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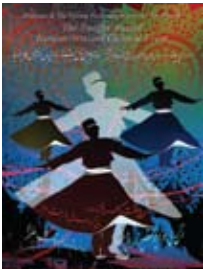
October 25, 10 am - 2 pm
McClellan Ranch Park, 22221 McClellan Road

Families are invited to join Santa Clara Audubon and over 20 other environmental organizations to celebrate nature and wildlife. – continued on page 3

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October 11, 10 am - 6 pm

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events in cupertino

"Earth Expressions" Exhibition

**September 12-14, Community Hall,
10350 Torre Ave**

The Fine Arts League of Cupertino (FALC) presents a group show in the spirit of Environmental Awareness with an art auction benefiting the earthquake victims of Sichuan province.

FALC promotes and encourages the practice and appreciation of visual arts. They have a program of demonstrations and access to information about workshops and other art exhibitions in the Bay Area.

FALC's next exhibition is "Earth Expressions" on the theme of environmental awareness. Artists were encouraged to submit artwork reflecting any impressions of "Earth," be it the artist's appreciation of nature to abstract concepts like interdependence, tolerance, conservation, et cetera.

70% of all sales of donated artwork and 10% of sales at the Juried Show will be sent to the Shelter Box Project for the Sichuan earthquake victims.

Juried Show: September 13-14, 10 am - 6 pm

**Reception and Art Auction: September 12,
7 pm - 9:30 pm**

Juror - Stefan Baumann, Artist and Host of the PBS series "The Grand View"

Sponsored by The Rotary Club of Cupertino and the Cupertino Fine Arts Commission

– Iranian Festival continued from page 1

Generations of local Iranians will exhibit their pride in their rich culture. The day will be filled with delicious Persian food and cultural activities such as dance, music, poetry and story readings, arts and crafts, and book signings. Payvand's own young cultural ambassadors will give presentations on different aspects of Iranian culture.

IFWC was established in 1996 and is a local non-profit, non-political, and non-religious organization. Its mission is to integrate and empower the Iranian community, and promote arts and culture by bringing educational services, scholarships, and cultural activities to Bay Area communities. Contact Ms. Fariba Nejat at payvand95@aol.com or visit www.payvand.org for more information.

Cupertino Polio Concert

October 11, 6 pm at Flint Center

The Rotary Club of Cupertino is sponsoring the concert, Ehsaas Hai, "Do You Feel?" featuring Harisrasad Chaurasia, a renowned Indian flute player, and Habib Khan, fusion musician.

Since the PolioPlus program's inception in 1985, more than two billion children have received oral polio vaccine. The disease has not yet been eradicated and readers can contribute to the PolioPlus Fund.

For more information on the concert and the PolioPlus Fund, call 408. 517.9094 or visit cupertinopolioconcert.com.

– Tournament of Bands continued from page 1

TOB marks the beginning of the fall marching band competitions and has been a hometown staple of Cupertino for the past 38 years. It began as a fundraising event to send the band to the Rose Bowl and now the money raised is the only source of financial support Cupertino High School receives to keep its music department.

Come early to get a good seat. The parade begins promptly at 10 am on the south side of Stevens Creek Boulevard, between Miller and Finch.

Finch Avenue from Stevens Creek to Phil Lane will be closed to all traffic from 7:30 am until 9:30 pm for the parade and field show competition. During the parade, Miller Avenue northbound will be closed from Phil Lane to Stevens Creek and the eastbound side of Stevens Creek Boulevard will be closed from Miller/Wolfe to Finch.

SCHEDULE:

10 am	Parade competition begins
1:30 pm	Drill-down competition begins in the stadium
2 pm	Parade awards (stadium)
4 pm	Gates at stadium open for Field Show competition
4:30 pm	Field Show competition begins

For more information about how to help, visit www.tinoband.org/studentlife/band/index.shtml or email TOBPresident@TinoBand.org.

– Wildlife Education continued from page 1
 Activities include a bird banding demonstration, birdhouse and bird feeder building, a scavenger hunt, educational presentations, and a poster contest. Live animals, including birds, reptiles, and insects will be shown.

For “Early Birds,” the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society will hold a guided shorebird walk at Charleston Slough in Mountain

View’s Baylands at 8 am. Following the walk, participants will caravan to Wildlife Education Day festivities in Cupertino. RSVP is required for the walk ONLY.

For details call 408.252.3740 or visit www.scvas.org.



Birdhouse Building!

Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society



presents the

17TH ANNUAL

Raffle Prizes!

WILDLIFE EDUCATION

DAY!



Nature Arts and Crafts!

Saturday, October 25, 2008



Environmental Presentations!

10am–2pm

McClellan Ranch Park in Cupertino



Live Animals
 - Birds of Prey,
 Snakes,
 Insects, and more!



**“Early Bird”
 Shorebird Walk**
 8:00 am @ Charleston Slough
 RSVP Required (for walk only)

For details call (408) 252-3740
 or visit www.scvas.org



Environmental Groups from around the Bay Area!

Annual Wildlife Poster Contest
 Winners & Awards announced @ 1:00 pm
 Submission deadline 10/6



General Parking @ Monta Vista High School w/ FREE SHUTTLE SERVICE,
 Disabled Parking ONLY @ McClellan Ranch Park

 HEAVY RAIN Cancels

by Marsha Hovey

Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)

Heart attacks happen every day. Recently someone experienced a sudden cardiac arrest at the Cupertino Sports Center. A bystander performed CPR and used the on-site Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and the person was revived!

You may be the person who is first on scene, so each one of us is a first responder. Do you know CPR? CPR moves oxygen to the brain to keep it alive until advanced life support arrives. The average fire department response time for Cupertino is 3-5 minutes. Initiating CPR before the fire department arrives gives the patient the best chance of survival.

Here are the basic steps. These guidelines are not intended to replace a CPR class, but to remind you how easy it can be to save a life. Get trained!

- Check the scene to be sure it is safe to assist.
- Check the patient for responsiveness. If not responding, call 9-1-1 and get an AED.
- Lay the patient down on their back.
- Kneel next to the patient's head. Check for breathing by lifting the chin to tilt the head. Look for their chest rising, listen, and feel for breath.
- If not breathing give two breaths to make the chest rise.
- If the patient is still not breathing, begin CPR.
- Interlock fingers and lean straight over the patient's chest. Lock elbows. With straight arms, press straight down on the patient's chest (between the nipple line), to a depth of 1 1/2 to 2 inches
- Press hard and fast, about 100 per minute.
- Perform 30 chest compressions and two breaths then repeat sequence 5 times.
- If there is no change in patient condition, continue until the Fire Department arrives
- If you have seen the patient collapse, you can provide compression-only CPR.

These procedures are slightly different for infants and children so please sign up for a class and review training materials at least once a year. (It wouldn't be a bad idea to take a Basic First Aid class too.)

CPR classes are offered at Quinlan Community Center (online registration at www.cupertino.org/parks_recreation and American Red Cross www.scv-redcross.org.)



View video demonstration for CPR on adults and pets at www.cupertino.org/emergency under "CPR and First Aid."

Upcoming Classes & Preparedness Events:

- **Personal Emergency Preparedness Workshop**
Free! September 27, 9-Noon, October 8 6:30-9:30, November 21, 9-Noon.
- **Earthquake Building Damage Assessment**
After the ground stops shaking, how do you know if your home is still structurally sound? What are the signs of potential collapse?
Greg Casteel, Cupertino's Senior Building Official will provide easy to understand guides to help you evaluate the immediate safety of your home as well as offer retrofit suggestions. Thursday, October 30, 7-9 pm, Community Hall. The event is free, and open to the public. No registration required!
- **Pandemic Flu – Online Presentation** What should you know? Click on the link under "Preparedness Info" at www.cupertino.org/emergency or watch it on City Channel Cable 26.

Contact the Cupertino Office of Emergency Services (OES) at 408.777.3335, email OES@cupertino.org, or go to the website www.cupertino.org/emergency for more information. Register for classes at www.cupertino.org/register or at Quinlan Center, City Hall or the library.

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

October is National Preparedness month. Light sticks are available in most stores because they are popular at Halloween. Light sticks provide light for up to 12 hours with no batteries – and have a 5-year shelf life. They're great for kids to carry around in the dark because they are lightweight, and don't break!

Simply Safe is a monthly article provided to inform the community about emergency preparedness, training schedules and volunteer opportunities. Contact the Cupertino Office of Emergency Services (OES) at 408.777.3335, email OES@cupertino.org, or go to the website www.cupertino.org/emergency for more information.

roots | staying connected

by Gail Fretwell-Hugger

A Little Cemetery History

Since it's October, I thought an armchair visit to some cemeteries might be in order. Cemeteries are places of fascinating history, aside from any notable persons who may be buried there.

Santa Clara Valley has several historic cemeteries. The oldest is probably the one attached to Santa Clara University, a Catholic cemetery. A Protestant cemetery is across the street. The cemetery in Mountain View has tombstones for Union soldiers from the Civil War. Oak Hill Cemetery in San Jose contains some members of the ill-fated Donner party of 1848-49. In the Madronia cemetery in Saratoga, lies the widow of John Brown of Civil War infamy.

Cupertino has a very lovely modern cemetery at the base of the foothills, but the old graveyards exhibit a wealth of colorful history. They contain different architectural

live longer lives. These macabre decorations gave way to doves, palm branches, lilies, and vines, which each carried a message of hope for resurrection if the person was Christian.

Animals engraved on tombstones carried messages too. Lions symbolized courage, majesty, and strength. Oxen represented humility, patience, and doing quiet good works for others. Dogs symbolize loyalty, vigilance and watchfulness. Interestingly, even the little squirrel shows up on some tombstones but not with a positive message. If it is a red squirrel, it symbolizes one of Satan's animals, for its ability to operate at many different levels. Norse legends have squirrels running up and down causing strife and confusion. Deer symbolize Psalm 42:1 and speak of solitude and contemplation. A stag's antlers are often said to represent the Tree of Life. Butterflies represent the three stages of life, death and resurrection. Little lambs most often adorn a child's grave.



styles such as Tumulus, Egyptian, Classical, Byzantine, Romanesque, and many more. Incidentally, Gothic was originally a derisive term used against the French by the Italians, who said that the French cathedrals were so ugly, only a Goth could possibly have built them.

In the old days, tomb styles were usually indicative of wealth and standing in the community. There were sarcophagus tombs, chest tombs, altar tombs, barrel tombs, table tombs, pedestal tombs, and an interesting feature called a "mort safe," which prevented body theft for medical school purposes.

Plants, flowers, and animals that decorate old tombstones have symbolic meanings. When our country was young, many tombstones portrayed a death's head or skull, reminding people that we are all mortal and life is short. Eventually medicine and health care improved and people began to

The most prevalent symbols in most cemeteries in the U.S. are the cross of Christ and angels. There are also many intricate symbols that depict secret societies, clubs and fraternal organizations. These take research to decipher the story behind them but are well worth the time.

Many people go to cemeteries to do tombstone rubbings of the pictorial images and text on the upright stones. Permission is required for this. Cemeteries are also peaceful, quiet oases of green grass and trees, places of contemplation and thoughtfulness amid the bustle of everyday life. Even the tiny, out-of-the-way graveyard, perhaps lost in a forest, or lonely in a plowed field, has a story to tell.

Resource: "Stories in Stone - A Field Guide to Cemetery Symbolism and Iconography" - written and photographed by Douglas Keister.

LIBRARY INFORMATION | 10800 Torre Avenue, Cupertino

LIBRARY OPEN HOURS

Mon-Tues.....	1 to 9
Wed-Thurs	10 to 9
Fri-Sat	10 to 6
Sunday	12 to 6

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 date:

- **October 13, Columbus Day**

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

To search our online catalog, review your library account, get homework help, and conduct research using our online databases, please visit the Santa Clara County Library Web site at: **www.santaclaracountylib.org**

For more information on any of the Cupertino Library's adult, teen, and family programs, please call the Reference Desk at 408.446.1677, ext 3372.

Programs for Children and Families

STORY TIMES

Twos Stories

1-1/2 to 2-1/2..... Thursdays 10:15 am

Threes Stories

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

New Storytime! Fours Stories

3-1/2 to 5 years old..... Fridays 10:15 am

Bedtime Stories

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

Baby Storytime Series

Sponsored by the Friends of the Cupertino Library.

Wednesdays at 11 am

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Parents with babies up to 1-1/2 years old are invited to a five-week series of storytimes.

Registration is required.

Programs for Teens

STEPHANIE MEYER'S BREAKING DAWN: LOVED IT / HATED IT

Saturday, October 11, 2 pm, Library Story Room

Join us as we kick-off Teen Read Week's blood-curdling theme, "Books With Bite"! Share your opinion of the latest book in Ms. Meyer's popular vampire series. There will also be snacks, games and prizes. No registration required. This program is sponsored by the *Friends of the Cupertino Library*.

Programs for Adults

AUTHORS, BOOKS & CONVERSATIONS

Book Talk and Book Discussion

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. This program is sponsored by the *Friends of the Cupertino Library*.

Thursday, October 16, 7 pm, Library Story Room

We will be discussing *Riding Lessons*.

CELEBRATE DIWALI AT THE LIBRARY

Saturday, October 4, 2 pm, Community Hall

Selvi Pragasam and her students from Indian Fusion Dance Academy will perform Indian fusion and folk dances This program is sponsored by the *Friends of the Cupertino Library*.

REAL WORLD RETIREMENT PLANNING

Sunday, October 13, 2 pm, Library Story Room

Bob Adams, a Certified Financial Planner of the Silicon Valley chapter of the Financial Planning Association will give a presentation and Q & A session on retirement planning.

MANAGING YOUR STRESS

Wednesday, October 22, 7 pm, Community Hall

Mr. Yogi Parekh from Arti Integrated Training will talk about factors that lead to stress and offer tips to manage it This program is sponsored by the *Friends of the Cupertino Library*.

FOR THE NOVEMBER ELECTION

Saturday, October 25, 2pm, Community Hall
The League of Women Voters will discuss the pros and cons of the propositions on the November 4th ballot. There will be a question and answer period following their presentation.

Also in the Cupertino Library

KNITTING AT THE LIBRARY

Every Tuesday, 4 - 6 pm, Story Room on main floor
Bring needles and yarn to the library and join the drop-in knitting program. Knitters of all skill levels and ages are welcome.

Individual or Small Group programs by Appointment

If you would like to schedule an appointment, please call the library's Reference Desk at 408.446.1677, ext 3372.

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.

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.

TEEN DATABASE CLASSES

Database instruction for teens, thirteen to nineteen, is available at the library, by appointment.

LIBRARY TOURS

Third Wednesday of every month, 1 - 2 pm and fourth Saturday of every month, 2 - 3 pm

Tours include an explanation and demonstration of the library's online catalog and subscription databases, and library collections and services.

For Your Information

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 literature. Many of the databases are available even when the library is closed. If you're not at the library, just go to the library's webpage at www.santaclaracountylib.org, click on databases, and enter your library card and PIN number to access a database. You may choose from any of the available databases. 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.

THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BESTSELLER COLLECTION

Funded by the *Friends of the Cupertino Library*, the Bestseller Collection is a special browsing collection designed to make it easier than ever to find a bestseller on the library shelf when you visit the library. The books are available on a first-come, first-served basis (no reserves). All titles check out for one week. Located in the New Book / New Magazines / Media area right off the front lobby *Friends of the Cupertino Library* also welcome everyone to their ongoing Lobby Book Sales. The next Friends' used book sale will be held in the Community Hall, on October 18-19, 2008.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY COLLECT CELL PHONES

The *Friends of the Cupertino Library* have placed a cabinet in the library lobby to collect used cell phones. Proceeds benefit the Cupertino Library.

Friends of the Cupertino Library Used Book Sale

October 18, 9 am - 4 pm

October 19, noon - 3 pm

Cupertino Community Hall, 10350 Torre Ave., Cupertino, Next to the Cupertino Library



senior center news

The Better Part

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

OCTOBER 3, 6 & 7 - CYCLE WITH A SIDECAR
Hear about the fun of riding with a companion.

OCTOBER 10, 13 & 14 - NOVEMBER 4, 2008 ELECTIONS - The Pros and Cons of California State Propositions.

OCTOBER 17, 20 & 21 - TRAVELING TRUNK
The Cupertino Historical Society and Museum send members out to share and teach youngsters and others about household items used in Cupertino long, long ago. They share those items with us.

OCTOBER 24, 27, 28 & 31 - COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS - SBC and the Digital Club-house Network discuss their cooperation on "Stories of Service" project.

October Social & Birthday Bash

Wednesday, October 8, 12 noon

The Crones are back to play their beautiful recorder music. These gals are a lot of fun and Stevie White is one of our Senior Center members. If you have a birthday in October we give you special recognition. Lunch will be penne pasta with marinara sauce, meatballs, garlic bread, salad, and of course cake. Cost is \$6 for senior members. For guests, cost is \$6 plus a \$5 day pass. Preregistration is required as space is limited. Meatless meal can be requested.

TV Reception Changes

Monday, October 20, 10-11:30 am

If you use "rabbit ears" or a rooftop antenna with an analog television, you must take some action before February 17, 2009 to continue receiving television broadcasts. Come to this presentation by the Federal Communications Commission, to learn what you can do. Please sign up at lobby table, or call 408.777.3150 to register.

VTA Photo Session

Tuesday, October 14, 10 am-12 pm

Valley Transit Authority will be at the senior center to take photos for the Regional Transit Connections (RTC) Discount Card. No appointment is necessary. RTC Discount card will be mailed to qualified applicants within 30 days. Cost is \$3. Must be 65+.

Line Dance Social

Wednesday, October 22, 10:15 am-12:15 pm

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

Ballroom Dance Socials

Monday, October 13 & 27, 2:05-3:35 pm

Join us for an afternoon of ballroom dance. Volunteers will play dance music. No instruction provided. Free for members, \$5 day pass for senior guests.

The Naturalization Process

Monday, October 6, 10-11:30 am

A Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services officer will be on hand to discuss the process to become a US citizen. This seminar will be conducted in English/Mandarin. Please sign up at lobby table or call 408.777.3150 to register.

A Fall Lunch on the Deck

Wednesday, October 1, 12 pm

October days are crisp and clear, just perfect for leaf peeping, apple picking, or toting a casual meal outdoors. If the weather is nice, we will have lunch on the deck. Join us for grilled bratwurst sausage, coleslaw, and a fall fruit salad. Pre-registration is required. \$5 for members, senior guest \$5 plus \$5 day pass.

Wednesday is Heart-Healthy Lunch Day

October 15, 12 noon: oven-fried chicken, warm spinach apple salad, and fall fruit.

October 22, 12 noon: whole-wheat pasta with broccolini and feta, Caesar salad, fall fruit.

Pre-registration is required. \$5 for members, senior guest \$5 plus \$5 day pass.

Annual Fundraiser: Hidden Treasures

Thursday, October 30, 10 am - 2 pm

Hundreds of items have been donated to the Senior Center for this meaningful fund-raising event. The proceeds from the sale benefit our social services programs and the Scholarship Fund. This is the perfect opportunity to hunt for those one-of-a kind holiday gifts.

Snack Bar will open from 10 am - 1 pm, selling coffee, tea, sandwiches, cookies and snacks. Live music for entertainment. This event is open to the public.

SENIOR TRIPS

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

TOURS

New Years in Southern California with Jim Trieloff, December 30 - January 3

Highlights of this trip include the Rose Parade, preview of the floats beforehand, Malibu, L.A. City tour, the Getty Center, Crystal Cathedral, Ronald Reagan Library, and more. \$1429 per person double occupancy.

Classical Greece, March 18-28, 2009

This tour features a 4-night Greek Island Cruise, Athens City Tour, Acropolis and Parthenon, Syntagma Square, Ancient Olympic Stadium, Temple of Zeus and Hadrian's Arch, Thermopylae, and Ancient Delphi. You will see the most important areas of Greece along with the islands. \$3599 per person double occupancy.

DAY TRIPS

Earthbound Farms and Gizdich Ranch, \$99
October 7

Reno Run, \$99 Dbl
October 20-21

Defying Gravity, \$88
November 6

California Academy of Sciences, \$57
November 14

"Out to Lunch" Bunch, Cost: Lunch
November 19

Historic Petaluma Travels with Gary, \$76
November 21

Beach Blanket Babylon, \$85
December 17



CUPERTINO SENIOR CENTER
ADDRESS: 21251 Stevens Creek Blvd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday, 8 am-5pm
PHONE: 408.777.3150
EMAIL: seniorcntr@cupertino.org
WEB: www.cupertino.org/senior

City of Cupertino Commission Vacancy Notice

The city of Cupertino is accepting applications for one unscheduled vacancy on the Fine Arts Commission, two unscheduled vacancies on Public Safety Commission and one on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Committee. These vacancies are open until filled.

For more information on any of these vacancies and to learn about the commissions visit the city's website at www.cupertino.org/vacancies or contact the Cupertino City Clerk's Office at 408.777.3223.

Conservation Tips & Rebate Program

Is your toilet a water hog?

Replacing an old 3-to-8-gallon-per-flush toilet with a new 1.28-gallon-per-flush (or less) high-efficiency model could save thousands of gallons per year. If you'd rather not buy a new toilet, you can put a brick or some other displacement device in the tank to reduce the amount of water in each flush.

High-efficiency toilet: (Up to \$125 rebate)
High-Efficiency toilets use a maximum of 1.28 gallons per flush (gpf), whereas an old toilet may use up to 7 gpf. This category includes dual-flush toilets.

Do you have an old washing machine?

A high-efficiency clothes washer may use half the water and energy that a traditional washer uses. And don't forget to only run full loads (in your dishwasher, too)!

High-efficiency clothes washer: (\$125 or \$200 rebate, depending on model type)
High-Efficiency clothes washers use 35-50% less water and approximately 50% less energy than traditional washers. The water efficiency of clothes washers is rated using the "water factor" to describe and compare its water use. A lower water factor represents greater efficiency.

For more assistance please visit Cal Water's web site at www.calwater.com/conservation, e-mail conservation@calwater.com, or contact your local Customer Center:

California Water Service Company
Los Altos District
949 B Street
Los Altos, CA 9402

community calendar

SEPT	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
1 WED	Al-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	cupertinosanitarydistrict.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 Valco Parkway	285.4977	tandemtoastmasters.vsgcorp.com
	Macintalkers Toastmasters*	5:30 pm	Apple Computer DeAnza 3, 10500 No. DeAnza Blvd.		www.macintalkers.com vppr@macintalkers.com
	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/IOOF/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/
	Cupertino Las Madres*	10-1 pm	Call for location	861.0417	lasmadres.org
Cup. Host Lions Club*	7:15 pm	Harvest Restaurant	209.7251	cupertinohostlionsclub.org	
2 THUR	De Anza Lions Club*	6:45 am	Holders Country Inn	255.3093	deanzalions.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 (FA)*	7 pm	St. Jude's Church	354.8493	foodaddicts.org/
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3 FRI	Cupertino Las Madres*	10-1 pm	Call for location	861.0417	lasmadres.org
	De Anza Kiwanis*	7:15 am	Intl. House of Pancakes	973.1456	classic.kiwanis.org
4 SAT	De Anza Flea Market	8-4 pm	De Anza College	864.8946	deanza.fhda.edu/fleamarket/
	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
6 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 * (FA)	7 pm	St. Jude's Church	246.1620	foodaddicts.org
	Cupertino Las Madres*	10-1 pm	Call for location	861.0417	lasmadres.org
7 TUES	Alcoholics Anonymous* Women's Group	6:30 pm	Redeemer Luth. Church 940 S. Stelling Rd.	650.903.0321	aasanjose.org
	Al-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		

SEPT	CLUB / ORGANIZATION	TIME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEB/EMAIL
7 TUES	Cupertino Sr. TV Production*	9:30 am	Senior Center	252.2667	
	Cupertino Las Madres*	3-5 pm	Call for location	861.0417	lasmadres.org
	Cupertino Toastmasters	6-7:30 pm	Immanuel Lutheran Church 1715 Grant Rd.	226.8073	cupertino.freetoasthost.net
	Viewfinders Digital Video Club	7:30 pm	Community Center	650.967.4679	viewfindersclub.org
9 THUR	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	6:30 pm	Monta Vista Recreation Center	777.8367	clubs.ca4h.org/santaclara/rollinghills
10 FRI	Malihini Orchid Society	7:30 pm	Hewlett-Packard, Oak Rm.	267.3397	malihini.org
	Cupertino Coin Club	7:45 pm	West Vally Pres. Church	253.1232	coinshow.com/sanjose_ccc.html
11 SAT	Daughters of Norway	9:30 am	Sunnyview Retirement Community	255.9828	daughtersofnorway.org
13 MON	Cupertino Odd Fellows*	8 pm	20589 Homestead Rd.	252.3954	www.cupertinoioof70.org
	Fine Arts League	7 pm	Community Center	863.9991 Janki Chokshi	falc.org
14 TUES	Sertoma Club*	7:15 am	1366 S. Saratoga-Sunnyvale Rd.	252.2584 255.5293	sertoma.org/NETCOMMUNITY
16 THUR	Toyokawa Sister City	7:30 pm	City Hall	257.7424	cupertinotoyokawa.org
	West Valley Republican Women	11:30 am		252.6312	westvalleyrepublicanwomenfederated.org
	Embroiders' Guild of America	7 pm	Sunnyview Lutheran Home	578.5917	egausa.org
20 TUES	CERT-Community Emergency Response Team /MRT - Medical Reserve Corps	7 pm		777.3335	cupertino.org
21 TUES	African Violet Society	12:30 pm	Sunnyview Lutheran Home	736.9262	avsa.org
28 TUES	Historical Society	6:30 pm	Community Center	973.1495	cupthistory.org
	DeAnza Youth Soccer League Mtg	7:30 pm	Creekside Park		
29 WED	Rancho Neighborhood Association	7:30 pm	Rancho Pool & Recreation Facility		
	The Powerful Pens	7 pm	18000 Chelmsford	626.9784	

Submit information about clubs and organizations meeting 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 monthly. Call the contact number for details.

Environmental Day Residential Drop-off Event

October 18, 2008, 9 am - 1 pm, De Anza College, parking lot "B" (Corner of Stelling & Stevens Creek Blvd.)

Los Altos Garbage Company is providing residents of Cupertino with a new program designed to help promote recycling, reuse and divert usable materials from the land-fill. On Environmental Days, residents may drop off waste materials free of charge.

The following materials are accepted:

- Residential documents for confidential destruction
- E-Waste (computers, monitors, printers, etc.)
- U-Waste (batteries, cell phones, CFLs and fluorescent tubes)
- Yard waste and organic material for composting
- Reusable furniture
- Clothing and shoes
- Children's plastic toys and play structures

A 2-cubic yard limit (i.e., one pick up truck load) applies to the following materials:

- Untreated wood
- Construction & demolition (C & D) material
- Dirt, rock and concrete

Residents must unload their own materials and provide a current collection bill and personal identification (i.e., driver's license) to verify eligibility.

Note: This is a recycling and reuse event. Please do not bring household hazardous waste such as pesticides, fertilizers, paints or other toxic chemicals. For recycling or Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) disposal information, please call the Countywide HHW Program at 408.299.7300 or visit them online at www.hhw.org.

For additional information about the Environmental Days, please call Los Altos Garbage at 408.725.4020.



Copper in Brake Pads

Most brake pad material has a high percentage of copper. As the pads wear down, the copper dust collects on the inside of the wheel wells. Some of the dust drops onto the road, but some stays in the wheel well.

When you wash your car, don't hose out your wheel wells. It's best to take your car to a commercial car wash, where the wash water is sent to a treatment plant and the copper can be filtered out before discharging to the Bay. Copper has been shown to be a threat to lower forms of aquatic life, like algae. Residents may want to ask their automobile maintenance representative if brake pads without copper are available.

Needle and Syringe Disposal New Drop off Locations

Under California law, on September 1, 2008, it became illegal to place needles, syringes, and lancets into the in the trash or recycling receptacles. When sharps are improperly disposed of they pose a threat to sanitation workers, adults, children, and even pets. The County's Household Hazardous Waste Program has been recruiting pharmacies throughout the county to provide residents with convenient drop-off locations. Cupertino Fire Station, 20215 Stevens Creek Blvd. will accept sharps in a 1 or 1.5-quart size biohazard sharps container. For additional locations, visit www.hhw.org, and click on "Household Sharps and Prescription Drugs" for drop off locations in Santa Clara County.

Note: Residents MUST place sharps in bio-hazard sharps containers, which are available for purchase at your local pharmacy, before bringing them for disposal.

Last Chance for Compost This Year

The city's compost site will be open through October 25th on Friday and Saturday mornings from 8:30-11 at the Stevens Creek Quarry site on Stevens Canyon Road across from the dam. The site will then close for the winter months. To participate, bring your own shovels and containers and proof of Cupertino residency. The Compost Site will reopen on March 27, 2009. Watch for notices in the Scene when the site reopens in the Spring. Call the compost hotline at 408.777.1320 for more information.

Free Compost Classes

October 4, November 1, 10 am-12 pm, McClellan Ranch Park, at 22221 McClellan Rd.

Autumn is the best time to start a compost pile because of the abundance of fallen leaves. Backyard compost workshops will be held on the first Saturdays of the month. You can register on-line at www.

reducewaste.org (use the search function to find “home composting”) or by calling 408.918.4640.

Compost Teachers Needed

Interested in becoming a Master Composter? Modeled after the Master Gardener Program, Master Composters receive free training in composting techniques in exchange for performing 50 hours of volunteer service by teaching workshops or staffing educational booths at fairs. Cupertino sponsors free backyard composting workshops at McClellan Ranch Park during spring and fall.

Training classes are held in San Jose on Wednesday evenings from January to March, with some additional Saturday morning field trip classes. Call the Home Composter Edu-

cation Program at 408.918.4640 for details or email: compost@pln.sccgov.org.

Cupertino Compost Site



» Flood Preparation

As this year’s rainy season begins, residents should check to be sure they are prepared for the possibility of flooding in their neighborhoods. Those with property located in a flood zone especially should be aware that standard homeowner’s insurance policies do not cover losses caused by floods or mudslides. Property owners can protect against potential flood damage by purchasing flood insurance and by preparing a family disaster plan.

According to the Santa Clara Valley Water District, some areas in Cupertino along Calabazas Creek are considered at risk for flooding; property near Stevens Creek is also at risk, but to a lesser degree.

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

1. Residents can find out if their property is in a flood zone by visiting the Cupertino Public Works Department (call 408.777.3354 for details). The Public Works Department also offers elevation certificates for new buildings constructed in the floodplain.
2. The City’s Building Department has a booklet called “What You Should Know Before You Hire a Contractor.” Booklets are available at the downstairs counter at City Hall.
3. Other information on flood preparedness is available on the Cupertino website at www.cupertino.org/emergency.
4. Additional flood protection information and assistance can be obtained on the FEMA website at www.fema.gov.

5. The Cupertino Library also holds publications for flood preparedness.

The city’s storm drainage system is composed of street gutters, the storm drain sewer inlets (at street corners), and the pipes that connect the inlets to local creeks. This system drains street runoff into the creeks and channels on the valley floor.

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

In the fall, before the rains start, a city contractor vacuums out city storm drain inlets, and checks for any evidence of hazardous materials in the drains. This cleaning prevents any illegally dumped materials that may be sitting in the inlets, from washing into our creeks with the first rains.

It is illegal to dump anything into a creek or a storm drain. Residents can report dumping incidents to the city by calling 408.777.3269 during office hours and 9-1-1 after hours and on weekends.

community chat room

CUPERTINO GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE Spring Registration

Cupertino Girls Softball League (CGSL) is now taking spring registrations. Make new friends, learn new skills, and get ready for another fun season of girl's softball! The Cupertino League is a spring recreation league for girls' ages 5-17 with optional summer and fall travel teams. Please visit cgsl.us or call 408.718.0228 for more information.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION Meeting Notice

**October 2, 7 pm, Cupertino Community Hall,
10350 Torre Avenue**

The October regular meeting will be a facilitated community discussion regarding off-leash policies for dogs in Cupertino Parks. This discussion will be the only item on the agenda for this Parks and Recreation Commission meeting and all interested parties are invited to participate.

9/11 Memorial at Cupertino Fire Station



Cupertino Mayor Dolly Sandoval, Santa Clara County Fire Chief Ken Waldvogel, and representatives of the International Association of Fire Fighters, dedicated a memorial in honor of the 343 firefighters who died on September 11, 2001 at the Cupertino Fire Station, 20215 Stevens Creek Blvd. on September 11, 2008. A pair of redwood trees, and a commemorative plaque will serve both as a living and permanent memorial to the New York City Firefighters who answered their final alarm at the World Trade Center.

Have Something to Contribute?

To submit information to "Cupertino Scene," email: scene@cupertino.org.
Submission deadline for November
Edition is October 8.

Welcome New Businesses

- Allegro Consulting Inc.
- American Int'l Puti (Bodhi) Dharma
- Cindy Li
- Cinnabon Cupertino Square
- Codenomicon Ltd.
- Cold Stone Creamery
- Dr. Matt Sheehy D.C.
- Dr. Tang Acupuncture Clinic
- Language Studies Institute
- Nails 2000
- Pinky & Winky
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- The Ski Renter
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- Tutti Frutti

Memorials to be Dedicated for Bicyclists

October 18, 8 am gather for cycle ride, Cupertino Civic Center, 10350 Torre Avenue, 9 am dedication at site on Stevens Canyon Road

On Sunday, March 9, 2008, two bicyclists were tragically killed in the foothills of Cupertino. A permanent memorial will be dedicated to Kristy Gough and Matt Peterson. Guests will cycle up McClellan Road to Stevens Canyon Road, near the site of the accident. Those driving by car should go directly to the memorial site, as the road will be closed to automobile traffic once the bicyclists get under way. Shortly after 9 am there will be some brief comments and an unveiling of the plaques in words provided by their families. There is one tablet for each rider. Please join for this brief ceremony as the city honors the memory of our friends and family who have passed.

council actions

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2008

Councilmembers Present: Mahoney, Sandoval, Santoro, Wang, and Wong

Council Members Absent: None

Closed session regarding negotiations for purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of real property - Government Code Section 54956.8 regarding the Blue Pheasant lease.

Adopted resolutions accepting Accounts Payable for August 1 and 8, Resolution Nos. 08-115 and 08-116.

Adopted Payroll for August 8.

Authorized the City Manager to execute a joint powers agreement to rejoin the Bay Area Employee Relations Service (BAERS).

Authorized the Mayor to send a letter of support regarding AB 2939 (Hancock) allowing local governments to adopt green building standards.

Accepted municipal improvements for: Cupertino Homes, LLC, Jollyman Lane/Orline Court, APN(s) 359-22-060, 061 and Bay Colony Investors II, Inc., 10745 De Anza Boulevard, APN 326-10-064

Adopted a resolution approving an improvement agreement, Stelling Palms of Cupertino, LLC, 10855 N. Stelling Road, APN 326-07-037, Resolution No. 08-118.

Considered a new public park design reviewed and recommended by the City of Cupertino Parks and Recreation Commission, Villa Serra Apartments, Jonathan Moss, 20800 Homestead Rd. APN 326-09-029. Continued to September 16.

Considered a municipal code amendment of Chapter 17 allowing temporary outdoor signs or displays, Application No. MCA-2008-02, City of Cupertino, Citywide. (Continued from August 5). Continued to September 2.

Considered a city-initiated master plan for the South Vallco Area, Application Nos. CP-2008-02 (EA-2008-04), City of Cupertino, Citywide. Continued to September 16.

Considered an appeal to Director's Minor Modification to add a 200-square foot sunroom to the south side of an existing single-family residence in a Planned Development area, Jay Swartz (Luo residence), 11535 Murano Ct. APN 366-58-015. Upheld appeal.

Considered application No. SP-2008-01, City of Cupertino, Citywide, Heart of the City Specific Plan update. Removed from calendar and directed to re-advertise for council review by second meeting in October.

Discussed the Sports Center Upgrade and Pool Demolition project scheduled to go out to bid on August 20, 2008. Concurred to proceed with existing plan.

Approved the schematic design for the Quinlan Community Center fountain site. (Continued from

June 17). Accepted staff recommendation to replace quinlan center fountain with a patio and trellis, as illustrated in city council packet, with a project budget of \$280,000.

Considered modified street improvements for the Knopp development at 21925 Lindy Lane and recommendation to retain the street improvement conditions required by the Planning Commission. Took no action.

Reviewed and approved the Parks and Recreation draft Work Plan for 2008-09.

Conducted the first reading of Ordinance No. 08-2029.

Conducted the second reading of Ordinance No. 08-2028.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2008

Councilmembers Present: Mahoney, Sandoval, Santoro, Wang, and Wong

Council Members Absent: None

Presentation of a commissioner's award to Councilmember Wong for his service on the Planning Commission.

Approved the minutes from the August 5 and 19 City Council meetings.

Adopted accounts payable for August 15 and 22 and Payroll for August 22.

Accepted the treasurer's budget report for July 2008

Approved application nos. U-2007-04, ASA-2007-06 (EA-2007-06), TM-2007-09, EXC-2008-07, TR-2008-02, Applicant Karen Ngo (The Oaks Shopping Center)

Conducted first reading of ordinance regarding a Municipal Code Amendment of Chapter 17 allowing temporary outdoor signs or displays.

Approved the Senior Citizens' Commission Work Program for 2008-09 to study the senior housing component of the general plan, review the proposed city policy matters to obtain seniors' input and conduct a senior program site survey

Approved the extension of the lease for the Blue Pheasant Restaurant, 22100 Stevens Creek Blvd. Authorized the city manager to execute a lease extension agreement with the current operator with the terms for monthly base rent for a five-year period to be \$500 above the 2008 base rent with a 3% annual increase.

Approved a request from Library Commission Chair Ron Miller to waive the attendance requirement for Library Commissioner Janet Riddell until the end of her term in January 2009.

Enacted Ordinance No. 08-2029: "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cupertino Amending Table 11.24.160 of the Cupertino Municipal Code Relating to Prohibition of Parking During Certain Hours, on the East Side of Mary Avenue, Between 2 Am and 5 Am, Between a Point 340 Feet North of Stevens Creek Boulevard and a Point 1000 Feet South of Lubec Street".



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City Meetings

Oct. 1	Library Commission (Mtg. Room 100)	7 pm
Oct. 1	Technology, Info & Communication Comm. (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
Oct. 2	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. A)	12:30 pm
Oct. 2	Parks and Recreation Commission (Community Hall)	7 pm
Oct. 2	C.A.R.E.S. (Mtg. Room. 100)	7:30 pm
Oct. 7	City Council (Community Hall) ***	6:45 pm
Oct. 8	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. A)	4:30 pm
Oct. 8	Teen Commission (QCC Conference Room)	6:30 pm
Oct. 9	Housing Commission (Conf. Rm. C)	9 am
Oct. 9	Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
Oct. 14	Planning Commission (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
Oct. 15	Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm
Oct. 16	Design Review Committee (Conf. Rm. A)	12:30 pm
Oct. 16	Toyokawa Sister City Commission (Conf. Rm. A)	7:30 pm
Oct. 21	City Council (Community Hall)***	6:45 pm
Oct. 22	Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm. A)	4:30 pm
Oct. 22	Teen Commission (QCC Conference Room)	6:30 pm
Oct. 28	Planning Commission (Community Hall) ***	6:45 pm
Oct. 28	Fine Arts Committee (Conf. Rm. A)	7 pm

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