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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

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Mark Landman

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 roots 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.

CONNECT with US!



Mark Landman
 Mayor of Cotati



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Stroll & Shop in downtown Cotati 2017

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West Sierra Avenue, Cotati



Breakfast with Santa 2017

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

Advertising Opportunities:

Reach potential customers through digital communications and print media; *Cotati Community Activity Guide & Chamber Business Directory* (publishing twice-a-year) and cooperative programs.

Mix & Mingle Gatherings and Ribbon Cuttings:

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Community Activity Guide & Chamber Business Directory:

This valuable resource is mailed to 4,500+ Cotati addresses twice a year. Your business is listed by category.

Newsletter:

Bi-weekly electronic newsletter to keep the community up-to-date on business activities.

Social Media:

Promote your business and events via sharing of your Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram posts. The Chamber is active on all three of these social media platforms.

Access to Our Conference Room:

We have a conference room located in our office. Members can contact us to schedule a time to use it for a meeting.

MESSAGE FROM THE COTATI CHAMBER



Erin Armstrong

Cotati is a unique little town. It's charm is everywhere. We're very lucky to live and work in a place with such a rich history based in music. We are also only one of two towns in the nation to have our downtown built in a hexagon fashion giving us a downtown that didn't need planning, with a lovely park right in the middle. We have a museum as part of our historical society. You may visit them at 201 West Sierra Avenue (*west end of City Hall*), or online at cotatihistoricalsociety.org. The outer regions of Cotati which are less well-known, house many manufacturers, businesses, distribution centers, builders and creators. These important companies help support the lives and livelihood of many people within Cotati and other local areas. As a chamber, we want to support those businesses in as many ways as we can and we hope you'll take notice of them as you pass through areas outside of downtown.

As your chamber, we are working with the city to expand and grow relationships with businesses, large and small. We invite you to stop by the Chamber at 216 E. School Street or view our beautifully updated website where we have highlights and information about events and other happenings for the good people of Cotati and beyond.

Sending best wishes for a happy and successful season.

Erin Armstrong
Armstrong Chiropractic
President, Cotati Chamber



Tree Lighting 2017



Become a Chamber Member

Become an official member of the business community by joining the Chamber. It is quick, easy, affordable and offers many benefits to help grow and support your business.

Contact us today or stop by at the address below. We invite business members *and* individuals to join us.

Cotati Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center

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1:45 Wiener Dog Race

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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 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 farmster. 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 that."

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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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Cotati Museum & Historical Society

Invite you to a FREE opening reception
Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018, 1-4 p.m.
 for our new museum exhibit

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COTATI PARKS & FACILITIES

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. 879 because of its unique hexagonal shape.

LA PLAZA PARK

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- Bandstand
- Picnic tables
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- Restrooms

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- 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

DRAPER PARK

WILFRED AVENUE

- Picnic tables
- Small playing field

FALLETTI PARK

GRAVENSTEIN WAY & VILLAGE CT

- Playground equipment
- Barbecue
- Picnic tables
- Small playing field

For more information on using parks and facilities, please call 707-665-4222.

Applications available at www.cotaticity.org under Resident Services:

City Facility and Park Usage.



Putnam Park

KOTATE PARK

LASALLE & LINCOLN AVENUE

- Playground equipment
- Large playing field
- Picnic tables

POCKET PARK

LASALLE & LORETTO AVENUE

- No facilities

PUTNAM PARK

MYRTLE 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
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COTATI CALENDAR OF SPECIAL EVENTS 2018-2019

National Coffee with a Cop Day
Date: Wednesday, October 3, 2018
Time: 7-9am
Fee: FREE!
Location: Your Sweet Expectations, 8099 La Plaza, Ste A

National Coffee with a Cop Day is a day dedicated to encourage communication and positive interactions between law enforcement agencies and the public. Please join the Cotati Police Department on October 3rd for the 3rd National Coffee with a Cop event for a cup of coffee and conversation!

12th Annual Cotati Oktoberfest
Presented by the Cotati Chamber of Commerce
Date: Saturday, October 13, 2018
Time: 12pm-6pm
Fee: FREE!
Location: La Plaza Park



Break out the Lederhosen and get ready for wunderbar German food, German beer, fresh craft brews on tap and hilarious contests including the world-famous wiener dog races, the tankard hoist, yodeling, costume contest and the potato sack races! Featuring the band AlpinersUSA playing traditional Oktoberfest music, including polka! Microbrews by Lagunitas Brewing Company, grilled bratwurst, potato salad, sauerkraut and pretzels will all be available for purchase as well as collectible glass steins.



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 p.m
Fee: FREE!
Location: Cotati City Hall and Community Center

Exhibits, presentations, family activities, music, and refreshments. Exhibit will continue into 2019. www.cotatihistoricalsociety.org

Need community service hours or what 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!

Downtown Holiday Shop & Stroll
Date: Friday, December 1, 2018
Time: 11am-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 8, 2018
Time: 9:00a-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 with 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.

Please indicate which time you'd like to attend when you register. Choose which time you would like to have breakfast and then use the rest of the time to visit with Santa and make crafts with the elves. This event does sell out so register early to ensure you have a space.



Photo credit: Steve Goodin - City of Cotati Spring Photo Contest



NEW! Sweethearts Fairytale Dance
Date: Saturday, February 9, 2019
Time: 6:00-8:00pm
Fee: \$30/couple + \$10 each additional child (max 2 children per chaperone)
Location: Cotati Room



Come dance the night away to fun music, make arts and crafts, and enjoy light refreshments. Dress up in your fanciest dress or suit and create wonderful memories that will last. This magical event is for children (ages 3-12) and their favorite adult chaperone. There

are no gender requirements. Tickets available at the door, but please purchase in advance to ensure your space.

NEW! Parents Night Out – Ages 5-12
Date: February 15, 2019
Time: 5:00-10:00pm
Fee: \$35
Location: Thomas Page Room

Need to do some shopping or just need a little rest and relaxation without the children? Maybe even a night out? While you enjoy an evening out or in, your child(ren) will have dinner, play games, make arts & crafts, and see a movie. All activities are provided by trained and experienced City Staff.



NEW! Cotati Community Yard Sale
Date: Saturday, March 30, 2019
Time: 9:00am-1:00pm
Location: Cotati Room

Donations will be accepted on Friday, March 29, from 4-7pm at the Cotati Room

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.

Interested in being a vendor at our events? Contact Ashley at 707-665-4222 or awilson@cotaticity.org for vendor applications.

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**
- Cotati Music Festival – June 15, 2019**
- Free Summer Movies in the Park – June - September – Dates 2019 TBD**
- Cotati Certified Farmers Market – June - August – Dates 2019 TBD**
- 27th Annual Cotati Kids Day Parade & Festival – July 13, 2019**
- National Night Out – August 6, 2019**
- 29th Annual Cotati Accordion Festival – August 17-18, 2019**

Would you like to be 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. For more information on how to show your support, please contact Ashley at 707-665-4222 or awilson@cotaticity.org.

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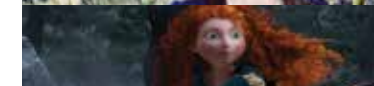
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Veronda-Falletti Ranch opens to the public

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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 the Cotati landscape 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,



Dustin DiMatteo showing a school group around



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Fall 2018/Winter 2019 Camps

Camp Cotati PJ Party - Ages 5-12
Date: 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 filled with games, crafts, outside activities (weather permitting), and plenty of play! Campers are welcome to wear PJ's 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: Week 1: December 26-28, W-F 7:30am-6:00pm
 Week 2: January 2-4, W-F 7:30am-6:00pm
Fee: \$75/week, \$35/day drop in
Location: Thomas Page Room

Camp Cotati Spring Break Camp - Ages 5-12
Dates: March 18-22, M-F 7:30am-6:00pm
Fee: \$125/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). Please send your child with a lunch and snacks each day



Camp Cotati Counselor in Training (CIT) Program - Age 13-17
Dates: November 19-21, December 26-28, January 2-4, March 18-22, 9:00am-3:00pm
Fee: \$50/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 * 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.

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 \$13/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
 Session 1: Oct 6-Dec 1 (no class Nov 24) Session 2: Dec 8-Jan 26
 Session 3: Feb 2-Mar 23
Fee: \$120 per session
Drop-in: \$20 per class
Location: Eagle 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: \$18/month (once a week), \$30/month (twice a week)
Drop in fee: \$5/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)

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Fall 2018/Winter 2019 Classes

Zumba Gold (ongoing) - Ages 18+

Wednesday, 9:30-10:30am, ongoing through 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), 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: \$40/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@cotataaikido.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
 FREE Trial Class October 11th
 Performance Dates: Week of January 21-25, 2019
 Fee: \$250 - payment plans available
 Location: Mountain Room
 Instructor: Ashley Kimball



Is your 5-7 year old child a little bit dramatic? Join us for our FREE trial class for Little's Musical Theatre with STAR Kids! One day only- Thursday, October 11 from 4-5:30pm at 216 E. School Street, Cotati in the Mountain Room. Come see what all the fuss is about! No experience necessary. 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!

Trips & Tours 2019

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 results 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, Gullfoss, Seljalandsfoss, Vik, Skogar Folk Museum, Skógafoss, Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, Skaftafell 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

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

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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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201 West Sierra Avenue, Cotati, CA 94931
(707) 792-4600 Fax: (707) 795-7067; www.cotaticity.org

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The People's Farm
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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 some people is gold to us, I mentioned artifacts in the buildings, but food waste is a big issue we're hoping to lean into as farmers, working with restaurants and collecting food waste from businesses, and composting. What is going into the landfill is one of my focuses – food waste, composting, rebuilding the soil. I'm hoping this project will really help transform not just this piece of property but the city of Cotati in a larger more abstract sense.

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Thank you for your commitment to the City of Cotati. When Cotati voters enacted Measure G, the Cotati Essential City Services Measure, the City was in an unhealthy financial situation. State takeaways, coupled with the recession, had created a significant budget shortfall, affecting the services and infrastructure you rely on. Measure G has preserved our local police department, brought back our recreation programs, and allowed the City to begin significant annual investments in improving our roads and parks.

This year, the City continues to expand our recreation programs and events. In addition to events such as Kids Day, the Tree Lighting, and Breakfast with Santa, the City added the Sweetheart's Fairytale Dance and Bunny Brunch and Egg Hunt for Easter. For the first time, the City ran a full summer camp program, and look forward to beginning joint programming with the Veronda-Falletti Ranch, when they begin operations next year. The City also offered classes from Lego camps to theater to adult classes, and many more that are too numerous to list here. However, I encourage you to go to the City's website to review all of the great things going on with Recreation these days.

Measure G is helping keep Cotati beautiful, safe and active

The City of Cotati and our police department is highly respected regionally, which continues to create new opportunities that benefit our residents. Most recently, Cotati assumed Sonoma State's public safety dispatch. This consolidation allows for improved interoperability and is a better use of public funds that can be re-invested in improving public safety in Cotati and at SSU. Now, if there is a significant event in either jurisdiction, Cotati and SSU police officers will hear the radio traffic simultaneously, allowing for immediate joint responses, which improves officer safety and the safety of the public.



In addition to these new opportunities, we continue to work hard at the primary responsibility of our police department, which is ensuring the safety of our community. This relies on getting to know your police officers better and them getting to know you, and you're never too young to start! This year, we've been busy with fund raising for our kids' schools supplies, and were able to raise enough funds to purchase and hand out all of the supplies needed for every child at Thomas Page Academy! In addition, we have also established "beats", so there is a police officer assigned to your neighborhood. If you have a question, or have general concerns, I encourage you to contact our police department to get to know the police officer working in your neighborhood. We'd also love to see you at our Coffee with a Cop Days, where you can meet your police officers in person.



The City Council has also continued to prioritize road maintenance, including \$2.3 million budgeted for street paving. To put this into context, the paving budget represents 36% of all General Fund expenditures this year. This enormous commitment of resources illustrates both the importance of this to the City Council and also the fact that there is a lot of work ahead of us to fix all of the roads in our City, with current costs at \$1.3 million per mile. To continue the systematically repair all of our streets and simultaneous improvement of parks and other infrastructure, the continued support of Measure G and economic development are critical.

Lastly, I hope to see everyone this year at City Hall-oween, where you can bring your little ones for treats (no tricks!) to get a head start on trick-or-treating and hopefully get them in bed a little sooner!

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