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Scholarship Program Awards Fifty-Two Scholarships

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Another school year has ended and that means another set of seniors are on their way to a new chapter in their life. With the help of the Chamber sponsored Scholarship Program, 31 of those college bound students were awarded a total of \$10,650. We want to congratulate not only these winners, but all of the graduating high school seniors.

Each year, the Chamber works with local businesses and individuals to provide an outlet for them to provide scholarships to Castroville area high school seniors, those already enrolled in college and adults returning to college after at least a 5 year absence. The program has been very successful and since 2001, over \$105,000 in scholarships have been given out.

An awards banquet was held on Thursday, May 27 where these students were presented with their award by either a representative from the donor or a representative from the Chamber of Commerce.

The winners of the 2010 Scholarship Program are: Laura Aelvoet, Brett Bippert, Jacob Crumrine, Aimee Gallegos, Austin Gonzales, Myra Guajardo, Joshua Guarnero, Barrett Haby, Megan Heiligman, Weston Heiligman, Matthew Hilbig, Brian Hodges, Morris Hohman, Joshua Iltis, Kristyn Kempf, Lauren Ladwig, Toni Lindsay, Derek Mangold, Garret Maurice, Clay Modgling, Ian O'Donnell, Matthew Ortiz, Kelsee Perales, Emmett Peters, Devyn Rodgers, Allysson Averi Ruiz, David Schmelzer, Kristy Smith, Troy Stein, Jillian Stinson and Anthony Willett.

We want to thank all the donors that participated in the program this year. They are: 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,

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A huge congratulations goes out to all of this year's winners. The Chamber is proud to continue sponsoring this program each year.

If you were a scholarship recipient, please bring your verification of registration to the Chamber Office to receive your check. We are located in the Steinbach House directly across from Sammy's Restaurant. Our office hours are Monday-Friday 9am to 5pm and Saturday from 10am to 2pm.

Special points of interest:

- Chamber Luncheon—July 13, 2010, 12 noon at Sammy's Restaurant.
- Purchase an ad in the Newsletter, just \$40 per month or \$400 for an entire year!
- Congratulations to those celebrating their anniversary this month:
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Alexander Martin Rowland Charitable Foundation to Hold Fundraiser

At last month's members luncheon, we had local citizen Becky Rowland speak on the dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning and the recently formed Alexander Martin Rowland Charitable Foundation which aims to spread awareness and educate on the dangers of this deadly poison.

The foundation was formed when Becky and her husband, Dr. Richard Rowland, lost their three-year-old son Alex to carbon monoxide poisoning.

Rowland went on to explain how this silent killer claims the lives of approximately

5,000 to 6,000 people each year and some 40,000 ER visits are due this colorless, odorless and tasteless poison. This is due in large part to the fact that only 19 percent of homes in the United States have carbon monoxide detectors installed.

The newly formed Foundation is working to educate not only individuals but hospitals and emergency rooms on the signs of carbon monoxide poisoning.

They will hold their first fundraiser "An Evening in Historic Castroville," on Friday, July 16 at the Grande Hall at Hofmann Ranch.

The night will feature a delicious meal catered by Gary Carter of Castroville Café and musical entertainment by Los #3 Dinners. Guests will have the opportunity to bid on live and silent auction items, purchase raffle tickets and learn more about the dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased for \$50 per person or sponsor a table for \$1,000.

For more information, or to make a donation, please visit www.amrfoundation.org.

New Teacher Luncheon in Need of Sponsors

Next month the Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the 4th annual New Teacher Luncheon to welcome the new staff of Medina Valley ISD and St. Louis School.

The luncheon will be held on Friday, August 13, 2010 at 11:30a.m at the Medina Valley Middle School Cafeteria

We will be sending out letters soon asking for businesses or individuals to sponsor a teacher/administrator for the luncheon. The cost has not been determined but it will be around \$30 per person.

Sponsorship will include lunch and a polo shirt with the school logo embroidered on it for each new teacher/administrator. In addition the chamber will also give them a free membership for the remainder of the year.

We would also like to provide a "goodie bag" with items that will introduce them to Castroville as well as some freebie items from local businesses. If you'd like to donate an item for the bags, please drop them by the Chamber Office no later than

Monday, August 9th. We know the teachers love pens, note pads, key chains, coupons, etc... And the more they see your business name, the more likely they are to use your business.

As soon as we have all the details worked out for this year's event we will be sending out letters to all members.

If you already know you would like to sponsor one or more teachers, please call us at (830) 538-3142 or email pat@castroville.com.

New Member since June 1, 2010

HANK, Inc - John Southwell
Simply Rose - Johnny & Rose Dominguez

July Calendar of Events

Here's what's happening in Castroville in July. All details can be found on the calendar of events at www.castroville.com. If you have an event to add, please email all the information to the web mistress at ashlee@castroville.com.



Every Thursday: Live Music at Cora's by Greg Walden, 6 - 9pm

Every Wed: Rotary Club of Medina Valley, 11:45am, Old Alsatian Steakhouse

Every Monday & Thursday: Free Computer Class at the Library, courtesy of American Legion

Every Saturday: Farmer's Market, Alsace Hair, Nails and Tanning Salon

02: Fiorella Friday, live music, artisans, wine tasting and much more, 6-9pm.

02: 4th of July Picnic at Castroville State Bank, 11am-1pm, FREE!!, (830) 931-2201

02: American Legion Scholarship Dinner, 5-7pm, American Legion Hall, 538-6483

03: 4th of July Parade, 9:30am, Houston Square and around Castroville, (830) 931-2614

03: Tractor Show, 8am-5pm, Tractor City on Hwy 90, (830) 538-3451.

04: **4th of July**

09: Friday Night Fever, Wommack Chevrolet, 6-10pm, evening of cars, trucks, bikes, food, music and shopping, (830) 931-2479

10: Market Trail Days, Houston Square, 9am-4pm, (830) 741-2313

11: Movies at Shooting Star Museum, 6pm. FREE!! (830) 931-3837

12: Chamber Board of Directors Meeting, 12 noon, Hotel Alsace & Spa

13: **Chamber Luncheon, 12 noon, Sammy's Restaurant. All Members invited!**

14: WOW Social, MV Methodist Church, 12 noon to 3pm, cards, games and fellowship

14: **Afterhours Mixer: Alsatian Golf Club, 5-8pm, (830) 931-3100**

16: Alexander Martin Rowland Charitable Foundation (AMRCF) "An Evening in Historic Castroville" 6:30pm-11:30pm, Grande Hall at Hofmann Ranch

28: WOW Social, MV Methodist Church, 12 noon to 3pm, cards, games and fellowship



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 4th of July!

Old Fashion Christmas Accepting Applications from Returning Vendors

Starting July 1st, we will be accepting application for this year's 27th Annual Old Fashion Christmas.

Applications are being accepted from 2009 vendors. These vendors will have the first chance to receive their same spot from 2009.

Starting September 1st, we will send out applications to all those on the waiting list. These spaces are assigned on a first come, first serve basis. If you would like to be on the waiting list, please

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ashlee@castroville.com.

This year's event has been extended to two days! The fun will begin Friday night, December 3rd from 6-10pm with booths set up along Fiorella and Paris streets. We will work in conjunction with Fiorella Friday that night.

There will be a walking parade down these two streets, with carolers leading the way to Houston Square, where we will have the lighting of the square and a large Christmas tree.

Saturday's event will still be held from 9am to 4pm on Houston Square and along Paris and Fiorella. We will have over 250 booths with both handmade and commercial items. And don't forget all the delicious food booths and the fun entertainment throughout the day.

More details will be given as we get closer to the event. So mark your calendars now for December 3rd and 4th for this year's Old Fashion Christmas. It should be a great time for all!

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Business of the Month: ArcheryHolic

What started as a passion for archery for Alain Cluber is now a dream come true. In March of 2010, Alain and his wife Tanya opened ArcheryHolic, your one stop archery and outdoor store, right here in Castroville.

Their dream came to be with the start of their website, www.archeryholic.com, which offers over 16,000 products from the most trusted brands in archery, outdoor gear and more.

Once the website was established, a second website, www.airgun-nation.com was created and then it was on to a retail store.

After searching for the perfect place, Alain fell in love with Castroville and decided it was the spot to open his store. Located on Hwy 90, across from Dziuk's Meat Market and next to Wildlife Artistry

Taxidermy, they felt their store would complete the perfect hunting destination location.

Stopping by their store, you will find a large number of their products available for you to purchase and take home. Looking for something they don't keep in stock? Not a problem. They can place an order for you, which usually ships from the warehouse that same day. So your item will be in your hands in no time.

They specialize in anything archery including compound bows, crossbows, arrows, targets, and all accessories. If archery isn't your thing, then check out their other hunting items, airguns, apparel, game feeders, tree stands and blinds, camping gear and much more.

Like I said, they are your one stop shop. If it has to do with hunting or the great outdoors,

you can bet they either have it or can get it for you.

Alain is always eager to help and support anyone interested in archery or bow hunting. Because of this, ArcheryHolic gives discounts to Boy and Girl Scouts, 4-H, FFA and members of the military.

He would also like to start a local archery range and possibly offer lessons, competitions, workshops and regional events for all those interested.

For all you hunters out there, be sure to stop by ArcheryHolic today and check out all they have to offer. It's never too early to be ready for hunting season coming up this Fall.

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