San Simeon Community Services District



July - September 2017

NEWSLETTER

3nd Quarter: July 25, 2017

RATE INCREASE

Per Ordinance 110 passed on November 11, 2011, a billing rate increase will take effect July 1, 2017. The increase of 4.9%, which includes CPI (consumer price index) in the amount of 1.9%, reflects a 2% *REDUCTION* in the allowable rate increase Effective in the July billing the monthly service fee is \$32.33. The rate for water per unit is \$11.55, and sewer per unit is \$8.68 for residents. Please look to the left side of your bill for your new monthly rates. If you would like assistance with understanding your bill, please call the District Office 805-927-4778.

The rate increase helps the District maintain and improve your facilities, qualify for grants and or loans for new equipment such as the Well Head Treatment Project, and to be better prepared in the event of an emergency. Currently, the District is focusing on is the replacement of the District's water storage reservoir and expansion of the District's water storage capacity.

We have a 150,000 gallon potable water reservoir. Cal Fire requires 400,000 gallons of water to be available in storage for firefighting. The expansion of the reservoir will be of benefit to the community in the event of a fire, and will replace the existing approximately 50 year old reservoir. Staff began the process of searching for grants to help the District pay for some of the project cost. Please review current and future Board Packets to keep updated with staff's progress.

A BIG THANK YOU

The second annual District Clean-Up Day was a huge success. A <u>BIG THANK YOU</u> to our community volunteers: Julie Stanert, Donna & Ron Garner, Penny & Ken Niadna, John & Deb Richardson, and Mary Margaret & Larry McGuire. We collected 7 bags of trash from District streets. Your participation was greatly appreciated! See you next year.



HEAL THE BAY

Heal the Bay is an environmental non-profit agency dedicated to making coastal waters and watersheds in California safe, healthy and clean. Since its inception over 25 years ago, the Beach Report Card has provided beachgoers with a reliable and easy-to-understand tool in analyzing beach water quality. The new report card (June 26) has been released and the beach access area for Pico Ave has been given an A+. This means that the water quality at our local beach is top notch! Grades are based on bacterial analysis of water samples taken at the site. Heal the Bay is also a sponsor of the annual "Coastal Clean-up Day".

ECOSLO COASTAL CLEAN UP

The 31st annual Coastal Clean-up of SLO county beaches, sponsored by ECOSLO, will take place on Saturday, September 16th, 2017. Last year volunteers cleared over two tons of trash from county beaches from Hearst Cove to Pismo Beach. The event is in conjunction with the Ocean Conservancy, which tallies and tracks beach litter worldwide, and provides an opportunity for residents to participate locally in an international effort.

Volunteers for our local site, Pico Beach access, should gather at the beach stairs at 9 a.m. Please wear hats and sunscreen.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR

Our office will be closed on the following date: September 4, 2017

San Simeon CSD 111 Pico Avenue San Simeon, CA 93452

* * * Next San Simeon CSD * * *
Board of Directors' Meeting
Wednesday, August 9, 2017
Cavalier Ballroom 6:00 PM

New Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00-5:00 PM

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