

# scene volume XXXVIII no.9 | november 2015

# IN THIS ISSUE



▼ Veterans Day Ceremony Wednesday November 11, 11 am Memorial Park, Cupertino

- see details on page 2

### Silicon Valley Community Choice Energy Partnership

A new way to buy cleaner, greener electricity at competitive rates is being developed.

- see details on page 2





### **◄** Annual Vacancy Notice

Cupertino residents are encouraged to apply for positions on City commissions that will have vacancies in January 2016.

- see details on page 3

#### CONTENTS

Veteran's Day Ceremony	Eco News
Silicon Valley Community Choice	Flood Preparation 10
Energy Partnership	Compost Site Closed for Winter11
Annual Vacancy Notice	Challenge Yourself To A
Tree Lighting 3	Zero Waste Lifestyle
Breakfast with Santa 3	The Hills at Vallco Environmental
Simply Safe4	Impact Report Meeting11
Roots 5	Community & City Meetings Calendar 12-13
Cupertino Library	Council Actions
Childrens' Programs 6	Free Citizenship Preparation Class 15
Adult, Teen and Family Programs6-7	Cupertino Symphonic Band 15
Adult 50 Plus News	New Businesses
Adult 50 Plus Programs/Trips 9	The Better Part

# events in cupertino nov

### Veterans Day Ceremony





#### WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 11, 11 AM, MEMORIAL PARK, CUPERTINO

The Veterans Day Ceremony will be held at Memorial Park on Wednesday November 11 at 11 am.
This year the Veterans Day Ceremony will commemorate the 10 year anniversary of Operation Red
Wing, catalyst for the design and placement of the Cupertino Veterans Memorial
and subject of the book and movie Lone Survivor.

#### **SPEAKERS**

#### Rear Admiral Garry J. Bonelli

US Navy 1968 - 2008 retired: Admiral Bonelli served as Chief of Staff for Naval Special Warfare Command and as Commanding Officer of Seal Team 5 in Operation Desert Storm.

#### Rear Admiral Edward K. Kristensen

US Navy 1965 - 1997 retired: Admiral Kristensen commanded the USS Norfolk and USS Lake Champlain. His son, Erik was the SEAL Commander of the Chinook helicopter that was shot down in Operation Red Wing.

# THE PARADE OF HONOR

#### Guards will include:

Military Honor Guard,
Fire Department Honor
Guard and Sheriff
Department Honor Guard.
The Cupertino Middle
School Honors Choir
will perform.

# Your Energy: Cupertino Studies Ways to Grow Competition & Choice

Residents and businesses in Santa Clara County currently receive energy from one provider: PG&E. That may soon change. Cupertino, as part of its participation in the Silicon Valley Community Choice Energy Partnership (SVCCEP), is studying opportunities to buy cleaner, greener electricity at competitive rates. If deemed viable, participating Santa Clara communities will pool the electricity demand of residents and businesses and buy power for them. It's similar to buying in bulk or participating in a co-op.

Under community choice energy, a new locally-controlled nonprofit would buy electricity from renewable energy sources at competitive prices, helping to green our grid and achieve the City's Climate Action Plan goals (see: cupertino.org/green). PG&E would remain an essential partner, continuing to deliver electricity over existing infrastructure to Cupertino customers and continue to maintain the lines. PG&E would also continue to send bills and provide customer service.

This type of program is already successful in Marin and Sonoma Counties. Both offer electricity with higher levels of renewables at lower prices than PG&E. Plus, customers can opt up to 100% green energy for a little extra (~1 cent per kwh). Customers can also choose to opt out and remain with PG&E.

The new locally-controlled nonprofit would be completely funded by program revenue, not by



taxes or by city or county general funds. Because there are no shareholders, revenue is reinvested to develop additional local energy projects and new rebates and incentives for customers, creating local jobs and spurring economic development.

Due to the success of this program in the North Bay, communities across California are also considering launching this type of energy service. Alameda, San Francisco, Napa, Contra Costa and San Mateo are just a few. Your Silicon Valley Community Choice Energy Partnership currently has four members: the City of Cupertino, City of Sunnyvale, City of Mountain View, and County of Santa Clara (for unincorporated communities). During the next few months, other cities in the county will also be deciding whether to join the partnership. Interested in learn more or sharing your ideas on what energy programs you'd like to expand here in Cupertino? Please attend an upcoming community meeting or share your feedback at: svcleanenergy.org.





Friday, December 4, 2015 6 PM

**Quinlan Community Center** 

Kick off the holiday season with this annual Cupertino tradition.

Dress warmly, as part of the event is outdoors. Event will be held rain or shine.

Fun for all ages

Please bring a new toy or non-perishable food item to the event. All items will be donated to West Valley Community Services this holiday season.

# **Breakfast with Santa**

Saturday, December 5, 2015

Happy Holidays to all...and to all a good BREAKFAST!

You and your family are invited to a breakfast celebration with Santa!

The elves will be cooking up some delicious North Pole pancakes and Santa will be posing for pictures. The elves have also set-up a workshop with holiday crafts and fun for the children!



#### Quinlan Community Center

61967 - 8:30 am \$ 61968 - 9 am

\$ 61969 - 9:30 am \$ 61970 - 10 am

Register BEFORE 5pm on Thursday, Oct. 29

\$12 Cupertino Resident Discount; \$15 Fee

\$15 Cupertino Resident Discount; \$18 Fee

Register at the door

\$18 Cupertino Resident Discount; \$21 Fee

- Annual Vacancy Notice, continued from page 1

# Would You Like To Serve on a City Commission?

Cupertino residents are encouraged to apply for positions on City commissions that will have vacancies starting January 2016. Council will conduct interviews beginning at 5 pm on Monday and Tuesday, January 25 and 26 for these commission and committees: Audit Committee; Fine Arts Commission; Housing Commission; Parks and Recreation Commission; Public Safety and Commission; Sustainability Commission, and Technology Information and Communication Commission.

The application deadline is 4:30 pm on Friday, January 15, 2016. Commissioners are interviewed and appointed by the City Council, and may serve a total of two consecutive four-year terms. Applications can be downloaded from the City of Cupertino website at **cupertino.org/vacancies**. For more details please visit the website or call the City Clerk's Office at 408.777.3223.



# simply safe | nov

#### by Jerry Tallinger - Cupertino CERT member

#### Don't Fall in the Fall!

Falls are the top cause of injuries for the elderly. Actually everyone should always be aware of possibly falling no matter what the season. Making your home and property safe from unintended falls is easy, if you know what to look for. Making your yard safe from falling is also a good idea, especially now that the weather-folks are predicting a wet and likely slippery winter and spring season.

# Look through your home for the following tripping hazards and correct them.

- Clutter in the hallway and on staircases is a major cause of falling.
- Slippery throw rugs, loose carpet, and wood floor boards which stick up or are uneven are real tripping hazards. Never run wires under the rugs, they not only make it traction poor, but present a fire hazard as well.
- If you are unsteady or elderly, install grab bars in the tub and shower area and make sure all stairs have good solid railings, preferably two on each staircase.
- Use non-slip shower and tub mats. Make sure you are stepping out of the shower or tub on a non-slip rug. If you put in new tile on the bathroom floor, make sure it is non-slip tile. Any other room where there is likely to be water, like in front of the sink or in the laundry room, use a non-slip rug or pad.
- Make sure all areas around the house are well lit, especially stairways.
- Look around for your pets that may be sleeping nearby before getting up from the couch or chair.

# On your yard and walkways look for these tripping hazards.

- Make sure you don't have an accumulation of leaves in the walkways, or driveway. Leaves and other debris get wet when it rains or the lawn sprinklers hit them and can be slippery and present a tripping hazard.
- Clean up clutter in the garage and storage shed at home. A cluttered floor means stepping around and over items creating a tripping hazard.
- Clear away downed limbs and keep the lawn mowed to a length where you can see items which may trip you.

#### **Outdoor Cleanup for Fire Safety**

With the dry summer season, things are pretty dry and some of your yard plants may have died. If you have long dry grass, dead branches, or dead decorative plants close up to your house, you are in danger of a wildfire spreading to your home. Fire Departments recommend having a

50 foot defensible space around your home. This means nothing that will easily catch fire within 50 feet of the home. Even if you live well within the city you're not necessarily safe from a wildfire because embers from a nearby wildfire can travel a mile or more if it's windy.



# **Get Safety Trained**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 eight or more. This class can come to you! Contact the Cupertino Office of Emergency Services (OES) at 408.777.3335, email OES@cupertino.org for more information, or to request a class for your company, group or organization.

FREE! Personal Emergency Preparedness 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 PEP class is: November 2, 6 - 9 pm, Los Gatos Police Operations Building, 15900 Los Gatos Blvd, Los Gatos. For registration e-mail, info@cnt.sccgov.org and provide your full name, e-mail address, phone number and residential or work address in the West Valley, 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. The next class runs November 3 - 12, 6 - 9 pm with the final hands on and graduation November 14, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm. All classes will be held at 208 E. Main St, #214, Los Gatos. 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.

If you do only one thing to prepare this month: Change the battery in your smoke detectors when you adjust your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 1. Put Daylight Savings Time start, March 13, 2016 on your calendar for your next smoke detector battery change.

# roots oct

# A Historical Overview of Cupertino/Copertino

#### by Gail Fretwell-Hugger

This year is Cupertino's 60th anniversary. We were incorporated as a city in 1955. A delegation from Cupertino is visiting Copertino, Italy in September and October this year.

Every year students and newcomers to our lovely town ask for information on how Cupertino got its name. Cupertino's first and foremost historian, Louis E. Stocklmeir, wrote extensively about the name and its possible beginnings. The following is an excerpt from a paper Louis wrote about the fascinating origins of our town name.

"The name used to designate the arroyo by the early Spanish explorers of what is now known as

Stevens (formerly Cupertino) Creek was "Arroyo de San Joseph Cupertino". This arroyo was named (by De Anza expedition diarist and cartographer Petrus Font) after Saint Joseph of Cupertino, born at Cupertino (Italy) diocese of Nardo June 17, 1603. Family name Desa. Beatified 1767. Canonized 1767.

"Copertino" a present day town in southern Italy is situated in the heel of the "Italian boot" in the region of Puglia, province of Lecce, about 90 miles from Bari and 50 miles from Taranto. Some of our local writers endeavor to relate its derivation to the Italian noun "Coperto" literally translated to mean "cover",

"wrapper", "jacket". The "u" in Cupertino is attributed to the Latin influence.

The northern and southern regions of Italy were subjected to a great number of invasions and conquests; notably Hannibal (circa 200 B.C.) who conquered the Iberian Peninsula, crossed the Alps and defeated Roman armies in Italy - his conquest ended when he was later defeated by the Romans. Historians wrote of a citadel or fortress built to resist Hannibal, part of which remains, in the vicinity of "Copertino". The citadel ruins were razed in 1415 A.D. to allow the erection of the Convent of San Francisco alongside the Greek church of St. Nicholas. The area was in turn invaded by the Byzantines and Normans at different times. Other early invaders included Henry the 4th, Emperor of Germany, King of Puglia and Sicily, the Anjous who were allied with the Prince of Albania - later on, the Aragonese (Spaniards) and still later, Garibaldi, who unified modern Italy. As a consequence of these early invasions, the names "Cupertino" and "Copertino" reach far back into Italy's history.

The name "Cuperio", a leader of refugees from the southern towns ravished by Goths in 615 A.D. and again by the Moors in 900 A.D., has been suggested as a possible name source for Cupertino.

Historian Marciano wrote the territory of "Cupertino" was founded sometime after 560 A.D. following Goth invasions, and alluded to the refugee leader, "Cuperio".

Historian P. Bonaventura de Lama seemed to follow a version that the word "Cupertino" was also derived from the refugee leader, "Cuperio" who consolidated the refugees from the ravished and destroyed southern towns following Goth

and Saracen invasions.

Pope John X and the Italian princes of fiefs of what is now southern Italy expelled the Turkish tribal armies from the Cupertino territory - circa 915 A.D. In the year 1266 A.D. Charles the First of Anjou (son of Louis VIII) particularly favored the Cupertino territory, conquered Naples and Sicily and divided the territory into provinces, making Cupertino a provincial capital. Charles appointed one Gualtieri d'Enghien di Brenna - Duke of Athene and Count of Lecce and the Duke/Count built a castle there adorned by a stone inscri<mark>bed "Gualtieri de</mark> Brenna Comes Cupertini" (Gualtieri de Brenna - Count of Cupertino)



All Latin inscriptions spell "Cupertino" with a "u", also ending the word with "i". Several tombs and epigraphs of the region bear inscriptions with the name of the diginitary and the place name, "Cupertini".

"Copertino" seems to be a word of later origin.
"Cupertino" predates the word "Copertino",
hence the reference to San Joseph of "Cupertino"
and the spelling of the name by Father Pedro
Font. It would seem that our City's appellation
of "Cupertino" follows the original name given
to the area now named "Copertino" Italy – the
words are synonymous and distinctive and fittingly applied to their respective localities." (Conclusion of Stocklmeir's account)

Reaching back over the centuries, it is evident the name of our town has a fascinating and varied history. It would be interesting to hear from any of our "ROOTS" readers who have traveled to the Cupertino/Copertino region of Italy.

Source: Papers of Louis E. Stocklmeir, Cupertino Historian

# cupertino library nov

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

LIBRARY HOURS		TELEPHONE NUMBERS	5
Monday	10 am – 9 pm	General Library Numbe	r408.446.1677
Tuesday	10 am – 9 pm	Adult and	
Wednesday		Teen Reference	408.446.1677, ext. 3372
Thursday		Children's Reference	408.446.1677, ext. 3373
Friday	· ·	Accounts, Billing	800.286.1991
Saturday Sunday		TeleCirc	

To see the programs and events offered at all Santa Clara County Library District Community Libraries, search our online catalog, review your library account, get homework help, and conduct research using our online databases, please visit the Santa Clara County Library District Web site at: **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, including our storytimes, please call the Children's Reference Desk at 408.446.1677, ext 3321, or stop by the Children's Desk in the Library.

### STEAM LEADS: Zombie Apocalypse\*

#### Attention middle school students!

A zombie epidemic is approaching and we need you to help us save the earth from a global zombie takeover. Use your brains before the zombies eat them. Students currently in 6th – 8th grade, please visit the Children's Desk in Cupertino Library to register. Visit https://www.sccl.org/Locations/Cupertino/STEAM-LEADS for more info. Sponsored by the Cupertino Library Foundation.

#### 1,000 Books Before Six

Children 5 and younger are invited to sign up for our 1,000 Books Before Six program at the Children's Desk in Cupertino Library.

#### **Cupertino Cinema Club**

#### Thursday, November 12, 4 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

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

#### **Reading Buddies**

Come read to a therapy animal! Kindergarteners to 5th graders may register in person at the Children's Desk starting November 16.

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

#### Thursday, November 19, 4 – 5 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

1st through 8th graders are invited to build with LEGO bricks in the Story Room. The Library will provide LEGO bricks. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

#### Family Game Day

#### Wednesday, November 25, 11 am – 5 pm Cupertino Library Children's Room

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

#### **PROGRAMS FOR TEENS**

# CodeF1rst Computer Programming Workshop for Teens

#### Friday, November 6, 6 – 9 pm Cupertino Community Hall

Interested in learning how to build basic websites using HTML and CSS? Code F1rst will have a workshop presented by Kashish Singal and Gokul Pillai! No prior coding experience necessary. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own computer or digital device. Online registration is required and opens on Monday, October 26 at 10 am. For ages, 13 – 21.

#### HTML & CSS Programming Workshop Saturdays, November 7, 14, 21, 10 am – 12 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

Attendees will learn how to build websites using HTML & CSS. In this workshop, teens will be taught the basics of general computer programming, how to design websites, the logic behind coding and design, and how this logic can be applied to website creation. This program is for students in grades 6 – 12. Registrants must attend all 3 sessions. Registration is required and opens on Monday, October 26 at 10 am.

# SAT vs. ACT - What's The Difference and Which One Should I Take?

#### Wednesday, November 18, 7 – 8:30 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

If you have questions about the SAT versus the ACT, then you must attend this free seminar with FLEX College Prep! Teens and parents/guardians are welcome to join. Registration is required and opens on Monday, November 2 at 10 am.

#### **PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS**

#### Tezkatlipoka Aztec Dance

Sunday, November 1, 2 pm Cupertino Community Hall

Join us for a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the Aztec Culture.

#### **Firebird Youth Orchestra**

Saturday, November 14, 2 pm Cupertino Community Hall Firebird Youth Chinese Orchestra is dedicated to promoting Chinese music as part of Chinese-American culture. It is made up of elementary and high school students and the music programs on the orchestra seek to exhibit authentic eastern aesthetics and collaborate with western music groups.

#### **Cambodian Dance**

#### Saturday, November 21, 2 pm Cupertino Community Hall

The Cambodian Cultural Dance Troupe is pleased to present Robam Tbal Kdoeung, the mortar and pestle dance which depicts the daily activities of rice pounding and threshing using the tbal kdoeung, a traditional mortar and pestle to prepare the rice for use and celebrate the importance of rice.

# NanoWriMo – November is National Novel Writing Month.

Come and take the challenge! Can you write 50,000 words in a month? Sponsored by the Cupertino Friends of the Library.

#### **Nanowrimo Kick Off Party**

#### Sunday, November 1, 7 pm Cupertino Community Hall

Come see what NanoWriMo is all about! Get inspiration! Meet other would be novelists! Win prizes!

#### How to Propagate Native Plants, plus Seed & Cutting Exchange

#### Thursday, November 19, 7 – 8:30 pm Cupertino Community Hall

It is time for the Seed & Cutting exchange. Bring any native plant seeds/cuttings from your garden to exchange for those that others bring from their gardens. Speaker Stephen Rosenthal will discuss growing annuals, from seed, and how to keep your garden in color all year long. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

#### Tek Spark Mentorship Program

#### Sunday November 1, 3 – 5 pm Monday November 2, 5:30 - 7:30 pm Cupertino Story Room

Inspire the love of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) in your children and put them on a path to excellent career success. This session includes lightning talks from children in middle and high schools who have done cool things in STEM. This will be followed by peer coaching sessions for children and parents, as well as mentorship circles for everyone with experienced women leaders in engineering. Open to middle and high school parents and children. Includes audience Q&A and open discussion. Contact **shobana@tekspark.org** if you'd like to have your child speak at this event!

#### **Exploring Human Origins**

What Does It Mean to Be Human? is a rare exhibit including interactive displays that walk visitors through the origins of humankind runs November 25 through December 22, 2015, at the



Milpitas Library. The free collection, curated by the Smithsonian Institution, includes interactive kiosks, hands-on displays and videos. The library is located at 160 N. Main Street in Milpitas. For more info, visit www.sccl.org/milpitas.

#### Film Series at Bluelight Cinemas

#### Cupertino Library / Blue Light Cinema Film Series – Exploring Human Origins

All Showings are at Bluelight Cinemas Sponsored by the Cupertino Library Foundation.

Monday, November 2, 7 pm - Your Inner Fish

Monday, November 9, 7 pm - Journey of Man Monday, November 16, 7 pm - Becoming Human

#### Cupertino Library / Blue Light Cinema Film Series - Treasures from the Public Domain!

Sponsored by the Cupertino Library Foundation.

Movies are always owned by somebody somewhere. But there are many films that slip through the legal cracks for everyone to see. Each of these motion pictures has a fascinating life story, and in this session of the Cupertino Library's Film Series, filmmaker and scholar Mark Larson explores the complicated history of films in the Public Domain. Please join us in this celebration of an important and fascinating aspect of film history. A lively audience discussion follows every film. Seating is limited and registration is required at cupertinolibraryfoundation.org

#### The Southerner (1945)

Director: Jean Renoir Thursday, November 5, 6:30 pm Bluelight Cinemas.

#### The Brother from Another Planet (1984)

Director: John Sayles Thursday, November 12, 6:30 pm Bluelight Cinemas.

#### **Chinese Book Club**

# Thursday, November 12, 10 am Community Hall

The Chinese Book Club is conducted in Mandarin and meets every other month. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

#### **Adult Book Club**

#### Every third Thursday, 7 pm Cupertino Library Story Room

Adults of all ages are welcome. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

# adult 50 plus news nov

#### 2016 MEMBERSHIPS - Now Available!

#### Adult 50+ Membership

Membership includes access to Adult 50+ programs, trips, services, classes, socials, and mailing of the bimonthly newsletter.

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.

#### **EVENTS**

#### Thanksgiving Lunch and

#### November Birthday Bash Wednesday, November 18, 12 pm

Thanksgiving feast with roasted turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, savory green beans, and pumpkin pie. The Rhythmaires Band will help us celebrate the holiday with delightful music. Members with November birthdays will be honored. Members \$12, senior guests add \$5 day pass. Vegetarian option available when registering. Please sign up early.

#### 50+ Bocce Ball

#### Wednesdays, 9 am - 12 pm

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

#### 50+ Softball

# Thursdays, November 5 - December 17, 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 10am. Member fee \$15 for the season.

#### Movie of the Month

#### Wednesday, November 25, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Royal Wedding (1951)- Brother-sister dance duo Tom and Ellen Bowen (Fred Astaire and Jane Powell) get the chance of a lifetime when they're booked for a London performance on the eve of Elizabeth II's nuptials. In the course of their journey, Ellen meets her match in Lord Brindale, and Tom finds romance with a British hoofer. Will love break up the act? Popcorn and lemonade will be served. Members free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass.

#### **CLASSES AND LECTURES - Great Values**

#### **Learn About Medicare 2016** Monday, November 16, 2 - 3:30 pm

Whether you are new to Medicare or want to know more about Medicare, come join us for a presentation by the Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program. The presenter will discuss the latest updates on Medicare and the Part D plans for 2016. As a reminder, the open enrollment for Medicare Part D begins on October 15 and ends on December 7, 2015. Please

review your Medicare Part D plans. Open to public. Sign up at lobby table.

#### **Chinese Brush Painting**

# Thursday, November 19 - January 28, 2016, 6 - 8 pm

Explore abstract and realistic Chinese ink art by combining Western and Eastern techniques on rice paper and other materials. Subjects will include landscapes, flowers and birds, figures, splash ink, etc. Open to all levels: students will learn the technique of the basic outline, brush stroke and building up layers of color step by step from teacher demos. Students will get to experiment on and experience a variety of rice paper. Member fee \$55.

#### **TechTime with Paul**

#### Fridays, November 6, 13, 20, 1 - 4 pm

Members can come use a Mac or PC to browse the web, practice skills, or ask simple questions in the senior center's Technology Lab. Free for members reserve your computer at the front desk or by calling 408.777.3150.

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

# Wednesday, November 18, December 16, 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 goings-on around the world will affect you with Nancy McGinnis, legal specialist and current lecturer at San Francisco State University, facilitating the conversation. Members free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass. Sign up at the lobby table.

#### **Book Review Meeting**

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

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

**November 6**– The Last Runaway by Tracy Chevalier, reviewed by Kay Kinney

#### **Line Dance**

**Beginning:** Thursday, November 19 - January 28, 2016, 7 - 8:30 pm

#### **Advanced Beginning**

Tuesday, November 10-January 12, 2016, 7 - 8:30pm

Kick up your heels and exercise your body and mind by dancing to lively, upbeat music! Join us to learn how you may improve your health, balance, coordination, muscle tone, and memorization skills in this fun, low impact class for any age! Member fee \$48 each class.

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8 am - 5 pm Email: seniorcntr@cupertino.org

Website: cupertino.org/senior

Find us on Facebook! cupertino.org/seniorcenterfacebook

#### **SOCIAL SERVICES**

#### Health Insurance Counseling (HICAP)

Monday, November 9, 23, 1 - 3 pm

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

#### Housing

Monday, November 16, 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)

Fridays, November 6, 13, 20 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.

### Drop-in Consultation with Case Manager

Mondays, 5 - 7 pm Wednesdays, 10 am - 12 pm

Case Managers are available to discuss community resources, benefits, and care options during drop-in hours. Case Managers are also available by appointments beside drop-in hours. Cantonese / Mandarin is available on Wednesday drop in hours.

#### **Caregiver Support Group**

Thursday, November 12, 3 - 4:30 pm

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

#### **Notary Service**

The Senior Center is offering Notary Service. The cost is \$5 per signature. Please call 408.777.3157 to make an appointment.

#### Learn about Medicare 2016

Monday, November 16, 2 - 3:30 pm

Whether you are new to Medicare or want to know more about it, come join us for a presentation by the Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program. The presenter will discuss the latest updates on Medicare and the Part D plans for 2016. As a reminder, Medicare open enrollment began on October 15 and ends on December 7, 2015. Please review your health and prescription drug coverage. You can make changes during this time. Open to public. Sign up at lobby table.

#### **Tips for the Holiday Blues**

Monday, November 2, 9, 16, 1 - 2:30 pm

Do you dread holidays? Do you find yourself on overload during this season? Need a place to discuss how to adjust to the holiday chaos? Join the new 3-week support group for assistance to cope with the holiday blues. Members free, senior guests pay \$5 day pass. Sign up at the lobby table.

#### ADULT 50 PLUS TRIPS

Itineraries subject to change.

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

#### Riverdance

Friday, November 6, \$102

CHP Academy and Capitol Tour Tuesday, November 10, \$66

San Francisco Paragon Outlets Tuesday, November 17, \$39

The Dickens Fair

Saturday, November 21, \$62

Yuletide Lights of Livermore Tuesday, December 15, \$114

A Gift of Sacred Art and University Library Tour Friday, January 15, \$69

**Behind the Scenes: Pure Water and Recycling** Thursday, January 21, **\$68** 

Mardi Gras Travel Party,

Tuesday, February 2, Free for Members

Super Bowl 50 Fan Experience Wednesday, February 3, \$92

**Kurt Elling at Bing Concert Hall** Saturday, February 27, **\$104** 

**Sunday Afternoon at the Villa** Sunday, March 6, **\$84** 

**Culinary and Historic Exploration of Napa** Thursday, March 10, **\$123** 

Fashion and Flowers Wednesday, April 6, \$88

#### **TOURS**

Christmas Cruise on the Danube

December 1 - 10, 2015, \$2,495 dbl. Prague to Vienna on Avalon Waterways!

#### **Tropical Costa Rica**

February 4 - 12, 2016, \$3,015 dbl From lush forests and stunning waterfalls to fine sandy beaches, Costa Rica is a paradise teeming with exotic plants and incredible animals. Learn about Costa Rica's unique vegetation and indigenous wildlife by guided nature walks and river boat cruises. Beautiful resorts along the way - an all-inclusive beach resort in Guanacaste and hot springs at Arenal Springs Resort.

#### International Mystery Trip

Guided by Julia and Kim May 11 - 23, 2016. \$4,630 dbl

Do you love fascinating culture, amazing history, castles, beautiful countryside, delicious food, and a little adventure? Then this small-group tour to an iconic destination with 4-star accommodations is planned just for you! Mystery tours are always fun! This tour features a destination that you have never experienced with us and you're sure to be pleasantly surprised! Let the guessing begin as the destination will only be revealed just prior to our arrival at the airport.

"Share Discovery Through Travel"

# eco news nov

# Flood Preparation

As this year's rainy season begins, residents should prepare for the possibility of flooding in their neighborhoods. Be aware that standard homeowner's insurance policies do not cover losses caused by floods or mudslides. Property owners can protect against potential flood damage by purchasing flood insurance and by preparing a family disaster plan. If you currently possess flood insurance, be sure to inventory and photograph your home's contents and put important papers and insurance policies in a safe place. Some Cupertino properties along Calabazas and Stevens Creek, are at increased risks for flooding.

Floods, as with all natural disasters, are a hazard to people and property. Prepare for emergencies accordingly by creating a family disaster plan that includes a designated place where you can rendezvous after an evacuation order is issued.

The City of Cupertino provides the following services to help residents prepare for potential flooding. Visit the downstairs counter at City Hall or call Public Works 408.777.3354 or the Building Division 408.777.3228 to receive assistance:

- 1. In the fall, before the rains start, City crews vacuum out city storm drain inlets, and check for any evidence of hazardous materials in the drains. This cleaning prevents any illegally dumped materials that may be sitting in the inlets from washing into our creeks with the first rains.
- 2. The Public Works Department will help you find out if your property is in a flood zone and answer questions about flooding risks and elevation certificates for new buildings constructed in the floodplain.
- 3. Building Division staff will assist you with obtaining a required permit before you build. Booklets called "What You Should Know Before You Hire a Contractor," are available at the downstairs counter at City Hall, or online at cslb.ca.gov/About\_Us/Library/Guides\_And\_Publications/.
- 4. Public Works staff will provide you with practical drainage tips, such as directing your roof downspouts away from your house and into landscaping or a more site specific response to drainage issues.
- 5. Other information on flood preparedness is available on the Cupertino website at **cupertino.org/ emergency**. Flood information and assistance can also be obtained on the FEMA website at **fema.gov**. The Cupertino Library also holds publications for flood preparedness.



#### Sweep Smart this Storm Season to Prevent Flooding

- The City's storm drainage system is comprised of street gutters, the storm drain sewer inlets (at street corners), and the pipes that drain street runoff into local creeks and channels. It is ILLEGAL to dump anything into a creek or a storm drain. Residents can report dumping incidents to the City by calling 408.777.3269 or 408.777.3354 during business hours and 911 after hours and on weekends.
- Please notify the City if you observe excess debris or trash in streets, storm drain inlets or streams and ditches.
- City streets are normally swept twice a month. During heavy leaf fall, additional sweeping may occur
  on your street. Park off the street on your sweeping
  day and when you observe additional sweeping.
- Signup for street sweeping notification at cupertino.org/streetsweeping and call the City of Cupertino at 408.777.3269 with any questions.
- DO NOT rake, blow, or pile leaves into the street—this can increase flooding and send unwanted organic debris to the creeks!
- Clean your rain gutters and attach flexible corrugated pipe extensions to drain downspout water to landscaping—this helps recharge our ground water table!
- Deposit leaves in your yard waste collection cart.
   If you need an additional yard waste cart in heavy leaf fall areas contact Recology Customer Service 408.725.4020, City of Cupertino Environmental Programs 408.777.3354, or email environmental@cupertino.org.
- Abide by street sweeping / no parking signs to allow the City to keep the gutters clean and the storm drain system flowing.

# news items

#### **Compost Site Closed for Winter**

As of October 17, the City of Cupertino's compost site at 12100 Stevens Canyon Rd has officially closed for the rainy season. Be sure to drop by when the compost site opens again on March 26, 2016 and pick up free compost to help your garden spring into action! For more information on Cupertino's compost site, contact the City at 408.777.3354 or environmental@cupertino.org.

# Challenge Yourself To A Zero Waste Lifestyle

Cupertino has extraordinary schools and abundant local brain power, so the community doesn't need help making smart decisions. The City is partnering with Clean Water Action and several other cities to promote ReThink Disposable, a campaign to engage local restaurants and delis in allowing their customers to choose how much litter-prone packaging they take away with their food and drink orders.

Business owners say they're interested in reducing disposable packaging, but don't want to stop offering the amenities their customers have come to expect. As a community, we can show them that sustainable cities expect something different. Straws, cup lids, packets of condiments, soy sauce, pizza peppers, chop sticks, plastic serviceware and other free items are often packaged in take-out orders without asking the customer whether they are needed or wanted. Consequently, after a meal many of these unused or unnecessary items go straight into the trash, or may become street litter.

The community can slow down the trend to over-package and generate unnecessary waste by asking restaurants and food vendors not to include unwanted items with our order and by taking only what we need. When given the choice, bring your own reusable coffee cup and water bottle to make a real impact daily!

We all recycle, right? Most Cupertinians put their food scraps, dirty paper towels and dirty

napkins in their yard waste cart to be commercially composted. Some pick up free compost from the City's distribution site for their gardens and landscape projects. A community, like Cupertino, that wants to lead the way in environmental stewardship will take the next big step, as demon-



strated by an astute group of Homestead High students from Mr. Carmona's AP Environmental Science class last May. These talented students designed, produced and sold attractive



"Ecotasa" reusable cups with matching reusable lids and straws in assorted transparent colors to their friends and fellow students and encouraged HH's student body to stop using disposable cups at fast food restaurants. Un-packaging is the trend of the future. Email City staff at **Environmental@Cupertino.org** if you have anything to say about ReThinking disposables!

# **JOIN US!**

# Comment on Scope for The Hills at Valleo Environmental Impact Report

Tuesday, November 10, at 6:30 to 7:30 pm Cupertino Community Hall 10350 Torre Avenue (next to the library)

The purpose of the meeting is to gather input on the scope of the environmental review. If unable to attend, comments may be emailed to planning@cupertino.org or mailed to City Hall at 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino, CA 95014 between October 16, 2015 and November 16, 2015.

Project description, plans, and Notice of Preparation available on project website.

Please sign up at the website below for project updates, www.cupertino.org/vallco

# community calendar | nov

NOV	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
2	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
3	School Emergency Preparedness	9:30 am	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	408.777.3176	
4	Viewfinders Digital Video Club	7:30 pm	Community Center - In Cupertino Room	408.520.1379	viewfindersclub.org
	Excalibur Toastmasters	6:45 - 8 pm	St. Joseph of Cupertino Catholic Church Preschool, 10110 N. De Anza Blvd.	408.829.2055	excalibur.to ast master sclubs.org
5	C.A.R.E.S	7:30 - 9 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100	408.345.8372	cupertinoares.org
7	De Anza Flea Market	8 - 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
	Cupertino Morningmasters Toastmasters*	7:30 am	Bethel Lutheran Church 10181 Finch Ave, Fireside Room	408.209.7251	http://tinyurl.com/cupmmtm
9	Fine Arts League	7 pm	Community Center	408.863.9991 Ask Janki Chokshi	falc.org
	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 pm	20589 Homestead Rd.	408.252.3954	oddfellowscupertino70.org
12	Cupertino Quota*	12 - 1 pm	The Blue Pheasant	408.348.9559	cupertino.quota@yahoo.com
	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	deanzacupertinokiwanis.org
	Cupertino Coin Club	7:30 pm	St. Joseph of Cupertino Catholic Church, Community Center Building, 10110 N. DeAnza Blvd.		CupertinoCoinClub.com
16	CERT/MRC	7 - 9 pm	City Hall Mtg. Room 100		
18	Al-ANON Family Group*	7 pm	Bethel Lutheran Church, 940 S. Stelling Rd.	408.379.9375	ncwsa.org/scvafg
	Cupertino Sanitary Dist*	8 pm	20863 Stevens Creek #100	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	Trend Micro 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	888.613.5559	cupertinorotary.org
	Philotesian Rebekah #145	7:30 pm	Cupertino Odd Fellows	408.252.3954	caioof.org/IOOF/CA_RA_ Officers.html
	Cupertino Symphonic Band*	7 pm	Peterson Middle School (S'vale)	408.262.0471	netview.com/csb
	Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*	7 pm	Hyde Middle School	408.747.0943	krazydazys.org
	Cupertino Las Madres* Cupertino Host Lions Club*	10 am - 1 pm 7:15 pm	Call for location BBLC Hall, 99 North Bascom	408.861.0417 408.209.7251	lasmadres.org cupertinohostlionclub.org
	D. A I' Cl. I +	/ 45	Avenue, San Jose	400 055 0000	1
19	De Anza Lions Club*  Northwest Y Service Club*	6:45 am 6:30 pm	Northwest YMCA, 20803	408.255.3093 408.351.2444	deanzalions.org northwest@ymcasv.org
	<b>.</b>	_	Alves Drive	100.05 : 5 : : :	
	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	egausa.org
	Food Addicts in Recovery (FA)*	7 pm	St. Jude's Church	408.354.8493	foodaddicts.org
	Cupertino Las Madres*  American Association of University  Women	10 am - 1 pm 6:30 - 8 pm	Call for location  Moorpark Hotel 2nd Floor, 4241 Moorpark Ave, San Jose, CA 95129	408.861.0417 408.996.7492	Susanps@sonic.net
	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 pm	Union Church	408.759.2617	oa.org
	Greneaters Anonymous	, h	Omon Gnuren	-100.737.2017	-u.o.g

NOV	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
23	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 pm	20589 Homestead Rd.	408.252.3954	oddfellowscupertino70.org
24	Al-ANON Family Group*	5 pm	Bethel Lutheran Church, 10181 Finch Ave., Fireside Room	408.379.9375	ncwsa.org/scvafg
	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	
26	Cupertino Quota*	12 - 1 pm	The Blue Pheasant	408.348.9559	cupertino.quota@yahoo.com
27	Malihini Orchid Society	7:30 pm	Vallco Shopping Center	408.267.3397	malihini.org
28	Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh USA*	10 am - 1:30 pm	Creekside Park Hall	408.368.0357	www.hssus.org

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 or email for details.

	CITY MEETINGS	
NOV 3	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
NOV 4	Library Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	7 pm
NOV 4	Technology, Info & Communication Comm. (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
NOV 5	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	9:30 am
NOV 5	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
NOV 5	Parks and Recreation Commission (Community Hall)	7 pm
NOV 5	Audit Committee Meeting (Conf. Rm. A)	4 pm
NOV 10	Economic Development Committee Meeting	10 am
NOV 10	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
NOV 12	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	9 am
NOV 12	Administrative Hearing Meeting (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
NOV 12	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	6 pm
NOV 17	City Council Meeting (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
NOV 18	Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
NOV 19	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	9:30 am
NOV 19	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. C)	5 pm
NOV 23	Fine Arts Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	7 pm
NOV 24	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
NOV 26	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 can 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 nov

#### **REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2015**

Council Members Present: Chang, Sinks, Paul,

Vaidhyanathan and Wong.

#### Council Members Absent: None

Announced that council held a closed session on August 28 regarding public employment (Gov't Code Section 54957) – Title: city attorney and that council will proceed with the city attorney recruitment process

Approved the minutes as amended for August 18 city council Adopted resolution No. 15-079 calling for a ban on the nontherapeutic use of antibiotics in livestock agriculture

Recommended approval of the alcoholic beverage license to the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for Rootstock Wine Bar, 19389 Stevens Creek Boulevard

Paul and Wong voting no

1. Conducted the first reading of the ordinance No. 15-2133: "An ordinance of the city council of the City of Cupertino amending Cupertino municipal code title 16 to add chapter 28 to provide an expedited streamlined permitting process for small residential rooftop systems"; and 2. Authorized the city manager to adopt a policy to accept e-signatures in compliance with state law

City manager David Brandt announced that the environmental education center (EEC) and will have a formal opening later in October

Council members highlighted the activities of their committees and various community events

Adjourned the meeting to a special meeting September 11 at 9:30 am and then September 14 at 2:30 pm. Next regular meeting on September 15

#### SPECIAL MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

Council Members Present: Chang, Sinks, Paul (4:42 pm) and Wong

#### Council Members Absent: Vaidhyanathan

Motion failed to authorize council member Vaidhyanathan to teleconference for the second closed session item. Paul and Wong voting NO, Chang and Sinks voting YES, and Vaidhyanathan absent

Obtained a briefing from legal staff and gave direction

Obtained a briefing from the City Attorney and gave direction, and no action was taken

Adjourned the meeting to the regular meeting of September 15

### SPECIAL MEETING (CLOSED SESSION) FOLLOWED BY REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

Council Members Present: Chang, Sinks, Paul and Vaidhyanathan

#### Council Members Absent: Wong

Announced that council held a closed session on September 8 regarding 1) conference with legal counsel- anticipated litigation: significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (D) of gov't code section 54956.9: one case and that council obtained a briefing from legal staff and gave direction; and 2) public employment (54957). Title: city attorney and that council obtained a briefing from the city attorney and gave direction, and no action was taken

Announced that council held a closed session on September 11 regarding public employment (54957). Title: city attorney and that council continued the recruitment process and gave direction

Announced that council discussed existing litigation, obtained a briefing on status, and gave direction

Adjourned the special city council meeting to the regular city council meeting beginning at 6:45 pm.

### **Council Members Present:** Chang, Sinks, Paul and Vaidhyanathan

#### Council Members Absent: Wong

Two council members added a future agenda item to discuss outreach to the voters on Civic Center and Vallco

Adopted resolution No. 15-080 accepting accounts payable for the period ending August 14, 2015 (Wong absent)

Adopted resolution No. 15-081 accepting accounts payable for the period ending August 21, 2015 (Wong absent)

Adopted resolution No. 15-082 accepting accounts payable for the period ending August 28, 2015 (Wong absent)

Accepted the resignation of fine arts commissioner Priya Jayachandran and directed staff to fill the unscheduled vacancy in January 2016; and B) set the application deadline of 4:30 pm. on Friday, January 15, 2016 and interviews beginning at 5 pm. on Monday and Tuesday, January 25 and 26 for commissions with terms expiring January 30, 2016 including terms for new sustainability commission (Wong absent)

Authorized acceptance of a \$55,000 transportation fund for clean air (TFCA) grant and authorized the city manager to execute a funding agreement with the Santa Clara Valley transportation authority (VTA) and amended approved FY 15/16 operating budget by an additional amount of \$55,000 for TFCA project budget (Wong absent)

Amended the FY 2015-16 budget in the amount of \$145,000 to add a new senior planner position and fund costs related to equipment and space re-organization, and converted a limited term planner position to a permanent position in the community development department (Wong absent)

Adopted resolution No. 15-083 supporting community choice aggregation (Wong absent)

Conducted the second reading and enacted ordinance No. 15-2133: "an ordinance of the city council of the City of Cupertino amending Cupertino municipal code title 16 to add chapter 28 to provide an expedited streamlined permitting process for small residential rooftop systems" (Wong absent)

Allowed the solid waste franchisee (Recology) to begin permanent collection of solid waste containers as early as 6 am on select tri-school area streets with direction to staff to increase neighborhood outreach, revisit the project in January, and investigate weekend collections and issues in areas around Bubb Road (Sinks recusing and Wong absent)

Conducted the first reading of ordinance No. 15-2134: "an ordinance of the city council of the City of Cupertino amending section 11.32.020 of chapter 11.32 of title 11 of the Cupertino municipal code to remove Pruneridge Avenue as a truck route and amending sections 11.32.055, 11.32.070, and 11.32.080 to clarify exceptions for truck access within the city and within school zones" (Wong absent)

Considered the allegations and the discussion in the staff report and directed that the letter attached as attachment D in the packet be transmitted to Better Cupertino in response to its "cease and desist" demand letter of August 26, 2015 (Wong absent)

Two council members added a future agenda item to discuss action minutes versus summary minutes

Received the construction update report

City manager David Brandt announced that the state legislature adopted the budget trailer bill, including tax equity allocation (TEA) corrections to increase revenues for the cities of Cupertino, Los Altos Hills, Saratoga, and Monte Sereno; and the Marina Foods and Vallco project applications were both uploaded to the city website and are available for public viewing

Council members highlighted the activities of their committees and various community events

# news items

# Free Citizenship Interview Preparation Class

Are you nervous and worried about your citizenship interview? Come to our free citizenship practice interview class on Saturday, December 5.

On Saturday, December 5, from 11:45 am - 1:45 pm, Sunnyvale-Cupertino Adult School will offer a special free one-day class, ESL /Citizenship Interview Preparation, to help prospective citizens prepare for their interviews. Volunteers from the community will act as interviewers. At this class there will also be an immigration expert who will talk about the interview process and answer questions. The class will meet in room 18 at the Adult Education Center, 591 W. Fremont Avenue, Sunnyvale. To register for this free class, please call 408.522.2700. You may also register in class.

#### **Cupertino Symphonic Band**

#### November 8, 3 pm, Quinlan Community Center

The Cupertino Symphonic Band presents "An Afternoon of American Music" on November 8 at the Quinlan Community Center. Jason McChristian will be conducting a broad variety of music by American composers, from early traditional to cutting-edge modern and will feature individual talent within the band. Included will be many patriotic pieces to recognize and honor our Veterans. This free concert begins at 3 pm. Donations of canned goods will be accepted and passed along to the West Valley Community Services. Quinlan Community Center is located at 10185 N. Stelling Rd. For more information visit the website at cupertinosymphonicband.org or see us on facebook.com/CupertinoSymphonicBand.



Submission deadline for the December edition is November 4.

#### **Welcome New Businesses**

1000 Degrees Pizzeria

20674 Homestead Rd

Blast 825 Pizza

10033 Saich Way

T Rock Inc

20488 Stevens Creek Blvd, Ste 2040

LPC Cupertino Investment Corp

19732 Stevens Creek Blvd

Random Math Llc

19925 Stevens Creek Blvd, Ste 100

#### 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 2, 3 & 6
Retirement and Technology

November 9, 10 & 13

**Cupertino Veterans Memorial** - This is Veterans Day week. The city of Cupertino honors all U.S. veterans with a sculpture of a Cupertino son and his Navy Seal partner, a Wall of Honor and a Walk of Remembrance.

#### November 16, 17 & 20

Alzheimer's: Talk to Me – November is Alzheimer's Awareness Month. Communicating with an Alzheimer's patient as a disease advances can be challenging. Learn some techniques that really work.

#### November 23, 24 & 27

Alzheimer's: Hope on the Horizon? – A Stanford University School of Medicine Professor & Researcher discusses what is being done to develop new treatments and prevention of this degenerative brain disease.



PRSRT-STD U.S. Postage PAID Cupertino, CA Permit No. 239 **ECRWSS** 

#### postal customer

CITY DIRECTORY				
Main Line	408.777.CITY (2489)	408.777.3200		
City Clerk	408.777.3223	cityclerk@cupertino.org		
Finance	408.777.3220	finance@cupertino.org		
Recreation & Community Services	408.777.3120	parks@cupertino.org		
Planning/Community Development	408.777.3308	planning@cupertino.org		
Public Information	408.777.3262	pio@cupertino.org		
Public Works	408.777.3354	publicworks@cupertino.org		
Sheriff Services	408.868.6600	sccsheriff.org		

	CITY SERVICES
Block Leader Program:	cupertino.org/blockleader
Building Department:	cupertino.org/building
Cupertino Website:	cupertino.org
Cupertino Facebook:	cupertino.org/facebook
Cupertino Twitter:	cupertino.org/twitter
City Channel:	Comcast 26, U-verse 99, cupertino.org/citychannel
Code Enforcement:	cupertino.org/codeenforcement
Commissions:	cupertino.org/commissions
Emergency Preparedness:	cupertino.org/emergency
Job Opportunities:	cupertino.org/jobs
Neighborhood Watch:	cupertino.org/neighborhoodwatch
Planning Department:	cupertino.org/planning
Public Works:	cupertino.org/publicworks
Radio Cupertino:	1670 AM cupertino.org/radio
Recreation & Community Services	cupertino.org/recreationandcommunityservices



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



THE SCENE IS PRINTED ON 40% POST-CONSUMER WASTE RECYCLE PAPER WITH SOY INK

