Welcome Garden Gate!

HOW TO BUILD
COMMUNITY

TURN OFF YOUR TV
LEAVE YOUR HOUSE
KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS ★ GREET PEOPLE
LOOK UP WHEN YOU'RE WALKING
SIT ON YOUR STOOP ★ PLANT FLOWERS
USE YOUR LIBRARY ★ PLAY TOGETHER
BUY FROM LOCAL MERCHANTS
SHARE WHAT YOU HAVE ★ HELP A LOST DOG
TAKE CHILDREN TO THE PARK ★ HONOR ELDERS
SUPPORT NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS
FIX IT EVEN IF YOU DIDN'T BREAK IT
HAVE POT LUCKS ★ GARDEN TOGETHER
PICK UP LITTER ★ READ STORIES ALOUD
DANCE IN THE STREET
TALK TO THE MAIL CARRIER
LISTEN TO THE BIRDS ★ PUT UP A SWING
HELP CARRY SOMETHING HEAVY
BARTER FOR YOUR GOODS
START A TRADITION ★ ASK A QUESTION
HIRE YOUNG PEOPLE FOR ODD JOBS
ORGANIZE A BLOCK PARTY
BAKE EXTRA AND SHARE
ASK FOR HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT
OPEN YOUR SHADY ★ SING TOGETHER
SHARE YOUR SKILLS
TAKE BACK THE NIGHT
TURN UP THE MUSIC ★ TURN DOWN THE MUSIC
LISTEN BEFORE YOU REACT TO ANGER
MEDIATE A CONFLICT ★ SEEK TO UNDERSTAND
LEARN FROM NEW AND UNCOMFORTABLE ANGLES
KNOW THAT NO ONE IS SILENT THOUGH
MANY ARE NOT HEARD
WORK TO CHANGE THIS
Commission Offers Arts Grants

Local artists have until February 15 to submit applications for grants offered by the Cupertino Fine Arts Commission. The grants will be awarded in April.

Proposals from artists and art organizations will be evaluated on whether they serve a wide range of citizens or groups not already served. Other evaluation criteria includes how the grant would extend the range of fine arts activities in the community and how it would encourage diverse programs based on the needs and interests of Cupertino residents. All proposals must contain provisions for measuring success and financial accountability.

The Fine Arts Commission offers two granting cycles each year. Total budget remaining this year is approximately $3,520.

If you are interested contact the Cupertino city clerk’s office at (408) 777-3223, or see the Web site at www.cupertino.org/finearts.

World Religion Day Celebration

The Cupertino Bahá’í community is sponsoring its 6th annual celebration of World Religion Day on Sunday, January 20, 3 to 5 p.m. at the Quinlan Community Center, 10185 N. Stelling Road.

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

The theme of this year’s program, “The Healing Power of Prayer,” is intended to call the community together to renew recognition of the power of positive spiritual values found in all religions to unite the hearts of people.

For more information, please call 408-446-5799 or visit www.bci.org/cupertino.
Committee Approves Two Studies

The Cupertino Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (CBPAC) has recently approved two major transportation feasibility studies. The Union Pacific Rail Trail was done in conjunction with three other cities and would provide a major trail corridor that parallels SR 85. The Mary Avenue Bicycle Footbridge would cross interstate route 280 and link to Sunnyvale. These studies lay the groundwork for future implementation. Both of these actions have been approved by the City Council but have not been funded.

The committee has long supported the widening of Stevens Canyon Road where a bicyclist has already been killed in a collision. The City Council has just awarded the construction contract for this project. Work on the road should start in the spring.

CBPAC has advocated for improving sidewalks along McClellan and Bollinger Roads, better bicycle parking at schools, and providing children bicycle safety instruction through SafeMoves. In future months the BPAC will be reviewing a Pedestrian Transportation Plan for the city.

The committee meets the third Thursday of every month, 7 p.m. at City Hall. All meetings are open to the public. The next meeting is January 24, 2002. Contact the committee at: http://www.cupertino.org/update/hall/commissions/bicyclepedcomm/.

Citizenship Classes

Beginning January 23, two free ESL/Citizenship Preparation Classes will be held by Fremont Union High School District Adult Education, 591 W Fremont Avenue, Sunnyvale. Classes meet Monday and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 (Room 91), or 7 p.m. (Room 96), depending upon which of the two classes is best for you. These free classes will help prospective citizens prepare for the citizenship application process.

Register in class on the first night. Must be 18 years old to register. For more information, call (408) 522-2736.

Restorative Justice Needs Volunteers

The Santa Clara County Probation Department will be bringing the Restorative Justice Program to Cupertino. The program will work with families, neighborhoods and schools to reduce juvenile crime and enable youth to succeed. Volunteers are needed to commit about five hours per month to work with a team of other concerned residents to serve on a Neighborhood Accountability Board (NAB). NABs create an opportunity for the victim to say how the crime affected their lives and work to get the parties to agree on how to repair the harm caused. Volunteers will receive a stipend for their time. For information call Heidi Pham at (408) 529-4253.

Simply Safe

By Marsha Garcia

Congratulations to the BRIT neighborhood (Blaney Rides It Together) for conducting a very successful earthquake drill. When Fire Truck 1 drove through the area with their siren blaring, the drill began. Residents opened envelopes that explained the types of “damage and injuries” they received during the shaking. If they were “OK”, they put a white flag in the front yard (a universal signal) so that the search and rescue team members knew they were unharmed. It took less than one hour for teams to walk through the streets of Blaney, Rodrigues, Hall Ct., DePalma and Parkside assessing damage, and rescuing and treating “victims.” This exercise was written by LeRoy Nelson, from the Riverside/St Andrews neighborhood and has been used by several new neighborhood teams this year.

What would you like to do differently this year? Becoming more involved with your neighborhood can make a big difference.

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5. CARES: Cupertino Amateur Radio Emergency Services. Obtaining an amateur radio license is easy. Being able to call for help for your neighbors when telephones are overwhelmed is invaluable. Contact Jim Oberhofer at (408) 345-8372, or www.CupertinoARES.net.

CERT Training begins January 17
Emergency Services will be overwhelmed for the first 72 hours following a major earthquake, fire or flood. This 21-hour course offers hands-on training in life safety skills that can help you and your family be better prepared for emergencies. January 17, 24, 31 and February 7 and 21 (6 to 9 p.m.), Saturdays January 19 and February 23 (9 a.m. to 12 p.m).

If you do only one thing this month…
While you’re out exchanging Christmas presents, pick up a battery powered radio and extra batteries. After an earthquake, immediately turn on the radio to hear news and other information instead of tying up telephone lines that will be busy with emergency calls.
For further information on classes or preparedness, go to “Emergency Preparedness” at www.cupertino.org, or contact Marsha Garcia, 408 777-3335. Registration forms are also available at the Library, Quinlan Center and City Hall.

Extra Holiday Trash
Residents have the option of using their two free On-Call Disposal Days for disposal of large amounts of trash. For details, call the city’s public works department at 777-3241, or visit the city’s web site: www.cupertino.org (City Hall and Environmental Div.). A Disposal Day can be scheduled by calling the Los Altos Garbage Company at 725-4020.
Another option is “Extra Bag Tags.” Bag extra trash in plastic trash bags, attach a tag to it, and place next to the trash can. Bags cannot be larger than 32 gallons or weigh more than 25 pounds. Tags cost $4.78 each or 10 for $45.49 and are available by mail from the Los Altos Garbage Company, 725-4020.

Holiday Recycling
Christmas trees will be collected on regular recycling days from Dec. 31 through Jan. 11. Trees will be picked up at apartment and condominium complexes by Jan. 14. Trees should be cut into 4-foot lengths, with all decorations and stands removed. Flocked trees are accepted.
Corrugated cardboard can be recycled at the curb. Boxes must be flattened and cut into 3-foot by 3-foot pieces.
Styrofoam “peanuts” are accepted at Postal Annex in the Oaks Shopping Center. Call first.
Gift wrapping paper can be included with mixed paper for recycling at curbside. Place overflow recyclable paper into a box, and place it next to your recycling bins. Foil, plastic wrapping paper, ribbons and bows cannot be recycled.
Proposition 13

Frequently, new homeowners will ask why they are paying twice as much (or far more) in property taxes than their neighbor. The answer is Proposition 13. Passed by the voters in June, 1978, Proposition 13 is an amendment to the California Constitution that limits the assessment and taxation of property in California. It restricts both the tax rate and the rate of increase allowed in assessing real property as follows:

- The property tax cannot exceed 1% of a property’s taxable value, plus bonds approved by the voters, service fees, improvement bonds, and special assessments.
- A property’s original base value is its 1975-76 market value. A new base year value is established by reappraisal, whenever there is a change in ownership or new construction. Except for change in ownership or new construction, the increase in the assessed value of a property is limited to no more than 2% per year.
- Business Personal property, boats, airplanes and certain restricted properties are subject to annual reappraisal and assessment.
- In the case of real property, the adjusted (factored) base year value is the upper limit of value for property tax purposes.

Historically, the market value of real property has increased at a greater rate than the assessed value, which is limited to no more than 2% per year, unless there is a change in ownership or new construction.

The result has been a widening disparity between the market value and assessed value of property in Santa Clara County. Long time property owners benefit from lower assessments while new, and frequently younger property owners, are adversely impacted by assessments that can be as much as ten times greater than the owner(s) of a similar property held for many years.

During the last 15 years the average assessed value in Santa Clara County of single family homes has ranged from 42% to 56% of the actual average market value.
Library News

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

Extended Library Hours:

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Library telephone numbers are:

- General Number: (408) 446-1677
- 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

Children’s Storytimes

New Time for Bedtime Storytime - 7 p.m.

- Preschool Storytime (ages 3-1/2 to 6) Tuesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Bedtime Storytime (3 years and up) Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
- Toddler Storytime (ages 2-1/2 to 3-1/2) Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.
- Twos Storytime (ages 1-1/2 to 2-1/2) Thursdays, 10:15 a.m.

New Drop-In Internet Class

Basic Internet classes for adults will be 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. For more information please call (408) 446-1677.

Internet Classes in Mandarin

Basic Internet instruction in Mandarin is available at the library by appointment. If you would like to schedule an appointment please call the Reference Desk at 446-1677.

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-serve basis.

All titles check out for one week and are located next to the New Books area on the main floor near the adult reference desk.

Parent-Children Classes

Parents of school children may schedule personal appointments with a children’s librarian for either introductory Internet (exploring websites for children) or library catalog instruction. The classes are open to parents alone, or with their children. To schedule an appointment, call (408) 446-1677, Ext. 3320

The Cupertino Library is located at 10400 Torre Avenue.
Roots
By Gail Fretwell Hugger

Looking Back

It’s January - short days, long, cold nights. Waiting for spring. Good time to clean out closets and drawers. Catch up on some reading. Found an old Cupertino Courier - what was going on here in Cupertino nearly thirty years ago? How many of you lived here in Cupertino that many years ago? Still a few out there, I bet.

In the January 3, 1973 issue of the paper, the Cupertino planning commission had recommended approval of applications from R. Cali & Bro., paving the way for approval of a new shopping center. The planning commission postponed applications from Paul Mariani Jr., regarding construction of a 67-acre shopping center at the intersection of Saratoga-Sunnyvale Road and the 280 freeway.

Cupertino children’s theater was presenting a production of “Little Mary Sunshine” – Laura Steen was playing Mary and Tod Tamberg was playing Captain Jim. Ticket prices were 50 cents for children, 75 cents for teenagers and $1.00 for adults. Zella Hengel showed slides of her recent trip to Russia and Siberia. The program was held in the Fireside Room at the Union church. Refreshments were served.

A champion Borzoi owned by Phydelma and Lyle Gillette delighted her owners with 13 (!) puppies. The proud mother is three years old and is the 50th champion Borzoi produced by the Gillettes at their Rancho Gabriel kennels.

There was a pictorial insert on the building of the new Northpoint housing development at Homestead and Blaney and a photo of the old Lathrop house on Orange Ave. in Monta Vista. (Frederico Quinterno (featured in Oct. 2001 “Roots”) originally built the Lathrop house.

A pictorial article on local drinking establishments was featured and a great aerial photo of the Kaiser Permanente quarry.

Former President Harry S. Truman’s death the previous week was the subject of the Courier editorial page.

My favorite article concerned a Monta Vista old timer - plumber Mike Mikul (does anyone else out there remember Mike Mikul?) Mike wrote a rebuttal letter to a column that stated, “most plumbing jobs are simple and can be accomplished by the homeowner.” The column was a reply to a homeowner who had complained about being overcharged by a plumber. Mike said it depended on whether “most plumbing jobs (were) simple and also what they would cost. He commented that to replace a toilet flushing mechanism and two washers could be done for $21.50 complete if the plumber works 45 minutes.” The average cost is $29.00 for the complete job.” A service call of one-hour minimum can range from $17.00 to $22.00, “depending on who you call and how far he has to travel.” Flushing mechanism parts range from $2.00 to $15.00 depending on manufacturer, how many parts are involved and the particular design of the mechanism, according to Mikul. (I think Mike eventually retired to Hawaii and his able successor, Bill Argabright also recently retired. They are greatly missed in the Cupertino/Monta Vista area.)

The Monta Vista Matadors basketball team lost to the visiting Mt. Pleasant Cardinal team, 69-57. Headline read: Poor defense costs Matadors. At Rifredi’s Market, carrots were 2 bags for 29 cents, coffee was $1.49 for a 2 lb. can and Eggo mayonnaise was 45 cents for 24 oz. A 1972 Grand Prix, a/c, vinyl top, full power, am/fm radio, only 10,000 miles was selling for $4495 and a 6 year old, 3 bedroom, cul-de-sac home in one of Cupertino’s best locations was selling for $46,000. Happy New Year, everyone!

Correction

Robert Levy’s book, “The Westside and How We Grew” was excerpted for the October 2001 Roots article on Cupertino’s incorporation as a city, not as source material for the December 2001 Roots article, “Montebello Christmas.”
**CUPERTINO TODAY** - Cupertino Today, a morning news and information show, provides local weather, street repair information, city meeting schedules, city facts, local sports scores, community events, and profiles of city departments. The program, which is presented as a repeating electronic bulletin board service is updated regularly. **WEEKDAYS:** 5 to 9 A.M.

**CALIFORNIA’S GOLD** - In this very special miniseries, host Huell Howser and cameraman Luis Fuerte set out on a quest to visit all 21 missions that run much of the length of present-day California. The missions stretch from San Diego in the south to Sonoma in the north. Some are located right in the middle of bustling towns and cities, while others sit in rural isolation. The miniseries features three mis-
sions in each thirty-minute episode. MON-
DAYS at 5:30 P.M.

TERRORISM - The proliferation of terrorism as a political tool has led to increasing concerns and questions about its motives, techniques, and terrible human toll. Why are so many innocent people the prime target of terrorism? And, most importantly, what can we do about it? This fifteen-part series produced in 1997 includes in-depth interviews with former terrorists in Ireland, Germany, and Jordan. It features frank exchanges among an international group of former militants, victims of terrorist acts, political analysts, and anti-terrorism experts. TUESDAYS at 5:30 P.M.
Senior Center News

For information on these or other senior programs, call 777-3150.

The Senior Center offers a great variety of classes, services and travel opportunities for adults 50+, membership is required for most classes and activities, but services are open to all seniors.

IHSS Training workshop
1/15, 1 – 3 p.m.

The In Home Support Services Public Authority is presenting a Training Workshop on In Home Support Service Procedures at the Cupertino Senior Center. IHSS is publicly funded in home care for frail elderly or disabled people who have low incomes. This workshop will inform possible users and their friends and family about the services available, eligibility and how to make the system work best for them.

Alzheimer’s Disease Association
Caregiver Group: Working with your MD
1/16, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Cupertino Senior Center’s Caregiver Support Group invites the community to a special meeting. A presenter from the Alzheimer’s Association will speak on Creating A Partnership With Your Doctor. Caregivers of people with all illnesses are welcome, and those caring for people with memory problems will have the opportunity to help the Alzheimer’s Association by filling out a questionnaire and later participating in a phone interview about how they are managing their relationship with physicians. This is an ongoing drop-in Caregiver Support Group. If you plan to attend, please call Senior Center social worker Jackie Baddeley at 777-3155 if this is your first meeting with us.

Caregiver Support Group
1/16, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

This group meets on a drop in basis and facilitated by Jackie Baddeley, the Senior Center Social Worker. Ideas, support, encouragement and sometimes humor are offered to those people whose responsibilities include taking care of a loved one in the caregiver’s home, in the loved one’s home, in an institution, or even at a distance.

Monthly Birthday Parties
1/7, 1 p.m.

The Rhythmaires band will perform for the event. People with birthdays are honored; all others contribute a dollar to help with expenses.

Line Dance Monthly Social
1/14, 2 to 3:45 p.m.

Drop in for an afternoon of dance and fun. Instructor will demonstrate and call out steps. $3.00. Refreshments provided.

Book Group

First Friday of the month, 1:15 to 3 p.m.
1/4/02 The Girl With the Pearl Earring by Tracy Shavalier, Review by Bea Faber.
2/1/02 The Professor’s House by Willa Gather. You are invited to come and join in our lively discussion, learn about new books and meet new people.

VTA Photo Session
1/8, 10 a.m. to 12 noon

Valley Transit Authority will be at the Senior Center to take photos for the Regional Transit Connection (RTC) Discount Card. No appointment is necessary. RTC Discount Card will be mailed to qualified applicants within 30 days. Cost of the RTC Card is $3.

International Movie of the Month:
Children of Heaven
1/8, 2 to 4 p.m.

An award winning film about a young boy who loses his sister’s school shoes and dreams up a plan to stay out of trouble. In Farsi , with English subtitles. Free.

New Member Orientation
1/8, 2 p.m.

For new members, come to this orientation and tour the facility. Learn about trips, classes, events and volunteer opportunities and let us know about your interests.

Evening Ballroom Dancing
1/2, 7 to 9 p.m.

Dance to the tunes of The Sound Wizards with your favorite partner or friends. Just listen or dance to tunes you remember. $3. Refreshments. We welcome requests and suggestions for a lively, fun evening.

Mah Jongg Free Play
Fridays, 1 to 4 p.m.

Come in with your friends for an afternoon
of Mah Jongg games. If you are interested in teaching seniors how to play, please contact Teresa at 777-3150

**Drop-In Tennis**
Tuesday mornings, 8 to 11 a.m.
Drop-in Tennis at Memorial Park tennis courts. Join other senior center members to exercise and make friends.

**Karaoke Weekly Social**
1/10, 1/17, 1/31, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.
If you like to sing, join us for 3 hours of drop in Karaoke fun. Bring your own diskette (VCD) or use Center’s. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments provided. $1.

**Volunteer Advisory Council Meeting**
1/14, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Members of the Volunteer Advisory Council meet monthly to discuss Center events and plan for future activities. Everyone is welcome.

**Computer User Groups**
1/16, 7 to 9 p.m.
Come and hear speakers and discuss common interests. PC users and Mac users meet separately. Donation.

**Travel Presentation**
Canadian Maritime Provinces
1/17, 10 a.m.
Jim Trieloff of Trieloff Tours will give a presentation on Eastern Canada and the beautiful coastline of Maine. The Senior Center is planning a trip to the region in late Spring. Everyone is cordially invited to this event. The Australia and New Zealand trip is on the way.

**Piano Dedication**
1/19, 1 p.m.
Pianist, Brian Mann, will play classical to jazz and music from musicals to honor the community members who support senior center activities and contributed to the piano purchase. Refreshments will be served.

**Ballroom Dance Monthly Social**
1/23, 1 to 3 p.m.
Join other Senior Center members for 2 hours of ballroom dance. Instructors will be available to demonstrate different steps. Refreshments provided. $1.

**Arioso Trio Performance**
1/28, 1 to 2 p.m.
Three young ladies combine strings with piano to bring you classical music of the past and present.

**Senior Issues – Featuring Arden Down, Investment Advising Service**
1/30, 10 a.m.
Ms. Down, recently retired from Chase Manhattan-Wall Street Bank, will speak on financial issues.
This is a DeAnza College class taught by Ann Cuny, and is open entry and free, however, on-site registration is required. Optional material fee.

**International Lunch – Vietnam**
1/31, 12 noon
Come and sample food from Vietnam. The Vietnamese Student Association from DeAnza College will provide the entertainment. $6.

**Ping Pong Free Play**
Fridays, 1 to 4 p.m.
Two ping pong tables are set up for members to exercise, have fun and meet new friends.

**Upcoming Trips**
Upcoming trips for seniors: Finocchio’s “Girls R Guys”, 1/6/02; Midori at Montalvo, 1/17/02; Evita, American Musical Theater of San Jose, 1/24/02; RiverBarge Excursions, 1/28 – 2/4 2002; The AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am Golf Tournament, 1/31/02; Britain In Your Backyard, 3/1/02 and Sleigh-Riding In the Sierra, 3/16 – 3/17. For more information about upcoming trips and to sign-up, come into the Senior Center or call 777-3150.

**SALA**
1/7 & 1/28, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Senior Adults Legal Assistance provides free legal services to seniors by appointment. Call 777-3150.

**Lively! Mondays**
1/7 & 1/28, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
*Lively! Mondays* is a drop-in discussion group for Cupertino Senior Center members to share ideas.
1/7: New Year’s Resolution.
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<td>Monta Vista Rec Center</td>
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<td>HP Communicators Toastmasters #4606*</td>
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<td>HP Cupt. site, Bldg. 46T</td>
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<td>Alcoholic Anonymous* Fast Start Group</td>
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<td>Redeemer Lutheran Church 940 S. Stelling Rd.</td>
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<td>Intl. House of Pancakes</td>
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<td>AI-ANON Steps for Living*</td>
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<td>Take off Pounds Sensibly* TOPS</td>
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<td>First Baptist Church 10505 Miller Ave.</td>
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<td>1366 S. Saratoga-Sunnyvale Rd.</td>
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<td>Poets Society*</td>
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<td>Coffee Society HP/Agilent 5301 Stevens Creek, Bldg. 50</td>
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<td>Sunnyview Lutheran Home Community Center Cupertino Room</td>
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<td>Toyokawa Sister City West Valley Republican Women</td>
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<td>Rancho Neighborhood Association</td>
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<td>Rancho Pool and Recreation Facility</td>
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Deadline for submitting February calendar information is Jan. 2.
Council Actions

Monday, December 3, 2001
Council Members Present: Chang, James, Kwok, Lowenthal, Sandoval.
Set public hearing for for January 7, 2002, to consider abating a vacant lot containing an accumulation of trash and debris at 10200 Stern Avenue.
Authorized the City Manager to approve an amendment to the Agreement for Architectural Design Services for schematic design of the Civic Center Plaza and Improvements projects in an amount not to exceed $165,000.
Approved Use Permit to construct 8 single family townhomes at 20075 De Palma Lane.
Authorized a City-initiated General Plan amendment to evaluate Policy 2-80, and directed the Planning Commission to hold a public hearing to evaluate and make a recommendation to Council.
Accepted feasibility study for the Mary Avenue Bicycle Footbridge.
Preparation of argument in favor of the March 2002 measure to extend the utility users excise tax.

Monday, December 17, 2001
Council Members Present: Chang, James, Kwok, Lowenthal, Sandoval.
Discussion of the Mary Avenue/Stevens Creek Boulevard Improvement project.
Presentation of a plaque recognizing the City of Cupertino as a founding donor for contributing $250,000 to the Housing Trust of Santa Clara County.
Presentation of a video from Fariba Nejat, president of the Iranian Women’s Federation Club, for their support of the Cupertino community.
Approved award of a $10,000 educational grant to a Cupertino High School video production class.
Council set a study session for Friday, January 25 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Blackberry Farm to review recommendations for Sports Center programming.

Agenda Previews

City Council
Monday, January 7, 2002
Approval of minutes: December 3, 4, and 17
Update the MOU between the Santa Clara Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross and the City of Cupertino.
Authorizing continued participation in the Santa Clara County abandoned vehicle abatement service authority.
Approve the Assistant Public Works Director classification and amend Policy No. 4 to add monthly automobile allowance for Assistant Director of Public Works.
Appeal of Planning Commission denial of Application 09-U-01, regarding a use permit for the continued use of a shopping center parking lot for car storage at 10071 S. Blaney Avenue (APN 369-03-014). The appeal was filed by the applicant, Gary Schmidt. (Continued from December 3).
Public nuisance abatement: Public hearing to consider abating a public nuisance (vacant lot containing an accumulation of trash and debris) at 10200 Stern Avenue (APN 375 12 002, Patrick W. McGrath property owner).
Appointment of one council member to serve on a Policy Advisory Board (PAB) for the Comprehensive County Expressways Planning Study. Designating preferential parking on Tula Court, 8-12 p.m. first Saturday of each month.
Designating preferential parking on Clearcreek Court, 6 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday through Sunday, Ordinance No. Compaq Computers General Plan Amendment.

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Happy New Year!

From all of us at the City of Cupertino.

Monthly City Meetings

Jan.  7  City Council***          6:45 p.m.
Jan.  9  Environmental Review Committee (Conf. Rm.)  8:00 a.m.
Jan. 10  Housing Committee (Conf. Rm. C&D)  3:30 p.m.
Jan. 10  Public Safety Commission (Conf. Rm C&D)  7:30 p.m.
Jan. 14  Planning Commission ***  6:45 p.m.
Jan. 15  Library Commission (Conf. Rm. C&D)  7:30 p.m.
Jan. 17  Parks and Recreation Commission  7:00 p.m.
Jan. 21  City Council***  6:45 p.m.
Jan. 22  Fine Arts Commission (Conf. Rm. C&D)  7:00 p.m.
Jan. 28  Planning Commission ***  6:45 p.m.

City offices will be closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 21.

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