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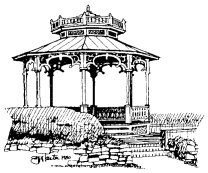

Heritage Association of San Marcos Bi-Monthly Membership Newsletter Jul/Aug 2026

WHEN: Thursday, August 6, 2026, 11am-1pm
WHERE: Charles S. Cock House, 400 E. Hopkins Street
WHAT: HASM Famous Cottage Kitchen Lunches resume Thursday, August 6th!
Hosted by Tarbox & Brown in Kissing Tree, lunch promises to be outstanding. Come celebrate good times with the community for only $10 per person in beautifully restored Charles S. Cock House Museum.

Rent The Charles S. Cock House Museum For Your Next Event

The Charles S. Cock House is available to rent for events. Visit our website at www.heritagesanmarcos.org and click the "Facility Rental Info" to view the new, fillable online forms with updated details and information.

This historic gem is an ideal venue to rent for any event– birthday, anniversary, club, business meeting. Located in tree shaded Veramendi Plaza Park next to the river, it provides three furnished dining rooms, an ADA accessible restroom, fully equipped kitchen with parking in front, rear and access to the street. The money raised goes towards maintenance of this iconic historic building. Affordable and conveniently located, there is no better place to celebrate that special occasion.

WHEN: Thursday, August 20, 2026, 5:30-8:00 pm
WHERE: Cephas House, 217 Martin Luther King Street
WHAT: History Happy Hour with local historian, Tom Jackson Tom will share his presentation entitled UNCLE SAM, LIBERTY & AMERICAN ICONS. Not to be missed for our USA 250th Anniversary! See details on page 3.

WHEN: Saturday, September 19, 8:00am-2:00pm
WHERE: Charles S. Cock House Museum, 400 E. Hopkins
WHAT: 6th Annual Treasure Sale
Drop off donated items from Sunday, September 13 through Wednesday, September 16 at the Cock House. We welcome fine china, vintage jewelry, clothes, kitchenware, games, toys, holiday décor, small accent furniture and just about anything not requiring repair or cleaning.
Call Jan Little at 906-206-6483 if you can help during the week to stage and price or to help on the day of the sale: Saturday, September 19th from 8am—2pm.
A HASM Members Only Pre-Sale Event will be held Friday night, Sept. 18, 5-7pm.
Start packing up your donations for this well attended, community fundraiser! High end items at fabulous prices!

WHEN: Monday, October 19, 2026, 5:50-8:00pm
WHERE: Palmer's Restaurant, 218 Moore Street
WHAT: Annual Membership Dinner, Awards and Meeting
Enjoy a welcoming happy hour, delicious appetizers and a gourmet dinner will honoring this year's award recipients and supporting the mission of the Heritage Association of San Marcos. Details on page 3.

WHEN: Friday, November 6, 2026, 5:00pm
WHERE: Veramendi Plaza Park behind the Charles S. Cock House Museum, 400 E. Hopkins
WHAT: Heritage Arbor Day Award
Heritage Arbor Day is an event hosted by the Heritage Association, planned and conducted by the Riverwalk Park Committee to honor a deceased distinguished citizen who made outstanding contributions to the enhancement of life in this community. A significant historical and cultural tradition since 1979, it is held outdoors each year in the Memorial Grove in Veramendi Plaza Park every November.
The 2026 Honoree of this coveted award is Marianne Moore and the tribute to this remarkable community leader will be held on Friday, November 6, 2026 at 5pm.
HASM members and the public are invited to join the Riverwalk Committee in this celebratory event.

2026 EVENTS

Heritage Association of San Marcos

SAVE THE DATE

EVENT	DETAILS	LOCATION	DATE	NOTES
Cottage Kitchen Luncheons **1st Thursday**	Lunches hosted by local businesses & organizations	Charles S. Cock House Museum 400 E. Hopkins Street	**Feb,Mar,Apr, May, Aug, Sep,Oct,Nov, 11am-1pm**	Hosts listed below by date. Menus vary. $10 per person. Best lunch in town with dessert!
History Happy Hour & Speaker **3rd Thursday**	Quarterly Happy Hours, Speakers, Wine, Appetizers	Price Center 222 W. San Antonio Street	**Feb 19 & May 21 5:30-7:30pm**	Speaker topics listed below for Feb 19 & May 21 - ***Price Center***
History Happy Hour & Speaker ***Continued***	Quarterly Happy Hours, Speakers, Wine, Appetizers	Cephas House 217 Martin Luther King Street	**Aug 20 & Nov 19 5:30-7:30pm**	Speaker topics listed below for Aug 20 & Nov 19 -***Cephas House***
Annual Veramendi Garden Day	Riverwalk Committee & CoSM beautify park	Veramendi Plaza Park corner of Hopkins & CM Allen Pkwy	**Saturday, March 7, 10am-1pm**	Preservation, maintenance & plantings. Bring rake, shovel & passion to beautify park.
Tour of Homes Kick Off Party	Tour Kick Off Party for Home Owners, Sponsors,Volunteers	Palmer's 218 Moore Street	**Monday, April 27 5-7pm**	By invitation, includes one Cocktail (open bar), & hearty Appetizers Kick it UP!!
Tour of Homes: Americana Theme	Stately homes & gardens in historic district	CHECK IN 1132 Belvin St: tickets, wristbands, brochure with map	**Saturday, May 2 10am-4pm**	Tickets: $30 in advance at www.HeritageSanMarcos.org $35 day of tour @ registration
6th Annual Treasure Sale Fundraiser	Upscale donated treasures at incredible prices.	Cock House Museum 400 E. Hopkins Street	**Saturday, September 19, 8am-2pm**	Drop off Donations Sun, Sep 13 thru Wed, Sep 16 @Cock House. ***Members Only PreSale: Fri. Night, Sep 18, 5-7pm***
Annual Awards Dinner, Officers, & Meeting	Celebrate Heritage & its Legacy – not to be missed event!	Palmer's 217 Moore Street	**Monday, October 19 5:30-8pm**	Tickets: $50 per person www.HeritageSanMarcos.org Purchase In advance ONLY
Riverwalk Arbor Day & Awards	Hosted by the HASM Riverwalk Park Committee	Veramendi Plaza Park, corner of Hopkins St and CM Allen Pkwy	**Friday, November 6, 5pm**	Honor deceased individual who made distinguished contributions in community

Hosts and Dates for Cottage Kitchen Lunches 2026, 1st Thursday of these months:

SPRING HOSTS – Feb. 5: Leadership San Marcos, **Mar 5**: Corridor Title, **Apr 2**: Sage Capitol Bank/Grin's co-host, **May 7**: Bluebonnet Lions

FALL HOSTS –Aug 6: Tarbox & Brown, **Sep 3**: San Marcos Academy**, Oct 1:** Air One Heating & Air**, Nov 5**: Damron Group

Speaker Topics during 2026 History Happy Hours, 3rd Thursday of these months:

Feb 19: Mardi Gras, Its History, Traditions & Mystique**, May 21:** George Washington & The American Revolution**,**
Aug 20: Uncle Sam, Liberty Bell & American Icons**, Nov 19:** Tribute to American Veterans

History Happy Hours are free to HASM members and their guests.

Heritage Association of San Marcos is a non-profit organization chartered in 1975 to support preservation efforts and to perpetuate traditions that beautify and enrich the community life of San Marcos: HeritageSanMarcos.org

2026 QUARTERLY HISTORY HAPPY HOURS

History Happy Hours are held the third Thursday of every third month, and the next one is August 20th at the Cephas House!
The speaker will be Attorney and Living Historian, Tom Jackson from San Antonio, sharing various aspects of the history of the United States. His presentation is entitled UNCLE SAM, LIBERTY & AMERICAN ICONS.

WHEN: **Thursday, August 20, 2026, 5:30-7:30pm**
WHERE: **The Cephas House, 217 Martin Luther King Street**
WHAT: **UNCLE SAM, LIBERTY & AMERICAN ICONS**

Mark your calendars to enjoy this thought-provoking evening filled with history as we celebrate our 250th Semiquincentennial Anniversary. Free to members and their guests. Happy hour begins at 5:30pm, presentation at 6:00pm. Includes hearty appetizers and wine. Members are encouraged to bring a friend. Text or call your RSVP to Cathy at 512-787-6294.

2026 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING & AWARDS DINNER

WHEN: **Monday, October 19, 2026, 5:30—8:00 pm**
WHERE: **Palmer's Restaurant, 218 Moore Street**
WHAT: **Annual Dinner, Awards & Meeting Celebrating the Heritage Association**

Join us for an elegant evening celebrating the history, heritage and preservation of San Marcos. Gather with fellow members, community leaders, and friends as we reflect on the accomplishments of the past year, conduct our Annual Membership Meeting, and recognize individuals and organizations whose dedication helps preserve our community's unique legacy. Enjoy a welcoming happy hour, delicious appetizers, and a gourmet dinner while honoring this year's award recipients and supporting the mission of the Heritage Association of San Marcos. NOT TO BE MISSED! Tickets are $50 per person purchased in advance from September 1 through October 14 at www.heritagesanmarcos.org. Tickets will not be sold at the door on the evening of the dinner.

Do you have a nominee for Community Volunteer of the Year and Member of the Year? Send your nomination with a letter stating contributions made by the nominee to greg@wurzbach.us by September 20th. Forms are found on our website www.heritagesanmarcos.org. There are so many deserving members who volunteer throughout the year and we want to recognize them. We look forward to hearing from you.

SAVE THE DATE

The Cottage Kitchen will reopen on Thursday, August 6th from 11am-1pm. Tarbox & Brown Restaurant will host lunch. At only $10 per person, lunch includes homemade dessert. Yumm!

Plan to visit The Early Settlers Cabin, circa 1847, in the park to experience how Texans lived in log cabins in the mid 1800s.

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