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Serra Mesa Community Council

Wednesday, July 22

6:30 p.m.

*Serra Mesa - Kearny Mesa Library
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Serra Mesa Community Council

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Meetings Postponed Until Further Notice - Stay Home Stay Safe**CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS**

July 14	Friends of Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library 5:30 p.m., Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, Sudberry Room
July 21	Serra Mesa Recreation Center Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., 9020 Village Glen Drive
July 16	Serra Mesa Village Connection 3:30 p.m., Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, Community Rm
July 16	Serra Mesa Planning Group 7 p.m., Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, Community Room
No Mtg	Hearing Loss Association of America (San Diego) Meeting 10:30 a.m., Mission Village Christian Fellowship
July 22	Friends of Ruffin Canyon 5:30 p.m., Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, Community Rm
July 22	Serra Mesa Community Council 6:30 p.m., Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, Community Rm
Aug 1	Friends of Ruffin Canyon Cleanup 9:00 a.m., Shawn Avenue entrance to Ruffin Canyon
Aug 18	Serra Mesa Recreation Center Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., 9020 Village Glen Drive
Aug 20	Serra Mesa Village Connection 3:30 p.m., Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, Community Rm
Aug 20	Serra Mesa Planning Group 7 p.m., Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, Community Room
No Mtg	Hearing Loss Association of America (San Diego) Meeting 10:30 a.m., Mission Village Christian Fellowship
Aug 26	Friends of Ruffin Canyon 5:30 p.m., Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, Community Rm
No Mtg	Serra Mesa Community Council Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, Community Rm
Sept 5	Friends of Ruffin Canyon Cleanup 9:00 a.m., Shawn Avenue entrance to Ruffin Canyon

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We have survived three months of pandemic and are recovering from a week caused by police action against one of our citizens, and we are in shock. I am confused, anxious, angry, and looking for a way to make it all go away. As a man, my solution is to fix it, but what to do? As a married man of over 50 years to the same woman, I have learned that sometimes what is not needed is action to fix but a need to listen. As a 1st generation American born of a Greek father and a Swedish mother and raised in the South Side of Chicago, I am aware of racism and moving to the suburbs to avoid the results of a changing neighborhood. All my life, the solution to a problem was to move away from it, first from my parents leaving a war-torn world to find a land of freedom and liberty. Second, to leave the neighborhood, I was born into to find another place where we did not need to confront our fears. I know that each of us has our own story as we contemplate our Country, which is torn apart by diversity and polarized by so many special interests. The whole world looks at us and tells us that we are not the Country we once were, but the problems I hear are not new. It all comes down to who are we, and where do we want to be? I, for one, am listening. I am reading whatever I can to learn why our citizens feel that their values are in question. If we are going to heal, we need to listen to each

other to learn what we need to know so we can repair what is broken. Information is everywhere, and we need to seek it out. In our instant news world, we need to listen to black people who have been telling us that they have needs. We need to provide our first responders who confront emergencies and need to make immediate decisions that they are accountable for their actions. We need to listen to demonstrators to find out why they leave their comfort zones to take to the streets and make their demands known. We need to hear the truth, so we can adjust our thinking to resolve the issues that divide us and allow us to try to understand our friends and neighbors. In the end, we need to be accountable for our actions, holding others accountable for theirs? From what I have learned, our neighbors include all Americans as we all want Liberty and Justice. Our Country was founded by a group of citizens who did not want to be governed by any other than their peers. Their concern was that we each have a voice and need an equal opportunity to voice it. Our great Constitution was carefully constructed to ensure that the rights of the individual were honored and followed. I understand that for those who have not experienced liberty and justice that your needs and concerns have not been met. Perhaps those who have the responsibility to change it have not been listening. It is my hope that you will be listened to and heard. It is my hope that all our leaders will be listening and hearing the voices of oppression and injustice and making changes to ensure that we are truly the "Land of the free and Home of the brave."

In conclusion, please make sure you are listening and formulating your thoughts to help our nation heal by making your thoughts known. As a listening tool, I am asking the Editor to make provision for a "Letter to the Editor" for this publication so you can voice your opinion and let your neighbors know what you think and get your ideas on how we can improve. You have many avenues to do that, and now, one of those is The Observer. I promise that you will be heard.

Carl Demas, President

Free Summer Session Underway at San Diego Continuing Education

Allura Garis



Summer session at San Diego Continuing Education (SDCE) is underway for residents looking to upskill their resumes and prepare for employment readiness. All classes are free and online, scheduled for June 8, 2020 to August 22, 2020.

SDCE's career training certificate programs are usually available on campus with lectures held in industry style learning labs, but due to temporary closures, are now being taught remotely. Job seekers can opt for a professional certificate in automotive, culinary arts, digital media and more.

"Tens of millions of Americans will require short-term, intensive career education to make themselves employable," said SDCE President Carlos O. Turner Cortez, Ph.D. "SDCE delivers fast, free job training that leads to livable wages."

Richard Sanchez, a student who experienced being laid off during the pandemic states SDCE's free classes enabled him to earn an income and attend college on a scholarship. He first enrolled in the English as a Second Language (ESL) program at SDCE back in 1997 as a Lincoln High School sophomore since growing up in Tijuana, Mexico.

Sanchez now 38 enrolled again at SDCE, this time for workforce training. He is completing certificates for Welding, Plumbing, Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning. While finding sustainable work is slow amidst Covid-19 layoffs, Sanchez looks to Craigslist to support his family, responding to home improvement gigs. "Going back to school changed my confidence and my future. Although I am only taking side jobs right now, I have more time for homework," he said.

For many years, going to college was a distant dream for Sanchez. Living in Oaxaca both of his parents were forced to drop out of school at a young age, his mom sixth grade and his dad fifth. As an SDCE student, Sanchez was selected for the San Diego Promise, a scholarship that provides two years of tuition at City, Mesa and Miramar colleges. This fall he will transition to City college.

Enrollment for summer session is still open, to learn more visit [SDCE.EDU](https://www.sdce.edu).

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2:00-6:00 p.m. Friday
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Community Sports Information:

A.Y.S.O. Soccer: (858) 268-5880

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SD United Soccer: (858) 457-4625

Serra Mesa Senior Softball:
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Serra Mesa Recreation Council meets on
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SDG&E Pipeline Project in Serra Mesa

As part of SDG&E's system-wide plan to enhance our natural gas pipeline system throughout the communities we serve, SDG&E crews are in Serra Mesa to replace a 4.2 mile section of one of the older natural gas pipelines in San Diego County.

This project is part of SDG&E's Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan, or PSEP, which identifies various pipeline sections for review and upgrade as needed. PSEP was approved by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) in 2014. Since that time, SDG&E has upgraded and modernized more than 23 miles of natural gas pipeline in San Diego County.

Pipeline 1600 is an existing 50 mile pipe that was constructed in 1949 and runs from Rainbow, on the San Diego - Riverside county border, down to Mission Valley, including this segment that runs through the Serra Mesa community.

State pipeline safety laws require certain pipelines to be tested or replaced, including Pipeline 1600. The CPUC has approved the plan to replace 37 miles in populated areas and strength test the remaining 13 miles in rural areas.

Construction on the Serra Mesa segment of the replacement project began in early June 2020 and will be completed by January 2021 and will start near the intersection of Ruffin Road and Ridgehaven Court. **The alignment runs through Ruffin Road, Aero Drive, Sandrock Road, Murray Ridge Road, Raejean Avenue, Greyling Drive and Sandmark Avenue**, until reaching the end of Pipeline 1600 at SDG&E's Mission Station.

Extra precautions have been taken to ensure the safety of our crews and the public. All workers are required to wear facial coverings and practice social distancing whenever possible while completing the work during this COVID-19 pandemic. For additional details, please see the following resources:

- Pipeline 1600 Serra Mesa Replacement Project fact sheet at <http://www.serramesa.org/news-events/> includes this map of the alignment



- Pipeline 1600 Serra Mesa tentative construction schedule, which provides intersection-to-intersection segments and anticipated date ranges (subject to change)

Intersection-to-Intersection Segments	Approximate Date Range
Sandrock Rd & Aero Dr to Sandrock Rd & Murray Ridge Rd	June 8 – Aug 13, 2020
Murray Ridge Rd & Sandrock Rd to Murray Ridge Rd & Raejean Ave	June 8 – Sept 30, 2020
Murray Ridge Rd & Raejean Ave to Greyling Dr & Sandmark Ave	July 20 – Sept 23, 2020
Aero Dr & Ruffin Rd to Aero Dr & Sandrock Rd	Sept 6 – Dec 30, 2020
Ruffin Rd & Ridgehaven Ct to Ruffin Rd & Aero Dr	Sept 20 – Dec 11, 2020
Final Repaving of entire route	January 2021

- SDG&E will utilize two simultaneous crews to safely and efficiently conclude the work in Serra Mesa
- The schedule has been prioritized to complete work near local schools while they are out of session
- More information is available at SDG&E's Pipeline 1600 project website at sdge.com/psep
- For specific questions, call SDG&E at **1-866-382-0886**

Information provided by SDG&E.

Protecting Our Children's Safety Online

By Mara W. Elliott

As families across San Diego shelter in place to protect against coronavirus, children are spending more time online – for school, for entertainment, and for social interactions with their friends.



To make this possible, parents have had to ease up on previous restrictions on Internet access. Yet the concerns that prompted those restrictions are no less real today. Protecting children from a pandemic should not compromise their protections against online threats.

As a mother of school-age children, I recognize the role of the Internet in providing entertainment and interaction. As your City Attorney, I want to protect all kids from the potential harm that can result from this unprecedented increase in online engagement.

Online predators are savvy. They understand that children are home from school and parents may be nearby, but distracted with other responsibilities. They lie about their age and identity, earn victims' trust, and try to obtain family information and photos. They may engage in sexual conversation, or suggest meeting in person. Predators can also be schoolmates, who use the Internet to cyberbully or pursue unhealthy romantic relationships.

Navigating all of this is hard for kids as well as their parents and guardians. Here are some helpful tips for protecting your children online:

1. **Educate yourself.** Online communication is constantly evolving, as are the specific ways your kids use the Internet to connect with others. Risks vary based on the type of usage. Parents should keep up on current technologies and know exactly how their kids are using the Internet.
2. **Educate your children.** Make sure they understand the difference between a friend and a predator. Explain that people might fake who they are online, and stress the importance of not engaging with strangers. Advise against accepting follow or friend requests from people they don't know and caution them not to include personal information on their profiles. Discuss relevant news stories about online predators around the dinner table.
3. **Establish open communication.** Internet safety can't be a one-time conversation. It is easier to protect children who feel they can tell you what's going on without getting into trouble. Encourage open and non-judgmental communication if they encounter a stranger who makes inappropriate comments, a classmate who tries to humiliate them or a fellow student, or a boyfriend or girlfriend who is being threatening.
4. **Set rules.** Limit online time and platforms. Let your children know you put these rules in place because you love them and want them to be safe. Some families find it useful to create an internet usage contract that outlines family rules. When possible, put rules in place that are consistent with those implemented by the parents of their friends and acquaintances.
5. **Discuss risky behavior and unhealthy relationships.** Talk about online flirting and how it can veer into uncomfortable territory. For instance, if your child is pressured to keep a relationship secret, contact should end immediately. Tell them it's okay to stop communicating with anyone who asks questions that are too personal, uncomfortable, or sexually suggestive.
6. **Talk about sexting and intimate photos.** This may be awkward to discuss, but warn teens to never share pictures of themselves or messages that they wouldn't want to be permanently available on the

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Internet and visible to their family, classmates, teachers, or future employers. Urge them to tell you immediately if anything inappropriate is requested or shared.

7. **Monitor Internet use and utilize parental controls.** Approve the apps your child uses and know their account passwords. Keep an eye on who they interact with. Look at your child's browsing history, deleted history, and private searches. Most computers, cell phones, smart TVs, and gaming consoles have built-in "parental controls." Learn how to use them.
8. **Report online predators.** Start by taking a screenshot of the concerning messages. Report potential predators to the platform where the contact occurred, then block the offender and contact police. Keep calm and don't blame your child. Predators expect children to be too ashamed to tell. It's important to be supportive.

As a working mom, I know how hard it is to juggle work and parenting, even in the best of times. Together, we can get through these trying times, and keep our children safe.

Pink Laces Senior Workout group is having classes online on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10 am. They are being streamed on Zoom. If you are interested please contact Katrina at fitkatinsd@aol.com and title the subject line : online workouts

Franklin Ridge Road Connection Lawsuit Appeal

Appeal: Filed on May 21, 2020.

Background: An environmental lawsuit regarding the approval of the road connection from Phyllis Place in Serra Mesa to Civita in Mission Valley was filed on November 27, 2017. A 501(c)3 nonprofit Board, composed of representatives from Civita and Serra Mesa, sued to protect public safety and the quality of life in Civita and Serra Mesa. On January 28, 2020, more than two years later, the San Diego County Superior Court ruled against the environmental lawsuit. The decision supported the City's process.

Donations: Thanks to all of the generous people who have donated to this cause and made the fundraising effort a success. **Some additional funds are needed.** Turn your concerns about the road connection into action. Donations are tax deductible. Online donation information is at <https://savecivita.com/take-action/> or checks can be addressed to Save Civita and mailed to Save Civita, PO Box 23315, San Diego, CA 92193.

More information: <http://www.serramesa.org/hot-topics/> (includes appeal, briefs, and judge's ruling) and <https://savecivita.com/>.



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San Diego Artist Wins Award

Melodie Tune, an artist and resident of the Serra Mesa area of San Diego, California, won the third-place award for regular paintings in the highly competitive June Member's exhibition, "Just Add Water," at *The San Diego Watercolor Society*.

Award-winning juror Linda Doll said of the painting **Parceled**, "This work impressed me by its abstraction of the landscape. I loved the creativity in this piece."

Melodie is originally from Chicago. She landed in San Diego 18 years ago by way of Lincoln, NE and Seattle, WA. She received both her Bachelor of Fine Arts and Master of Fine Arts from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln. Her MFA emphasized printmaking (mostly monoprints), papermaking, and watercolor. In graduate school she worked part time for the National Park Service in their Archeology division doing cartography and artifact illustration. This experience developed into a 40-year career as a graphic designer and illustrator, much of it with a scientific emphasis. In addition to the Park Service, Melodie worked for NOAA in Seattle, the University of Washington, and finally San Diego State University. Since retirement in 2016, she has been working to sharpen up her skills in fine arts, taking workshops and classes at SDWS and Art on 30th. In addition to having work accepted into the last three SDWS shows, two of her mixed media pieces were selected for shows at Art on 30th.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the San Diego Watercolor Society's art gallery is closed. The June show is available for viewing online and for purchase of paintings, however, at <https://www.sdws.org/index.php> through Saturday, June 27, 2020. The gallery, which will re-open at the earliest prudent opportunity, is located in The ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station at 2825 Dewey Road, Bldg. #202 and will continue its open hours Wednesday through Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm and Sunday from noon to 4 pm. All exhibits are free to the public.

ABOUT SAN DIEGO WATERCOLOR SOCIETY

The San Diego Watercolor Society, a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization founded in 1965, is dedicated to expanding the appreciation of and involvement in watermedia painting through education, exhibition, and promotion. SDWS presents a new juried exhibition at their Gallery in the ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station each month with an Opening Reception on the first Friday of each month from 5-8 pm with great original art, refreshments and the companionship of other art enthusiasts. Both the Gallery Exhibition and the Reception are free. The Annual International Show held in October features award-winning artists from around the world. SDWS also offers Workshops and adult Beginner Lessons in addition to weekly and monthly Plein Air painting opportunities. More information can be found at <http://www.sdws.org>.

Third Place, Regulars: "Parceled" by Melodie Tune



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2020 Classified Employee of the Year

Andrea Eaton

Maintenance Planning Senior Coordinator

Physical Plant Operations



Andrea Eaton has more than 16 years of service with the San Diego Unified School District and has held several positions with the district's Physical Plant Operations (PPO) during her tenure.

Her early assignments focused on sustainability programs, first as a Recycling Specialist and then Energy/Utility Program Coordinator. She was involved in the development of the district's solar projects and the construction and demolition recycling program to ensure proper waste disposal. Since July 2010, she has served as PPO's Maintenance Planning Senior Coordinator.

In her current role, Andrea's responsibilities include disseminating incoming work requests, overseeing the Work Order Desk function, reviewing and guiding self-help requests/projects, coordinating Special Education/ADA 504 projects, and overseeing the development of PPO's annual and five-year maintenance plan. She organizes PPO's annual site visits where PPO actively seeks and incorporates school site concerns into its annual plan.

"As the single point of contact for all self-help requests, Ms. Eaton works collaboratively with various community/volunteer groups, school administrators, school-based staff and central office departments," her supervisor Bryan Ehm wrote in his nomination letter.

"Her guiding focus is to meet the needs of the community, students and staff of San Diego Unified School District. The strong relationships she has established have benefited the communities we serve and the district

immensely. She is a consummate professional who embodies PPO's core values: Trust, Empowerment, Professionalism, Teamwork, Integrity."

Andrea has earned the respect and admiration of her co-workers through her volunteerism. In recent years, she has taken on the responsibility to champion the Health and Wellness Program within PPO. She provides valuable resources and trainings to staff and is passionate about coordinating and sustaining health and wellness knowledge for PPO staff. As a result of her leadership and commitment, she was named a 2019 Permanente Thriving Schools Honor Roll recipient.

Andrea graduated with a BA Environmental Studies from University of California, Santa Barbara, and holds a Master of Public Administration from National University. She is a Certified Energy Manager (CEM) and a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Accredited Professional.

Andrea is also the President of Serra Mesa Little League and the treasurer of the Serra Mesa Community Council.

Congratulations to Andrea Eaton on being selected the 2020 San Diego Unified Classified Employee of the Year!



Housing at Old Library Site

Old Serra Mesa Library on Sandrock & Hurlbut, 3440 Sandrock Road – This property, .336 acres, potential 29 units, is one of the five properties that Mayor Faulconer announced in February 2020 would be made available for permanent supportive housing. The deadline for the City's Real Estate Assets Department Request for Proposal (RFP) PSH021320, <https://www.sandiego.gov/real-estate-assets/rfp>, has been extended to June 30, 2020.

Clean Elections

City Elections in San Diego could become publicly financed under a November ballot measure proposed by reformers who say they want to reduce the impact of special interests and enable ordinary citizens to run for office. The proposed measure narrowly endorsed by the City Council Rule committee is scheduled for a second approval on June 10th. It will then go before the full Council in August. The thought is to allow candidates to run for office without collecting large donations from special interests.

Normal citizens have been shut out of elected positions and could now run for public office. The program would soon create an elected official who is responsible to the electorate and not the highest donor: what a thought, an elected official who listens.

Council members who are currently supporting Clean Elections are Georgette Gomez, Chris Ward, and Monica Montgomery.

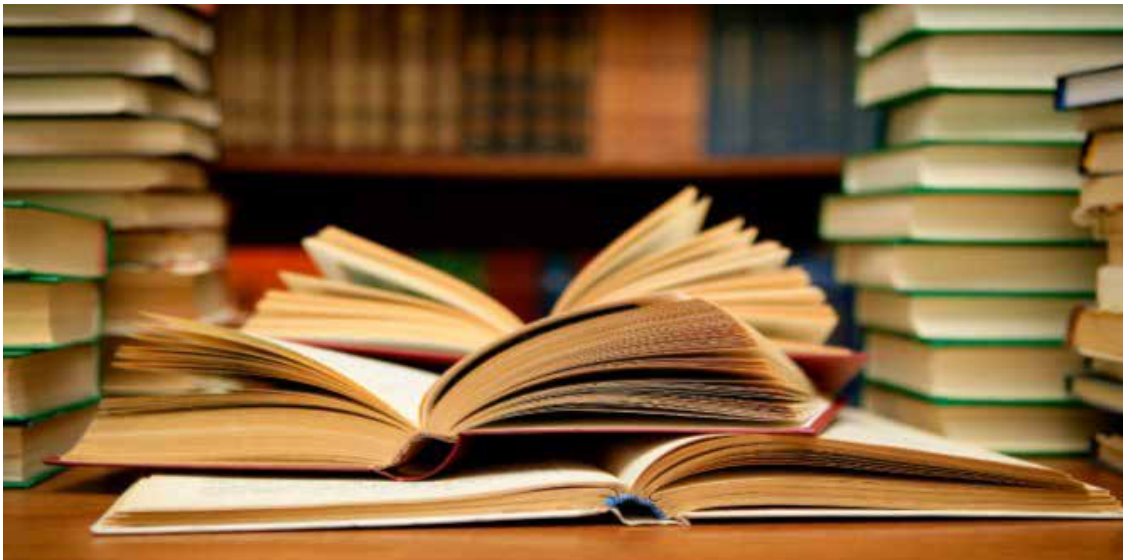
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The Serra Mesa Village as it pertains to Coronavirus and Activity

The Serra Mesa Village is a group of persons 55+ who have been formed to give purpose to those folks in Serra Mesa who are unwilling to sit on the porch and rock the day away. Instead, when not sequestered, we prefer to be traveling to San Diego destinations to see the sights and what makes this City great. We also meet to view classic movies and discuss the day's issues as they relate to us. We attend pottery classes every week and have been known to walk the neighborhood and discuss matters that interest us. We meet at the Serra Mesa Library once a month for a connection meeting where we have been known to have travel presentations, card making classes, and hobby demonstrations. We have even had square dancing lessons put on by local callers. Currently, we are meeting once a week in a Zoom format to check in on each other and review what we have been doing at this time.

If you are 55 and over and interested in joining us, we are an equal opportunity organization willing and able to show you a good time. We are open to new opportunities for events and destinations and will welcome you. Our contact email is: serramesavillage10@gmail.com or leave a message for us at 858-565-2473.

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Some of Our Wegeforth Virtual 5th Grade Promotion & 5th Grade Student Council Members & Safety Patrol



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