

Sunflower Hill



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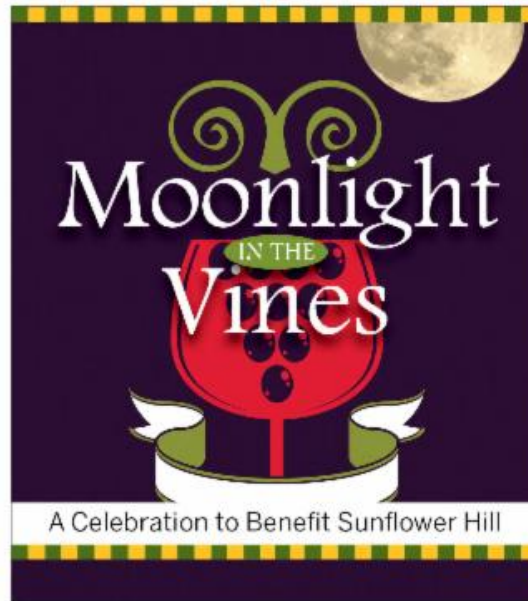


May 25, 2018

Moonlight in the Vines on July 28!

Join us at Moonlight in the Vines!

A Celebration to Benefit Sunflower Hill



Saturday
July 28, 2018
5:30pm - 10:30pm

Wente Vineyards
5050 Arroyo Road
Livermore

Call 925.989.2271 for
more information.
www.sunflowerhill.org



Join us for an evening of **fun and surprises** under the stars at Wente Vineyards in Livermore. Enjoy live music with Dream Posse Band, dancing, fabulous food, award winning wines, silent auction, live auction, heads & tails, and much more!



All proceeds to benefit Sunflower Hill and help further our mission of creating an intentional community for individuals with special needs.

Early bird ticket prices (until June 30) are \$150 per person and includes dinner and 2 glasses of wine or beer.

Table of (8) \$1120. Table of (10) \$1400

Ticket prices increase after July 1st.

A variety of sponsorships are available.

Please see website for details and to purchase tickets: www.sunflowerhill.org



A Sustainable Special Needs Community

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Our annual gala, Moonlight in the Vines, is on Saturday, July 28, from 5:30-10:30 p.m.

This year's exciting event will be at Wente Vineyards in Livermore! We are currently looking for live and silent auction items for the big event. If you have anything you would like to donate, please email TanyaLudden@sunflowerhill.org, by June 30.

To see all the info on sponsorships and to purchase tickets, please go to our website. See you on July 28!

Our farmer, Lina Valenzuela is back from maternity leave and working again in the garden. It's so nice to have her back on the team!

Sunflower Hill Gardens is continuing our summer Career Enhancement Internship program. This program is for a neuro-typical college student during their summer break from college. It is targeted towards individuals who are studying a major leading towards a career in which they will likely be working with the DD (Developmentally Disabled) population. In addition to learning about horticulture, this CEI volunteer opportunity will provide experience working with DD individuals, creating DD garden curriculum, learning how a garden environment is rich in development opportunity, and learning how to operate a large Special Needs garden and garden programs.



Our CEI volunteer intern is San Jose native, Rebecca Giovannini. She is a sophomore, majoring in Kinesiology at California Baptist University in Riverside, CA. She has just completed her second week working in the garden and will be with us through mid-August. We are thrilled to have Rebecca join our team!



We had another great turn out for the Sunflower Hill Gardens 'Spring Planting' Family Workday! Thank you to all who came out to help us.

Many of spring plants are now ready to harvest and available for purchase. We currently have available the following produce: Fava Beans, Strawberries, Carrots (yellow & orange), Romaine (green and red), Chard, Nasturtium flowers, Thyme, Chives, Cilantro, Oregano, Mint, Purple Sage, and soon we will have Onions (yellow, red, white), Garlic and Red potatoes. Produce is available for purchase in the SFH Gardens; Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays between 10 a.m-12 p.m. Cash only, please.

Our next Family Workday is [First Summer Harvest](#) on June 23, 9:30-11:30 a.m. If this will be your first visit to the garden, please fill out and submit our online forms [here](#). Sunflower Hill Gardens is located at 455 Olivina Avenue in Livermore.

Trek for Autism



Thank you to our friends, Dan Foster and Laura Murphy Foster and their daughter Madeline. Dan and Madeline are going to climb Mount Kilimanjaro in Africa this June and they are raising money for Sunflower Hill and Autism Speaks with their climb! What an undertaking! We are so thrilled and honored to be part of this amazing adventure. You can read more about their endeavor [here](#). Thank you, Dan and Maddy!



Here are pictures of Dan and Maddy on one of their many training hikes.



Raising the Barre

Big thanks to [Raising the Barre](#), ConDanza and the [Tiffany's Dance Academy](#) Professional Company for their Dance for a Difference benefit that was held on April 15. Last week Sunflower Hill was presented with a check for \$1,000!

Pictured here are Tiffany Henderson and Robbie Teruya from Tiffany's Dance Academy with Edie Nehls, SFH Executive Director and Tanya Ludden, SFH Board Member. The event was sensational and we are so grateful for their support!



Creative Fundraising

Last month, Board Member Janeen Rubino Brumm held a fundraiser on Facebook for her birthday. It ran the entire month of April and she raised over \$1,000! Online fundraising, or "crowdfunding," is quickly becoming one of the most popular ways to raise money for a cause by receiving small donations from a large number of people. If you want to learn more about how to do a Facebook fundraiser for Sunflower Hill, please contact Janeen at janeen@sunflowerhill.org.

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