



**DISTRICT SEVEN  
COMMUNITIES**

- Allied Gardens**
- Alvarado Estates**
- Chollas Creek**
- Colina del Sol**
- College Area**
- Del Cerro**
- El Cerrito**
- Fox Canyon**
- Grantville**
- Islenair**
- MCAS Miramar**
- Oak Park**
- Rancho Encantada**
- Redwood Village**
- Rolando Park**
- Rolando**
- San Carlos**
- SDSU**
- Tierrasanta**

# The Emerald News

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## Council District Seven - New and Old

Recently, the City of San Diego Redistricting Commission approved a final map to redraw the City Council District boundaries and add a new 9th Council District due to the now permanent Mayor-Council form of government in San Diego.

One of the biggest changes was to use Interstate 8 as a dividing line across the city thus cutting what we have known as Council District Seven in half. The new 7<sup>th</sup> District will include the communities of the Lake Murray, Del Cerro, Allied Gardens, San Carlos, Linda Vista, Serra Mesa, Mission Valley and Tierrasanta.

Our office has been inundated with calls from concerned constituents wanting to know what district they are in and who will be their Councilmember.

I want to assure all of my District 7 constituents that you will have a voice on the City Council whether it is me or a new Councilmember, and until the details are worked out, my staff and I will continue to provide support and services regardless of where you reside.

***Here is a list of my staff and the communities they serve:***

**Marisa Berumen** -Allied Gardens, Grantville and Tierrasanta

**Cynthia Harris** –City Heights and El Cerrito.

**Tim Taylor** - College Area

**Mary Ann Wallace** -Del Cerro, San Carlos and Lake Murray

**Chris Pearson** -Rolando, Rolando Park, Redwood Village and Oak Park

If you need assistance from our office for any reason, please call: (619) 236-6677.

*Thanks, Marti*

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**Safety Speaks** ~ In last month's column, I wrote about the launch of my "Neighborhood Beat" program and the free CPR trainings I will be hosting throughout the City. On August 13, we had our first event which was a huge success. We hope you can make it to our next program. Details will be coming soon!

In this month's column, I am continuing the focus on community participation in public safety. During the first few hours and days after any type of disaster, emergency services will be stretched thin. Unfortunately this can leave families, neighborhoods and businesses to be more self reliant immediately following a tragedy.

After the distressing Cedar fire of October 2003, the City of San Diego sought new solutions to facilitate citizens self reliance. A new community based program called Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) was developed by the Fire-Rescue Department. CERT San Diego has helped citizens become a part of the solution in our own communities. CERT San Diego instructors teach citizens to take life-saving action to help communities get through the first few hours or days when emergency services could be overwhelmed.

I encourage you to join the San Diego CERT team. To qualify you must live within the city limits of San Diego or you must be employed by a company with a physical business address in the City of San Diego. For more information about CERT San Diego, please email Carie DeMarco-Krzs, Program Manager, at [cert@sandiego.gov](mailto:cert@sandiego.gov) or call (619) 533-4453.



## Remembering the fallen heroes of September 11, 2001-

On the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center, you can honor and pay tribute to our fallen heroes. There will be an 11-star wreath laying ceremony, a U.S. Navy flyover, a reading of the names of the victims, a twin helicopter flyover and a twenty one gun salute. The ceremony will begin at 2:30 pm on Sunday, September 11, 2011 on the flight deck of the U.S.S. Midway Museum. The ceremony is open to the public with boarding beginning at 1:30 pm.

You can also participate in the Moment of Remembrance at 10:00 am. Cease all regular activity for one minute and, as bells and sirens ring out, take a moment to honor the victims of the worst terrorist attack on U.S. soil. Railways, fire and police departments, and others are called to ring bells and sound sirens as we observe this Moment of Remembrance all at the same time across the country.



## Getting the Job Done...Constituent Comments

**Deteriorating City Water Meter Fixed In A Snap** “I had called it in to the Water Dept. to report a deteriorating water meter and they thanked me but said it would take some time to repair. **I called your office to report the same information. Several hours (not days) later your office called back to say that the sidewalk would be fixed later that afternoon or evening. It was fixed that same day.** Thanks very much for the quick response.” District Seven Resident, **Curt McCarty**

**New Water Bill System Concerns** “We are working out the bugs in the system that have affected my account and possibly others. **I am so glad I wrote to Marti Emerald's office, you have been amazing.** I am very happy with your help. THANK YOU!!” District Seven Resident, **Lynne Borja** .

**Street Repair Completion** “I wanted to take the time to write to you and thank you for helping us with the repair of the sleep-depriving loose man-hole cover on Streamview Dr. Unit 602 from PUD/WWC were here this morning.... with very friendly crew members (Tonay Casillas; Ron Simpson and Jerry Lomeli).... they did an outstanding job. **Thank you for your help.... and for returning our peacefulness.**” District Seven Resident, **Tim Driscoll**

**Community Clean Up** “On behalf of the El Cerrito Community Council I would like to thank Marti and yourself for arranging yesterday's big up clean-up. It went off without a hitch. I also want to thank from environmental services staff. They did a great job.” District Seven Resident, **Jan Riley**



## Annual Coastal Cleanup Day

Saturday,  
September 17  
9am-12pm

For more  
Information  
and cleanup  
site locations  
including sev-  
eral within  
District 7 go  
to:

[www.cleanupday.org](http://www.cleanupday.org)

## September Community Events

**Free Youth Soccer Leagues– Saturdays and Sundays** at Edison Elementary School located at 4077 35th Street in City Heights. For Divisions U-6 through U-14. For additional information please call (619) 582-1887. This cultural passion spans across ethnically diverse populations; encompassing pride, self esteem, and a sense of community, and creates a significant opportunity to positively impact City Heights youth and their parents.

**12<sup>th</sup> Annual Scandinavian Festival** celebrating the music, foods, crafts and heritage of Scandinavia occurs **on Saturday, September 10th** at Ascension Lutheran Church located at 5106 Zion Avenue in Allied Gardens. Dinner at 6:00 pm and Auction from 6:00-9:00 pm.

**Big Community Garage Sale.** Looking for that special piece of furniture for your house, kitchen items, tools, sports equipment or clothes? You can find it all at this year's El Cerrito Community Garage Sale. The sale will begin at 8:00 am on **Saturday, September 17th** and will run until sunset. Look for signs along El Cajon Boulevard between 54th Street and College Avenue for the different homes participating in the garage sale.

Get out that bicycle on **Saturday, September 17th** to **Bike the Boulevard**. This is fun filled day of cruising El Cajon Boulevard with various activities and stops at Til Two, Soda Bar, Tiger Tiger, Lafayette Hotel and the Live Wire. The event will kick off at noon at Til Two located at 4746 El Cajon Boulevard and then every two hours, the event will travel up the boulevard.

**Got Talent? Youth (under the age of 18) Talent Competition.** Cash prizes will be awarded and finalists will perform in front of a live audience at the 5th Annual Day of the Dead event in October. The preliminary round will be held on **Tuesday, September 20th** at Price Charities located at 4305 University Avenue. Fill out an entry form by September 9th. For additional information or a copy of the entry form, contact Claudia Baltazar at (619) 283-9624 x 257 or [cbalzar@saysandiego.org](mailto:cbalzar@saysandiego.org).

Free screening of the movie **Ratatouille** at **Teralta Park in City Heights** at Orange Avenue and 40th Street on **September 30th at 7:00 pm**. Bring your family, neighbors, snacks, blankets and chairs and enjoy this great family movie under the stars.

**Miramar Air Show** will kick off **September 30th through October 2nd**. Gates open to the public at 8 am daily. The day show performances begin at 9:00 am and continue until the Blue Angels performance is over around 4:00 pm. The Twilight Air Show is from 5:30-9:00 pm on Saturday evening only. Admission, parking and blanket seating is FREE.