The Mussell Messenger

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Bruce Rodriguez

President's Message ~

Happy New Year!! My name is Bruce Rodriguez, your new ***Santa Maria Valley Senior Citizens Club President***. I am happy to be able to continue all the activities that the senior club offers to its members. I would also like to hear about some new ideas so we can make the club even better. See my contact information on page 2, and feel free to reach out to me any time! I am excited to meet as many members as I can in the near future! This is a great organization, and I am glad that you chose me to represent you!!

Be sure to sign up for our ***February Monthly Dinner***. It should prove to be a very informative program. We will be having ***Max Boveri*** with ***Dignity Home Health & Hospice*** (Marian Regional Medical Center). He will be presenting information on various topics including grieving our parents, men in grief, the newly bereaved, a parent's grief support group, and second year loss and beyond. Deadline to sign-up is February 4th at 2 p.m. Stay safe and healthy! ***~ Bruce Rodriguez, your new President***

TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

SANTA MARIA SENIOR TRAVEL COMMITTEE

Current Hours: Tues., Wed., Thurs., 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. / Office Phone: 805-349-0688

We planned a day trip to Chumash for January 11, but unfortunately, we had to cancel it due to a lack of enough advanced reservations. We are extremely sorry, but we hope we will be able to schedule another one in the not too distant future. Please remember, it's very important for you to pay us in advance so we know how many plan to go.

"First Day Sales" is scheduled for **February 7**. Doors will open at **9 a.m.** with the sale beginning shortly after. Sales will continue until everyone has been helped, but no later than noon. We will be selling the **San Luis Obispo Repertory Theatre** presentation of ***The Marvelous Wonderettes*** on the afternoon of **Sunday, March 6**. The cost will be **$80** per person.

Roger Rocka's Dinner Theater
Home of Good Company Players

We have still planned a trip to see ***"Guys & Dolls"*** at ***Roger Rocka's Dinner Theater*** in Fresno, on ***Sunday, February 13***. The cost is ***$127*** per person. **Please note:** for this event, you **must** have proof of vaccination **with you**, as it will be checked at the door by Roger Rocka staff!! For further details, stop in or call the Travel Committee office!

Our in-person presentation by ***Collette Tours*** had to be postponed due to COVID-19, but will hopefully be scheduled at the end of February or early March. Stay tuned for updates!

Travel with Us!

Note: All participants must be vaccinated or have a negative COVID test within 72 hours of departure for all trips. Masks are required on all buses!

2022 Officers & Committee Chairpersons

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Recreation Coordinator:	Wendy Hudson	805-925-0951, ext. 2351	whudson@cityofsantamaria.org

NEEDED

REGULAR & SUBSTITUTE

receptionists needed for the club at the Mussell Center.
Weekday Shifts Available:
10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
or 12:00 – 2 p.m.
For more information, contact Carolyn Cabrera at 805-448-0623 or **ccabrera48@verizon.net**, or leave a message with a Senior Club receptionist.

Visit our Club website!
smvscc.org

The current month's newsletter can be found on the home page, along with other special events and time-sensitive information. Click on the names of the different sections or "pages" in the upper right area of the website:

- **Activities Calendar**
- **Special Events**
- **Travel Opportunities**
- **Senior Resources**
- **Newsletters**

GREETINGS FROM THE RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT

I hope everyone had a great holiday season with their families and friends. Most of you already know me because I have been working here at the Mussell Center for a couple of years. But if you don't, my name is Wendy Hudson. About 6 months ago I was promoted to a Recreation Coordinators position and re-assigned to oversee Special Events and Adult Sports. I was just settling into that role when we had another change with the retirement of some longtime Recreation and Parks Supervisors. With those changes the Recreation and Parks Department re-assigned staff to ensure that all programs continue running smoothly. My program areas were changed, and I now oversee Senior Programs and Special Events. I am also fortunate to have two great ladies assigned to work on my team. ***Evelyn Marroquin*** is the new Program Specialist for Senior Programs, and ***Bianca McNeil*** is the Program Specialist for Special Events. Most of you have already met Evelyn, but if you have not, please introduce yourself and welcome her to the Senior Center.

There have been a few other changes here at the Mussell Senior Center. Two clerk positions have been added to assist with getting the ***Active Living Access Pass (ALAP) program*** up and running. The clerks have been able input the information submitted by seniors from their completed ALAP applications. They are now taking pictures and creating cards that seniors will scan each time they come to the center to participate in a program or class.*

We are hoping for things to become a little more normal this year, and we thank all of you for your patience while we are still trying to settle into our new positions at the Elwin Mussell Senior Center. My door is always open, as is Evelyn's, so if you have any questions or comments please stop by, we would like to hear from you!

Wendy Hudson • Recreation Coordinator • Senior Programs/Special Events
805-925-0951 ext. 2351 • whudson@cityofsantamaria.org

✱ ***Editor's Note: If you have received an email from the City of Santa Maria Recreation & Parks Department with the subject line: "Receipt Confirmation" and it looks something like the information printed below when you open it … it is from the processing of your Active Living Access Pass "membership." You have NOT been charged anything! If you have any questions, call the number listed in the email.***

Abel Maldonado Community Youth Center
600 South McClelland Street
Santa Maria, CA 93454

Phone: (805) 925-0951x2260
FAX: (805) 925-4508
Email: RPInfo@cityofsantamaria.org
Thank you. Your transaction has been processed.

Please check the receipt summary below.
Receipt Number: ########.
Issued Date/Time: Jan 20, 2022 9:38 AM
Total Charges: $0
Total Payments: $0
Remaining Balance: $0

REMINDER: The Mussell Center is open from **8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday – Friday**. Please enter the building during **these hours only**, unless there is a special event. Thank you! ***~ Rec & Parks***

Happy Valentine's Day!

RENEW MEMBERSHIP

It's Time to Renew Memberships for 2022!

Stop into the Mussell Center from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. or send your check for $20 per person to PO Box 6688, Santa Maria, CA 93456.

RENEW MEMBERSHIP

Note: If you plan to renew in person, just check over your information in the membership binder at the Club receptionist's desk. If all your info is correct, you don't have to fill out a new form!

Congratulations! 2022 Board of Directors

Annie, Judy, Alice, Ray, & Bruce

Not Pictured: Christel, Carolyn & Laura

Grant Writer Needed (and/or Fundraising Chairperson!)

The Senior Club is still looking for anyone with grant-writing experience to help us in the coming year. Or, if someone has some fundraising ideas, please contact any board member. We will be experiencing a dramatic increase in our "cost of doing business" between rising insurance costs, to supplies, to an increase in services (printing, auditing, etc.). We are open to any suggestions AND volunteers to help make it happen!! Help keep YOUR club viable!!!

Santa Maria Valley Senior Citizens Club

Central Coast Active Adults!

MISSION: Our purpose is to promote the happiness of active adults 50+ so they may enjoy life to the fullest. We provide fun and interesting activities, opportunities, and information. We do this while espousing no political, religious, philanthropic, ideological, or social enterprise.

WELCOME

New & Rejoining Members

WELCOME

Nancy Andersen
KC Carpenter
Louie & Otilia Costa
Milvirde Franks
Rosa Rivas
Dottie Slater

WELCOME

Editor's Note: As mentioned in the previous issue, there were plans to present a proposed bylaw change at our last Membership Meeting (1/10/22), asking to return the name of the "Director of Purchasing" board position back to "Member at Large" and also expanding the duties of said position. There has been a delay, so the change will be presented at the February Monthly Membership meeting, printed in the March issue of the ***Mussell Messenger***, and voted on at the April 4th monthly meeting.

Help Wanted with Travel Committee!

The **TRAVEL COMMITTEE** is searching for additional **Volunteer Travel Tour Leads!** If you're interested in joining the "team," please visit the travel office. Any Travel Lead there can tell you about the position and give you information to peruse. The more volunteers we have the more trips we can plan! In addition, if anyone has experience in working with transportation companies, travel agencies, or touring businesses, or anything similar, we would love to talk to you! If you know of **anyone**, ***including non-members***, give the tour office a call.

Santa Maria Public Library Events! For more info, call 805-925-0994.

Are you 55 years or older and want to learn a new skill? Library staff will present "GetSetUp," a free online platform geared towards those 55+ who want to learn new skills, connect with others, and unlock new life experiences.

"GetSetUp" offers a variety of classes, ranging from technical skills to healthy cooking. The presentation will be ***Saturday, January 29, from*** **11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** in Shepard Hall. Call 805-925-0994 or visit **cityofsantamaria.org/library** for more information and to register in advance.

Did you know???
According to Brownielocks, February is National ...

- **Expect Success Month**
- **Jobs in Golf Month**
- **Love the (school) Bus Month**
- **Bird-feeding Month**
- **Embroidery Month**
- **Haiku Writing Month**
- **Women Inventors Month**
- **Pull Your Sofa Off the Wall Month**
- **Return Shopping Carts to the Supermarket Month**
- **Time Management Month**
- **Intermittent Fasting Month, and ...**
- **Spunky Old Broads Month**

FEBRUARY 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
"First Day Sales" for new trip on February 7!	1 9-3:45 Pool* 9-10 BYOB* 10:15-11:15 Yoga* 1-3:30 Bunco* ($3/day)	2 **9 Exec. Bd. Meeting** 9-3:45 Pool* 9-10 Zumba Gold*§ 10:15-11:15 Chairobics*§ 11-12 Beginner Ukulele* 12-4 Mah Jongg* 1-4 Beginning Bridge & Instruction	3 9-3:45 Pool* 9-10 BYOB* 10:15-11:15 Yoga* 11-12- Forever Young Band 2-3:45 Folk Dancing	4 9-3:45 Pool* 12-4 Mah Jongg* 12-3:45 Bingo (50¢/card)
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28 9-3:45 Pool* 9-10 Zumba Gold*§ 10:15-11:15 Chairobics*§ 11-12 Beginner Ukulele* 12-4 Duplicate Bridge	***NOTE:*** *Classes/activities may be canceled by the instructor, city, or Club as needed.*	Don't miss the RIPTIDE Big Band Dance on Feb.13!	It's time to renew your membership!	**Contacts** **Book Exchange: 805-354-0388** **Bridge: (Alan) 408-499-5333** **Folk Dancing: 805-925-5429**

*City of Santa Maria Rec & Parks Dept. Program §Participants must pre-register at Rec. & Parks Dept. No walk-ins.

February Birthdays

Louie Costa	1
Joe Razo	1
Carol Thaler	3
Karen Trapp	3
Lupe Flores	4
Eileen Armijo	6
Val Brose	6
Gary Shaw	6
Jane Bringley	7
Herb Sisti	7
Toni Loayza	8
Dru Haas	10
Denise Sky	11
Hey Yib	11
Britta Wenglowski	12
Madeline Barns	13
Dorothy Olevsky	13
Tara Hoffmann	14
LaVonne Brawner	16
Ruth Limon	16
Herb Gerfen	17
Arthur Hernandez	17
Gail Homer	17
Roberto Limon	17
Jackie Taylor	17
Anita Ritenour	18
Bobbi Eggleston	19
Barbara Fleming	19
Andrea Maidment	19
Bob Turner	19
Rosemary D'Amato	21
Richard Santana	21
Slim Juhl	22
Beth Shurtleff	22
Nancy Kunishige	25
Christel Kurth	25
Ramon Chavez	26
Mella Griffin	26
Jose Loayza	26
Sharon Hoff	27
June Miller	27

Sunshine Corner

Get Well Soon

Diana Dodos

Please contact Simone (805-925-6267) about any members or their loved ones who should be sent a get well, thinking of you, or sympathy card. Note: when you call her, please leave your name and number.

In Sympathy to ...

former board member, **Mary Johnson**, whose husband, **Ron**, passed away unexpectedly

February Anniversaries

Ralph & Rosalie Foster	3
Jose & Toni Loayza	10
Herb & Judith Sisti	14
Joe & Grace Mendoza	15
Bob & Freddie Newman	16
Dave & Jerrie Carey	19
Alan & Cindy Eft	27

Happy Anniversary!

Happy January Birthdays!

Annie Lawrence, Freddie Newman, Mary Treinen, Ray Torres, Juanita Rosas, Mike Rosas, Don Foss, Gene Hershberger

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Monthly Membership Meeting

Monday - February 7

Doors Open: 5 p.m. - Dinner: 5:15 p.m.

Baked spaghetti, garlic bread, steamed veggies, salad, and mocha coffee cake

$12 per person

Reserve/Pay by:
Friday - Feb. 4 @ 2 p.m.

Catered by:
Jovi's Delight

featuring

Max Boveri

with

Dignity Home Health & Hospice

Raffle Drawing

Celebrate Your February Birthday with Us!

Elwin E. Mussell Senior Citizens Center, 510 E. Park Ave.,
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