

## District News & Notes

The District is wrapping up its 75th year and we are pleased to report it's been an eventful and successful one! Highlights include:

- Completed the Mountain Oaks and Sunset Lift Station improvements projects
- Received 90% Grant funding from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to fund the Headworks, Irrigation Pump Station and Chlorine Contact Basin capital improvement project.
- Held a 75th year celebration
- Two board members received recognition for serving their 10th consecutive year on the Board



Erie "Don" Young



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The District has a new, efficient phone system that allows customers to access information and reach office staff. Try it out by giving us a call at (209) 754-3281!

Our office is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Wednesday and Friday by appointment.

## Working Together for a Healthy Sanitary System

Did you know that the sanitary system works like the working of a body's heart and circulation? Consider this, when human arteries get clogged, they create stress on the circulation system and impact the heart's ability to pump blood. It's the same as the sanitary system. Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) that build up in residential pipes constricts the flow of waste and eventually clogs the pipes and creates unsanitary back-ups into the home, which can overflow out in the street. Follow these tips for proper FOG disposal to keep the "heart" of your home, and your community, healthy:

- Let hot liquids cool before pouring in the trash or pour the liquid into a sturdy container to cool, then place in the trash.
- Dry wipe liquid or semi-solid FOG into the trash with a scraper or spatula before rinsing
- Never mix dish soap and hot water with FOG and pour it down the drain. Liquid FOG eventually turns back into a solid in the pipes, causing constriction over time to the point of clogging the pipe and creating a back-up.



The District does its own health check on the system by conducting smoke testing, a process that involves blowing harmless smoke into parts of the sanitary sewer system to find any leaks or improper connections. The District conducted smoke testing in residential areas in August 2021 with excellent results. Together, we can keep our sanitary sewer system in healthy shape resulting in a safe, reliable system. Visit [www.stoptheclog.com](http://www.stoptheclog.com) for more information about FOG.



### 2022 Calendar Winners

Each year, as a part of our Outreach Program, SASD invites the fourth, fifth and sixth graders at San Andreas Elementary to enter a themed Calendar Art Contest. This year's theme was Water! Past, Present, Future. Every fourth, fifth and sixth grade family will receive a free calendar. Foothill Printing and Graphics is also making the calendar available to order. It would make a great gift this upcoming holiday season! Contact Sean at [sean@sierrabg.com](mailto:sean@sierrabg.com).

This year's entries were very creative and tough decisions had to be made! Cover Art winner went to Zaniel Lopez Tavizon from Mrs. Pargett's 6th grade class. January - December winners include:

- January - Natalie Kautz, 6th grade, Mrs. Pargett
- February - Payton Gray, 6th grade, Mrs. Pargett
- March - Lilliana Rodriguez, 6th grade, Mrs. Pargett
- April - Brooklyn Miramontes, 5th grade, Mrs. Poole
- May - Evey Hamilton, 6th grade, Mrs. Pargett
- June - Demion Schuermann, 6th grade, Mrs. Pargett
- July - Enrique Acevedo, 6th grade, Mrs. Pargett
- August - James Cragun, 6th grade, Mrs. Pargett
- September - Alyssa Cox, 6th grade, Mrs. Pargett
- October - Emily Herd, 6th grade, Mrs. Pargett
- November - Laney Osbourn, 5th grade, Mrs. Poole
- December - David Devich, 5th grade, Mrs. Poole

**Congratulations to all!**

### Sanitary Sewer Holiday Word Search

Hey kids! See if you can find words related to the sanitary sewer system. Words can go either direction and are used once.



X Z C B R N A Q O F O A R F W  
 I I G A E Z D I L H V K S Q Y  
 M B D C W Q L U T E L I O T T  
 J X S T E S S S L U D G E N C  
 O J I E S H A E U J N K E J M  
 C C M R D Y Z H P I L M M W B  
 E E U I F Q Z B A A T Q P X Z  
 K P B A T G F R A A R X F O B  
 D G I B G F D I E C R C K J J  
 R R R P R G G R L T K L S P W  
 I I S D E A T X H T F U Y M C  
 S Z T L A C L O G E E Y P U Y  
 S T A F S N T L S B K R H P D  
 O U A K E P V B V K K K R E Z  
 W B X P S N I B P W B X Z Z W

- Backup
- Drain
- Flush
- Pipe
- Sewer
- Treatment
- Fats
- Pump
- Clog
- Filter
- Oils
- Scrape
- Toilet
- Bacteria
- Grease
- Sludge

The San Andreas Sanitary District wishes our community a safe, festive holiday season!



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