

Chamber News

Castroville Area Chamber of Commerce

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With a very busy Spring/Summer time, the Chamber has decided to postpone our Father's Day Golf Tournament to a later time in the year. We realized that many people have a busy summer coming up and, most likely, will not be in town on Father's Day weekend. A new date has not been set at this point, but we are thinking possibly sometime in the fall. For those who have already registered with us, you will receive a refund in the mail. In the meantime, be sure to look for the new date and more information about the Golf Tournament to be out later this summer.

Last week we announced our Scholarship Programs winners but we can't forget the wonderful businesses and individuals that donated the money to be awarded to the students. All Chamber businesses have the opportunity to participate in the program which provides scholarships to local high school seniors, students already enrolled in college and adults returning to college. Each donor can set the criteria and amount for their scholarship and the Chamber's Education Committee provided the screening, matching and awarding of the scholarships based on the donor's desires. This year, \$10,650 was awarded in 52 scholarships.

The businesses and individuals that participated in the 2010 program were: AT&T, A/C Technical Services, Broadway Bank, Camile Glasscock Dubose, The Castroville Area Economic Development Council, Castroville Area Chamber of Commerce, Castroville State Bank, Chris Schuchart, Community National Bank, Dziuk's Meat Market, Dr. Frank and Carmen Danna, Farm Bureau – Minna Rothe, Gamble and Russell, Hermann Sons Lodge, Dr. John Windrow, DDS, Dr. Lloyd VanWinkle, Medina Valley Greenhouses, Medina Valley Moose Lodge, Richard Russell, PC, Rotary Club of Medina Valley-Castroville, Royce Groff Oil Company, Sister's of the Divine Providence/Moye Center, State Farm – Hazel Russell, Stein Insurance, Stewart Title, Super S Pharmacy, Valley Marts, Inc, Valley Mobile Homes, Dr. William Burges and Wommack Chevrolet.

For your convenience, Cataplana, the unique kitchen store in Castroville, is open late on Thursday evenings until 8pm. And from 4pm-8pm on Thursday evenings, owner Cecilia Fetty has great discounts on a different product every week. And if you're looking for something healthy to add to your diet, stop by her store and purchase Miller's Certified Raw Milk made fresh just a few miles away in La Coste Texas. Or try local cage free eggs or Alkaline-antioxidant rich water. And sign up today for your chemical free veggie baskets. The co-op meets every Wednesday at 3:30 at Cataplana. And just in time for Father's Day they have received a new selection of low cost knives from Swiss-mar, the makers of Swiss army knives. They are a great knife at a much lower cost than some of the others. They make for a perfect gift for the hunter or fisherman in your life.

This weekend starts out with the American Legion Scholarship Dinner on Friday night beginning at 5pm at the Legion Hall. After you've filled up, head on out to Wommack Chevrolet for Friday Night Fever. Saturday, head over to Houston Square for the Market Trails Days. Then stop by Alsace Hair, Nails and Tanning to get your fresh produce. Sunday morning head on out to La Coste for the Our Lady of Grace Parish Festival. Lunch will be served from 11am until 2pm but the fun will go on all day. That evening head on out to the Shooting Star Museum for a free movie! And don't forget the Texas Archeological Field School will be in town starting this weekend and continuing until next weekend. They will be doing several digs in and around Castroville, including over behind the Old Alsatian Steakhouse. Have a super weekend everyone and try to stay cool!