

SANTA CLARA SUN



“ Santa Clara City Mayor & Council Message

As I pondered what to talk about in the newsletter article this month, I found myself revisiting some Christmas Season newsletters I prepared over the past 18 years serving as Mayor. I found one that reminded me of a past challenging time for the city. The following newsletter was shared with residents at Christmas following the September 2012 dike failure and devastating flood. I've included some comments showing that Christmas Wishes sometimes do come true, call it a visit from the Ghost of Christmas Past...

The Christmas Season is upon us. Children throughout the City are making their Christmas Wish Lists for Santa. It's hard not to get caught up in the spirit of giving, or at least in the spirit of wishing anyway. Not to be left out, the mayor has a Christmas Wish List as well this year.



1. I wish the Tuachan Wash Detention Basin was rebuilt and fully operational, then maybe the residents of the neighborhoods below the dam would sleep peacefully in their beds this Christmas Eve while sugar plums danced in their heads instead of plastic flood wall units and sandbags decorated their front yards. ***The City finished the replacement project the following September using federal disaster relief and flood control authority funds. Residents and businesses rebuilt and its hard to tell it ever happened now...***
2. I wish the Chapel Street Landslide was stabilized, so the families who live in the area could enjoy the Christmas Holidays waiting for Santa to fall down their chimneys instead of their property falling down the troublesome hillside. ***The City received a disaster mitigation grant in 2016 to fund the purchase of homes, property and relocation of residents whose homes were being damaged by the landslide...***
3. I wish the Town Hall Building was paid for, and the City Budget was free of the annual bond payments which tend to keep the City Council up late worrying about future budget cuts and revenue increases needed to satisfy the debt; not unlike parents wondering how to pay for the costs of Christmas. ***The Harmons Commercial District has developed increasing sales tax revenues to the city from \$565,398 in 2012 to \$1,943,587 expected this year. This increase in revenues to the General Fund provide critical funding to make bond payments for the new building, fund the full-time fire & police departments, improve parks & trails and many other important projects within the city. Santa Claus is real...***
4. I wish the erosion protection work was complete along the Santa Clara River and the river management plan was fully funded to provide a safe and environmental responsible means to protect life and property along the river. ***Additional rock floodwall erosion protection improvements have been installed along the river and continue to be extended and maintained to protect residents and property from the risks of living along the river...***
5. I wish the Heights Waterline Replacement Project was finished and the street pavements replaced, so Santa could get to those homes without a four-wheel drive sleigh. ***The Heights Project was completed in 2013. Since that time the city has built new traffic signals and bridges; and rebuilt many of the unimproved roads in the valley including the recently completed Vineyard Drive Project. The city has plans to continue these important public service improvements in the future...***
6. I wish the federal government would consider the impacts of additional federal regulations on local government when it comes to power generation and water supplies. Maybe then power and water costs would come down so rates could be decreased. What a wonderful Christmas that would be for every household in the city. ***I admit I was kind of naive with this wish, shooting for the moon, I guess. Consider it a reminder to never give up hope this time of year, keep wishing and maybe someday...***

These are just some of the things on the Mayor's Christmas list this season. It may look a little daunting but it's real and each item is a very real problem the city is trying to cope with at this time. But even now, there is so much more to be grateful for, so many blessings in the form of a caring population willing to give of their time, talents and resources to help their neighbors; a gifted City Staff dedicated to the people they serve; a highly qualified City Council who care about this place we call home and who try to make the right decisions all of the time. ***Every year we accomplish a lot, it's important to be grateful for our blessings and the people who make things happen...***

It would be wonderful if Santa left us with a stocking full of solutions to the problems on our wish list, but even if he doesn't, this place is still one of the greatest places to live on earth and we can make do by continuing to work hard and doing good things. ***The city still has challenges, from housing shortages to pickleball conflicts, but if we continue to work together, we can keep this a great place to live...***

Merry Christmas Santa Clara, I hope you each get everything on your wish list.

Mayor Rick Rosenberg

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Holiday Shopping

The holiday shopping season has arrived, making it a wonderful opportunity to support Santa Clara's local businesses. The city offers an expanding array of shopping and dining options, ensuring you can find the perfect gifts for everyone on your list. Stroll through the charming downtown and explore the many businesses in the growing commercial district around the intersection of Pioneer Parkway and Rachel Drive. Whether you're looking to shop, dine, or enjoy the festive atmosphere, Santa Clara has it all. Join us in supporting our local merchants this holiday season as they provide everything you need for gift-giving, decorating, and celebrating!



UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 1-24 7:00 p.m

Adventsfenster: Countdown to Christmas
See more info on Page 3

DECEMBER 6 6:30 p.m

Samichlaus Abend: Swiss Santa Night
See more info on Page 4

DECEMBER 11 5:00 p.m.

City Council Regular Meeting (*Public Hearing*)

DECEMBER 12 5:30 p.m.

Planning Commission Regular Meeting

DECEMBER 14 10:00 a.m.

Wreaths Across America @ Cemetery

DECEMBER 18 5:00 p.m.

City Council Work Meeting

DECEMBER 25 & 26

Town Hall Closed - Christmas Holiday



WREATHS — *across* — AMERICA

Santa Clara City is participating in the Wreaths Across America program at the Santa Clara City Cemetery on Saturday December 14, 2024, at 10:00 am. This special event is held annually across the country with a mission to honor, remember, and teach about the service and sacrifices of our veterans. Wreaths Across America brings us together for a time of remembrance, reflection, and a reminder to let us never forget our veterans and all they have done for our country to provide the freedoms and way of life we know and enjoy. There will be a short program at the cemetery, featuring a special veteran speaker. Wreaths will be provided to families to place on their veterans graves in our cemetery during the program. Light refreshments will be served following placement of the wreaths.

To learn more or donate please visit:
<https://www.wreathsasscrossamerica.org/>

2025 Business License Renewals

2025 Business License renewal notices have been sent out and are due no later than January 31, 2025. A \$25 late fee is applicable after January 31st. Please make sure your Department of Commerce entity registration and all state licenses required for your business are current and provided with your renewal. Daycare, childcare, preschools, and commercial businesses must have their annual Fire Safety Inspection completed and passed to receive their business license. For business license renewal questions please call 673-6712 Ext 201.



Adventsfenster

A Santa Clara Swiss Tradition 2024

Join us each night in December as a new window unveils at 7:00 PM

Sunday, Dec 1– Dutchman Cookie Company

2300 Santa Clara Drive

Monday, Dec 2– Denise Webster

1398 Vernon Street -Mandy's House

Tuesday, Dec 3– Christina Merrill

1435 Lava Ridge Road

Wednesday, Dec 4– Devenee Smith

2125 Arrowhead Trail

Thursday, Dec 5– Emily Ivie

548 Roberts Circle

Friday, Dec 6– Kristelle Hendrickson

Santa Clara Town Hall

Saturday, Dec 7– Clarissa Bowler

1485 Quail Street

Sunday, Dec 8– Jill Bearden

3703 Sagebrush Drive

Monday Dec 9– Brandi Fotheringham

800 Swiss Haven Circle

Tuesday, Dec 10– Susannah Nilsson

Relief Society Building—Heritage Square

Wednesday, Dec 11– AnnaLora Ashton

2501 Vineyard Drive

Thursday, Dec 12– Mandi Gubler

3097 Santa Clara Drive

Friday Dec 13– Terri Howell

1538 Boomers Loop East

Saturday, Dec 14– Patrice Hunt

2859 Canyon View Drive

Sunday, Dec 15– Brooke Neumann

2485 Scenic Drive

Monday, Dec 16– Benita Brooks

3635 Rimview Drive

Tuesday, Dec 17– Anisa Scholes

1287 Heights Drive

Wednesday, Dec 18– Chelsi Starks

782 Covey Lane

Thursday, Dec 19– Elaine Cooper

1716 Snow Canyon Drive

Friday, Dec 20– Christy Matthews

2990 Swiss Drive

Saturday, Dec 21– Kelsey West

2322 Concord Avenue

Sunday, Dec 22– Liisa Frei

2386 Covey Lane

Monday, Dec 23– Ester West

2991 Swiss Drive

Tuesday, Dec 24– Paula Watkins

2624 Canyon View Drive



A SWISS CHRISTMAS TRADITION

Samichlaus Abend

SANTA NIGHT

Friday, December 6, 2024 | 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Tree Lighting Begins at 7:00 PM

2603 Santa Clara Drive, Santa Clara Utah 84765



Santa Clara Public Works Receives Perfect Results in Water System Sanitary Survey

Big shoutout to our incredible Public Works crew! Recently, during the sanitary survey of our water system, the inspector shared that in the last five years, he had never come across a utility system with zero violations - until he inspected ours! Their hardwork keeps our utility systems running smoothly, often going unnoticed. Thank you, Santa Clara Public Works, for working hard every day to ensure safe and reliable services for our community!



Water no more than 1x a week

To help conserve water during the cozy season, reduce your watering to no more than once a week from November through February. This adjustment will provide your landscape with the essential water it needs while helping Washington County conserve millions of gallons of water each month. By making this small change, you'll not only support the health of your yard, but also play a part in the regions ongoing water conservation efforts!

WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE PROGRAM

Ready to convert your grass to a water-efficient landscape?

The Washington County Water Conservancy District will rebate property owners for each square foot of grass removed and replaced with water efficient landscaping.

Rebate amounts

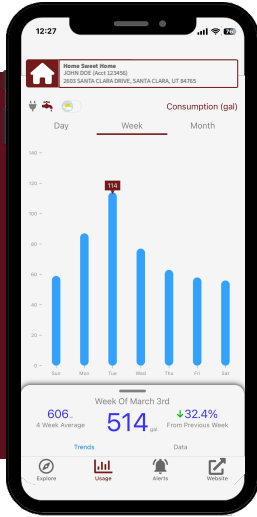
- \$2.00 per square foot up to 5,000 square feet
- \$1.00 per square foot for more than 5,000 square feet
- Minimum of 300 square feet to qualify

After your application is submitted, you must participate in a pre-conversion site visit. Starting your project prior to application approval and a pre-conversion site visit will make your conversion ineligible.

[APPLY NOW](#)

[SEE THE FAQs](#)

[CLASSES & EVENTS](#)



MyMeter Mobile App

NEW USER SET UP

Welcome to the MyMeter Mobile App!

Welcome to the 'MyMeter' mobile app! Our goal is to make tracking your water and power usage simpler and more convenient than ever before. With our cutting-edge Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system, water readings are taken daily, and power readings are taken every fifteen minutes, all securely stored in the cloud for easy access. With the 'MyMeter' mobile app, you can effortlessly monitor your consumption, compare trends, set alerts, and more. Get ready to take control of your utility usage and make informed, cost-saving decisions every day!



Easy New User Set Up

Step 1: Download the 'MyMeter' Mobile App

Apple/iOS Users

Search for 'MyMeter' in the App Store or use [this link](#) or QR Code to download the app.



SCAN HERE

Android Users

Search for 'MyMeter' in the Google Play Store or use [this link](#) or QR Code to download the app.



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Step 2: Select Your Utility

Open the app and scroll down to select 'Santa Clara City'.

Step 3: Register User

Select 'Register User' and fill in the registration information using your utility account information. You can now start exploring the MyMeter mobile app! As a new app, your feedback is invaluable to us. If you encounter any issues or have suggestions for improvement, please do not hesitate to let us know. Your input will help us enhance the app and provide a better experience for all users!