

# COUNCILMAN MARK KERSEY

NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT



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## Streets Assessment Show Major Improvements



As chair of the City's Infrastructure Committee, I've worked hard to ensure our streets get the level of attention and investment our residents deserve. We recently heard a new report showing all of that hard work is paying off.

A new street condition assessment shows 60 percent of streets now fall into the "good category" compared to 35 percent in 2011. In District Five, we have approximately 390 miles of roadway, the second most of any district in the city and in the current assessment, our streets are rated at 74, better than the citywide average of 72. This is due to a truly focused effort by

Mayor Faulconer, my Council colleagues, and the City Streets Division. We passed streamlining measures, increased funding and made it easier for residents to report street damage.

You can check out what your street was rated in the new assessment at the fully interactive [streets.sandiego.gov](http://streets.sandiego.gov). You'll also see if your street has been scheduled for repairs in the current FY17 budget, like Rancho Carmel Dr., Scripps Ranch Blvd., and West Bernardo Dr.

While we've made great progress, there is still a lot of work to do. If you see a street that needs repairs, use the Get it Done app or report it at [www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done](http://www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done). Our pothole repair crew is scheduled to be in the district on October 4, 17 and 28 (schedule may change).

## New Kids Playground Opens at RB Community Park

The new kids playground at Rancho Bernardo Community Park is now open thanks to the hard work and fundraising by the Kiwanis of the Rancheros. They raised more than \$125,000 including a grant from the District Five Community Projects, Programs and Services Fund. The new tot lot includes updated playground equipment, rubber padding and turf.

This was a great partnership with the local Kiwanis Club in Rancho Bernardo. I look forward to seeing our youth enjoy the new play area for many years to come.



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## District Five Business Profile: Microtek

Located in Rancho Bernardo, Microtek is an engineering and R&D startup founded in 2015 that is creating products to improve human health. The company specializes in miniaturization for advanced microelectronics products. Microtek's mission is to deliver novel life sciences services, devices, and therapeutics to improve human health. They provide innovative product development by incorporating microelectronics manufacturing, engineering, bioscience, and pharmaceutical strategies.



I had the opportunity to visit their offices recently for a tour and I learned about the new technologies they are developing including a miniaturized microelectronic controlled oral drug delivery system that would allow for programmed release of therapeutic doses.

You can see Microtek for yourself when they participate in MFG Day on Friday, October 7 at 10:30 a.m. (more on that below.) Learn more about Microtek at [www.utekinc.com](http://www.utekinc.com).

## Find out What is #MadeinSD



The San Diego-Tijuana region is a hub for manufacturing with more than 3,000 local companies. National MFG Day celebrates modern manufacturing and seeks to inspire the next generation of manufactures. By opening the door to local companies so they can showcase their products, San Diegans are able to see San Diego-made products first-hand.

San Diego's MFG Day is the largest celebration in California. It kicks off with a breakfast on Friday, October 7 followed by the opportunity to travel to one of the more than 25 local companies who will be open to the public.

I had a chance to visit Microtek, a microelectronics manufacturer in District Five (see profile above) to get a sneak peek at what they will show MFG Day visitors. Inova Diagnostics in Scripps Ranch is also hosting an event.

Learn more at [SDmfgday.org](http://SDmfgday.org).

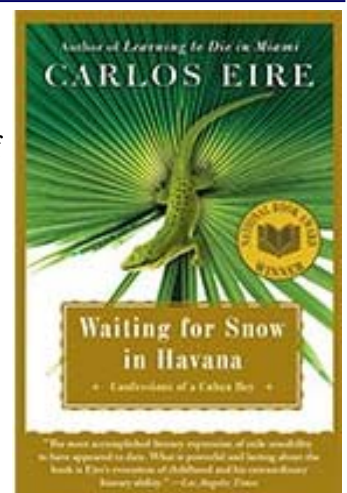
## One Book One San Diego

Join San Diegans reading this year's One Book One San Diego selection *Waiting for Snow in Havana* by Carlos Eire. The annual regional reading event kicked off last month and the City is hosting dozens of events to further understanding of the themes and setting of the Cuba-based novel. Participate in a Latin dance lesson or join fellow readers at a book club discussions. Below are two of the events taking place at the Carmel Mountain Ranch Library in District Five:

- Film Screening: Juan of the Dead: Tues. Oct. 25, 6 p.m.
- Family Zumba: Cuban Dance Styles: Tues. Oct. 18, 5:15 p.m.

For a list of all events, check it out online at:

[www.sandiego.gov/public-library/news-events/onebook](http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/news-events/onebook).





# Community Calendar

## San Diego Fire Rescue 5K & Kids Run

**Oct 8** +FREE Fire Safety Expo  
Saturday, October 8  
Embarcadero Marina South  
[sdfirerescue5k.org](http://sdfirerescue5k.org)

## Vim & Vigor Art & Wellness Festival

**Oct 8** Saturday, Oct. 8, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
County Waterfront Park  
1600 Pacific Highway  
[www.vimandvigorfest.com](http://www.vimandvigorfest.com)

## Scripps Ranch Theatre: Vanya and Sonia and

**Oct 9** **Masha and Spike**  
Through Oct. 9 (various times)  
Legler Benbough Theatre  
9783 Avenue of Nations  
[www.scrippsranchtheatre.org](http://www.scrippsranchtheatre.org)

## NSDBC: Regional Connect Mixer

**Oct 12** Wednesday, Oct. 12 5-7 p.m.  
Scripps Health 10790 Rancho Bernardo Rd.  
[www.sdbusinesschamber.com](http://www.sdbusinesschamber.com)

## Rancho Bernardo Library Jazz Concert Series

**Oct 18** Tuesday, Oct. 18, 6:15-7:30 p.m.  
Peter Sprague Trio  
17110 Bernardo Center Dr.  
[friendsoftheranchobernardolibrary.org](http://friendsoftheranchobernardolibrary.org)

## Daylight Savings Time

**Nov 6** Sunday, November 6  
Don't forget to turn your clocks back!

## Fire Station 33 Open House

As part of Fire Prevention Week, San Diego's Fire Rescue Department is hosting an open house at Rancho Bernardo's Station #33 (16966 Bernardo Center Drive) on **Sunday, October 9 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.** The open house will include tours of the fire house, interactive demonstrations with fire fighters and lots of free information for families, including how to prepare a home fire escape plan.

Also, while we are talking fire prevention, the Fire Rescue Department suggests checking the expiration date on your smoke



## Used Oil Recycling Event



The City of San Diego's Used Auto-Product Recycling Event will be held on **October 8, 2016** at Balboa Park (corner of President's Way and Park Blvd) from 9 AM to 1 PM. This event is free for City of San Diego residents only. No appointment required. No business waste will be accepted.

Items accepted for disposal are:

- Oil
- Oil Filters
- Antifreeze
- Car Batteries
- Household Batteries
- Fluorescent Bulbs/Tubes

For additional information and disposal opportunities please visit the following link.

[https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/esd\\_rec\\_oil\\_fil\\_buckslips\\_fall\\_2016.pdf](https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/esd_rec_oil_fil_buckslips_fall_2016.pdf)

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## Del Norte High's County Teacher of the Year

Del Norte High Special Education teacher Megan Gross was named a 2016 County Teacher of the Year, the only teacher in the City of San Diego to receive the award this year. She was rewarded for her extraordinary work with her students and constant advocacy for inclusion. I had the honor to meet Megan and present her with a proclamation during a surprise visit to Del Norte High School. In front of her peers and Principal Greg Mizel, I proclaimed Friday, September 30, 2016 to be "Megan Gross Day" in the City of San Diego. I can only begin to imagine how challenging and rewarding her day-to-day work can be.

Every teacher every day should be rewarded for the incredibly important work they do for our young people and the future of this City. Thank you Megan for all you do and congratulations!



## Pure Water Tour with Councilman Kersey October 22

The public is invited to Pure Water Day, a free open house event at the North City Water Reclamation Plant on Saturday, October 22. The first phase of the Pure Water Program is underway and includes the design and construction of the North City Pure Water Facility across the street from the North City Water Reclamation Plant. This facility will produce 30 million gallons per day of purified water.

Tour the demonstration Pure Water Facility and taste the water with Councilmember Mark Kersey at 10:30 a.m. The event will include fun educational activities for youth, refreshments and information about the phase one North City projects. Register for the tour with Councilmember Mark Kersey at:

<https://apps.sandiego.gov/ereg/purewatersd/register.php?id=637&grp=public>. If you aren't able to attend at 10:30 a.m., tours will take place throughout the day.

At full build-out, Pure Water San Diego will produce 83 million gallons of purified water per day and will be part of the water supply for all communities in San Diego. Over the next 20 years, multiple Pure Water Facilities will be constructed throughout San Diego. For more information, please visit [www.purewatersd.org](http://www.purewatersd.org).



You're Invited!

Pure Water Day

Open House

Saturday, October 22, 2016  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

North City Water Reclamation Plant  
4949 Eastgate Mall,  
San Diego, CA 92121



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