FEATURE
LOOKING OUT FOR ANIMAL WELFARE

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Plus: Events, Classes, Camps and Travel Opportunities
Welcome to Cotati: The Hub of Sonoma County!

Welcome to the “Hub of Sonoma County,” the city of Cotati. Cotati was founded in 1893 and incorporated in 1963 and is one of only two cities in the United States based on a hexagonal design. We are located in one of the most beautiful areas in California and are conveniently located a short distance from both rural and cosmopolitan pursuits. Cotati offers a location with small town charm with access to larger urban centers. And our proximity to Sonoma State University includes an infusion of youthful energy to our town’s commerce.

With the support of the community through Measure G, Cotati has been able to bring back our recreation programs, which has been a high priority of the City Council for quite some time. As Cotati’s recreational opportunities have begun to develop, we have realized a need to reach our community with information about our ongoing and upcoming programs and events through this Activity Guide, as well as the City website, social media, utility newsletters, and our online registration page for Parks and Recreation programs. In our guide, you will find information regarding our school year and numerous summer camps, special events, and more. There’s sure to be something for everyone!

As we continue to move forward, you will see even more improvements for our Parks and Recreation Department. This Spring and Summer, you can expect to see new programs and events throughout the year, and a new lighting system in the park that has opened the area to more and varied evening events. The downtown has grown up a bit with the Re/Max building taking over the former Exchange Bank location and with the acclaimed Down to Earth Café and other restaurants and shops drawing patrons from neighboring towns. The Cotati Chamber sponsors both the very popular Music Festival in June and the wunderbar Oktoberfest each October. The Accordion Festival and so many other events bring people out to enjoy what Cotati has to offer. Additionally, new lighting downtown, along with wide, walkable sidewalks and roadway flashers to help people safely cross Old Redwood Highway encourage the many dogs and owners and others to enjoy the outdoors.

And, of course, at last, a hotel is coming to town soon. All of this and so much more makes Cotati a grand little town. It has not lost its homey feel; rather, added to it in so many positive ways. And at the Chamber, we’re proud to be part of that. Best wishes for a wonderful 2019.

John A. Dell’Osso, President, Cotati Chamber

From Weird to Wow!

Not too many years ago, it was somewhat common to see “Keep Cotati Weird” bumper stickers and signs around town. The eclectic citizens, properties and lifestyle made it an interesting and inviting locale. But the town was evolving and coming into its own.

Cotati remains the interesting and fun city that it always has been with its plethora of bars, restaurants and shops. Music continues to have such a large influence in town and there are many types and styles of people who live, work, and play there.

The center of town, La Plaza Park, now regularly has movies during the summer, other events throughout the year, and a new lighting system in the park that has opened the area to more and varied evening events. The downtown has grown up a bit with the Re/Max building taking over the former Exchange Bank location and with the acclaimed Down to Earth Café and other restaurants and shops drawing patrons from neighboring towns. The Cotati Chamber sponsors both the very popular Music Festival in June and the wunderbar Oktoberfest each October. The Accordion Festival and so many other events bring people out to enjoy what Cotati has to offer. Additionally, new lighting downtown, along with wide, walkable sidewalks and roadway flashers to help people safely cross Old Redwood Highway encourage the many dogs and owners and others to enjoy the outdoors.

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“The laws still consider them property, not living beings” says Stephen Wells, Executive Director of the Cotati-based non-profit, Animal Legal Defense Fund. “Common sense and science tells us animals are not ‘things’ and deserve our protections.”

ALDF fulfills its mission by filing high-impact lawsuits to protect animals from harm, providing free legal assistance and training to prosecutors to assure that animal abusers are punished, supporting tough animal protection legislation and fighting legislation harmful to animals and providing resources and opportunities to law students and professionals to advance the emerging field of animal law.

SOME EXAMPLES OF THEIR WORK
The Animal Legal Defense Fund filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in 2012 to compel it to produce inspection reports of egg farms without censoring important information about the living conditions of the animals. Just recently the United States District Court ordered the FDA to disclose critical information about the egg industry’s cruel practices, to shield factory farming from public knowledge and criticism,” said Animal Legal Defense Fund Executive Director Stephen Wells. “Transparency is necessary for accountability and animal protection and is required by the law.”

In 2014, the Animal Legal Defense Fund filed a lawsuit against a Southern California pet store chain. The lawsuit was brought on behalf of several puppy purchasers who were tricked into purchasing sick puppies sourced from puppy mills. The illegal business practices included misrepresenting puppy mills as reputable breeders, providing inaccurate breeder license numbers, fabricating breeding certificates, and distorting veterinary care to the fragile animals. Purchasers learned the representations were false when their new puppies immediately fell seriously ill, and when they began researching the source of their puppies and discovered their mill origins.

The ALDF collaborated in an investigation into the death of a zebra who died after being left out in subzero weather in northern Indiana. The zebra is thought to have become caught in a fence and died as air crystallized in the zebra’s lungs, leaving it unable to breathe.

Those who keep animals must be held responsible for ensuring their safety during extreme heat and cold,” says Animal Legal Defense Fund’s Wells. “This zebra’s death is tragic, and could have been easily avoided.”

There has been incredible change in animal rights advocacy over the past 40 years, thanks in part to the mission of Cotati’s Animal Legal Defense Fund. “The laws are out of step with what we know to be right and that is our focus,” says Wells.
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**COTATI COMMUNITY YARD SALE**  
*Donations will be accepted on Friday, March 29, from 1:30-7pm at the Cotati Room.*  
**Saturday, March 30, 2019**  
**Time:** 9:00am-10:00pm  
**Location:** Cotati Room, 226 East Street, behind City Hall  
*Have some spring cleaning to do and want to get rid of stuff? Or, looking for something gently used to add to your home? Then come on down to our 2nd Annual Cotati Community Yard Sale! We will be accepting gently used items as donations the day before the event. Proceeds benefit the Recreation Department to continue to offer free and low cost programs and events to the community.*

**COTATI HISTORICAL SOCIETY’S 11TH ANNUAL OLD-FASHIONED CHICKEN BBQ**  
Presented by the Cotati Historical Society  
**Sunday, April 7, 2019**  
**Time:** 12:00pm-4:00pm (meals served until 3:00pm)  
**Location:** Cotati Room, 216 East Street, behind City Hall  
*Enjoy a BBQ chicken meal, live music, silent auction, bake sale, and car show at this annual event sponsored by the Cotati Historical Society. For information, call 707-794-0305.*

**BUNNY BRUNCH & EGG HUNT**  
**Sunday, April 14, 2019**  
**Time:** 10:00-12:00pm  
**Fee:** $12 per person over 2 (Children 2 and under are free)  
**Location:** Cotati Room, 216 East Street, behind City Hall  
*Come join everyone’s favorite bunny for a delicious brunch! Each child will have the opportunity to visit the Bunny, make memorable arts and crafts, take pictures in the photo booth, and finish the morning off with an egg hunt! Hop into spring with this new event! Everyone over 2 must be registered to enter. This event does sell out so register early to ensure you have a space.*

**OLD-FASHIONED CHICKEN BBQ**  
**Date:** May 9, 2019  
**Time:** 12:00pm-4:00pm (meals served until 3:00pm)  
**Location:** Cotati Room, 216 East Street, behind City Hall  
*Enjoy a BBQ chicken meal, live music, silent auction, bake sale, and car show at this annual event sponsored by the Cotati Historical Society.*

**COTATI CERTIFIED FARMERS MARKET & CONCERTS IN THE PARK**  
**June 6 – August 29**  
**Thursdays, 9:00am-1:00pm**  
**Location:** La Plaza Park  
*www.communityfarmersmarkets.com*  
*Cotati Farmers Market & Concerts in the Park is a weekly event on La Plaza Park that runs every Thursday from 9am to 1pm. The market is open from June 6th to August 29th and features fresh produce, local music, and activities for all ages.*

**BIKE TO WORK DAY**  
**Date:** May 9, 2019  
**Time:** 6:00-9:00am  
**Fee:** Free!  
**Location:** Cotati Train Station, 970 E. Cotati Avenue  
*May is National Bike to Work Month. Cycling to work reduces carbon emissions and traffic congestion, improves your physical and mental health, saves you money plus it’s fun! Throughout the month of May, the Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition (SCBC) will be offering activities to support those willing to give it a try. Create or join a team and compete against other teams & companies for the most miles ridden; nominate an inspiring coworker or employer for Bike Commuter of the Year or Bike-Friendly Business of the Year awards; or simply pledge to try cycling on May 10. Bike to Work Day. As encouragement, the City of Cotati is sponsoring a Bike to Work Day Energizer Station at the Cotati Train Station on May 9 from 6 to 9 am. Stop by for a snack and a free messenger bag with coupons and other swag! For more information on Bike to Work Day, visit https://www.bikesonoma.org/btwd.*

**Interests in being a vendor at our events?**

*Are you interested in being an event or program sponsor? This is a great opportunity to participate and show your support for children and families in the community. Financial and in-kind sponsorships help us cover our costs and provide as many fun and unique activities for the community as possible.*

**Contact Ashley at 707-665-4222 or awilson@cotaticity.org for vendor applications.**


2ND ANNUAL COTATI MUSIC FESTIVAL
Presented by the Cotati Chamber of Commerce
Saturday, June 15th, 2019
Time: 12:00-6:00pm
Location: La Plaza Park
Fee: Free!
Come join us for a free event with music, dancing, food and drink vendors, and more! For more information, call 707-795-5508 or visit www.cotati.org.

SUMMER MOVIES IN THE PARK
Fridays, June 7th, July 19th, August 6th, and September 13th
Location: La Plaza Park
Fee: Free!
Movies: June 7th – The Goonies
July 19th – The Incredibles 2
August 6th – Spider Man: Into the Spider-Verse
September 13th – The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part
Come join us for a free movie in the park each month this summer! We will begin the show approximately 15 minutes after sunset on each date. Refreshments will be available for purchase.

27TH ANNUAL KIDS DAY PARADE AND FESTIVAL
Saturday, July 13th, 7:00am-3:00pm
Location: La Plaza Park
Free pancake breakfast at Church of the Oaks
10:00am - 11:00am
Parade (Parade Line-Up @ 9:00am in front of City Hall)
11:00am - 3:00pm: Festival in La Plaza Park
Fee: Free!
This year’s theme is “Cotati Country” so bring the whole family down, dressed in your best Wild West gear for this beloved community event! We will have a park full of live entertainment, games, music, contests, food, family resources, crafts and activities, vendors, and much more! You won’t want to miss this!

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
August 6th, 2019
Time: 6:00pm
Location: La Plaza Park, BBQ hamburgers and all the fixings!
Fee: Free!
National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live. The National Night Out program culminates annually on the first Tuesday of August. Please join the Cotati Police Department and City of Cotati Recreation Department on Tuesday, August 6th for our fourth National Night Out! Come meet your police officers and other City staff at this FREE event and enjoy our beautiful La Plaza Park! Event followed by Free Summer Movie in the Park for August, showing Spider Man: Into the Spider-Verse.

OKTOBERFEST
October 12th
CITY HALL-OWEEN
October 31st
HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING
December 6th
COTATI SHOP & STROLL
December 7th
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
December 14th

Need community service hours or want to volunteer at one of our many events?
Contact Ashley at 707-665-4222 or awilson@cotaticity.org for information on how to volunteer AND have fun!

CALENDR OF EVENTS

HAPPENINGS AT THE VERONDA-FALLETTI RANCH
Farmster’s Open Farm Friday is an engaging and entertaining two-hour program from 3-5pm for family, friends, and neighbors at the Historic Veronda-Falletti Ranch, near downtown Cotati.
Tour of the site’s history, current operations, and new future begins promptly at 3pm and followed up by a family friendly hands-on activity at 4pm.
Please RSVP or drop-in at the designated timeslot.

REGISTER AT: WWW.FARMSTER.ORG

MOVIES IN THE PARK

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29TH ANNUAL COTATI ACCORDION FESTIVAL
Sat. & Sun., August 17th & 18th, 2019
Time: 9:30am-7:00pm
Location: La Plaza Park
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www.cotatifest.com

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**SPRING / SUMMER 2019**

**CAMP COTATI, AGE 5-12**

**Dates:** Beginning June 10, M-F 7:30am-6:00pm  
**Fee:** $125/week, $35/day drop in  
**Location:** Thomas Page Room of Ray Miller Community Center, 216 East School Street (behind City Hall)

Let your children experience the magic of Camp Cotati! Each week will be based on a different theme with games, crafts, and fun going along with the theme. Themes include Decades, Camp Cotati’s Greatest Hits, Camp Code 3 (Local Heroes), and more! Weekly walking field trips to La Plaza Park and daily outdoor activities will keep your child active. We will also have local guests throughout the summer. Please send your child with a lunch and snacks each day.

**NEW! CAMP COTATI EXTENDED CARE OPTION**

Are you attending one of our partial summer day camps but need care before or after camp?  
**Dates:** Beginning June 10, M-F 7:30am-6:00pm  
**Fee:** $25/day or $100/week  
**Location:** Thomas Page Room of Ray Miller Community Center, 216 East School Street (behind City Hall)  

Many of our camps run from 9am-12pm or 1pm-4pm. Since a lot of parents are crazy busy, we offer morning extended care from 7:30am or afternoon extended care until 6:00pm. During these hours, our campers enjoy free time to play board games, create an art project, color or just read a book. Outside they can play a group game or just relax in the shade with camp friends and staff.  
*This is an option for partial day camps. Participants must be registered in another camp to enroll in this program. Otherwise, please enroll in Camp Cotati, our traditional day camp.

**CAMP COTATI COUNSELOR IN TRAINING (CIT) PROGRAM, AGE 13-17**

**Dates:** Beginning June 10, M-F 9:00am-3:00pm (available 7:30am-6pm if needed)  
**Fee:** $50/week  
**Location:** Thomas Page Room of Ray Miller Community Center, 216 East School Street (behind City Hall)

The CIT program is designed to prepare and train young adults to become future Camp Counselors. This training will provide the CIT with a hands-on practical experience laying the foundation for development of skills necessary to become a future Camp Counselor. The CIT will be working with children ages 5 to 12 years old. While this training is specific to summer camps, the CIT will find aspects of the training that may be applied to any job. Specifically, the CIT will learn the following:  
* How to plan and implement large and small group activities  
* How to manage small groups of children  
* Basic techniques of positive reinforcement and discipline  
* Basic techniques of behavior management  

CITs will be trained with the oversight of a City of Cotati employee and will be given the opportunity to grow and improve. While the City of Cotati does intend on training a CIT to become a future Camp Counselor, participation in the CIT program is in no way a guarantee for future employment. Please send your child with a lunch and snacks each day.

**NOTE:** There will not be any camps or programs held the week of July 4.

**FREE SUMMER LUNCH**

Free lunch offered for any child under 18 all summer long! Thanks to our partnership with the Redwood Empire Food Bank, we will be able to offer free lunch Monday-Friday all summer long to any child. You do not need to be enrolled in a camp to participate. For more information, contact Ashley at 707-665-4222 or awilson@cotaticity.org.

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**CITY OF COTATI**

**Recreation Guide**

**SPRING / SUMMER 2019**
**STAR KIDS PRODUCTIONS MUSICAL THEATRE CAMP: SLEEPING BEAUTY, AGES 6-10**

June 3-7, 10:00am-2:00pm

Fees: $175

Location: Mountain Room of Ray Miller Community Center, 216 East school Street (behind City Hall)

Instructor: Star Kids Productions Staff

This whirlwind of a camp will have you singing, dancing, and acting all of your favorite songs from Sleeping Beauty. Students will be learning to sing, dance, and act as we put together the musical Sleeping Beauty in a fun performance for families at the end of the week. Students will delve into their creativity by helping create the dances, and working with other actors to develop scenes. Let's put together a show in a week! No experience necessary. Please send your child in comfortable clothing and shoes (tennis shoes or ballet shoes). No flip flops. Please send a snack and water bottle each day.

**DESPICABLE ME GYMNASTICS CAMP, AGES 4-8**

July 29-August 2, 10:00am-2:00pm

Fees: $175

Location: Copeland Room of Ray Miller Community Center, 216 East school Street (behind City Hall)

Instructor: Deborah Cerrudo and Ashley Kimball

Calling all minions! This fantastic Despicable Me themed camp for 5–8 year olds, our program consists of week-long sessions, Monday thru Friday, during which students will be engaged in age-appropriate, fun activities that expose children to the Spanish language through games, rhymes, stories, acting, songs, music and art. Each week is based on a theme from which we introduce and reinforce the use of Spanish through concepts of science, culture and daily life – both here in California and in those locations where Spanish is the first language. All levels of proficiency are welcome!

**SKYHAWKS MINI-HAWK CAMP, AGES 4-7**

Soccer, Baseball, Flag Football

June 17-21, 9:00am-12:00pm

Fees: $159

Location: Civic Center Park – near Cator Field

Instructor: Skyhawks Sports Staff

Skyhawks multi-sport programs are tailored to your child’s age and skill level while teaching life lessons such as respect and teamwork. Mini-Hawk® programs give children age 4-7 years a fun and positive first step into Soccer, Baseball, and Flag Football.

Participants will receive a soccer ball, Skyhawks T-Shirt, and merit award at the conclusion of camp.

**YELLOW MOUNTAIN CAMP, AGES 9-15**

Camping & Hiking

June 17-21, 9:00am-2:00pm

Fees: $150

Location: Yellow Mountain Ranch, 1001 West Sierra Ave, Cotati

Instructor: Yellow Mountain Ranch Staff

This week-long camp will allow you to explore the Cotati Falletti Ranch! We will spend the week learning about the history of the ranch and agriculture in Cotati, tending to the animals, caring for the garden, and learning about daily life on a working farm. This camp has limited space so enroll early to ensure your spot. Please send your child in closed toe shoes and with water and a snack each day.
NEW! BELLY DANCE WITH FINGER CYMBALS
(ALL LEVELS), AGES 16+
Dates: Wednesday, 6:00-7:00pm, beginning April 10, ongoing
Fee: $75 for 8 class pack, $40 for 4 class pack
Drop-in: $12 per class
Location: Eagle Room, 216 East school Street (behind City Hall)
Instructor: Lori Tawasha
Students will learn multiple finger cymbal patterns and practice playing them with belly dance movements. Class includes a warm up, cymbal drills, movement breakdown and short combinations. Finger cymbals can be purchased from several online sources. Students may contact instructor if they need recommendations. Instructor can be reached at lori.tawasha@gmail.com for questions.

NEW! INTRODUCTION TO BELLY DANCE, AGES 16+
Dates: Saturday, 12:00-1:30pm, ongoing
Fee: $88 for 8 class pack, $48 for 4 class pack
Drop-in: $15 per class
Location: Eagle Room, 216 East school Street (behind City Hall)
Instructor: Lori Tawasha
Students will lead through a full warm-up, preparing their bodies to safely begin learning isolations, timing, and steps. Each class also includes technique breakdown, drills, a fun combination, and cool-down to stretch and restore the body. This class is a workout, so please be prepared to sweat! Attire: yoga wear or comfortable exercise clothing and yoga mat. Instructor can be reached at lori.tawasha@gmail.com for questions.

ZUMBA GOLD (ONGOING), AGES 18+
Monday and Friday, 9:30-10:20am
Fee: $18/month (once a week), $30/month (twice a week)
Drop in fee: $5/class
Location: Cotati Room, 216 East school Street (behind City Hall)
Instructor: Gale Davis
Get moving at your own pace. Zumba Gold is a Latin dance inspired fitness class that is specially modified for the beginner or the active, older adult. We'll get your whole body moving with low-impact, easy-to-follow steps set to international dance music. Zumba Gold is a fun cardio workout that also incorporates toning and balance. Please wear athletic shoes and comfortable clothing.

ZUMBA GOLD (ONGOING), AGES 18+
Wednesday, 9:30-10:30am, ongoing though May 22
Summer 2019 classes begin June 19
Fee: FREE
Location: Cotati Room, 216 East school Street (behind City Hall)
Instructor: Gale Davis
This class is separate from the above Zumba Gold class and is provided by the Santa Rosa Junior College, Older Adult Program. Get moving at your own pace. Zumba Gold is a Latin dance inspired fitness class that is specially modified for the beginner or the active, older adult. We'll get your whole body moving with low-impact, easy-to-follow steps set to international dance music. Zumba Gold is a fun cardio workout that also incorporates toning and balance. Please wear athletic shoes and comfortable clothing.

COTATI AIKIDO (ONGOING), AGES 12+
Tuesday/Thursday, 6:00-7:00pm (staff & sword), 7:00-8:30pm (5 foot staff)
Tuesday/Thursday, 10:00-11:30am (mix class)
Fee: $40/month
Tuesday/Thursday, 7:00-8:00am
Drop in fee: $6/class
Location: Eagle Room of Ray Miller Community Center, 216 East school Street (behind City Hall)
Instructor: Pete Breeland
Aikido is a traditional Japanese martial art. This class will study basic and flowing exercises with the wooden sword (bokken) and 5 foot staff (Jo). The Founder's desire that Aikido teach harmonious blending rather than conflict is emphasized in this class. We will explore the body movement consistent with empty-handed aikido. All skill levels are welcome. No uniform or dogi is required. The instructor, Pete Breeland, with over 30 years of experience with Aiki buki-waza (Aiki weapons techniques), is ranked at 5th dan. Please contact the instructor at pete@cotataikido.com or 477-9158 with questions.

COTATI AIKIDO WEAPONS CLASS (ONGOING), AGES 12+
Tuesday/Thursday, 7:00-8:00am
Fee: $40/month
Location: Eagle Room of Ray Miller Community Center, 216 East school Street (behind City Hall)
Instructor: Pete Breeland
Aiki buki waza (Aiki weapons techniques) is ranked at 5th dan. Please contact the instructor at pete@cotataikido.com or 477-9158 with questions.

ICELAND’S MAGICAL NORTHERN LIGHTS
February 17-23, 2020 – 7 days, 10 meals
Discover the spirit of the American West. Travel to the legendary Black Hills and see the The ‘land of fire and ice’ is a place of many wonders, including the rare opportunity to see the spectacular aurora borealis – or northern lights. Travel in Iceland will bring you on a search for that once-in-a-lifetime moment, take an exhilarating evening northern lights cruise. Travel to the “Golden Circle,” home to many of Iceland’s most renowned natural wonders. Spend time at Thingvellir National Park, the nation’s most historic area. Gaze at the spectacular Gullfoss waterfall – one of the world’s most incredible cascades. Explore Sólarvök Folk Museum and see traditional turf-built homes. Walk on a black volcanic sand beach. See Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon filled with floating icebergs. Relax in the warm, mineral-rich water of the natural geothermal pool the Blue Lagoon. Spend your evenings gazing at the night sky in search of the elusive and dazzling northern lights.

TRAVEL / TRAVEL

All trips include air from SFO, hotel, and local pickup. Payment plans available! Call for more information.
IRELAND SPLENDOR
March 11-18, 2020 – 8 days, 8 meals
Savor a true taste of “Irish Splendor” when you spend the night in a stately castle. Relax by a roaring peat fire. Stand in awe on the Cliffs of Moher. Tour rollicking Dublin. Sip on the “Water of Life” at a whiskey distillery. Visit Christ Church Cathedral, one of Ireland’s most historic buildings and delight in cocktails and canapes in its crypt. Explore the spectacular Dingle Peninsula and drive the Slea Head road for majestic coastal views. Gaze upon the historic Rock of Cashel. Visit the famous Gap of Dunloe where you can shop for traditional Irish goods. Meet a local family and enjoy tea and scones at their farm. Kiss the Blarney Stone at Blarney Castle. From the breathtaking sights of Kerry to the historic Rock of Cashel, gaze across the countryside and culture of Ireland.
Per Person Rate: Double: $2,999, Single: $3,399, Triple: $2,969
***$200 off special for early booking!

Tropical Costa Rica
November 7-15, 2020 – 9 days, 14 meals
Lush forests and stunning waterfalls…rumbling volcanoes and endless coastlines…Costa Rica is a paradise teeming with exotic plants and incredible animals. Luxuriate at a resort for two nights at Playa Carrillo, Guanacaste, known for its breathtaking beauty and fine sandy beaches. Spend two nights in Monteverde’s lush cloud forest. Experience the forest canopy on your choice of a hanging bridges nature walk or an exhilarating zip lining tour. Explore part of the 20,000 acre nature preserve of Cano Negro on a riverboat adventure. Enjoy the tranquil views of the Arenal Volcano from your hotel. Explore San Jose’s Plaza de Cultura and view the magnificent National Theatre. You will find a slice of paradise and so much more.
Per Person Rate: Double: $2,549, Single: $2,949

Bluegrass Country & the Smoky Mountains
April 16-24, 2020 – 9 days, 12 meals
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How to register for programs:

Online: www.cotaticity.org, under City Services, click on Recreation Programs
In Person: 201 West Sierra Ave, Cotati, Recreation Dept. inside of City Hall
By Phone: 707-655-4222
By Mail: 201 West Sierra Avenue, Cotati, CA 94931 (must be accompanied by registration form below)
At the door: Cash or check only. Please bring exact change as the instructor may not have change on site. Some programs require pre-registration

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For questions, please contact awilson@cotaticity.org or 707-665-4222

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For a proposal packet, email awilson@cotaticity.org

REGISTRATION FORM

Adult or Parent/Guardian Name: ________________________________ Date of Birth: ____________
Address: __________________________________________________ City: __________________________
E-Mail: ____________________________________________________ Cell Phone: ________________
Emergency Contact Name: __________________________ Phone: _______________________

Please check if you have changed your address from last registration.

To assure our programs benefit all who attend, please indicate below if you have any disabilities requiring special accommodations:

How did you hear about our programs? (please check all that apply)

Water bill newsletter insert
Community Activity Guide
Downtown marquee
Facebook
City website

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TOTAL $ ____________________________

PARTICIPANT NAME ____________________________
NAME OF CLASS ____________________________
ACTIVITY & MONTH OF BIRTH ____________________________
GENDER ____________________________
CLASS DAY & TIME ____________________________
FEE $ ____________________________

REFUND POLICY

When a customer withdraws from a class the following charges will apply to the refund:

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• 5 or less working days prior start: $10 Administrative Fee
• After the start of the program: Pro-rated for future, unused portion of program or activity

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WHAT IS MEASURE G?

It's the local revenue measure that maintains the financial viability of our small town, improves our infrastructure and works for all Cotati residents, including:
- Maintenance of our streets, parks, and public buildings.
- Funds park and recreation programs.
- Funds our local police department, including:
  - 911 Emergency Dispatch
  - Domestic violence response services
  - Preventing and investigating property crimes like thefts and burglaries

For more information on Measure G, including more detail on how the funds were spent and the annual review of expenditures by the Citizen’s Oversight Committee, please visit the City website at www.cotaticity.org.

Expenditures

Over the past fiscal year (July 2017-June 2018), here’s how Measure G was spent:

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE DETAIL
- Public Building: $324,765
- Street, Sidewalk & Stormdrain: $146,481
- Recreation: $183,399
- Park & Landscape: $896,550
- Public Safety: $187,557

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND EQUIPMENT EXPENDITURE DETAIL
- Street, Sidewalk & Stormdrain: $242,215
- Public Building: $50,318
- Park & Landscape: $49,238
- Public Safety: $55,813
- Revenue from Sales Tax: $10,044

At a Glance

Your City Financials

The City Council’s goals and objectives are to develop an annual budget ensuring that the City operates within its means while allowing for continuation of existing services, enhanced service delivery, and greater transparency.

Financial Objectives

1. Balanced Budgeting
2. Revenue Maintenance
3. Fiscal Responsibility
4. Measure G Compliance

Fiscal Year 2017-18
City Revenues

Fiscal Year 2017-18
City Expenditures

Balanced Budget and Reserves

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