

Santa Clara News!

Feb. 2011



Happy Anniversary
Charles & Thelma
Cale – Feb. 14th

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

I am glad to announce the addition of three new faces to our Planning commission. Steve Beisser, Molly Frederick and John Terry have joined this group. Also reappointed this year are John Peters, Chairman and Dennis Lee. Jeff Hunt will serve as the Vice-Chairman. The future of Santa Clara is very bright with the interest shown by these Citizens.

We have included the May 14, 2001 Election Calendar in this issue. Beginning on February 12, 2011, citizens may file for a place on the ballot. Applications may be picked up at City Hall on Monday's from 4 to 6 pm. If you cannot get there on that day please contact Joyce Damerau at 830-420-2331 for help in receiving one of these applications. This year there will two Councilman positions and the Mayor position up for election. The term of office for these offices is two years.

The next two years will be very important in the success of CSC. We are nearing the negotiation point in our contract with GPP. They have been an excellent corporate partner for the last 12 years. Their annual contribution has certainly helped the City financially. The new owners of GPP will be in CSC next month.

One clarification from the December message. The taxation issue regarding Ag values was misstated. All City taxes are applied to the values set by the Guadalupe Appraisal District whether actual or agriculture related. The topic being discussed had more to do with the expansion of our neighboring Cities and that relation to CSC. Within the next few years, most of the land between the Cibolo Creek and the Guadalupe River will be in a City. I prefer to be in the City of Santa Clara.

David D Mueller
Mayor – City of Santa Clara

HAPPINESS IS

Thelma Cardwell-Cale (courtesy of the Pleasanton Express 2005)

Even through hard or unhappy times, there is still a part of our individual self that holds a "Happiness Is" list. These thoughts are held in reserve to be used when the beautiful light of day enters into our abode and the storm clouds have already passed in review.

The "Tried and True" list is ready for dusting. It is the one that comforts and has been a main stay in our lives. Then, there may be changes in our routines. A death in the family, a move, a new job, a new hobby. The list goes on and on.

We have "Reviewed Subjects" and look for new happiness from our dreams and/or wish lists. I also notice that as we enter a new era, our happiness lists can change. Some things just don't seem as important as they used to be.

Recently I attended an alumni art show at Southwestern University. Yes, one of my paintings was on display. I saw four other classmates who also had works of art on display. We hadn't seen each other in fifty-one years.

Our "Happiness Lists" have certainly changed since 1953. Other things and interests have taken preference since "Back When".

No longer do we wish for a good grade on a final college exam. We more or less "have been where we were going". We can relax and enjoy the Happiness List that we have accomplished.

Our lists include grandchildren, their well being, our hopes for their college education, and that we will be remembered today as well as later.

Today, the acorns are flung further from the tree trunk and its shade, some going around the world. What has it meant to our lives?

When you make out a new updated list, Review, Reflect and Dream a Little. Share your thoughts with someone, with family or a friend.

Make a list, tack it up somewhere and check it weekly. Is your list growing? Is it becoming stagnant?

For the ones you feel are being completed or repeated, put a star beside them.

Then look out the window or go outside and look at the sky. Call a loved one or a friend.

Share your thoughts and ask them to share theirs. Tell them how much you appreciate them and don't forget the all important "I love you" that is our universal language.

Marion Extension Education Club

Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7pm, at the Marion Community Library.

Visitors and New Members are welcome!

Marion Community Library

2nd Wed. of each month the Book Club meets. Free, open to the public. (830) 914-2371

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Thinking of Retiring?

Apply ONLINE for benefits.

www.socialsecurity.gov/applyforbenefits

or

call 1-800-772-1213 between 7am & 7pm.

You can also apply at any Social Security office.

Marion ISD Spring Break

March 14 –18

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Guadalupe County Master Gardeners

Feb. 17th, 7pm at the County
Extension Office.

www.guadalupecountymastergardeners.org or (830) 303-3889

Goat Management Workshop
March 3rd, 6:30-9:30pm, Seguin
Cattle Co.
Speaker: Dr. Rick Machen



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Super S has come to Marion!!!!

The new Super S Food Market is open and ready for business. Open 7 days a week, 7am until 9pm.

Located at the old Hild Brothers Foodland corner!

Garden Workshop

Feb. 26th, 9am, Schertz Comm. Garden Texas AgriLife Specialists speaking on BUGS, What's Killing Your Plants? and How to Plant & Prune Your Fruit Trees.

Contact Linda Bruno for more info at jlbruno@gvec.net or (210) 363-8380

Many of us miss Goerke's and lamented it's end but the building has taken on a new restaurant !

Hannah's Country Steak House!

Reports have been favorable. Good food and nice atmosphere; cloth tablecloths and napkins, it's been redecorated. It's an upscale addition to Santa Clara! Take your Valentine out for dinner!

Barbara Trammell

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Have you shopped in Marion recently???

TA's
Two buildings sitting next to Kunde's Veterinary Office, they have a wide selection of gift items and antiques. They serve coffee & muffins and lunch! All in two darling old houses. You don't want to miss it! Check it out!!!

CALICO ROSE EMPORIUM
It's next to HWY 78 Café.
Lots of great handmade gift items, vintage goodies, metal signs, vintage Pyrex, Beannie Babies, crocheted & knitted goodies, baby items, rustic furniture. Special orders taken for lots of things. Offers classes in ceramic painting, locker hook and crochet. Stop by and say hello!

HWY 78 Café
New Owners, Good Food!
Eat-In or Drive-Through

Guadalupe County Fair Scholarships
Forms available online at www.gcfair.org

Guadalupe County 4-H Exhibitors!
For more info call Jeff or Travis or email
at j-hanselka@tamu.edu

2011 Election Dates

Sat. Feb 12 – first day to file for place
on ballot.

Mon. March 14 – Last day to file for
place on ballot, by 5pm.

Mon. March 14 -Last day to order
General Election.

Tues. March 15 - First day to apply
for ballot by mail.

Thurs. April 14 - Last day to Register
to vote.

Mon. May 2 – First day of Early
Voting, by personal appearance.

Fri. May 6 – Last day to apply for
ballot by mail, received, not
postmarked.

Tues. May 10 – Last day of Early
Voting, by personal appearance.

Dates from Texas Secretary of State.

Planning Commission

John D. Peters – Chairman
Jeff Hunt – Vice. Chairman
Dennis D. Lee Jr.
Barbara Trammell
Molly Frederick
Steve Beisser
John Terry
Santa Clara residents are invited to attend both
the City Council and Planning Commission
meetings.

Major Show Dates!

San Antonio Livestock Show – Feb. 3-20

San Angelo Livestock Show – Feb. 19-27

Houston Livestock Show – March 1-20

Star of Texas (Austin) – March 11-26

Local Area EVENTS

Watercolor Painting Class

FREE to our citizens!

Held at City Hall once a month.

Contact Thelma Cale for information.

(830) 914-3861

City Council

Meetings are held at City Hall the 4th Monday of
the month, beginning at 6:30pm unless posted
otherwise at City Hall.

Planning Commission

Meetings are held at City Hall the 2nd Monday of
the month, beginning at 6:30pm unless otherwise
posted at City Hall.

Zumba Fitness

Mon. , Tues. & Thurs. at 4:30pm to 5:30pm in the
MISD Secondary Cafeteria. Contact Mrs. Barnett
for more information at (830) 914-2803 ex. 301.

Hope everyone had a great Valentine's Day!

Weather should be getting nicer and it will soon
be time to work in the yard and garden...
Will try to have plant articles in the future
newsletters again.

Possibly a City-Wide yard sale in the spring.

Thinking about a POT-Luck dinner this year too.

SURVEY # 1 –

Would you like a “Lawn of the Month” contest?

YES

NO

(check yes or no)

SURVEY # 2 –

Would you like to have garbage pick up? The cost would be the same for everyone.

YES

NO

(check yes or no)

Please note that these suggestions have been brought to the City and we would like your opinions! It does not mean that these will be implemented.

You may drop this survey off at City Hall, Monday afternoons, during the months of February & March, 2011, 4pm – 6pm.

If you have a problem please call the Mayor at (830)914-2387, Monday –Friday.

Events of Interest!

Texas Co-Op Contest!

Enter to win up to \$10, 000 in a home energy makeover.

Visit www.TexasCoopPower.com to enter!

February is Heart Health Month “Help Your Heart”

A healthy diet is as simple as adding and subtracting. Add positives, such as fruits, vegetables, and whole grains, while subtracting negatives, like trans fat and sugar. It's simple math that can help you protect your heart.

30 minutes of moderately intense exercise four days a week that could help reduce your risk of fatal heart disease. So get out there and pull some weeds, walk the dog, and take the stairs. Your heart will thank you.

Feral Hog Workshop, Feb. 23rd, 8am – 3:30pm, Luling Civic Center (Deadline is Feb. 18th).

4-H Adult Leader & Parents Assoc., March 23rd, 7pm, County Extension Office.

5th Annual Shooting Sports Fun Shoot. March 6th. Bexar Community Shooting Range, \$300 per team (5 members).

Entry Forms are available at the County Extension Office.

Cloth & Textile Project Meetings, Mondays (Feb. 7 – April 25), 3:30 – 5 pm. Krueger Primary in Marion.

Contact Genevieve Moore at (830) 372-2468 or Kimberly Rennspies at (210) 865-6069.

AG Festival, May 5th (more to come later)

Texas Brigades Summer Camps

June/July, \$400 per cadet per camp, sponsors to provide some financial aid.

Contact Jeff or Helen at

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