November 2008

Mira Mesa Town Council Newsletter

President's Message

By MMTC President Jeff Stevens

Councilman Brian Maienschein will be our guest speaker at the November 3rd Mira Mesa Town Council meeting. This will be Brian's last meeting as our Councilman. He has represented Mira Mesa well for the past 8 years, and we thank him for his service and wish him well in the future. I have been a member of the Town Council for more than 25 years and have worked with all of our City Councilmembers during that time. There have been 7 councilmembers who represented Mira Mesa over that time period, and Brian has unquestionably been the most responsive and productive of all of them. I also want to thank Khoa Nguyen, Brian's Mira Mesa representative, who has also been the most responsive and productive council representative we have ever had.

This month, we will elect the 2009 Mira Mesa Town Council Board of Directors. As of this writing, there are still a couple of vacancies on the Board. If you are interested in being on the Board next year, or would like to recommend someone for a Board position, please contact MMTC parliamentarian and nominating committee chair Courtland Young at courtlandy@gmail.com. Note that all MMTC members are eligible (and encouraged) to run for any Board position, vacant or not, except that candidates for President must have served on the Board previously. You can find a list of Board positions and their duties in the bylaws on the MMTC website under Membership.

The Mira Mesa Street Fair was held on September 27th this year, and by all accounts it was the best Street Fair in the event's 10 year history. Putting on this event is a lot of work, and I want to express my appreciation to all of the people who worked on it, and particularly to co-chairs Robin Stutsman and Mike Davis.

Finally, it is time to nominate volunteers for the 2008 Volunteer of the Year award. There is a form included in this newsletter and on the MMTC website. The volunteer of the year need not be a MMTC member, but should be someone who has made a significant contribution to Mira Mesa through volunteer work over years s/he has been involved with the community. The deadline for nominations is November 10th, and we will select the volunteer of the year at the December MMTC meeting.

The Mira Mesa Halloween Carnival will take place on Friday, Oct. 31, in the gym at the Mira Mesa Recreation Center on New Salem St. in Mira Mesa Community Park, with face painting, games, and a chance to win candy and prizes from 4:30 to 7 p.m., and a costume contest for children 12 and under from 6 to 7 p.m. Costume contest times are: Ages 0 - 2 at 6 p.m.; 3 - 4 at 6:20 p.m.; 5 - 7 at 6:40 p.m.; and 8 - 12 at 7 p.m. For more information, call the Recreation Center, (858) 538-8122.

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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 3, 2008** meeting:

- Brian Maienschein
- MMTC Board Elections
- VOY Nominations

The next MMTC meeting is **Monday, December 1, 2008**

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

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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.

The November meeting will bring us back in touch with our Councilman, Brian Maienshiem. It will be a bittersweet evening, having him speak to us as we welcome him one last time. He has been a very responsive representative to our needs and we are a better community for his having been our councilman. We wish him well; and Khoa as well. They were a great team and they will be sorely missed. We encourage everyone to attend this meeting to bid adieu to these fine gentlemen.

Brian Maienschein was elected to the City Council in November 2000 with 63% of the vote, the most ever received by a non-incumbent, and was re-elected without opposition in 2004 to represent the San Diego City Council's Fifth District. In the course of both elections, he received the highest number of votes ever cast for a City Council candidate. The Fifth District includes the communities of Carmel Mountain Ranch, Mira Mesa, Rancho Bernardo, Sabre Springs, Scripps Ranch, San Pasqual and Sorrento Mesa. He has received the highest amount of favorable votes ever cast in a City Council election.
During his first term in office, Brian developed an ordinance to preserve 11,000 acres of the San Pasqual Valley from future development. He worked to insure that State Route 56 opened for travel July 19, 2004 and has made numerous infrastructure improvements throughout the communities of District 5.
Brian's principles of government accountability to taxpayers, fiscal reform and commitment to our neighborhoods are rooted in his real-life experiences as a business attorney, community volunteer and his familiarity as a long-time resident of the I-15 corridor.

As a City Councilman, Brian is using his private sector expertise to reform local government by instilling more fiscal responsibility and greater accountability at City Hall.
Brian also believes in the importance and effectiveness of volunteer efforts to help ensure our kids have the support and encouragement they need to succeed.
Brian served as Executive Director of Youth Court, an innovative program that has forged a partnership between law enforcement, schools and community groups to get first-time juvenile offenders back on track. For his work with this program, Brian received the 1999 District Attorney's Crime Victims Rights Award. He has expanded this program so that San Diego Teen Court now teaches thousands of students about the consequences of juvenile crime.
A graduate of the University of California, Santa Barbara and California Western Law School in San Diego, Brian's proudest accomplishments are his two daughters Taylin, 5, and Brenna, 3.
In recognition of his hard work on behalf of our communities, Brian received the 2003 Legislator of the Year Award by the American Planning Association and was awarded the Soroptimist Environment Award by the Soroptimists of Rancho Bernardo. He was named by San Diego Magazine as one of the top 50 People to Watch in San Diego and was also awarded the Top 40 Under 40 Leadership Award by San Diego Metropolitan Magazine.

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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.

Pageantry Returns to Mira Mesa for 16th Year.

By Maria Pankau

Sapphire Sound, the MMHS marching band and the Mira Mesa Instrumental Music Boosters will once again be hosting the Mira Mesa Invitational Band Review and Field Tournament. This yearly event, which has become one of the elite competitions of the marching season, is made up of two marching band competitions held in and around Mira Mesa High School. The Band Review will be held on Mira Mesa Blvd and the Field Competition on the MMHS Stadium.

The day will begin with the field show competition for marching units with up to 50 members. The first unit is slated to take the field at 9:30am with the last band coming off at 11:45am.
Secondly, 18 marching bands from throughout Southern California will compete in Band Review (parade) which will take place on Mira Mesa Blvd. between Westonhill Dr. and Reagan Rd. Each band will be judged on music, marching, drum major and auxiliary (color guard). The parade is due to step off at 12:25pm with Mira Mesa High School, as host, leading the way.
Large band competition in five categories will begin at 4:00pm with Mira Mesa High School Band performing at 8:00pm. Even though MMHS band will perform and be judged, as host they will not be eligible for a trophy at this event.
Awards Ceremony for the morning competition will be held at 2:15 pm in the MMHS stadium. The evening awards will begin at 9:15pm.

This fund raising event is open to the public. Tickets to the field event are $5.00 for the morning competition and $10.00 for the afternoon/evening competition. The band review is free to all.

This is your official invitation to stop by, watch a great show, have some great food and support the MMHS music program!
For more information call the Mira Mesa band room at (858)578-5143

Pardee Homes MONSTER MANOR RISES FROM THE GRAVE

By Courtland Young

Each year, the all-volunteer staff completely rebuilds Monster Manor at its temporary home in the Target Shopping Center in Mira Mesa. The Haunts opening night was on Oct. 17, 2008; it will be open October 24-26th and the 28-31st starting at 7:00PM.

The Haunt, as it is affectionately known, now offers two uniquely distinct experiences:
During the Day from 12PM-4PM Saturday and Sunday October 25 and 26th, young children can experience the adventure and excitement of Lite Frite, an event in which friendly pirates and scalawags lead youngsters on a swashbuckling search for treasure.
After moonrise, however, Monster Manor takes on its true form – a truly haunted house geared toward older teenagers and adults, filled to brimming with ghouls and frights that'll have audiences screaming with delight.

More than half of the Manor's 200 volunteers are made up of teens from the local high school who earn community service hours for their help in building and acting at the haunt. All proceeds from the Monster Manor go to various charities and nonprofit organizations .
We would like to personally thank Pardee Homes, Target Shopping Center, Chipotle Mexican Grill, SkyRiver Communications, Souplantation, and Marv Miles, Property Gallery, all of the sponsors for their generous support throughout the year. Without you we would not be able to do what we do best; Terrify You!

Banned Book Club Meets Nov. 24, Jan. 26

By Pam Stevens

The Mira Mesa Banned Book Club, a monthly book discussion group with a "freedom to read" theme, will meet on Monday, Nov. 24, 7 p.m. at the Mira Mesa Library, to discuss "One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovitch," by Alexander Solzhenitsyn. Everyone interested in talking about this thought-provoking book is welcome! The group focuses on reading and discussing books from the American Library Association's list of books that have been banned or challenged (i.e. someone filed a protest to have them removed from a public or school library) somewhere in the past or present, as well as other titles that tie into the theme.

Regular meetings are the last Monday of the month in the Mira Mesa Library community meeting room from 7 to 8 p.m. There will be no meeting in December or May. On Jan. 26 the group will discuss Studs Terkel's "Working," a collection of interviews with a variety of people talking about their jobs and lives; on Feb. 23, the title will be Robert Heinlein's science fiction classic, "Stranger in a Strrange Land"; on March 30, it will be "The Joy Luck Club," by Amy Tan; on April 27, "And Still I Rise – Poems," by Maya Angelou; on June 8 (second Monday), "Doctor Zhivago," by Boris Pasternak; and on July 27, "The Last Lecture," by Randy Pausch (not banned/challenged).

Drop-in visitors who'd like to discuss a particular title are welcome each month, and new regular participants are encouraged to join the group at any time. Questions? Call the Mira Mesa Branch Library, (858) 538-8165, or email book group facilitator Pam Stevens, pstevens@san.rr.com.

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2008
Volunteer of the Year
Nomination Form

Deadline for submissions is November 10, 2008

Votes will be cast at the December Town Council Meeting – 12/1/2008
Please refer to the November newsletter or the Mira Mesa Town Council web site http://www.miramesatowncouncil.org for more information about the Volunteer of the Year tradition.

Please mail or email your nomination information below to:
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We will contact you for details regarding your nominee, and the nominee to secure acceptance.
_____cut here_____

Your Name:

Your Address:

Your Phone: ***Your email:***

I would like to nominate:

Organizations to which the nominee belongs:

Nominee's Address:

Nominee's Phone or email:

I nominate this individual as the 2008 Volunteer of the Year because:

Heavenly Hands Crafts Bazaar
The Mira Mesa Presbyterian Church is holding its annual Heavenly Hands Crafts Bazaar on November 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 8081 Mira Mesa Blvd in Mira Mesa (SW corner of Reagan Rd and Mira Mesa Blvd). A wide selection of hanmade arts, crafts and baked goods will be available along with a drawing for a beautiful handmade quilt with a Christmas theme. Food, drinks and entertainment will be provided..

Highlights of the October 6, 2008 MMTC Meeting

POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS

Police Department (Officer Paul Lennon/Captain Mark Jones)

- New captain Mark Jones
  - Great turnout
  - 25 years with the police department
  - Lived in Rancho Bernardo for 23 years
  - Paul Lennon is a great officer
  - His #1 priority is fighting crime and keeping the community safe
- Question: Have robbery numbers decreased?
  - Answer: Four suspects are in custody
- Question: What is the response time to get to a call?
  - Answer: Calls are based on priority.

SD Fire Department (Capt. Myers) –
No Report

ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

City Councilman Brian Maienschein (Khoa Nguyen)

- Trails should be done soon
- Salk Elementary School – plan is in the work; new proposal should be delivered within the week, but it will be 14 months before construction can begin and about 2.5 years before it is built
- He handed out several resolutions recognizing all volunteers involved with Street Fair.
- Residential permits – fighting mini dorms – passed. Homes with six or more residents will need a permit and will need to prove there is enough parking
- Oversize vehicle resolution – RVs can't be parked in the street anymore – 72 hours parking for $3.50. It has not passed yet.

State Assemblyman George Plescia (Liz Saidkhanian)

- 9/23 – budget was passed
- CalFire and the City agreed on a night flying plan about two weeks ago
- Texting will be banned while driving as of 1/1/09
- 10/20 – last day to register to vote
- New Assembly will come in December
- What's George's opinion about the request for 7 billion for the budget? He was pushing for budget reform.
- The Water Bond did not go through due to the budget not being done on time]
- An increase in the state sales tax did not go through

State Senator Christine Kehoe (Andrew Kennerly)

- Public Utilities Commission hearing on 10/14 at 6 PM at Al Bahr Shrine Center on Kearny Mesa discussing ways to prevent wild fires caused by utility lines

Congressman Brian Bilbray (Andrew Lund)

- Bilbray opposed the Bailout Plan both times
- AIG and Lehman Brothers hearings start soon
- Elections are coming up
- The calls reflected 6 to 1 against the Bailout package

OPEN FORUM

- Safe beaches – Jack Bark
  - Temporary ban since January – Prop D – on alcohol. Vote yes on D to make it permanent.

- Patrick Hubbard
  - Long time resident
  - Reagan Road – he helped put a new sign for the Mira Mesa High School. Three weeks ago, the sign was removed and broken in three pieces

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LOCAL NUMBERS

General County Services Information
2-1-1 San Diego 2-1-1

Criminal Activity
Police Community Relations Office 858-538-8120
Suspected Arson 1-800-472-7766 (47ARSON)
Gangs 619-531-2847
Graffiti 619-525-8522
Non-emergency crime or suspicious activity e.g. belligerent person, car/building alarm, nuisance bar, underage drinking 858-484-3154

Nuisances
Animal, dangerous 619-236-2341
Animal, dead 858-492-5060
.....5pm-7am or weekends & holidays: 619-573-1276
Animal manure (dog) 619-338-2283
Animal, rodents/rats 858-694-2888
Building abandoned or dangerous 619-236-5500
Car abandoned or inoperative 858-495-7856
Noise (loud) ..... 619-236-5564 or 619-236-5500
Trash: uncollected, overflowing dumpster, trash-strewn lot, or recyclables 858-492-5055

Streets & Environment
Bus shelter damaged 619-231-1466
Manhole cover missing or damaged 619-515-3525
Street, flooded 619-527-7500
Street, light out (see below for traffic lights) 619-527-7500
Street, pothole 619-527-7500
Street, sink hole or collapse 619-515-3525
Street, traffic light non-functioning 619-525-8650
Swimming Pools..... 858-689-6296
Weeds overgrown, fallen trees, or clogged storm drain 619-527-7500

Utilities
Fire hydrant open 619-515-3525
Gas leak 800-411-7343
Power/phone line downed 619-811-8081
Tree limbs in power lines 800-411-7343

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Rev. Willard James, Pastor

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He is appealing the community to help put a new sign up
- Donation for Adopt a Wall by Time Warner Cable ($1000)
- Dyanna Smith with the Mira Mesa Women Club donate $100 to the Adopt a Wall effort
- Chuck Sweet – Mira Mesa Maintenance District might take over the Adopt a Wall effort

EDUCATION PROGRAM

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- **Dr. Hsieh – President of the SD Miramar College**
  Enrollment is up to 12,000; wants to grow to be a 25,000 student campus and to facilitate resources to the community
  40th Anniversary of the college is this year
  Field House will be ready in March and 40 classrooms will be added to the campus
  The new learning center will be done in November 2009

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

- **Laurie Hinzman – Sandburg Elementary**
  660 students
  5th years at Sandburg
  Works with wonderful volunteers

- **Maria Gomez – Ericson Elementary**
  New principal
  744 students

- **Ethel Daniels – Hage Elementary**
  Second year at Hage
  Scores increase
  755 students
  No vice-principal
  They need a parking lot

- **Dieidre Hardson – Mason Elementary**
  820 students
  Character Education Program

- **Michelle Dawes – Walker Elementary**
  Second year as principal
  550 students

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

- **Sheelagh Moran – Challenger Middle School**
  Second year as Principal at Challenger
  Scores increased

- **Robert Grano – Wangenheim Middle School**
  8th year at Wangenheim
  Scores increased to 821

PRIVATE SCHOOL

- **Lark Mayeski – Christ the Cornerstone School**
  The school is 30 years
  200 students
  Adopt a grand-parent program
  Character Counts program

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UPCOMING EVENTS

October 17-31—Mira Mesa Monster Manor (weekends only)
October 31—Halloween
November 2—Daylight Savings Time ends. Don't forget to change your clocks
November 3—Mira Mesa Town Council Meeting
November 4—General Election Day. Don't forget to vote
November 11—Veterans Day
November 27—Thanksgiving Day

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

1ST MONDAY / November 3	**Town Council Meeting (MMTC)** — 1st Monday (no meeting in July & 2nd Monday in September) — Mira Mesa Library — 7:00 p.m.
1ST TUESDAY / November 4	**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 5	**Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch** — Every Wednesday —Mimi's Restaurant — 7:00 a.m.
2ND SATURDAY / November 8	**Fil-Am Sr. Citizens Assn** — 2nd Saturday — Mira Mesa Senior Center — 10:00 a.m.
2ND SUNDAY/ November 9	**FAASDNC Meeting**—12:00pm—Mira Mesa Recreation Center
2ND TUESDAY / November 11	**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 12	**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.
2ND THURSDAY/ November 13	**Mira Mesa Town Council Board of Directors**—Mira Mesa Senior Center—6:45 pm
3RD MONDAY / November 17	**Community Planning Group** — 3rd Monday — Mira Mesa Library — 7:00 p.m.
3RD TUESDAY / November 18	**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** — Call Epicenter for next meeting date and time.
3RD WEDNESDAY / November 19	**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.
3RD THURSDAY/ November 20	**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)
4TH MONDAY/ November 24	**Banned Book Club**—Last Monday of each month except December at the Mira Mesa Library. 7 PM.
4TH TUESDAY / November 25	**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 26	**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

Highlights of the October 6, 2008 MMTC Meeting

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HIGH SCHOOL

- **Kurt Madden – Scripps Ranch High School**
  3 months as principal of Scripps Ranch HS
  2,350 students
  820 API - #1 in the district and #7 in the county
- **Scott Giusti – Mira Mesa High School**
  2 months as principal of Mira Mesa HS
  2,700 students
  Football is 3rd in the country
  Tennis team is undefeated
- Hickman Elementary
  Scores have gone up
  Character Count program started last year

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

- Please push math and science programs
- Stop by the Sr. Center with the students
- A unified Mira Mesa PTA Council would be great
- Mr. Maheu, a teacher from Mira Mesa HS, will be on Jeopardy on 10/21

COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS

- Monster Manor 10/17 to 10/31 – Monster Bash and Share the Wealth

Congratulations:

October 14, 2008, was named Robin Stutsman Day by the San Diego City Council in recognition of the many community services she has provided to the citizens of San Diego. Congratulations, Robin!

2009 MMTC Board of Directors Nominations

By Pam Stevens

Each year in October a Nominating Committee chaired by the MMTC Parliamentarian is tasked with preparing a slate of recommendations for next year's Board. A number of current Board members are running for re-election this year, while some are stepping down from the Board due to other schedule involvements but will stay active as general MMTC members. Additional nominations from the floor will be taken at the November MMTC meeting immediately prior to the election.

This year's Nominating Committee, chaired by Parliamentarian Courtland Young, consists also of Board Member at Large John Daley, as well as MMTC members Pam Stevens and Debbie Vincent. The Nominating Committee is pleased to make the following recommendations for the 2009 MMTC Board of Directors:

President: Jeff Stevens
First Vice-president/Program Chair: Pam O'Donohoe
Second Vice-president/Membership Chair: Ted Brengel
Secretary: Albertine Feurer-Young
Treasurer: Alan Philpott
Newsletter Editor: Maria Pankau
Parliamentarian: Debbie Vincent
Board Member at Large: Jon Labaw
Board Member at Large: John Daley
Board Member at Large: Marlon Austria
Board Member at Large: Robin Stutsman

The MMTC president must previously have served on the MMTC Board, not necessarily last year but at some time in the past. Other Board members should be MMTC members and willing to fulfill the duties of their particular offices.

For information about the duties of MMTC officers, see the MMTC Bylaws posted at www.miramesatowncouncil.org , under "Membership." Board members at large help as needed on various MMTC projects. They are expected to attend general MMTC meetings on the first Monday of the month and the monthly Board meetings, which are usually the second Thursday of the month .