

LETS GO FISHING!

THE CUPERTINO HOST LIONS HAS INVITED VISTA CENTER'S YOUTH TO ATTEND THEIR ANNUAL FISH-A-THON!

WHEN: Saturday, May 2, 2015,
Participant sign in **8:15 to 9:30 A.M**, Fishing **8:30 to 11:30**, Lunch
Served 10:30 to 12:00

WHERE: Stevens Creek Quarry, 12100 Stevens Creek Quarry,
Cupertino, CA

IMPORTANT DEADLINE: Pre-Register by April 18!!!

WHO MAY PARTICIPATE: Youth With Special Needs. Family
members can watch and enjoy lunch.

COST: FREE - All costs are covered by the Cupertino Host
Lions

RSVP to: Vista Center Youth Coordinator, Ever Arreola:
(650) 858-0202 ext 183 or email
praskin@vistacenter.org No later than April 18

INFORMATION WE NEED FROM EACH PARTICIPANT:

Name?

AGE?

Name?

Disability?

City of Residence?

Does Participant Use a Wheelchair?

Number of People Accompanying Participant?

Prior Fish-a-Thons?

The Fish-A-Thon is designed for people with special needs who have few opportunities to experience the joy of fishing for rainbow trout.

Participants must be pre-registered (no later than Saturday, April 18, 2015) with the Participant's names and the number of people that will be accompanying each Participant. We need the headcount to determine purchase requirements for the lunch.

On the day of the event pre-registered Participants will be checked in at the 'registration booth' by last name. We use only the Participants' first name on the numbered name tags.

Siblings are welcome, but only the Participants are allowed to fish. If you have questions about the FISH-A-THON, other than pre-registration, please call.

Cupertino Host Lions Club
(408) 278-7

GUIDELINES to make the day of fishing go smoothly and safely

Please Read and Use on Event Day

1. The traffic flow inside Stevens Creek Quarry property is left side (British rules of the road), not normal right side of road.

- Support vehicles and Quarry trucks will be moving on Saturday. **DRIVE CAREFULLY.**
- Stevens Creek Quarry is private property and certain areas must be kept clear.

2. Parking is supervised. Please park as directed by the parking monitors.

- Dropping Participants at Registration Sign-In area is encouraged, then park vehicle as directed.
- Parking is limited. Carpooling is recommended.
- Staggered arrival times are encouraged to lessen the backup at the sign-in table where volunteer helpers are assigned and at the distribution of fishing equipment.

3. Participant Sign-in is 8:15 to 9:30 A.M. All Participants are pre-registered.

- Participants check-in at the Registration and receive a name badge with a number identifying the Participant. Each Participant receives two plastic bags, with the same number, for transporting fish to the cleaning table. Then Volunteer helpers are assigned and Participant & Volunteer proceed to where the equipment is distributed.

4. Only registered Participants can fish. This event is for those with special needs.

- The goal is for all Participants to catch the limit of three trout.
- Volunteer helpers are encouraged to let Participants do as much as possible but must practice **SAFETY FIRST**. This is a difficult assignment given the upbeat tempo coming from the Participants.
- As trout are caught they are placed in the one of the two Participant's numbered bags. A Volunteer will take a landed fish in one bag to the cleaning table and rotates with the second bag. Cleaned fish are placed into a third, clean, and numbered bag which is stored on ice. Participants pick up their fish, in the third bag, after lunch when they are preparing to depart. The Participant's number is key to tracking the fish.
- Participants can have a photograph with their fish before they leave. Other picture taking will occur at the Fish-A-Thon.

5. SAFETY is FIRST priority. Check for clearance when casting.

- Hooks are sharp! Only the Volunteer helpers should manage or help manage the pole and line when the hook is out of the water.
- Remember the spin fishing reels-poles can cast easily without big back swings. Check behind you before preparing to cast.
- Use short casts, no further than center of pond. This avoids tangles
- Only those Volunteer helpers thoroughly capable should be netting hooked fish. Avoid moving onto the steep bank going into pond.
- Use care in removing the hook from the fish; make sure the pole is under control and not moving the line causing the hook to move unexpectedly.

- Please do not crowd the activity area at the pond's edge. Only Participants and Volunteer helpers should be in the activity area at the pond's edge. People behind the Participants and Volunteer helpers must use caution and watch for casting action.
- Please, no dogs or other pets. Notify Registration of any service/companion dogs.