



Organization of Special Needs Families
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Organization of Special Needs Family

Assisting special-needs individuals and their families with a variety of quality enrichment programs

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 5/21 (Sat) OSF Parents Seminar - Special Needs Trust and Long Term Care
5/21 (Sat) ***Cupertino Special Festival*** Karaoke Singing Contest
6/4 (Sat) *1st Annual Cupertino Special Festival*
7/9 (Sat) OSF Summer Family Picnic & Pot Luck Party
7/18-8/12 OSF Summer Day Camp – Registration begins 5/2!
10/15 (Sat) OSF 3rd Annual Fundraiser Dinner
12/17 (Sat) OSF Christmas Party

YMCA Northwest Family Swim Night: 2nd Sunday of each month, 6-7:30pm

Please visit our web site at www.osfamilies.org for details on upcoming events and on-going programs and activities.



Cupertino Lunar New Year Unity Parade

March 12, 2005

Thanks to all participants!

Many thanks to our Ray Band Chinese New Year Concert donors and sponsors!

Chihua & Lihuei Wei
Carl & Jennifer Yu
Shyun Duh
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Yan Wah Ng
Great World Customs Services, Inc
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Joseph Jenkun Yen
Lillian & Jun Shi Lin
Ray Band
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Quarterly Newsletter ~ May 2005

Dear friends and families,

In my profession of urban design, *community involvement* is paramount to the making and maintaining of great streets, public spaces, and livable communities. Any successful place, whether large like an entire neighborhood or small like a neighborhood playground, is fueled by participation, sense of investment, and pride of ownership from the community. The community, in return, is more invigorated, vibrant, and more livable.

A similar relationship with the community-at-large can be said about OSF. The community needs to be a major stakeholder in our organization, in order for our organization to succeed and for the community to be a better place for *all*. We can help realize this ideal by supporting the Cupertino Special Festival.

The Cupertino Special Festival is not merely about special-needs individuals and their families; it is about bringing families and communities of all sorts together; it is about making the bond stronger through the celebration of friendship, love, and life. Please tell your friends, neighbors, and co-workers about this special fun-fill event and about the wonderful programs and services that OSF offers. We need donations and participation to make the festival and OSF successful. Please contact our office or visit our web site to offer your generous support. Thank you and see you at the festival!

~ Shirley ~

Volunteer Newsletter Editor

Fundraiser News

Many thanks to the fabulous Ray Band! They put on an incredible show for the Ray Band Chinese New Year Concert. We netted approximately \$8000 from this event, plus \$4870 in kind ad paid for by Ray Band and \$500 in kind printing by K Venture. Thanks to everyone who participated!

Our food booth at the Cupertino Lunar New Year Unity Festival was a big hit. The orders poured in – for hot dogs, pizza, noodles, and rice! Thanks to the spirited efforts of our food booth volunteers, we netted over one thousand dollars from this event!

OSF Member Profile



Tai Ly is one of our extraordinary teachers. He is on our amazing Integrated After School Program staff.

Like everyone on the OSF teaching staff, Teacher Tai's caring heart and incredible patience endear him to children and parents.

Teacher Tai devotes his career to working with special-needs children. During regular school hours, he works for the Cupertino Union School District, assisting and instructing children with Asperger Syndrome.

On weekends, Teacher Tai enjoys shopping with his wife and cooking for his very large extended family.

New Administrative Office

The OSF administrative office is now located at:
20432 Silverado Ave, #5
Cupertino, CA 95014

Phone number for the office is 408-996-0850.

The Integrated After School Program meets at the new office on Wednesdays for field trips to nearby City Hall, library and grocery stores. These outings to the community help children develop living skills and expand awareness in their environment.

OSF Family Club & Internet Groups

OSF is offering more ways for families to connect.

Our new administrative office is now available as a club house for families to meet socially. Families can have full use of the occupational therapy equipment and computers. Access to and use of the office is by appointment. Please contact the office to schedule.

We are also looking into forming e-mail groups, chat groups, and message boards on the Internet. If you have suggestions or would like to help, please contact the office.

Volunteer Update

OSF is now over 300 enthusiastic volunteers strong! Volunteer training is held every second Saturday of the month at our learning center located at 20920 McClellan Road, Cupertino. We welcome everyone's help. Please visit our web site for registration details.