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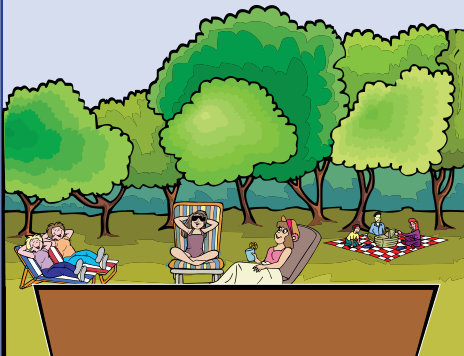
“SHREK the Third”

STARRING VOICES OF:

Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy,
Cameron Diaz and Antonio Banderas

LOCATION:

La Mesita Park
8855 Dallas St., La Mesa



NEW LA MESA LIBRARY OPENS IN JUNE



Officials cut the ribbon for the new La Mesa Library on July 18.



The new La Mesa Branch of the San Diego County Library, located at 8074 Allison Avenue, opened for business on Monday, June 16. Already the new facility appears to be very popular with the community. The Library was built in order to make room for the new Proposition D locally funded Police Station that will start construction in early fall on the old Library and former Helix Water District sites. The new Library is much larger than the former facility and provides many improvements. A grand opening and open house was held to recognize all the individual efforts by the City and the County to complete this new facility and to invite everyone in the community to visit their new Library. Councilmembers acknowledged the success of this project at a ribbon-cutting ceremony on July 18. A community open house was held to celebrate the opening on Saturday, July 19.

Jose Aponte, Library Director for the County of San Diego, commented on visiting the new facility that “It is open, airy, and inviting. The new La Mesa Library will delight library and book lovers alike. Working together with the City of La Mesa, the County Library is proud to deliver seven days a week of quality services in our new Library home.” Numbers from the first few weeks since the opening seem to support this. Staff at the new branch reported that the daily circulation of materials averaged 1,370 items per day, up 43% from last year’s average. Total attendance at the new Library was nearly 13,000 visitors for the month of June, which represents an almost 30% increase over the annual average daily attendance.

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GREEN STYLE TIP

Printing the La Mesa FOCUS

In the February issue feedback survey, several readers said they preferred the feel of a printed version of FOCUS in their hands but wanted to conserve on the expensive color ink. Here's a tip for printing a black & white version.

With the document displayed in Adobe Reader® select print from the file menu. Select properties in the print dialogue box and look for the option to print in black & white. The location of selection boxes may vary depending on your operating system and type of printer.

City of La Mesa

MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

CITY COUNCIL

*Second Tuesday - 4:00 PM
 Fourth Tuesday - 6:00 PM*

PLANNING COMMISSION

First and Third Wednesday - 7:00 PM

DEVELOPMENT

ADVISORY BOARD

Every other Monday - 10:00 AM

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Every other Monday - 12:30 PM

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

First Tuesday - 5:00 PM

LOAN COMMITTEE FOR REAL ESTATE REHABILITATION

*Third Wednesday - 8:30 AM
 (as needed)*

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Fourth Tuesday - 6:00 PM

HUMAN RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Third Monday - 5:30 PM

PARKING COMMISSION

First Thursday - 8:00 AM

TRAFFIC COMMISSION

First Wednesday - 9:00 AM

The above meetings are held at City Hall
 8130 Allison Avenue - La Mesa

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

Second Wednesday - 6:00 PM

YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION

Second Monday - 4:30 PM

The above meetings are held at the
 Community Center Conference Room
 4975 Memorial Drive - La Mesa

COMMISSION ON AGING

*Fourth Tuesday - 1:30 PM
 (except July, August, November,
 December)*

The above meeting is held at the
 Adult Enrichment Center
 8450 La Mesa Boulevard - La Mesa

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

(Area code 619)

- Adult Enrichment Center 464-0505
- Animal Control 667-1436
- Building Inspection 667-1176
- Business Licenses 667-1118
- Cable TV..... 262-1122
- City Attorney 667-1128
- City Clerk..... 667-1120
- City Council 667-1106
- City Hall 463-6611
- City Manager 667-1105
- Crime Prevention 667-1445

- Dog Licenses 667-1117
- Engineering 667-1166
- Fire (Business)..... 667-1355
- Human Resources 667-1175
- Library 469-2151
- Mayor..... 667-1100
- Municipal Pool 466-4177
- Park Permits..... 667-1300
- Parking Citations..... 667-1117
- Planning..... 667-1177
- Police (Business) 667-1400

- Public Works 667-1450
- Recreation 667-1300
- Recycling/Trash 287-7555
- Sewer Charges 667-1126
- Sidewalk Maintenance..... 667-1450
- Storm Water Hotline..... 667-1134
- Streetlight Maintenance 667-1450
- Traffic Engineering Hotline .. 667-1144
- Traffic Signal Maintenance .. 667-1166
- Zoning 667-1177