



# Share Discovery Through Travel

## January-February 2018 Travel Newsletter

*Explore, Dream, Travel with the Cupertino Senior Center!*

### ***Scheduled Day Trips include:***

January 25	Klimt & Rodin: An Artistic Encounter at the Legion of Honor
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### ***Scheduled Extended Trips include:***

April 29-May 8	Discover Scotland
September 18-25, 2018	Canyon Country
March 19-April 2, 2019	Discover the South Pacific Wonders

***See Trip Details inside!***

Cupertino Senior Center

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*Enjoy the many adventures created especially for members of the Cupertino Senior Center including wonderful local day trips and explorative extended tours.*

### Membership Benefits

- Your Senior Center Membership of just \$28 per year (\$23 for residents of Cupertino), entitles you to participate in classes, socials, visits to receive help through our social services office and other activities that are free only to members. Your membership includes a permit to park in the senior center parking lot while you attend senior center activities.
- As a member you will receive six issues of the bi-monthly newsletter “*The 50+ Scene*,” either by mail or email.
- Membership is open to residents and non-residents age 50 and wiser. Cupertino residents receive a discounted rate for their membership.

### Trip Sign Ups

- Members may register for new trips beginning on the first Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November at the Cupertino Senior Center. We encourage you to arrive by 7:30am to hear about the new trips being offered.
- If you are unable to join us for new trip sign up day, members may pick up a Trip Reservation Form in the flyer rack and fill it out in advance. Your completed reservation form and payment will be processed in the order received after walk-in registrations are completed.
- Non-members are eligible to sign up for new trips one week after member sign up eligibility.
- Trip registration continues as long as there are openings; waitlists are available.

### Trip Activity Levels

- Due to the strenuous nature of traveling and touring we encourage you to see the activity level listed on the trip flyer to determine whether the trip is right for you. Call the travel office if you have further questions about trip activities. If you would like to have a family member or friend assist you on the trip, please contact the travel office at 408-777-3154.

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Creating a Positive, Healthy, and Connected Community

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**Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 am-5 pm**

## Day Trips

### **Klimt & Rodin: An Artistic Encounter at the Legion of Honor**

**Thursday, January 25, 7:30am-3:30pm**

**\$124 per person**

For the very first time on the West Coast, works by renowned Australian painter Gustav Klimt's will share the galleries with sculptures by Rodin at the Legion of Honor. Discover the full evolution of Klimt's artistic output. Our docent-led tour of *Klimt & Rodin: An Artistic Encounter* will explore the works of French "father of modern sculpture" Auguste Rodin and Austrian painter Gustav Klimt, and examine their numerous connections. Klimt produced only a very limited number of canvases over his career, and many of these canvases are deemed too fragile to travel, making this sizable display of his work a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. After our visit, enjoy a hosted lunch in the relaxing atmosphere of the Presidio Café on the grounds of the legendary Presidio Golf Course. This delicious meal will include choice of Cobb Salad, Presidio Birdie Special (club sandwich with turkey, ham, and bacon) or Fairway cheeseburger, as well as the Chef's Choice dessert.

- TRIP INCLUDES: Docent-led tour, lunch, transportation, tips and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Low to Moderate; 45-minute museum tour, walking at your own pace

### **The Charles Schulz Museum**

**Wednesday, January 31, 8am-5:30pm**

**\$74 per person**

View the largest collection of original Peanuts artwork in the world at the Charles M. Schulz Museum and learn about one of the most popular comic strips of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The Charles M. Schulz Museum is located on the property where Charles Schulz spent the last thirty years of his life – drawing, eating and as he described it, "hanging out." Our docent-led tour of this fun and fascinating museum will be the perfect opportunity to explore one of the most popular comic strips of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Here, you can laugh at Schulz's original comic strips, view a re-creation of Schulz's art studio, and dive into their chronicle of his early artistic abilities. Afterwards, there will be time to explore Santa Rosa's historic Railroad Square, the heart of downtown Santa Rosa since the first trains arrived in the 1870's. Now, this charming area is a perfect spot for your no-host lunch, with choices such as Jackson's Bar & Oven, LoCoco's Cucina Rustica, Omelette Express, and The Pullman Kitchen. To finish our day, enjoy a special stop for a sweet treat (and maybe shop for some cheese) as we journey home.

- TRIP INCLUDES: Docent-led tour, transportation, tips and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Low to Moderate; 45-minute museum tour, walking at your own pace

### **Mardi Gras Travel Party with Doug McConnell at the Cupertino Senior Center Tuesday, February 13, 1:30pm – Free to members**

Join us for a New Orleans-style party right here at home with special guest speaker Doug McConnell. Learn more about our exciting travel program of day trips, overnight, and extended tours. There will be a free raffle with prizes (including a day trip). Register at the Cupertino Senior Center front desk. Space is limited. Admission is free to members. Senior guests pay \$5.

### **Out to Lunch Bunch at Steins, Tuesday, February 27, 11:30am**

Take a break from your daily routine and join us for a great time! Enjoy interesting company and share travel stories as you linger over your no-host meal. Please register at the Cupertino Senior Center front desk so we can save you a seat. We will meet at the restaurant, located at 10088 N. Wolfe Road #130 in Cupertino.

## **Day Trips**

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### **The House of Prime Rib**

**Thursday, February 8, 4:15-9pm**

**\$135 per person**

Join us for a savory evening of fine dining in San Francisco at this renowned restaurant that has been topping the charts since 1949! Featured by ZAGAT as the best steakhouse in the San Francisco area, The House of Prime Rib serves well-marbled Prime Rib in the English Tradition. Their Eastern corn-Fed Beef, the top 2% of all beef marketed, is aged for 21 days, to make “the most tender, juicy and flavorful beef available.” The owner, Joe Betz, meticulously maintains the restaurant, which has several rooms, replicating an English men’s club. All the prime rib is baked in rock salt and carved tableside. Menu selections include: 16oz. King Henry VIII cut, 10oz English Cut of Prime Rib, a thinner slice that many believe produces better flavor, 12oz, House of Prime Rib Cut, a hearty 10-12 oz. portion of juicy tender beef, and Salmon or special catch of the day fish. Each meal comes with salad tossed tableside in a spinning salad bowl, creamed spinach, mashed or baked potato and Yorkshire pudding. Your choice of dessert includes English trifle, Tiramisu, bread pudding, pie, ice cream, Meals include coffee or tea. Cocktails and soft drinks will be available for you to purchase.

- TRIP INCLUDES: Hearty meal, transportation, taxes, gratuities, and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Low

### **Rachel Dunn Chocolate Workshop**

**Thursday, February 22, 9:30am-4pm**

**\$123 per person**

Enjoy an immersive experience for your senses of taste, touch, and smell as you dip and decorate a generous and delicious assortment of confections at Rachel Dunn Chocolate. A lovely day at Rachel Dunn Chocolate Factory awaits you for a hands-on chocolate workshop where you’ll make your very own delicious American and French chocolates with acclaimed chocolatier Rachel Dunn! Rachel is renowned chocolatier heralded by great food authorities such as Williams-Sonoma and The Food Network. In her 30-year career, Rachel’s confections have been praised in publications and television shows such as San Francisco Chronicle, Fancy Food Magazine, and Oprah. Enjoy a hosted lunch at Jack’s Restaurant & Bar. Here we will enjoy a delicious meal starting with a mixed green salad, and your entrée choice of meatloaf and gravy, Greek pasta with grilled chicken, or blackened catfish. A slice of chocolate tuxedo cake will be a sweet finish to your meal.

- TRIP INCLUDES: Chocolate workshop, delicious chocolate, lunch, transportation, tips and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Moderate; standing or sitting for workshop

### **Thunder Valley Casino Resort**

**Wednesday, February 28, 8:30am-5:30pm**

**\$57 per person**

Get ready to try your luck and get into the casino gaming action at Thunder Valley Casino Resort! Choose from a broad range of favorite slots and over 100 table games. Thunder Valley features a collection of more than 2,800 slots for your enjoyment, from classic reel favorites to newest digital machines in dazzling detail. For your no-host lunch, enjoy the Thunder Cafe which features farm-to-fork menu items and brand new pizza station where fresh pizza pies and Italian classics are baked in their custom 625 degree oven. Or choose the Thunder Valley buffet brunch to enjoy all you can eat breakfast and lunch favorites, or enjoy a quick bite from one of the five fast-casual restaurants located inside the resort. Join us for a day of friends, food, and fun.

- TRIP INCLUDES: Transportation, tips and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Low; exploring casino at your own pace

## Day Trips

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### Whimsy and Wildlands

**Thursday, March 8, 8am-4:30pm**

**\$116 per person**

Come explore the wonders of Joaquin Miller Park's redwoods, the sweet treats of Fentons Creamery, and the beloved fairytales of Children's Fairyland on this guided tour of the treasures of Oakland! Enter Joaquin Miller Park and you will quickly forget that you are minutes away from the hustle and bustle of the city. Rustic woodland trails lead you through redwood groves and oak woodlands and across lush creeksides and wet meadows in this 500-acre park. Enjoy a guided tour among the towering redwoods of this land, named after its former owner, noted local writer and poet Joaquin Miller. Founded in Oakland in 1894, our stop for lunch is known by generations of bay area natives as an institution for delicious handcrafted ice creams and sauces. Fentons Creamery will really hit the spot for our included lunch with classic fare such as their Tuna Melt, Fentons Cheeseburger, All American Sandwich, Grilled Chicken Club, or Cobb Salad. Of course, no visit to Fentons would be complete with our one of their famous sundaes, with your choice from their menu of ice creams and sauces, whipped cream, nuts, and a cherry on top. Children's Fairyland has been delighting families since it first opened in 1950. One of the first "themed" amusement park in the America, this whimsical park also served as some of Walt Disney's inspiration for Disneyland, which opened five years later. Enjoy a unique tour of this fanciful park and learn about its rich history on the shores of Lake Merritt, before a short driving tour of this revitalized area.

- TRIP INCLUDES: All-day tour guide, docent-led tour, lunch, transportation, tips, and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Low; exploring casino at your own pace

### Stanford University and Anderson Collection

**Thursday, March 15, 9:30am-5:30pm**

**\$77 per person**

Go "back to school" and enjoy a day learning about one of the country's most famous educational institutions, Stanford University. Enjoy a chance to explore "the Farm" – Stanford University, as a docent leads us through a 1-hour tour of the following: Main Quad—the heart and oldest part of Stanford; started in 1887 and completed in 1906, **Memorial Church**—on the Main Quad with its magnificent mosaics which adorn the exterior façade, and its five organs, White Plaza—in the center of the campus; it is the "free speech area" for rallies and speeches. Get the real college experience when we will break for lunch and dine on campus alongside faculty, staff, and students, enjoying the seasonal offerings of one of Stanford's dining commons. After lunch, a one-hour docent-led tour will introduce us to the Anderson Collection at Stanford; home to the core of one of the world's most outstanding private assemblies of modern and contemporary American art. Stanford still has even more to offer, so enjoy time to explore the Hoover Tower Observation Platform, the Herbert Hoover Memorial Exhibit Pavilion, and the Cantor Center for Visual Arts, or even the campus bookstore as a finish to your day.

- TRIP INCLUDES: Two docent-led tours, lunch, transportation, tips, and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL: Moderate; two one-hour docent led tours, walking at your own pace during time at leisure

## Day Trips

### **Dublin Heritage Park and Historic Pleasanton Tours**

**Wednesday, April 4, 8:30am-4:30pm**

**\$105 per person**

Take a journey uncovering the past of the Bay Area's Tri Valley with two docent-led walking tours of the Dublin Heritage Park and Museums and downtown Pleasanton. Dublin Heritage Park and Museums, a large historic outdoor space with buildings, lawns, and cemetery begins our journey to the pioneer past. On your docent-led 90-minute tour of the park immerse yourself on how pioneers of the past lived through their day-to-day life. Lunch will be served at Cattlemen's, a family-owned steakhouse, in Livermore. For your included meal, you will have a choice of an 8 oz. top sirloin steak, lemon herb chicken, grilled Atlantic salmon, or pasta ravioli. Save the best for last as dessert will be a choice of chocolate outlaw cake or 3C ranch carrot cake. In Pleasanton, on our one-hour guided walking tour along picturesque Main Street, we will learn about the significance of the buildings around town, the people who built them, and the unique historical stories surrounding them. Learn about the Museum on Main which once housed Town Hall, Police Department and Pleasanton's first free Library!

- TRIP INCLUDES: Two docent-led tours, delicious lunch, transportation, tips and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL Moderate; 2 walking tours on some uneven grounds, stairs to buildings

### **Marine Mammal Center and Tiburon**

**Monday, April 9, 8:30am-5:30pm**

**\$115 per person**

Take in the sights, sounds, and critters of the beautiful San Francisco Bay ecosystem at the Marine Mammal Center before lunch at Sam's Anchor Café and time to explore the charming waterfront town of Tiburon. The Marine Mammal Center in Sausalito was created in 1975 to provide rehabilitation and care for injured and ill marine mammals. While their main focus is elephant and harbor seals, they are just a part of the over 20,000 marine mammals of all types that they rescue and treat every year. The center also provides education on ocean stewardship, teaching nearly 30,000 students and adults yearly about marine mammals and caring for the earth's marine environments. Our hosted lunch will be at Sam's Anchor Café in Tiburon, where you will have a choice of the Tombo Tuna Sandwich, BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich, or Vegetable Lasagna, before a delicious dessert of Chocolate Pudding with Sea Salt Caramel. After lunch, enjoy time at your leisure to explore Tiburon, where you can spend time taking in the beautiful waterfront or perusing the shops, with the unique selections available at Tiburon Thrift, Local Spicery, Corner Books, and many more.

- TRIP INCLUDES: Docent-led tour, lunch, transportation, tips, and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL Moderate; docent-led tour, and walking at your own pace

**Registration continues until trip is full; waitlist available once trip is full.  
For registration information call (408) 777-3150.**

## **Day Trips**

### **Gary's 49 Mile Drive**

**Thursday, April 12, 8am-6pm**

**\$79 per person**

Come along as the fabulous Gary Holloway re-introduces you to large swaths of San Francisco's history, scenic views, and highlights of the city on his very own spin on the classic 49-Mile Drive! The 49 Mile Scenic drive was created in 1938 by the Downtown Association to highlight the city's beauty and to promote it as a tourist destination, as well as a way for visitors to see San Francisco during the Golden Gate International Exposition. Over the years, the route has changed many times, and Gary will take us along to explore the city's landmark destinations in his own unique and fascinating way. Presidio – Ocean Beach – Golden Gate Park – Palace of Fine Arts – Lake Merced – Twin Peaks – City Hall – Golden Gate Bridge – Grace Cathedral – And More! We'll continue to enjoy San Francisco's most famous destinations when we pause for lunch at Fisherman's Wharf. For your no-host meal, a wide range of choices are available, including classics such as Alioto's and Scoma's, or quicker-but-still-delicious fare at Boudin Bakery and Café and The Codmother Fish and Chips.

- TRIP INCLUDES: Fabulous tour guide, lunch, transportation, tips, and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL Low; all-day driving tour, boarding and de-boarding bus and walking at your own pace for lunch

### **Succulent Gardens and the Corralitos Market and Sausage Company**

**Thursday, April 19, 8:15am-3:45pm**

**\$75 per person**

Join us as we discover some locally-produced treasures of the Central Coast: the Succulent Gardens and the Corralitos Market and Sausage Company. Enjoy the beauty of the Succulent Gardens, a boutique succulent nursery located in Castroville. Here, we will experience a guided tour of the nursery grounds and greenhouse, and get to wander through over 300 variety of unique succulent plants. After your tour, enjoy some time to browse and shop for some interesting plants to take home and nurture. Lunch will be served in Moss Landing at the famous Phil's Fish Market, whose scrumptious offerings have been featured on Food Network. Choose for your included meal their Stir-fry Calamari with rice and green salad, Three-piece Halibut and Chips with coleslaw, Caesar Salad with chicken or shrimp, or Sicilian Pasta with Roma tomatoes, basil, spices, and sauce. The Corralitos Market and Sausage Company has a history dating back to 1896, and they still focus on the age-old philosophy of focusing on quality over quantity. Here, you can enjoy the chance to shop like a local, and sample some of their delicious sausage.

- TRIP INCLUDES: Docent-led tour, delicious lunch, transportation, tips, and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL Moderate to High; walking on uneven and unpaved surfaces

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## Day Trips

### West Side Story

**Friday, April 27, 3:30-11:45pm**

**\$107 per person**

Back by popular demand, we will be enjoying another fabulous show at The Leshner Center of the Arts in Walnut Creek. Join us to experience the New York twist on Romeo and Juliet in the beloved musical West Side Story. Enjoy orchestra seating at this fabulous venue! Set in the Upper West Side of New York City, explore the rivalry between the Jets and the Sharks and two star crossed lovers with a forbidden love. The sophisticated music, extended dance scenes, and focus on social problems marked a turning point in American musical theatre in 1957 when it first appeared on Broadway, and whose effects can still be seen today in theater. Bernstein's score for the musical includes many now-classics, such as "Something's Coming", "Maria", "America", and many more. Before the show, we will enjoy a no-host dinner at the restaurant of your choice in the heart of downtown Walnut Creek. There is an abundance of highly-rated and scrumptious choices in the area including Vanessa's Bistro (Vietnamese Fusion), Walnut Creek Yacht Club (Seafood), and Massimo Ristorante (Italian)– to name a few. Don't forget that ice cream will be available for purchase during intermission at The Leshner Center!

- TRIP INCLUDES: Theatre admission, transportation, gratuities and travel staff
- ACTIVITY LEVEL Low; periods of walking at your own pace

## Extended Trips

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### **Discover Scotland – April 29-May 8, 2018 – 10 Days**

From its rugged sea-sprayed islands to its stately castles rich in history, Scotland's treasures are as diverse as they are compelling. Learn how to play the bagpipes and enjoy dinner at the National Piping Centre's farm to table restaurant. Take a cruise on famed Loch Ness. Visit a local family on their working farm and meet their sheepdogs. Marvel at the stunning Isle of Skye, the magnificent landscapes of the Highlands and the mountain wilderness of Cairngorms National Park. Explore the magical Orkney Islands' ancient Skara Brae and prehistoric Ring of Brodgar. Visit Dunrobin Castle. Enjoy a distillery tour. Stop in St. Andrews, home of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club. Explore the regal city of Edinburgh. Put a modern twist on traditional Scottish ingredients during an interactive cooking experience. Price includes, round trip air, hotel transfers, and gratuities.

- Member cost \$4,290 per person, double.

**Detailed Trip Brochures are available at the Cupertino Senior Center.  
For more information contact Alex Corbalis, Travel Coordinator, 408-777-3375.**



## Extended Trips

### **Canyon Country – September 18-25, 2018 – 8 Days**

A journey through Canyon Country brings you into a colorful world of stunning southwestern vistas and the unique topography of three national parks: Zion, Bryce and the Grand Canyon. Delve into the region's Native American history during a chat with a local tribe member. Take time to shop in Sedona's marketplace and travel through Kaibab National Forest. Spend a night on the South Rim of the Magnificent Grand Canyon. Luxuriate at the Lake Powell Resort for two nights. Personalize your Arizona travel by choosing to either take in the stark beauty of Monument Valley on a narrated ride or take a cruise through the canyons for a different perspective on the spectacular scenery. Then it's off to the neon-lit spectacle of Las Vegas. Price includes round trip air, hotel transfers, and gratuities.

- Member cost \$3429 per person, double.
- Travel Presentation 10am, Monday, March 5. Sign up at the front desk.

### **Discover the South Pacific Wonders – March 19-April 2, 2019 – 15 Days**

Explore two great countries of the Southern Hemisphere – Australia and New Zealand. From the tropical splendor of the Great Barrier Reef on Australia's northeast coast, to the ethereal beauty of glacial fjords on New Zealand's South Island, this 15-day journey to the lands "Down Under" brings you the best of both countries at an enjoyable pace. Cruise Sydney Harbour and Milford Sound. Meet Australia's wildlife up close. Discover the wonders of Aboriginal culture. Indulge in regional flavors at a wine tasting and experience Queenstown, the adventure capital of the world. Extend your adventure in Fiji, and experience the Sunday beaches and clear ocean water of tropical paradise. Price includes, round trip air, hotel transfers, and gratuities.

- Member cost \$6499 per person, double.
- Fiji extension cost \$999 per person, double.
- Travel Presentation 10am, Monday, March 5. Sign up at the front desk.

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