

Fox Canyon VOICE

We're Just Wild
About Our Neighborhood!

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All RESIDENTS & BUSINESSES of: all of LANTANA, RENO, AUBURN (4758-5160) DRIVES; all of ONTARIO, CASTLE, South side of UNIVERSITY (4749-4849), East side of EUCLID (3611-3889), ESTRELLA (3803-3857) AVENUES; DWIGHT (4759-4792), WIGHTMAN (4750-4871)

NUISANCE PROPERTIES ABATEMENT

Faced with the fact that some neighbors don't like or want to live peacefully and in harmony within a quiet, clean and orderly community? You clean and clean the front of your house just to see the roaming kids and adults trashing-out the place? Kids play on the street obstructing your free use and passage of the right of way? Tired of the noise, the loud talking/music, the profanities and the semi-criminal activities of some of your neighbors? Sick for not being able to sleep at night -due to your neighbors activities- don't despair, attend the next neighborhood association meeting and learn how to help abate "NUISANCE PROPERTIES". This one-hour presentation will be offered to the PUBLIC, residents and all people who may want to attend this beneficial presentation to learn how to help keep their neighborhoods free of nuisance properties.

CIVIL PROCESS:

An Overview of How Citizens Can Organize to Abate a Public Nuisance.

(Lt. Reginald Garcia, MPA, Vallejo Police Department)

Presenter: Jose Lopez, President,
Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association

TOPICS:

Organization
Civil Codes
Complaints
The Court
Logs

NEIGHBORHOOD ELECTIONS

Next month during the meeting of October 13, 2009 the people of Fox Canyon will go to the polls and elect board members and president. Be ready to come to the meeting and VOTE.

RUN FOR OFFICE

Want to volunteer to represent your block? Call (619) 282-2788 or email FoxCanyonN@aol.com and express your willing desire to run for office. Your neighbors need you. There are 4 seats available. Check the By-laws at www.FoxCanyon.Org for qualifications.

STREET SWEEPING CLEANUP

This is a great opportunity for you to shine. Do not miss this chance to make an impact on your community! Come out, join us and invest your sweet equity sweeping and cleaning the streets of Fox Canyon.

Need to do community hours? This is the time!

Your neighbors, friends, family and the community-at-large will gather at Auburn Park to sign-in and then spread around the target area picking litter and sweeping the streets clean.



Auburn Park

1 = Volunteer Central & Sign-up

The map above shows the target area, which is:

- The south of University Avenue from Winona to 52nd Street;
- 52nd Street from the south of University to Wightman Street;
- Wightman Street from 52nd Street to Winona Avenue;
- Winona Avenue from Wightman Street to the south of University Avenue, including 50th Street and Rex Avenue within these boundaries.

We will gather at Auburn Park (lower University) at 8:30 AM to sign-in and clean-up begins at 9:00 AM.

COME and JOIN US!

Saturday, September 26, 2009

We Invite Everyone. It will be FUN!

NEXT ASSOCIATION MEETING

Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 8, 2009 @ 6:15 PM

5123 University Avenue *

(Community Room at AUBURN PARK)

Proposed Agenda:

CIVIL PROCESS

*An Overview of How Citizens Can Organize to
Abate a Public Nuisance.*

COME and JOIN US!

The BOARD of DIRECTORS

Will meet SEPTEMBER 22, 2009, same room @ 6:30 PM

Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association, Inc.

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ABOUT THE CLEAN-UP

Making a mark in your community is not only expressed by throwing litter on the streets, but by cleaning it up as well. On Saturday, September 26, the good people of City Heights will find the way to express the need, and to show the importance, to keep our streets clean. Many sicknesses like asthma are directly related to dirty and dusty streets, as poor areas suffer from poor street hygiene as well. Lend a hand and let us participate in the first clean up of this nature in Chollas Creek at the rim of Fox Canyon, and let's leave a clean neighborhood behind as a sign of our good mark in the community. This clean-up event provides the opportunity to get closer together working for the benefit of the neighborhood and to get to meet your neighbors in the most of intimate of occasions (cleaning house and without make-up) while building a stronger community. Children will learn the importance of not littering the streets and how to keep them clean. Participate and volunteer to attend this community building event. If you are in need to complete your community service hours for school or community court, or just plain want to show that clean communities provide for healthy and happy residents, this event is right for you.

Things to remember: (a) this clean-up is an outdoors event. (b) wear appropriate clothing (long sleeves, sturdy shoes, hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, gloves are strongly recommended and provided by you). (c) Children are welcome under strict parental supervision (they will be on the street with you during the event).

Fox Canyon Clean-up

Saturday, September 26, 2009 @ 8:30 AM

Auburn Park, 5123 University Avenue, 92105

(off old University Avenue)

Questions/information, please call

Jose Lopez,

(619) 282-2788 o

(619) 905-9598 c

ASSEMBLYMAN MARTY BLOCK

Assembly member MARTY BLOCK's LISA SILVERMAN, Community Rep. to Fox Canyon was present and attended the last association meeting. For your time and attendance, THANK YOU Lisa. With your State issues and help, call Lisa @ (619) 462-7878.

CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER

The dedicated Crossroads, including Fox Canyon, Code Compliance Officer is Leslie Sennett. Her number is 619-236-6880, and email is lsennett@sandiego.gov.

NEW CRO

Attend the Neighborhood Association meeting and meet and help welcome, new Police Community Relations Officer for the 820s, Officer Luis (Louie) Roman. Officer Roman will be attending the meeting and will be available to meet residents on one-to-one basis. If you need to contact Officer Roman in the future, please save the info below:

Officer Luis Roman,

Community Relations Officer (820s) & Facilities

Mid-City Division, 4310 Landis Street

SD CA 92105, (619) 516-3038

THE 30" WATER PIPE

Hello Jose, I have some good news!

I received a call yesterday from Cynthia Harris, Council Representative for Marti Emerald, regarding the 30" water line that runs through the block of Lantana to Castle Avenue--the city water line that actually goes under some houses (originally laid in the early 1900's). Cynthia has been following up on this with the water department and was most gracious to call me several times to update me on the status.

I was so impressed by the fact that Cynthia took time out from her busy schedule to call me several times and to follow up on this without me ever having done anything but bring the water line issue up once to her during last month's meeting. When I told my neighbor, Mr. Le, he was so happy--he told me he can now build a patio and trellis for his family to enjoy while not having to worry about the 10' easement through his back yard. And he can now plant trees without worrying about them being dug up one day for the water line. All the people affected by the water line won't have to worry about a water leak and possible sink-hole undermining their house. So this is really great news!

When I had originally called the water department, I never got such positive news and was told that there were no plans to remove it. So I owe it to Cynthia and our new Councilwoman Marti Emerald to bring us this great news. I was so impressed by how they kept up on it and let me know the status. My neighbor felt the same way. We often don't expect much from our elected officials but I have to say I am so impressed by sequence of events here. So a great big THANK YOU to Cynthia Harris and Marti Emerald!!! Let's hope this is a harbinger for a great future for our neighborhood!

And of course I would have never been able to meet Marti Emerald, Cynthia and the rest of her group and to even bring this issue up were it not for Jose Lopez and his monthly meeting and for teaching me how to get petition signatures from neighbors interested in seeing this issue brought to attention. We may not always agree on every issue but we can get a voice regardless of our differences. So thanks Jose for helping to bring this issue to our Councilpersons.

-Chris-

Marisa,

Quick update on Chris Zervas, the gentleman who was worried about the water pipe running beneath his property and some of his neighbors' homes, we tracked down w/Water and Engineering. This is the Otay I pipe, and the abandonment of this portion of the pipeline is already within one of the projects currently being prioritized in the facilities master plan project. The best-case Capital Improvements Projects (CIP) schedule would be starting 10% design in mid-2010 and starting construction in 2014. I spoke with Mr. Zervas and he was very happy. He also has contact information for Hooman Partow at the Water Dept for more info. He apparently wants to ask Jose Lopez to include the update in the newsletter.

Thank you!

Cynthia R. Harris

Council Representative, Councilmember Marti Emerald



**COUNCILMEMBER
MARTI EMERALD**
City of San Diego

August 4, 2009

Chris Zervas

Dear Mr. Zervas

It was a pleasure meeting you at the Fox Canyon Association meeting in July. Thank you for informing me about your discovery that a major water pipeline runs beneath your property and directly beneath the homes of your neighbors. I commend you for your extensive research into this issue on behalf of your neighborhood.

I asked the Water Department to investigate the situation. City staff identified the pipeline as the Otay I Pipeline and confirmed that the abandonment of this portion of the pipeline is already within one of the projects currently being prioritized in the Facilities Master Plan Project. The project is now in the planning stages, with design tentatively scheduled to begin in mid-2010 and construction starting in 2014.

For more information, I recommend you contact Hooman Partow with the Water Department, at (619) 554-4284. If you have any questions for our office, please feel free to contact Cynthia Harris at my office at (619) 533-5897.

Thank you again for contacting my office. I hope that you will continue to do so with issues of importance to you. I appreciate your taking the time to get in touch with me.

Sincerely,

Marti Emerald
Councilmember, Seventh District
City of San Diego

ME:eh

UNDERGROUNDING and THE 30" PIPE

One of the important reasons the abandonment of the 30" water pipe is important and absolutely necessary is because it will conflict with our scheduled undergrounding. If the undergrounding is done before the pipe comes out, all the utilities will have to be pulled out again and reset, and all neighborhood streets will be trenched again. We need to keep in contact with the water department to ask for communications with the undergrounding department to expedite the schedule, just a little bit. We have waited a long time for all other projects that are linked, the total resurfacing of the Loop (Auburn/Wightman) is also pending, as an example, notwithstanding the fact that the pipe runs under some of our neighbors' homes. A 100-plus-year old pipe is running its longevity and has potential for great damage.

Jose

COUNCILMEMBER EMERALD

Dear Friends,

It's hard to believe that summer is drawing to a close. The best indicator of that is the "Back to School" ads you see and hear. But we all know summer in San Diego doesn't end with Labor Day weekend or the return of the big, orange school buses. Sometimes it's hard to tell just when summer ends and autumn begins. Mid-August through late October are the warmest, driest months of the year and these usually mark the most dangerous months of the fire season.

It doesn't help that we just wrapped up another year with below-average rainfall. So on June 1, 2009, the San Diego City Council passed an Ordinance declaring a Level-2 Drought Alert. This means we have limited reserves of water and we must use it wisely.

A Level-2 Alert means there are many mandatory water restrictions including:

Landscape irrigation is limited to no more than three assigned days per week from June 1- Oct. 31:

- Homes with odd-numbered addresses can water: Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday
- Homes with even-numbered addresses can water: Saturday, Monday & Wednesday
- Apartments, Condos and Businesses can water: Monday, Wednesday & Friday
- On your watering day, you may only water before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m.

For more information please visit the City of San Diego's website:

<http://www.sandiego.gov/water/conservation/drought/index.shtml>

Ways to Conserve

The City's Residential Water Survey Program offers free interior and exterior surveys. Through this survey and conservation methods, households can reduce their water consumption by 13% or more. Make your appointment today by calling 619.570.1999 or visiting:

<http://www.sandiego.gov/water/conservation/survey.shtml>

Update:

During Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association Meeting on July 14, 09, we met community member Chris Zervas. Mr. Zervas was worried about the water pipe running beneath his property and some of his neighbors' homes.

After researching this issue and speaking with the City's Water and Engineering Departments we were able to give Mr. Zervas an update on the water pipe. This is the Otay I pipe, and the abandonment of this portion of the pipeline is already on the list of the projects currently being prioritized. We are looking at the Capital Improvements Projects (CIP) schedule to start the design in mid-2010 and construction in 2014.

Should community members have further questions, they can contact Hooman Partow at the Water Dept for more info.

Thank you again for such a warm welcome to my staff and me at your July meeting. I appreciate hearing from you on the issues and concerns that you have.

I look forward to continuing to work with all of you.

All the best,
Marti Emerald

BIG & GOOD NEWS

Officer Stacy Workman and the City Environmental Service Department announce a Rollover Clean-up for Saturday, October 24, 2009. Get ready, clean around the house and yards, and have your discards ready. Pay attention to the flyers placed at your door.

NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES

DOGGIE POOP:

We love, so much, to see and encourage our neighbors to walk along the Fox Canyon streets with the smallest members of their families, kids and dogs. It's relation building. It is good exercise to lower hypertension, flexibility, good for the figure, beneficial to the neighborhood, ups the stamina and lowers the crime rate. Go figure, as much as we love these, we regret to be rude about the following: please teach your kids to take their tamales, candy and other wrappers and litter with them to be properly disposed in a trash receptacle at home and not on the streets.

Teach them by example: every time your dog does poop bend over and pick it up, just as your kids will do with the wrappers, and **TAKE IT HOME WITH YOU!** Or don't walk with your dog at all! See, the problem are not your kids or dogs, the real problem is **YOU!** You really have a nerve to bend over, pick the droppings and then through them on your neighbor's side yard. Your anti-social, rude, disrespectful and aggressive behavior to just walk your dog to the nearest neighbor yard (or vacant lot) is unlawful and damaging to the environment. While walking your dog, and your kids, don't let the dog use the parkway side of the sidewalk for # 1 and/or # 2. It is unhealthy and damaging to your neighbors who plant and tend flowers on it. Your kids tramping on the flowers with disrespect is really trying and annoying as well. Above all, don't be **LAZY!** Do not train your dog to quickly use the manicured lawn of your neighbors as a glorified and fancy bathroom, as soon as you open your front door. Again, it is illegal and a nuisance! Please pick up after your dog as well as your kids. If you do this religiously, you will exercise fully, in peace, in a clean and healthy environment and will live in harmony with your neighbors forever! Call Animal Control @ (619) 236-4250.

TRASHBAGGING:

Is it cultural or just plain stupid lack of sanitary etiquette? Do you know that toilet paper is designed to be flushed, along with everything else? Don't worry, it will not clog the drain, it dissolves. It is beyond basic understanding, to keep a waste basket next to the toilet to house your used toilet paper for days. And after you have smelled your basket for whatever many days, why do you just dump the container on top of other trash in the black trash receptacle without the benefit of a **PLASTIC BAG?** Why expose your kids, neighbors and pedestrians to the same torture you willingly suffered during the week? And why expose your neighbors to the cruelty to see and pick up the used paper flying into their front yards and homes? For some neighbors the worse day of the week is Friday, trash day. Please neighbors, we understand that you might be uneducated, from a foreign country, poor and without money on hard economic times. If you have no money to purchase proper trash bags, use the supermarket kind, they are **FREE!** It is sanitary to tie the bag to keep its contents from flying off into the streets. If you don't want to tie the bag with your fingers, we understand. But then, **WHY** save the paper? Just flush it down the toilet!

DEFENSABLE SPACE:

Enjoying the hot summer days? As you noticed many places around the State are afire. This is not a news flash, it's all over CNN. But you need to abate the weeds around your home, big time, this time, before you and your neighborhood make it to the cable news in a flash.

GHOST TOWN:

DEPRESSION, what a lonely and depressing word, it is as bad as when people have it, as when the economy has it. It can devastate treasuries, bankrupt individuals, nations, destroy families, neighborhoods and turn vibrant communities into ghost towns. Just take a drive around our community at dusk and see now many black holes we have. Or you might pay a visit to anyone of our meetings to see how many of our lovely and

loyal neighbors are missing. So the lucky few that remain have more work to do, especially in the teaching of neighborhood standards to the new comers. Fortunately, the crime rate has not gone up all that much. But speeding cars and music/big party complaints are on the significant rise. Be awake and aware of your surroundings, at all times, report and report crime and suspicious activity, especially around the repossessed properties. If they can break-in into those, soon they will be into yours, and as soon as the party and music start, call the police, 531-2000.

RAID:

Just to let you know that your tax dollars are hard at work; remember the Doritos truck on Castle? Well about four week ago, **Homeland Security**, ICE and SDPD raided a couple of homes within 100 feet of each other, on the east of lower Auburn Drive on the 5000 block, on a Tuesday, at 10:00 AM. No Doritos truck this time, but a helicoptert, lots of black'n whites, a big number of white SUVs and lots of immigration trucks. The results: NO more graffiti on the trash bay of the condos, 5014 Auburn (at least not yet), no more traffic jams, the peeling of wheels, no more people yelling at each other at night, and NO more loud parties, no more aggressive dogs barking, no more front lawn parties with open containers, music and noise. It is wonderful to notice the community working to improve itself and our agencies working to provide security, peace and quiet and better quality of life. The only thing needed now is for the city to paint over the big graffiti sign painted on the street's asphalt.

MINI-DORMS

Remember that Fox Canyon is within the sphere of influence of the State College Mini-dorms Ordinance. A couple of houses with rooms rented to college students have sprung up in the neighborhood. These young ram-bunctious humans have the tendency to be aloof, loud, disrespectful and abusive to established residential standards. In addition, drinking, horsing around on front lawns or back decks are the culture pursuit concurrently with learning and studying. Not to mention the extra pressure placed in existing neighborhood parking, which is beginning to show and neighbors have begun to fume. If this is the case on your street, feel free to call Code Compliance at (619) 236-6880.

NUISANCE:

The entrance to Lantana continues to be a big hot spot, nuisance and a pain. If you have a neighborhood issue to report, email it, thanks Jose.

FROM THE E-MAIL BOX

Jose, Here is a useful link to the City's Development Services Department regarding a recent ordinance passed by City Council extending map and permits.

<http://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/index.shtml>
The link can be found on your far right, the first box, "State and Local Changes for Development Approvals". I have attached the document. Let me know if the Board would be interested in having the City come out and do a presentation. Thanks, Marisa

Good morning Jose,

I hope this reaches you well. I have spoken to you a couple of times before but I just wanted to refresh your memory. I work with the International Rescue Committee located here in City Heights on the corner of 54th and University. My work is health advocacy, especially when it concerns the built environment. This approach is a new one in the public health arena but it is also spreading. There are many efforts to pay attention to the built environment when planning redevelopment projects in this area. I was wondering if it is possible to get on your agenda to give the residents and meeting attendees a brief introduction to this approach, how it came about, and certain efforts that are happening in City Heights

based on this initiative. Looking forward to hearing from you and have a wonderful day.

Deqa Sayid

Food Security and Community Health

International Rescue Committee, San Diego

619-641-7510 ext 278

deqa.sayid@theirc.org

www.theirc.org/sandiego

Deqa,

There are two ways in which you can reach the membership: (a) at any meeting during "Public Comment". (b) By emailing your request to address the Board on your presentation requesting agenda minutes. The Board sets the general (association) meeting agenda. TX! Jose.

Hi Jose, I was just thinking about the possibility of placing a trashcan similar to the one in front of our meeting place, which was chained to a pole. If I remember correctly, according to George Andrade, in order to put a trash-can somewhere (like on the corner of Sterling Ct & Altadena)... It was suppose to have a top... I think. Since the one where we have our meeting does not have a lid/top... I guess that would not be ok... ???

What do you think?

Cathy McLean

Dear Cathy,

I tried to find out, but everyone gives me conflicting information. Best thing will be to call or email our dedicated Code Enforcer and see what she thinks, contact info on the second page. Jose

Jose, I was so disappointed to hear (the Honorable Councilwoman) Marti Emerald expressed her point of view about the (Ontario Avenue) road connection. She said, "during my campaign, I promised: NO road connection." She did not promise that to US, the constituents within her District! Otherwise, I would have NOT voted for her, period! Then, something else: "Is either a park or a road". How in the world did she come out with such idea? She is BLACKMAILING US on behalf of the opponents, who don't live in this needful neighborhood! What a fiasco and a big disappointment!

Martin, lower Auburn.

Martin,

Frustration and disappointment are shared feelings among our people. You're right! We are the ones with NO park and NO street connection after long years of hard work and big dreams. But frustration and disappointment have a way to mislead our efforts and that turns into anger. Feelings we should not have at all. We need to channel such energy in a better way. We need to show the Honorable Councilwoman that such improvements are needed and beneficial not only to our own speck of the world but to the community in general. That now, we are under her tutelage and responsibility and that she REPRESENTS US above all other. I know the opponents don't live in the district and therefore their opinions and efforts are subservient to our work. Remember the quote you sent me? "The Devil doesn't live in paradise!" Think of Fox Canyon as paradise and feel extremely lucky and happy that those people don't live among us, which it would be a royal pain. But, most importantly, take advantage of every opportunity to communicate with the Councilmember directly. Attend her meetings in the community and tell her your needs as a lower Auburn constituent and resident, and how you are directly affected by not having the relief of the Ontario Avenue street connection and the parks to enjoy. She is a very smart woman, I am confident, she will understand. Remember, sooner or later, she will have the need of YOUR vote again. Offer to volunteer in her next campaign so you will get to her ear quicker than other people do. Also communicate with the Council Office, you can call or email Marisa @ (619) 236-6677 or Mberumen@sandiego.gov and share your opinions with her as well.

Above all, make the effort to attend the Association meetings. It is at these meetings that the community really needs you. Martin thanks for your email and for the opportunity to dialog. If it is in your mind, it is in the mind of many of our neighbors and constituents, Jose

NEWS FROM SENATOR BOXER

Dear Friend:

I am pleased to let you know that San Diego County will be receiving funds from the Department of Justice to help fight narcotics activity at the border. Both the County of San Diego and Chula Vista have been notified that they will receive funding.

The County of San Diego will receive almost \$5 million to create a Border Uniformed Suppression Team, or BUST. This team will focus on drug smuggling and border-related crime in collaboration with federal, regional, state and local law enforcement agencies. The goal is to combat narcotics smuggling and related violence with a highly visible, uniformed patrol along the border and within border communities. Funding will also be provided to support better forensic evidence technologies to link firearms to border-related violent crime and for a better prosecution of perpetrators. In Chula Vista, the nearly \$3 million will help to integrate the work of the San Diego Sheriff's Department, the San Diego Police Department, the San Diego District Attorney's Office, the National City Police Department and the Chula Vista Police Department. It will support personnel costs to coordinate joint efforts to stop cross-border narcotics traffic and to focus the work of district attorneys on prosecuting drug criminals.

Across the nation, communities struggle with the negative consequences of illegal drug use, including high crime rates, neglected and endangered children, lost productivity, shattered families, and more. While work to reduce illegal drug use will take work on many fronts, I support improving efforts to stop drugs and related violence at the border. This represents significant funding in that effort.

Sincerely,



United States Senator

ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

[Tuesday, JULY 14, 2009]

Councilmember MARTI EMERALD attended.

ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

[Tuesday, AUGUST 11, 2009]

Waste Reduction Educational Presentation

Topics: The City of San Diego's Recycling Ordinance approved by the City Council on November 13, 2007: Education including types of materials accepted in recycling program, Location of the recycling containers, Tenant's responsibility to comply with the City ordinance and any other information you feel may be useful for this community. Printed materials were also distributed.

ANA CARVALHO

Waste Reduction Specialist,

City of San Environmental Services Department

Adjournment: At 7:55 PM, to the Corporation of the Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association and to the Board Meeting of July 14, at 6:15 p.

Jose Lopez, President

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

[Tuesday, AUGUST 25, 2009]

The Board did not meet.
Mercedes Martinez Shetter, Secretary

9/11

We have a little less than one month and counting to get the word out all across this great land and into every community in the United States of America

On Friday, September 11th, 2009, an American flag should be displayed outside every home, apartment, office, and store in the United States. Every individual should make it their duty to display an American flag on this eighth anniversary of one of our country's worst tragedies. We do this to honor those who lost their lives on 9/11, their families, friends and loved ones who continue to endure the pain, and those who today are fighting at home and abroad to preserve our cherished freedoms.

In the days, weeks and months following 9/11, our country was bathed in American flags as citizens mourned the incredible losses and stood shoulder-to-shoulder against terrorism. Sadly, those flags have all but disappeared. Our patriotism pulled us through some tough times and it shouldn't take another attack to galvanize us in solidarity. Our American flag is the fabric of our country and together we can prevail over terrorism of all kinds.

Thanks, Gene.

- way to live life completely.
10. In disagreements, fight fairly. No name calling.
 11. Don't judge people by their relatives.
 12. Talk slowly but think quickly.
 13. When someone asks you a question you don't want to answer, smile and ask, 'Why do you want to know?'
 14. Remember that great love and great achievements involve great risk.
 15. Say 'bless you' when you hear someone sneeze.
 16. When you lose, don't lose the lesson.
 17. Remember the three R's: Respect for self; Respect for others; and Responsibility for all your actions.
 18. Don't let a little dispute injure a great friendship.
 19. When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.
 20. Smile when picking up the phone. The caller will hear it in your voice.
 21. Spend some time alone.

A true friend is someone who reaches for your hand and touches your heart.

Thanks, Pamela



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Doris Pierson proofreader, we're grateful for the donation of her precious time.

FENG SHUI

This is without a doubt one of the nicest good luck forwards I have received. Hope it works for you -- and me! Lotus Touts: You have 6 minutes. There's some mighty fine advice in these words, even if you're not superstitious. This Lotus Touts has been sent to you for good luck from the Anthony Robbins organization. It has been sent around the world ten times so far.

1. Give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully.
2. Marry a man/woman you love to talk to. As you get older, their conversational skills will be as important as any other.
3. Don't believe all you hear, spend all you have or sleep all you want.
4. When you say, 'I love you,' mean it.
5. When you say, 'I'm sorry,' look the person in the eye.
6. Be engaged at least six months before you get married.
7. Believe in love at first sight.
8. Never laugh at anyone's dreams. People who don't have dreams don't have much.
9. Love deeply and passionately. You might get hurt but it's the only

July 03, 2009

RECEIVED JUL 06 2009

Councilmember Marti Emerald
City of San Diego
202 C Street, 10th Floor
San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Councilmember Emerald,

For your review, the June 2009 reports for Safe Homes Project operated by the San Diego and Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO, are enclosed.

Our projected annual goal for Fiscal Year 2009 for District 7 is to provide 73 low-income homeowners with home security devices such as deadbolt locksets, smoke alarms, fire extinguishers and other equipment. Our program specialists started providing services in September 2008. However, due to contract issues with the City of San Diego, work on the contract stopped on Sept. 15, 2008 and resumed in January 2009. To date, we have provided services to thirty seven low-income homeowners in your district, representing 51% of our annual goal.

The community's response to our project has been extremely positive and we continue to receive valuable feedback in our follow-ups with clients.

Should you have any questions, please contact Charles Espinosa at (619) 283-5411 x109.

Sincerely,

Lorena Gonzalez
Secretary-Treasurer/CEO
San Diego and Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO

Enclosures

LORENA GONZALEZ, Secretary-Treasurer

MICKEY KASPARIAN, President

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LOVE and HELP your NEIGHBORS as you would like to be LOVED and HELPED.

FOX CANYON VOICE 6

ASOCIACION DE VECINOS
LA BARRANCA DEL
Fox Canyon Zorro
En Español

¿Esta cansado del ruido que hacen sus vecinos y por esto no puede dormir? ¿Los adultos y niños que juegan en la calle no le dejan manejar/transitar como debe y caminar en la vanqueta en paz? ¿Tiene sospecha que el consumo y venta de estupafacientes ocurre en su calle? Asista a la proxima junta de la Asociacion de vecinos y apredra como traer tranquilidad a su calle y vecindario.

ELECCIONES:

Durante la junta de Octubre 13, 2009 preparese para votar por su representante de calle y por el Presidente de la Asociación y si quiere, voluntarisar su tiempo para servir como representante de calle en La Mesa Directiva, llame al (619) 282-2788 a mandenos un correo electronico a FoxCanyonN@aol.com. Para chequear las calificaciones para servir en la Mesa Directiva chequee el www.FoxCanyon.Org y lea "By-Laws".
GRACIAS, Le esperamos!

FIRE ABATEMENT HELP

Fox Canyon neighbors, If you haven't noticed, we live in a tinderbox! If you have the resources give the Alpha Project a call to help you abate the weeds and create a defensible space in the canyon side of your property. Read the flyer below:



- Affordable weed & brush abatement
- Providing over 20 years of experience
- Equipment & hauling services included
- Meets all fire department requirements
- Serving all of San Diego County
- Free Estimates



For more information contact
 Alpha Project directly at
 (619) 542-1877 or via email
info@alphaproject.org

PROTECTED LEFT TURNS

After one of our Somali friends, unfortunately lost his life one early morning on his way to the mosque, about three months or so ago, at the association meeting we discussed the possibility to place protected left turns on Winona/University and Euclid/University to help save lives. After a discussion, the association referred the issue to Councilwoman MARTI EMERALD, through her Fox Canyon Rep MARISA BERUMEN. Read the response from the Traffic Engineer, below:



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

July 22, 2009

TR 308,973
 R-Slip 07-0905-046

Joseph R. Lopez
 4916 Lantana Drive
 San Diego, CA 92105-2941

Dear Mr. Lopez:

This is a follow-up response to your request to Councilmember Marti Emerald's office regarding the installation of left turn phasing for northbound and southbound traffic on Euclid Avenue at University Avenue and on Winona Avenue at University Avenue.

Our site visits and evaluations determined that the installation of left turn phasing for the northbound and southbound movements is not recommended at this time. Our evaluation of these intersections included analysis of key factors such as sight distance, reported accidents, approach speeds, and traffic volumes.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mariano Castro at (619) 533-3869.

Sincerely,

Duncan Hughes
 Senior Traffic Engineer

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Engineering and Capital Projects Department
 1010 Second Avenue, Suite 800 • San Diego, CA 92101
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CITY HEIGHTS CULTURAL ANNEX

The city of San Diego through the library system makes the effort to provide high quality concerts, FREE of charge to the residents of City Heights. Symphony concerts, pops and popular folk music by renown and popular groups have been presented and form the luminary history of the Cultural Annex. During the month of September many Latin American countries' celebrate their independence from the colonial rule of Spain. This is true of all Central America (*Guatemala, Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica*) they celebrate on September 14 and Mexico (*north America*) the day after on the 15th. Therefore, September has been designated as "Hispanic Heritage Month". These concerts are not formal and they are outdoors. On chilly nights, bring a sweater and enjoy!

City Heights Performance Annex September 2009



*Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month
Featuring members of "CantaShow"*

Friday September 18 6:00PM

OUTDOOR CONCERT

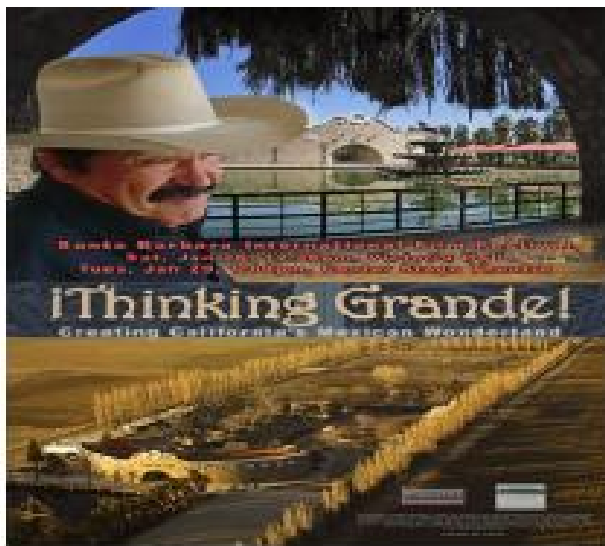
A concert of young talents featuring San Diego's most talented Latino youth in performances ranging from classical to pop, to mariachi music. Performers include: Damara Banda, Stephanie Garcia, Paulina de Los Angeles with a special performance by Alejandro Garcia, recently featured as the lead in 'Les Miserables' by San Diego Junior Theater; mariachi "Continental" and Ballet Folklorico

*'A Night on Broadway' Outdoor concert
Sunday September 20 7:30PM*

Presented by California Youth Conservatory

Featuring some of the most beloved selections from Broadway. Musical numbers will be performed by Broadway superstars alongside local talents and some of the most promising up-and-coming talented youth of San Diego.

This magical evening will feature a live professional band and a celebrity emcee.



Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month!

Thursday September 24 10:00AM

¡THINKING GRANDE!

Creating California's Mexican Wonderland is about creativity and conflict and what can happen in this country when you dare to think big.

Mexican immigrant Jose Luis Bonilla's twenty-year struggle to complete his vision of a colossal Mexican Disneyland' in rural Santa Barbara County. Produced and directed by Kit Kevin Bender, this project is made possible, in part, by a grant from the California Council for the Humanities as part of the Council's statewide California Stories Initiative. www.californiastories.org



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All programs are free, unless otherwise noted. For outdoor programs, lawn chairs and/or blankets are recommended— Programs subject to change without notice