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★ NEWSLETTER ★

LOCAL OFFICERS RECEIVE ACCOMMODATIONS

On December 28, 2022, at about 2053 hours, the Bexar County Sheriff's Office responded to a call for service in the 12700 block of US Hwy 90 West for a crash with life-threatening injuries. It was later determined to be the result of two vehicles racing on the highway, one of which fled the scene and the other individual was arrested on site. Three individuals were critically injured in this racing incident, including the arrested driver.

With little to no information on the at large vehicle, Traffic Homicide Investigators initiated their investigation and through further in-depth interviews of the witnesses on scene, were able to establish a color, make and model of the at-large suspect vehicle that fled the scene. BCSO deputies determined the second vehicle was a White GTI Volkswagen and was driving towards Castroville.

BCSO reached out to Castroville PD who assisted with getting video footage from nearby businesses to see if a vehicle matching the description had been seen. One of the business owners had footage of the vehicle and

Investigators were able to properly identify the vehicle and who the suspect was and BCSO was able to make a second arrest.

In the forty-eight hours following the crash, the Traffic Homicide Investigators and Castroville PD were persistent in their efforts to identify the at large suspect vehicle, utilizing their investigative tools, and soliciting the assistance of other agencies and the Bexar County Sheriff's Office Organized Crime Unit. Ultimately, their teamwork, perseverance and exceptional investigative skills produced not only the identification and location of the vehicle and suspect, but a confession and apprehension as well.

As a result of the Traffic Homicide Investigators working collectively as a team, in conjunction with the assistance of the Bexar County Sheriff's Office Organized Crime Unit and the Castroville Police Department, all suspects involved in this crime were successfully apprehended without incident and will be held accountable for their actions through the Bexar County Justice System.

For more details see the Hondo Anvil



NEW COMMUNITY CENTER COMING TO CASTROVILLE REGIONAL PARK

Memo from Friends of Castroville Regional Park President Helen Delevan:

For decades, the FCRP has dreamed of a Community Center located at the Regional Park. Why at the Park? Because the Regional Park already has a plethora of amenities to complement and sustain such a facility. Most importantly of these, it has an adjacent swimming pool that can be included in a Community Center reservation....or not. For this reason alone, it will be able to serve purposes not possible at any other location in the City....or in the County, for that matter. Now, thanks to an awesome federal grant in the amount of \$1,705,340, our dream is headed toward actually becoming a reality for the City of Castroville and the surrounding area.

In addition to providing a perfectly beautiful setting for any wedding, reunion, or community event, this multi-purpose facility, once constructed, will serve as Headquarters for a Summer Day Camp for all kids. This Community Center will allow us to offer them an unbelievable array of age-appropriate, guided activities, classes and programs, including, but certainly not limited to:

Nature Study, Science, Indigenous History, Photography, Art, Theatre (including music and dance), Ceramics, Geology, Leather Crafts, Computer skills, Birding, CPR, First Aid and Lifeguard training, Special Needs Enrichment, Tutoring and/or G/T Enrichment



With this air-conditioned facility, we will also be able to team up with the Castroville Public Library and MVISD to offer programs year round for both kids and adults. For Seniors alone, the list of possibilities is long: Bingo, Quilting, Computer skills, Crafts, Book Clubs, Cooking, Painting, Fitness.

There will also be a smaller room that will be ideal for local organization Board Meetings, plus a Park Office, Store, Lifeguard/Pool Office, restrooms accessible to the Community Center and restrooms accessible to the pool, a kitchen, storage and.....a restroom and water fountain accessible to hikers and park patrons, even when the facility itself is closed.

Lastly, in addition to providing jobs for teachers and young people seeking extra income, this facility will have the potential to pay for itself in a very few years. We can't wait!

For more details see the Hondo Anvil

LOVE YOUR LIBRARY EVENT



*You are cordially invited to an
open house for the
Castroville Public Library*

Silent Auction | Music | Refreshments

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