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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)

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH SIGN-UP

In the pursuit of the dream to live in a clean, quiet, peaceful; and crime free society, the good and law abiding people of a neighborhood have to rise and shake the oppression of the bad. At a point, we all need to act together and shake the cloak of victims and take steps with courage to change the equation and reverse the rolls. How can we, and could it be possible to, live in a society in which 3 of 4 human needs to be a policeman just to keep one totally secure and protected? As good people, we need to take a stand and participate full-heartedly in the organizations that bring unity, utility, results and purpose to us all. Our personal and property security needs to be the focus of our attention before we are run out of our own community. Make the point: attend the next association meeting and sign-up to be a Neighborhood Watch Block Captain. Let it be our legacy to transition our dwellings to our children in security, in peace-and-quiet and crime free without the fear and oppression of the bad.

Tuesday, MARCH 09, 2010 @ 6:15 PM
5123 University Avenue
(Auburn Park Community Room)

Dear Neighbors,

As the City continues to get deeper and deeper into Budget Deficits, all essential services continue to march down the chopping block, including Safety Services. Please attend the next association meeting bringing with you the first round of issues and dreams for the 2010 survey. How do you envision our own neighborhood? What physical changes would you like to see done? You can email your list to FoxCanyonN@aol.com if you are going to be absent.

GET INVOLVED

The very **few** who show up and get involved
CHANGE and RUN THE WORLD!

CHANGE BEGINS WITH YOU AND ME

History will have to record that the greatest tragedy of this period of social transition was not the strident clamor of the bad people, but the appalling silence of the good people.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

AGENDA MINUTES REQUEST

Ms. Victoria Joes, Senior Program Analyst, with the San Diego Housing Commission is preparing a 30 day public comment period for the **Draft Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing in San Diego (AI)**. The Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association meeting will be a valuable place to introduce the draft document, and its practical application, to District 7 residents. Ms. Joes is requesting approximately 10 minutes on the April 13, 2010 meeting agenda. Presentation minutes approval must be obtained from the Board of Directors since the Association is Brown Act compliant. Also Ms. Joes must follow public noticing guidelines to let the public know where the AI will be presented. The Association is very proud of this request and the Board will consider the issue in its scheduled meeting of Tuesday, March 23, 2010. Neighbors: stand ready to attend and to participate.

Jose Lopez, President.



Acción San Diego has moved!
Now they are located at:
404 Euclid Avenue, Suite
271, San Diego, CA 92114
Phone # (619) 795-7250
Fax (619) 795-7260,

Office Hours: M-F, 9am-5pm.

ACCION San Diego is an independent, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides loans and business support to micro-entrepreneurs who are unable to qualify for credit from traditional sources. With loans ranging from \$300 to \$35,000, ACCION San Diego assists small and home-based business owners, many of which are run by minorities and people with low-to-moderate income levels. In operation since 1994, the organization has disbursed over 2,500 loans worth almost \$14 million. For more information, please visit us at www.accionsandiego.org.

UNDERGROUNDING UPDATE

Current estimate is that design will finish in early 2011 and construction begins in mid 2011. As to Euclid, the City has tentatively changed it to have it as one piece to be done concurrently with the **7A project**. It will go from University to Home. This is not final until approved by City Council. Should residents have questions, they can contact:

Kara Palmer, Collaborative Services
Consultant to the City of San Diego
Utilities Undergrounding Program
Program Information Line: 619-533-3841 or 619-232-2112, x 108
Utility Line Undergrounding Schedule: www.sandiego.gov/cd7

NEXT ASSOCIATION MEETING

Tuesday, MARCH 09, 2010 @ 6:15 PM

5123 University Avenue

(Community Room at AUBURN PARK)

Proposed Agenda:

**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK
CAPTAIN SIGN-UP & ISSUES FOR
THE 2010 SURVEY**

COME and JOIN US!

The BOARD of DIRECTORS

Will meet MARCH 23, 2010

Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association, Inc.

[A 501 (c) (3) **Public Benefit and Social Welfare** (www.IRS.gov
"publication 78" listed) Nonprofit Corporation]

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BOARD OFFICERS

At the noticed and scheduled meeting of January 26, 2010, the Board of Directors, in a motion by Ilginis/Lopez, 5/0/0, the Officers to the Board were selected in the following higherachy:

Mr. Alfred Ilginis	Vice President,
Ms. Rosilyn Davis	Vice Chair
Ms. Mercedes Shetter	Secretary
Ms. Rebecca Lopez	Treasurer
Mr. Ted Kozminski	Boardmember
Ms. Doris Pierson	Boardmember
Ms. Ricky Brown	Boardmember

COUNCIL REP ATTENDANCE

On Tuesday, March 09 the San Diego City Council will have a Council meeting at night starting at 6:00 PM. Ms. Marisa Berumen staffs the morning Council meeting and, later on during the evening, she attends the Neighborhood Association meeting when in usual schedule. Ms. Kim Nguyen will substitute for Marisa and will attend the FC meeting with one caveat; she needs to leave early. The agenda will be adjusted to reflect this change and allow Ms. Nguyen enough time to transport and attend her other meeting. Please come to the meeting prepared with your CD7 issues in writing or email them to Ms. Nguyen previous to the meeting (klnghuyen@sandiego.gov).

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY COMMITTEE

At the January 26 Board meeting the Board motioned (Ilginis/Brown, 6/0/0) to stand the Fox Canyon Neighborhood Safety Committee with Jose as Chair and Alfred and Roselyn as committee members. This committee will be populated by the Program Directors from CERTS, Neighborhood Patrol, Neighborhood Watch and Fire Safety.

WELCOME

Ellinor Sofia Selchau!



On November 20, 2009, the Selchau family on Wightman Street was blessed with a new addition. Ellinor dashed into our lives in the wee hours of Friday, November 20th and since then has kept us trying to keep up with her. Arriving just in time for the holidays, she is the greatest gift we could ever ask for, and an incredible reminder of how blessed we are as we go into this New Year. Ellinor has had a full head of red hair since the day she was born, and been full of smiles, coos and great expressiveness--at 8 weeks, she is now starting to laugh and 'talk' quite a bit more. She has been to the City Height Farmer's Market, a Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association meeting, the City Farmer's Nursery and around the neighborhood several times already in her big old fashioned baby carriage. She is adored by her family here in San Diego and overseas in Denmark, where all of her Danish family is anxiously waiting to meet her during her first visit this summer. We'd like to thank all of our neighbors in Fox Canyon for the kind wishes and support they have extended during this special time.

Katherine, Frederik and Ellinor Selchau



HONOR TO A VOLUNTEER



At the meeting of February 09, 2010, on behalf of Councilwoman **MARTI EMERALD**, CD-7; Council Rep Marisa Berumen presented a Commendation to association member and neighbor **DEBRA BENSON** for her dedicated volunteer work. Debra took it upon herself the responsibility of delivering flyers during the **ESD Fox Canyon Community Cleanup and Recycling Event**. In addition, Debra carried more than her weight during the Street Sweeping Cleanup staged at Auburn Park (09/26/2009). In honoring Debra, Councilwoman Emerald extends her thanks to each and every volunteer who staff the association's organized events. Thank you Debra for your participation and congratulations on your commendation!

(Pictured below: Debra signing in to volunteer at the FC Cleanup)



ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

(February 09, 2010)

The meeting was called to order by President Lopez, at 6:20 PM

Meeting attendance was sixteen (16) adults, 1 child (*Julia Lopez*) including **Marisa Berumen** (Office of Councilmember **MARTI EMERALD**).



The Talmadge Patrol Presentation was superbly conducted by Vic Whitaker and Kerry Foley with our membership in concentrated attention.



Talmadge Patrol displays of a mature and accomplished organization



Update(s) Announcements:

- The Board instituted the Neighborhood Safety Committee with Jose as chair and Rosilyn Davis, Alfred Ilginis as committee members... Join!
- Next Meeting: Neighborhood Watch Block Captains and the first round of neighborhood issues for the 2010 survey.

Off-Agenda Public Comment: NONE

Neighborhood Concerns:

(1) Water meter leak, 3619 Altadena, (2) New graffiti, (3) Dogs loose around several hot spots, including Wightman and Lantana, (4) Street lights are out on Euclid/ Lantana/Dwight/Castle.

Field/Comm. Rep's Reports:

(1) Newsletter issues info, (2) Undergrounding, (3) Letter to Governor, park grant, (4) Leo's, (5) Neighborhood Watch ride along (March 27), (6) 2-11 Stop Shop, (7) Neighborhood Fight Against Crime.

CRO, Police Officer Luis Roman Report: Various City and Fox Canyon Crime Issues.

Presentation: Talmadge Patrol

Presentation questions: (a) How to be a good witness (b) who provides training for the volunteers? (c) How do you register the volunteers? (d) Patroller handbook, (e) On-line schedule, (f) Regular patrol hours?

Refreshments:

A kind donation from **Doris Pierson** and **PBMS**

Adjournment: At 7:30 PM, to the Corporation of the Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association Meeting of March 09, 2010 at 6:15 pm.

Jose Lopez, President

ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

(January 12, 2010)

Meeting called to order by President Lopez, at 6:15 PM.

Meeting attendance was nineteen [19], 3 children including **Marisa Berumen** (Office of Councilmember **MARTI EMERALD**, CD7), **CRO**, **Police Officer Luis Roman** and two infants, Julia Abigail Lopez and Ellinor Sofia Selchau.

Update(s) Announcements:

- Submit your tax deductible contribution receipts for 2009.
- Attend the Board meeting and offer to participate in the Neighborhood Safety Committee.
- Next meeting: Talmadge Patrol.

Off-Agenda Public Comment: Big traffic accident on Winona Avenue

Neighborhood Concerns:

(1) Undergrounding schedule, (2) nuisance properties, (3) noise, (4) loud partying, (5) 3611 Euclid Avenue (Leo's Auto-body)

Field/Comm. Rep's Reports: NONE

CRO, Police Officer Luis Roman Report: Various City and Fox Canyon Crime Issues.

Presentation:

Diane Silva-Martinez,
Code Enforcement Unit

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Jose Lopez, President

FROM THE EmailBox

Jose,

Euclid, from IslaVista to University Avenue, looks and feels like a moon-scape, full of craters. Is there something the association can do to have all those potholes fixed? Martin, Auburn.



Ms. Diane Silva-Martinez, Deputy City Attorney from the CEU, educating our membership on the forms required when submitting Code Enforcement complaints to her office, during her presentation.



The central premise of the presentation was the importance to act way before houses turn into nuisance properties and the longer it takes to cure the problem once well established.



Many attendees took serious notes on the subject and procedures. Ms. Silva-Martinez explained the difference between Criminal and Civil procedures and how to follow both to abate nuisance properties.

MINI REHAB PROGRAM

Dear Neighbors: If you think that you, your house, could benefit from a program like the one described below, please call Council Rep Merisa Berumen.

College Avenue Baptist Church is looking for applicants for their mini rehab program (interior and exterior). I have contacted some of your neighbors to see if they need help. Please let me know if you or your neighbor may want to apply for this program. I will need a name, address and what they need (want) done. I am putting together a preliminary list to submit to the organization for consideration.

Thanks,

Marisa Berumen

Council Representative

Councilmember Marti Emerald, CD7, 619.236-6435

CERT ACADEMIES

Gary Torgerson has expressed his desire and ability to put the Fox Canyon CERT Team together and be the lead. If you are a resident outside our service area you are highly encouraged to participate in one of these classes. In the interim, the CERT Academies are filling up fast. If you are interested, please follow the instructions below to sign up.

Here is the link to the CERT Website: www.certsandiego.org. At the top of this page, there is a box stating: "Just announced: CERT San Diego Academies for 2010 are scheduled!" Clicking "Academies" will take folks to a page with info on the academies. For the earliest academy, please direct them to click the links called, "Academy 24 Class Dates" (for academy dates) and "Academy 24 Registration form" (for the necessary registration forms). They can print off the form and fax or mail it in to the number/address at the top of the first page. If these do not work, they can click the information for Academy 25, which starts in the fall.

We are moving forward with 2 citizen academies in 2010 (this is the number we normally hold each year) and are also focusing on engaging the volunteers we already have through Continuing Educations on CER-focused topics, refresher drills, non-emergency activations, and non-emergency drills.

Hope this info helps!

Carie DeMarco-Krzes

SDFD CERT Program Coordinator

NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES:

WATER LEAKS = Residents can contact the water waste hotline at (619) 515-3500 (press 5) or (619) 533-7485 to report water meter leaks.

DAMAGE SIDEWALKS = The Street Division assembles a list of damaged sidewalk locations city wide. Assistance in alerting the Street Division to any damaged sidewalk, curb & gutter locations can be done through a hot line. Please share this information with neighbors, and encourage them to report these locations by calling the City's hot line 619-527-7500. For more efficient processing, please provide a specific location at an exact address when calling the hotline.

TO REPORT POTHOLE = Call 619.527.7500 or online at www.sandiego.gov/streets go to service request; click on text method and fill the information & submit. It is most important to include the exact address as to where the pothole is. For this info, **THANKS** Marisa

DOGS RUNNING LOOSE = It is a shame to see what lazy neighbors leave behind when their dogs hear the call of nature. Heeding the voice of decency, we will not publish the pictures taken of sidewalks and front yards along Lantana, Castle and Wightman, among many other. If you just can't be a decent and caring neighbor and a **RESPONSIBLE** pet

owner, please **DO NOT have a dog!** Will you go crazy if your child is missing and running loose? Why is it so different when your "beloved" dog does? (Thanks for venting). Animal Services will love to have pictures of all dogs running loose, and also of those in the "act", so neglectful pet owner can be held accountable. In the interim, call **Animal Services Patrol** (619) **767-2675** when dogs are on the loose and Animal Services 24 hour service (619) **236-2341** for all other issues. If you need a County number, you can always call **211**.

THANKS Gabriel for the contact numbers and Jose for venting.

NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME WATCH

ASSAULT	01/01/2010	0300-0622	4900 AUBURN
DUI	01/01/2010	2058	3800 WINONA
NARCOTICS	01/07/2010	1905	4000 WINONA
CURFEW	01/09/2010	2230	5000 AUBURN
NARCOTICS	01/09/2010	2215	5000 AUBURN
NARCOTICS	01/09/2010	2230	5000 AUBURN
ASSAULT	01/16/2010	1800	4900 STERLING
SEXUAL ASSAULT	01/17/2010	0100-1015	4800 LANTANA
AUTO_BURGLARY	01/19-20/2010	2000-0800	4800 WIGHTMAN
RES_BURGLARY	01/22/2010	0900-1200	5000 AUBURN
AUTO_THEFT	01/26/2010	2030	4900 AUBURN
RES_BURGLARY	01/26/2010	2030	4900 AUBURN
RES_BURGLARY	02/01/2010	0800-1645	5100 AUBURN
RES_BURGLARY	02/02/2010	0200-0930	5000 AUBURN
AUTO_BURGLARY	02/13/2-10	0600	4900 LANTANA

Caution: here comes the **misleading statement** and questions.

From the above reported crimes, how many could have been avoided if YOU were a Neighborhood Watch Block Captain? And, does this list really motivate YOU to sign up to be a Block Captain to help abate crime in your neighborhood?

BIRTH



Thanks Ronnie

LOVE and RESPECT YOUR NEIGHBORS, as you would like them to LOVE and RESPECT YOU.

FREE LEGAL CLINIC

Legal Aid Society of San Diego, Inc. is currently offering a free legal clinic for low-income households residing in the 92115 and 92105 zip codes. The clinic is not limited to Crawford students and it is not limited to the "City Heights" community – it is available to any low-income household in the zip codes referenced above. Legal Aid attorneys are available at the Crawford Educational Complex (4191 Colts Way) each Thursday from 2 pm to 7 pm. Please see attached flyer for details (page 8). Attendance at the clinics has been relatively low, so please feel free to publicize the program with your community group.

BOARD MINUTES

[Tuesday, January 26, 2010]

Meeting called to order by Chair Lopez, at 6:40 PM.

Meeting attendance was six (6) Boardmembers (Davis, Pierson, Kozminski, Ilginis, Brown and Lopez) with Martinez-Shetter and Lopez excused.

Welcome and Introductions: Ricky Brown introduced herself.

Board Members Comment: (1) Big fight on Castle, (2) Back door at Auburn Park (52nd St) continues to be a problem, (3) Building next door, to the west, of Auburn Park is dumping into the creek and producing lots of trash on into the park, (4) Could we refer to Ms. Diane Silva-Gonzalez the property behind the liquor store on Castle/Euclid?

Public Comment: None

Leading Motions:

- o Motion to approve the agenda as proposed (it was modified), with changes, adding Item 7: Neighborhood Safety Committee.
- o Motion to approve the minutes as published
- o Motion to approve the accounting reports from May-09 to Jan-10
- o Motion to approve the accounting donations report yearly 2009.
- o Motion to approve and authorize the Treasurer to sign and the President to distribute the donation's tax exempt receipts, motion by Davis/Pierson, passed 5/0/0.

Action Items:

1. Motion to vacate the old Board by Kozminski/Ilginis, passed 5/0/0
2. Motion to appoint Ricky Brown (upon her employer's consent) to the Board, by Davis/Pierson, passed 5/0/0.
3. Motion to seat the new Board by Ilginis/Davis, passed 6/0/0.
4. Motion to elect and appoint new Board officers as follow: (1) Ilginis=VP, (2) Davis=VC, (3) Shetter=S, (4) Loper=T and (5) Kozminski, Pierson, Brown = BM's by Kozminski/Pierson, passed, 6/0/0.
5. Motion to approve switching the money granted to the FCNVP to benefit/hire a Code Enforcement position to assist Fox Canyon with a full time position for six months, and authorizing the President to issue all required documents to complete the switch, by Brown/Ilginis, passed 6/0/0.
6. Motion to approve the members meeting agenda as proposed, by Pierson/Brown, passed 6/0/0.
7. Motion to stand the Neighborhood Safety Committee with Jose as Chair and Davis, Ilginis as committee members, Davis/Ilginis, passed 6/0/0.

Adjournment: At 7:30 PM, to the Corporation of the Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association Meeting of March 09, 2010 at 6:15 pm.

Alfred Ilginis, Vice President,
Acting as Interim Secretary

CONGRESSWOMAN DAVIS

Congresswoman Davis asks her constituents' participation in responding to an on-line survey dealing with providing direction on urgent and prevalent issues, like **Health Care**. You can find the survey at www.house/susandavis/survey. The Congresswoman is nearing serious decision making and wants to know your opinion and receive your guidance, please participate, **THANKS!** Jose

THURSDAYS WITH MARTI



Often the best way to get to know the people in the community and what really concerns them is to get out into the neighborhoods. So every Thursday, Councilmember Marti Emerald will be in different communities from 9:30 am – 2:30 pm.

- 1st Thursday: College-Rolando Library
- 2nd Thursday: San Carlos Recreation Center
- 3rd Thursday: Tierra Towne Center – Note: NEW Location!
- 4th Thursday: **AM:** Allied Gardens Library
PM: Allied Gardens Recreation Center

Please contact your Community Representative (**Marisa Berumen** 619-236-6677) to schedule a meeting with Councilmember Emerald.

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The Fox Canyon Voice

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

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



"**I Have a Dream**" is the popular name given to the public speech by Martin Luther King, Jr., in which he called for racial equality and an end to discrimination. King's delivery of the speech on August 28, 1963, from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial during the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, was a defining moment of the American Civil Rights Movement.

CLEAN AFTER YOUR DOG!



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San Diego and Imperial
Counties Labor Council

HOMEOWNERS!!!

You may qualify for the inspection and installation of security devices such as:

**Security Screen Doors
Motion Sensor Lights
Wide Angle Viewers
Minor Repairs**

**Deadbolt Locks
Dusk to Dawn Lights
Sliding Door Locks
Window Locks**

**Carbon Monoxide/Smoke Detectors
Fire Extinguishers**

FREE OF CHARGE

All interested homeowners living in:

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*College Area *Darnall *Del Cerro *El Cerrito Heights
*Fox Canyon *Grantville *Islenair
*Murphy Canyon Heights *Rolando *San Carlos
Tierrasanta *Or other areas in the 7th City Council District**

Please Contact:

**San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council
Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
(619) 283-5411 Ext. 109
Charles Espinosa, Program Coordinator**

This project is funded in whole or in part with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

In conjunction with Council Member

MARTI EMERALD'S
Neighborhood Fight Against Crime

Crawford Community Connection Legal Clinic

Brought to you by
**Legal Aid Society of
San Diego, Inc.**



DO YOU HAVE A LEGAL PROBLEM?

- ☛ I'm undocumented, how do I become a legal resident?
- ☛ I don't have a social security number and want to apply for college, what do I do?
- ☛ My family is being evicted, what can we do?
- ☛ How do I get a work permit?
- ☛ How do I get a driver's license?
- ☛ If I'm pregnant, can I stay in school?
- ☛ Can I apply for food stamps and other benefits?
- ☛ Now that I have a baby, can I be emancipated?
- ☛ If I have a baby, can I get child support?

The Crawford Community Connection Legal Clinic recognizes that today's youth live more complex lives than past generations. More than ever before, students need information about the laws that affect them. This is where the Crawford Community Connection Legal Clinic comes in. We help students get their voices heard and their rights enforced.

All students and their families are encouraged to walk-in to the legal clinic.

**Thursdays
2pm to 7pm**

Crawford Community Connection
Legal Clinic
Crawford High School
4151 Colts Way, Bungalow 5
San Diego, CA 92115
(619) 583-2500

You can also call Legal Aid Society of San Diego for help!

Legal Aid is available to low income individuals & disadvantaged communities for a variety of legal problems, including consumer, family disputes, welfare and health benefits, immigration and poverty law issues such as landlord/tenant disputes, disability support and family benefits payments. Federal Poverty Income Guidelines determine eligibility for free legal services.

Our staff of expert legal workers will help you and your family resolve your legal problems free of charge. Call us soon as a problem exists. 1-877-LEGAL AID (877-534-2524)

