

# The Mussell Messenger

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## December 2017 ~ January 2018

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!** My tenure as President of the Club is coming to an end. It has been a pleasure to work with all of you and the center. The job has been very interesting, challenging, rewarding, and fun. I've learned a great deal, and I am going to miss the work. I have met many new people, made some new friends that I hope to keep, and done a lot of new things.



I would like to thank the board that worked with me. I could not have asked for a kinder, harder working group. They made me look good. There have also been people who were not on the board but have volunteered and helped make things look good and run smoothly. Without the board and the volunteers, this place would have fallen apart! Please, join me in saying thank you to everyone!!

I, and all the board, would also like to thank the individuals who made the recent calls for us in an attempt to find new board members. It was a great success, and YOU did it! Thank you so very much!

I think you will like the new people who are going to be your new officers, and I'm sure they will do an excellent job. Please welcome them when you see them.

The December **Christmas Party** will be held **Saturday, December 9**, with doors opening at **3:00 p.m.** at the center. The food will be catered by The Swiss Chalet and will include trip, chicken, scalloped potatoes, salad, and bread. The meal will be **FREE for the first 100 people who sign up by Monday, December 4, AND** have a **yellow 2018 membership card**. All others will be \$20 each. The cake will be furnished by Jovi's Delights and entertainment will be provided by Coastal Voices.



For January, the membership meeting will be at the regular time on the second Monday (due to New Year's Day) ~ **January 8**. It will be catered by Jovi's Delights. There will be no guest speaker. If we vote for the 2018 Board Officers at the December meeting, they will be inducted at this meeting. However, if we are unable to vote in December, we will hopefully do so at this meeting. Either way, it will be a great opportunity to meet the members of the club who have agreed to serve on the Board!

Please note that the center will have no receptionist service beginning Monday, December 18. The receptionists will return to work Tuesday, January 2. During this two-week period, the travel office will be closed, as well. There will also be no Book Exchange on the third Wednesday, December 20. Keep in mind, though, that the center itself will still be open during this time and most other activities will be conducted as usual.

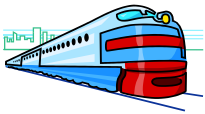


VTC (Vocational Training Center) will be having an open house Friday, December 8, from 4 to 7 p.m. There will be speakers, tours of the facility, refreshments, and door prizes. They would like to see lots of people there, so spread the word.

Thank you for your patience with me these past two years. I really do appreciate your thoughtfulness, willingness to help, and continued kindness. **THANK YOU ALL!** Have fun and be safe! ~ **Jo York, President**

## 2017 Officers & Committee Chairpersons

|                         |                   |                     |                             |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| President:              | Jo York           | 925-1089            | jeyork1@yahoo.com           |
| 1st Vice President:     | Open              |                     |                             |
| 2nd Vice President:     | Dawn Kamiya       | 714-5267            | dawnof42@aol.com            |
| Treasurer:              | Jason Schellas    | 354-0083            | jschellas@comcast.net       |
| Recording Secretary:    | Rosemary Fox      | 680-4083            | rfox001@msn.com             |
| Member-at-Large:        | Mary Johnson      | 352-1003            | mjohnson1937@gmail.com      |
| Newsletter Editor:      | Laura Selken      | 406-9989            | laura.selken@gmail.com      |
| Receptionists:          | Diane Bentley     | 925-0951, ext. 2207 |                             |
| Statistics & Reports:   | Charlotte Gaskill | 934-2607            |                             |
| Sunshine:               | Simone Gillogly   | 925-6267            |                             |
| Travel:                 | Kathy Doty        | 937-0314            | dudoty@comcast.net          |
| Recreation Coordinator: | Barbara Wiley     | 925-0951, ext. 2264 | bwiley@cityofsantamaria.org |



## TRAVEL TALES ~ DECEMBER 2017



We've had quite a year and a few changes here at Santa Maria Senior Travel! After five years of **dedicated volunteer** work, our committee Chairperson, **Linda Dutart**, needed to step down and retire. (We sure miss you, Linda!) Tour Lead's Kathy Doty and Diana Dodos have stepped up for the interim until we can find a suitable replacement. If you have Travel/Office management experience and are interested in the Chairperson position, please call the travel office, and leave your number. Kathy Doty will get back to you.

We have added a new Tour Lead (TL), Marijane Marshall, but two TL's have resigned to do other things. Kathy Kromer has moved out of the area, and Karen Gottwalls is needed at home. If you are interested in the open position(s) as a **Volunteer Travel Tour Lead**, please come in to our travel office in the Elwin Mussell Senior Center during open hours: **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 12:30 – 3:45 p.m.** Any TL in the office can tell you about the position and will give you an information packet to peruse.

Our bi-annual **Thank You Travelers BBQ** was held Sunday, November 5, at the Elks Lodge, and it was so much fun! **The Bald Spots** were the entertainment for the day and a hit with everybody. As usual, the food was outstanding thanks to **Pinky Signorelli's BBQ team**, as well as the **wait/service team led by Marjorie Miranda**. Thank you, **John Maretti**, for making the planning of this event so easy and run so smooth! Thank you again to ALL those that attended and have continued to travel with us over the years!!

~ Diana Dodos



    **Travel with Us!**    

Check out our Facebook page: "[Santa Maria Senior Travel](#)"

(Click on name & go directly to Facebook page!)

Diana Dodos updates the page with flyers & pictures from our trips.



**The Travel Office will be closed for the holidays at the same time as the Receptionist Desk (from December 18 to January 1). We will reopen for business on Tuesday, January 2!**

**HAPPY  
NEW YEAR**

# TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

## SANTA MARIA SENIOR TRAVEL COMMITTEE



Hours: Tues., Wed., Thurs., 12:30 – 3.45 p.m.

Office Phone: 349-0688



### FIRST DAY SALES ~ FIRST MONDAY MORNING OF THE MONTH!

THERE IS **NO** “FIRST DAY SALES” SCHEDULED FOR **DECEMBER**. IT’S POSSIBLE THERE WILL BE ONE IN JANUARY (JANUARY 8), BUT IT HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED. CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE HALLWAY AS WELL AS YOUR EMAIL INBOX FOR UPDATES!

In case you see this in time ~ seats are still available for this fun, hilarious comedy:

**November 29 ~ “Elf the Musical” at Cal Poly**

**\$99**

### DECEMBER 2017:

**December 7 ~ Cambria Christmas Market and dinner** *All seats are sold out.* **\$50**

*Note: The original information stated that we would be dining at Tognazzini’s Dockside Restaurant in Morro Bay prior to going to Cambria. However, that has been changed as a larger venue was needed to accommodate our group. We will now be going to the Great American Fish Company in Morro Bay.*



**Dec. 31, 2017-Jan. 1, 2018 ~ Rose Parade** **\$359.10 Dbl., \$440.10 Sgl.**

Silverado Tours special price! Due to the number of Club members who have purchased seats, they are now picking up at Elwin Mussell Center. (One of the Travel Committee members will meet you to fill out your car information to park overnight as usual.) Stay at the Ayers Hotel in Anaheim. Dinner at PF Chang’s Chinese Restaurant is included. Hot breakfast is included at the hotel. You will have reserved grandstand seating for the Tournament of Roses Parade. Return arrival scheduled for 5:25 p.m. Purchase the trip at our office for our special price, but **PLEASE make checks payable to Silverado Stages.**

### UPCOMING TRIPS SCHEDULED/UNDER CONSTRUCTION FOR 2018:



**February 11-14, 2018 ~ Las Vegas**

We will be staying at the Golden Nugget Hotel. Seats are still available! **\$206 Dbl., \$272 Sgl.**

**Late March 2018 ~ Pageant of Our Lord**

This amazing depiction of Bible stories occurs the two weeks before Easter. Tickets went on sale in October after deadline for this newsletter. Watch for flyers and future newsletter for info.

**Early to Mid-April 2018 ~ Boysenberry Festival at Knott’s Berry Farm**

Knotts Berry Farm will be holding its annual Boysenberry Festival. A day at Knotts Berry Farm will be included as part of the festival. Possible overnigher!



**Late April/Early May 2018 ~ Laughlin Riverside**

**May 11-17, 2018 ~ Collette’s “Discover South Dakota”**

**\$2149 Dbl., \$2649 Sgl.**

**Late June or Early July 2018 ~ “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat”**

Presented by Roger Rocka’s Dinner Theater in Fresno, including a nice Sunday lunch buffet.

**October 9-17, 2018 ~ Premier’s Heritage Highlights**

**\$3055 Dbl., \$3955 Sgl.**

Presentation date to be announced. Trip includes Niagara Falls; Lancaster, Gettysburg, & Philadelphia, PA; Washington, DC tour; Mount Vernon, and Colonial Williamsburg. Receive a \$100 discount when making your final payment by check! *As soon as the presentation date is confirmed, Premier will print flyers and ship them to us.* Look for them in the hallway soon!



# THANK YOU ...

A special, huge thank you to all those who were kind enough to help out with calling our club members in an effort to find board members for 2018. We believe it was quite successful and could not have done it without your assistance!!!

~ Mary Johnson, outgoing Member at Large



Tom Dutart

## Tom's Trivialities ~ December 2017

### Walk a mile in my shoes ...

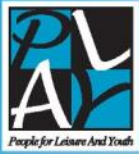
- ☞ Walking can add minutes to your life; this enables you, at 85 years of age, to spend an additional five months in a nursing home at \$7000 per month.
- ☞ My dad started walking five miles a day when he was 60. He's now 105 years old, and we don't have the slightest clue where he is.
- ☞ The only reason I would take up walking is so that I could hear heavy breathing again.
- ☞ I have to walk early in the morning, before my brain figures out what I'm doing!
- ☞ I joined a Wellness Center last year, spent more than 700 bucks and haven't lost a pound. Apparently, you have to go there.
- ☞ Every time I hear the dirty word "exercise," I wash my mouth out with beer.
- ☞ The advantage of exercising every day is so when you die, they'll say, "Well, he looks good doesn't he!"
- ☞ If you are going to try cross-country skiing, start with a small country.
- ☞ I know I got a lot of exercise the last few years just getting over the hill.
- ☞ We all get heavier as we get older, because there's a lot more information in our heads. That's my story, and I'm sticking to it.
- ☞ Every time I start thinking too much about how I look, I just find a Happy Hour somewhere, and by the time I leave, I look just fine.



**Editor's Note:** Just as Tom was telling me he was "retiring" from **Tom's Trivialities** at the end of the year, we had to make the decision to reduce the size of the newsletter to save on printing costs. Unfortunately, that meant I had no more room for his final three columns. As such, with this being a double issue, I did find room to print one last column from Tom. Here is his note of farewell ...

*This will be my last offering to you, because I'm ready to retire. I have enjoyed presenting these to you, and I have appreciated the feed-back you have provided. Thanks for listening. Merry Christmas to you all, and have a happy and prosperous New Year!!*

~ Tom Dutart



# The Holiday Spirit Project

*Believe in PLAY, Inc. and participate in the Holiday Spirit Project!*

This ornament fundraiser by the People for Leisure And Youth, Inc. will help bring recreation and leisure programs to the community while making the Community Christmas Tree dazzle!

Make a donation of \$20 to PLAY, Inc. and receive an ornament for your home. A personalized tag in your honor will also be attached to an ornament on the Community Christmas Tree on the corner of Cook and Broadway!

Choose between  
Santa Claus or  
Holiday Bells

Ornament orders can be taken at the Santa Maria Recreation and Parks Department, located at 615 South McClelland Street or online at [www.santamariaatplay.org](http://www.santamariaatplay.org).



*Thank You to Our 2017 Community Christmas Tree "Star" Sponsor!*



## Community Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

**Saturday, December 2, 2017**  
**Festivities begin at 4:30 p.m.**

Join PLAY, Inc. and the Santa Maria Recreation and Parks Department for the grand illumination of the 24-foot Christmas Tree.

The tree-lighting takes place at 5:20 p.m. to mark the start of the Rotary Christmas Parade of Lights!

The Coastal Voices Choir will spread joy to the crowd with caroling throughout the evening.



**MEGA97.1**  
The Rhythm of the Central Coast FM





# Sunshine Corner

Get Well Soon ...



**Jane Bringley**  
and her son,  
**David Bringley**



*Please contact Simone (925-6267) about any members or their loved ones who need a get well, thinking of you, or sympathy card sent to them. Note: when you call her, she would greatly appreciate it if you would leave your name and telephone number in case she needs to call you back. Thank you!*

## HOLIDAY CLOSING

Please note that the

### RECEPTION DESK

will be **"closed"** for the holidays, beginning Monday, Dec. 18, and will reopen Tuesday, Jan. 2.

If you need anything or have any questions while they are off, please contact Barbara Wiley (925-0951, ext. 2264) or call the Recreation and Parks office (925-0951, ext. 2260).

**MERRY CHRISTMAS  
& HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

## NOTICE:

There will NOT be a **JANUARY** issue of *Mussell Messenger*!

This is a double issue for the months of December 2017 and January 2018. The next issue will be February 2018, mailed/emailed in late January. Thank you for your understanding!



**Have you visited our  
NEW & IMPROVED  
Club website???**

**[smvscc.org](http://smvscc.org)**

It contains all the newsletters from the past two years, PLUS

**SO MUCH MORE!!!**

You'll find the current newsletter on the home page, along with other time sensitive information. Then, just click on the names of the different sections in the upper right area: activities calendar, special events, travel opportunities, and links to a variety of resources! Give it a try ~ and let us know what you think! There is an easy contact form at the bottom of the home page! **ENJOY!!**

**Editor's Note ~** Are you receiving this newsletter in the mail, but have some access to the internet??

If so, we are asking you to please consider reading the newsletter online instead either via email from me (as an attachment) or directly at our website: **[smvscc.org](http://smvscc.org)**! It is in **FULL COLOR** and available much sooner than the mail! If you are having any trouble receiving it, **PLEASE contact Laura Selken** (Editor) at (805) 406-9989 or email: [laura.selken@gmail.com](mailto:laura.selken@gmail.com).

|  <h1>December 2017</h1>  |  |   |  |   |   |
|---|--|---|--|---|---|
| Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Sat.  |
| <b>RENEW Your Membership TODAY!</b>   | <u>Cost</u><br>Bingo: 50¢/card    Tai Chi: \$25/mo.+<br>Bunco: \$3/day    Yoga: \$15/mo.+<br>BYOB: \$25/mo.+    Zumba: \$25/mo.+<br>Chairobics:    +Santa Maria Residents<br>\$15/mo.+    (non-residents are slightly higher)<br>Folk Dance: (Mondays) \$15/mo.+ |   | <i><b>Note: Some classes may be canceled by the instructor or leader at their discretion.</b></i>                | <b>1</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>12-4 Mah Jongg*<br>1-4 Bingo  | <b>2</b><br>9-12 Pool*<br>9-12 Mah Jongg*<br>(subject to change)<br>9 am-1 pm Duplicate Bridge              |
| <b>4</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>12-4 Duplicate Bridge<br>1-4 Party Bridge<br>7-9 pm Folk Dance*§  | <b>5</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>10-11 Yoga*§<br>11-12 BYOB*§<br>1-4 Poker*<br>1:30-4 Bunco*  | <b>6</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>9-10 Chairobics*§<br>9-11 Artists Meet*<br>10-11 Tai Chi*§<br>10-11 Zumba*§<br>12-4 Mah Jongg*<br>1-3 Knit/Chat/Crochet/Color*<br>1-4 Beginning Bridge              | <b>7</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>11-12 BYOB*§<br>12-4 Duplicate Bridge<br>2:30-3:45 Folk Dancing*                     | <b>8</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>12-4 Mah Jongg*<br>1-4 Bingo  | <b>9</b><br>9-12 Pool*<br>9-12 Mah Jongg*?<br>9 am-1 pm Duplicate Bridge<br><b>3 Members Holiday Dinner</b> |
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| <b>18</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>10-11 Zumba*§<br>12-4 Duplicate Bridge<br>1-4 Party Bridge<br>7-9 pm Folk Dance*§  | <b>19</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>10-11 Yoga*§<br>11-12 BYOB*§<br>1-4 Poker*<br>1:30-4 Bunco*   | <b>20</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>9-10 Chairobics*§<br>9-11 Artists Meet*<br>10-11 Tai Chi*§<br>10-11 Zumba*§<br>12-4 Mah Jongg*<br><b>NO Book Exchange*</b><br>1-4 Beginning Bridge                 | <b>21</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>11-12 BYOB*§<br>12-4 Duplicate Bridge<br>2:30-3:45 Folk Dancing*                    | <b>22</b><br>9-3:45 Pool*<br>12-4 Mah Jongg*<br>1-4 Bingo | <b>23</b><br>9-12 Pool*<br>9-12 Mah Jongg*<br>(subject to change)<br>9 am-1 pm Duplicate Bridge             |
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# December Birthdays

|                   |        |                     |        |                   |        |
|-------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|-------------------|--------|
| Nitaya Nelson     | 1-Dec  | Lucy Furia          | 12-Dec | Liz Regulski      | 20-Dec |
| Don Sylvester     | 1-Dec  | Elaine Brown        | 13-Dec | Blanche Boyer     | 21-Dec |
| Betty Staight     | 2-Dec  | Janet Donaher       | 13-Dec | Jess Novoa        | 22-Dec |
| Don Werbelow      | 3-Dec  | Ron Evey            | 14-Dec | Marilyn Stanley   | 22-Dec |
| Walli Brundage    | 4-Dec  | Pat Gammel          | 15-Dec | Jennie Andrade    | 23-Dec |
| Don Pfingsten     | 4-Dec  | Duane Long          | 15-Dec | Lois Martin       | 23-Dec |
| George Tise       | 4-Dec  | Carolyn McCall      | 15-Dec | Marlene Medeiros  | 23-Dec |
| Lita Walker       | 4-Dec  | Mary Jane Niccoli   | 15-Dec | Cindy Velasquez   | 24-Dec |
| Jill Balezentes   | 5-Dec  | Jim Collins         | 16-Dec | Darlene Vidal     | 25-Dec |
| Joanne Hopkins    | 5-Dec  | Alice Coop          | 16-Dec | Trish Stewart     | 26-Dec |
| Gloria Ramirez    | 6-Dec  | Karen Russell       | 16-Dec | Betty Baxter      | 27-Dec |
| Richard D'Amato   | 7-Dec  | Jason Schellas      | 16-Dec | Carolyn Bynum     | 27-Dec |
| Susan Daughtry    | 7-Dec  | Mary Rose Middleton | 17-Dec | Irene Khayam      | 27-Dec |
| Barbara Scheideck | 7-Dec  | Zenon Nawrocik      | 17-Dec | Joyce Cox         | 28-Dec |
| Yoko Furuya       | 8-Dec  | Joanne Shelton      | 17-Dec | Joyce Hershberger | 29-Dec |
| Mary Windsheimer  | 9-Dec  | Art Thaler          | 17-Dec | Marjorie Oliver   | 29-Dec |
| Jean Roth         | 10-Dec | Norma Schuermann    | 19-Dec | Leon Permasse     | 29-Dec |
| Rik Dodos         | 12-Dec | Bob Thomas          | 19-Dec | Susan Friesen     | 31-Dec |
| Javier Duarte     | 12-Dec | Kay Register        | 20-Dec | Georgia Schellas  | 31-Dec |



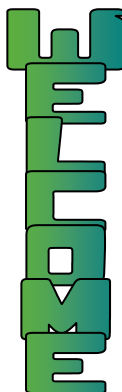
Happy November Birthday  
 Madeline Permasse,  
 Dawn & Kaylee Kamiya,  
 and David García

## December Anniversaries

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Duane & Maxine Campbell      | 4-Dec  |
| Roberto & Ruth Limon         | 17-Dec |
| Ray & Alice Torres           | 17-Dec |
| Richard & Dorothy Rebenstorf | 26-Dec |
| Dale & Karen Iliff           | 29-Dec |
| Paul & Bea Goyette           | 30-Dec |



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 New and Former Members!



Walli Brundage  
 Duane & Maxine Campbell  
 Barbara Chandler  
 Jim & Julie Colegrove  
 Jack Enterline  
 Maria Gutierrez  
 Sharon O'Neil  
 Ron & Linda Peterson  
 Lorryann Prezyna  
 Marian Stephens

# January Birthdays

|                |        |                  |        |                        |        |
|----------------|--------|------------------|--------|------------------------|--------|
| Dave Ludwig    | 1-Jan  | Peter Skjott     | 11-Jan | Don Foss               | 21-Jan |
| Mike Rosas     | 1-Jan  | Leroy Jones Jr   | 12-Jan | Ron Peterson           | 21-Jan |
| David Nelson   | 2-Jan  | Mary Treiner     | 12-Jan | Ernie Baldiviez        | 22-Jan |
| Angelika Stock | 3-Jan  | Juanita Rosas    | 13-Jan | Ray Torres             | 22-Jan |
| Trudi Forsyth  | 5-Jan  | Elly Block       | 14-Jan | Larry Grabher          | 23-Jan |
| Amy Hom        | 5-Jan  | Velma Bondietti  | 14-Jan | Sandy Novoa            | 23-Jan |
| Terrie Kase    | 6-Jan  | Mary Law         | 14-Jan | Hilda Gallardo         | 24-Jan |
| John Lohr      | 6-Jan  | Betty Malone     | 14-Jan | Cindy Kuhn             | 25-Jan |
| Martha Santana | 6-Jan  | Cathy McCue      | 14-Jan | Carmen Solorio         | 25-Jan |
| Barbara Brown  | 7-Jan  | Lisa Story       | 15-Jan | Bill Stooore           | 25-Jan |
| Gary Beilke    | 8-Jan  | Jeanne Roemling  | 16-Jan | Fred Loquasto          | 27-Jan |
| Helen Canales  | 8-Jan  | Inese Evans      | 17-Jan | Dee Santillan          | 27-Jan |
| Jim Furuya     | 8-Jan  | Gene Hershberger | 17-Jan | Jim Dvorak             | 28-Jan |
| Donna Viadella | 8-Jan  | Betty Watson     | 17-Jan | Jean Jacobs            | 28-Jan |
| Colleen Hess   | 9-Jan  | Mary Ann Cappel  | 18-Jan | Mark Breedlove         | 29-Jan |
| Paul Penk      | 9-Jan  | Mary Lou Rabska  | 18-Jan | Frances Hernandez      | 29-Jan |
| Peggy Yaeger   | 9-Jan  | Caroline Reid    | 19-Jan | Dickie Freitas         | 30-Jan |
| Terri Harris   | 10-Jan | Carol Carnell    | 20-Jan | Al Leduc               | 30-Jan |
| Sue Kastner    | 10-Jan | Rosemary Fox     | 20-Jan | Jackie Narachi         | 30-Jan |
| Ruby Bowers    | 11-Jan | Esther Hoskins   | 20-Jan | Freddie Newman         | 30-Jan |
| Georgia Evey   | 11-Jan | Gloria Niell     | 20-Jan | <b>Happy Birthday!</b> |        |
| Nancy Ottzman  | 11-Jan | Nina Prestridge  | 20-Jan |                        |        |

## January Anniversaries

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Al & Christel Kurth   | 15-Jan |
| Earl & Marie Peterson | 24-Jan |
| George & Gaylen Clark | 28-Jan |
| Frank & Alice Coop    | 30-Jan |

*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed on this page or is not accurate, please contact Laura Selken, Editor; at 406-9989 or [laura.selken@gmail.com](mailto:laura.selken@gmail.com).*



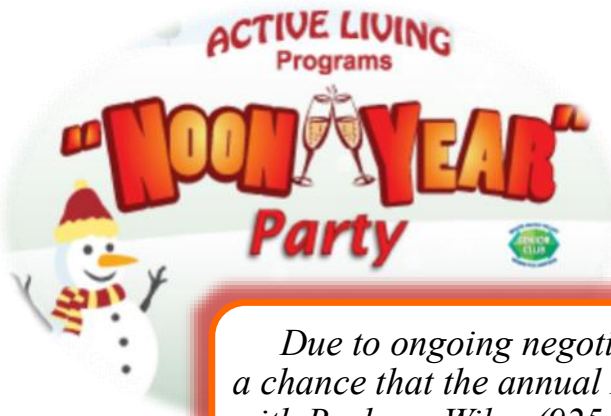
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Enjoy a nutritious lunch prepared by Community Action Commission and delivered to the Elwin Mussell Senior Center Monday through Friday. The lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. Reservations must be made at least 24 hours in advance by calling 925-3010. For persons 60 yrs. and up. A donation is requested.

**RENEW or JOIN**  
**the Senior Club TODAY.**  
**Still ONLY \$15 per person!**





**DECEMBER 31  
"NOON YEAR" PARTY**

**11:00 AM-1:00 PM Active Living Program  
Elwin Mussell Center**

Celebrate with your friends and toast in the New Year with a glass of bubbly at noon and tap your feet to the music of the Rip Tide Band. Light refreshments will be provided. **This event is FREE.** Please call 925-0951 ext. 2207 to RSVP starting 12/4.

*Due to ongoing negotiations with City of Santa Maria employees, there is a chance that the annual Noon Year Party may not take place. Please, check with Barbara Wiley (925-0951, ext. 2264) or the Recreation & Parks Office (925-0951, ext. 2260) as the date gets closer.*

**RIPTIDE  
Big Band**

**Happy  
Birthday  
Dance!**

**Special Celebration of**  
**Ron Peterson's 80th Birthday!**  
**FREE & open to the public!**



**Sunday, Jan. 21, 2018 1:30 — 4:00 p.m.**

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## Santa Maria Valley Senior Citizens Club Newsletter

### Monthly Membership Meetings

Saturday, December 9

Doors Open: 3 p.m.

Dinner Served: 4 p.m.

FREE for all new/renewing members\*

\*Join/Renew by Dec. 4 - \$20 for guests

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Limited seating available ~ reserve early!  
Reservations are required by December 4!

Monday, January 8

Doors Open: 5:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6 p.m.

\$10 per person

Catered by

JOVI'S DELIGHTS

Reservations will be accepted until Jan. 4!  
(Note: The receptionist desk will be closed and  
not taking reservations Dec. 18 to Jan. 1)



### Share the Holidays with us!

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Santa Maria, CA 93454 925-0951, Ext. 2207

