

YSI to Break Ground on Vasona Classroom Expansion

At its meeting on June 13, the YSI Board of Directors voted unanimously to go ahead with the Classroom Expansion Project at Vasona Park. This follows, by 11 months, the remodeling of our existing Vasona classroom and exhibit space.

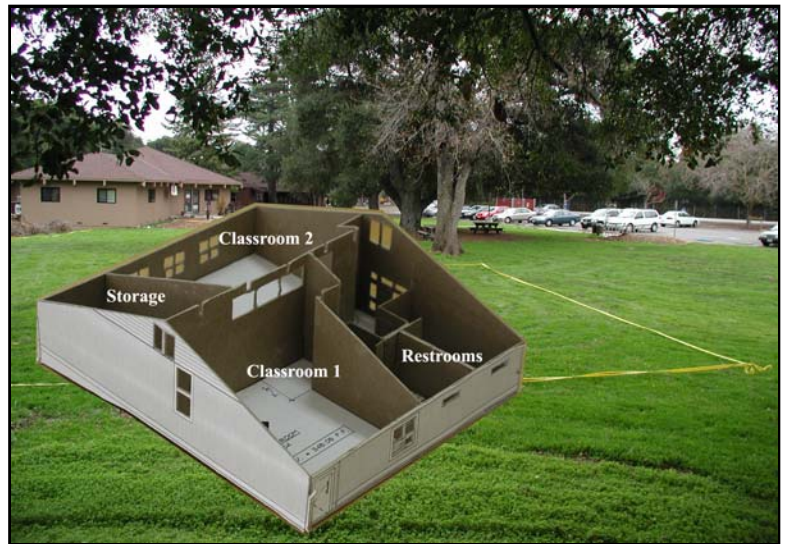
“This step has been longer in coming than ever anticipated due to the Valley’s economic roller coaster ride, and additional financial priorities,” commented Board President Nancy Valby. “We are so grateful to our patient donors who have been waiting to see their funding for this phase put to use.”

The timing for this project was affected by two significant events requiring financial capital: the necessary reconstruction of the Alum Rock aviaries, and the purchase of the building that houses YSI’s Thrift and Gift Store, both of which were completed successfully and were a significant investment in YSI’s continued success.

Added Mark Lohbeck, Board VP, “The Board needed to be prudent about Phase Two timing to ensure the continued financial health of the entire organization, and the time is finally right!”

With an excellent design by Ahearn and Kwock Architects, the outstanding builders at Blach Construction will take approximately four months to complete the project, which will add two classrooms, two bathrooms, and a storage room that are greatly needed to meet the demand of existing programming at Vasona.

Up to this point, Vasona has had one inside classroom, in addition to its under-the-oak-tree classrooms. “Now when it rains on a day we have multiple classes on-site, we won’t have to string blue tarps in



Model of new classroom additions.

the trees to keep the kids dry as we teach,” said an excited Bonnie LeMat, YSI’s Education Director. “And, the Staff won’t have to share its bathroom facilities with 150 kids each week during summer camp!”

Ken Sakoi, YSI Facilities Manager, added, “If you’ve been to Vasona recently, you know we have more hands-on teaching materials and supplies than we can possibly store there, so this new building is going to make a world of difference for our students, teachers and staff.”

Mark your calendars and join the celebration!

The Groundbreaking Ceremony will be held on
September 8, from 5-7 P.M.

YSI Welcomes New Executive Director

The Board of Directors of YSI is pleased to announce the appointment of Susanne Mulcahy as the organization’s new Executive Director.

At an event held to welcome Susanne, Board President Nancy Valby stated, “The Board went through an extensive process with an excellent search consultant to determine our vision and needs moving forward. We had many well-qualified candidates, and chose Susanne because she is a perfect fit for YSI and exactly who we were looking for to lead us now.”

Susanne, a native of Sunnyvale, has spent the last 18 years in nonprofit management. From 1994-2000 she was the Executive Director of Environmental Volunteers in Palo Alto, a hands-on environmental education organization serving K-8 students in Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties.

For the past five years she has been a Nonprofit Executive Coach and Consultant working with executive directors, board presidents and their boards in the areas of governance, board and staff development,

strategic
planning and
work/life
balance.

Susanne has a passion for science and nature, a track record for leading teams and organizations to success, and extensive experience managing an education-driven nonprofit. She is known as a visionary leader, builder
(Continued on back page.)



Susanne Mulcahy, YSI’s
new Executive Director

Founded in 1953, **Youth Science Institute** educates over 50,000 pre-K - 12 students and adults every year. Program fees cover only 42% of the cost of YSI's services. We are deeply grateful to our Donors and Supporters.

Supporter Spotlight

YSI Guild and the YSI Thrift and Gift Shop

Since 1992, the YSI Guild has operated YSI's Thrift and Gift Shop at 3151 Alum Rock Avenue in San Jose. Run entirely by the Guild's 100+ volunteers, this community-centered store provides funding to YSI each year that equates to 10% of YSI's operating income. YSI is grateful for this extraordinary on-going support, and is proud of the involvement of the Thrift and Gift in the Alum Rock neighborhood.

One year ago, with the Guild's financial support, YSI was able to buy the building that is home to the Thrift and Gift, helping to ensure the stability of this operation and funding source for many years to come.

Tax-deductible donations of re-sellable goods to the Thrift and Gift are always welcome. AND . . . what the Thrift and Gift really needs is more shoppers. Come on down!

Support YSI's programs and show your appreciation for the Guild by shopping the Thrift and Gift today! The YSI Board salutes the YSI Guild members for their significant ongoing efforts that continually contribute to YSI's ability to deliver high-quality programs in Santa Clara County.



YSI Thrift Store volunteers (left to right): Josie Jimenez, Alberta Talley, Jeffie Peoples, Karen deWeeger, and Kika DePonte.

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Home Tour and Silent Auction, October 16th

This beautiful Los Gatos Craftsman style home was originally built in 1907. Gil and Sandy Decker purchased it in 1996 from Army Doctor Colonel Hadley, who had lived there almost 50 years. The Deckers spent two years lovingly reconstructing, refurbishing and restoring their beautiful home. For the second year in a row, on Sunday, October 16th, they will graciously open it to YSI friends and supporters for an afternoon of fun and fundraising, where all proceeds will benefit YSI science education programs.

Stay tuned to your email and/or mailbox for an invitation to this wonderful event, where guests will enjoy a delicious buffet and exciting silent auction in Craftsman splendor.



Gil and Sandy Decker's historic Craftsman style home.

Auction Donations Sought

We welcome your auction donations toward the success of our upcoming fundraising event!

General auction categories include get-aways, dining, sports, unique opportunities, arts and crafts, jewelry, electronics, and one-of-a-kinds. To get your ideas flowing, this would include items like:

- Gift certificates to fine or fun dining
- Behind-the-scenes tours
- Opportunities to meet/have a meal with athletes, dignitaries, etc.
- Experiential events like hot air ballooning or sailing on the Bay
- New computer equipment, like flash drives, memory cards, or digital cameras
- Event tickets
- Vacation home/condo stays (local or exotic)
- Gift certificates for services like massages, auto detailing, etc.
- Bottles/cases of wine

For more information or to donate, please contact Marion at 408.356.4945 x10, or marion@ysi-ca.org. All donors will be featured in the event program, and in a future edition of our EXPLORE newsletter.

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Goodbye, Old Friend

Youth Science Institute has lost one of its premier educational raptors. Our elder Great Horned Owl known as "Prince" passed away in May after a stellar 35-plus year career as an educational ambassador. He took part in hundreds of educational programs during his time with YSI and engaged tens of thousands of children and adults in the wonders of science and nature. He is greatly missed.





Vasona After-School Science Classes

Family Science Safaris

Fees: \$15 per child, per class. All classes held from 3:45 – 5:00 P.M.

Monday: Pre-K - K

Tuesday: K - 1st

Wednesday: 1st and 2nd

Thursday: 2nd, 3rd and 4th

Goop & Glop

Prepare to get messy as you discover the fascinating properties of solids and liquids. Experiment with gak, oobleck and other gloopy glop.

September 12-15

Codes: V9-12M, V9-13T, V9-14W, V9-15Th

Owl Outlook

Discover the wonders of owls as you examine skulls, wings and dissect an owl pellet. Create an owl craft to take home.

September 20-23*

Codes: V9-20T, V9-21W, V9-22Th, V9-23F

*Pre-K-K Monday class will meet Friday

Geology Rocks!

Can you recycle rocks? The earth can. Discover the three rock types and how they change as you investigate the rock cycle. Make a pet rock to take home.

September 26-29

Codes: V9-26M, V9-27T, V9-28W, V9-29Th

Underground Adventure

Who lives in that tunnel? Learn about burrowing animals as you make tunnels and meet some very special animals.

October 3-6

Codes: V10-3M, V10-4T, V10-5W, V10-6Th

Body Armor

Learn how some animals survive in the wild using their defenses. Meet animals that have “built-in” protection. Make a unique craft.

October 10-13

Codes: V10-10M, V10-11T, V10-12W, V10-13Th

8-Legged Friends

Help us fight arachnophobia by discovering amazing things about arachnids. Interact with animals of this group, which includes more than just spiders. Create your own 8-legged craft.

October 17-20

Codes: V10-17M, V10-18T, V10-19W, V10-20Th

Flight Frenzy

What goes up must come down. Discover the magic of flight. Create a glider, test fly it and take it home.

October 24-27

Codes: V10-24M, V10-25T, V10-26W, V10-27Th

The Pumpkin Patch

Come celebrate the #1 squash of the season as you experiment with pumpkins! Discover where pumpkins originated, how they grow, and use all five senses to experience this powerful plant.

October 31 - November 3

Codes: V10-31M, V11-1T, V11-2W, V11-3Th

Changing Colors

Both plants and animals can change with the seasons. Discover why trees lose their leaves and some birds lose their bright colors. Design a color-changing craft and take a walk to see this process in action.

November 7-10

Codes: V11-7M, V11-8T, V11-9W, V11-10Th

Invention Convention

Do you like to invent and build things? In this class you’ll use your creative skills to design a structure using a variety of materials.

November 14-17

Codes: V11-14M, V11-15T, V11-16W, V11-17Th

The Mighty Oak

Find different types of oak trees in the park. Discover how these native trees provide homes and food for local animals. Examine leaves and bark; make a craft to take home!

November 28 - December 1

Codes: V11-28M, V11-29T, V11-30W, V12-1Th

Beware of the Butterfly?

Look out! It’s poisonous...but not necessarily dangerous. Many animals have poison for defense only, not attack. Meet animals at YSI that are only dangerous if *you bite them*.

December 5-8

Codes: V12-5M, V12-6T, V12-7W, V12-8Th

Smoke and Mirrors

Is it magic or an optical illusion? Join us for an adventure and exploration into the world of light. Help create a YSI light show.

December 12-15

Codes: V12-12M, V12-13T, V12-14W, V12-15Th



Family Science Safaris

Fees: \$12/adult, \$6/student (high school and under) for all Science Safaris. Registration required. Registration information and details are available on YSI’s website at www.ysi-ca.org, by calling **408.356.4945** or faxing to **408.358.3683**.

Starry Safari

Telescope viewing for the whole family
Join us for an evening of astronomy fun. View the moon, Venus, star clusters, nebulae and perhaps even the Andromeda Galaxy. Discover the origin of constellation names and listen to myths about them. Play connect-the-dot to create your own constellation. Our amateur astronomers will answer your questions and show you how to locate the North Star and other celestial objects.

Tuesday, October 11, 6:45 - 8:45 P.M.

VASONA PARK, LOS GATOS

Leader: Heather McFarland, *Instructor/Amateur Astronomer*

Code: SS10-11V

Registration information for **After-School Science Classes** is available at www.ysi-ca.org, by calling 408.356.4945 or using the form on page 7. Please give at least one day’s notice when registering.

Alum Rock and Sanborn After-School Science Classes

Fee: \$12 per child, per class. All classes held from 3:45 - 4:45 P.M.
Alum Rock: Tuesdays (Pre-K - 4th) Sanborn: Thursdays (Pre-K - 4th)

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S9-15Th (Sanborn)

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S10-27Th (Sanborn)

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Photo: Bonnie Lemat

Examining Silk Moth cocoons at the Insect Fair.

What's the Buzz?

The 2005 **YSI Insect Fair** was a blast! Over 500 people enjoyed a beautiful spring day at YSI's nature center in Sanborn County Park. If participants weren't bug-eyed when they arrived, they certainly were when they left. Walking sticks, African Giant Millipedes, Madagascar Hissing Cockroaches, tarantulas, whipscorpions, and other critters took center stage for hands-on learning and fun.

There are many people to thank, without whose support the Fair would have only been, well, fair. Thanks to the many volunteers, exhibitors and donors who made the Insect Fair a success! A special thanks goes to two super volunteers - Lisa and Steve Kurasch. Their seemingly endless hard work and generous donations are greatly appreciated.

See you next Spring at the 2006 Insect Fair!

*Winner of 2005 Insect Fair Drawing:
The Ruiz Family*

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Operated and staffed entirely by YSI
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20th Annual Wildlife Festival



Sunday, October 2, 2005 11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. Alum Rock Park

Birds of prey, snakes and other reptiles will attend YSI's **Wildlife Festival**...why don't you? Falcon's Court will present an exciting, entertaining and educational demonstration done in period costume. Take a guided nature walk, touch a snake, make nature crafts and participate in hands-on science activities.

Admission to the **Wildlife Festival** is free. There is a \$6.00 parking fee. Call Youth Science Institute for more information at 408.258.4322.



YSI Members make a difference. Join us today!

Basic Membership ----- \$50

All Members of YSI receive:

- A subscription to our quarterly newsletter, EXPLORE
- One Free Science Safari
- YSI Logo vinyl window sticker
- The knowledge you are supporting science education for young people

In addition to the Basic Membership, we offer the following **Special Memberships** that provide additional support for the Youth Science Institute, and include special gifts and programs for you.

Family Membership ----- \$150

All of the above plus:

- Summer Camp Priority Registration (placed at top of the stack for processing)
- Free admission to the Insect Fair
- Free family registration to one Science Safari
- Specialty nature walk each season at a YSI nature center

Supporter ----- \$240

All of the above plus:

- Khaki crush hat with embroidered YSI logo
- Free registration for all YSI Science Safaris

Sponsor ----- \$500

All of the above plus:

- Judith Larners Larson's book *Gardening with a Wild Heart*
- A free Viola Anderson Native Plant Trail Guide for the trail at Vasona
- YSI tote bag
- Your choice of an entry pass to all County Parks or a 10-visit pass to all City of San Jose Parks

Sustainer ----- \$1000 or more

All of the above plus:

- A free group program for the low-income group of your choice

To become a member of YSI, please complete the form on page 7

Mail to: YSI, 296 Garden Hill Dr., Los Gatos, CA 95032 along with your check (made payable to YSI) or with your credit card information. Or click on the Donation button at the YSI website: www.yisi-ca.org

YSI Programs

YSI offers life, earth, physical and social science programs to schools and the community. Visit our website at www.yisi-ca.org or call 408.356.4945.

School and Group Programs – Pre-K to 12th

All programs complement the California State Science Standards and help classroom teachers meet state and local requirements. More than 35,000 children participate from school districts throughout Santa Clara county. Call 408.356.4945 to schedule a program.

After-School Science Classes – Pre-K to 4th

Programs are offered weekly during the school year. Innovative classes capitalize on students natural curiosity and incorporate math, science, art, music and language into small group activities. One thousand children participate yearly.

Family Science Safaris – Children and Adults

Many unique programs are presented by specialists in their field. Outdoor and indoor environments are used. Each year several people attend night hikes, star viewings, tidepool explorations, weaving classes and more.

Summer Science Day Camps – Pre-K to 6th

One hundred and sixty camps are offered each summer. Two thousand children have fun learning science in the park environment. Each small group of 12 to 14 children has one YSI instructor and one camp aide.

Training Future Classroom Teachers

Many YSI teachers enter private and public school classrooms after developing valuable teaching techniques and group management skills. They learn to develop curriculum and present science lessons.

Volunteers

Teenagers and adults are given the opportunity to assist with classes, camps, animal care and garden or native plant trail maintenance.

YSI Staff

Susanne Mulcahy - Executive Director
 Bonnie LeMat - Education Director
 Ken Sakoi - Facilities Manager
 Daniel Margulies - Project Director
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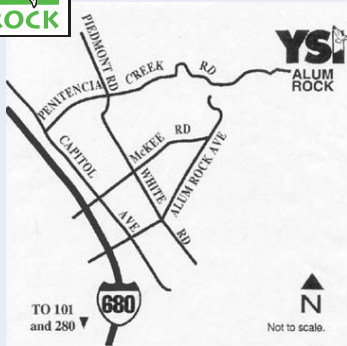
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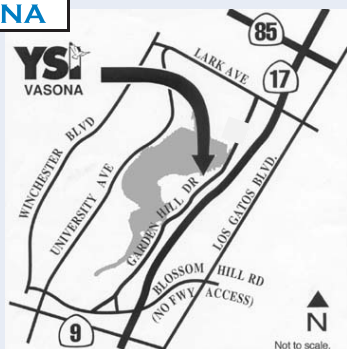
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Mon. - Fri. 9 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.
Sat. - Sun. by appointment



New Executive Director

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of strong collaborations, effective strategic planner and successful fundraiser.

"I am so excited to be with YSI, an organization with an outstanding mission, a committed, enthusiastic Board, a talented, stellar Staff, and a program that I have long respected. YSI truly is a perfect fit for me

and I look forward to getting to know the members and supporters of YSI, and to partnering with the Board and Staff to take YSI into its next generation of success," stated Susanne at her welcome event.

We are so pleased that Susanne has joined us at this time of growth and opportunity for YSI. Please join us in welcoming Susanne!



Tour de Tahoe Fundraiser

Sunday, September 11, 2005

Once again, Team YSI will participate in the autumn Tour de Tahoe, a 35 or 72 mile bicycle ride around this jewel of a lake.

Go to www.ysi-tahoe.com to sponsor the team or an individual rider.

For information and/or to join Team YSI, contact Mark Lohbeck at 408.947.3311 or mark.lohbeck@rdcdain.com.



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