



**June 18, 2004**

**PRESS RELEASE: Independence Day Celebration**

Please join the City of San Jacinto for a press conference and parade kick off for the upcoming Independence Day Celebration, Friday June 25 at 12:00 Noon, at Hofmann Park next to the Community Center. The Community Center is located at 625 S. Pico. The Grand Marshal for the 2004 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, Vic Slick of KOLA 99.9 will be introduced.

The public is welcome and encouraged to come and participate in this event. Mayor Jim Ayres of San Jacinto, and other officials, will be present to discuss the exciting events planned for the parade and celebration that will follow.

This year's theme is "A Blast from the Past". The Independence Day Parade and Celebration, will be a spectacular event, and **unlike previous years events will be held July 3<sup>rd</sup>, (Saturday) and will be held in the evening.** The parade will begin at 6:00 PM at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Ramona Boulevard, and will travel down San Jacinto Avenue and Seventh Street, and conclude at the Estudillo Mansion.

A flyover by the Thunder Delfin Jets and March Aero Club's aerobatic single engine planes will be part of the day's festivities. The parade begins at 6:00 pm and the celebration at the Francisco Estudillo Heritage Park will include food, entertainment, games, and will host an evening concert.

Over 100 participants participated in last year's parade and more is expected this year. Parade Highlights include - Bands, Veterans Groups, Classic and Collectible Cars and Trucks, Dancers, Equestrians, Clowns, Government Leaders, and others. Outstanding entries will be awarded by a panel of judges.

A celebration following the parade will be held at the historic Estudillo Mansion from 3:00 pm to 11:00 pm and will include an evening concert featuring "The Seekers". The Celebration's entertainment and activities that appeal to everyone.

For more information or if you would like to participate in the Parade or the Celebration at the Estudillo Mansion, please call Tracie Cochrane at 765-0115 or Stephany Borders at 925-6987. Applications and information can also be obtained at the Community Development Department, City of San Jacinto, 909-487-7330, 248 E. Main Street in San Jacinto.