

# City of Santa Clara News

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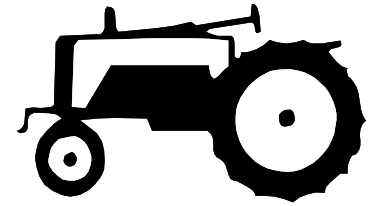
## Message From the Mayor

This has been a very interesting Year; roads issues, election contests and the normal responsibilities of the City have kept us busy. Many of the issues we have now were not around in 1999. At that time we were concerned about excessive growth and developing ways to manage it. Now we are experiencing what else may have affected our Community if we had not incorporated. All of our neighboring Cities, except Marion, are annexing additional areas. Cibolo, for example, has annexed property all the way to IH10 and down to Santa Clara Rd. These areas will pay Cibolo taxes and not be able to use an Ag exemption. It is now evident that if we had not gone through the effort to incorporate Santa Clara, we would get to pay taxes in one of our neighboring Cities. While we continue to discuss issues and develop solutions to our own problems, I am sure we cannot keep everybody happy. I am still committed to the idea that we are better at solving our own problems than turning them over to someone else. The most valuable asset of the City is our people; I want to encourage you to get involved. We have many Committees, the Planning Commission, and elected positions coming up every year. There is plenty to do. We have a very dedicated group of volunteers and are always looking for more. You will find contact numbers in this newsletter to use to volunteer.

I am extending a hearty Thank You to all of our Councilmen. They have been great stewards of the Taxes and Contributions dedicated to the City. As you will find in the Balance Sheet in this newsletter, they have established and grown the funds needed to insure the continued success of the City.

*Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

David D Mueller  
Mayor



## Event Calendar

### Watercolor Painting Class

FREE to our citizens!

Held at City Hall once a month.

Contact Thelma Cale for more info at 830-914-3861.

### City Council

City Council Meetings are held at City Hall the 4th Monday of every month and begin at 6:30pm unless posted otherwise at City Hall.

### Planning Commission

The Planning Commission Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30pm at City Hall unless posted otherwise at City Hall.


### Zumba Fitness

Mon., Tues., and Thurs. at 4:30-5:30pm in the MISD Secondary Cafeteria. Please contact Mrs. Barnett at 830-914-2803 ex. 301 for more information.


### Ribbon Cutting

Schertz Chamber of Commerce is having a ribbon cutting for Hannah's Steakhouse on December 17th from 11 AM on Weil Rd. (Formally Goerke's Country Tavern).


We have moved to  
231 E. San Antonio  
in Marion



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231 E. San Antonio  
Marion, TX  
(830) 420-2313

### MHS Volleyball

The Marion Volleyball team has made history in the volleyball court for the second year in a row! Marion duplicated the longest playoff run in school history by rolling all the way into the regional semifinals before bowing out against a very good Rogers team.

A Congratulations to Deidra Reasor who was named to the TGCA-Class 2A-All-State Volleyball Team. As far as everyone knows, she is the first Marion athlete to receive this honor. Way to go Deidra Reasor and three cheers for the MHS Volleyball team.

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Tom Owens at (830) 914-3187.

### Bulldog Football Season Comes to an End

The Marion Bulldog Football Team ended their playoff run Saturday, November 27, against Lago Vista. The Bulldogs played at the Tony Burger Stadium in Austin. The Bulldogs had a tough night and suffered a hard loss to Lago Vista. They finished the season with an 8-5 record making themselves one of the best teams to come through Marion advancing to the 3rd round of the State Playoffs. This is the first time ever in Marion's history that the football team has advanced this far. Congratulations to our Bulldogs for a great season!

Go Bulldogs!

### FFA - State Competition

The Greenhand Chapter Conducting Team competed at the State LDE Contest in Huntsville, December 3-4. Only the top twenty teams from around the state (started with around 250 teams around the state) qualified through district and area events to make it as a state semifinalist. Friday, during the heats round, they finished in the top 5 of their heat and advanced to the State Finals. They had a rough run on Saturday, but were still able to finish the year as the 6th ranked Greenhand Chapter Conducting Team in the state. Thanks for the support and congratulations to these kids:

Philomena DeHoyos, Lorenzo Washington, Brittany Holden, Aaron Lampman, Tyler Pape, Ethan Oelke, and Brooke Smith.

### FFA - National Competition

The FFA Livestock Judging Team consisting of Matthew Murdoch, Austin Langemeier, Krisite Ikels, and Hunter Brietzke placed 8th in the nation! Austin Langemeier also came home with 8th high individual. The contest included teams from all 50 states and had over 200 contestants. This group also holds the title of State Champions! Congratulations to Austin, Matthew, Kristie, Hunter and Justin Missildine for their hard work and a job very well done!

## Your City Council

David D. Mueller, Mayor (830) 914-2387  
David Cale (210) 410-2492  
Harrel Felix (830) 914-4392  
Grant Hodges  
James D. Folrbe  
Tom Owens (830) 914-3187  
Joyce Damerau, City Secretary (830) 914-4504

## All Emergencies call 9 1 1

## Planning Commission

John D. Peters, Chairman 2011  
Philip Sierer, Vice Chairman 2011  
Dennis D. Lee 2011  
Barbara Trammel 2012  
Jeff Hunt 2012  
Molly Frederick 2012  
Steve Veisser 2012

## Spring Things!

The Marion Adult & Community Education Program is looking for interesting and exciting programs for the spring semester. If you have a favorite hobby, would like to know more about a particular subject, or have an idea for a trip you would like to see us sponsor please send your idea to [ycouch@marion.txed.net](mailto:ycouch@marion.txed.net) or call me at 830-914-2371.

## Get Fit!

Mrs. Lugene Barnett would like to share some great news about fitness, "Zumba classes have now been extended to include Monday evenings. Classes are held Mon., Tues., and Thurs. at 4:30-5:30pm in the MISD Secondary Cafeteria. It's high energy, lots of fun and a great opportunity to get into shape and lose those unwanted pounds. Anyone in the community is invited to join us. The cost is \$6.00 per day or \$40.00 per month. No need to wait for a new month, just jump in there right now!" If you need more information please contact Mrs. Barnett at 830-914-2803 ex. 301.



## Ribbon Cutting Announcement

Friday, December 17th

at

11:00 am

**HANNAH'S**  
COUNTRY STEAKHOUSE

1901 Weil Road  
Marion, Texas 78124  
(old Goerke's)

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P.O. Box 312516  
New Braunfels, TX 78131

## Waste Collection Information

Compiled by Jeff Hunt for information purposes only.

### Marion Collections Station

Hours: 8:30am – 4:30pm on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday only.

Approximate cost \$2.00 per large container, \$15 for large items such as water heaters, etc.

### Apache Disposal

\$20.00 per month with a 90 gal. container provided.

### Bexar Waste

\$30.61 per month with a 96 gal. container provided.

### Waste Management

\$31.40 per month, no containers provided, will accept up to five (5) 30 gal. containers for pick up.



P.O. BOX 187, MARION, TEXAS 78124  
Member FDIC

**The following message was just received from the Department of Veterans Affairs:**

An organization called Veterans Affairs Services (VAS) is providing benefit and general information on VA and gathering personal information on veterans. This organization is not affiliated with VA in any way!

Websites with the name "vaservices" immediately after the "www" ARE NOT part of the Department of Veterans Affairs, the US Government agency. Do not go to them or if approached or called, do not offer them any information concerning yourself or data on other veterans. Keep in mind that the real VA website ends in .gov. Also, be aware that the Department of Veterans Affairs does not randomly call veterans, nor does it ask veterans for information which it does not already have--like Social Security Numbers. In particular, if you have not dealt with the VA previously--and in person--and all of a sudden, you receive a call from someone saying they are with the VA or something similar sounding, hang up the phone. Also, do not respond to emails which suggest that they are from the VA. The VA never conducts official business nor asks for personal information by email.

VAS may be gaining access to military personnel through their close resemblance to the VA name and seal. Our Legal Counsel has requested that we coordinate with DoD to inform military installations, particularly mobilization sites, of this group and their lack of affiliation or endorsement by VA to provide any services.

In addition, VA General Counsel requests that if you have any examples of VAS acts that violate chapter 59 of Title 38 United States Code, such as VAS employees assisting veterans in the preparation and presentation of claims for benefits, please pass any additional information to Mr. Daugherty at the address below.

Michael G. Daugherty  
Staff Attorney  
Department of Veterans Affairs  
Office of General Counsel (022G2)  
810 Vermont Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20420



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David D. Mueller  
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(830) 914-2387

*"Service with your needs in mind."*

## Cleaning for a Reason

If you know any one currently undergoing chemotherapy for ANY type of cancer, please pass the word to them that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning - once per month for 4 months while they is in treatment. All they have to do is sign up and have their doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in their zip code area arrange for the service. This organization serves the entire USA and currently has 547 partners to help these folks. It's our job to pass the word and let them know that there are people out there that care. Be a blessing to someone and pass this information along.

<http://www.cleaningforareason.org/>

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# City of SANTA CLARA

## ORDINANCE #2010-2

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, TEXAS FOR THE TAX YEAR 2010: PROVIDING FOR THE OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE EXEMPTION OF \$7500; PROVIDING FOR THE LOCAL HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION OF \$7500; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE AND PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, TEXAS THAT:

We, the City Council of Santa Clara, Texas do hereby levy and adopt the Tax rate per \$100 valuation for the Tax year 2010 as follows:

100% for the purposes of maintenance and operation,

\$0.12 total tax rate,

State mandated Disabled Veteran exemption,

The local Homestead exemption of \$7500,

The over 65 year old \$7500 exemption,

There are no discounts allowed for early payment.

WHEREAS, it is deemed fair and reasonable to implement the State Law H.B. 30, Sec. 130, which allows a taxing unit to increase the penalty on delinquent accounts by an amount not to exceed 15%(fifteen percent) of the Taxes, penalty, and interest, now therefore:

a. Levying of the Tax

That all City property taxes that remain delinquent on July 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which they become delinquent shall incur an additional

15 %(fifteen percent)penalty to defray costs of collection since the City has contracted with an attorney to collect the delinquent taxes.

b. Application:

A tax lien shall attach to all real property on the tax imposed to secure payment of the penalty.

This ordinance after its adoption by the City Council shall be published in the official newspaper of the City.

This ordinance shall be effective as of the date of its adoption by the City Council.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARA, TEXAS, THIS 29<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2010.

City of Santa Clara



David D Mueller

Mayor



Joyce Damerau

City Secretary





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