* (featured in the Globe on Screen season in 2011) to complete Henry's journey from youth to adulthood.

The Taming of the Shrew

November 20, 6 – 9 pm, Bluelight Cinemas

Shakespeare's notorious battle of the sexes, *The Taming of the Shrew*, gives us one of theatre's great screwball double-acts in the shape of Katherina and Petruchio – a couple hell-bent on confusing and outwitting each other right up to the play's controversial conclusion. Director Toby Frow gives us "a riotous mixture of verbal dexterity and slapstick" in an exhilarating production that delighted audiences at the Globe. Katherina is played by the Olivier Award-winning Samantha Spiro.

Master Gardeners: Household Pest Management

**Wednesday, November 19, 7 pm
Cupertino Community Hall**

As the weather changes, our attention moves from the pests in our garden to those in our homes. Before the invasion starts, learn to identify and manage ants, pantry pests, wood destroying insects, bedbugs, and cockroaches. UCCE Master Gardener, Margaret Donohue will share with you UC research-based advice on control measures you can use which are effective and protect the environment.

ALSO AT THE CUPERTINO LIBRARY

Adult Book Discussion Group

**November 20, 7 - 8:30 pm
Cupertino Library Story Room**

This drop-in book club meets the third Thursday of every month. Contact the library in mid-October to find out what we'll be reading for November.

Chinese Book Discussion Group

**November 13, 10 am – 12 noon
Cupertino Community Hall**

The Cupertino Chinese Book Discussion Group will discuss *Ku qi de gan lan shu* (Mornings in Jenin) by Susan Abulhawa. The discussion will be in Mandarin.

ESL Conversation Club

**Every Friday from 1 - 2:30 pm
Cupertino Community Hall**

*Please note: no meeting on November 28
(Library closed for holiday.)*

Please join us for this fun learning experience. Stop by and improve your English listening and speaking skills, and learn about other cultures in a friendly, casual setting. Native speakers of English who would like to volunteer to assist with the ESL Conversation Club, please e-mail wjaw@sccl.org.

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

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

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, eco-friendly 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.

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adult 50 plus news

The National Family Caregiver Month

The holiday season is the time to celebrate and be thankful. This year we would like to give "Thanks" to our family caregivers for all that they do. November is National Caregivers Month; the Cupertino Senior Center has an abundance of resources to help caregivers who are caring for their family and friends. We offer Caregiver Support Groups every third Thursday of the month and our case manager can provide information on how to assist in caring for loved ones or how to find caregivers for loved ones.

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 for 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.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Marv's Musical Memories

Monday, November 10, 2 - 3 pm

Mary Emerling is a local musician and music collector with great interest in performers, composers, and players. Specially recorded music is accompanied with thoroughly enjoyable commentary. Members are free, senior guests pay \$5 for day pass. Sign up at the lobby table.

Thanksgiving Luncheon

Wednesday, November 19, 12 - 1:30 pm

This Thanksgiving feast will feature roasted turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, savory green beans, freshly baked golden brown cornbread, and pumpkin pie. The Rhythmaires Band will help us celebrate the holiday with delightful music. Members with November birthdays will be honored. Members pay \$12, senior guests add \$5 for day pass. Please sign up early.

Hearing Test

Thursday, November 20, 9 - 11 am

Hearing tests will be provided by San Jose State University audiology students with instructor supervision. After your hearing test, you can also visit the California Telephone Access Program booth. You may qualify for a free phone

that suits your needs. Please register at the front desk. Space limited, members only.

Ballroom Dance Social

Monday, November 10 and 24, 2:05 - 3:35 pm

Volunteers will play various music styles. No instruction provided. Free for members, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

Monday Night Football Social

Monday, November 24, 5:15 pm

Football and BBQ chicken, flat bread pizza. Join us for good company, and win some great prizes as we watch the Baltimore Ravens challenge Drew Brees and the New Orleans Saints in HD on the big screen! Pre-registration is required. Member fee \$8.

Lunch with Friends

Wednesday, November 26, 12 pm

Join us for lunch! Tangy Marinated Chicken with Pineapple Fried Rice and dessert will be served as we begin our special holiday double-feature edition of the Monthly Movie. Pre-registration is required. Member fee \$6, senior guests add \$5 day pass.

Holiday Inn and White Christmas

Wednesday, November 26, 12 - 4:30 pm

Holiday Inn, and its beloved sequel White Christmas are a veritable treasury of Irving Berlin classics, among them "Count Your Blessings Instead Of Sheep," "Sisters," and the noted title song, "White Christmas." Join us as we sing our way into the season with these holiday classics. Members free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass

CLASSES AND LECTURES – EXCELLENT VALUE

Many classes start in November, such as Tai Chi, Line Dance, Zumba Gold, computer, and ESL classes, just to name a few. Please go to our website, www.cupertino.org/senior to view our newsletter, or drop by the Senior Center and have a tour. If you have any questions, please call 408.777.3150.

Book Review Meeting

First Friday of the Month, 1:15 - 3 pm

Enjoy the stimulating monthly meeting. Learn about new books and meet new people. Free for members, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

November 7 – *The Boys in the Boots* by Daniel James Brown, reviewed by Alice Perkins.

December 5 – *Dreaming Water* by Gail Tsukiyama, reviewed by Rose Linn.

AARP Smart Driver

Wednesday, November 5 and November 12, 12:30 - 4:30 pm

Call Les Schreiber, 408.316.8654 for class information and registration. Senior Center membership is not required to participate.

RESOURCES

Caregiver Support Group

2nd Thursday, 3 - 4:30 pm

For family caregivers who are providing care for a loved one. Caregivers can share their challenges and seek support from others on the same journey. Open to the public.

Blood Pressure Screening

1st and 3rd Tuesday, 12:15 - 1:15 pm

2nd and 4th Monday, 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Volunteer nurses provide free blood pressure screenings. Sign up at front desk on blood pressure day.

Drop-In Consultation

Every Wednesday 10 am – 12 pm

The Case Manager will be available to provide you with information on Social Security, long-term care options, public benefits, and other resources that help you to maintain your independence and safety at home. Senior Center membership is required.

VOLUNTEERING

Hidden Treasures Sorting

Mondays, Through October 27, 1:30 – 4 pm

We need many volunteers to sort through donated items on a weekly basis through October 27. You will get a sneak preview of the donated items and have a lot of fun! To join this exciting event, email Alex at alex@cupertino.org or call 408.777.3150.

Front Desk Volunteer

Front Desk Volunteers create a bright, vibrant, and wonderful place to be for the 50+ community. If you are interested in becoming a Front Desk Volunteer or want to learn more, please contact Justin at JustinC@cupertino.org or call 408.777.3150. Bi-lingual speakers are highly desired. Volunteers must become senior center members.

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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.

TOURS

Spain's Classic,

November 8 – 18, \$4,249 double occupancy. Highlights including Madrid, Royal Palace, Toledo, Cordoba, Seville, Flamenco show, Granada, The Alhambra, Valencia, Lladro-City of Porcelain, City of Arts & Sciences, Barcelona, Gothic Quarter, La Sagrada Familia, Parc Guell.

San Juan Island Cruise,

April 15 – 20, 2015, \$2,495. Small ship cruising, only 17 cabins. Highlights include Roche and Friday Harbors, Fort Casey, Mt. Vernon Tulip Farms, Deception Pass Bridge, Bridge of Glass and Dale Chihuly, and the most peaceful quiet nights you can imagine! Space limited - sign up early. *Travel Presentation with Captain Jeff on Friday, October 24 at 2pm.*

Mackinac Island featuring the Grand Hotel,

May 16 – 23, 2015, \$2,949. Highlights include Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum, Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, Green Bay, Millennium Park, and Chicago.

Inspiring Iceland,

August 16 – 24, 2015, \$4,999 double occupancy. Small group travel-limited to 24. Highlights include Reykjavik, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Snaefellsnes Peninsula, Puffin Cruise, and Blue Lagoon.

Tuscan and Umbrian Countryside,

October 16 – 26, 2015, \$4,999. Italian small group travel – limited to 24. Highlights include: exploring smaller more authentic towns, a cooking class held in a 16th century farmhouse, a home-cooked meal at a local Umbrian's family home, local wine tasting, Volterra and Guarnacci Museum, Assisi, San Gimignano, Olive Oil factory, and more!

DAY TRIPS

I Love Lucy Live on Stage,

Sunday, November 23, \$141

Levi's Stadium Tour,

Tuesday, November 25, \$113

Kinky Boots,

Tuesday, December 9, \$139

Yuletide Lights of Livermore,

Thursday, December 11, \$114

Moscow Ballet's Great Russian

Nutcracker, Friday, December 19, \$89

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

Thanksgiving Holiday Will Affect Garbage Pickup Dates

Garbage collection scheduled during the Thanksgiving holiday (November 27 and November 28) will be delayed one day. Service normally provided on Thursday will be on Friday and service normally provided on Friday will be provided on Saturday. Contact Recology with questions at 408.725.4020.



Did the Garbage Company Miss a Pickup?

To avoid a missed pickup on garbage day and to help prevent littering on your street and in our local creeks, keep garbage, recycling and compost bin lids completely closed when placed at the curb. If bins are overweight, the garbage company may not service them and a lid that is not securely closed invites rodents, birds and wind to scatter unsightly debris. Litter that enters the City's storm drainage system flows directly into local creeks and bay. Plastic bags and Styrofoam™ are especially hazardous to animal and aquatic life and all debris increases the potential for clogged drainage inlets and flooding. If you have excess garbage or organic material one week, consider setting it out over multiple service weeks or utilize one of Recology's two FREE on-call pickup days per year. For consistent recycling overages call Recology at 408.725.4020 to request a free second recycling bin. Recycling in Cupertino is free!

Be Wise About Winter Wood-burning

Fireplaces and woodstoves are a major source of air pollution during the winter months. Wood fires contribute up to a third of the particulate matter in the air on cold, still nights, causing a special health concern for children, seniors and people with respiratory problems. Take care not to burn wood during Spare the Air Alerts, the days when air quality is particularly bad. It is illegal to burn wood, fire logs or pellets in your fireplace, woodstove, or outdoor fire pit on Spare the Air Days. Sign up for automatic alerts by visiting www.sparetheair.org.



Preserve Our Water Quality and Go Pesticide-Free

Did you know that whatever flows into the storm drains flows directly untreated into our creeks and bay? Often, this storm water is contaminated with pesticides that are used for lawns and gardens. Even small amounts of some pesticides may be toxic to our



water supplies and aquatic life. Pesticides threaten your health and the health of the watershed, but you can do simple things to help protect water quality:

- Visit www.mywatershedwatch.org to learn about an alternative approach called Integrated Pest Management (IPM). You will find fact sheets that offer effective and less toxic ways to solve specific pest problems.
- Dispose of toxic unused pesticides safely. Never put them in the garbage, or wash them into sinks, toilets, or showers. Cupertino residents get free, convenient pick-ups of unused pesticides by contacting Waste Management (WM) at 800.449.7587 or by visiting www.wmatyourdoor.com.

Go Natural
GO PESTICIDE FREE

Protect Cupertino's Creeks! Report Illegal Dumping and Discharges In or Near Storm Drains

Nothing besides rain water is allowed to flow into a storm drain! Storm drains lead directly into waterways and anything that goes down them is not treated. Common examples of illegal discharges include mud, silt, litter, pool water, grease, oil, landscaping material, pesticides, fertilizers, sand, wash water, soap, automotive fluids, paint and food waste.

When do you report an illegal discharge or dumping incident?

- When you see a person dumping anything into the storm drain or gutter. This activity is illegal!
- When you notice unusual odors in or near the storm drain.
- When you see waste materials in or near the storm drain.
- When the storm drain system has larger than normal flows during dry periods.



To report an illegal discharge or dumping incident that occurred in Cupertino, contact the City of Cupertino at the following phone numbers:

Monday – Friday, 7:30 am – 5:30 pm, Call 408.777.3354

Monday – Friday, 6 am – 3 pm, Call 408.777.3269

After Hours – 408.299.2507 (Santa Clara County Communications will notify the City's on-call staff).

Are you sure that's Garbage?

Much of what you may be throwing away as "garbage" is actually a resource that can be recycled or composted! Luckily in Cupertino properly separating wastes is easy – with single stream recycling, and a yard waste cart that you can fill with household organic material like food waste, there is little that should make it into your trash cart. See below for a quick refresher on what goes where. If you're unsure whether an item is compostable, recyclable, or hazardous waste, please call Recology at 408.725.4020, check the City's website www.cupertino.org/environmental, email us at environmental@cupertino.org or call City Environmental staff 408.777.3354.



Recycling – carts are for DRY recyclables. Please make sure that all liquids are drained from bottles and cans before placing them in a recycling cart. This will help with the efficiency of sorting our recyclables. All plastics (regardless of number), metal, glass, clean paper and cardboard are recyclable in Cupertino.

Composting – yard waste carts are for all organics. Please do not place pet waste in your organics bin. In addition to yard waste, food scraps, food-soiled paper, and other paper products like paper towels, napkins, and tissues can be placed in your yard waste bin to be processed into compost. Collect food scraps and paper items in the kitchen pitcher provided by Recology or use another kitchen container to store the scraps before transferring them to the yard waste cart for weekly collection. To guard against odor, bugs, rodents and overall mess in your yard waste cart, wrap food scraps in a paper bag, newspaper or paper towel before putting them into the bin, and keep the lid closed. Paper products absorb moisture and odor, and are compostable. Please do not place your food waste in a plastic or compostable bag, since they may clog the processing equipment and compostable bags do not break down sufficiently in the time allowed for our compost process.

Cooking Oil. Place cooking oil in a 1-gallon clear plastic container with a closed screw-top lid, for collection on regularly scheduled service days.

Household Hazardous Wastes. Call **WM At Your Door Special Collection at 800.449.7587** or visit www.wmatyourdoor.com to make an appointment for residential pickup of household chemicals, cleansers, paint, fertilizers, mercury thermometers, propane tanks, and pool or spa chemicals. Pharmaceuticals cannot legally be collected at this time. Dispose of medication at the West Valley Patrol Sub-Station, 1601 S. De Anza Blvd, Cupertino, 408.868.6600.

Successful Business Paths Workshop Presented in Mandarin November 12, 2014

The Asian American Business Council of the Cupertino Chamber of Commerce is hosting a seminar in Mandarin to share the ins and outs of starting a business.

The entrepreneur class for Chinese-speaking residents will be held at Cupertino Community Hall, 10350 Torre Ave., from 8:30 am to 5 pm on November 12.

The all-day event, entirely in Mandarin, is aimed at both startups and established business owners. The workshop provides a comprehensive overview of what is required to begin and run a business, including planning, legal requirements, accounting, taxes, insurance and marketing.

The workshop will be led by Mandarin-speaking professionals. Keynote speakers include Tong Qin, CPA, Deputy District Director for the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)/Director for Asian American Pacific Islander Outreach for the SBA; and C.C. Yin, owner of 23 McDonald's restaurants and active community leader. The Cupertino Chamber of Commerce's Asian American Business Council (AABC) is working with the City of Cupertino, SBA, and NOVA to sponsor the event.

To register, please visit www.cupertino-chamber.org or call Catherine Chen at 408.335.9777 or Vicky Tsai at 408.887.2228 by November 10.

Sponsored By:

U.S. Small Business Administration



community calendar

NOV	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL	
1	De Anza Flea Market	8 am - 4 pm	De Anza College	408.864.8946	deanza.fhda.edu/fleamarket/	
	Cupertino Kids Chess Club*	10 - 12:30 pm	10675 S. De Anza Blvd. # 4	408.996.1236	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	
3	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	New Life Church of the Nazarene	408.857.6123	oa.org	
	American Legion Post 642	7 pm	10201 Imperial Avenue #3	408.374.6392	scggov.org/portal/site/va	
4	School Emergency Preparedness	9:30 am	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	408.777.3176		
6	C.A.R.E.S	7:30 - 9 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	408.345.8372	cupertinocares.org/	
	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 pm	Union Church	408.759.2617	oa.org	
7	Legislative Action Committee	12 pm	See Chamber Website	408.252.7054	www.cupertino-chamber.org	
10	Fine Arts League	7 pm	Community Center	408.863.9991 Ask Janki Chokshi	falc.org	
12	Mandarin Seminar	9 am - 5 pm	See Chamber Website	408.252.7054	www.cupertino-chamber.org	
	Business Networking Event	5:30 pm	See Chamber Website	408.252.7054	www.cupertino-chamber.org	
13	Cupertino Quota*	12 - 1 pm	The Blue Pheasant	408.739.1522	cupertino.quota@yahoo.com	
14	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	jwassoc.com	
	Cupertino Coin Club	7:30 pm	West Valley Pres.Church 6191 Bollinger Ave.		CupertinoCoinClub.com	
17	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 am	20589 Homestead Rd.	408.252.3954	cupertinoioof70.org	
19	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	10101 N. De Anza Blvd	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.html	
	Cup. Symphonic Band*	7 pm	Monta Vista High School	408.262.0471	netview.com/csb/	
	Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*	7 pm	Hyde Middle School	408.747.0943	krazydazys.org/	
	Cupertino Las Madres*	10 am - 1 pm	Call for location	408.861.0417	lasmadres.org	
	Cup. Host Lions Club*	7:15 pm	Mariani's Restaurant, BBLC Hall, 99 North Bascom Avenue, San Jose	408.209.7251	cupertinohostlionsclub.org	
	Viewfinders Digital Video Club	7:30 pm	Community Center - In Cupertino Room	408.520.1379	viewfindersclub.org viewfindersclub.org/Meetings.html	
	20	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	
Cupertino-Toyokawa Sister Cities		7:30 - 9:30 pm	City Hall Conference Room A	408.867.2162	jeang8@hotmail.com	
Quarterly Coffee		8 am	See Chamber Website	408.252.7054	www.cupertino-chamber.org	

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23	Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh USA*	10 am - 1:30	Creekside Park Hall	408.368.0357	www.hssus.org
25	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	cupertinkiwani.homestead.com
	Knights of Columbus 4981*	7:30 pm	10201 Imperial Ave.	408.296.8146	kofc.org/un/
	Cupertino Men's Service*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant		
	Cupertino Sr. TV Production*	9:30 am	Senior Center	408.252.2667	
27	Cupertino Quota*	12 - 1 pm	The Blue Pheasant	408.252.8568	cupertino.quota@yahoo.com
	CERT/MRC	7 - 9 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100		
28	Malihini Orchid Society	7:30 pm	Vallco Shopping Center	408.267.3397	malihini.org
	Cupertino Kiwanis*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant	408.252.3830	cupertinkiwani.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	

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

NOV 3	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
NOV 5	Library Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	7 pm
NOV 5	Technology, Info & Communication Comm. (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
NOV 6	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	9:30 am
NOV 6	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
NOV 6	Parks and Recreation Commission (Community Hall)	7 pm
NOV 10	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
NOV 12	Teen Commission Meeting (QCC, Conference Room)	6:30 pm
NOV 13	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	9 am
NOV 13	Administrative Hearing meeting	5 pm
NOV 13	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	6 pm
NOV 18	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
NOV 19	Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
NOV 20	Audit Committee Meeting (Conf. Rm. A)	4 pm
NOV 20	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	9 am
NOV 20	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
NOV 24	Fine Arts Commission Meeting (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
NOV 25	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
NOV 26	Teen Commission Meeting (QCC, Conference Room)	6:30 pm
NOV 27	Administrative Hearing meeting (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
NOV 23	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 www.cupertino.org/webcast, or on The City Channel, Cable 26.

For all city meetings' agenda and minutes go to www.cupertino.org/agenda.

council actions

STUDY SESSION, CLOSED SESSION & REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2014

Council Members Present:

Chang, Mahoney, Sinks, Santoro, Wong

Absent: None

During the Study Session, received the report and comments on the final EIR

Gave direction to staff regarding Initiation of Litigation and Public Performance Evaluation (Closed Session Items)

The presenting of proclamation to Diana Khoury was postponed to October 21

Presented the proclamation to the Cupertino Library Foundation for #LoveYourLibrary Month and #GivingTuesday

Approved the September 2 City Council Minutes

Adopted Resolution No. 14-195 accepting Accounts Payable for the period ending August 29, 2014

Adopted Resolution No. 14-196 accepting Accounts Payable for the period ending September 5, 2014

Adopted Resolution No. 14-197 accepting Accounts Payable for the period ending September 12, 2014

Adopted Resolution no. 14-198 accepting Accounts Payable for the period ending September 19, 2014

Accepted the Legislative Committee recommendation to support the FUHSD Parcel Tax Renewal, Measure J, and new bond, Measure K for the November 4, 2014 General Election (Santoro abstaining)

Approved the second amendment to the Employment contract for the City Attorney

Cancelled the first meeting in January of 2015

Approved the waiver request for both events in Community Hall

Recommended approval of Application for Alcoholic Beverage License for Viva Thai Bistro, 19058 Stevens Creek Boulevard

Recommended approval for Alcoholic Beverage License for Bob's Discount Liquor Store, 7335 Bollinger Road, Suite F

Recommended approval of Alcoholic Beverage License for Elephant Bar Restaurant, 19780 Stevens Creek Boulevard

Authorized the City Manager to Award a contract to Valentine Corporation in the amount of \$188,369; and approved a construction contingency of \$20,000 for a total of \$208,369

Conducted the second reading and enacted Ordinance No. 14-2122: "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cupertino amending section 9.17.130 of Chapter 9.17 of Title 9 of the Cupertino Municipal Code relating to the regulation of single-use carryout bags," to cap the required minimum charge for recycled paper bags at ten cents and eliminate a future increase to twenty-five cents per bag

Authorized 1) the conversion of the two-year limited-term associate Civil Engineer in the Public Works Development Services Division to a permanent position, and 2) the extension of the current Interim Planner position to an additional three-and-a-half-year term (Santoro Voting No)

Approved an application deadline of Friday, January 16 and interview dates of Monday, January 26 and Tuesday, January 27 beginning at 5:00 pm on both days

Continued approval of Ordinance amending Chapter 2.08 of Title 2 of the Cupertino Municipal code to a future council meeting

Received the Construction Project Update Report

Received an update on the status of the Stevens Creek Corridor Master Plan Project

Adjourned the meeting to October 21

Cupertino Toyokawa Sister City Program

Sixteen students and their three chaperones visited from Japan, as this year's delegation for the student exchange program between sister cities – Cupertino, CA and Toyokawa, Japan. The hallmark of the student exchange program is a "home stay" that allows the students to experience cultural immersion by living with a hosting family for a week of their stay. The student exchange program in Cupertino is organized by the Cupertino Toyokawa Sister Cities Committee, who also conduct the annual Cherry Blossom Festival held at Memorial Park each Spring. They work with the City and with the Cupertino Union School District (CUSD) to create a program that includes touring and attending a CUSD Middle School. This year's program took the visiting delegates to Sam H. Lawson Middle School. With a student leader assigned to each of the six pairs of Toyokawa students, the Japanese students visited classrooms, enjoyed creating art projects, participated in the school's physical education program, and performed in a school assembly. Seventh and eighth grade students of all CUSD schools are eligible to apply for the program each January. For more information about the Cupertino Toyokawa Sister City program, now celebrating its 36th year of sisterhood, visit: www.cupertinotoyokawa.org

Would You Like To Serve on a City Commission?

Cupertino residents are encouraged to apply for positions on City commissions that will have vacancies in January of 2015. Council will conduct interviews beginning at 5 pm on Monday and Tuesday, January 26 and 27 for these groups: Bicycle Pedestrian Commission; Fine Arts Commission; Housing Commission; Library Commission; Parks and Recreation Commission; Planning Commission; Technology Information and Communication Commission.

The application deadline is 4:30 pm on Friday, January 16, 2015. Commissioners are interviewed and appointed by the City Council, and may serve a total of two consecutive 4-year terms. Applications can be downloaded from the City of Cupertino website at www.cupertino.org/vacancies. For more details please visit the website or call the City Clerk's Office at 408.777.3223.

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THE BETTER PART

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

November 3, 4 & 7

Veteran of Foreign Wars – We honor our veterans this month with this story of Annapolis graduate and academic executive, naval Captain Charles Merdinger. He describes his military service during World War II, Korea, and Viet Nam.

November 10, 11 & 14

Alzheimer's—Hope on the Horizon? - November is also Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month. A Stanford University School of Medicine Professor/Researcher discusses what is being done to develop new treatments and prevention of this degenerative brain disease.

November 17, 18 & 21

Wildlife Associates – We visit a wildlife sanctuary where the animals do the teaching. Learn about their programs for schools and for at-risk youth.

November 24, 25 & 28

Public Art in Cupertino – Visit Cupertino and seek out the art treasures freely available to the public.

Welcome New Businesses

S&G Discount Outlet Inc

10171 S De Anza Blvd

Viva Thai Bistro

19058 Stevens Creek Blvd

Verbatim Language Instruction

20645 Celeste Cir

Pho Sunflower

21271 Stevens Creek Blvd, Ste 410

Trend Nano Inc

19383 Greenwood Dr

Lwin Family Co

20558 Stevens Creek Blvd

Edgepeak Consulting Llc

21059 Manita Ct

California School Of Art And Design

10601 S De Anza Blvd, Ste 101

Groupfies

20700 Stevens Creek Blvd

Sprouts Farmers Market

20558 Stevens Creek Blvd

Xian Gang Group Permanent Makeup

10879 N Wolfe Rd

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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!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Friends of the Cupertino Library Bestseller Collections:

Print, DVD and BluRay formats now available

Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library, these Bestseller Collections are designed to make it easier than ever to find a bestselling book or movie (in DVD or BluRay formats) when you visit the Library. The items are available on a first-come, first-served basis (no reserves).

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Something to
Contribute?

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scene@cupertino.org
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for the December edition is November 5.



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