

CUPERTINO SCENE

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Bike to Work Day

Cupertino's Bicycle Pedestrian Commission expects record turnout of cyclists on Bike to Work Day, Thursday, ~ *Continued on Page 2*



Have Fun While Supporting the Library

Online auction: May 1 - June 2, Chicago: May 30, 8 pm, Flint Center
See the musical Chicago and bid on cool items like a ride on the Sheriff's helicopter, a firefighters tour, an Apple campus tour, wine tasting at Ridge and Picchetti, tea with famous local writer Bo Caldwell and many other amazing items all while supporting your local Cupertino library. ~ *Continued on Page 2*



Annual Special Festival in Cupertino

May 16 and 17, Cupertino Civic Center

The 4th annual Cupertino Special Festival will be on May 16 and 17 at Cupertino Civic Center. This festival is a community integration event ~ *Continued on Page 3*

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MAY Events

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May 15. Again this year, the BPC will set up an Energizer Station in front of the Quinlan Community Center on Stelling, operating from 6:30-9:30 am, serving Hobe's coffee cake and Roasted Coffee Bean coffee while dispensing information and encouragement to all passing cyclists. HP will also sponsor an Energizer Station at Tantau and Pruneridge, for all passing cyclists as well as their cycling employees.

Bike to Work Day (BTWD) is a community event that encourages residents to try bicycling as their mode of transportation to get healthy exercise while relieving traffic congestion, improving air quality, reducing petroleum consumption, and saving money.

Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition coordinates BTWD for Santa Clara County. Bay Area-wide BTWD contests challenge groups of cyclists to form teams and submit records of their bike commuting during Bike Month, which is the month of May. Information can be found on the SVBC web site at svbcbikes.org/btwd. For information to help map bike routes to work, check the 511 web site at bicycling.511.org.

Last year Cupertino recorded 230 bicyclists pedaled by the BPC Stelling Energizer Station, which doubled the prior year total. HP recorded 223 and Apple 173, for a citywide count of 626. The BPC Energizer Station also recorded the round trip mileage of 88 riders who stopped for coffee and cake, and tallied a total of 1,761 miles for an average commute of 20 miles. Little wonder that they polished off Hobe's coffee-cake in short order.



May 15 will be just another day of cycling to work for Cupertino City Manager Dave Knapp, shown above. Weather permitting, he pedals six miles to and from work once or twice a week.



City of Cupertino is organizing a fundraiser to provide a higher level of service to residents by keeping the library open on Mondays. The additional hours are estimated to cost \$250,000 a year.

GO TO THE THEATRE

Contribute to this great cause by purchasing tickets to the renowned Broadway musical *Chicago*. Tickets are for the May 30 showing and cost \$60 each. The entire cost of each ticket will go toward expansion of library hours, thanks to the support and generosity of the Flint Center. To purchase tickets, please call Carol or Dorothy at 408.777.3220. Tickets to this benefit will be available until April 30.

ONLINE AUCTION

www.cupertino.org/auction

You can also participate in an online auction featuring dozens of exceptional items and opportunities from Cupertino and surrounding communities. Some of these include:

- Fly over Silicon Valley in the Sheriff's helicopter or ride along with a Sheriff's Deputy.
- Invite your friends to a wine tasting at Ridge or Picchetti Wineries.
- Improve your culinary skills at a Whole Foods cooking class.
- Tour the Apple campus, lunch at café Mac's, and iPod shuffles for four.
- Dinner for two and a show by county music stars Toby Keith and Montgomery Gentry.
- Dinner and firehouse tour for six.
- Dinner for six with Mayor Dolly Sandoval and College Chancellor Martha Kanter.
- Sabercats tickets for four
- Gorgeous gemstones – topaz and amethyst.
- Gift certificates from local restaurants and day spas

More items available at www.cupertino.org/auction beginning May 1. Don't miss out!



MAY Events



ORGANIZATION OF SPECIAL NEEDS FAMILIES (OSF) 4th Annual Cupertino Special Festival May 16-17, Cupertino Civic Center 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino, CA 95014



www.osfamilies.org
408.9936.0850

sponsored by



May 16, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
Special Conference
"Building the Future"

Keynote Speaker:

Terri Delgadillo, Director of California Department of Developmental Services

Research Presentation:

Dr. John Brown, MIND Institute, UC Davis

Early Intervention Workshops

Panel Discussion

May 19, 10am - 5pm
Festival Activities & Exhibitions

10 am

Flag Raising Ceremony & Performance

12pm - 6 pm

Music Festival w/ BBQ & Beer

1:30 pm

OSF Soccer Festival

Children's Carnival w/ Petting Zoo & Train Ride

Children Arts & Crafts and Fun Games

Community Service Exhibits

Vendor & Sponsor Booths

Live Performance

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where families with Special Needs and the community gather together to celebrate love and friendship.

The festival starts on May 16 with a one day Building the Future Early Intervention Autism Conference where latest research and best practice models are shared. The keynote speaker will be Terri Delgado, the Director of Department of Development Service.

The May 17 celebrations include flag raising ceremony, special soccer tournament, children's arts and crafts, petting zoo, inflatable games, children's book give-away by First 5

Santa Clara, and live band stage performances. There will be over 40 community service exhibits and health & nutrition service exhibits. The festival will also have an international food court.

OSF was established in 2002 in Cupertino by four families. OSF now serves over 300 families and has trained over 1500 youth and college volunteers. OSF is a multi-cultural, non-profit organization, serving individual with Special Needs of all ages and disabilities. OSF is devoted to community inclusion and is the proud recipient of Cupertino 2006 CREST award.

acting lego building watercolor ballet
 running soccer public speaking clay creations debate
 painting entomology music art
 football dance sailing cooking
 draw creating day camp pilates
 baseball language arts jazz engineering
 WHAT WILL YOU EXPLORE THIS SUMMER?
 volleyball gymnastics windsurfing
 nature ping pong basketball aerobics
 horseback riding bingo tennis
 folkdance princess training critical thinking
 keyboarding math golf hip hop travel
 rock climbing chess swimming
 karate piano reading in-line skating yoga
 science water polo television production

The City of Cupertino invites you to come explore:

class demos · hands-on activities
 carnival snacks · kids fun zone
 family entertainment · raffle prizes
 special gift* · and much more

No matter who you are the City of Cupertino has something for you to explore this summer.

FREE
 Community Event

(408) 777-3120 · www.cupertino.org



CUPERTINO



Sunday, May 4, 2008
1pm to 4 pm

Locations:

Quinlan Community Center
 Cupertino Sports Center
 Cupertino Senior Center

* Special gift for first 500 visitors

2008 CREST AWARDS WINNERS

Stuart Chessen
 Amanda Cuva
 David Greenstein
 Michael & Vivian Hurley
 Gail & Howard Jensen
 Frances Ota & The Aloha Nani Hula Dancers
 Krishi Peddada

Kay Roberts
 Jack & Donna Van Schaack
 Chuck Worley

The public is invited to the CREST Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, May 28th starting at 7 pm at the Cupertino Community Hall.

Annual Business Showcase

Monday, June 2, 4 - 7 pm, Quinlan Center, Free

Shop local. Shop Cupertino. Free samples. Free prizes. Free snacks. Support your local businesses.

Everyone is invited to the Cupertino Chamber of Commerce's annual Business Showcase. Local Cupertino businesses will be present and will provide information about their products and services.

Note to exhibitors: Exhibitors can still sign up to participate. Call the Chamber of Commerce at 408.252.7054 for more information.

INVOLVE Yourself

Take Steps Walk

May 10, 5 pm, De Anza College

Take Steps for Crohn's & Colitis is the nation's largest event dedicated to finding cures for digestive diseases. The Northern California Chapter is hosting this year's Take Steps walk.

At latest estimate, approximately 1.4 million Americans have Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis. The unpredictable nature of the diseases creates a significant burden on the community and the economy: more than \$1.26 billion in direct and indirect costs annually, according to the American Gastroenterological Association.

Participants raise money for crucial research that wouldn't have been possible a few short years ago, bringing us closer to a future free from Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis.

Beyond raising money for research, Take Steps brings together the Crohn's and colitis community in a fun and energetic atmosphere. Participants are encouraged to make noise and be heard, raising awareness of these little-known diseases in their community and across the nation.

To register for the event, visit www.cctakesteps.org or call Trish Wynne at 800.241.0758.

Cupertino — Toyokawa Sister City Exchange Program

In November 2008, an adult delegation will go from Cupertino to Toyokawa, Japan to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Sister City relationship.

Toyokawa families will host the delegates in their homes from November 6 through 11, which is a wonderful opportunity for the visitors. Toyokawa plans sightseeing and other activities for the delegates while they are in Japan. Delegates pay their own expenses to Japan.

The Cupertino delegates in turn host the adults who will come from Japan from July 8 through 14. The Japanese delegates will go to scheduled events on weekdays, but will be free to enjoy activities with their host families on the weekend.

There are a few spaces left. Contact Lucille Honig at 408.257.7424 if you are interested in being part of this enriching Sister City exchange. There will be a meeting of the 30th Anniversary Delegation from Cupertino at 7:30 pm on May 22 at Cupertino City Hall.

CITY JOB VACANCIES

City of Cupertino is accepting applications for the following positions:

City Planner - Salary: \$8,747 - \$10,632/Monthly (Effective 7/1/08) Plus City paid PERS, 2.7%@55

The City Planner manages the Planning Division of the Department of Community Development encompassing all aspects of planning related policy development and implementation and assists the Director in the general administration of the department.

Examples of duties: Update and monitor implementation of the General Plan; develop zoning ordinances; coordinate development approval applications and staff reports for the Design Review Committee, Environmental Review Committee, Planning Commission and City Council; supervise, direct and coordinate consultant studies and special research and analyses on land use and development-related actions; oversee and prepare general and specific plans, and environmental reviews; make presentations before advisory commissions, Planning Commission, City Council, public groups and professional associations.

Required Experience and Education: Equivalent to a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major coursework in ur-

ban planning or a closely related field and five years of progressively responsible professional city planning experience including at least 3 years of municipal management and supervisory experience. Completion of a Master's Degree in Urban Planning or a closely related field and membership in the American Institute of Certified Planners are highly desirable.

Apply by: Open until filled. First review of applications is scheduled for be May 15, 2008.

Office Assistant/Senior Office Assistant - \$3,528 - \$4,289 monthly; Senior Office Assistant \$3,918 - \$4,762 monthly Plus PERS 2.7% @ 55

Assistant will perform a wide variety of office support duties.

Required Experience and Education: Equivalent to completion of twelfth grade and one year of general clerical experience for Office Assistant; two years of general clerical experience performing duties similar to an Office Assistant with the City of Cupertino for Senior Office Assistant.

Apply by: Open Until Filled. Eligibility list will be used to fill future vacancies as they occur. City of Cupertino application required.

To apply please call 408.777.3227 or visit www.cupertino.org/jobs

~CUPERTINO LIBRARY~
10800 Torre Avenue, Cupertino

Cupertino Library NEW Open Hours

Monday	1 - 9 pm
Tuesday	1 - 9 pm
Wednesday.....	10 am - 9 pm
Thursday	10 am - 9 pm
Friday.....	10 am - 6 pm
Saturday	10 am - 6 pm
Sunday	12 - 6 pm

Library telephone numbers:

General Library Number	408.446.1677
Adult and Teen Reference	408.446.1677, ext. 3372
Children's Reference	408.446.1677, ext. 3373
Accounts, Billing	800.286.1991
TeleCirc	800.471.0991

Cupertino Library will be closed on the following dates:

- Friday, May 16 - Staff Development Day**
- Sunday, May 25 - Day before Memorial Day**
- Monday, May - 26 Memorial Day Holiday**

The library has a Web Catalog at www.santaclaracountylib.org.

Bookmark these library web addresses:

Santa Clara County Library Web Site: www.santaclaracountylib.org

Teen Page Web Site: www.santaclaracountylib.org/teen

Kids Page Web Site: www.santaclaracountylib.org/kids

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS 

NEW STORYTIME HOURS

Bedtime Stories

3 years and up.....Tuesdays, 7 pm

Three Stories

2-1/2 to 3-1/2 years old. Wednesdays, 10:15 am

Twos Stories

1-1/2 to 2-1/2 years old.....Thursdays, 10:15 am

BOOKFLIX

The newest, coolest thing from the library

Bookflix pairs a video storybook with a related nonfiction eBook for children PreK-3 to access from home. You only need a library card and PIN number. From the library website, click KIDS and then click BookFlix under the Electronic Resources section.

ADULT, TEEN AND FAMILY PROGRAMS 

ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH AT THE CUPERTINO LIBRARY

Award winning entries of the *Growing Up Asian in America* contest will be exhibited in the Teen Area during the month of May.

Firebird Youth Orchestra

May 3, 1 pm, Cupertino Community Hall

Traditional Chinese Music performed by the students of Firebird Youth Orchestra.

Traditional Japanese storytelling

May 3, 2.30 pm, Cupertino Library Story room

Megumi the storyteller will tell traditional Japanese tales and talk about Children's Day in Japan, which is the following week.

Healthy Heart, Delicious Diet

May 31, 2 pm, Cupertino Community Hall

Nancy Bugwadia, Registered Dietician and Assistant Director of Nutrition & Hospitality Services at the Regional Medical Center of San Jose will talk about healthy nutrition and diet for South Asians. Hema Kundargi, vegetarian gourmet and producer/host of the award-winning cooking show will talk about healthy diet and show a DVD featuring healthy recipes. A Question and Answer session will follow. Free samples of some of the recipes will be provided.

BOOK TALKS AND DISCUSSIONS

Join librarians Judy Dana and Annapurna Dandu on the third Thursday of each month in the Library Story Room. Booktalks are short descriptions of several titles and one of the books will be discussed. Sign up at the Adult Reference Desk and pick up your copy of the book.

May 15, 7 pm "*Legend of the Fire horse woman*" by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston will be discussed. This program is sponsored by the *Friends of the Cupertino Library*.

GENEALOGY HANDS ON WORKSHOP

May 5, 7 pm, Library Training Room

Join Genealogy Librarian Mary Hanel for a hands-on workshop on searching for genealogy information from the library subscription databases and web sites. Limited to 20 spaces and reservation is required. Please call the Adult Reference Desk to register or for more information.

MOTHERS DAY FLOWER ARRANGEMENT FOR TEENS

May 10, 2 pm, Cupertino Community Hall

Teens are invited to come and make a flower arrangement for Mothers day. All supplies will be provided free of cost.

KNITTING AT THE LIBRARY

Tuesdays, 4-6 pm, Library Story Room

Bring your needles and yarn to the library and join the drop-in knitting program. Knitters of all skill levels are welcome to attend.

Individual & Small Group Programs by Appointment

INTERNET CLASSES IN MANDARIN

Beginning classes on how to use the Internet are available in Mandarin, by appointment. Participants must be able to use a computer keyboard and mouse. To schedule an appointment, please call the library's Reference Desk.

TEEN DATABASE CLASSES

Instruction on the library's subscription databases is available for teens, age 13-19, at the library, by appointment. To schedule an appointment, please call the Reference Desk.

INTERNET BASICS FOR ADULTS

Beginning classes on how to use the Internet are available by appointment. Participants must be able to use a computer keyboard and mouse. If you would like to schedule an appointment, please call the library's Reference Desk.

LIBRARY TOURS

Third Wednesdays, 1-2 pm

Fourth Saturdays, 2-3 pm

Tours include an explanation and demonstration of the library's online catalog and subscription databases, and library collections and services. For more information about library tours, call the library's Reference Desk

THE FRIENDS OF THE CUPERTINO LIBRARY


LOBBY BOOK SALE

June 2-3, Community Hall

DATABASES AND RESEARCH TOOLS

Santa Clara County Library subscribes to online databases for adults and children, on a variety of subjects, including business, science and litera-

ture. Many are available even when the library is closed. If you're not at the library, just go to www.santaclaracountylib.org, click on databases, and enter your library card and PIN number to access a database. For example, you can research a company using Standard and Poor's Net Advantage, prepare for an academic or professional exam with Learning Express or find information for a state report in America the Beautiful. Call the Reference Desk for more information.

Cupertino Library is located at 10800 Torre Avenue. For more information on any of the Cupertino Library's programs, please call the Reference Desk at 408.446.1677, ext 3372. 

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2008

6:30 pm - 8 pm

Memorial Park Amphitheater

*Pack a picnic and bring the family
for an evening of great music.*

June 5 **Cupertino Symphonic Band**
*Cupertino's own! Classical,
Waltz, Big Band, and Patriotic*

June 12 **The Houserockers**
*Rock, Soul, Swing, Blues,
and Pop*

June 19 **Zydeco Flames**
*The West Coast's Premiere
Zydeco Band*

June 26 **Kaweh**
*World, Jazz, Nuevo Flamenco
with a touch of Latin, Brazilian,
Mediterranean & Middle
Eastern*

July 3 **Pladdohg**
*21st Century Irish-American
Party Band*

July 10 **Big Rain**
Country and Rock Crossover Act

**For more information call Cupertino
Parks and Recreation 408.777.3120
or visit www.cupertino.org**





SENIOR CENTER NEWS

MONTHLY BALLROOM DANCE SOCIAL

Monday, May 12, 2-3:30 pm

Dance to your heart's desire! A volunteer will play dance music so you can practice what you have learned in dance classes. No instruction provided. Free for members. \$5 Day Pass for senior guests.

MONTHLY SOCIAL AND BIRTHDAY BASH

Wednesday, May 14, 12-1:30 pm

Ready for some great food, entertainment and chance to socialize? Come to the senior center, plus we will celebrate member May birthdays. For entertainment, we have the Meyerholz School Chorus. Hear the angelic voices of this Junior High School choir. We will be serving lasagna (Beef & Vegetable), with garlic bread, salad and, of course, cake. Those members with May birthdays will be honored. \$6. Prior registration required. Senior guests need to sign for a \$5 day pass before event registration.

BOOK REVIEW MEETING

First Friday, 1:15-3 pm

You are invited to come to the monthly Book Review Meeting. The group meets the first Friday of every month. Learn about new books and meet new people. May 2, *The Distant Land of My Father* by Bo Caldwell, reviewed by Judith McLaughlin. June 6, *Mountains Beyond Mountains* by Tracy Kidder, reviewed by Helen Nowicki. Free for members. \$5 Day Pass for senior guests.

AN OVERVIEW OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Tuesday, May 20, 10-11 am

If you or a loved one is experiencing memory loss, this topic will be of interest to you. "An Overview of Alzheimer's Disease" teaches us about the differences between normal memory loss as we age and the warning signs of dementia; highlights the symptoms of Alzheimer's, the most common form of dementia; its progression, current treatments available; and how to get a diagnosis.

Come to this informative presentation and be educated about memory loss. Please sign up at lobby table or call 408.777.3150 to register. This event is open to the public.

HOME IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIRS

Thursday, May 22, 10-11am

Please join us for this workshop sponsored by "Rebuilding Together". This is a non-profit agency that provides free home repairs for the low-income families, the elderly, and the

disabled. You will learn about their services and programs. Attend the workshop and see if you qualify to have grab bars installed, leaky roof repaired, new plumbing put in, etc. You will also learn safety tips to prevent falls within your homes. Please sign up at lobby table or call 408.777.3150 to register. This event is open to the public.

LINE DANCE SOCIAL

Wednesday, May 28, 10:15 am -12:15 pm

Join instructor, Mike Shannon, for two hours of dancing fun. No partners needed and all levels are welcome. Free for senior center members, \$5 day pass for senior guests.

Senior Center Travel Program

The travel program at the senior center offers wonderful local day trips and exciting extended tours featuring travel throughout the US, international travel, and cruises. New trip sign up is at 8 am on the first Wednesday of odd-numbered months. Please check the "Active Senior News" bi-monthly newsletter posted at www.cupertino.org/senior for more travel details and new trips. Call 408.777.3150 for more information.

Bay Meadows \$55

Fri, May 2

Chris Botti, \$79

Saturday, May 3

Gershwin's 1920's Radio Hour, \$77

Thursday, May 8

Peddling Rainbows, \$60

Saturday, May 24

The Musical of Musicals, \$44

Wednesday, May 28

Fort Point and the Presidio

Travels With Gary, \$67

Friday, May 30

Filoli - Orchard Tour, \$60

June 5

Thoroughly Modern Millie, \$82

July 17

Flavors of the Mediterranean, \$65

July 31

Power and Glory - Ming Dynasty, \$57

August 7

Holidays in Washington, DC, \$2600

December 4-11



☞ THE BETTER PART ☞

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

May 2, 5, 6 & 9 - Wood Carvers - Part 1

Learn the art of carving treasures for either keepsake or gifts.

May 12, 13, & 16 - Wood Carving - Part II

Are you looking for a hobby to satisfy your creative talents? Try wood carving.

Want to join the Group that produces these Programs? Call 408.252.2667

May 19, 20 & 23 - Pros & Cons on Statewide Propositions

Members of the League of Women Voters will explain the Propositions appearing on the June 3rd 2008 ballot.

May 26, 27 & 30 - TICC Commissioners Interview

Three members of Cupertino's Technology, Information, and Communication Commission talk about their City Council advisory role.

The Cupertino Senior Center is located at 21251 Stevens Creek Blvd.

Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8am – 5pm

Phone: 408.777.3150. Email: SeniorCntr@cupertino.org. Web: www.cupertino.org/senior

CARE FOR CHILDREN PRESENTS

ART FAIRE

June 1, 9.30 am - 1.30 pm, FREE

Memorial Park, Cupertino

Registration 8:30 - 9:30 am, Art submissions by noon



Care for Children is an innovative education and service program of the Art of Living foundation. Our mission is to serve the needs of rural, tribal and urban children from disadvantaged backgrounds through free education, medical care, free meals and the comprehensive development of their respective communities.

www.careforchildren.org

Art of Living Foundation is dedicated to creating peace from the level of the individual and fostering human values within the global community.

www.artofliving.org

Care for Children invites all K-12 children to participate in the first annual **Celebrate with Creativity Art Faire**

Bring your crayons, markers, color pencils and/ or pastels. We will provide the paper and the topic for the day and you can express yourself through your art in the given 2 hours.

Registration:

www.careforchildren.org/events
or in person 8:30-9:30 before the event

Thanks to City of Cupertino for their Support.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MAY	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL	
~1~ Thurs	De Anza Lions Club*	6:45 am	Holders Country Inn	255.3093	deanzalions.org	
	Cup. Host Lions Club*	7:15 pm	Mariani's Restaurant	252.6262	cupertinohostlionsclub.org	
	Northwest Y Service Club*	6:30 pm	Northwest YMCA 20803 Alves Drive	650.964.3734	scvymca.org	
	Cupertino Amateur Radio Emergency Service (CARES)	7:30 pm	City Hall	345.8372	cupertinoares.org	
	Connect Club I*	Noon	Holders Country Inn	252.7054	cupertino-chamber.org	
	Connect Club II*	8 am	Chamber of Commerce	252.7054	cupertino-chamber.org	
	Business Networking Intl.*	7 am	BJ's Brewery	996.9111	BNI.com	
	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 pm	Union Church	253.8394	oa.org	
	Food Addicts in Recovery*	7 pm	St. Jude's Church	354.8493	foodaddicts.org	
	Cupertino Las Madres*	10-1 pm	Portal Park	861.0417	lasmadres.org	
~2~ Fri	De Anza Kiwanis*	7:15 am	Intl. House of Pancakes	973.1456	classic.kiwanis.org	
	Cupertino Las Madres*	10-1 pm	Cupt. Library atrium	861.0417	lasmadres.org	
~3~ Sat	De Anza Flea Market	8-4 pm	De Anza College	864.8946	deanza.fhda.edu/flea-market	
	Organization of Special Needs Families*	2-4 pm	20920 McClellan Rd.	996.0858	osfamilies.org	
	Planetarium Shows*	7 pm	De Anza Planetarium	864.8814	planetarium.deanza.edu	
	Cupertino Symphonic Band Spring Concert	5 p.m.	Community Center	262.0471	netview.com/csb	
~5~ Mon	American Legion Post 642	8 pm	10201 Imperial Ave., #3	374.6392	sccgov.org/portal/site/va	
	Take Off Pounds Sensibly* (TOPS)	6:30 pm	First Baptist Church 10505 Miller Ave.	252.2434	tops.org	
	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 pm	Union Church	650.327.1649	oa.org	
	Food Addicts in Recovery *	7 pm	St. Jude's Church	246.1620	foodaddicts.org	
~6~ Tues	Alcoholics Anonymous* Women's Group	6:30 pm	Redeemer Luth. Church 940 S. Stelling Rd.	650.903.0321	aasanjose.org	
	AI-ANON Family Group*	5:30 pm	Bethel Lutheran Church 10131 Finch Ave.	379.1051	al-anon.org	
	Toughlove*	7 pm	Bethel Lutheran Church 10131 Finch Ave.	946.7970	toughlove.com	
	Cupertino Kiwanis*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant	252.3830	classic.kiwanis.org	
	Knights of Columbus 4981*	8 pm	10201 Imperial Ave., #3	243.8462	kofc.org/un/	
	Cupertino Men's Service*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant			
	Cupertino Sr. TV Production*	9:30 am	Senior Center	252.2667		
	Cupertino Las Madres*	3-5 pm	Creekside Park Toddler area	861.0417	lasmadres.org	
	~7~ Wed	AI-ANON Family Group*	7 pm	940 S. Stelling Road	650.734.5869	al-anon.org
		Cupertino Sanitary Dist*	8 pm	20833 Stevens Creek #104	253.7071	cupertinosanitarydis- trict.com
De Anza Optimist Club*		7:15 am	Holder's Restaurant	253.4424	optimist.org	
Cupertino Optimist Club*		12:15 pm	Blue Pheasant	255.3212	optimist.org	
Tandem Toastmasters*		Noon	HP, 19333 Vallco Parkway	285.4977	tandemtoastmasters.vs- gcorp.com	
Macintalkers Toastmasters*		5:30 pm	Apple Computer DeAnza 3 10500 No. DeAnza Blvd.		macintalkers.com vppr@macintalkers.com	

MAY	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
~7~ Wed	Cupertino Rotary Club*	Noon	Community Center	920.2224	clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/homeC.asp?cid=3794
	Philotesian Rebekah #145	7:30 pm	Cupertino Odd Fellows	252.3954	caioof.org/100F/CA_RA_Officers.html
	Cup. Symphonic Band*	7 pm	Monroe Middle School	262.0471	netview.com/csb/
	Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*	7 pm	Hyde Middle School	747.0943	krazydazys.org
~8~ Thurs	Quota Service Club* (Aids hearing & speech impaired)	Noon	Blue Pheasant	252.8568	quota.org/
	Cupertino-West Valley Welcome Club	11:30 am		257.6136 252.1529	newcomersclub.com
	Rolling Hills 4H Club	7 pm	Monta Vista Recreation Center	257.4745	clubs.ca4h.org/santa-clara/rollinghills
~9~ Fri	Malihini Orchid Society	7:30 pm	Hewlett-Packard, Oak Rm.	267.3397	malihini.org
	Cupertino Coin Club	7:45 pm	West Valley Pres. Church	253.1232	coinshows.com/sanjose_ccc.html
~10~ Sat	Daughters of Norway	9:30 am	Sunnyview Retirement Community	255.9828	daughtersofnorway.org
~12~ Mon	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 pm	20589 Homestead Rd.	252.3954	cupertinoioof70.org
	Fine Arts League	7 pm	Community Center	863.9991 Ask for Janki Chokshi	falc.org
~13~ Tues	Sertoma Club*	7:15 am	1366 S. Saratoga-Sunnyvale Rd.	252.2584 255.5293	sertoma.org/NETCOMMUNITY
~15~ Thurs	Toyokawa Sister City	7:30 pm	City Hall	257.7424	cupertinotoyokawa.org
	West Valley Republican Women	11:30 am		252.6312	westvalleyrepublican-womenfederated.org
	Embroiders' Guild of America	7 pm	Sunnyview Lutheran Home	578.5917	egausa.org
~20~ Tues	African Violet Society	12:30 pm	Sunnyview Lutheran Home	736.9262	avsa.org
~27~ Tues	Historical Society	6:30 pm	Community Center	973.1495	cupthistory.org
	DeAnza Youth Soccer League Mtg	7:30 pm	Creekside Park		
~28~ Wed	Rancho Neighborhood Assoc.	7:30 pm	Rancho Pool & Rec Facility		
	The Powerful Pens	7 pm	18000 Chelmsford	626.9784	

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Submit information about club and organization meetings in Cupertino to Linda Lagergren, City of Cupertino, 10300 Torre Ave., Cupertino, 95014 408.777.3202, lindal@cupertino.org.

**Clubs with asterisks meet more than once a month.*

Call the contact number for details.



By Lauren Mende Tacke, Cupertino Environmental Programs

NATIONAL RIVER CLEANUP DAY

Creek Cleanup on Saturday, May 17, 9 am-noon

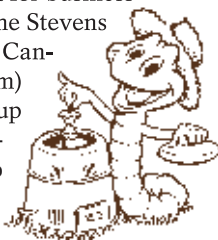
Volunteers are needed to clean up creeks throughout the county. For a list and map of creek cleanup sites visit the Creek Connections Action Group web site at www.cleanacreek.org or call the Santa Clara Valley Water District at 408.265.2607 ext. 2331.

WASHING CARS? WATCH YOUR SOAP

All types of soap and detergent, including “bio-degradable” soaps, are toxic to fish and other aquatic creatures. So when you wash your car, don’t pour the leftover soapy water into the street or down a storm drain. Storm drains are directly connected to the nearest creek. Instead, pour it down a sink or toilet, or on a landscaped area where it won’t run onto a sidewalk. Consider whether you even need to use soap on your car. Much of the dirt on cars can often simply be hosed off with water or wiped with a wet sponge. If you are involved with a fund-raising car wash, please ask the organizers to contact the Public Works Dept, at 408.777.3354, for a brochure on what you need to know before you hold it.

COMPOST AVAILABLE AGAIN

The city’s compost site is open for business - in time for spring planting. The Stevens Creek Quarry site on Stevens Canyon Road (across from the dam) is open for bulk compost pickup on Friday and Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 11 am, at no charge. No appointments are necessary. The site is closed during rainy weather and on holiday weekends. Please bring proof of Cupertino residency. For recorded information call 408.777.1320, or city offices at 408.777.3269 between 6:30 am-3:30 pm or visit the city’s web-site at www.cupertino.org/environmental, and click on “compost”.



COMPOST CLASS

May 3, 10am-noon, McClellan Ranch Park, FREE Learn about backyard composting at this free workshop. Register on-line at www.reducewaste.org (use the search function to find “home composting”), or call the Rotline at 408.918.4640.

PEST CONTROL INFO AVAILABLE

Pest control fact sheets on less-toxic products and techniques are available again this spring. Pick them up in these locations:

- Quinlan Community Center
- Cupertino Library
- Yamagami’s Nursery or Summerwinds Nursery, both on S. DeAnza Blvd., just south of Hwy. 85 in Cupertino.

Nursery staff has received special training on pest control and can guide customers in using an “Integrated Pest Management” approach to resolve their bug problems.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

It is easy and free to properly dispose of unwanted hazardous cleaning, hobby and gardening products. Examples of typical items include: old paint, pool chemicals, used motor oil and anti-freeze, batteries, solvents, bad fluorescent tubes or bulbs, mercury thermometers, and fertilizers and pesticides. Small businesses also may be eligible to participate for a nominal fee. Call 408.299.7300 to make an appointment.

SPRING CLEANING GARBAGE INFO

All residents with individual cart garbage service are entitled to two days per year of On-Call Garbage Disposal or Yardwaste/Woodwaste Recycling at no charge. Residents with just a couple of extra bags of trash can order “extra garbage” tags from the garbage company. Tags cost \$5.57 each or 10 for \$52.93. Call the Los Altos Garbage Company on 408.725.4020 for a pick up or tags. For information on the city’s garbage and recycling programs visit www.cupertino.org/environmental. For information on how to recycle just about anything, call the Recycling Hotline: 408.924.5453; or look online: www.recyclestuff.org.

MORE TIPS ON HOW TO BE “GREEN”

Save Water: Home water use has major impacts on energy use. Using a dishwasher with large loads saves significant water and energy from hand-washing dishes, and so does using large loads in the washing machine instead of many small loads. Drip irrigation systems on automatic timers save lots of water that is otherwise used unnecessarily for landscaping.

Use the Power of Your Green: Avoid over-packaged products and disposable goods, when possible, buy in-season food produced in your area, and buy in bulk. Packaging and transportation use great amounts of energy. Reduced packaging means not only cutting down on pollution, but it means saving energy required to make and dispose of the packaging.

Garden Green: Use drought-tolerant plants and avoid pesticides. Native and drought-tolerant plants not only save you water, they can save you time and the expense of using pesticides and insecticides. Native plants, including lawn varieties designed for your climate are usually better adapted for local conditions and pests than so-called “exotics”.

Spare the Air: Reduce your peak time (1-6 pm) energy use during heat waves and drive less on high air pollution days.



SIMPLY SAFE May 2008

Written by Jon Nakafuji, Cupertino Volunteer

WATER – FOR SURVIVAL AND SUSTENANCE.

Following a large-scale disaster the most important resource you'll need is the most simple. Enough water will help you and your family stay healthy and hydrated. In this article we'll go over some helpful tips on how to treat, clean, and store water.

Treat: After finding water, treating it is an equally crucial process. Here are guidelines from the Cupertino Office of Emergency Services website:

- Boil water for 3-5 minutes, then cool.
- Add 16 drops of plain, unscented liquid bleach 5.25% sodium hypochlorite for each gallon.
- Stir and let stand for 30 minutes.
- If water does not have a slight bleach odor, repeat the dosage and let stand another 15 minutes.
- You can also purchase water purification tablets where camping supplies are sold.

Store: Make sure you have enough water to sustain your family following a disaster by following these guidelines for minimum storage amounts:

- Have one gallon per person or animal per day for at least 3 days.
- Replace every six months. Hint: Purchase cases of bottled water and write the current date on the boxes and use for everyday consumption. A case of bottled water is a little more than 3 gallons.
- Store larger quantities in plastic, glass, fiberglass or enamel-lined metal containers. Food-grade plastic drums are also available.
- Store in a cool, dark place.

Water can also be purchased in containers with a five year shelf life but beware! Make sure you develop a reminder system so you don't let the water go past its expiration.

If you live upstairs, be sure your water is in containers that are light enough to carry down. If you plan to be walking for long distances, invest in a portable lightweight hydration carrier (backpack system).

Water Company preparedness: Following a major earthquake, water pipes could be damaged and take weeks to repair. Santa Clara Valley Water District and other water companies are purchasing pipes now and burying them for easy access when they have to address emergency repair issues. San Jose Water Company is partnering with other water companies and investing in a water bagging system. It will allow them to create bags of water, from a non-contaminated source, and distribute the public. This does not mean that you shouldn't store water! There may not be any un-

contaminated water and, if there is, it will take more than three days to set up the process.

HUMAN RACE RUN/WALK FUNDRAISER

Cupertino Citizen Corps raising money for supplies. Cupertino's disaster volunteers are participating in the Human Race run/walk at Shoreline Park on May 10. They are taking pledges to raise money to purchase a disaster response trailer for emergency supply transport. If you would like to support the team, call 408.777.3335.

IF YOU DO ONLY ONE THING TO PREPARE THIS MONTH...

Find an easy to transport container such as a wheeled luggage bag or a durable plastic bin with wheels and a handle that would serve as a carrier to transport non-perishable food and water. Following an earthquake or any serious disaster, you may have to mobilize yourself and your family from the danger zone. Consolidate crucial survival items and have them in a portable storage unit to help your adaptation to the unknown, post-disaster environment.

UPCOMING CLASSES

Geology of Earthquakes

April 29, 7:30-9 pm, Cupertino Community Hall, 10350 Torre Ave, Free

Presented by the Geology Department of San Jose State University, this entertaining presentation will reinforce our need to be prepared.

Race to Get Ready – Emergency Preparedness Fair May 10, 9-11, Shoreline Park in Mountain View

Held in with the Human Race Run/Walk

Living on the Fault

July 29, 7-9 pm Cupertino Community Hall, 10350 Torre Ave, Free

American Red Cross preparedness presentation,

Pandemic Flu, Online Presentation

What should you know? Click on the link under "Preparedness Info" at www.cupertino.org/emergency. You can also watch it on City Channel Cable 26.

Basic First Aid

May 31, 9 am-1 pm

CPR

Check with Parks & Recreation for current schedule or call the American Red Cross 408.577.1000.

Personal Emergency Preparedness Workshop

May 17, 9 am-noon; June 11, 9 am-noon, July 25; 6:30-9:30 pm, Free

Kaleidoscope – Public Safety Training for 6-12 grade July 7-11, 2008. Next class in 2009.

Register for classes through the Cupertino Parks & Recreation website or in person at the Quinlan Center, City Hall or the Cupertino Library.



ROOTS Memories from Nona Mock Wyman

By Gail Fretwell Hugger



Nona & Emma, Ming Quong Home (former Spreckles Estate), Miss Chew & Miss Reber,
Nona (in front) with older girls,

The other day I was looking for something to read and picked up a little book I'd purchased at one of the Cupertino Historical Society potlucks. Our special speaker that evening was Nona Mock Wyman, who had written a book entitled *Chopstick Childhood in a Town of Silver Spoons... Orphaned in Los Gatos at the Ming Quong Home*.

My youngest daughter had volunteered at Ming Quong as a teenager. The history of this place goes back nearly 150 years and has its roots in the Donaldina Cameron House in San Francisco. In Nona's book, she provides historical background for Ming Quong and the heroic efforts of Donaldina Cameron, but the story mostly concerns her childhood and the years of mystery surrounding her origins.

In 1935 her mother took her from their tiny flat in San Francisco. They were driven to Los Gatos by an unknown driver and she was left at Ming Quong home for orphaned Chinese girls. At age 2-1/2, she was the youngest child ever admitted to the home. It is a heart-wrenching story of this tiny, frightened child, abandoned and crying for her mother. The book tells the story of how she managed to survive and thrive in a totally different world than the only one she had known, and also a timeless lesson of love, forgiveness and hope.

Here is an excerpt from her wonderful and touching book, which opens a window for all of us to see the past and enter into an experience different than our own.

"A stranger entered, [the flat in San Francisco] a woman I had never seen before. Mother spoke to me in Chinese and said she was taking us for a ride in her car. ...Even though I was happy to go for a ride, there was no recollection of the long ride to Los Gatos, which in those days without freeways took about two hours.

We arrived at the Ming Quong Home, an orphanage for Chinese girls. And the next thing I recall is being in a huge room and I was crying and screaming. For some reason I had been separated from my mother and made to sit on a strange

woman's lap. My mother and our driver were standing next to me. I wanted to be out of this stranger's lap and in my mother's arms. But the harder I tried to get away, the tighter the grasp.

I felt stifled and out of breath. I stopped my screaming and gulped for air. It was then I noticed a group of women in the middle of the room standing together looking at me. They appeared like looming statues silhouetted against daylight filtered from an adjoining room.

Behind the women was a cluster of young girls who were tense and huddled together and they too were peering at me. No one spoke. It was eerie; they just stared. ...I wondered, what was I doing in this room? I wanted to leave this place and go home.

Desperately I reached out for my mother..."Ma mah," I cried. There was no reply. I was terrified; that was not like her. Again I pleaded, "Ma mah." She looked down at me blankly and did not seem to understand my terror."

After Nona's mother left her, she was bathed, given different clothes and her hair was cut to look like the other girls. Her questions are the same of abandoned children everywhere. "Why couldn't she take care of me? Why did she leave me? Did I do something wrong? I wonder if she still loves me?"

Nona worried that with her new haircut; her mother wouldn't recognize her when she returned to take her back home. (Her mother never came back.) Exhausted and in shock, she doesn't remember the rest of the day or even going to bed. Many days or weeks or months later, she remembers that some of the older girls would hold her hand and walk and talk with her and coax her to let them push in the swing. And slowly this tiny girl began to smile again but she never forgot.

Nona's story chronicles a time in our valley and the Bay Area that is long gone. It is a story of hope, survival and trying to integrate without forgetting the past; of wanting to know more of beginnings, of roots, and of trying to understand mysteries of the past. Nona's book is available at the Cupertino Library and also at the Cupertino Museum.



COUNCIL ACTIONS



Complete agenda and minutes of all City Council, Planning and other commissions are available at www.cupertino.org/agenda.

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2008

Council Members Present: Sandoval, Mahoney, Wang, and Wong

Appointed Paul Brophy to Planning Commission and Nicole Maroko to CDBG Committee

Supervisor Liz Kniss – County issues of concern to the City of Cupertino

Received check from the Homestead High School Future Business Leaders of America

Approved the minutes from the March 4 City Council meeting

Adopted resolutions accepting Accounts Payable for February 29 and March 7

Adopted a resolution accepting Payroll for March 7, Resolution

Adopted a resolution approving an improvement agreement, Bay Colony Investors II, Inc

Adopted a resolution approving an improvement agreement, Hamid Ghazvini and Ziba Manouchehrizadeh

Adopted a resolution accepting a Quitclaim Deed and Authorization for Underground Water Rights

Authorized Golden State Bridge, the general contractor for the Mary Avenue Bicycle Footbridge

Considered the Stevens Creek Corridor Park Project – Phase I

Considered Application No. MCA-2008-01 and conduct the first reading of Ordinance No. 08-2025

Selected May 19 as Teen Commission interview date

Set May 27 as date for a budget study session.

Conducted reading and enacted the second reading of Ordinance No. 08-2024

TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2008

Council Members Present: Sandoval, Mahoney, Wang, Wong

Presentation from Fremont Union High School District (FUHSD) Superintendent Polly Bove

Proclamation for Vanessa Ing presented

Approved the minutes from the March 18 City Council meeting

Adopted resolutions accepting Accounts Payable for March 14 and March 21

Adopted a resolution accepting Payroll for March 21, Resolution 08-039

Adopted a resolution approving an improvement agreement, Resolution No. 08-040

Adopted a resolution accepting a Grant of Easement for Roadway Purposes

Adopted a resolution accepting a Quitclaim Deed and Authorization for Underground Water Rights

Moved the June 3 regular Council meeting to June 2 due to the election

Approved a fee waiver request from the League of Women Voters of Cupertino-Sunnyvale

Adopted a resolution amending the City of Cupertino's Policy Prohibiting Harassment, Discrimination and Retaliation

Adopted a resolution approving the 2008-09 Fee Schedule

Provided recommendation to the Valley Transportation Authority PAC representative regarding the VTA Board's realignment

Consider Application No: U-2007-06, ASA-2007-10 (EA-2007-08).

Approve the 2008 Planning Commission Work Program continued to April 15

Scheduled date of May 6 at 5:45 pm for a study session on the process for analyzing the City Attorney's office and planning for transition.

Changed the starting time of the April 29 team building session from 5:30 pm to 4 pm

Advisory Commission changes and vacancies affecting the Housing Commission, Community Development Block Grant Committee (CDBG), Public Safety Commission, Senior Citizens Commission, and Technology, Information, and Communications Commission.

Conducted reading and enacted the second reading of Ordinance No. 08-2025

Welcome New Businesses

Alexa Eyecare

Diane Kwan Music Studio

Ecogentech Corporation

Froyo Q Inc.

Regus Management Group Llc

COMMISSION & COMMITTEE VACANCIES

City of Cupertino is accepting applications for the following committees and commissions:

CDBG Committee, one vacancy in the Garden Gate neighborhood, expires January, 2012.

Public Safety Commission, one vacancy. The vacancy occurred when Commissioner Jeff Payne resigned, expires January, 2012.

Senior Citizens Commission, one vacancy. The vacancy occurred when Commissioner Steven Stone resigned, expires January, 2012.

Technology, Information, and Communications Commission (TICC), one vacancy. The vacancy occurred when Commissioner Eric Kline resigned, expires January, 2011.

All the vacancies are open until filled.

HAVE SOMETHING TO CONTRIBUTE?

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



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CITY MEETINGS

May 1	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. A).....	12:30 pm
May 1	C.A.R.E.S (Conf. Rm. C)	7:30 pm
May 5	Friends of Cupertino Library (Conf. Rm. A)	7:30 pm
May 6	City Council.....	6:45 pm
May 7	Economic Development Committee (Conf. Rm. A)	3:30 pm
May 7	Teen Commission (Sports Center)	6:30 pm
May 7	Technology, Information & Communications (Conf. Rm. A).....	7 pm
May 7	Library Commission (Conf. Rm. 100).....	7 pm
May 8	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	9 am
May 8	Parks and Recreation (Conf. Rm. 100)	7 pm
May 13	Planning Commission (Council Cham. Comm. Hall)	6:45 pm
May 14	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. A).....	4:30 pm
May 15	Design Review Committee Meeting (Conf. Rm. A)	12:30 pm
May 15	Toyokawa Sister City Committee (Conf. Rm. A)	7:30 pm
May 20	City Council mtg.....	6:45 pm
May 21	Teen Commission (Sports Center)	6:30 pm
May 21	Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission (Conf. Rm. A).....	7 pm
May 27	Planning Commission (Council Cham. Comm. Hall)	6:45 pm
May 28	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. A).....	4:30 pm

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