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JANUARY 15, 2009 WEEKLY UPDATE



*Old Fire Station #19 at 36th Street and Oceanview Blvd.
in the Mountain View Community*



As we approach the national holiday commemorating the birthday of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and the historic inauguration of the first African American

President of the United States of America, Barrack Obama, I am reminded that we owe a debt of appreciation to God and those who have struggled and sacrificed for us to arrive at this point. While we celebrate this historic time, let's remember that we are reaping the benefit of those who did not faint in the pursuit of the dream and not neglect our responsibility to pass on a better world for those who follow us. I look forward to all of you joining in and helping to celebrate these two momentous occasions by participating in the various events throughout San Diego that honor the memory and achievements of Dr. King, and celebrate a part of his "dream" as the first African- American President of the United States, Barack Obama, is sworn in.

On January 22nd the San Diego Historical Research Board will be considering my recommendation to designate Fire Station #19 located at 3601 Ocean View Boulevard in the Mountain View community, as a Historical site.

The historical significance of Fire Station #19 is illustrated by the racial segregation that existed in San Diego's fire department in the early 1900's and the courage of a Fire Chief and firefighters to eliminate it. As you may know since the first African American firefighters were hired by the San Diego Fire Department in 1919, they were only allowed to live and work out of Fire Station #19. It wasn't until late 1951, under the strict orders of then Fire Chief George Courser that African American firefighters were allowed to live and work out of other San Diego fire stations.



Designating Fire Station #19 as a Historical Site will pay tribute to the men and women firefighters throughout history that helped integrate and create the exemplary Fire and Rescue Department we have today. It will also provide a historical site in the 4th District that residents throughout San Diego can be proud of.

Come celebrate the 24th Annual YMCA of San Diego County Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Human Dignity Award Breakfast. Friday, January 16, 2009 at the Scottish Rite Center (1895 Camino Del Rio South) Registration/Breakfast begins at 6:30 am and the Program is from 7:00 am to 9:00 am. Special Guest Speaker will be Father Henry Rodriguez, San Diego Hospice. For more information please contact mblanek@ymca.org or call (619) 264-0144 ex104.

Come celebrate San Diego State University's Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Luncheon. Friday, January 16, 2009 from 11:30am to 1:30pm at Montezuma Hall (SDSU's Aztec Center). Soul Food, Poetry, Song, Dance and Drama! For more information please call LaShae Collins at (619) 594-5341.

The 29th Annual 2009 Martin Luther King Jr. Parade "Living the Dream" "Let Freedom Ring" presented by Zeta Sigma Lambda Chapter and Alpha Phi Alpha Scholarship Fund, Inc. will be held on Saturday, January 17, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The staging area will be at Tailgate Park (13th and Imperial Ave.) The Parade route will be North on Park Blvd. to J St. West on J St. to 7th Ave. South on 7th Ave. back to Tailgate Park. For more information please contact the Martin Luther King Jr. Parade Committee at (619) 264-0542.

The 2009 San Diego Multicultural Festival! Celebrate cultures from around the world at the free 11th annual San Diego Multicultural Festival on Saturday, January 17, 2009, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in downtown San Diego. Attendees will enjoy storytellers, musicians, activity booths and a variety of food, merchant, informational and educational booths representing local to international organizations. Students from three local schools will construct Global Villages, which display international customs and cultures they have studied in depth. A new addition to the festival is the Downtown Education Fair, a special section of booths showcasing many of downtown's unique learning opportunities. This family-friendly free festival will take place along the Martin Luther King Jr, Promenade (between Fourth Ave. and Market St. on Harbor Dr.). For more information about the festival, visit www.ccdc.com and click on Special Events.

UAAMAC's 2009 Event Series: Building the Beloved Community *The 14th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Breakfast* will be held on Monday January 19, 2009 from 7:30 am to 10:00 am at the Joe and Vi Jacobs Center (404 Euclid Avenue) For more information please call (619) 264-1213.

Local Residents, the Coalition of Neighborhood Councils, and the Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation presents Inauguration Day Celebration! January 20, 2009 from 8:30am to 11:00am at the Joe & Vi Jacobs Center Celebration Hall (404 Euclid Ave.) Come honor, celebrate, and witness the first African-American president taking office on the big screen! Hear from a distinguished panel of former elected officials as they discuss their experiences and what this election means. Panel members include: Rev. George Walker Smith, Dr. Dorothy Smith, and Jess Haro. Don't miss this historic event! To RSVP or for more information, please call (619) 527-6161.

OBAMA INAUGURAL LIVE @ MALCOLM X LIBRARY will be held on Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at the Malcolm X Library (5148 Market St.). Malcolm X Library will host an all day Community Inaugural Celebration to mark that momentous occasion. The community at large is invited to attend all or some of the most imaginative inaugural events occurring in the San Diego area. The Library has partnered with a diversity of community groups, including artists and performers, to mark the historic day. Malcolm X Library plans a day-long hour by hour inauguration day from 12:00 noon to 7:00 pm, preceded by the live televised swearing-in ceremony in the morning starting at 9:00 am, and including performance segments each hour, international cuisine, educational and musical components, etc., elected and community leaders, community "open mic" for residents to share their views, and on-camera video documentation for those who wish to record their impressions regarding the once-in-a-lifetime election of the new president. Copies of the resulting DVD will be deposited in the San Diego Public Library archives and made available to the public. For more information, please call (619) 527-3405.

The Fourth District Seniors Resource Center invites you to join in celebrating the Historical Presidential Inauguration of Our 44th President! Tuesday, January 20, 2009 from 9:00am to 4:00pm at George L. Stevens Senior Community Center (570 So. 65th St.) Door prizes and raffles, music, dancing and various entertainment, vendor booths, and an all day food court. For more information please call (619) 266-2066.

"In Our Lifetime – 2009 Inaugural Gala" The Rotary Club of Southeast San Diego in collaboration with the, National Council for Negro Women (San Diego chapter), NAACP-San Diego and North County Branches, Black American Political Association of California, Multi-Cultural Convention Services Network (MCCSN), ULSDC Young Professionals/Guild/Career College Club Network (C3N) and the Urban League of San Diego County will host an Inaugural Gala Celebration to mark the historic triumph of President-Elect Barack Obama. The black-tie (optional) event will take place on Tuesday, January 20, 2009, from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm at the new Joe & Vi Jacobs Center located at 404 Euclid Avenue San Diego, CA 92114, in Market Creek Plaza. Guests will enjoy a buffet, dancing, entertainment, broadcasts from Washington, DC and remarks by some of the nation's most prominent leaders. The Gala will commemorate the accomplishments of African Americans leading up to this historic moment, a



moment that many people did not think they would see in their lifetime.

Tickets are \$55.00/person and are available for purchase online @ [https://www.regonline.com/In Our Lifetime](https://www.regonline.com/In_Our_Lifetime) or in person at the Urban League's corporate office 720 Gateway Center Drive, San Diego. For additional information on the "In Our Lifetime – 2009 Inaugural Gala Celebration", please contact Dianne Crawford at 619-267-0893, Lei-Chala Wilson at (619) 507-1304 or Maurice Wilson at 619-266-6244.

The Jay Brown Network Presents in association with Rage One: Change Artist Inaugural Ball will be held on January 20, 2009 beginning at 8:30pm at the On Broadway Event Center (615 Broadway). Celebrate a Historic day in U.S. history and usher in a new era of CHANGE! Hosted By Def Comedy Jam's Joe Torry; performances by Tommy Davidson, Aida Rodriguez, Brett Riley, Tank and many others! For more information please visit thejaybrownnetwork.com or call (619) 231-0011.

Miss Metro and Miss Teen Metro San Diego 2009 Scholarship Pageant! No Entry fee! Scholarship Prize! Diamond Earrings and Numerous Gifts! Do you consider yourself or know a young woman who can effectively represent her community? Young Ladies must be between the ages of 14-16 years for Miss Teen Metro and 17-23 years for Miss Metro. They must also reside in one of the following zip codes: 92101, 92102, 92113, 92114 or 92139. If you have what it takes or know someone who does please call Miss Barbara at (858) 831-1903.

Apply now for the San Diego Martin Luther King Jr. Foundation 2009 Scholarships for graduating high school seniors in the San Diego City Schools/San Diego Unified School District. Three Scholarships Available! **Two scholarships for \$7,500.00 each! One scholarship for \$5,000.00!** Scholarships can be used at any four-year, fully accredited college of recipient's choice. **Application deadline: March 31, 2009.** Over \$280,000 in scholarships awarded, to date! Application available online at: www.Carterreese.com; click on community service or, see your high school counselor. For further questions please call Mary Hubbard at (619) 463-1702.

The Grand Parent's Connection! Grand Parent's Connection is a group of grand parent's, offering support for grandparents or relatives, who are raising children under the age of 18. The group offers open discussion, and guest speakers who focus on issues affection grandparents of other relatives who are raising children with information on resources available on their communities. They meet Thursday Mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Tubman Chavez Center (415 N Euclid Avenue). For more information please call Shearl Lambert at (619) 931-9548 or email her at shearl2530@sbcglobal.net.

San Diego Home Loan Counseling and Education Center Home Buying Counseling Services Counselors are ready to assist you in Budget Counseling, Reviewing the home buying process, Explaining various loan programs, Pre-qualification services, Referral, Development of

a written home buying plan of action. For more information contact (619) 624-2330 or www.sdhomeloan.org.

GET INVOLVED! Skyline-Paradise Hills Planning Group needs you! If you are interested in recommending and advising the San Diego City Planning Commission and the City Council on changes regarding zoning (building and property improvements), zoning violations, street conditions, traffic signals, speed bumps and conditional-use permits, etc. the Skyline-Paradise Hills Planning Group would like to invite you and other residents and neighbor volunteers from the Skyline and Paradise Hills community to attend every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm at the Paradise Hills Recreation Center, 6610 Potomac St. 92139.

STREET SWEEPING INFORMATION

Street Sweeping provides two primary benefits to the City. The more obvious benefit is the collection and removal of paper, leaves, and other visible debris that collect in the gutters. This debris can block storm water facilities, causing localized flooding during heavy rains. An equally important, but less visible benefit is the removal of metal particles and other hazardous waste products left by passing vehicles. For more information regarding Street Sweeping please call (619) 527-3482 or visit www.sandiego.gov/street-div/strsweep.shtml.

GRAFFITI INFORMATION

ONE-STOP

City of San Diego Graffiti Control Hotline: (619) 525-8522

GRAFFITI REPORTING

San Diego Police Department: (619) 531-2000

Graffiti Strike Force: (619) 515-2754

Email Pictures to Police Officer Oscar Amado: oamado@pd.sandiego.gov

Online Reporting Form: www.sandiego.gov/graffiti

GRAFFITI REMOVAL CONTACTS-*Know the exact location of the graffiti!*

Urban Corps Graffiti Hotline: (800) 829-6884

Cal-Trans (graffiti along state highways/freeways): (858) 467-4042

If graffiti is not removed within 48 hours call Diane Valdez: (858) 467-4009

Online Reporting Form: www.dot.ca.gov/maintform

SDG&E: (800) 411-7343

Cox Cable: (619) 263-9251

U.S. Postal Service: (800) 275-8777

City Traffic Signs: (619) 527-7500

Traffic Signal Control Boxes: (619) 527-7500

GRAFFITI REMOVAL SUPPLIES

“Paint Bank”- Free recycled paint and supplies: (619) 527-5419

Appointments Monday, Wednesday, Friday- 9:30-1:30 p.m.

Project CLEAN- Linda Pennington (City Heights only): (619) 563-4014

Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association-Jose Lopez: (619) 282-2788

Paint, rollers, brushes, 4 basic paint colors

CITY RESPONSE TIMES FOR GRAFFITI REMOVAL

Public right-of-way/City-owned property: 4 days

Private property-responsibility of owner: depends on owner

OTHER CITY RESOURCES

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal: (858) 694-7000

4TH DISTRICT COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP INFORMATION ONLY: PLEASE CALL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OFFICERS FOR LOCATIONS!!!

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.

On Saturday January 24, 2009 from 9:30 AM to noon, Ranger Jason Allen will organize the removal of invasive non-native plants including Arundo, Castor Bean, Ice Plant and possibly Pepper Trees. There may be some trash cleanup. Directions: from Home Avenue, go south on Fairmount Blvd, turn left on 2nd traffic signal and go to bottom of hill near the main entrance gate. From Federal Blvd, go north on 47th St and turn right at the next traffic signal and go to bottom of hill. Meet at the main entrance gate across from the Leisure Land sign. Come rain or shine unless heavy rain. For more information Contact Bill, (619) 264-1299
WA4LRM@pacbell.net.

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:

Martin Luther King Rec. Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 12:00p.m at MLK Rec. Center, 6401 Skyline Drive (Roosevelt Williams staffs this meeting

Ridgeview Community Council will be held on Saturday, January 17, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at 2135

Ridgeview Drive, home of Judy and Randy Randant (Derrick White staffs this meeting)
Webster Community Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Webster Elementary, 4801 Elm Street (Derrick White staffs this meeting)

Diamond Business Improvement District Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. at Tubman Chavez Center, 415 Euclid Avenue (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)

Mountain View Community Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at Mt. View Rec. Center, 641 Boundary Street (Lourdes Borboa staffs this meeting)

Paradise Hills Village Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2009 at 6:30p.m at Lee Elementary School, 6196 Childs Avenue (Liezl Mangonon 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 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 4th District representative on a particular Board and/or Commission.

The San Diego Youth Commission is searching for two District Four youth ages 14-22 to sit on their board as Commissioners! Commissioners advise and provide recommendations to the City Council on pertinent issues to youths. They meet monthly to work on common goals, devise plans, and create policies important to young San Diegans. In addition, the Youth Commission will have the opportunity to develop their own policy agenda and review issues sent to them by the City Council. The San Diego Youth Commission offers youths the opportunity to see first hand how government works and it allows youths to represent themselves and their peers in a positive manner. The Commission is also a fantastic opportunity to bring together young people from various ethnic, socio-economic, and geographic backgrounds to debate issues, create meaningful policies and learn more about other communities in San Diego. For more information or to apply as a Commissioner of the San Diego Youth Commission please



contact Jasmine Holt at (619) 236-6644 or jdholt@sandiego.gov.

SAVE THIS DATE:

Water For Children Africa's 12th Africa Trade and Business Conference

Saturday, January 31, 2009: San Diego Super Run 2009 10K and 5K will benefit Water For Children Africa. For more information please contact www.kathylopererevents.com.

The City's Equal Opportunity Contracting Program presents Building Profitable Relationships in 2009!

Thursday, February 5, 2009 from 10:00am to 3:00pm at Balboa Park Club (2150 Pan American Road West). To register visit www.ptac-sandiego.org/workshop.html.

27th Annual Chinese New Year Food and Cultural Fair hosted by the San Diego Chinese Center!

2009 Year of the Ox will be held on Saturday, February 7th and Sunday February 8, 2009 from 10:00am to 5:00pm at Third Avenue and J Street (in downtown San Diego's Asian Pacific Thematic Historic District) Free Admission! For more information, call (619) 398-7025 or check www.sdcny.org for updates.

Diversity Day Fair! Diversity Health & Career Fair All In One!

Thursday, February 19, 2009 at the Jacobs Community Center (404 Euclid Ave.) from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Project Employment! Dress code is business attire! Dress to impress and bring plenty of resumes, pens, and your winning smile! For more information please call (619) 277-9099 or visit www.diversitysolutions.us.

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.

