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# **Town of San Luis**

NEWSLETTER

November 2020 — FREE

#### **Welcome New Trustees!**



#### **Conrad Gallegos**

Conrad Gallegos is a fifth generation native of the Town of San Luis and very proud his family has been a founding part of this great town of San Luis. Conrad has lots of history in trying to make his community better and watched his grandparents, parents, aunts and uncles, and cousins contribute to the town and county in many different ways.

He would like to do his part as a citizen of his community and take part in volunteering his time on the Town Board. He feels he can contribute his knowledge of the people and history to help the town grow.

Having seen a lot of good happening in San Luis Conrad has stepped up to be a part of the positive change and feels it is an honor to serve his community, its citizens in and around San Luis. Conrad stated "I do believe I can help make a difference to help keep the progress made in a positive direction in this beautiful place I call home."



#### Julian Medina

Julian's connection to San Luis began with his grandparents Linda and William Alvarado who moved San Luis in the mid 1990s. Julian had the pleasure of visiting his grandparents and family many times and loved every moment of his visits to San Luis. He moved to San Luis from California two years ago with a desire to be more involved with his new hometown community and volunteer his skills and abilities as a Trustee and to serve this place he now calls home.

As a man of faith, Julian desires to use his voice for the forgotten, for the lost and to be a voice for faith as well to help the youth of San Luis. His intentions as a town trustee would be to work and serve for the betterment of San Luis as a whole and to represent the people whose voices are unheard.

Julian believes his personal experiences and testimony can speak for many in this community.

## From the Mayor

Thanksgiving is a time to join with family and friends and give thanks for the blessings and freedoms that we enjoy every day. I am thankful for my loving family and so appreciative of the opportunity to serve as the Mayor of San Luis.

The strength of our town comes from you, our residents. I am thankful we have been able to create needed progress for our citizens with the park project and projects to come. I'm also thankful for our Town Trustees and Staff, who work hard every day to provide the town with needed services.

As you celebrate Thanksgiving, please remember to reach out to those in our community who are less fortunate. That giving spirit helps make our community a special place to live.

I wish you and your families COVID-safe Happy Thanksgiving gatherings.

Sincerely, Tiffany Gallegos, Mayor

## **COVID-19 Update**

Costilla County Public Health Update — The San Luis Valley's cumulative total of COVID-19 cases as of November 2, 2020 is 784. Our region has had 133 newly reported cases in the past two weeks. We continue to have local people hospitalized with COVID. There were 15 local COVID-19 related hospitalizations in the month of October. This does not include patients who were transported out of the region for hospital care.

Public Health is working long and hard to keep up with the necessary case investigations and contact tracing for the identified cases. We need everyone to do their part to turn this around so that individuals, families, our businesses, and our communities can get through this and thrive, if we can pull together and do the things that we each can do by avoiding gatherings, wear a mask, watch your distance, wash your hands. Stay home when you can, especially if you are vulnerable. If you have been around

someone who has COVID, do the right thing and quarantine for 14 days after your exposure, even if you don't feel sick. Some people who have the virus don't show symptoms, but they can still pass it to others.

The SLV currently has 131 known active COVID-19 cases.

Alamosa County - 68 Conejos County - 19 Costilla County - 8 Mineral County - 0 Rio Grande County - 20 Saguache County - 16

#### **Volunteer Wanted**

The Questa del Rio News is looking for a volunteer to distribute monthly newspapers to newsstands/vendors in the San Luis, Garcia and Ft. Garland areas for the winter months. And we are always interested in hearing about what is going on with our Colorado neighbors. If there are news stories, history, events, or announcements to share with us, please let us know at news@questaedf.com or 575-586-2149. Hope to hear from you soon!



# **Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway**

The Town of San Luis is Sponsoring a Turkey Drawing!

Fill out this form and drop off at the Town Hall at 408 Main Street to be in a drawing to receive one of six turkeys. Drawing will take place Friday, November 20th, 2020 at 10:00 am at the Town Hall. You do not need to be present to win. One entry per person. Must live within the town limits to enter drawing.

Name:
Physical Address:
Phone Number:
Email Address:

### **Dump Truck For Sale, Open for Sealed Bids**



The Town of San Luis will receive sealed bids in the office of the Town Clerk for the purchase of a 1981 Orange, International S-Series DUMP TRUCK with Snow Plow.

The weight of the truck is 16,400 lbs, with 125,363 miles and is a former Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) snow plow truck. The truck is drivable and runs but needs new tires and other possible repairs. Bids shall be made in accordance with the following requirements for bidders.

- 1. The Truck will be sold AS IS, no exceptions.
- 2. Owner must have a Commercial Driver's License to drive on public roads.
- 3. Return your bid in a sealed envelope to the Town Hall at 408 Main Street, or mail to P.O. Box 200, San Luis, Colorado 81152, no later than Friday, Nov. 27th, 2020 at 4:00 pm.
- Include your mailing address and phone number with your sealed bid.

The Town of San Luis Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

For questions or to schedule a site visit call the San Luis Town Manager, Susan Sanderford at (719) 672-3321.

# San Luis Dogs-at-Large Violations

#### 11.17.090 Dogs Running At Large Prohibited

It is unlawful for any owner, possessor or keeper of any dog in the Town to permit the dog to run at large within the Town. A dog shall be deemed to be running at large when off or away from the premises of the owner, possessor or keeper thereof and not under the control of such owner, possessor or keeper or his or her agent or a member of his or her immediate family, either by leash, cord or chain.

The Town of San Luis has received multiple complaints of dogs running at large within the town. People have been bit, cats and other animals have been attacked and killed as well. Citizens do not feel safe walking down streets because of dogs following them and barking menacingly at them.

Currently, there are too many town dog owners who do not leash or fence their dog which is causing a major problem in our neighborhoods. It is a safety issue and a danger for adults and children walking the streets and for cars driving on the street. It is hard for children to feel safe in their own neighborhoods because of these uncontrolled dogs and negligent owners.

Starting in 2021 the San Luis Code Enforcement will begin issuing Notice of Violations to any home or dog owner that allows their dog to run freely on the streets. Receiving a Notice of Violation can result in a court summons and receiving a possible fine of up to \$2,6450.



#### **Invitation to Bid**

Notice is hereby given that the Town of San Luis will receive sealed bids in the office of the Town Clerk, P.O. Box 200, San Luis, Colorado 81152, no later than Friday, November 20th, 2020 at 4:00 pm for the demolition and removal of debris of the existing roof and the replacement of the roof on school bell tower at the San Luis Community Park located at the corner of 6th Street and Main Street, San Luis, CO.

Bids shall be made in accordance with the following requirements for bidders.

- The cost will include demolition of the school bell tower roof plus removal and disposal of the old roof debris.
- Replacement of the roof to match the exact historic style of the existing roof.
- 3. Prices shall exclude all taxes as the Town of San Luis is tax exempt.
- 4. Work must be completed by May 31th, 2021.
- All bidders must be licensed, bonded and insured for consideration.
- 6. All bidders must have experience with roof restoration.
- 7. All bids must include three references.

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For questions or to schedule a site visit call the San Luis Town Manager at (719) 672-3321.

/S/ Susan Sanderford San Luis Town Manager

#### Fall Dumpster Days-November 13, 14 & 15, 2020

# DU PSTER Days

The Town of San Luis is sponsoring Fall Dumpster Days for town residents on November 13th through 15th, 2020 from 8 am to 5 pm to have a place to remove trash, branches, piles of wood and other rubbish from their yards. If you still have broken limbs from the September snow storm, now it the time to dispose of them.

The dumpster will be placed at the Town Shop on the south end of town for residents to bring and dispose of their yard trash. We would like all residents to make a concerted effort in cleaning up any dried brush, wood and rubbish from their yards as a safety measure to prevent fires as well since Colorado is still in a fire ban. We are offering this service free of charge. The dumpster will be on first come, first served basis and closed once the dumpster is full.

Common household trash will not be allowed for dumping. No furniture or appliances allowed. NO TIRES allowed. This service is available for Town residents only. The dumpster will be monitored. The dumpster will be available for yard trash only. For questions please call Town Hall, 408 Main Street, 672-3321.

# **Light-Up San Luis for Christmas Contest**



In what has become a holiday tradition in San Luis, the Town of San Luis invites the public to go big this year in decorating your home for Christmas. COVID 19 has put a damper on our holiday gatherings in 2020 so what a better way to celebrate Christmas this year by joining in the Light-Up San Luis for Christmas Contest.

The Town of San Luis is inviting citizens to decorate their homes to light-up San Luis for Christmas in December of 2020 for others to enjoy. We invite the public to cruise around town the evening of Saturday, December 19th, 2020 and pick

out your favorite decorated home. Then text your winning picture and the house address to (719) 992-8051 or or (719) 580-5798. Prizes awarded:

Grand Prize \$100 1st Runner Up \$50 Runner Up \$25.

You need not apply, but you must have your decorations completed by the last night of the contest judging (Dec. 19th), when your neighbors will be cruising about the neighborhoods to vote on their favorite decorated home. Winners will be announced in the January 2021 Town Newsletter.

# Subscribe to Our Local Newspapers!

For more local and Costilla County news, be sure and subscribe and support our two area local newspapers.

#### La Sierra

P.O. Box 591 San Luis, CO 81152 \$22 per year in Colorado \$25 out of state Maria Martinez, Publisher lasierra@gojade.org

#### **Costilla County Free Press**

P.O. Box 306
San Luis, CO 81152
\$22 per year in Colorado
\$24 out of state
Iva Gallegos, Publisher
costillacountyfreepress@gmail.com

# **Virus Information**

Colorado HELP line 1-877-462-2911

(English and Spanish) for Colorado general information.

# Colorado updates and guidance:

https://covid19.colorado.gov

CDC updates and guidance: https://www.cdc. gov/coronavirus

**Small Business** 

www.choosecolorado.com

**Volunteer or Donate** www.helpcoloradonow.org

# **Invitation to Bid**

Notice is hereby given that the Town of San Luis will receive sealed bids in the office of the Town Clerk, P.O. Box 200, San Luis, Colorado 81152, no later than Monday, November 30th, 2020 at 4:00 pm for contract work to snow plow the Town of San Luis streets and roadways.

Bids shall be made in accordance with the following requirements for bidders.

- 1. The contractor must live in the Town of San Luis and provide their own snow plow equipment.
- 2. Start time of 5:30 am or earlier, if possible, on snow days until work is complete.
- 3. Contractor will be paid on a per hour basis and must be available on all snow days.
- 4. Snow route map will be provided.
- 5. The Town will not be liable for maintenance on personal equipment and accidents.
- 6. Prices shall exclude all taxes as the Town of San Luis is tax exempt. The Town of San Luis Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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## **Town Hall Meetings**

Currently Town Hall Meetings will be by Zoom video conference call until further notice. If you would like to attend by phone please email townclerk@townofsanluisco.org

**Town Hall Meeting - 6:00 pm** The 2nd Tuesday of each month

Work Sessions - 6:00 pm
The 1st Tuesday of each month

# **Support San Luis Businesses**

<b>ASC Electronics</b>	672-0362
<b>BeLeaf Wellness</b>	206-3361
Family Dollar	672-0377
<b>Carson Construction</b>	298-0727
Central Oil	672-3840
Ernie's Barbershop	588-9942
GT's Trash Service	672-3601
<b>Gus's Liquor Store</b>	672-3331
Jacales Art Gallery	588- 6831
J&J Self Storage	672-3660
La Casa Canna Bis	672-4220
Mondragon's Tire	672-3325
Mrs. Rio's Restauran Thai Kitchen	<b>t</b> 672-0211
Painted Sage (303)	) 919-9937
Piccadilly Pizza	672-0340
R&R Market	672-3346
Romero Funeral	589- 9200
San Luis Inn	673-3399
San Luis Music	680-3933
San Luis Propane	672-4204
Sonia's Convenience	672-4461
Speedway Garage	672-9903