



Sports Center Reopens

On January 10, at 10 a.m., the public is invited to the grand reopening of the Cupertino Sport Center. Come and meet personal trainers, check out our new equipment, child watch center, and teen center.

Special activities are planned throughout the day, win a free membership, participate in free fitness classes, come out and watch the tennis exhibition. Free Gift Bags for the first 500 people.

The Cupertino Sport Center is located at 21111 Stevens Creek Boulevard, on the North West corner of Stelling Road and Stevens Creek Boulevard.



R1 Ordinance Review

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on January 26, 2004, to consider modifications to the R1 zoning ordinance that affects roughly 10,000 single-family homes in Cupertino.

The R1 Ordinance covers the regulations for single family development in the City of Cupertino. The ordinance outlines the maximum area allowed, setback and second story regulations. The R1 Ordinance also contains privacy protection regulations to protect private yards from visual intrusion by new two-story development.

The City's R1 regulations balances property owners' opportunities to develop their land while protecting neighbors from some of the negative impacts related to new development. To ensure the regulations are equitable, the City would appreciate input from homebuilders and residents.

Please check the City's website for more information about this issue.

If you have any questions, please contact Peter Gilli, Senior Planner at 408-777-3313 or at peterg@cupertino.org.

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Cupertino Scene

The *Cupertino Scene* is published monthly, except in August, and distributed to all residents and businesses in the city. Information may be submitted via e-mail to rckk@cupertino.org. Questions may be directed to the Public Information Office at City Hall, 777-3262. Deadline is the first Wednesday of the month for the next month's issue.

Cupertino Temporary Library is Open



New Library Hours

Monday	12 to 9
Tuesday	12 to 9
Wednesday	10 to 9
Thursday	10 to 9
Friday	10 to 6
Saturday	10 to 6
Sunday	1 to 5

The Cupertino Temporary Library is located at 10441 Bandley Drive, one block west of De Anza Boulevard between Lazaneo and Mariani. Parking / Entrance at the back of the building.



Library telephone numbers are:

General Library Number	408-446-1677
Accounts, Billing	800-286-1991
Dial-in Catalog	877-471-3349
TeleCirc	800-471-0991

The library has a Web Catalog at <http://webpac.santaclaracountylib.org/>, as well as a Telnet Catalog at <telnet://library.santaclaracountylib.org>.

Bookmark these library web addresses:

Santa Clara County Library Web Site: <http://www.santaclaracountylib.org>; Teen Page Web Site: <http://www.santaclaracountylib.org/teen>; Kids Page Web Site: <http://www.santaclaracountylib.org/kids>.

Chinese New Year with Stories in Mandarin

Join Children's Librarian Bonnie Wang for three special programs in Mandarin Chinese

featuring stories, puppets, and crafts.

Thursday evenings at 7 p.m.

January 15, 22, and 29, 2004

Children's Storytimes

Bedtime Storytime (age 3 years and up)

Tuesdays, 7 p.m.

Toddler Storytime (ages 2-1/2 to 3-1/2)

Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.

Twos Storytime (ages 1-1/2 to 2-1/2)

Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.

Parent-Child Catalog/Internet Classes

Parents of schoolchildren may schedule appointments with a children's librarian for either introductory Internet (exploring web sites for children) or library catalog instruction. The classes are open to parents alone or with their children. To schedule an appointment, call 408-446-1677, ext. 3310.

Teen Database Classes

Database instruction for teens, thirteen to nineteen, is available at the library by appointment. If you would like to schedule an appointment to learn about the library's subscription databases please call the Reference Desk at 408-446-1677.

Internet Basics for Adults

Basic Internet classes for adults are held at the library every Saturday, 10 to 10:30 a.m. These drop-in classes are limited to five participants and are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Participants must be able to use a computer keyboard and mouse. If interested, come to the Adult Reference desk at 10 a.m. on Saturday mornings.

Internet Classes in Mandarin

Beginning classes on how to use the Internet are available in Mandarin, by appointment. If you would like to schedule an appointment, please call the library's Reference Desk at 408-446-1677.

Bestseller Collection

Funded by the Friends of the Cupertino Library, the Bestseller Collection is a special browsing collection designed to make it easier than ever to find a bestseller on the library shelf when you visit the library. The books are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Be an Exchange Student

The Cupertino-Toyokawa Sister City Program will hold an informational meeting for prospective exchange students on Wednesday, January 21, 2004,

from 7 to

8:30 p.m.

The meeting

will be held

at the

Cupertino

Union

School District

board room

located

at

10301 Vista Drive,

in Cupertino.

The sister city

relationship between

Cupertino and

Toyokawa, Japan

was established

in 1978. Since

that time, student

delegations from

Toyokawa and

Cupertino have

exchanged visits

to share experiences



Each year the delegate exchange has strengthened the bonds between our two communities and cultures.

This years student delegates will:

- Be selected from 6th, 7th and 8th grade students at Cupertino, Hyde, Kennedy, McAuliffe and Miller Middle Schools.
- Travel to Japan during the summer
- Live with Japanese host families
- Tour cultural sites and learn about Japanese life

U.S. citizenship is required of all applicants and selected delegates and their parents are required to work at the Cupertino Cherry Blossom Festival on Saturday, April 24 and Sunday, April 25, 2004.

Applications will only be available at the information meeting and attendance is mandatory for prospective students. For more information about this exciting educational opportunity, contact Ms. Lucille Honig, President of the Cupertino-Toyokawa Sister City Program at 408-257-7424.



Donate Live Trees

If you've decorated a live potted tree for the holidays, and wish to donate it, you can drop off your tree on Saturday, January 3rd, from 9 a.m. to Noon at the Our City Forest's Tree Bank, at Watson Park, 22nd St. and Jackson in San Jose. If you miss that opportunity, call them at 99-TREES. Our City Forest is a nonprofit group dedicated to planting trees throughout Santa Clara Valley, in parks, along city streets, and at schools. Learn about this organization at www.ourcityforest.org.

Seniors to Visit American Heritage Sites

The Cupertino Senior Center is planning a tour to Washington D.C., Williamsburg, Charlottesville and Annapolis on May 9, 2004 to May 19, 2004. This tour is designed to celebrate our history in some of America's most patriotic places.

Senior travelers will enter into a recreated Colonial village, tour the Confederate seat of power during the Civil War, and visit the halls of power in Washington D.C. where tomorrow's history is being made today.

Members of the Senior Center will also drive along Skyline Drive through the Shenandoah Valley, savor the salt air of the Chesapeake Bay at Annapolis, stroll along cobblestone streets where George Washington walked, explore Jefferson's legacies at Monticello and the University of Virginia, and view our national monument in the soft light of evening illumination.

At Arlington Cemetery, the group will honor the sacrifices made by America's fin-

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The Music of Magic

The Peninsula Symphony's annual Family Concert on February 29th promises to be a Magical Event featuring Magician Kevin Madden and Theremin Player Robby Virus! Assistant Conductor Geoffrey Gallegos has created a program full of comic entertainment and interactive participation. Magic Tricks, Clownish Acts, and Visual Surprises have been choreographed by Magician, Kevin Madden, former Education Director of the Berkeley Symphony, to introduce children and their parents to the "Music of Magic". Selections include Williams' Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone Symphonic Suite, Dukas' The Sorcerer's Apprentice, and Stravinsky's The Firebird. The performance will run approximately 1 1/2 hours and is suggested for families with children ages 5-12.

The Firebird will feature San Franciscan Robby Virus playing a unique instrument called the Theremin. For those not familiar with the Theremin, this unusual and fasci-



nating instrument is played without ever being touched! Two antennas protrude from the Theremin- one controlling pitch, and the other controlling volume. As a hand approaches the vertical antenna, the pitch gets high. Approaching the horizontal antenna makes the volume softer. Because there is no physical contact with the instrument, playing the Theremin requires precise skill and perfect pitch. Parents may recognize the Theremin from the Beach Boys' epic "pocket symphony" off the 1966 hit album "Good Vibrations".

February 29th, 3 p.m., Spangenberg Theatre, Gunn High School, 780 Arastradero Rd., Palo Alto. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students. Call 650-941-5291 or order on-line @ www.peninsulasymphony.org.

Lunar New Year Unity Parade and International Fair

Mark your calendars now for Saturday, February 28, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. when the second annual Lunar New Year Unity Parade extravaganza begins. The procession originates at Jollyman Park and proceeds along Stelling Road all the way to Memorial Park. You will hear and see marching bands from our schools, dancers from around the globe, martial arts demonstrations, parade teams from community service organizations, Chinese lion dancers for good New Year luck and many local elected officials. At Memorial Park, you will discover a fantastic International Fair featuring stage performances, ethnic cuisines and exhibits from a wide variety of countries. There will be fun family activities for all ages.

The 2004 Lunar New Year Unity Parade Committee is seeking corporate sponsors interested in supporting a special event that celebrates the multi-cultural heritage of our community. Link your company name with this showcase community event. Various corporate and individual sponsorship opportunities are available to fit any budget – from \$250 to \$10,000. Help support community unity. For more infor-



mation, contact Steve Ting at (408) 838-8072 or email to: s_ting@pacbell.net.

For other event information, contact the Committee co-chairs: Richard Lowenthal at richard@lowenthal.com or Michelle Hu at 996-1267 or m_hu_2000@yahoo.com.

World Religion Day Celebration

The Cupertino Baha'i community is sponsoring its 8th annual celebration of World Religion Day on Sunday, January 18th 2004, 3 to 5:00 p.m. at the Quinlan Community Center, 10185 N. Stelling Road.

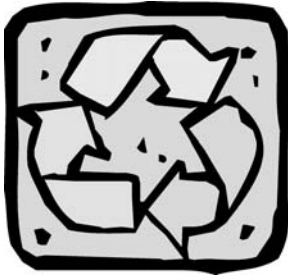
World Religion Day is intended to help foster interfaith understanding and harmony by emphasizing the common spiritual values underlying all religions. It provides the opportunity to seek a unified approach to the spiritual challenges that confront humanity, and recognizes that the earth is but one country and humanity its citizenry. The program will feature prominent religious and civic leaders from many traditions of faith, artistic renditions, music and an on-site reception

immediately following the program. As a public service, admission is free to the public.

The theme of this year's program, "A Guiding Light in Uncertain Times," is intended to call the community together

to renew recognition of the power of positive spiritual values found in all religions.

For more information, please call 408-446-5799 or visit www.cupertinobahais.org.



ECO-news

by Pamela Ledesma

Flood Preparation

As this year's rainy season continues, residents should check to be sure that they're prepared for the possibility of flooding in their neighborhoods. Those with property located in a flood zone especially should 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.

According to the Santa Clara Valley Water District, some areas in Cupertino along Calabazas Creek are considered at risk for flooding.

The city provides the following services to help residents prepare for potential flooding:

- Residents can find out if their property is in a flood zone by visiting the Cupertino Public Works Department (call 777-3354 for more information).

- The city's building department has a booklet called "What You Should Know Before You Hire a Contractor." Booklets are available on the downstairs counter at City Hall. The building department also offers elevation certificates for new buildings constructed in the floodplain.

The city's storm drainage system is com-

posed of street gutters, the storm drain sewer inlets (at street corners), and the pipes that connect the inlets to local creeks. This system drains street runoff into the creeks and channels on the valley floor.

Residents can assist the city, and help protect their immediate neighborhood from localized flooding, by sweeping gutters regularly and checking that nearby storm drain grates are not covered with leaves or litter. Residents should abide by street sweeping/no parking signs to allow the city to keep the gutters clean and the storm drain system flowing. The city routinely sweeps the gutters in residential areas twice a month and in

commercial areas once a week.

In the fall, before the rains started, city work crews vacuumed out all city storm drain inlets, and checked for any evidence of hazardous materials in the drains. This annual cleaning prevents any illegally dumped materials, that may be sitting in the inlets, from washing into our creeks with the first rains.

It is illegal to dump anything into a creek or a storm

drain. Residents can report dumping incidents to the city by calling 777-3269 during office hours and 911 after hours and on weekends.

What to Do With Your Old Computer

If you received new computer equipment for Christmas, and are wondering where to take your old WORKING computer, contact the Resource Area For Teachers (RAFT) in San Jose, 451-1420, www.raft.net—a nonprofit that provides used, working computers to teachers and other nonprofit agencies. Accepting: 400 MHz PCs or faster, Power Mac 6400, computers with CD ROM drive. Printers: inkjet or laser. Monitors: 17+” screen, 1995 or newer. And laptops and peripherals.

If it's NOT WORKING, take it to the City of Cupertino and Apple Computer's free electronics recycling program: 862-2667.



Mon, Wed., and Fri. 8-4:30. 10300 Bubb Rd. Accepting: all computer components and peripherals (PCs and Macs), including monitors, fax machines, VCRs, stereo equipment, home copiers, and DVD players. No TVs. (Call 725-4020 for TV disposal.) No monitors with cracked glass. Bring proof of residence.

Tree Recycling

Christmas trees will be collected at homes from January 2 through 16 on regular recycling day. (Remember that garbage/recycling days will be one day later during the first week of January.) Trees will also be picked up at apartment and condominium complexes during the same period (managers should call to schedule a pickup.) They should be put out by 6 a.m., cut into 4-foot lengths, with all decorations removed. Flocked trees will be accepted for recycling. Trees with decorations, tinsel and stands cannot be collected for composting, but will be picked up as garbage.

Junk Mail Reduction Kit

Junk mail usually increases dramatically during the Christmas season. January is a good time to take a look at all of the catalogs, credit card requests, nonprofit solicitations and routine advertising packets you've received (that you didn't want to receive), and make an effort to remove your name from their mailing lists. Even though the city can recycle all of your unwanted mail, those recycling programs are expensive. It would sure make sense to stop the mail from arriving at your mailbox to begin with.

Our Junk Mail Reduction Kit is available on-line at www.cupertino.org/environmental, pick one up at the Quinlan Center, the library, or call 408-777-3337.

Extra Winter Yard Waste

Residents are reminded that an easy way to dispose of the extra yard waste that results from winter garden cleanups and pruning (that doesn't fit in the yardwaste toter) is to make an appointment for a free "On-Call" Yardwaste/Woodwaste Recycling Day. All

residents have the right to two Recycling or Disposal Day appointments a year, starting each January.

Branches can't be larger than 6" in diameter and 6 ft. long. No loose piles. Please bundle or box branches and trimmings. The entire collection of yardwaste should not be bigger than 4' X 4' X 8'. No plastic bags, please. Call the Los Altos Garbage Co. for an appointment, 408-725-4020.

Oak Trees Relocated for Parking Structure

On Dec. 9 and 10 after careful excavation, five beautiful oak trees weighing between 80,000 and 90,000 pounds each were moved from De Anza College's Parking Lot C to the east entrance of the campus at Peppertree Lane and Stelling Road.

The tree relocation took place to make way for the construction of a \$15-million, multi-level parking structure that will provide a total of 1,840 parking spaces by the fall quarter of 2004. Four of the trees are coast live oak, and one is a holly oak.

College officials do not know when the trees were planted, although they believe the trees are between 30 and 50 years old. De Anza opened in the fall of 1967.

The parking structure is one of De Anza's



four major construction projects funded by Measure E, which was overwhelmingly passed by local voters four years ago. De Anza's share of Measure E funds is \$130 million.

Office of Emergency Services, Disaster Preparedness, Part I

Emergency preparedness starts with you. Even though we rely on 9-1-1 to answer our calls for help every day, when disaster strikes, everything changes.

Immediately following the Loma Prieta earthquake, 9-1-1 centers were overwhelmed with phone calls. Within five minutes, every ambulance, fire engine and law enforcement officer in the county was handling emergencies. For the next twelve hours, requests for emergency assistance were “stacked” and assigned to first responders whenever they were able to complete an assignment – often with delays of several hours. Compared to other counties in Northern California, Santa Clara County was barely affected by the earthquake. Imagine what would happen if the major damage had occurred here.

Because first responders will be overwhelmed, the only services you will be able to count on are those you have planned to provide for yourself. Services and supplies to consider include:

- Feeding yourself if power is out and stores are closed.
- Having fresh water in case water lines are damaged.
- Alternate sanitation methods if sewer lines are damaged.
- Treating minor injuries.
- A plan to obtain prescription medications.

Emergency supplies is just a small portion of emergency preparedness. We'll cover more in part 2, next month.

Special Notes: Cupertino has been awarded a three-year, \$150,000, grant to in-



crease the disaster medical response capability. The Office of Emergency Services will work with the County Public Health Department, Red Cross, Santa Clara County Fire Department, County Emergency Medical Services and Cupertino Medical Clinic to coordinate the program. The plan includes:

- Identifying community members who have an interest and/or experience in medical response (CERT members, doctors, nurses, technicians, and EMTs/paramedics).
- Creating disaster medical response teams from within the community.
- Providing additional medical training for those who need it.
- Offering more First Aid and CPR classes.
- Purchasing supplies and equipment to implement the plan.

For more information, contact the Cupertino Office of Emergency Services 408-777-3335.

Registration for CERT, CPR and First Aid

CPR class costs \$15, First Aid, \$25.

Paid class registration is now handled by Parks and Recreation at 408-777-3110. Registration forms are also available at the Library and Quinlan Center. For other services, see www.cupertino.org/emergency, or call 408-777-3335.

CERT graduates can register for free classes through the Office of Emergency at 408-777-3335.

Free 2004 Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) Session #1

(Three Friday Nights, Three Saturday Mornings) January 16, 23, 30, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. 17, 24, 31, 9 a.m. to Noon.

CPR February 13, 6:30 to 10 p.m.

FREE CERT Session #2 March 23, 30, April 6, 20, 27, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Gradu-

ation, May 1, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

If you only do one thing this month to prepare:

Sign up for some form of emergency preparedness training through Cupertino OES, or the Red Cross, at (408) 577-1000, and make 2004 be the year you become part of the solution.

Marsha Hovey has been the Emergency Services Coordinator for the City of Cupertino since 2000.

What is Digital Television (DTV)?

We are on the verge of a new age of television. The Cupertino Telecommunications Commission would like our residents to become familiar with digital television. In order to help us understand the coming transition the following is a reprint from the Federal Communications Commission, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau.

What is Digital Television (DTV)? Digital Television (DTV) is a new type of broadcasting technology that will transform television. Because DTV is delivered digitally, it allows for the delivery of a signal virtually free of interference. DTV broadcasters will be able to offer television with movie-quality pictures and Dolby digital surround sound, along with a variety of other enhancements.

Why Are We Switching to DTV? DTV is a more flexible and efficient technology than the current analog system. In the same bandwidth in which a broadcaster provides one analog programming channel, a broadcaster may provide a super sharp "high definition" (HDTV) program or multiple "standard definition" DTV programs simultaneously. Providing several program streams on one broadcast channel is called "multicasting." The number of programs a station can send on one digital channel depends on the level of picture detail, also known as "resolution," desired in each programming stream. A

broadcaster can also use DTV to provide interactivity and data services that were not possible with analog technology. Converting to DTV will also free up parts of the scarce and valuable broadcast airwaves, allowing those portions of the airwaves to be used for other important services, such as advanced wireless and public safety services (police, fire departments, rescue squads, etc.).

What Is High Definition TV (HDTV)? HDTV is a type of DTV service. HDTV provides high resolution programming in a widescreen format. A current analog TV picture is made up of 480 horizontal lines. An HDTV picture can have up to 1080 lines, allowing for stunning picture detail. Widescreen format refers to an image's aspect ratio, which is a comparison of screen width to screen height. Analog television has an aspect ratio of 4 by 3, which means the screen is 4 units wide by 3 units high. The aspect ratio of HDTV is 16 by 9, the same as the wide scope of a movie theater screen.

HDTV programs can include Dolby Digital surround sound, the same digital sound system used in movie theaters and DVDs.

DTV technology is more efficient than analog technology and will allow the same number of stations to broadcast more program material

using fewer broadcast airwaves. DTV offers a more efficient use of the spectrum and will make available to consumers increased options in services. For more information about DTV, see the FCC Web site www.fcc.gov/dtv/. For information about other telecommunications-related issues, contact the FCC's Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau: Internet at www.fcc.gov/cgb, Consumer Center: 1-888-CALL-FCC (1-888-225-5322) Address: Federal Communications Commission Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau 445 12th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554.





Roots

By Gail

Fretwell Hugger

Bits and Pieces

One of the fun aspects of looking for things to write about for the “ROOTS” column is getting to go through lots of old papers - sort of like a treasure hunt. People pass on things they have saved over the years but don’t know what to do with anymore and like the old saying goes, “One person’s junk is another person’s treasure”. Someone gave me a small pile of old Cupertino Scenes. The oldest one was dated Feb. 1974. Admittedly, that’s not old, but remember, Cupertino wasn’t even incorporated as a city until 1955.

Anyway, in reading through these little, yellowed sheets, I was immediately glad that the present format is larger and so is the print! It was fun and nostalgic to read so many old familiar names, but a little sad, too because so many of these folks are gone now. There were a lot of articles about dogs - leashing dogs, cleaning up after dogs, licensing dogs and warnings about dogs running loose. Evidently there had been a case of dogs killing sheep down at the 4H pens at McClellan ranch park and dogs molesting wildlife. In the January 1977 issue the article on dogs ended with the following: “from now on, any dog found (and caught) on park property without a leash will be removed by Animal Control and taken to the pound. We urge neighbors of the parks to be aware of this and restrain their dogs accordingly. (We hate to hound you, but doggone it, it’s just another pointer on the problem and what we have to do to whippet.”) Who says city government has no sense of humor?

In July 1975, the Scene reported the following. “For those of you breathlessly wait-

ing for the next chapter of Saratoga-Sunnyvale Road (if such people exist), we can report that the overwhelming sentiment of Cupertino residents was in favor of the name “Old Highway 9”. However, the response from the response from the County Communications Center and from the Calif. Department of Transportation was rather underwhelming. These two agencies were both strongly against the change due to possible confusion with the real Highway 9 now located in Saratoga. (The moral seems to be that we can unofficially call it Highway 9, but not officially.) So, being back at the beginning, Cupertino Council decided in favor of De Anza Boulevard and sent the Mayor over to Sunnyvale to try to persuade the dignitar-



ies there to join us. The Mayor apparently took his strategy from a textbook by General Custer and got predictable results. So on June 16, the Council voted 4-1 (Mayor Jackson dissenting) to rename that portion within Cupertino “De Anza Boulevard,” effective next year. And by now we feel that most if not all our residents hope, like us, that this is the end of the saga of Saratoga-Sunnyvale Road.”

February 1976 Scene sported an inside column entitled, “Sic Transit Gloria” * regarding a proposed local transit tax and the ended the column with (*Rough Latin translation, “Yes, Gloria, without the tax there will be sick transit in Santa Clara County!”)

May 1977 advised Cupertino citizens that the “Recreation Department is now planning a city-wide frog-jumping contest with the winners going to the Calaveras County An-

gels Camp contest on May 21 and 22.” Citizens were informed that it was possible to rent - a - frog. The rent - a - frogs were being imported from Arizona because someone thought that our own California frogs weren’t good enough. The site of the contest was to be Stevens Croak Boulevard. My favorite Scene cover was of April 1984 celebrating National Library Week. The explanatory box inside related, “ the month’s cover shows the Monterey County Librarian enroute to visit branches “beyond the roads”. To the left, the Pacific Ocean (Unfortunately there is no date for the old photo, but I would love to know where this little caravan was going on the narrow trail)

One last tidbit - an anonymous reader commented that I should find out the date when the Hoo Hoo House burned down (Cupertino Scene, Nov. 2003). My information was quite a bit off. According to an article written by Cupertino historian, Louis Stocklmeir, in 1971, the original Hoo Hoo House went up in a spectacular fire on August 16, 1928 and the brilliant blaze was visible for many miles. Also, according to Stocklmeir, the term “Hoo Hoo” was used as a warning signal when a tree-faller was about to topple a forest giant.

John Steinbeck: his life and times in Santa Clara Valley

Join the Cupertino Historical Society & Museum on January 27, 2004 to hear Susan Shillinglaw from the Martha Heasley Cox Center for Steinbeck Studies.

The evening begins with a potluck at 6:30 p.m. Please bring your own service and a dish to share. The presentation begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Cupertino Room inside the Quinlan Community Center located at 10185 N. Stelling Road. The lecture is \$3 for nonmembers and free to members. For more information please call 408-973-1495.

Hands-On History

Ever wonder why Cupid is shooting arrows at people to make them fall in love? How did Valentine’s Day get it’s name? Join

us on February 14 at the Museum from 1 to 3 p.m. to learn about the history of Valentine’s Day and design some classic Victorian-era valentines to take home to your sweetheart.



Cupertino Antiques Show

The Cupertino Antiques Crossroads Show hosted by the Cupertino Historical Society is coming to town in March. And we are looking for Cupertino citizens that have treasures in their attics or basements and would like to display them at a booth at the show. For more information please contact Christine Jeffers at 408-973-1495.

Heritage Sites, cont.

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est young men and women. Seniors will see America’s future protected by the young men and women of today’s United States Marine Corp at the stirring Marine Barracks Evening Parade.

The American Heritage Tour features airport transfers, roundtrip airfare, hotel accommodations, baggage handling, 17 meals, trip transportation, all entrances and admissions, all taxes and tips, and tour escort. Tour price is \$2790 double occupancy plus \$15 Cupertino Senior Center membership fee. This tour is open to all adults 50 years and older.

If you are interested in being a part of this tour, please come to the Cupertino Senior Center, 21251 Stevens Creek Boulevard on Wednesday, January 7 at 1:30 p.m. for a slide show presentation on the American Heritage tour.

For trip registration and information, please contact the Cupertino Senior Center at 408-

Community Calendar

Submit information about clubs and organizations that meet in Cupertino to Linda Lagergren, City of Cupertino, 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino, 95014, 777-3202.
Clubs with asterisks meet more than once monthly.
Call the contact number for details.

JAN.	Club/Organization	Time	Location	Phone
1 Thurs	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 p.m.	Union Church	253-8394
2 Fri	Alcoholics Anonymous* Fast Start Group De Anza Kiwanis*	5:00 p.m. 7:15 a.m.	Redeemer Lutheran Church 940 S. Stelling Rd Intl. House of Pancakes	374-8511 973-1456
3 Sat	De Anza Flea Market Organization of Special Needs Families* Overeaters Anonymous*	8 to 4 2 to 4 p.m. 9 a.m.	De Anza College 20920 McClellan Rd. Union Church	864-8946 996-0858 842-0688
5 Mon	American Legion Post 642 AI-ANON Steps for Living* Take off Pounds Sensibly* TOPS Overeaters Anonymous*	8 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7 p.m.	10201 Imperial Ave., #3 940 S. Stelling Rd. First Baptist Church 10505 Miller Ave. Union Church	374-6392 379-1051 252-2434 650-327-1649
6 Tues	Alcoholics Anonymous* Women's Group AI-ANON Family Group* ToughLove* Cupertino Kiwanis* Knights of Columbus 4981* Cupertino Men's Service*	6:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7 p.m. Noon 8 p.m. Noon	Redeemer Luth. Church, 940 S. Stelling Rd. Bethel Lutheran Church 10131 Finch Avenue Bethel Lutheran Church The Blue Pheasant 10201 Imperial Ave., #3 The Blue Pheasant	650-903-0321 379-1051 946-7970 252-3830 243-8462
7 Wed	AI-ANON Family Group* AI-ATEEN* Narcotics Anonymous Cupertino Sanitary Dist* De Anza Optimist Club* Cupertino Optimist Club* Tandem Toastmasters* Cupertino Rotary Club* Philotesian Rebekah #145 Cup. Symphonic Band* Cross-Cultural Consortium (5Cs) Overeaters Anonymous*	7:00 p.m. 8:15 p.m. Noon 8 p.m. 7:15 a.m. 12:15 p.m. Noon Noon 7:30 p.m. 7 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 6 p.m.	940 S. Stelling Road Redeemer Lutheran Church, 940 S. Stelling St. Jude's Episcopal Church, 20920 McClellan 20065 Stevens Creek #C Holder's Restaurant Blue Pheasant HP, 19333 Vallco Parkway Community Center Cupertino Odd Fellows Cupertino High School City Hall Union Church	650-734-5869 650-292-8897 998-4200 253-7071 253-4424 255-3212 285-4977 920-2224 252-3954 262-0471 777-3331 247-8488
8 Thurs	Quota Service Club* (Aids hearing & speech impaired) Cupertino-West Valley	Noon 11:30 a.m.	Blue Pheasant	252-8568 257-6136

8 Thurs	Welcome Club	7:30 p.m.	Community Center Cupertino Room	252-1529 253-9136
	Viewfinders Camcorder Club			
	De Anza Lions Club*	6:45 a.m.	Holders Country Inn	253-3219
	Cup. Host Lions Club*	7:15 p.m.	Mariani's Restaurant	252-6262
	Northwest Y Service Club*	7 p.m.	Northwest YMCA 20803 Alves Drive City Hall	725-8195 345-8372
	Cupertino Amateur Radio Emergency Service	7:30 p.m.		
	Women's Quilting Group*	9:30 a.m.	West Valley Pres. Church 6191 Bollinger Rd.	253-2984 252-0932
	Connect Club I*	Noon	International House of Pancakes / St. Crk. Blvd.	252-7054
Connect Club II*	8 a.m.	Chamber of Commerce	252-7054	
Connect Club III*	Noon	Chamber of Commerce	252-7054	
HP Communicators	7:00 a.m.	HP Cupt. site, Bldg. 46T	650-691- 8724	
Toastmasters #4606*		19055 Pruneridge Ave.		
9 Fri	Malihini Orchid Society	7:30 p.m.	Hewlett-Packard, Oak Rm	267-3397
	Cupertino Coin Club	7:45 p.m.	West Valley Pres. Church	253-1232
10 Sat	Daughters of Norway	9:30 a.m.	Sunnyview Retirement Community	255-9828
12 Mon	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 p.m.	20589 Homestead Rd.	252-3954
	Fine Arts League	7 p.m.	Community Center Cupertino Room	253-2230
13 Tues	Southbay Toastmasters*	6:30 p.m.	Tandem Bldg. 251, 10100 N. Tantau, Rm. 1258	253-7622
	Sertoma Club*	7:15 a.m.	1366 S. Saratoga- Sunnyvale Rd.	252-2584 255-5293
	Poets Society*	7:30 p.m.	Coffee Society	725-8091
14 Wed	Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*	7 p.m.	Collins School	245-9156
	The Powerful Pens	7:30 p.m.	21269 Stevens Creek, Suite 610	777-3820
15 Thurs	Toyokawa Sister City	7:30 p.m.	City Hall	257-7424
	West Valley Republican Women	11:30 a.m.		252-6312
	Rolling Hills 4H Club	7 p.m.	Monta Vista Recreation Center	257-4745
	Embroiders' Guild of America	7 p.m.	Sunnyview Lutheran Home	578-5917
20 Tues	African Violet Society	12:30 p.m.	Sunnyview Lutheran Home	736-9262
27 Tues	Historical Society	6:30 p.m.	Community Center	973-1495
28 Wed	Rancho Neighborhood Association	7:30 p.m.	Rancho Pool & Recreation Facility	
	The Powerful Pens	7:30 p.m.	18000 Chelmsford	777-3820

Deadline for submitting February calendar information is Jan. 7.

Council Actions



City Council

Monday, December 15, 2003

Council Members Present: James, Kwok, Lowenthal, Sandoval, Wang

Study Session – 5:30 p.m. in Conference Room C, discussed funding for the Stevens Creek Corridor project. Council gave general direction to staff to finish the Master Plan and to apply for state grant funding.

Adopted a resolution declaring weeds on certain properties a nuisance and set a hearing date for January 20.

Adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) that will enable the City to receive a Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) grant for \$1,114,797 for the Mary Avenue Pedestrian Footbridge project.

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Joint Use Agreement with Santa Clara Valley Water District for the Regnart Creek Trail.

Adopted a resolution authorizing additional construction contingency for the contract for the DeAnza Boulevard Adaptive Traffic Signal System, for \$30,000, to cover the installation of additional traffic signal detector loops and to cover any additional unforeseen work required to complete the project, to bring the total project amount including contingency to \$224,550.

Approve the Second Amendment to Second Restated and Amended Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JPA) creating the Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority (SVACA) for notice of withdrawal from the Authority as of July 1, 2004 and the development and approval of the Authority's budget for fiscal year 2004/05.

Council denied a use permit to demolish 17,800 square feet of the Oaks Shopping Center and construct 49 townhomes, and to make signage, landscaping and parking improvements to the Oaks Shopping Center.

Council approved a use permit to construct a 107-unit condominium project and 6,450 square feet of new retail space.

Adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 3, for additional consultant services with SMWM Architects, for the additional items added to the Library and Civic Center project, as approved by the City Council, not to exceed an amount of \$350,000, and approval of \$100,000 for additional services, as may be required and approved by the Director of Public Works, through the completion of the project.

Planning Commission Agenda Preview

City Council Chambers

January 12, 2004, 6:45 p.m.

Applicant: Leah Hernikl/ Cingular Wireless, Location: 10881 S. Blaney Ave. (Tin Tin Market). Use permit to erect a 50-foot artificial tree monopole and an equipment shelter for wireless phone antennas.

Applicant: Lisa Brooke/ Kindercare, Location: 1515 S. De Anza Boulevard. Use permit to locate a child care facility and playground to accommodate 160 children in an existing commercial building.

Applicant: Todd Lee/ Marketplace, Location: 19770 Stevens Creek Blvd. Use permit modification (16-U-76) to permit new food services and restaurants adjacent to the gated portion of the rear corridor through a use permit process.

City Council Chambers

January 26, 2004, 6:45 p.m.

Applicant: City of Cupertino, Location: Citywide. Municipal Code Amendment affecting single-family residential development in the R1 zoning district.

One-year review of modification of a use permit to locate a children's playground at the front of the property and extend the hours of operation at 20803 Alves Drive (YMCA).

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January 1	Parks and Recreation Commission***	CANCELED
January 5	City Council***	6:45 p.m.
January 5	Teen Commission (Community Center)	6:00 p.m.
January 7	Telecommunications Commission	CANCELED
January 8	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm.)	6:30 p.m.
January 8	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:00 p.m.
January 11	Planning Commission ***	6:45 p.m.
January 14	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm.)	4:30 p.m.
January 19	City Council***	6:45 p.m.
January 20	Library Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:00 p.m.
January 21	Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:00 p.m.
January 21	Teen Commission (Community Center)	6:00 p.m.
January 26	Planning Commission ***	6:45 p.m.
January 27	Fine Arts Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:30 p.m.
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