November 2007

Mira Mesa Town Council Newsletter

Meet Our Neighbors at Marine Corps Air Station - Miramar

Officers from Marine Air Station Miramar will be present at our November 5, 2007 Mira Mesa Town Council Meeting to speak to us about activities on base, and issues facing the base and community. There will be plenty of time for questions and answers following their presentation.

The Marines were an important part of our 2007 Street Fair with their bomb disposal truck and team, as well as the always popular canine training unit. Bring your friends and neighbors to find out what events are going on at the base.

Volunteer Of the Year Nominations Requested

It is time to nominate volunteers for the 2007 Volunteer of the Year award. More information & nomination forms are available on the MMTC website or you can pick up a nomination form at the November MMTC meeting. You can also email your nomination (form not required) to jeffstev@san.rr.com The deadline for nominations is the December MMTC meeting on December 3, 2007.
Volunteer of the year need not be a MMTC member, but should be someone who has made a significant contribution to MM through volunteer work over years s/he has been involved with the community.

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Mira Mesa Town Council Meetings

Town council meetings provide a public forum for community issues relating to civic, cultural, social, educational and recreational development and improvement in the area. Regular meetings are usually held the first Monday of each month at the Mira Mesa Public Library from 7 to 9 p.m., with no meeting held in July.

Agenda for the **November 5, 2007** meeting:

- Marine Corps Air Station—Miramar
- Proposed Bylaws Changes
- Volunteer of the Year
- Board Nominations

The next MMTC meeting is **Monday, Dec. 5.**

The MMTC would like to thank the Mira Mesa Shopping Center, LLC for their continuing support in providing postage for the MMTC newsletter.

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There will be a $25 charge for all returned checks.

Check #_____ Amount: $_____.00

The Mira Mesa Town Council is a nonprofit volunteer organization. Membership dues are used to defray the costs of operation, such as printing and distributing the Newsletter, maintaining the website (www.MiraMesaTownCouncil.org) and other approved council activities.

A History of Miramar Airbase

By Arlette Ballew

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Over 150 years ago, Don Santiago Anguello, the former Mexican Army Commandante of San Diego's Presidio, owned an enormous ranchero. After the United States declared war on Mexico in 1846, it annexed the territories of California and New Mexico. Edward Scripps, a wealthy newspaper publisher, came to San Diego in 1890. He purchased over 2,000 acres of the ranch and named it "Miramar," which means "an area from which there is a view of the sea from every vantage point" in Spanish. The Jessop family later purchased the land. A post office, general store, and one-room schoolhouse served the Miramar settlement of cowboys and ranchers.

The Naval Air Station

In 1917, during World War I, the U.S. Army purchased the 2,130-acre Miramar Ranch for an infantry-training center. It named the facility Camp Kearny in honor of Brigadier General S. W. Kearny, who was Commander of the Army of the West during the Mexican War and a former military governor of California. Construction costs totaled $1.25 million, but few permanent structures were built. Most of the soldiers lived in tents, as more than 65,000 men trooped through on their way to World War I battlefields. Army aircraft occasionally landed on the camp's parade ground.

After the war, the camp was used as a demobilization and convalescent center before closing on October 31, 1920. The U.S. Public Health Service then used the camp for a time. The government retained the property as an airfield for military and civilian use. The Ryan Company weight tested Lindbergh's *Spirit of St. Louis* here in 1927. In 1929 and 1930, the facility was operated as Airtech Field by the San Diego Air Service Corp.

In 1932, a mooring mast, relocated from North Island, was built at the camp for the dirigibles USS Akron and USS Macon. On May 11, 1932, the USS Akron's first mooring attempt ended when a gust of wind carried the airship upward, taking four ground handlers with it. One jumped to the ground and suffered a broken arm; two other men lost their grips and fell to their

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Want to help your community, but don't know how?

Mira Mesa is made up of people just like you who are looking for ways to get involved in the community. Whether you are interested in local planning, parks and recreation, community appearance, family events or something completely new, there's a place for you.

Ongoing community groups include:

- **COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**
- **COMMUNITY PRIDE COMMITTEE**
- **MMTC STREET FAIR COMMITTEE**
- **MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMITTEE**
- **RECREATION COUNCIL**
- **HEROES**
- **FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE**
- **RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PATROL (RSVP)**

Come to a Mira Mesa Town Council general meeting or contact one of our directors for more information. Also see page 6 for specific meeting times and locations.

JUST ANOTHER DAY AT THE FAIR

Story by Pam Stevens

Friends and neighbors, young and old alike, thronged the block of Camino Ruiz between New Salem and Mira Mesa Boulevard, finding out more about the community through displays at booths sponsored by local businesses and non-profit groups, shopping for hand-crafted items, or just enjoying themselves snacking in the food court and watching a variety of entertainment. Children particularly liked the climbing structures, giant bounce, and other "Kids Zone" rides. Kids also had a chance to create their own rock art at a craft booth sponsored by Vulcan, Inc.

Fifth District San Diego City Councilmember Brian Maienschein presented the Mira Mesa Town Council Street Fair Committee with a $4,000 donation to help cover expenses of putting on the annual celebration of the Mira Mesa community. San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders presented a proclamation honoring the Mira Mesa Town Council for hosting the Street Fair to Committee chair Robin Stutsman at the mid-day awards ceremony.

The Mira Mesa Street Fair is the largest fund raising event for the Mira Mesa Town Council, and money raised is used to support activities of the Town Council, scholarships, and other Mira Mesa community events and activities. If you'd like to contact the Street Fair Committee with any input on this year's Street Fair or suggestions for next year, call (858) 566-0288 or email Street-Fair@MiraMesaTownCouncil.org.

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deaths. Within a few years, both dirigibles crashed at sea, and Camp Kearny was quiet again.

World War II began in Europe, and the U.S. military began a precautionary buildup. In December, 1940, the Navy began to improve and expand the airfield. On December 21, the First Marine Air Wing arrived and set up a tent city, remaining until August, 1942, when it moved to Guadalcanal. Meanwhile, the Navy began to construct an air station at the camp and commissioned NAAS Camp Kearny on February 20, 1943, as an auxiliary of San Diego. The station was also known as Kearny Mesa. The primary Navy mission at the camp was training in Consolidated PB4Y Liberators. The asphalt runways began to deteriorate under the PB4Y's weight, and two concrete runways were added in 1943. In mid-1944, station personnel numbered 611 officers and 4076 enlisted men. After VJ-Day, the Navy used the station as a separation center, returning 25,000 men to civilian life. On May 1, 1946, the Navy departed Camp Kearny, and the station became MCAS Miramar. A year later, the Marines closed the base and moved all units to El Toro.

On June 30, 1947, the Navy commissioned NAAS Miramar and, in July 1949, it began a project to improve the runways and establish a Master Jet Base. The station upgraded to an NAS on April 1, 1952. Following the Korean War, the Navy offered the Miramar airfield to the City of San Diego for $1. The city turned down the offer.

The Navy kept Miramar open and built the station into one of the Navy's biggest bases. In 1961, Miramar was designated for fighter squadrons only and became known as "Fightertown USA." During the Vietnam War, Miramar trained fighter jet crews in air combat maneuvering and fleet air defense through the creation of Top Gun, a graduated-level training school. Camp Elliot and other government properties were eventually added to Miramar, and the station grew to almost 24,000 acres.

With the 1993 Base Realignment and Closure Commission changes, the first Marine squadrons, support units, and F/A-18 Hornets began making the move from MCAS El Toro in August, 1994. The Navy F-14 Tomcat and E-2 Hawkeye squadrons moved to Oceana, Virginia, and Top Gun was transferred to Fallon, Nevada, in 1996. On October 1, 1997. Miramar again became a Marine Corps Air Station. The Marine Air Museum also moved to Miramar.

The move to Miramar included fixed-wing F/A-18 and KC-130 Hercules squadrons, CH-46E Sea Knight and CH-53E Super Stallion helicopters, and support commands Marine Wing Support Group 37 and Marine Air Control Group 38. The station averages 250 aircraft aboard on any given day, with up to 200,000 flight operations per year. With completion of approximately $400 million in construction, MCAS Miramar has become the home of the Marine Corps' West Coast air power.

Environmental Issues

NAS Miramar is divided into four land use sectors: Main Station, South/West Miramar, East Miramar, and Sycamore Canyon. The native vegetation on NAS Miramar is classified into thirty-two different vegetation types, such as riparian woodland, oak woodland, perennial grasslands, coastal sage scrub, mixed chaparral, chemise chaparral, and freshwater marsh. The installation lies primarily on a plateau and backs to foothills. The nearby valleys offer habitat to endangered species, and the Marine Corps is underwriting extensive field research on habitat retention and nesting success in a high-noise environment.

Introduction of the HH-53 heavy-lift helicopter complicated the noise situation. MCAS Miramar and COMCABWEST managers have evaluated alternative ground tracks to satisfy operational requirements while minimizing noise impacts, and several adjustments to helicopter flight patterns have been made. These include the prioritization of over-water flights and using the highest possible Visual Flight Rule altitudes when flying the I-15 route due to mission or weather. Helicopter flights over I-15 are kept to a minimum.

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John Daley: *How long after the approval?* A: A couple of months.
Pam Stevens: *What about sound for live events* A: A high school football game, for example, doesn't need sound. There will be a sound system for school/community events.

Joe Frichtel: *How much seating?* A: 1,000 seats plus grass areas. The sate Architect will look at that.
Jim Brown: *Grass or synthetic turf?* A: Grass.
Stephen Sluyer: *Who will own it?* A: the property is owned by the city. Schlosser's company would have a license agreement to operate the venue.

- President Jeff Stevens called for a motion to have the MMTC write a letter approving the proposal. Motion made (Madsen/Ballew). Discussion– Robin Strutsman: positive comment. Steve Strutsman—Would put **MM on the map.** Vote taken 25 for, 0 opposed.

OLD BUSINESS

None Available

Highlights of the October 1, 2007 MMTC Meeting

OFFICIALS REPORT

- None available

ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

City Councilman Brian Maienschein (Khoa Nguyen):

- The Mira Mesa Street Fair was great!
- On Saturday, October 27, there will be a community clean-up with the HEROES group to paint and clean at Challenger Middle School.
- In a few weeks, the council will sponsor a food drive for the Alpha Project. Food donation bins will be placed at the Mira Mesa Library and Recreation Center. John Daley and Erickson Elementary helped with the drive last year.

County Supervisor Pam Slater-Price (Erica Holloway)

- Announced project to restore the west side of San Dieguito Lagoon.
- October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. County will spend $1.4 million on a new violence-prevention program.
- The Obesity Action Plan initiative in school districts will help to prevent childhood obesity.

County Supervisor Ron Roberts (Rebecca Leister)

- September was National Preparedness Month. San Diego County received a commendation.
- October is also National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
- The NFL will donate $250,000.00 to fund football field improvements at schools.
- There will be a dedication ceremony for the Law Enforcement Memorial at the County Administration Center later this month.

State Senator Christine Kehoe (Andrew Kennerly)

- The Senate and Assembly are in recess, but there will be a special session on October 4, 2007 on water conservation and healthcare.
- Senator Kehoe sponsored seven bills that have been passed and are now before the Governor for signatures.
  1) To reform the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority.
  2) To improve air quality by reducing vehicle emissions.
  3) To protect urban canyons and open space.
  4) To preserve the San Diego River.
  5) To generate renewable power.
  6) To restore property-tax equity to registered domestic partners.
  7) To replace the DMV building in Hillcrest.

OPEN FORUM

- Bob Ilko: running for Dan Diego City Council (5th. District). Grew up in San Diego; 17 years in Scripps Ranch; Active in planning groups, little league, school groups, fire recovery, etc.; Has been a police officer; His children go to public schools; Says city needs checks and balances; Fire, police and HS departments need to communicate better. Congratulated MMTC on Street Fair.
- Scott Barnett: running for SD School Board. Has two children in schools; Is active in PTAs, etc.
- Mary Balman of SAY San Diego and a Mira Mesa resident: Half of the people in the Labor Day riots at the beach were underage drinkers. Flyer on San Diego City Council's (Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee) October 10 meeting to consider alcohol-free beaches (2:00PM at City Admin. Building) Please support this initiative.
- Mike Sachs, Retired Naval Officer and Mira Mesa resident: Just joined the MMTC through street fair. Schools are important, especially the issue of getting the Salk School built. Need to consider youths speeding (and having accidents) on Calle Cristobal.
- "RJ" student at St. Augustine High School: Lives on Calle Cristobal. Hears the speeding cars and accidents at night.
- Diane Smith, President Mira Mesa Women's Club: MMWC is sponsoring a Casino Night on Saturday, November 3, 2007, at the Holiday Inn Select on Miramar Road.

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Please contact Jeff Stevens, jeffstev@san.rr.com, for more information.

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NEW BUSINESS

- Parliamentarian John Daly:
  - It is time to nominate members for next year's MMTC Board. The Nominating Committee will include John, Pam Stevens and Arlette Ballew. Other nominations and volunteering may be done from the floor at the November meeting. The elections will be held at the December meeting.
  - Will be soliciting nominations for the MMTC 2007 Volunteer of the Year. There will be nomination forms on the website and in the November newsletter. The vote will be taken at the December meeting.
  - Jerry and his group will mentor a group established here.

MAIN PROGRAM– EDUCATION NIGHT

- Kathy Madsen, !st. VP for Programs, Intoduced Mira Mesa's school Principals:
  - Board Of Education Representative : Mitz Lee
  - Mira Mesa High School Principal: Jeff Olivero
  - Challenger Middle School Principal: Sheelagh Moran
  - Wangenheim Middle School Principal: Robert Gilardo (for principal Robert Grano)
  - Erickson Elemetary School Principal: Linette DeRosa
  - Hage Elementary School Principal: Ethel Daniels
  - Hickman Elementary School Principal: Dinette Mitchell-Ricks
  - Mason Elementary School Principal: Deidre Hardson
  - Sandburg Elementary School Principal: Laurie Hinzman
  - Walker Elementary School Principal: Rochelle Dawes
- Jeff Olivero, Principal at Mira Mesa High School:
  - Presentation of plan for proposed amphitheater on MMHS lot at MM Blvd and Reagan Rd. Has been before the MM planning group. Sponsored by Andy Schlosser, Texas Instruments, and the SD *Union Tribune*. There will be no speakers to disturb the neighborhood, as earphones will be able to connect to each seat.. San Diego site was picked for its weather; achievements of MMHS and of outstanding principal; and the MM community's hometown atmosphere, cohesiveness and proactiveness. Meeting on Thursday, October 25, 2007 at 7:00PM at the MMHS library.
  - Andy Schlosser, Sshlosser Development Corporation (SDC): Was real-estate developer in Texas and Oregon for 20 years. Got involved with Texas Instruments, the *U-T*, and SD School District to pilot the Constellation Amphitheater. Firm has patented digital-light-processing technology (being used in movie theaters) that allows I-MAX quality presentations of educational content and events in real time. Would be a landscaped bowl-Amphitheater in a park-like environment, which can be used by the school during the day. At night and during the summer months it would show G,PG and PG13 rated movies. Wants to learn community's needs and objectives before rolling out to other locations.
  - Question and Answer Period:

Mitz Lee: *Sounds exciting, but will it cost the school district?* **A:** No
Who will do maintenance? **A:** Novel mechanism for financing: sale of tickets to movies, concessions at movies and community events. Will share profits with School District. Maintenance, licensing, insurance, etc will be paid from gate and concessions.

John Daly: *How many of these have been built?* **A:** None so far
Revenue Generation: **A:** For school district to consider.
How much will be seen from the street? **A:** Screens point downward for best viewing and also because of requirements of distributors of content. People can't stand on the street and watch.
How many days per year will it ne in operation? **A:** Summer is the most profitable foe movies, musical events (concerts) and sporting events. Those 4 months would be mostly commercial showings.
What about security (re: skateboard park planned for across MM Blvd.) A: Will be mostly grass, not good for skateboards. Will have a buffer, berm and fence.

Alan Philpott: *What is the timeline?* **A:** It's a long process. Jim Watts, school district architect—working with the School Board to get agreement re: noise, traffic, light pollution, etc. with due public notice. Will be an Environmental Impact Review Process. Probably 4-6 months foe the EIR. 6-8 months for the design process. At least a year maybe more. Little permanent physical improvements, mostly landscaping (drainage and parking issues but not asa complicated as an enclosed structure).

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

November 3—Mira Mesa Band Review & Field Tournament
November 4—Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 5—MMTC Meeting
November 22— Thanksgiving Day

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

These groups meet regularly on the days shown (subject to change).

1ST THURSDAY/ November 1	**Mira Mesa Street Fair Committee**—Mira Mesa Senior Center, 6:45 PM.
1ST SATURDAY / November 3	**Fil-Am Sr. Citizens Board Meeting**—Mira Mesa Senior Center, 9:00 AM
1ST MONDAY / November 5	**Town Council Meeting (MMTC)** — 1st Monday (no meeting in July & 2nd Monday in September) — Mira Mesa Library — 7:00 p.m.
1ST TUESDAY / November 6	**Golden Friends (Senior Center)** — Every Tuesday (business meeting on 1st Tuesday) - Mira Mesa Senior Center—10:00 a.m. **Maintenance Assessment District** — 1st Tuesday, — Mira Mesa Senior Center— 7:00 p.m. (subject to change)
1ST WEDNESDAY / November 7	**Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch** — Every Wednesday —Mimi's Restaurant — 7:00 a.m.
2ND THURSDAY/ November 8	**Mira Mesa Town Council Board of Directors**—Mira Mesa Senior Center—6:45 p.m. **Mira Mesa Street Fair Committee**—Mira Mesa Senior Center, 6:45 PM.
2ND SATURDAY / November 10	**Fil-Am Sr. Citizens Assn** — 2nd Saturday — Mira Mesa Senior Center — 10:00 a.m.
2ND SUNDAY/ November 11	**FAASDNC Meeting**—12:00pm—Mira Mesa Recreation Center
2ND TUESDAY / November 13	**Golden Friends (Senior Center)** — Every Tuesday (business meeting on 1st Tuesday) - Mira Mesa Senior Center—10:00 am **Recreation Council (Parks)** — 2nd Tuesday —Lopez Ridge Rec. Center — 7:00 p.m. **Black Mountain Masonic Lodge #845 F.&A.M** — 2nd Tuesday — Mission Valley Scottish Rites Center — 7:30 pm **Business Exchange Club of San Diego**—2nd and 4th Tuesday — Courtyard by Marriott in Kearny Mesa — 6:30 pm
2ND WEDNESDAY / November 14	**Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch** — Every Wednesday —Mimi's Restaurant — 7:00 a.m. **4th of July Committee** — Mira Mesa Senior Center — 6:30 p.m.
3RD THURSDAY/ November 15	**Community Pride** — 3rd Thursday — 8605 Pagoda Way — 6:30 p.m. **Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens Advisory Committee** —3rd Thursday, odd months — Penasquitos Adobe Ranch House, — 7 p.m. **SR Center Board of Governors**— 3rd Thursday— Mira Mesa Senior Center **Mira Mesa Theatre Guild** — 3rd Thursday — Lopez Ridge Rec. Center — 6:30 p.m. (Board), 7:00 p.m. (General) **Black Mountain Democratic Club**-3rd Thursday-7-9 p.m., 10550 Caminito Flores (Mesa Village Rec. Hall 1) **Mira Mesa Street Fair Committee**—Mira Mesa Senior Center, 6:45 PM.
3RD MONDAY / November 19	**Community Planning Group** — 3rd Monday — Mira Mesa Library — 7:00 p.m.
3RD TUESDAY / November 20	**Golden Friends (Senior Center)** — Every Tuesday (business meeting on 1st Tuesday) - Mira Mesa Senior Center—10:00 a.m. **Junior Women's Club (MM Branch)** —3rd Tuesday - Mira Mesa Presbyterian Church — 7:00 p.m. **Teen Center (The Epicentre) Oversight Committee** — 3rd Tuesday, bimonthly (even-numbered months) -- Mira Mesa Senior Center — 7 p.m.
3RD WEDNESDAY / November 21	**Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch** — Every Wednesday —Mimi's Restaurant — 7:00 a.m. **Friends of the Library** —3rd Wednesday — Mira Mesa Library — 7:00 p.m. **Halloween Committee** — 3rd Wednesday — Mira Mesa Senior Center — 7:00 p.m.
4TH MONDAY/ November 26	**Banned Book Club**—Last Monday of each month except December at the Mira Mesa Library. 7 PM.
4TH TUESDAY / November 27	**Golden Friends (Senior Center)** — Every Tuesday (business meeting on 1st Tuesday) - Mira Mesa Senior Center—10:00 a.m. **Business Exchange Club of San Diego**—2nd and 4th Tuesday — Courtyard by Marriott in Kearny Mesa — 6:30 pm
4TH WEDNESDAY / November 28	**Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch** — Every Wednesday —Mimi's Restaurant — 7:00 a.m. **Stake Holders** — 4th Wednesday, every other month —Mira Mesa Library, small conference room — 6:00 p.m. **Business Exchange Club of San Diego**—2nd and 4th Wednesday—Holiday Inn (Murphy Canyon Road) — 6:30 pm

9th annual *Street Fair Committee*

Street Fair Committee Chair Robin Stutsman would like to express thanks to an exceptional volunteer team: Ernie Schnepf, Chuck Sweet, Kathy Madsen, John Daley, Mike Davis, Michelle Tsai, Arlette Ballew, Brian Wissinger, Stephen Sluyter, Karen Burger, Barbara Peluso, Jeff and Pam Stevens; along with lots of extra help from Steve Stutsman and Brad Buffett. We also thank our event planners Gary Goehring and Shelli Brunk. Congratulations to everyone who contributed to making this event a great success!

Diamonds and Denim Casino Night

A casino party hosted by the Mira Mesa Women's Club will be held on November 3, 2007 from 6:00PM to 10:00PM at the Holiday Inn Select North Miramar. The event will include Door Prizes, a Silent Auction, Opportunity Baskets, a No Host Bar and Snacks.
Suggested Donation at the door is $15.00 /person or $25.00/couple. You can, however, become a sponsor by donating a door prize, advertising in the event program, donating a silent auction item and/or sponsoring a gaming table.
For further information please contact Sandra Cabral at (858)271-4226

Mira Mesa Invitational Band Review and Field Tournament Update

By Maria Pankau

Get up early and join in the fun! The 2007 MMIBR&FT will include two field shows flanking a parade. The first show will begin at 8:45am for all 11 small size bands. Immediately following will be the Band Review (parade) which is slated to step-off at 12:30pm and will be led by our own Sapphire Sound, the Mira Mesa High School band. The afternoon show will begin at 2:30pm and will feature 22 bands larger than 50 members in five different divisions.
Awards ceremonies will begin at 1:30pm, for early morning participants, and 9:00pm for afternoon and evening performers.
Join the Mira Mesa High School family for an entire day of music, marching and competition.
Tickets can be purchased at the Mira Mesa High School ticket booth on event day. The morning field show and awards are $2.00 per person with the afternoon/evening competition and awards set at $10.00 per person. The parade is free to all.

Banned Book Club To Discuss "The Color Purple" Nov. 26:

The Mira Mesa Banned Book Club, a monthly book discussion group with a "freedom to read" theme, will discuss "The Color Purple," by Alice Walker, on Monday, Nov. 26, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Mira Mesa Library community meeting room, 8405 New Salem St. All interested readers are welcome!
The group meets the fourth Monday of each month. However, there is no meeting in December. On January 28, 2008, the group is scheduled to discuss "Forever Amber," by Kathleen Winsor. For more information, contact the Mira Mesa Branch Library, (858) 538-8165, or book group facilitator Pam Stevens, pstevens@san.rr.com.

Mira Mesa Town Council Proposed Bylaw Change.

Article II – Membership
3. No individual shall hold more than one membership in the MMTC, *although individuals may represent more than one business, with the proviso that they only be able to cast one individual vote.*

Above the is the new text that will be incorporated into the new bylaw changes - everything after the first comma is new text. This is the only change contemplated by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Attention Mira Mesa Town Council Members

Do you look forward to your monthly MMTC newsletter?
Is your membership ready to expire?
Please look at your newsletter label and check your membership expiration date.
Remember to renew your membership. Don't be left out!!!