



COTATI Chamber of Commerce

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Promoting the Business Interests of Our Community

October 2005

Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting

&

Open House

for

Studio 40

~ A Full Service Beauty Salon ~
70 West Cotati Ave., Cotati

Friday, October 14

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Food, door prizes, & a jump house for kids!



Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting for Universal Gym - pictured are (l. to r.): Cotati Chamber Directors Jaffie Foley and Vicki Dougan, Cotati Chamber Executive Director Suzanne Whipple, Universal Gym's Marie Minghi-Holman, Cotati City Manager Terry Stubbings, owner Chris Jantz, Rohnert Park Councilman Tim Smith, Assembly Candidate Pam Torliatt, Rohnert Park Chamber Director Tiffanie Kowalski and Board Chairman Brian Thomas.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

SSU COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR

11 am - 4 pm in La Plaza Park

- Participating Cotati Chamber member businesses include: Costco, Mother of Dreams, Nutro Pet Food, Sally Tomatoes, Sonoma County Regional Parks, and Spancky's.
- Shuttle busses, donated by Thunderstar Stages, will transport participants from the campus to the park

KONCERT FOR KATRINA

12 noon - 9 pm in La Plaza Park

- Fundraiser for the Red Cross and Second Harvest

SSU OPEN HOUSE

10 am - 4 pm on SSU Campus

- Family events, academic information, tours, music, and the opportunity to introduce future students, both young and mature, to college life

For more info on the SSU Open House, call 664-3203 or visit www.sonoma.edu/uaffairs/openhouse/. For more info on the Community Resource Fair, call 795-5508. For more info on Koncert for Katrina, visit www.koncertforkatrina.org.



8280 Old Redwood Hwy., Cotati

Thursday, October 27

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Refreshments, Door Prizes & Networking!

News Briefs

❖ BUGLE & BRONZE HOG REPRISE

An October 15-16 get-together of former staff of the Sonoma County Bugle, an alternative newspaper published from 1970 to 1973, is open to all who were part of that Cotati/SSU era. "Cotati and Sonoma State attracted some pretty interesting characters in the late sixties," says Anthony Tusler. "It became something of a small cultural center for folks seeking to escape the Bay Area, Los Angeles, Santa Rosa, and Rohnert Park. We want to bring together people who were part of the Cotati-SSU scene in the late sixties and early seventies to celebrate our experiences, our survival, our wrinkles, our hair loss," Tusler adds.

The event will be located in Cotati, with 3 activities in 3 venues.

- Saturday, October 15 - Dinner for all former Bugle staff at Sweet Lou's in Cotati, 8201 Old Redwood Highway. \$25. RSVP 795-0515.
- Saturday, October 15 - Anyone from the late 1960s and early 1970s SSU era is welcome at a dance/concert featuring the Bronze Hog, at the Tradewinds at 9 p.m., 8210 Old Redwood Highway. Modest cover. The Hog features Frank Hayhurst and Don Connely of Zone Music and Richard Hughes (now a dentist in the South Bay). But boy did they rock in the early 70s, and still do!
- Sunday, October 16 - A picnic open to all from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in La Plaza Park, Old Redwood Hwy. & W. Sierra Ave., Cotati. Free. BYO-picnic.

Contact info: For complete information visit: <http://www.AboutDisability.com/Bugle/> or call Anthony Tusler, 707-795-0515. or Michael Funke, Funkerredfinn24@aol.com, 541 317-0252.

❖ 2,000 TREES IN 2 YEARS

The Cotati Creek Critters, a group responsible for planting native trees and removing invasive vegetation along Cotati creeks, has launched a new, grant-funded project to involve the local community in planting 2,000 trees along the Laguna de Santa Rosa in Cotati over the next two years.

Their vision is to see Cotati's reach of the Laguna become a green corridor for native wildlife, as well as an enjoyable urban greenway with its walkways and bicycle path. Local school children and students will gain hands-on experience in environmental education and habitat restoration projects.

The Cotati Creek Critters are available to give Power-Point presentations to community groups this fall, and organize specific workdays for groups and schools starting in mid-November. They would like groups to schedule two

workdays per year, and encourage a spirit of community stewardship by "adopting-a-section" of the creek for long-term monitoring and management.

Regular community workdays, where all are welcome (children with supervision), are held on second Saturdays from October to April, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The next one is Oct. 8. Dress for work and weather, and bring your own drinking cup or mug. Meet at Ladybug Lot (city well lot #2), which the City has provided as a "base of operations". It's on Lakewood Avenue, east of La Salle, south of Lincoln, adjacent to Ladybug Park. Bicycling or walking is encouraged as parking is limited. See www.CotatiCreekCritters.info for directions and map.

The Critters are seeking donations, including a golf cart for easily transporting tools and supplies along the bike path; tools, refreshments, and meal vouchers. Their Wish List will shortly be posted on their website! The Cotati Creek Critters' restoration project is fiscally sponsored by the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit public benefit corporation (FEIN 94-3155180). Contributions to the project are charitable contributions and tax deductible as permitted by law.

The Cotati Creek Critters are sponsored by the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation and the Sonoma County Water Agency, in co-operation with the City of Cotati and the Community & Environment Commission. The project is funded by the California Department of Water Resources..

The Stewardship Coordinator for the project is Wade Belew. The Outreach Coordinator is Jenny Blaker. For further information or to get involved, contact Jenny at jenny@creeks.cotati.info or 792-4422.

❖ THERAPY HORSE OF THE YEAR CELEBRATION

Renaissance Healing & Learning Center is excited to announce that their horse Allie was selected as Region 11 Horse of the Year for California, Nevada and Hawaii by The North American Riding for the Handicapped Association, Inc. (NARHA). Allie is used in a hippotherapy program run by *Renaissance Healing & Learning Center*, which has facilities located on Derby Lane on the west side of Cotati. Hippotherapy is treatment of humans with the help of a horse.

In her honor they will hold a celebration on Sunday, October 16, from 10 am to 2 pm at 7695 Derby Lane in Cotati. They will have demonstrations, food, music, a tack sale, and prizes! You can also meet the newest member of their team, Buddy, a miniature pony.

For more information, call Fran Judd at 664-8919. Congratulations, *Renaissance Healing*!



UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS CALENDAR

SSU COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR

Sat., October 8, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
La Plaza Park, downtown Cotati

COTATI CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Weds., Oct. 12 & 26, 7 p.m.
Cotati City Hall

GRAND OPENING RIBBON CUTTING & OPEN HOUSE

Fri., October 14, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
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COTATI CHAMBER BOARD MEETING

Wed., October 19, 7:30 a.m.
Cotati Chamber Office

AFTER HOURS BUSINESS MIXER

Thurs., October 27, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Saga Art Gallery
8280 Old Redwood Hwy., Cotati

HALLOWEEN IN COTATI

Sat., October 29, 7 p.m. - FREE
Cotati Room, Cotati Community Center
Sponsored by Cotati Recreation Dept.

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or 6 issues for \$110 or 12 issues for \$180

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to the Chamber Office by the 28th of the month

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