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**DISTRICT FOUR**

**MAY 15, 2008 WEEKLY UPDATE**



*Councilmember Tony Young presents a proclamation to San Diego Medical Services Enterprise and Fire Rescue Department declaring Emergency Medical Services Week in the City of San Diego.*

## **COUNCIL ACTIONS:**

**On Monday, May 12, 2008 the San Diego City Council did not approve a late night, last minute proposal by the Mayor's Labor Negotiating Team to change the Pension Plan for city employees.** Unfortunately, certain newspapers and local talk radio show host are giving the public the impression that the Council may have been wrong in their decision to not support the proposal. However, my decision to not support the proposal was based on several factors including: (A). the public and the Council was informed that the issue we would be considering was the Mayor's "Last Best and Final Offer" to the Unions and neither side could reach agreement and therefore the Council was to accept the proposal or reject it without any changes. (B). The Independent Budget Analyst (IBA) had presented (5) different pension options, some of which would save the tax payers more money than the pension plan that was offered by the Mayor's team. (C). A member of the Mayor's team admitted to the Council that one of the pension options would save the taxpayers more money that what was proposed by them. (D). At approximately 10:00 p.m. at night, the Mayor's Labor Negotiating Team presented the Council with a different pension

proposal and asked the Council to vote on it immediately without the benefit of public input or further analysis.

**I am very aware that past decisions by other Councils regarding pension plans helped create an unprecedented fiscal crisis for this city. They too had information presented to them in such a manner that resulted in decisions that proved detrimental to the citizens of San Diego. I did not support making a last minute decision, in the middle of the night, on information hastily prepared and presented to us by the Mayor's negotiating team.**

**Selecting a pension plan for the City's employees is a very important decision we will make. It will impact this city's finances for decades to come and it will impact the well being of our employees and their families for decades to come. This is a decision that requires careful, thoughtful, analytical and prudent consideration, and the involvement and cooperation from all parties. It is my hope and desire that the Mayor's negotiating team and the Unions go back to the table and carefully consider options presented by the IBA, as well as other potential options, with the goal in mind of together creating and agreeing upon a quality, cost effective retirement plan, this city can be proud of.**

## YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:

**Councilmember Anthony Young presents 2008 Walls Of Excellence Award and Induction Ceremony at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 17, 2008 at the Walls of Excellence (Intersection of Willie James Jones and Imperial Ave.)**

Graduating seniors being honored and inducted are Lincoln High School's Brenda Duran, Cody Marshall and Itzel Ortega; Morse High School's Kirstyne Lange, Felicia Reifschneider, and Sheba Viray Tayaba; and San Diego School of Creative and Performing Arts' Ariel Campbell, James Anthony Moore and Tracy Leroy Moore. The Walls Of Excellence was established by the Fourth District Council Office in 2000, to acknowledge and commend academic excellence of senior high school students in the 4th Council District. Honorees exhibited excellent academic and citizenship achievements. For more information contact Lourdes Borboa at (619) 236-6644 or [lborboa@sandiego.gov](mailto:lborboa@sandiego.gov).

**The Kiwanis Club of Southeastern San Diego will host its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 5:50 -9:30 p.m. Thursday, May 15, 2007 at the George Stevens Senior Center.**

I commend and congratulate all its members and supporters for 50 years of pro-



viding outstanding services to the community. Please contact Barbara Day at (619) 263-8871 for additional information.

**The Webster community council will host its Annual Spring Festival beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 17, 2008 at the Webster Institute of Science, 4801 Elm Street.** Please join Webster community members and friends for a day of fun, food and entertainment.

**The Fundraiser for the Neighborhood Association Fund FISH FRY hosted by the Emerald Hills Neighborhood Council** will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2008 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Emerald Hills Park. For more information or tickets please contact Gayle Reid at (619) 203-9067.

**2008 San Diego County Ryan White Services Southeast San Diego Regional Community Meeting** will be held on Thursday, May 15, 2008 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 PM AT Bethel A.M.E. Church (3085 K St.) Come review needs assessment data and talk about the service needs of people with HIV/AIDS in your region. For more information please contact Ken Riley at (619) 293-4711, [Keneth.Riley@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Keneth.Riley@sdcounty.ca.gov) or Yvette Ogletree at (619) 293-4713, [Yvette.Ogletree@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Yvette.Ogletree@sdcounty.ca.gov).

**Second Chance presents "Community Job & Resource Fair and Adopt-A-House" new and improved for 2008** on Friday, May 16, 2008 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. For more information please contact Second Chance at (619) 234-8888.

**Children/Youth/Parent Workshop "We are more than Conquerors"** will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2008 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Phillips Temple CME Church (5333 Geneva Ave.) Open to the community ages 6-17. Leaders needed that really care about our children and youth. Continental breakfast and lunch will be served. For more information please contact (619) 262-2505.

**The Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation, Ron Cummins, Luis Natividad, San Diego Police Department, San Diego Unified School Police Services, youth, parents and community members are commended for their outstanding efforts in launching Project Safe Way "Looking Out For Our Children One Corner At A Time."** Volunteers with Project Safeway will be located at several corners in the Gompers, Lincoln High School and Porter Elementary school corridors to serve as safety monitors for our children and youth walking to and from school in the mornings and afternoons. This exemplary effort is sup-



ported by my office and several organizations throughout the community. Please contact Luis Natividad at (619) 527-6161 for additional information about Project Safe Way.

**Become a Poll Worker! The San Diego County Registrar of Voters needs your help!** With two more upcoming elections in 2008, there is a need for 12,000 new trained Poll Workers. Please volunteer today! Poll workers receive a stipend of \$75 to \$150 depending on their assignment. Poll workers who are fluent in Spanish, Vietnamese or Filipino also receive an additional \$15 for their bilingual skills. To the extent possible, we assign poll workers within a 10 miles radius of their home. For more information visit [www.sdvote.com](http://www.sdvote.com) or contact Jean Vukotich at (858) 694-3419.

**MCCSN has partnered with Broadway/San Diego to offer tickets to The Color Purple before tickets go on sale to the public.** Purchase your tickets online starting April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at [www.mccsn.com](http://www.mccsn.com) and for more information visit the website.

**Teaching Music with REASON hosted by the Southeastern Teen Center (THA SET)** classes begin on Wednesday, March 26, 2008 at the Southeastern Teen Center (588 Euclid Ave.) Learn how to use pre-production software to make your own tracks/beats. Ages 13-19. Sign up now! Space is limited! For more info call (619) 264-4575.

**AUDITIONS for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "A Day in the 4<sup>th</sup>" hosted by the Fourth District Youth Advisory Board (Y.A.B)** will be held from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Malcolm X Library (5148 Market St.) Calling all poets, singers, dancers, rappers, steppers, praise dancers, etc. to come out and audition. For more info please contact Y.A.B at (619) 236-6644 or email them at [fourthdistrictyab@yahoo.com](mailto:fourthdistrictyab@yahoo.com) or visit their webpage at [www.myspace.com/yabsd](http://www.myspace.com/yabsd).

**Lincoln High School PTSA has applied for \$15,000.00!** The funds will be used to assist the 1<sup>st</sup> graduating class of the newly rebuilt LHS with graduating expenses, scholarship opportunities via their school, and senior mementos. Your support is needed! Please go to the link [www.hamburgerhelper.com](http://www.hamburgerhelper.com) select "Find A Project", then select the state California last click search and the project is listed as: San Diego, CA Lincoln High School PTSA The Hive is Alive Seniors of 2008.

**Small Business Management Classes** will be held on Tuesdays April 8- June 3,



2008 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Room 213 at the Mid-City Center (3792 Fairmont Ave.) (619) 388-4500 or Wednesdays April 9- June 4, 2008 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm Room B-3 at Clairemont High School (3890 Modoc St.) (619) 221-6973. For more info contact Instructor Bert Cordova at (858) 274-4258.

**American Sign Language Class is held only on Wednesday's** at the George Stevens Senior Center (570 S. 65<sup>th</sup> St) from 2:00 pm-3:00 pm. Session #13 begins on April 9<sup>th</sup> and each session is \$25.00. For more information, please contact Instructor Christina Davis-Falls at (619) 865-4687.

**The San Diego Unified School District and the San Diego Community College District is offering Community-Based English Tutoring on Tuesday and Wednesdays from 9:00am-11:00am and Thursdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm at Webster Elementary School (4801 Elm Street, Room B17).** Free English classes for adults with free babysitting provided. For more information contact Antionette Aliotto at (619) 263-6628. 3016.

**Are you a senior in need of home delivered meals? Let Meals-on-Wheels serve you!** Meals-on-Wheels support the independence and wellbeing of seniors by delivering nutritious and tasty meals to their homes. For more information, please call (619) 295-9501 or visit [www.meals-on-wheels.org](http://www.meals-on-wheels.org).

**Got Medicare? Having problems paying for prescriptions?** Take advantage of a special government program that helps pay for some Medicare Part D drug plan costs. If you are interested in learning more and applying please call 1-877-734-3258.

**Operation Education in partnership with the What's Poppin with Big Willie G Show is offering the following courses for youth ages 10-19 years of age**

Acting Lessons, How to break into the entertainment industry, How to produce a dance production and Voice lessons. Come discover your hidden talents! Learn tips and techniques from professionals and TV stars! Space is limited. Don't delay, sign up today! For more information regarding these exciting courses, please contact Cynthia Gilliam at (619) 788-8503.

**Community Clean-ups are continuing to be held throughout the 4th District.**

I commend, thank, and congratulate the many community volunteers, city staff, non-profit organizations and EDCO Waste & Recycling Services that assist in these efforts. Keeping our communities clean and free of debris is an ongoing



effort we all must continue to be involved in. Special community cleanup events areas are selected based upon citizen requests, pledges of community involvement and previous citizen participation levels. Please feel free to call Solid Waste Code Enforcement Officer Alejandro Alvarado at (858) 627-3317 if you would like to request a clean-up in your area and/or if you have questions.

**At the May 1, 2008 community clean-up held in the 4<sup>th</sup> District community of Chollas View,** a total of 10.98 tons of waste was collected, 9.94 tons were non-recyclables and 1.04 tons of recyclables consisting of metals and appliances from the neighborhood. Ardelle Matthews, Chollas View community members, and the City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department, are commended for their assistance and support.

**At the May 3, 2008 community clean-up held in the 4<sup>th</sup> District community of Alta Vista,** a total of 43.06 tons of waste was collected, 34.21 tons were non-recyclables and 8.85 tons of recyclables consisting of metals and appliances from the neighborhood. William and Betty Cherry, Alta Vista community members, and the City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department, are commended for their assistance and support.

## COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

*I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community, and as long as I live it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can.*

*- George Bernard Shaw*

I am in total agreement with him and I am very proud and thankful of the fact that residents throughout the 4th District also share this belief. Please join me or a member of my staff at the following Community Councils meeting this week:

**Mountain View Community Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at 6:00p.m at Mt. View Park, 551 S. 40<sup>th</sup> Street (Lourdes Borboa staffs this meeting)

**Paradise Hills Village Council Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at 6:30p.m at Lee Elementary, 6196 Childs Ave. (Liezl Mangonon staffs this meeting)

**Diamond Business Improvement District Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at 8:00p.m at 5106 Federal Blvd. (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)



**Martin Luther King Rec. Council Meeting** will be held on Thursday, May 15, 2008 at 12:00p.m at MLK Rec. Center, 6401 Skyline Drive (Derrick White staffs this meeting)

**Lomita Village Town Council Meeting** will be held on Thursday, May 15, 2008 at 6:00p.m at Skyline Park Rec. Center, 8285 Skyline Drive (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)

**Coalition of Neighborhood Council Meeting** will be held on Monday, May 19, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at Jacobs Center, 5160 Federal Blvd. (Jimmie Slack staffs this meeting)

**Mountain View Community Meeting** will meet Wednesday, March 19, 2008 at 6:00 pm at the Mt. View Park, 551 S. 40th Street (Lourdes Borboa staffs this meeting)

**Southeastern Planning Committee Meeting** will be held on Monday, May 19, 2008 at 7:00p.m at Neighborhood House Association, 841 S. 41<sup>st</sup> Street (Petrina Burnham Branch staffs this meeting)

**Chollas View Community Council Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at 6:00p.m at the Tubman Chavez Center, 415 Euclid Ave. (Liezl Mangonon staffs this meeting)

**Chollas Lake Recreation Council Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 2755 55<sup>th</sup> Street (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)

## **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:**

*“Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”*

*—Dr. Martin Luther King*

An opportunity for you to volunteer your services exists with the many City of San Diego Boards and Commissions.

Please visit the City's web site at [www.sandiego.gov](http://www.sandiego.gov) and view the many boards



and commissions available for you to possibly serve on. You will find that several members' terms are expiring, who is responsible for nominating and appointing members, and what the terms and requirements for service are.

Please call Benelia Santos-Hunter at 236-6644 if you are interested in serving as a 4<sup>th</sup> District representative on a particular Board and/or Commission.

## SAVE THIS DATE:

**Comienza con un Sueno! It Begins With a Dream...** will be held on Saturday, May 31, 2008 from 7:30 am to 2:30 pm. All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students and families invited! Please join us for a day of educational workshops, speakers, and fun activities. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information contact Rafael Hernandez at (858) 534-4250 or rshernandez@ucsd.edu.

**ATTENTION Men and Boys the Father Son 2 on 2 Basketball Tournament is back and** will be held on Sunday, June 1, 2008 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at 31<sup>st</sup> St. SDA Church Gym (414 South Franklin St.) Ages 10-100 are encouraged to sign up. If your father, grandfather or uncle cannot participate, you can ADOPT A DAD. For more information contact Mike McWilliams at (619) 947-1317.

**Recycle E-Waste! BE GREEN!** will be held on Saturday, June 7, 2008 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at Balboa Tennis Club (2221 Morley Field Dr.) Please bring for recycling any old Computers, Monitors, Laptops, TV's, Printers, Cell Phones, FAX machines, VCR and DVD players, Stereos, Cameras, Scanners, etc. Free and easy drop-off. Proceeds Benefit Chaz Griffin Recovery. **Please do not bring any appliances or batteries. They will not be accepted for recycling.**

### **San Diego SHOW All Star Cheerleading and Dance 2008 Summer Camp**

Themed day camps ages 4-15 that offer skill training in fundamentals of cheer, dance and basic tumbling. Boys and girls can have FUN and build confidence and self-esteem, while learning skills. For more information please call (619) 788-6042 or visit [www.sdshowcheeranddance.org](http://www.sdshowcheeranddance.org).

**THANK YOU.....**for reading my E-mail Message for the Week. If you would like to receive this E-mail on a regular basis, please e-mail me at [anthonyyoung@sandiego.gov](mailto:anthonyyoung@sandiego.gov).

