



CITY OF SAN DIEGO
OFFICE OF COUNCILMEMBER ANTHONY YOUNG



WEEKLY UPDATE DECEMBER 6, 2005

We have a new Mayor! Yesterday, Jerry Sanders was sworn in as the Mayor of San Diego. I appreciated the manner in which he began his administration by immediately taking his seat with the Council and conducting the business of the City. This Mayor and Council have a lot of issues to address and I look forward to working with Mayor Sanders in helping to resolve our financial crisis and truly restoring San Diego to the role of America’s Finest City.

Catherine Montgomery, Bea Kemp, the Friends of Malcolm X Library and the many supporters and contributors to the Malcolm X Library are to be commended for their exemplary efforts to raise matching funds of over \$100,000 to match donations contributed for the purpose of supporting the purchase, installation, maintenance, and usage of information technology equipment and software, and community technology outreach programs at the Malcolm X Library.

Yesterday, the Mayor and Council unanimously supported my motion to establish (2) new Library Matching Funds: Montgomery Technology Fund (named for Catherine Montgomery); and Library Matching Programs Fund. I am proud of Catherine Montgomery’s outstanding efforts over the years to help make the Malcolm X Library and other San Diego libraries outstanding resources for our communities.

My congratulations go out to Shirley Wilson, principal of Oak Park Elementary School on being selected as the new President of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc. Delta Upsilon Chapter of San Diego. She is an outstanding leader of educational achievements at Oak Park Elementary and will use her leadership skills to assist the Sorority with its mission of “stimulating professional growth among educators, promoting the highest ideas of the teaching profession, and encouraging the development of the fullest potential of our youth and adults.” I commend and support the Sorority’s activities and events to accomplish their mission.

The holiday season is upon us and the City's Police and Fire Departments have some outstanding Holiday Safety Tips for you including: Keep watch over children around Christmas trees, never let children play with wiring or lights. Keep all matches and lighters in a locked cabinet, far from children's reach. Keep your tree and all other flammable materials at least three feet away from heat sources. Additional tips for Christmas shoppers include: Lock packages in the trunk and then move your vehicle. Park in well lighted areas. Don't carry large sums of cash. Be aware of the people around you. Don't allow your attention to be distracted from your purse or packages. Teach children to go to store clerk to ask for help if you become separated. Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows and don't put large displays of Christmas gifts in view of your windows or doors. Please contact your local police community relations office or local fire station for more information on how to keep you and your family safe during the holiday season.

As you know, January is the month we celebrate the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Many events will be held throughout the city and county. I hope and trust you will support these events to the extent possible. **Among the many events is the 21st Annual YMCA of San Diego County Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Human Dignity Award Breakfast on January 13, 2006.** I look forward to seeing you at this event hosted by the Jackie Robinson Family YMCA at the Scottish Rite Center in Mission Valley.

Have a Happy and Safe Holiday Season! My thanks go out to you for supporting me in my efforts to make this City and the 4th District a better place to live, work, and raise a family

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