Extra Refuse Set-Out  
**Saturday, Dec. 26, 2015 through Friday, Jan. 8, 2016.**
Residents may dispose of extra, non-recyclable (e.g., foil or Mylar gift wrap and cards, wax- and plastic-coated food containers, metallic ribbons, etc.) holiday refuse at no extra charge. Place up to four additional 32-gallon garbage bags (limit two bags per week) next to your garbage cart on your regular collection day. The extra bags will be collected during these two weeks at no extra charge.
Please note: due to the holidays there will be no garbage, clean green or recycling services on Friday, Dec. 25, 2015 or Friday, Jan. 1, 2016. If you typically have Friday service, your area will be serviced on Saturday during these two weeks. As always, please remember to recycle all non-metallic gift wrap, tissue paper, cards, boxes and tags in the blue curbside recycling cart. For more information, call (408) 615-3080.

City Office Closures  
City Hall is closed on Friday, Dec. 25, 2015, for the Christmas Day Holiday, and on Friday, Jan. 1, 2016, for New Years Day. See above article for garbage, clean green and recycling service schedule changes for those days.

2016 City Calendar/Annual Report  
The 2016 City Calendar/Annual Report will highlight accomplishments, services and distinctive characteristics that make Santa Clara The Center of What’s Possible. It will be mailed to all residents in late December and additional copies will be available at City Hall and the Library beginning mid-January.

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**Mission City Scenes**

**Triton Museum of Art News**

**Events**
- Holiday Gift Fair/Family Art Day/Triton Free Performance  
  **Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015**
- Holiday Gift Fair 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- Family Art Day 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- **Triton Free Performance 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

Browse local booths of local artisans and find the perfect holiday gift for your friends and family. This year’s Holiday Gift Fair will include a Family Art Day and will be in conjunction with the December Triton Free Friday performance. Charged Particles will perform a ‘Mad Men’ Christmas – a jazz and pop performance of holiday music from the ‘40s – ‘60s. Period dress is encouraged.

**Triton Museum of Art**
- 1505 Warburton Ave.
- Santa Clara, CA 95050
- 408-247-3754
- tritonmuseum.org

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**Ethics, Honesty and Fairness in Public Service**

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**Super-Sized Holiday Celebration**

**Central Park, 909 Kiely Blvd.**
**Friday, Dec. 4, 2015, 5 - 9 p.m.**

The traditional start of the holiday season in Santa Clara - turning on hundreds of twinkling lights on the City’s holiday tree – is being expanded this year to include additional special activities as Santa Clara launches the Countdown to Kickoff, a series of Super Community events leading up to Super Bowl 50 at Levi’s Stadium in February, 2016. This year’s holiday tree will be located in a Central Park meadow rather than the Civic Center and will feature an outdoor ice skating rink. The tree lighting ceremony begins at 5 p.m. and includes holiday music, entertainment, a Santa’s Village and a few surprises. The evening ends at 9 p.m. with a fireworks display.

Teddy, the stuffed bear that has perched atop the City’s holiday tree for more than 100 years, is also moving to Central Park. Be sure to look for him in a

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beautiful redwood tree near the skating rink. Parking is limited and carpooling is encouraged. Please remember that animals are not allowed per City ordinance. The Holiday Tree Lighting Event will be a memorable kick off to the season. Feel the spirit with family, friends and neighbors! For additional information, call the Santa Clara Senior Center at (408) 615-3170.

**Holiday Outdoor Ice Skating**

**Central Park, 969 Kiely Blvd.**

**Opens Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015**

Get your skates on! Come experience ice skating in the City of Santa Clara's first outdoor rink. Enjoy this unique outdoor skating experience by signing up for a class, reserving the rink for a special holiday group outing or dropping by for recreational skating. For skate times, admission and skate rental information, visit santaclaraoice.com, or contact Santa Clara Ice at Central Park at (408) 663-5278.

**Historic Home Tour**

**Buy tickets early for this popular event**

**Friday, Dec. 4, 2015, 6-10 p.m.**

**Saturday Dec. 5, 2015, noon-5 p.m.**

The 37-year tradition of the Santa Clara Historic Home Tour continues this year with tours of four private residences that feature architectural styles such as Queen Anne Cottage, Stripped Queen Anne, Craftsman Bungalow and Minimal Traditional. The public building featured this year is the Santa Clara Railroad Depot, complete with museum and library. Tickets are $30 for general admission and $25 for seniors (60+) or youths (6-21). Tickets may be purchased at City Lights Espresso, 1171 Homestead Rd. and Antiques Colony, 1881 W. San Carlos St., San Jose. No children under the age of 6 will be admitted. For information, call (408) 249-7905 or visit sc-hometour.com.

**Holiday Craft Faire**

**Central Park Library, 2635 Homestead Rd.**

**Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

Find one-of-a-kind gifts at the 5th annual Santa Clara City Library Foundation and Friends Holiday Craft Fair. Local vendors will offer all types of hand-crafted items, holiday jewelry, cards and other great gifts. For more information, call (408) 615-2988.

**Sister Cities Annual Potluck**

**Santa Clara Senior Center, 1303 Fremont St.**

**Sunday, December 6, 2015, 5 - 7 p.m.**

Join Santa Clara Sister Cities Association members and their families at their annual fundraising holiday potluck. There will be traditional holiday music, an opportunity drawing as well as a Toys for Tots donation basket. For more information, call (408) 429-4440.

**Santa Clara Chorale Concert**

**Mission Santa Clara, 500 El Camino Real**

**Friday, Dec. 11, 2015, 8 p.m.**

**Sunday, Dec. 13, 2015, 4 p.m.**

The Santa Clara Chorale celebrates the holiday season and the diversity of our community with “An Evening of Lessons and Carols.” Familiar carols, traditional folk music and reflective songs will be paired with thought-provoking readings and meditations offered by local leaders and luminaries. Tickets range from $5 to $32. For more information or to purchase tickets, call (408) 883-4722, or visit scc.org.

**Classic Nutcracker ballet**

**SC Convention Center, 5001 Great America Pkwy**

**Saturday, Dec. 12, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

**Sunday, Dec. 13, 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.**

The Santa Clara Ballet will present its 42nd annual full-length ballet production of the holiday classic “The Nutcracker”. Tickets range from $26 to $38. For more information call (408) 865-9780 or visit santaclaraballet.com.

**Santa Claus Is Coming To Town**

There are two opportunities for children and their families to meet Santa Claus this holiday season:

**Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd.**

**Thursday, Dec. 17, 6 - 6:45 p.m. and 7 - 7:45 p.m.**

The evening will feature festive crafts, holiday music, yummy refreshments and a photo opportunity with Santa. Activities are designed for children ages 3-7, but younger children may attend. Fees are $5 for residents and $6 for non-residents.

**Santa Clara Senior Center, 1303 Fremont St.**

**Saturday, Dec. 19, 9 - 11 a.m.**

Children will have the opportunity to pose for a photograph with Santa and create unique holiday crafts following a tasty pancake breakfast provided by the Santa Clara High School Booster Club. Fees are $15 for residents and $19 for non-residents.

Pre-registration is required for both Santa programs. To register, go to SantaClaraCA.gov/ParksAndRec or call (408) 615-3140. Space is limited and early registration is recommended.