



Cupertino's Lunar New Year Unity Parade

The Lunar New Year Unity Parade Committee would like to invite you to join this exciting Cupertino community event.

Events begin at 10:30 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. The parade route goes north along Stelling Road, from Jollyman to Memorial Park, for a total of 1.2 miles. There will be marching bands, a dragon, floats, and dancers from around the world.

Immediately following at Memorial Park, there will be exhibits showcasing Chinese, Indian, Iranian, Swiss, Mexican, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Turkish cultures, along with international food pavillion with delicacies from China, Persia, Thailand, the United States, Turkey and Mexico.

Starting at 2 p.m. there will be performances in the Chinese, Persian, Irish, Korean, Mexican and German traditions.

More than 20,000 spectators are expected to attend this exciting new event. The mission of the Lunar New Year Unity Parade is to bring our community's broad spectrum of cultures together. In the spirit of San Francisco's successful Chinese New Year Parade, we hope to do something in a similar style yet give it our own local flavor. For more information go to www.unityparade.org.

Schedule of Events Saturday, March 8

10:30 a.m.: Parade begins at Jollyman Park, including marching bands, a dragon, floats, and dancers from around the world.

11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.: International Food and Cultural Festival at Memorial Park

2 to 5 p.m.: International Performances at the Memorial Park Ampitheater

Have You Read The Plan?



The Cupertino City Council will hold a public hearing on the draft Crossroads Area Streetscape Plan at its March 3 meeting. The plan is available on the City's website at www.cupertino.org/planning. For more information, please contact the Planning Department at (408) 777-3277 or email Aarti Shrivastava, Senior Planner, at aartis@cupertino.org.

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Cupertino Scene

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Cupertino Temporary Library is Open



Library Hours in the Temporary Library

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

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, and a Dial-in Catalog. A brochure, Library Catalog Access from Home or Work, is available at the library.

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>

Children's Storytimes

- Bedtime Storytime (3 years and up)
Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.
- Toddler Storytime (ages 2-1/2 to 3-1/2)
Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Toddler Storytime (ages 1-1/2 to 3)
Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.

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Simply Safe

by Marsha Hovey

Calling All CERT Graduates

Would you like to expand your emergency response role outside the local neighborhood? There will be a meeting on Tuesday, March 11 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. We will discuss plans for regional CERT teams that will assemble at local schools and then provide assistance to surrounding neighborhoods – after you’ve helped your neighbors. The first drill will be on Saturday, April 19 at 10 a.m. You must be a registered Disaster Service Worker or City of Cupertino Volunteer to participate in this activity. You may register at any time. **Please call and let us know if you are coming.** If you are unable to attend, but would like to be sent the minutes of the meeting, email or call the office.

CERT and CARES Support Unity Parade

CERT and Cupertino Amateur Radio Emergency Service (CARES) will provide a First Aid station and communications support at the Lunar New Year Unity Parade on March 8. If you see someone wearing a yellow CERT vest, or blue Emergency Communications shirt, stop and thank them for their volunteer service.

Help Neighbors Prepare

CERT members can help neighbors prepare. Here is a suggestion that will help you get to know your neighbors *and* prepare your community at the same time. Hold a gas meter check day. Walk through the neighborhood, identify yourself as a CERT team member (wear your hard hat and vest), and ask neighbors if you can show them how to turn off the natural gas supply in case of an emergency. Remind them to **NEVER** use WD40 on the valve. If the valve is stuck, have them contact PG&E or a plumber to get it fixed, then “exercise” the valve every month by turning it 1/8 of a turn in either direction. It will not shut off the gas, but you will know it is working properly.



Upcoming Classes:

Supplemental training for CERT graduates, **Bandaging:** March 1, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Creekside Park Training Room.

Basic Emergency Preparedness

A free class on how to prepare yourself and your home for emergencies in the community. Designed for those who have done little or nothing to prepare. April 10, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., or 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Kaleidoscope Public Safety Camp for 6-12 Grade

April 23 to 25, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., or July 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Day and Evening, Duplicate Sessions, Chose your time.

July 17, 24, 31, Aug 7, 14
9 a.m. to 12 p.m. or 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Graduation for both groups Aug 16, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

CERT Saturdays begins again on Aug 2. Spend only one Saturday a month, for three months, and take the complete 18-hour course. Aug 2, Sept 6, Oct 4.

CPR

May 3, June 7 and 27. 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. \$10.

First Aid

May 3, June 7, July 24. 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. \$10.

CPR and First Aid classes are free to CERT, CARES and Kaleidoscope members.

Do one thing to prepare this month...

Plan now to hold a block party and schedule someone from OES to come and teach everyone how and when to turn off the gas and how to use a fire extinguisher. It is an easy way to get to know your neighbors and start talking about being prepared. Call (408)777-3331 to schedule a block party.

To register for classes or request additional information on how to be prepared, go to “Emergency Preparedness” at www.cupertino.org/emergency, or contact Marsha Hovey, (408) 777-3335, or email OES@cupertino.org. Registration forms are also available at the Library, Quinlan Center, and City Hall.

Teen Commission Hosts Job Faire

By Kenny Lin, Teen Commission Chair

The Cupertino Teen Commission is now serving and representing teens for its second year. Its 13 members are from local junior high schools such as Cupertino, Hyde, and Kennedy as well as high schools like Archbishop Mitty, Cupertino, Homestead, and Monta Vista. Some of the activities they have been involved with recently include the high school community dance, CCS food drives, the teen website (www.cupertinoteens.com) and currently, the 2nd Annual Job Faire, which is set for March 29 at the Quinlan Center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Any businesses and organizations are welcome to contact the commission at cupertinoteenc@yahoo.com or Kim Frey, staff liaison, at 777-3120 to sign up and participate in an event that will help the youth find employment as well as exposure to different fields. Job-shadowing and volunteer opportunities are welcome.



Disneyland

Attention all junior high and high school students. Travel to Southern California to experience the fun of visiting Disneyland, Magic Mountain, California Adventure, Downtown Disney, and Medieval Times. If you register by 5 p.m. on March 28, 2003, for just \$315, you and your friends can spend your spring vacation having the time of your lives. First, we will visit Magic Mountain - the Xtreme Park, guaranteed to make your stomach turn. The following day, it's on to California Adventure and Downtown Disney. That night, we will head over to Medieval Times where you will cheer your favorite knight on to victory in an adventurous dinner show. After another restful night's slumber at the Carousel Inn, it's on to Disneyland for a fantastic day of fun and excitement. Remember to register by 5 p.m., March 28, 2003, and you will qualify for the low, low rate of just \$315. Any registration taken after this date will cost \$335. Only 40 spaces are available, so sign up now. Fee includes: Chartered bus transpor-

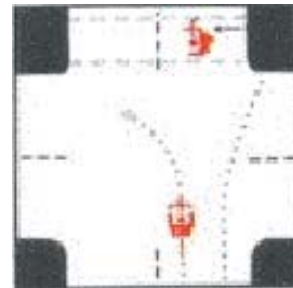
tation, admission into all attractions, hotel accommodations, and supervision. You will not want to miss this great trip. For more information or to register please call Parks and Recreation at 777-3120.

Teen Dances

Get ready to have a blast at our dance, Friday, March 14, for 7th and 8th graders. Grab the chance to come and hang out with your friends, socialize with friends from other middle schools and dance the night away in a safe, exciting, and well-chaperoned environment. This dance has it all; a DJ playing your requests, lights, and a snack bar. Cupertino Parks and Recreation Department hosts these dances at the Quinlan Community Center. Dances are limited to students who live within Cupertino Union school district boundaries. Cost is \$5 at the door with a student ID card. **NO Cupertino School ID, NO entry into the dance.** Current report cards or a note from a teacher are acceptable if student ID is unavailable. For more information or parents interested in being chaperones, please call 777-3120.

Bicycle Rules of the Road

DMV Rule
21205: Bicyclists
may not carry any
package or article



that prevents them from keeping at least one hand on the handlebars.

Safety Tip: Choose the best way to make a left turn.

There are two ways to make a left turn. First, like an auto, signal, move into the left lane when safe, yield to oncoming traffic, then turn left. Second, like a pedestrian, ride straight across to the far side crosswalk, then walk or ride your bike across.

For more rules on bicycle safety check <http://www.dmv.ca.gov/about/bicycle.htm>.

“Distinguished Artist” Sought

The Cupertino Fine Arts Commission is accepting nominations for its annual Distinguished Artist Award. Applications are available from the city clerk's office, 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino, 95014, or by calling (408) 777-3217.

Deadline for returning nominations to the clerk's office is Monday, May 19.

The award, which will be presented in the fall, is given to an artist who lives or practices his or her art in the Cupertino area. Both performing and visual artists will be considered.

A subcommittee composed of three arts commissioners will select the Distinguished Artist Award recipient. Among artists who have received the award are sculptor Salvatore Pecoraro, musician Nile Norton, printmaker Glen Rogers Perrotto, dancers Mythili Kumar and Janet Shaw, artist Sandra Beard, Ikebana flower-arranging artist Fusako Seiga Hoyrup, artist/sculptor Brother Joseph Aspell, S.M., artist/calligrapher Sara Loesch Frank, pianist Makiko Ooka, singer/composer Robert L. Harrison, and ceramic artist Mahoko Dahte.

More information about the Distinguished Artist Award is available from the city clerk's office, (408) 777-3217, kimberlys@cupertino.org or by visiting the City of Cupertino website at www.cupertino.org and following the links to City Government, Commissions, Fine Arts Commission.

Help Make History Come Alive

The Cupertino Historical Society and Museum announces the sixth lecture in its Gathering at the Crossroads series on March 25, 2003, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will feature a presentation by Kristin McCaman, Program Coordinator for History San Jose.

Louis Pellier, a Frenchman, settled in Santa Clara County in 1850. On a piece of land in San Jose, next to the Peralta family adobe, he planted vegetables and pear trees. Pellier Park in San Jose commemorates the spot today. In 1856 Pellier brought from France cuttings of a variety of vines, pears, apples, plums and prunes. Pellier grafted the petite d'Agen, a French prune, to plum roots. And thus began Santa Clara County's largest agricultural crop. All the prunes in the United States still come from California and over 90% of them are Pellier's.

The Gathering at the Crossroads begins with a Cupertino Historical Society member's potluck at 6:30. Participants are expected to bring a dish of their choice. The lecture begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Cupertino Room inside the Quinlan Community Center located at 10185 North Stelling Road. The lecture is \$3 for non-members and free to members.

The Cupertino Historical Society is a public benefit corporation dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of the history and culture, both past and present, of Cupertino. It operates a museum in the Quinlan Community Center. Museum hours are Wednesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

City Seeks CREST Award Nominations

Applications are now available for anyone wishing to nominate an individual or an organization for a 2003 CREST Award.

Presented by the city of Cupertino, the CREST Award pays tribute to outstanding community volunteers. This year's ceremony will be held Thursday, May 15, at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at Cupertino City Hall, 10300 Torre Avenue.

CREST stands for Cupertino Recognizes Extra Steps Taken. Nominees need not live in Cupertino, but must have made significant contributions to the quality of life in the city. Nomination forms are available at City Hall, the Cupertino Library, the Cupertino Chamber of Commerce, the Quinlan Community Center and the city web site at www.cupertino.org.

The nomination deadline is 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 7. Forms must be submitted to the public information office at City Hall, 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino. Further information about the awards ceremony is available by calling the public information office, 777-3262.

Cupertino Cuisine: Two-Way Chicken

By Piper McNulty

I have worked with ESL students from many countries for over 20 years and I now teach Intercultural Communication at De Anza College. I'm also a member of the Citizens of Cupertino Cross-Cultural Consortium (5C's). I always enjoy tasting my students' foods at our class multicultural pot lucks, and can sometimes persuade them to part with recipes and even teach me cooking techniques (the most elaborate I've seen so far was for making Persian rice). However, these two recipes are my own, based on dishes I tasted in restaurants. I hope you enjoy them.

Lime Curry Chicken

I developed this recipe after working with Vietnamese refugees in Hong Kong and San Francisco. It incorporates some ideas from a Chinese-Thai friend as well. It can be easily altered to suit your palette. My daughters used to take this chicken to school in their lunch bags. The drumettes are great finger food for a party.

6 chicken thighs (bone in, with or without skin), or 12-15 chicken "drumettes"

1 heaping tbsp curry powder (I like the Malaysian curry powder which comes in small cellophane packets at TinTin, but any curry powder will do)

2-3 tsp fish sauce (Thai or Vietnamese – can be found in most supermarkets)

3 medium cloves garlic, minced, or 1 tsp garlic powder

juice of one lime (at least 1 tbsp)

1 tbsp sugar

Marinate all ingredients for several hours or overnight, in a zip lock bag. Turn once to marinate evenly. Then grill or broil till done. Serve hot or cold.

Basil Chicken

I tasted a chicken dish somewhat similar to this in a Chiu Chow restaurant in San Francisco, and also at the old Tam's on S. De Anza near Longs and Albertson's, which offered some Chiu Chow dishes. Chiu Chow cuisine sometimes uses peppers and basil. Many of the Chiu Chow here in the States are ethnic Chinese from Thailand and other SE Asian countries. This is a great recipe if you have a Meyer lemon tree. It is very quick to

make. No marinating is needed and it cooks in less than 5 minutes.

6 chicken thighs boned and skinned and cut into 1 inch chunks (or smaller, down to coarsely ground)

3 cloves garlic, chopped fine

2 tbsp Meyer lemon juice or 1 ½ T regular store bought lemon juice (less if you like dishes less sour)

1 tbsp soy sauce (I use Kikkoman low salt)

2 bunches Thai basil (Ranch 99, Marina and TinTin all carry this – it's the only kind of basil they carry) – rinse, pick off leaves and discard stems (if you don't want the basil to dominate this dish, use 1 bunch instead of 2)

1 large jalapeno pepper, seeded, ribbed, and minced (or cut into strips if guests would like the option of not eating the pepper (that is, cut pieces big enough to see and remove, or use tiny whole green and red fresh Thai peppers instead (available at better supermarkets and Asian markets)

1. Brown the garlic in a little oil (use a wok or a deep non stick fry pan)

2. Add the chicken and stir fry till just cooked

3. Add the basil, pepper, lemon juice and soy sauce and stir till the basil wilts, all ingredients are mixed and the sauce is hot. The sauce will be quite thin.

4. Serve with steamed jasmine rice (the aroma of the jasmine rice really enhances the flavor of this dish). Serve w/ a large spoon so guests can capture some of the sauce and pour it over their rice.

Chutneys to Relish

By Hema Kundargi

What ketchup is to American cuisine, Chutney is to Indian cuisine. Chutney is basically a relish, which can be enjoyed with any meal. The Chutney can be made of aromatic spices, or fragrant herbs or fruits or vegetables or beans or a combination of all the above. Emerald green aromatic cilantro chutney, vibrant yellow juicy pineapple chutney, ruby red, tangy cranberry chutney or glowing orange colored peanut chutney will definitely add zest to any drab meal.

The ingredients to make chutney create a vast display of textures, flavor and color.

In India, the weather is mostly hot with temperature often going up to 100 degrees F. This very often causes the liver to go sluggish and ap-

petite to wilt. Spicy foods like chutney activate the liver and prodding the body to eat. The need for creating an array of chutneys may be the result of the Indian cook's love for sour and sweet and spicy. Chutney is also an interesting way of enjoying seasonal abundance of fruits and vegetables.

Traditionally the chutney would be ground in mortar and pestle, but the modern appliances like blender; coffee grinder and food processor do an equally good job.

I was born in family, where chutney was a basic staple in everyday meals. No meal could be complete without at least two chutneys. After 17 years in US, I have developed a great affinity to cook pasta, salads, pizza and sandwiches for mealtime. But I found I could not compromise my love for chutneys. After all, it was a great way to add flavor and zip, without much fat. My refrigerator is always stocked up with an array of chutneys. I just drizzle a spicy hot garlic-chili chutney over my pizza, sprinkle peanut chutney over a crisp salad, smother a Togos sandwich with cilantro chutney, spoon an saffron mango chutney over vanilla ice cream and gave a new meaning to east meets west!

Chutney is simply a great way to add pizzazz to a simple meal or to add a finishing touch to an elaborate meal

Here is my favorite chutney:

Mango Chutney laced with saffron

1/8 teaspoon saffron threads

1/4 teaspoon ground cardamom

2 cups powdered sugar

2 cups diced mango

In a 2-quart pan over high heat, mix saffron, ¼ cup water, cardamom and sugar until sugar dissolves, 1 to 2 minutes. Add mangoes and stir until boiling rapidly. Serve warm or cool.

Hema Hints:

1. For this recipe I suggest the use of Kent or Haden variety of mango.

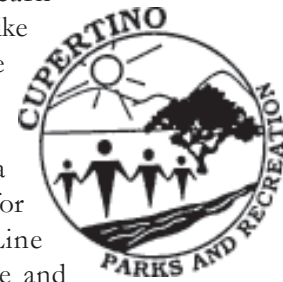
2. Spread a spoon of mango chutney on a tortilla to make a delicious roll for children.

3. Blend ½ cup of mango chutney to 2 glasses of milk or soymilk to make an aromatic mango milk shake.



Senior Dance Classes

Would you like to learn something new? Do you like to dance? Come to the Cupertino Senior Center for a lot of fun and meet new friends. We offer a variety of dance classes for your pleasure: Hula, Line Dance, Ballroom Dance and Yuan Chih Dance.



On Monday mornings, when you step into the Senior Center, you may be greeted by the joyous lyrics of the ukulele and drum beats, the Hula dancers are practicing their steps; we offer two classes, beginning and intermediate, learn the graceful movements that tell stories, imagine yourself in the beautiful islands of Hawaii, soak up the music and immerse yourself in the culture while exercising your body and soul.

Wednesday mornings we have two groups of high-energy line dancers, they step, they twirl and they kick up their heels. We offer two classes, beginner and intermediate; learn fun line dances while improving your muscle coordination, no partners needed.

If Ballroom Dance is your cup of tea, two professional dance instructors will guide you through Waltz, Cha Cha, Tango, Fox Trot to name a few. Spend your Wednesday afternoons learning new dances and have some fun. Impress your family and friends at dance clubs and wedding receptions.

From the Orient comes the ancient dance of Yuan Chih, created during the Yuan Dynasty (around 1250 AD), this dance form was intended for the royal family. On Friday mornings, you will hear the sound of the gong that greets the participants; the combination of dance, martial arts and Chinese medicine creates a unique exercise form to improve your mental and physical health. The graceful movements combined with gentle exercise are great for any age, but especially beneficial to the more mature sect.

Check our monthly Senior Action News or view online what is happening at the Cupertino Senior Center, at www.cupertino.org, the City of Cupertino website.



Roots

By Gail

Fretwell Hugger

Mustard Memories

Our fair valley did not always sprout crops of high-rise buildings. Amid the miles and miles of fragrant orchards and vineyards of yesteryear, grew a weed known as mustard. Great fields of it blanketed the valley floor and crept up the hillsides. Some early historical accounts tell of mustard seeds being spread in the valley by the first settlers from Spain and Mexico, carried along on hooves, hides, shoes, and wagons. One of Cupertino's neighboring townships sponsored a "mustard festival" on a recent beautiful, pre-spring day.

"Want to go see some mustard?" I asked one of my many cousins. As we approached one of the last remaining orchards in the valley, there were acres and acres of yellow flowers between rows and rows of fruit trees, spreading away in a lovely, sunshiny carpet. On close examination, the "mustard" turned out to be oxalis, but it was a beautiful day to roam around and dozens of happy children were gathering armloads of the "mustard" (oxalis) and enjoying donkey cart rides. We went on a quest. In all these acres of yellow, surely there must be some real mustard somewhere. Finally, we found one, a lonely specimen about 2 1/2 feet high, bravely towering above its shorter oxalis neighbors. Early valley accounts tell of mustard plants over 6 feet high, spreading for miles. The Californios had to be careful when riding through it; grizzly bears loved to eat and sleep in it. A spooked horse and a dumped rider would be a disastrous event for the rider.

Inside an old Victorian home on the "mustard festival" property, was a table laden with jars and jars of different kinds of mustard to sample. Reminiscing about mustard brought back memories of the dreaded childhood cold and congestion remedy - the infamous "mustard plaster." For those unfamiliar with this procedure, here are the steps to follow. First, catch the child and order him/her to bed. Next, mix powdered

mustard, some flour, and water to make a paste (be generous with the mustard powder) Spread the paste on a thin towel, fold it over, and place on child's chest. Last, pull up the bedcovers to child's chin, look very stern and order child not to move until told. When child's chest looks like a lobster and child is begging for mercy, remove plaster. Repeat as needed. I think we all recovered in self-defense.

Gail's Mustard

Here is a recipe for mustard you can eat. Good with cold cuts, German style sausages, and sauerkraut. Spicy & sweet. Mellows at room temperature after a few hours.

- 1/4 c. Mustard seed
- 5 tbsp. Mustard powder
- 1/2 c. Hot water
- 1/2 c. Cider vinegar
- 1/4 c. Cold water
- 1 tbsp. Dried onion flakes
- 2 tbsp. brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp. Salt
- 2 small garlic cloves - cut in half
- 1/2 tsp. Each: cinnamon, allspice, dill seeds, dried tarragon
- 2 pinches powdered cloves
- 3 tbsp. Honey



The night before, (or at least two hours before) combine seeds, powder, hot water, and vinegar in a ceramic bowl. Next day (or when ready) combine remaining ingredients in a small saucepan, minus the honey. Bring to boil, reduce heat, and let bubble gently for a minute. Remove from heat and let sit until thoroughly cool. (45 min) Stir in honey. Place initial mustard mixture in work bowl of processor or blender. Strain spice and vinegar mixture into bowl. Process until seeds are ground (this may take 3-5 minutes, with occasional scraping down). Place mixture in double boiler and warm, stirring often, over simmering water until mixture thickens (about 5 minutes) Mustard will thicken upon standing. When cool, ladle into clean jar and refrigerate.

Enjoy, and do not forget to go outside and "see the mustard!" Happy Spring.

Recipe courtesy of Baker Boulanger

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Checkout The Library

During this important transition period for the Cupertino Library, the Cupertino Library Commission is looking for your input. Thank you in advance for returning the following survey.

HOW ARE WE DOING?

	Needs Improvement	Fair	Excellent
How would you rate the Cupertino Library's:			
✓ Check-out Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
✓ Customer Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
✓ On-line Catalogue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
✓ Available Materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
✓ Programs (story time, lecture series, etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
✓ Atmosphere as a community gathering place	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Our most valuable service is _____

Our least valuable service is _____

Your age is: 12 & Under 13-19 20-49 50+

Thank you! Additional comments? See www.cupertino.org/contactus

The Cupertino Library Commission

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ECO-News

By Pamela Lesdesma

TV Recycling

Because of the lead imbedded in its glass screen (20% by weight), TVs cannot be thrown away as garbage. The lead can become a pollution problem when the glass is broken and exposed to an acidic environment—like the inside of a landfill.

Residents and businesses that wish to dispose of a TV can deliver it to the Computer Recycling Center in Santa Clara at 2971 Mead Ave. The minimum disposal fee is \$25 for a 35-lb TV—and \$1/lb over 35 lbs. For more information: www.crc.org, or call 327-1800. Or call the Los Altos Garbage Company at 725-4020 to request a special pickup. The fee for pickup and disposal is \$50.

TVs are not accepted for recycling at the city's computer recycling program at Apple's facility on Bubba Rd. For information on computer recycling, visit the city's website: www.cupertino.org (use search words: computer recycling), or call 862-2667.

Working TVs can be donated to local nonprofits. See info in the city's website (search word: donation).

Compost Those Weeds

While weeding the garden this spring, remember that weeds are a very valuable source of nitrogen for a backyard compost pile. Those interested in learning about backyard composting can attend a free workshop at McClellan Ranch Park on the first Saturday of March, April, May, and June from 10 a.m. to noon. Free backyard compost books will be distributed. Call the Rotline at 918-4640 to register. Visit our compost bin display area in the community gardens at McClellan Ranch to look at different types of bins.

Compost Available Again

The city's compost site will reopen on March 21 — in time for spring planting (as long as it doesn't rain). The Stevens Creek Quarry site on

Stevens Canyon Road (across from the dam) will be open for bulk compost pickup on Friday and Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 11 a.m., at no charge. No appointments are necessary. The site is closed during rainy weather and on holiday weekends.

Please abide by the following:

- Only city residents can use this program. Please bring proof of residency. (County residents are ineligible.)

- If a resident has hired a gardener, the resident must accompany the gardener when he or she picks up the compost.

- Because of the popularity of this program, the city is establishing a 15-minute limit for compost loading if other residents are waiting.

- There will not be any staff

at the site to assist residents in shoveling compost or moving bags. Please bring adequate shovels and people to help.

- Bring containers, an old trashcan, a tarp, or bags to hold your compost. Some paper bags will be available (courtesy of Hansen Cement Company).

- Bring a tarp and tie-down ropes to cover compost carried in your truck. State law requires that loose material be covered while trucks are traveling on streets and highways.

Call 777-3269 for more information (6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.). If it has rained significantly in the two days before you hope to get compost, you should call to see if the site is open.

Recycle Phone Books

SBC will begin delivery of phone books in early March. Residents, and businesses with "mixed-paper" recycling, can recycle old phone books in their paper recycling bins.

Businesses that do not have paper recycling yet can bring old books to the Sunnyvale Recycling Center at the north end of Borregas Ave. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Because of overuse for mixed paper recycling, the city will no longer provide a phone book recycling bin at Albertson's. Call 777-3241 for information.



Littering Throws It All Away

Nearly 80 percent of the debris found in our watershed, creeks, shoreline, and the Bay is washed, blown or dumped there from land. One piece of litter can end up miles from where it is discarded on a suburban street, polluting our water systems and causing a threat to wildlife. The primary sources of litter are: pedestrians, motorists, trucks with uncovered loads, household trash handling and its placement at the curb, loading docks, and demolition sites.

Because we live in a *watershed*, our community's litter makes a very big impact. A *watershed* is a land area that drains water into a creek, river, lake, wetland, bay or groundwater aquifer. In the Santa Clara Valley, the water from rain and irrigation (called runoff) picks up litter and carries it directly into storm drains, creeks and rivers that flow to San Francisco Bay.

You Can Make a Difference

- Don't litter, ever. Even a cigarette butt thrown on a city street can pollute the environment.
- When you see litter, pick it up and dispose of it properly.
- Secure and cover all truckloads as appropriate.
- Make sure your trashcan lid is closed securely.
- Always bring a bag for trash when picnicking, hiking or camping.
- If you own a business, check your dumpster on a regular basis and protect it from illegal dumping.
- Call the Santa Clara Countywide Recycling Hotline (800)533-8414 or visit www.reducewaste.org to find out where to dispose of or donate large household items such as furniture, appliances, etc.

By protecting the watershed, creeks and Bay, you are protecting the environment for yourself, your children and future generations. For more information about how to protect your local watershed, call 1(866)WATERSHED or visit www.watershedwatch.net for your free Watershed Watch Kit.



Check Out Cello's Future

Come see the riveting "future of cello" as Min-Ji Kim, 2002 winner of the Irving M. Klein International String Competition, debuts with the Peninsula Symphony, under the direction of Mitchell Sardou Klein. This emerging talent has won major competitions in her native Korea, as well as New Zealand, California, New England and New York. Her warm, dynamic personality comes alive as she solos in Dvorak's Cello Concerto, one of the "most rhapsodic, romantic works ever written, a truly sweeping epic concerto."



Following in the festival vein, the orchestra will perform Ravel's *Daphnis et Chloé. Suite #2*, an exciting work of the Impressionist Period. "The opening sequence," Maestro Klein explained, "is entitled 'Dawn', and it begins in darkness and transcends to a blast of sunrise, bubbling up in the orchestra to a cascade of sound, and concluding with a brilliant celebration of festival." Brahms' *Academic Festival Overture, Op.80* and Debussy's *2 Nocturnes* round out the concert.

Performances are Friday, March 14, 8 p.m. at the San Mateo Performing Arts Center, 600 N. Delaware Ave., San Mateo, and Saturday, March 15, 8 p.m. at the Flint Center, on the DeAnza College Campus, near the intersection of Hwy 85 and Stevens Creek Blvd. in Cupertino. Tickets may be ordered on-line at www.peninsulasymphony.org, or by calling (650) 941-5291. Price is \$25, \$19 for seniors or students.

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.

MAR.	Club/Organization	Time	Location	Phone
1 Sat	De Anza Flea Market	8 to 4	De Anza College	864-8946
3 Mon	American Legion Post 642	8 p.m.	10201 Imperial Ave., #3	374-6392
	AI-ANON Steps for Living*	7:30 p.m.	940 S. Stelling Rd.	379-1051
	Take off Pounds Sensibly* TOPS	6:30 p.m.	First Baptist Church 10505 Miller Ave.	252-2434
4 Tues	Alcoholics Anonymous* Women's Group	6:30 p.m.	Redeemer Luth. Church, 940 S. Stelling Rd.	650-903-0321
	AI-ANON Family Group*	5:30 p.m.	Bethel Lutheran Church 10131 Finch Avenue	379-1051
	ToughLove*	7 p.m.	Bethel Lutheran Church	481-9236
	Cupt. Toastmasters 4608*	6 p.m.	Community Center	973-7803
	Cupertino Kiwanis*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant	252-3830
	Knights of Columbus 4981* Cupertino Men's Service*	8 p.m. Noon	10201 Imperial Ave., #3 The Blue Pheasant	243-8462
5 Wed	AI-ANON Family Group* AI-ATEEN*	7:30 p.m. 8:15 p.m.	940 S. Stelling Road Redeemer Lutheran Church, 940 S. Stelling	734-5869 292-8897
	Cupertino Sanitary Dist*	8 p.m.	20065 Stevens Creek #C	253-7071
	De Anza Optimist Club* Cupertino Optimist Club*	7:15 a.m. 12:15 p.m.	Holder's Restaurant Blue Pheasant	253-4424 255-3212
	Tandem Toastmasters*	Noon	Compaq, 10501 Tantau	865-1815
	Cupertino Rotary Club*	Noon	Community Center	920-2224
	Philotesian Rebekah #145 Cup. Symphonic Band*	7:30 p.m. 7 p.m.	Cupertino Odd Fellows Cupertino High School	252-3954 262-0471
6 Thurs	De Anza Lions Club*	6:45 a.m.	Holders Country Inn	253-3219
	Cup. Host Lions Club*	7:15 p.m.	Mariani's Restaurant	252-2633
	Northwest Y Service Club*	7 p.m.	Northwest YMCA 20803 Alves Drive	725-8195
	Cupertino Amateur Radio Emergency Service	7:30 p.m.	City Hall	345-8372
	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* Connect Club III*	8 a.m. Noon	Chamber of Commerce Chamber of Commerce	252-7054 252-7054
	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 p.m.	Union Church	541-9069

6 Thurs	HP Communicators Toastmasters #4606*	7:00 a.m.	HP Cupt. site, Bldg. 46T 19055 Pruneridge Ave.	650-691- 8724
7 Fri	Alcoholics Anonymous* Fast Start Group	5:00 p.m.	Redeemer Lutheran Church 940 S. Stelling Rd	374-8511
	De Anza Kiwanis*	7:15 a.m.	Intl. House of Pancakes	973-1456
8 Sat	Daughters of Norway	9:30 a.m.	Sunnyview Retirement Community	255-9828
10 Mon	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 p.m.	20589 Homestead Rd.	252-3954
	Fine Arts League	7 p.m.	Creekside Park	253-2230
11 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
12 Wed	Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*	7 p.m.	Collins School	245-9156
13 Thurs	Quota Service Club* (Aids hearing & speech impaired)	Noon	Blue Pheasant	252-8568
	Cupertino-West Valley Welcome Club	11:30 a.m.		257-6136 252-1529
14 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
17 Mon	Viewfinders Camcorder Club	7:30 p.m.	Community Center Cupertino Room	253-9136
18 Tues	African Violet Society	12:30 p.m.	Sunnyview Lutheran Home	736-9262
20 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
25 Tues	Historical Society	6:30 p.m.	Community Center	973-1495
26 Wed	Rancho Neighborhood Association	7:30 p.m.	Rancho Pool & Recreation Facility	973-1600

Deadline for submitting April calendar information is March 5.

Council Actions



City Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 18, 2003

Council Members Present: Chang, James, Kwok, Sandoval

Council Members Absent: Lowenthal

Approved an application for an Alcoholic Beverage License, Brix BBQ Grill, 20950 Stevens Creek Blvd.

Approved the request from the De Anza Optimist Club of Cupertino for waiver of fees for \$433. Approved a fee waiver request from the Cupertino Symphonic Band totaling \$548. Approved a fee waiver request for \$75 for the Cupertino Chamber of Commerce. Approved fee waiver request from The Home of Christ in Cupertino in the approximate amount of \$165.

Authorized the City Manager to negotiate and execute an interim agreement with Ricochet Networks, Inc. (RNI) for the payment of power costs for the pole top radios the City inherited from Metricom upon their bankruptcy.

Adopted a resolution designating Permit Parking Zone on Madrid Road, Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., when school is in session. Update on voluntary student parking permit program at March 3rd council meeting.

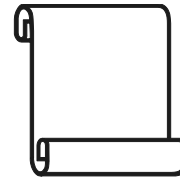
Conducted public hearing and took no action on the appeal of 11837 Upland Way for a hillside exception to build a 4,538 square foot residence on a prominent ridgeline and on slopes greater than 30%, to grade more than 2,500 cubic yards and to construct second story decks.

Released the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program Draft Citizen Participation plan for public review, create a CDBG Steering Committee, and authorize staff to seek four Cupertino citizens to serve on the committee.

Discussed and concurred to hold a public hearing for the Crossroads Plan on March 3, 2003.

For a complete list of actions at this meeting visit www.cupertino.org or contact the city clerk.

Agenda Previews



City Council Meeting
Monday, March 3, 2003

5 p.m.

Conduct interviews for vacancies on the Planning and Fine Arts Commissions, Conference Room A.

6:45 p.m.

Approve the minutes from the February 11 and 18 City Council meetings.

Consider the use of the 2002/03 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Funds.

Amendment to the Land Use Element of the General Plan and any other elements affected by the Crossroads Area Streetscape Plan.

Amendment to the Heart of the City Specific Plan to incorporate the Crossroads Area Streetscape Plan.

Municipal Code Amendment to Chapter 19.28 and related chapters affecting single-family residential development in the R1 zoning district.

Review the proposed housing assistance program for Cupertino teachers.

Conduct the second reading of the Cupertino Municipal Code regarding the Disaster Council.

Conduct the second reading of the City's Ordinance Code modifying the composition of the Audit Committee.

Receive a report on Labor Compliance Provisions for Construction Contracts and Approval of Revised Provisions for Certified Payrolls and Prevailing Wage Requirements for the Civic Center and Library Phase II Construction Project.

Adjourn to Tuesday, March 4 from 5 to 8 p.m. in Conference Room C of City Hall, 10300 Torre Avenue, for a joint study session with the Planning Commission regarding the preliminary review of the proposed General Plan update.

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March	4	Council/Planning Commission study session	5:00 p.m.
March	5	Telecommunications Commission	CANCELLED
March	6	Parks and Recreation Commission***	7:00 p.m.
March	10	Planning Commission***	6:45 p.m.
March	11	Teen Commission (Community Center)	5:30 p.m.
March	12	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm.)	4:30 p.m.
March	13	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm.)	6:30 p.m.
March	13	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:30 p.m.
March	17	City Council***	6:45 p.m.
March	18	Library Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:30 p.m.
March	19	Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission (Conf. Rm.)	4:30 p.m.
March	24	Planning Commission***	6:45 p.m.
March	25	Fine Arts Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:00 p.m.
March	27	Teen Commission (Community Center)	5:30 p.m.

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