



San Anselmo News

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New Year Goodbye's

2010 has begun without two of the Town's key staff members. Finance and Administrative Services Director Janet Pendoley and Planning and Building Director Lisa Wight both retired at the end of 2009.

Janet Pendoley started working for the Town in 2001. In her nine years with the Town, she guided the Town through a period of extreme fiscal distress and her financial acumen was invaluable in keeping the Town on a stable footing. JP, as she is known at Town Hall, has the rare skill of being able to communicate complicated technical information to laypersons. You may have seen JP walking her daily late afternoon loop through downtown San Anselmo and Shady Lane! JP's husband, Bob, worked for Corte Madera, and he retired last month, too.

Lisa Wight began her career in San Anselmo in 1977. She started as a steno clerk and over the next 30 years went from Steno Clerk to Planning Secretary to Planning Assistant to Planning Technician to Planner to Associate Planner and to Senior Planner to Planning Director to Planning and Building Director. In addition, she served as the Interim Planning Director on three different occasions! Lisa has dedicated her entire working career to ensuring San Anselmo retains its small town charm through equitable and well thought out planning policies. Her husband, Ted, a Police Captain, retired from the Town several years ago.

2010 U. S. Census

April 1st is census day. Ensuring an accurate census count of residents is an urgent priority for local officials from now through April 1, Census Day. If California's population is undercounted cities and counties could lose between \$3 billion and \$5 billion in federal funding.

It is estimated that the state loses \$1,300 every year for each person who is not counted.

Types of funding that are determined using census data include community development block grants and social services. Census information also helps drive decisions about the locations of school, roads, hospitals, senior centers and other vital infrastructure.

The information collected by the census is confidential. By law, the census bureau cannot share an individual's answers with anyone, including welfare and immigration agencies. Census workers take an oath to protect the confidentiality of census responses.

The 2010 census has only 10 questions, unlike the 2000 census which used a long questionnaire. The 2010 form should take just a few minutes to complete.

Key Census Dates

<u>Feb. – March 2010:</u>	Census questionnaires are mailed or delivered to households.
<u>April 1, 2010:</u>	Census Day.
<u>April – July 2010:</u>	Census takers visit households that did not return a questionnaire by mail.
<u>Dec. 2010:</u>	By law, U.S. Census Bureau delivers population counts to President Obama for apportionment.
<u>March 2011:</u>	By law, U.S. Census Bureau completes delivery of redistricting data to states.

For more information regarding the U.S. Census go to www.californiacompletecount.org.

Flu Vaccination Information

Free H1N1 flu vaccinations are now available to everyone. Vaccinations are available by appointment only.

For the month of January 2010 vaccinations will be given on Tuesdays between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and Thursdays between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Marin Health & Wellness Center, 3260 Kerner Blvd. in San Rafael.

For other advice or questions about H1N1 Flu call the H1N1 flu line at (415) 473-6823 or visit the website www.marinflu.org.

In addition:

- Vaccinations (with an administration fee) are available at several pharmacies and other locations. Updates will be posted at www.marinflu.org.
- Children 9 years and younger who have received their first dose, need a second vaccination at least 21 days after the first one.
- It's not too late to get vaccinated. Flu season usually peaks in January or February.

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