As Mayor of the City of Cotati, I’m pleased to welcome you to our beautiful city.

Founded in 1893, Cotati has long been considered the “Hub” of Sonoma County, by virtue of its central location, and its distinct and historic hexagonal plaza. Surrounded by beautiful vistas of hills, vineyards, majestic oaks and redwoods, Cotati offers all the benefits of living in a small city, with the cultural advantages of being located near major urban centers and a highly acclaimed state university. Cotati’s room are steeped in agriculture and music, and our citizens are proud of the diverse and charming community that has been shaped by over 100 years’ history.

Cotati’s residents are very passionate about how we plan ahead for our future. We are actively looking to expand our business base in a way that complements, enhances and protects our small town atmosphere. We have an energetic and involved business community and a variety of retail experiences. There are a number of events and celebrations that take place throughout the year that offer something for everyone. Our annual Kids’ Day Parade and Festival, our summertime Farmers’ Market, the Cotati Music Festival, Oktoberfest, our annual Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration, and the Cotati Accordion Festival, the largest Accordion Festival in California, all take place in historic La Plaza Park, in the heart of Cotati.

We encourage you to come and visit, and in the process discover the spirit of Cotati. While you’re here, enjoy our public art displays and visit our Historical Society Museum located in City Hall.

If you come for a visit, you might want to pack for a lifetime: my wife Jan and I visited 30 years ago, and the result was we chose to make Cotati our home.

Mark Landman
Mayor of Cotati
COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFERED

Business Referrals:
Assistance locating services or products.

Relocation & Visitor Packets:
Acquainting new or potential residents, visitors and businesses to Cotati.

Events:
Attend or volunteer at one of the Chamber’s signature events.
• Oktoberfest, October 13, 2018
• Holiday Cheer, December 6, 2018
• Cotati Music Festival, June 19, 2019

MEMBER SERVICES OFFERED

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Sending best wishes for a happy and successful season.

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Veronda-Falletti Ranch opens to the public

The Veronda-Falletti Ranch has been part of our agricultural heritage for more than a century and now the city has plans to open it to the public, transforming it into an interactive communal farm and learning center while preserving the old buildings, artifacts and working farm.

“It is a passion project for me,” says Dustin DiMatteo, Executive Director at Farmster, a non-profit all-volunteer organization devoted to agricultural preservation that has been hired to oversee the project. Dustin has put together a team of animal agriculture and preservation consultants to help restore the property while keeping the farm operational. Currently there are about a dozen goats, according to DiMatteo, two mini horses, one hornless ram, and three little lambs, many from a lady who has animals on her farm in Sebastopol. “We work together,” he says. “She brings me animals and I make sure everything’s safe and fun for them.”

A graduate of Sonoma State, DiMatteo realized that there was no real agriculture program at SSU and decided to look for some land close to Sonoma State that offered a good opportunity for community involvement. “I felt that there was a real need in the community,” he says. “Somewhere with maybe some structures on site, something that has a good local connection for people to either walk or bike or just get involved.” Farmster’s mission includes working and restoring the soil, growing food and resources, working with animals and finding ways to turn under-utilized spaces into places where people can get involved and learn more about farming.

DiMatteo is “literally a backyard farmer,” he says. “I’ve got the skills and the know-how to get things going and I’m working with a number of consultants and people who are the experts in this field to help me learn how to become a first-generation farmer. That’s where the name comes from, when you’ve kind of farmed out your backyard so much but you can’t be a farmer, you’re a farmer. You’re involved in your local farm and growing community, so yes, it’s been a passion project of mine for a number of years and we’re finally getting to do it.”

The city has given Farmster a three-year lease to operate the four and a half-acre property and the goal is essentially to make it look like it used to, preserving its historical significance while keeping it open to public view. “We’re not going to put an enormous greenhouse on there,” Dustin says. “We’re not going to do too much that would really obscure viewing passages, just because there always can be more development, but it’s much harder to go backward and preserve stuff, so we really want to value what’s there.”

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DiMatteo’s plans include a number of education and social programs as well as some basic reconstruction. There are some large buildings on the site, including an old water tower, that need extensive work, but the place fairly brims with local history. “The lady who lives right next door, Jenny Falletti, is the daughter of the family that owned the house and preserved it,” says Dustin.

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The People’s Farm
Veronda-Falletti Ranch opens to the public

Tucked away behind a slice of the hexagon in downtown Cotati is a historical treasure many of us walk by every day. The Veronda-Falletti Ranch has been part of our agricultural heritage for more than a century and now the city, and the region, has plans to open it to the public, transforming it into an interactive communal farm and learning center while preserving the old buildings, artifacts and working farm.

For a small city, Cotati has an impressive number of parks with varied recreation offerings for all ages. Chief among them is La Plaza Park in the heart of town, with a bandstand, picnic tables, play equipment and modern restrooms. Shaded by large trees, it is a popular gathering place for small groups or informal meals, as well as city festivals. La Plaza Park is also one of Cotati’s claims to fame: it has been registered as California Historical Landmark No. 679 because of its unique hexagonal shape.

LA PLAZA PARK
OLD REDWOOD HWY & WEST SIERRA AVE
• Bandstand
• Picnic tables
• Playground equipment
• Restrooms

CIVIC CENTER PARK
216 EAST SCHOOL STREET
• Cotor Field - Baseball
• Basketball courts
• Large playing field
• Group barbeque
• Picnic tables

The property is also the site of City Hall, the Ray Miller Community Center and the Cotati Police Dept.

DELANO PARK
VALPARISO AVE & PAGE STREET
• No facilities

KOTATE PARK
LASALSE & LINCOLN AVENUE
• Playground equipment
• Large playing field
• Picnic tables

POCKET PARK
LASALSE & LORETTO AVENUE
• No facilities

PUTNAM PARK
MYRITL AVENUE
• Baseball field
• Soccer fields
• Playground equipment
• Horseshoe pit
• Picnic tables
• Restrooms
• Dog park

SANTERO PARK
SANTERO WAY
• Toddler playground
• Petanque court
• Picnic tables
• Small playing field

SUNFLOWER PARK
E COTATI AVENUE & SUNFLOWER DRIVE
• Tennis courts
• Pickleball Courts
• Small playing field

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK
PARK AVENUE & OLD REDWOOD HWY
• Horseshoe pit
• Picnic tables
• Sand volleyball court

The property is also the site of the Veterans Memorial building, which is operated by Sonoma County. For building rental info – 707-565-2138

COTATI FACILITIES

COTATI ROOM
216 EAST SCHOOL STREET
• Kitchen
• BBQ area
• Seating capacity 80
• Standing capacity 200
• Tables and chairs included

EAGLE ROOM DANCE STUDIO
216 EAST SCHOOL STREET
• Standing capacity 49
• Mirrored wall
• Barres
• Mats

RAY MILLER COMMUNITY CENTER CLASSROOMS
216 EAST SCHOOL STREET
• Standing capacity 49
• Sink
• Tables and chairs available
Downtown Holiday Shop & Stroll
Date: Friday, December 1, 2018
Time: 11:30am-4pm
Fee: FREE!
Location: Downtown Cotati on Old Redwood Highway
A family fun filled day located on Old Redwood Hwy in Downtown Cotati. Come enjoy local businesses, music, carriage rides and holiday fun!

Holiday Tree Lighting
Date: Friday, December 7, 2018
Time: 4pm-8pm
Fee: FREE!
Location: La Plaza Park
Come join us for our Annual Holiday Tree Lighting in La Plaza Park! We will have food and craft vendors, starting at 4:00pm. The night will be full of music, free coffee, hot cocoa, cookies, and more! There will be crafts for the children, story time, entertainment, and "special" guests! Come join us for a fun filled, magical holiday evening!

We are also accepting craft and food vendor applications for this event through November 26. For more information on this event or to become a vendor, please call 707-665-4222 or email awilson@cotaticity.org.

NEW! Holiday Drop & Shop – Ages 5-12
Date: December 9-10, 2018
Time: 9:00am-3:00pm
Fee: $35 per child
Location: Thomas Page Room
Do you need time to get your holiday shopping and/or errands done without the children? While you get things done, leave your children with us to make holiday arts & crafts, and play. All activities are provided by trained and experienced City Staff. Please send a lunch and snacks for your child.

Breakfast with Santa
Date: Saturday, December 15, 2018
Times: 9:00am & 10:30am
Fee: $12 per person over age 2
(Children 2 and under are free)
Location: Cotati Room
Come join Santa and his elves for a yummy breakfast of eggs, sausage, & pancakes! Finish it off with delicious coffee and hot cocoa. Each child will also have the opportunity to do arts & crafts, and will receive a gift from the Mr. Claus before they leave. This is sure to be a fun family event and a great way to celebrate the holiday season.

NEW! City Hall-oween
Date: Wednesday, October 31, 2018
Time: 1:30-5:30pm
Fee: FREE!
Location: City Hall
Start your trick or treating off by stopping by City Hall-oween! Visit the different departments for a special treat and to show off your costumes!

Cotati Historical Society Fall Exhibit Opening, Japanese Americans in Cotati
Date: Sunday, Nov 4
Time: 1-4 pm
Fee: FREE!
Location: Cotati City Hall and Community Center
Exhibits, presentations, family activities, music, and refreshments. Exhibit will continue into 2019. www.cotatihistoricalsociety.org

NEW! Downtown Coffee with a Cop
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019
Time: 5:00-7:00pm
Fee: $35/couple + $10 each additional child (max 2 children per chaperone)
Location: Cotati Room
Come enjoy a night away from the busy nature of the day and enjoy refreshments. We will have a special treat and enjoy live music and enjoy live music and enjoy live music and enjoy live music!

Save the date:
Cotati Historical Society’s 9th Annual Chicken BBQ
April 7, 2019

Bunny Brunch & Egg Hunt
April 14, 2019

Bike to Work Day
May 2019 – Date TBD

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Cotati Certified Farmers Market – June - August
Dances 2019 TBD
Cotati Music Festival – June 15, 2019
Free Summer Movies in the Park – June – September
SUN, OCT 14 AT 5:30 P.M.
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FRI, SEP 28 AT 7:30 P.M.
SUN, SEP 30 AT 3 P.M.
SAT , OCT 27 AT 7:30 P.M.
SUN, OCT 14 AT 3 P.M.
THU, JAN 24 AT 7:30 P.M.
FREE MOVIES AT THE GREEN
THE CONCERT
SOLOISTS
AMERICAN BACH
SAT, DEC 8 AT 7:30 P.M.
SAT, DEC 15 AT 7 P.M.
VENICE BAROQUE ORCHESTRA
SUN, OCT 14 AT 7:30 P.M.
AMERICAN BACH SOLOISTS
SAT, DEC 14 AT 7:30 P.M.
DIXIE TWIST
SAT, DEC 14 AT 7:30 P.M.
JULIE FOWLES
THURSDAY, DEC 19 AT 7:30 P.M.
SOUTHERN CAPE CHOIR
SUN, OCT 14 AT 7:30 P.M.
RINA KUOK & FRIENDS
CHRISTMAS TOUR 2018
FRI, DEC 21 AT 7:30 P.M.
SALVADOR DII
SAT, DEC 22 AT 7:30 P.M.
CAROLINE RAY
SAT, DEC 22 AT 7:30 P.M.
KAREN O'LEARY
SUN, DEC 23 AT 7:30 P.M.
JAYSON CUTHBERT
SAT, DEC 29 AT 7:30 P.M.
THE BIG BAND BROTHERS
SUN, DEC 30 AT 7:30 P.M.
SINGLES ON SALE NOW!
Ten years ago in 2008 city planners voted to purchase and preserve Al and Jennie Falletti’s pastoral ranch with its sheep pasture and model chicken ranch reflecting the early days of Cotati as a community. They planned to display some of the old ranching equipment that is stored around Cotati and turn it into a park and demonstration ranch. The acreage included the original home of Pete and Elizabeth Veronda, Jennie’s parents, who bought the property in 1938 and first turned it into a chicken ranch, one of the many that dotted around Cotati at the time.

When the city put out a bid for new management of the ranch last summer, DiMatteo presented his plan for Farmster to come in, emphasizing the mission of community involvement, and including SSU students helping out in a volunteer capacity, but, he says, “we also wanted to teach the residents ways that they can farm at home, get the skills and confidence on the Veronda-Falletti Ranch and put that experience to work in their own backyards.”

The city has always wanted it to become activated and involved in the community,” Dustin continues. “They want it to be a two-way street, not a private enterprise and what we pitched was student involvement, working with community members and regular tours.” Farmster has plans for regular programming this fall, starting with bi-weekly tours and monthly workshops. There is certainly plenty of work to do.

Dustin is also hoping to get some of the restoration work going as soon as possible. “All the buildings look fine,” says Dustin. “The water tower is a little slanted, so the city is trying to get construction started on two buildings, the water tower and the farmhouse this fall, but given all the wildfires and construction needs out there.” He also hopes to find funding for the restoration of two other buildings to their original shape and preserve the old artifacts inside of them.

“Some would call it junk, some would call it treasure,” says Dustin. “We’re calling it junk/treasure; it’s a little bit of both.”

Dustin is obviously excited about the challenge ahead of him, and the pay off for local residents is clear to see. “We’re cleaning out those buildings, preserving them as they are, and we’ll conduct historical and cultural tours, farming the history of the site if you will. We’re running a three thousand head chicken farm with the other animals that we’re rotating and building out the soil there. There’s a small orchard that we’ll clean up and expand on. It’s a transformative process out there.”

“The city and the residents like being involved in a passive informal way,” he continues, “so, for instance, having apple trees that they can just reach over the fence and grab, or once a month there’s a work day where they get food from the garden. It’s a ranch where animals are, but we are working in other farming practices like growing food and orchard management, and composting of course.”

Recent additions have included walkways, picnic tables, and a water fountain at the rear of the property, with interpretive signage about the agricultural heritage of the ranch, offering visitors a picturesque backdrop and an opportunity to experience a farm setting in the heart of downtown Cotati. Dustin wants to get the public involved as soon as possible and is already planning monthly tours in the Fall. “We’d like to have seasonal workshops in the first few years, and we’ve already started doing kids camps through the City of Cotati’s Parks and Recs program. They get to feed the animals and help me wrangle a couple of them.”

“It’s very cool to see a group of special-needs kids interact with the animals,” he says. There are plans for private tours, public tours once a month, seasonal workshops, maybe three or four a year, and volunteer workdays every other Friday. “Even now,
Fall 2018/Winter 2019 Camps

Camp Cotati PJ Party - Ages 5-12
Dates: October 8, 7:30am-6:00pm
Fee: $35 per child
Location: Thomas Page Room
Does your child have the day off from school but you still have to work? Have no fear, Camp Cotati PJ Party is here! We will have a fun day filed with games, crafts, outside activities (weather permitting), and plenty of play! Campers are welcome to wear PJs to camp, but please send them with shoes they can be active in. Please send a lunch and snacks with your child.

Camp Cotati Thanksgiving Break Camp - Ages 5-12
Dates: November 19-21, M-W 7:30am-6:00pm
Fee: $75/week, $35/day drop in
Location: Thomas Page Room
Let your children experience the magic of Camp Cotati! Each day will include different games, crafts, and outdoor play (weather permitting). The week will focus on all we have to be thankful for! Please send your child with a lunch and snacks each day.

Camp Cotati Winter Break Camp - Ages 5-12
Dates: December 26-28, W-F 7:30am-6:00pm
Fee: $75/week, $35/day drop in
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Camp Cotati Spring Break Camp - Ages 5-12
Dates: March 18-22, M-W 7:30am-6:00pm
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Camp Cotati Counselor in Training (CIT) Program – Age 13-17
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Dates: November 19-21, December 26-28, January 2-4, March 18-22, 9:00am-6:00pm
Fee: $350/week
Location: Thomas Page Room
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 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 * Basic techniques of behavior management

Fall 2018/Winter 2019 Classes

NEW! Beginning Pilates - Ages 18+
Wednesday, 7:00-8:00pm
*There is also an intermediate class offered at 6:00pm. Contact instructor directly to join the intermediate class.
Fee: Drop in $15/class - Monthly $35/class
Location: Eagle Room
Instructor: Darien Gold
This traditional mat pilates class will build strength, flexibility, and confidence. All levels welcome.

NEW! Beginning Art & Comic – Ages 8-16
Dates: Tuesday, 4:00-5:30pm, beginning in October
Session 1: Oct 2-Nov 6, Session 2: Nov 13-Dec 18
Fee: $120/session (6 weeks) – payment plans available
Location: Stony Point Room
Instructor: Barbara Golden
In this class you will learn how to create your own comic characters, bring them to life with speed lines and action and how to create your own world, city and landscapes, space or whichever world your imagination might come up with. Media: pencils, inker, colored pencils, markers, watercolors, soft pastels.

NEW! Introduction to Belly Dancing – Ages 16+
Dates: Saturday, 12:00-1:30pm, beginning in October
Week 2: January 2-4, W-F 7:30am-6:00pm
Fee: $75/week, $35/day drop in
Location: Thomas Page Room
Instructor: Lori Tawasha
Students will be 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.

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Zumba Gold (ongoing) - Ages 18+
Monday and Friday, 9:30-10:20am
Fee: $10/month (once a week), $15/month (twice a week)
Drop-in $15/class
Location: Cotati Room
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.

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Week 2: January 2-4, W-F 7:30am-6:00pm
Fee: $75/week, $35/day drop in
Location: Thomas Page Room
Instructor: Lori Tawasha
Students will be 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.

Zumba Gold (ongoing) - Ages 18+
Monday and Friday, 9:30-10:20am
Fee: $10/month (once a week), $15/month (twice a week)
Drop-in $15/class
Location: Cotati Room
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.

The Thomas Page Room, Eagle Room, Stony Point Room and the Cotati Room of Ray Miller Community Center are located at 216 East School Street (behind City Hall)
Fall 2018/Winter 2019 Classes

Zumba Gold (ongoing) - Ages 18+
Wednesday, 9:30-10:30am, ongoing though December 19
Spring 2019 classes begin January 16
Fee: FREE
Location: Cotati Room
Instructor: Gale Davis
This class is separate from the 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 (empty handed technique)
Location: Saturday, 10:00-11:30am (mix class)
Fee: $80/month
Drop in fee: $10/class
Location: Eagle Room
Instructors: Pete and Ginny Breeland
Cotati Aikido Weapons Class (ongoing) - Ages 12+
Tuesday/Thursday, 7:00-8:00am
Fee: $45/month
Drop in fee: $6/class
Location: Eagle Room

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@cotatiaikido.com or 477-9158 with questions.

Star Kids Productions Presents: Snow White - Ages 5-7
Dates: Thursday, 4:00-5:30pm, beginning October 11-January 17
Instructor: Ashley Kimball
Location: Mountain Room
Fee: $250 – payment plans available
Performance Dates: Week of January 21-25, 2019
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Star Kids Productions Presents: Snow White - Ages 5-7
This program will have your child singing, dancing, and acting all of your favorite songs from Snow White and the Seven Dwarves. Students will be learning to sing, dance, and act as we put together the musical Snow White in a fun performance for families at the end of the program. To register or for more information, please email starkidsproductions@gmail.com. Check out the Spring 2019 Star Kids Productions shows in our next guide or on our website!

Iceland’s Magical Northern Lights - February 22-28, 2019 – 7 days, 10 meals
Experience It! The Northern Lights - Each year, during the winter months, travelers journey to Iceland and venture out into the dark to see the magical but elusive northern lights (aurora borealis). This natural phenomenon is the product of collisions between electrically charged particles from the sun that enter the earth’s atmosphere; the result are spectacular streaks of colorful light appear across the sky. The colors can vary from white to pink or purple and, most commonly, green. It is known that the best time to witness the lights in Iceland is from late September to mid-April, when the nights are the longest. This light show is truly dazzling and worth the pursuit.

HIGHLIGHTS... Reykjavik, Northern Lights Cruise, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Geysir, Gulfoss, Seljalandsfoss, Vik, Skogar Folk Museum, Skogafoss, Jókulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, Skæftafell National Park, Vatnajökull Glacier, Blue Lagoon
Per Person Rate – Double: $3,999, Single: $4,499, Triple: $3,969. For more information, visit: https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/873143

Reflections of Italy - March 13-22, 2019 – 10 days, 13 meals
Revel in the magic of Italy on this tour that explores the cities of Rome, Florence, Siena, Venice, Assisi, Perugia and Milan. Travel Italy and discover the rolling hills of the scenic Tuscan and Umbrian countryside, explore medieval hill towns and visit the birthplace of St. Francis, Assisi. Discover the masterpieces of the Renaissance in Florence and see hot glass transformed into exquisite art on Murano Island. Linger in romantic Venice for two nights discovering its treasures. Your journey comes to a close in Milan and includes a visit to the magnificent Gothic Cathedral – the Duomo.

HIGHLIGHTS... Rome, Colosseum, Assisi, Perugia, Siena, Florence, Chianti Winery, Venice, Choice on Tour, Murano Island, Milan
Per Person Rate – Double: $3,699, Single: $4,149, Triple: $3,649. For more information, visit: https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/873156

Trips & Tours 2019

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Discover South Dakota - June 7-13, 2019 – 7 days, 9 meals

Discover the spirit of the American West. Travel to the legendary Black Hills and see the American prairie as it was 300 years ago. Explore the legends of the city of Deadwood, home to Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane. Travel the backcountry of Custer State Park and along the impressive Needles Highway lined with famous granite spires. Visit magnificent Mt. Rushmore. See Crazy Horse Memorial, the world’s largest mountain sculpture still in progress. Marvel at Devil’s Tower, the country’s first National Monument. Journey through the natural beauty of Badlands National Park and stop to browse at Wall Drug. Discover the fascinating history and stories of the Lakota and Sioux through a Native American chronicle and visits to Tatanka: Story of the Bison and the High Plains Heritage Center.

HIGHLIGHTS… Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, Badlands National Park, Wall Drug, Devils Tower National Monument, Black Hills Gold, Needles Highway, Custer State Park, Deadwood, High Plains Heritage Center

Per Person Rate – Double: $2,349, Single: $2,949, Triple: $2,319. For Park, Deadwood, High Plains Heritage Center Monument, Black Hills Gold, Needles Highway, Custer State

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For more information, visit: https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/873546

RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

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201 West Sierra Avenue, Cotati, CA 94931

(707) 792-4600 Fax: (707) 790-7206 www.cotaticity.org

Adult or Parent/Guardian Name __________________________ Date of Birth __________________________

Address __________________________________________ City ______________________ Zip ______________

E-Mail __________________________________________ Cell Phone ______________ Work Phone __________

Emergency Contact Name __________________________ Phone __________________________

I, __________________________________________, the undersigned, on behalf of myself/herself and on behalf of any minor child enrolled in the program by the undersigned in his/her capacity as parent/guardian, in consideration of participation in this program agree to indemnify and hold the City of Cotati, its officials, employees, contract instructors, and program co-sponsors free and harmless, and release the City of Cotati from any and all liability claims, and necessary costs and expenses for any loss/damage to property, injury, or death from any cause whatsoever regardless of negligence, which may be suffered by the above-named individual registered in this program, arising out of, or in any way connected with participation in this program and/or use of the premises. I further authorize qualified physicians to render emergency medical treatment or care if they deem necessary for the participant because of illness or accident which occurs during the course of any of the above-described activity(ies), class(ies), or event(s). I understand that photographs taken of recreation program participants may be used by the City of Cotati for promoting our programs, classes or events and I agree to the use of my/our photographs for such purposes.

Check #______________ Cash___________ Check #______________ Cash___________

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

Participant Name __________________________ Name of Class/Activity __________________________ Date of Birth __________________________

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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.

For a proposal packet, email awilson@cotaticity.org

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

~ How to Register for Programs ~

~ Become a Class Instructor! ~

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: 707-665-4222

By Mail: 201 West Sierra Avenue, Cotati, CA 94931 (must be accompanied by registration form below)

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COMMUNITY CONTACTS & IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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Cotati Police Department
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if folks are just walking by, they can see things going on. I’m working with my neighbors, giving them little info sessions on the animals. There’s always someone there.”

“I think one of the benefits for the town is that a lot of waste to the animals. There’s always someone there.”

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