

Chamber News

Castroville Area Chamber of Commerce

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It is estimated that over 24,000 cats and dogs live in the Castroville area and many of them are not spayed or neutered. Because Castroville is considered rural, many people feel it is a great place to “dump” their unwanted animals. These animals run freely and cause us to have an animal overpopulation problem. Thanks to Castroville’s Nip & Tuck Program, this problem is diminishing, one animal at a time. Coming up on April 1, 2010, Nip and Tuck will have their annual Silent Auction at the Castroville Café which is their biggest fund raiser for the low cost spay and neuter program. Everyone is invited to check out some great items donated by many local individuals and businesses during the event from 5pm to 8pm. Gary Carter of the Castroville Café graciously donates the use of his restaurant and a light buffet for all to enjoy. Castroville Nip and Tuck has been in existence since November of 2005 and provides low cost spay and neuter vouchers to those living in Medina County. Thanks to the organization and the wonderful veterinarians that participate in this program, people who may not have been able to afford it can now get their pet spayed or neutered. Please stop by the Silent Auction on April 1st and do your part in controlling the pet population in Castroville. Also, if you have an item you would like to donate, please contact Kyle McVay at (830) 931-2525.

Easter is early this year! And to celebrate this joyous occasion, the Hillside Chapel is hosting their Second Annual Resurrection Celebration at the Castroville Regional Park on Saturday April 3rd and Sunday April 4th. On Saturday, join in the fun from 10am to 9pm with live Christian music, games, skits, dramas and so much more. On Easter Sunday there will a sunrise service at 7am at the First Baptist Church of Castroville for all denominations followed by a Community Service in the Regional Park at 9am. After services, there will be live reenactments of Jesus’ journey by Christian actor Troy Drollinger and an Eggstravaganza for children of all ages. Come celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ and enjoy a wonderful day with family and friends! For more information about the event, please contact Pastor George Luna at (210) 909-5210.

This Saturday the employees of Castroville State Bank are back again for their Second Annual Relay for Life Charity Concert at Texas Spirit’s Saloon in Rio Medina, Texas. Show times will run from 8pm to 1am and will also feature Greg Walden and “Elvis.” Tickets will be available at the door for just \$5 and all proceeds raised will benefit the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Door prizes will be drawn throughout the evening. So head on out to Spirit’s and enjoy a great show!

Want even more live music and entertainment this weekend? Then don’t miss this year’s Irish Jig on Saturday at Braden Keller Community Center at 7pm. Tickets for the event range from \$30-\$70 and a pot luck meal will be served along with some great live entertainment straight from Nashville and a silent auction room. Brandon Kinney and Jeremy Stover are world class musicians, songwriters and record producers for famous singers such as Randy Travis, Willie Nelson, Martina McBride, and Lonestar, just to name a few. And don’t miss local talent, Touchstone and Friends, performing along with some other surprise guests. A special treat added to the silent auction this year is a handmade wine rack stocked with bottles of wine. They are still accepting donations of bottles of wine. If you are interested in donating a bottle of wine or other prize, please contact Colleen Zinsmeyer at (830) 931-6369. To purchase tickets call Touchstone McDonald at (210) 313-4714. All proceeds will benefit St. Louis Catholic School.