

Cupertino Scene



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Tournament of Bands

On Saturday, October 12, 2002, we will be holding the 32nd annual Cupertino Tournament of Bands. At 10 a.m., the Parade Competition begins. The parade will proceed down Stevens Creek Boulevard starting at Torre Avenue and ending at Cupertino High School. At 4:30 p.m., the Field Show Competition begins at the Cupertino High School football field. All five high schools in the Fremont Union High School District will participate (Cupertino, Fremont, Homestead, Lynbrook, and Monta Vista) in the competition. For more information contact Denise Moffat at (408) 366-7377, or at denise_moffett@fuhd.org.

Computer Recycling for Cupertino Residents

To protect the community and environment from hazardous waste associated with computers, (e-waste), Apple Computer and the City of Cupertino have jointly developed a program to recycle unwanted electronic equipment from Cupertino residents.

A six-month pilot will begin on September 30. The Apple recycling facility at 10300 Bubb Road will be open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to accept the following: all computer components and peripherals (including CPUs, monitors, keyboards and printers), fax machines and home copiers, stereo equipment, non-wood speakers, VCRs, laser discs, and DVD players.

No monitors with cracked glass, or any TVs, will be accepted. There is no cost, however, participants need to provide documentation showing they are Cupertino residents in order to participate in the program.

For additional information for Cupertino residents on recycling computer components, please call Apple Computer's e-waste informational message at (408) 862-2667.



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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 rickk@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.

CUSD Community Input Meetings

The Cupertino Union School District's Middle School Attendance Areas Task Force will review district middle school boundaries and make recommendations for a new school's attendance area. The school will be located at the Collins site on Vista Drive in Cupertino. Each Task Force meeting will be identical in content so community members will have an opportunity to attend the meeting that best meets their schedule. Meetings will be held:

October 28, 2002

Hyde Middle School,
Multi-Purpose Room
7 to 9 p.m.
19325 Bollinger Road, Cupertino

October 29, 2002

Kennedy Middle School,
Multi-Purpose Room
7 to 9 p.m.
821 Bubb Road, Cupertino

Working sessions of the task force will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. at Garden Gate Elementary School on October 2, October 16, and November 6. While the public is welcome to attend task force meetings, public input will be limited to the two community meetings on October 28 and 29. The task force will present a report to the Board of Education on November 12 and the Board is expected to make a decision on November 26, 2002.

Bicycle Pedestrian Commission

Residents are encouraged to apply for positions on the newly formed Bicycle Pedestrian Commission. The Commission consists of five members appointed by the council to four-year overlapping terms. Commissioners will review, and make recommendations for City bicycle and pedestrian traffic, parking, education and recreation. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m., City Hall in Conference Room A.

Applications are due Friday, October 11 by 5 p.m. Interviews are scheduled for Monday, October 21 in Conference Room A, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Call 777-3223 for more information.

Back to the Future

The Fremont Union High Schools Foundation will hold its seventh annual Recognition Dinner, "Back to the Future," on Thursday, October 24, 2002, at SGI. We will be honoring

three-time Olympian and head coach of Stanford Field Hockey, Sheryl Johnson and will be recognizing the contributions Don Allen has made to education. We will also honor six outstanding high school students from our district. This is a major fundraising event for the foundation, which serves the Fremont Union High School District: Cupertino, Fremont, Homestead, Lynbrook and Monta Vista high schools. Funds raised at this event will be used to support three primary initiatives:

- The Baylands Ropes Course: To bring this experience to every student in the District.
- Digital Divide/Technology: To provide access to technology to students who might not be able to afford it.
- College/Career Centers: To enhance the Centers at each of the five high schools as they help students select the path to follow after graduation.

For more information, please contact Sandie Zander, Executive Director, at (408) 773-1218. Or visit our website at <http://www.fuhsfoundation.org>.



Below Market Rate Apartments

Cupertino Community Services (CCS) is proud to announce the availability of 12 one-bedroom and 12 two-bedroom below market rate apartments. The newly developed units are expected to be available for occupancy in January 2003. An eligibility list is now being formed.

The one bedroom units can accommodate one to three persons and the two bedroom units can accommodate three to five persons. The rental units are being offered to very low-income families only. The household income includes all family members' 18 years or older. Eligibility is determined by household size and income. Contact CCS for details.

Applications are available at:

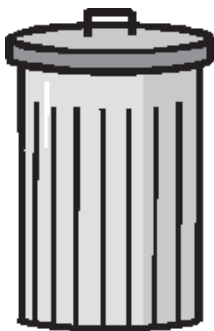
- Cupertino Community Services, 10185 N. Stelling Road, Cupertino. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 5 p.m.
- Telephone (408) 451-4108 Ext. 9 to have an application faxed.
- Go to www.cupertinocommunityservices.org

The deadline to turn in applications is 5 p.m., Friday, November 15, 2002.

All eligible applications turned in before the November 15th deadline will be placed in a lottery. The lottery will determine an applicant's placement on the Eligibility List.

Each applicant will be notified of lottery placement and formal qualifying procedures.

The location of these apartments is 10114 Vista Drive, behind the new firehouse on Stevens Creek Blvd. in Cupertino. The site is not open to visitors but one can view the outside of the units from Vista Drive. Opportunities to view the units will be available to qualified applicants after the lottery.



Garbage Fee Increase

The City has received a few inquires regarding the recently granted 4.75% cost-of-living increase to the Los Altos Garbage Company. Although the Consumer Price Index (CPI) was reported to be 2.1%, the increase to the garbage company is based on a formula that takes into consideration more factors than just the CPI— factors resulting from changes in the economy. The garbage company has, for many years, received less than the CPI in increases, and overall, that's been the case for the last ten years.

Oh, Sari. What a wrap!

Staying in diversely rich Bay area, it is not unusual to find a lady wearing the traditional costume of India- Sari, in supermarkets, malls and parks. In India, Sari is adult attire.

The demure floor length garment, with the tantalizing display of the midriff often intrigues westerners. Sari is simply a very unique garment, which covers all, yet reveals all. Sari is an Indian woman's statement to the world.

On October 26, 2002, Hema Kundargi will host the Sari Show at Cupertino Library at 3:30 p.m. She will talk about the legend of how sari originated, the variety of saris worn, exclusive regional ways to drape the sari and unique ways to use old saris. There will be hands on tutorial of draping a sari with audience participation.

Come discover why saris have been in style for over 5,000 years. A fascinating way to learn about Indian attire and customs, this workshop is open to the public and free of charge.



Restoration Event

On October 11th, the Earth Renaissance Club of De Anza College, will be planting native seedlings at an event starting at 10 a.m. in the far southwest corner of De Anza College, in the triangle of land between Highway 85, McClellan Road, and the campus inner road.

The plants have been grown over the past few months, in an effort to try to restore the ecosystem of that small piece of land to the state that it was in before it was developed. The plants to be restored are not only California natives, but regionally native, and grown from seeds collected in the Calabazas and Stevens Creek Watersheds. All are invited to help. Food and drinks will be available. The planting will last until the last seedling has been set. For more information contact Robin Classen at robin_claassen@yahoo.com.



Soothing the Silicon Soul

In its 54th season, the Peninsula Symphony is uniquely comprised of volunteer musicians who donate their time and talent to make concert-going affordable for all. Three members of the orchestra are local Cupertino residents. **Marshall Holliman**, is a consulting engineer in the electronics business by day, but for 36 years has played clarinet for the symphony. Clocking up 16 years on the bass clarinet, **Ron Miller** also serves as in-resident composer, and will have an original composition performed at the March concert. A Lockheed employee, Miller volunteers with the music programs at Monta Vista and Kennedy Junior High where his children attend. **Audrey Gore** began with Peninsula Symphony ten years ago, moving from the English horn to first oboe position. Currently an engineer with Apple Computers, she played previously with the Santa Clara University Orchestra. All three Cupertino residents will be playing in the "Grand Opening" concerts, beginning October 18th, 8 PM, at San Mateo Performing Arts Center, followed by an evening performance at the Flint Center on October 19th. For the first time, Peninsula Symphony is coming to the Fox Theatre in Redwood City on Sunday afternoon, 4 PM, October 20th. The premier piano duo of Thomas Hansen and Daniel Glover are guest soloists for Poulenc's "Concerto for Two Pianos in D Major". Tickets are available by calling (650) 941-5291, or purchase them on-line @www.peninsulasymphony.org.



Oktoberfest

The Rotary Club of Cupertino will hold its 21st annual Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 12th and Sunday, October 13th at Memorial Park, across from DeAnza College.

The two-day German cultural fair features an expanded entertainment program, a wide variety of food and beverage selections, over 100 artists and craftspeople, and a special Kinderplatz (children's play area).

The Oktoberfest takes place from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Both admission and parking are free. Proceeds from Oktoberfest will benefit local charitable organizations.

Wildlife Education Day

The Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society will be holding its 11th Annual Wildlife Education Day on Saturday, October 12, 2002, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wildlife Education Day will be held at McClellan Ranch Park, 22221 McClellan Road, in Cupertino.

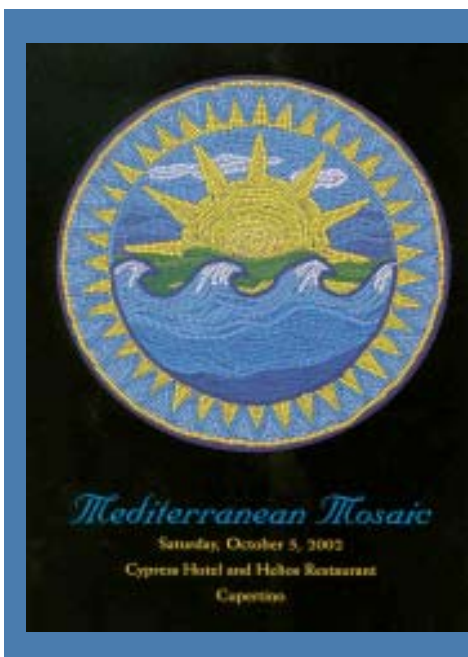
Families are invited to join Santa Clara Audubon and over 20 other environmental organizations to celebrate nature and wildlife. Activities include a bird banding demonstration, birdhouse and bird feeder building, guided nature walks, a scavenger hunt, edu-

cational presentations, and a poster contest. Live animals, including birds, bats and reptiles, will be shown.



For "Early Birds," SCVAS will hold a guided shorebird walk at Charleston Slough in Mountain View's Baylands at 8:00 a.m. Following the walk, participants will caravan to Wildlife Education Day festivities in Cupertino.

RSVP is required for the walk only. Contact Jennifer Peritz at, (408) 252-3740, for details on the poster contest and to RSVP for the walk.



Gala to Benefit Arts and Literacy

The Cupertino Educational Endowment Foundation's eighteenth annual black tie Gala is returning to Cupertino as the opening community benefit at the chic new Cypress Hotel and Helios Restaurant on Saturday, October 5 from 7 p.m. to midnight.

Acknowledged as one of the premiere "parties with a purpose" in the valley, the CEEF Gala regularly attracts over 750 corporate and community leaders in celebration of educational partnerships.

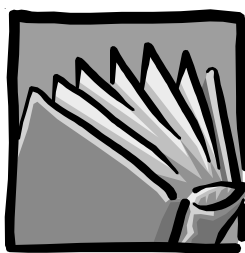
Proceeds will benefit the new \$6 million CEEF endowment to provide permanent funding for arts and information literacy programs at all schools in the Cupertino Union School District. For more information, please call (408) 446-CEEF or check our website at www.ceefcares.org.

Library News

Thanks to the City Council, Citizens and City of Cupertino,

Extended Library Hours:

Monday	10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Tuesday	10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Wednesday	10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Thursday	10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday	10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sunday	12 noon to 6 p.m.



Library telephone numbers are:

General Number	(408) 446-1677
Accounts, Billing	1-800-286-1991
Dial-in Catalog	1-877-471-3349
TeleCirc	1-800-471-0991

The library has a Web Catalog at <http://webpac.santaclaracountylib.org/>, and a catalog at <telnet://library.santaclaracountylib.org/>. The 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>

Lobby Book Sale

The Friends of the Cupertino Library have a book sale in the library lobby, with books priced from \$1 to \$4.

Children's Storytimes

Preschool Storytime (ages 3-1/2 to 6)

Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.

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.

Moon Festival Storytimes in Mandarin

Thursday evenings, 7:00 p.m., October 3 and 10. Children and their parents are invited to join Librarian Bonnie Wang for a special series of storytimes in Mandarin, featuring stories, riddles, crafts and puppet shows.

Sari Fashion Show

Did you know that the sari has been fashionable for 5000 years? On Saturday, October 26, 2002,

3:30p.m. - 5:30p.m., in the library's Community Room, Hema Kundargi will present a Sari Fashion Show. The presentation will include an history of the sari, a display of some unique draping styles and also an

hands on tutorial of draping techniques. For more information, please call the the Reference Desk at (408)446-1677.

Two Years after the Handover: the U.S., China, Panama and it's Canal

Cupertino resident, Leslie Larson, recently spent four months at the San Lorenzo Protected Area, a former U.S. Army base that's located at the edge of the Caribbean entrance to the Panama Canal. She'll discuss the Canal, it's importance to the U.S. and China and the impact on tropical forests on Wednesday, October 9th at 7 p.m. in the library's Community Room. For more information, 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. Those interested should come to the Adult Reference desk at 10 a.m. on Saturday mornings.

Library Bestseller Collection

Funded by the Friends of the Cupertino Library, the Bestseller Collection is a special collection designed to make it easier than ever to find a bestseller on the library shelf. The books are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Located next to the New Books area on the main floor near the adult reference desk, all titles check out for one week.

Library Tours

Library tours are held Wednesdays from 1 to 2 p.m. and Saturdays from 2 to 3 p.m. Tours include demonstration of the library's online catalog, reference database access, and library collections and services. For information about weekly tours, call (408) 446-1677.

Simply Safe

by Marsha Hovey

This month, Cupertino School Districts are partnering with Pacific Gas & Electric to provide one hour of Emergency Preparedness training in their classrooms to commemorate the October 17, 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake. Cupertino was selected as one of only three cities to participate in the pilot project. The curriculum was prepared by PG&E and offered free of charge to any classroom willing to participate. Topics include gas and electric safety and earthquake preparedness. Thanks to PG&E for their support.

Did you know...that Cupertino is the only city in Santa Clara County that offers Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training free to residents? CERT starts October 1st. Classes will be held Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon and includes fun, hands-on training that will help you know when and how to turn off your gas, how to use a fire extinguisher, how to safely remove people from damaged buildings, how to respond to possible terrorist attacks, and what to do in a medical emergency. Class dates are Oct 1, 2, 15, 16, 22, 23, with graduation on October 26.

Congratulations to two newly prepared neighborhoods: Deodara Dr., Cypress Ct, Cypress Dr, Baywood Ct., Merritt and Creekline Dr., Jeanette Ct., and November Dr. Each held successful earthquake exercises on September 7. In both cases, only one member of the neighborhood had completed CERT training – that's all it takes to get started.

Upcoming Classes:

Basic First Aid, November 22, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Kaleidoscope Public Safety Camp for Jr. High and High School

January 3,4,5, Limited to 20 students

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) (Date Change)

January 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Graduation, Jan. 25, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.



Gas meter safety update.

Gas meter valves – the part you turn to shut off the gas – come in different sizes. During routine maintenance, PG&E can exchange the meter valve, for a different size, without you being aware of it. If you have purchased a special tool to turn off the gas during emergencies, make sure it still works.

This month, everyone should go out to their gas meter and be sure you know **when and how** to turn it off. Only turn off the gas if you **hear** hissing, **smell** natural gas or **see** the meter dial spinning. If you discover a problem, turn the valve ¼ turn in either direction until it is facing straight across from the pipe (perpendicular). **Test** your valve with a crescent wrench or other device by turning the valve just 1/8th turn and then back to its normal position. You won't turn off the gas, but you will know that your valve isn't frozen in place.

Do you have the correct phone number?

Some flyers were passed out listing an incorrect seven digit emergency number for Cupertino. Be sure that **408-299-3233** is programmed into your cell phone so that emergency calls you make in Cupertino can go directly to your local dispatch center. Remember that 9-1-1 calls from cell phones go to the Highway Patrol in Vallejo and then they have to transfer you to the proper agency wasting precious time.

If you do only one thing to prepare this month...

Buy some extra lightsticks. They work great in jack-o-lanterns and provide many hours of emergency light during power outages. Keep one near your bed, along with a pair of shoes. After an earthquake, you'll have a readily available light source and a way to protect your feet from broken glass.

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

Cupertino Cuisine: Simply Dal-icious

by Hema Kundargi



Dal is Hindi term for lentils, beans and peas. Here just as we would say bread and butter to denote simple food, in India the equivalent term is dal-roti. Roti is Indian bread.

Vegetarian cuisine in India has evolved over the centuries and has one of the most elaborate displays of vegetarian entrees than anywhere else in the world. A majority of Indians are vegetarians- for religious reasons, for economic reasons and lately for high cholestrol reasons too. Thus in a vegetarian diet the primary source of protein is dals. The dals besides being protein rich has the added benefit of being high in fiber and naturally low in fat. Served with bread and/or rice, paired with a salad and vegetable it helps make a complete and nutritional balanced meal.

Frankly beans, lentils or peas are quite bland and tasteless if you were to eat it plain. This is where the Indian spice blends called as Masalas come in handy. Besides imparting taste, the spices also have medicinal value as described in the ancient Indian medicine, Auyurveda. Spices like ginger and cumin help reduce the flatulence that is generally associated with beans. Spices have quintessential role in cooking dals, besides adding zest to the bland beans, it also aids in digesting them. There is a unique technique, which brings the dal alive, known as “tarka” or spice infused oil which is added to the cooked dal. A teaspoon of oil is heated and spices (as per your liking) like cumin seeds, mustard seeds, ginger, garlic and curry leaves are toasted. I personally like to add only cumin seeds and garlic to this hot oil. Presoaking the beans cuts down on cooking time considerably. I soak beans overnight in large quantities and later freeze them in small freezer bags. This way instead of reaching for a can of beans, I just thaw a bag of beans.

If you are new to cooking dals, here are some helpful hints:

1. As with any new food start with small portions so that your body gets used to it. Then gradually increase the quantity.

2. Improperly cooked dal is very difficult to digest. You can over cook the dal but never under cook it.

3. If you are serious about cooking beans and peas, a pressure cooker is a good investment. It saves time and money in the long run.

4. Spices are essential to give flavor as well as helps in digesting dals.

There are hundreds of varieties of dals eaten thorough out India. I will share with you a simple soothing recipe that has been adapted to the ingredients and spices that are available in local grocery stores and health stores.

Kitchidi

Rice and bean porridge

The two distinct features of mung beans. Easy to cook and easy to digest have made it a favorite amongst all beans. It is usually paired with rice to cook a smooth porridge called Kitchidi. Kitchidi is a porridge-like dish which is served when you are under the weather or simply too tired to cook. It is the Indian equivalent of what Chicken soup is to the western society. Kitchidi is one of the first solid foods served to infants.

- 1 cup basmati rice
- 1 cup split yellow mung beans
- 1 teaspoon cumin seeds slightly crushed
- 1 inch piece ginger minced
- ½ teaspoon tumeric
- 6-7 whole black pepper
- 4 cups water
- Salt to taste

Wash rice and beans in water, drain and keep aside. In a thick bottom pan add all the ingredients. Let it come to a rolling boil on high heat. Cook it on low heat for 20 minutes. Stir often to prevent burning.

This porridge like rice is served with a spoon of ghee or clarified butter.

Hema's hints: For simple variation I replace yellow mung beans with lentils and/or add grated carrots, peas, cashew nuts to make it more nutritious.

Hema Kundargi is native of Pune, India, and produces and hosts the award winning show, 'Indian Vegetarian Gourmet' on Cupertino public access channel 15. You may write to her at comments@massala.com.

Cupertino Senior Center Travel Program

There is excitement at our Cupertino Senior Center as readers quickly turn to the travel page to read about the new trips that have been carefully researched and planned for them. They know that our mission is to serve the needs of members who enjoy traveling together while meeting new people and making new friends. Of course, the fact that they are having a wonderful travel experience is the icing on the cake.



A variety of destinations serve a population with diverse interests. Always trying innovative types of trips that appeal to many tastes is our goal. Fun, cultural, theater, including dramas, musicals, opera, ballet, museums housing many kinds of art – quilts, planes, ships, mummies, labels (yes, even labels,) automobiles, microchips, fire engines – you name it, we've probably visited the place where they're located or its "on the list". Next year, Arizona for Spring Training, South America, Italy, Shakespeare in the Utah Desert, Australia and New Zealand as well as a wonderful New York City Theatre tour make up the bulk of our out-of-country itineraries.

How important is this part of our Senior Center? How about making new friends, traveling or shopping or seeing a movie together, taking pictures, sharing experiences and memories?

All of the components of our travel program are easily accessible to you. After paying a small membership fee to become a member, you only have to be a young 50 years old, enjoy the company of friendly people, and laugh a lot. For more information call (408)777-3150.

Final Book Sale Until New Cupertino Library is Built



If you have not attended a book sale before, this is your final opportunity before the City closes the library to begin construction of the new library set to open in October 2004. The Fall Used Book Sale is hosted by the Friends of the Cupertino Public Library and will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 19 and 20, 2002. The sale is located in the lower level of the Cupertino Library located at 10400 Torre Avenue.

A wide variety of books, CD's and videos will be offered, including: fiction, non-fiction, travel, health, home and garden, romance, cookbooks, children's and young adult's books, reference, science, engineering, foreign languages and many other topics. There is also a separate "select" room where special interest books on popular subjects are offered at slightly higher prices. This last book sale is expected to be exceptional given the high volume of book donations throughout the summer and fall.

Sale hours are Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 3 p.m. The children's book area is open only to children from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday. The popular "Bag Day" is on Sunday when most books are offered for \$3 per bag. Volunteers are always needed. Please call Gladys Maiden at 408-253-4591.



Roots

By Gail

Fretwell Hugger

A Goodbye to Three Ladies

Some days stick in your memory forever. For Cupertino old timers, Saturday, August 24, 2002 will be one of those days. We lost three old friends on that same day; **Mae Edwards Regnart**, **Mathilda Mariani Sousa** and **Thelma Regnart Nauman**. Mae had just turned 80, Mathilda was 91 and Thelma was 89. We went to three services in two days. Obituaries will be written in other papers. This little story just contains memories of times gone by.

Mae, and husband Herb Regnart, did not have children of their own. Many memories were shared at her service by old friends who remembered her standing in as second mom, or best aunt at school events when parents were unable to come. Mae worked in the office of the old Rifredi's Market in Monta Vista. If you were a kid and brought in a paper dollar, she'd give you a big old real silver dollar in exchange, in those days the value was the same. She lived up Regnart Canyon most of her life. What a great place for a kid to ride their bike up the narrow road and explore- dogs, cats, cattle, horses, the hills in the warm summer sun and the smells of the fields and barns on their ranch and in the stable -petting the horses' wet muzzles and handing them handfuls of grass to munch on - watch out for those big teeth! The land on which Herb and Mae's first little house stood was part of the ranch where, earlier in the 1900's, uncle Robert Regnart and wife Jessie raised fruit trees and seven children - their family was known as "the Jessie gang." Mae was a great sports fan. Her knowledge of players and statistics was well known. I now have one of her beloved plants, a tuberose, that bloomed the week after she died. It will be a gentle reminder of her every year and for that, I am thankful.

Someone shared their memory of the Mariani property that sat on the northeast corner of De Anza Boulevard and Highway 85. "Remember," they said, "how you'd come up the freeway exit and look to the right and there would be those acres of apricots, drying on trays in the sun?" And a beautiful sight it was, too. Mathilda Mariani Sousa used to work in the Mariani company office, the little house that used to face out onto Saratoga-Sunnyvale Road.

The little house and the big dry yard were all that was left of the large land holdings in the Cupertino area that the Mariani family had accumulated over the decades the family had built their fruit processing business. Mathilda had a smile that lit up her face and any room or gathering she entered. A family member shared at her service how Mathilda could bawl the kids out when they were small and still have that great smile on her face the whole time she chewed them out. She knew everyone and treated every person she met with dignity and respect; she was a great lady. Another person recalled how Mathilda started and organized the Vallco annex of the Cupertino History Museum. She loved to volunteer in the little room that housed much of the Picchetti collection and many other farm and home implements and talk to visitors about how people lived and worked in the old days in early Cupertino. Mathilda's history and photos of the Mariani family are only part of the wonderful and valuable legacy of memories that she leaves behind in the community and her beloved museum.

Thelma Regnart Nauman hated snakes. If she was watching TV with her family and a picture of a snake appeared on the screen, she turned away and wouldn't look again until it was gone. That particular fear was aroused because her cousin, Alice Regnart and childhood neighbor, Genevieve Ziegler, scared her with a dead snake as she trudged home from school, up the dusty road in Regnart Canyon. "Home" was with the rest of the "Jessie gang", her six brothers and sisters and her parents, Robert Regnart Jr. and wife, Jessie. Many are the memories of the cousins who belonged to the "Jessie gang" and the "Annie gang," the other Regnart family who lived a little ways farther up the canyon. Mother Jessie was a talented pianist and father Robert played the violin and little Thelma remembered fondly the musical evenings the family spent at their little home in the canyon. Since she was the "baby" of the family of seven children, she was a little bit pampered by the others but sometimes being a tag-a-long was discouraged by her older siblings. Older sister Berneice would say, "Oh, leave Thelma home. She's too little to come." But the oldest sister, Doris, would reply, "Let her come," and would take Thelma along. Sadly, Doris died at the age of 26 years, the first of the "Jessie gang" to pass away. Thelma had two children and was twice widowed. At the end of her life, among the last words she spoke, was Doris' name.

We will miss these ladies and their memories of a past era when our valley was covered with fruit trees and the perfume of blossoms filled the air in spring.

City Jobs Available

Legal Secretary, Cupertino City Attorney's Office

The Cupertino City Attorney's Office is seeking a Legal Secretary. This full time position will start at \$4,422 per month. Excellent benefit package and fully paid PERS (2%at 55).

Requires good computer skills, knowledge of court calendaring, document preparation, word processing, organizing and maintaining documents, ability to multi-task.

Final Filing Date: October 11, 2002.

Principals only send resume to:
Cupertino City Attorney
10320 S. De Anza Blvd., Ste.
1D

Cupertino, CA 95014
Fax 408-777-3401, no phone
calls please.

Code Enforcement Officer

Salary \$4,487-\$5,454 monthly (+ 7% city paid PERS)

Final Filing Date: October 21, 2002

Perform work involving inspection, regulation, and enforcement of codes and ordinances including nuisance abatement, property maintenance, housing, signs, and noise. Perform related duties as required.

Investigate and respond to citizen complaints regarding City codes and ordinances and initiate appropriate action. Complete and maintain a variety of records, reports, documents and correspondence. Perform traffic control and parking enforcement. Work with other City departments and regulatory agencies having jurisdiction within the City to assure City Code conformity. Issue warning notices, notices to appear, and citations.

Experience: Two years of related administrative or investigative experience dealing with the public.

Education: Equivalent to the completion of the twelfth grade.

License/Certificate: Possession of, or ability to obtain, a valid California driver's license. Possession of P.O.S.T. 832 certificate is desirable.

Must wear City provided Code Enforcement Officer uniform.

Applicants must complete an official City of Cupertino application and return it to the Human Resources Division no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 21, 2002.

Account Clerk

The City of Cupertino is seeking an Account Clerk. Salary ranges from \$3,582-\$4,354 monthly (+7% city paid PERS).

The Account Clerk will perform clerical accounting and data entry tasks, including preparation, posting, maintenance, and reconciliation of A/R, A/P, and/or P/R. Assist and provide information to City customers and City staff in person or telephone. Duties include balancing cash and prepare bank deposits, provide billing, payment and other accounting information to customers, vendors, and others. Assist with preparing, reviewing and verifying purchase orders, vendor invoices and related documentation, and confirm authorization; maintain purchasing files and prepare warrant register. Assist customers with business license applications and process license payments. Maintain and update business records. Process payroll for 150 FT and up to 150 PT employees including tax reporting. Minimum qualifications include: one-year responsible clerical accounting experience, including bookkeeping, numerical calculations and/or processing of financial data. Governmental accounting skills are desirable. Equivalent to the completion of the twelfth grade and additional specialized training in bookkeeping; accounting, data processing or a related field. Valid class C California Driver's License

Interested applicants must submit a City of Cupertino application to the Human Resources division no later then 5 p. m. on October 21, 2002. Applications may be obtained from www.cupertino.org or from contacting Human Resources at (408) 777-3227. EOE



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.

OCT.	Club/Organization	Time	Location	Phone
1 Tues	Alcoholics Anonymous*	6:30 p.m.	Redeemer Luth. Church, 940 S. Stelling Rd.	650-903-0321
	Women's Group			
	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*	8 p.m.	10201 Imperial Ave., #3	243-8462
Cupertino Men's Service*	Noon	The Blue Pheasant		
2 Wed	AI-ANON Family Group*	7:30 p.m.	940 S. Stelling Road	734-5869
	AI-ATEEN*	8:15 p.m.	Redeemer Lutheran Church, 940 S. Stelling	292-8897
	Cupertino Sanitary Dist*	8 p.m.	20065 Stevens Creek #C	253-7071
	De Anza Optimist Club*	7:15 a.m.	Holder's Restaurant	253-4424
	Cupertino Optimist Club*	12:15 p.m.	Blue Pheasant	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	
Cross-Cultural Consortium (5Cs)	6:30 p.m.	Love Me! Café 20390 Town Center Lane	777-3331	
3 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*	8 a.m.	Chamber of Commerce	252-7054
	Connect Club III*	Noon	Chamber of Commerce	252-7054
	Overeaters Anonymous*	7 p.m.	Union Church	541-9069
HP Communicators Toastmasters #4606*	7:00 a.m.	HP Cupt. site, Bldg. 46T 19055 Pruneridge Ave.	650-691-8724	
4 Fri	Alcoholics Anonymous* Fast Start Group	5:00 p.m.	Redeemer Lutheran Church 940 S. Stelling Rd	374-8511

4 Fri	De Anza Kiwanis*	7:15 a.m.	Intl. House of Pancakes	973-1456
5 Sat	De Anza Flea Market	8 to 4	De Anza College	864-8946
7 Mon	American Legion Post 642	8 p.m.	10201 Imperial Ave., #3	374-6392
	Al-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
	Friends of Cupt. Library	7:30 p.m.	Cupertino Library	253-8294
8 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
9 Wed	Krazy Dazys Square Dance Club*	7 p.m.	Collins School	245-9156
10 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
11 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
12 Sat	Daughters of Norway	9:30 a.m.	Sunnyview Retirement Community	255-9828
14 Mon	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 p.m.	20589 Homestead Rd.	252-3954
	Fine Arts League	7 p.m.	Community Center	777-0209
15 Tues	African Violet Society	12:30 p.m.	Sunnyview Lutheran Home	736-9262
	Viewfinders Camcorder Club	7 p.m.	Community Center Cupertino Room	253-9136
17 Thurs	Toyokawa Sister City	7:30 p.m.	City Hall	257-7424
	West Valley Republican Women	11:30 a.m.		252-6312
	Bicycle/Ped Adv. Com.	7 p.m.	City Hall	446-2585 777-3245
	Rolling Hills 4H Club	7 p.m.	Monta Vista Rec Center	257-4745
22 Tues	De Anza Youth Soccer	7:30 p.m.	Community Center	
	Historical Society	6:30 p.m.	Community Center	973-1495
23 Wed	Rancho Neighborhood Association	7:30 p.m.	Rancho Pool and Recreation Facility	973-1600

Deadline for submitting November calendar information is Oct. 2.

Council Actions



Tuesday, September 3, 2002

Council Members Present: Chang, James, Kwok, Lowenthal, Sandoval.

Reviewed the Sports Center American with Disabilities Act upgrades.

Approved the reorganization of property located on the north side of Creston Drive between Berkeley Court and Foothill Boulevard.

Asked staff to provide a general policy recommendation to City Council regarding fee waivers.

Approved the Sports Center as discussed in the earlier study session.

Concurred to amend Teen Commission resolution to not allow commissioners to serve consecutive terms with some exceptions.

Allowed quasi-public land use activities at 10051 Pasadena Avenue.

Monday, September 16, 2002

Council Members Present: Chang, James, Kwok, Lowenthal, Sandoval.

Conducted a joint study session with the Planning Commission regarding the Cupertino Town Center.

Approved the reorganization of property located on the north side of San Fernando Avenue between Orange Avenue and Byrne Avenue.

Approved a fee waiver of \$14,833 for the Moon Festival of Silicon Valley.

Adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with The Guzzardo Partnership, Inc., for the design and construction administration of the City Center Park for \$101,500. And to negotiate and execute an agreement with artist Roger Berry for public art called "Perspectives," for \$143,788.

Approved a Use Permit to demolish two office buildings and construct a 28,000 square foot, two-story office building and a 2,500 square foot commercial building at the Cupertino Town Center, located at the Southwest corner of Rodrigues and Torre Avenues.

Approved items for the Cupertino Public Library and Civic Center Project: a). Received a status report on the project design, b). Authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with Nova Partners for the construction management services for a fee of \$850,000, c). Authorized lease financing documents.

Authorized the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Apple Computer, Inc. for the disposal of consumer electronics products and computers (e-waste) in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

Reviewed development regulations affecting Randy Lane and Larry Way Neighborhood and began rezoning of 19 Acres, of Single-Family Residences, from Agricultural-Residential Zone.

Agenda Previews



City Council

Monday, October 7, 2002

6:45 p.m., Council Meeting

Approve the minutes from the September 16 City Council meeting.

Accept the Treasurer's Budget Report – August 2002

Approve the destruction of records from Finance and Code Enforcement files, which are in excess of two years old.

Adopt a resolution making determinations and approving the reorganization of area designated "Creston Drive 02-03", property located on the north side of Creston Drive between Berkeley Court and Foothill Boulevard.

Launch of new City of Cupertino Web site and how to view Council meetings online

Second reading of "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cupertino Authorizing an Amendment to the Contract Between the City Council of the City of Cupertino and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System to enhance 1959 survivor benefits."

Second reading of Ordinance No. 1901: "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cupertino Amending Chapter 19.84, Second Dwelling Units in R-1, RHS, A and A-1 Zones, of the Cupertino Municipal Code."

Adjourn to October 14 at 3:30 p.m. at Blackberry Farm for a closed session regarding performance evaluation of the City Manager.

Monday, October 7, 2002

5:30 p.m., Council Meeting

Interview candidates for Bicycle Pedestrian Commission.

Presentation to City Council regarding the website and new services offered.

Approve the minutes from the October 7, and 14 City Council meetings.

Adopt a resolution accepting Accounts Payable.

Adopt a resolution accepting Payroll.

Receive report on commission and committee terms expiring January 15, 2002 and select application deadlines and interview dates.

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Monthly City Meetings

Oct.	2	Telecommunications Commission (Conf. Rm.)***	6:30 p.m.
Oct.	3	Parks and Recreation Commission***	Cancelled
Oct.	7	City Council***	6:45 p.m.
Oct.	8	Teen Commission (Community Center)	5:30 p.m.
Oct.	9	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm.)	4:30 p.m.
Oct.	10	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:30 p.m.
Oct.	10	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm.)	3:30 p.m.
Oct.	14	Planning Commission***	6:45 p.m.
Oct.	15	Library Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:30 p.m.
Oct.	21	City Council***	6:45 p.m.
Oct.	22	Fine Arts Commission (Conf. Rm.)	7:00 p.m.
Oct.	23	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm.)	4:30 p.m.
Oct.	24	Teen Commission (Community Center)	5:30 p.m.
Oct.	28	Planning Commission***	6:45 p.m.

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