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Mira Mesa Town Council Newsletter

May Meeting to Focus on Special Election

By Pam O'Donohoe

May 19 brings us to another special election in California. The cost of the election is staggering, issues are ambiguous, and many people still don't understand as we vote, yet again, on important state business the state legislature can't come to terms with on their own. With state finances being what they are, or aren't, it's more important than ever that we make informed decisions on what we are voting on or for. We need to know when our "yes" vote means "no" and vice versa. We need to evaluate in our own minds how the outcome will affect us, and possibly send a message to those ladies and gentlemen in our state capitol that sounded so capable when they ran for office, that we can do their work for them. We have with us in May a representative from the League of Women Voters to explain and clarify what we are about to decide on. They are impartial, give the facts of the issues and let us choose for ourselves. This should be a fascinating presentation and no one should think their vote doesn't count. It does!

The League of Women Voters—An Overview

By Pam O'Donohoe

League of Women Voters, voluntary public service organization of U.S. citizens. Organized in 1920 in Chicago as an outgrowth of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, it had as its original nucleus the leaders of the latter organization. The league was organized to educate American women in the intelligent use of their newly won suffrage. At its founding the league was primarily concerned with the status and rights of women, but it later broadened its interests to encompass the improvement of the entire political, economic, and social structure of the nation. It has directed its educational and research campaigns to those ends on local, state, and national levels. Formerly limited to female membership, the league voted in 1974 to accept men as full members. With headquarters in Washington, D.C., the organization has some 110,000 members.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

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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 **May 4, 2009** meeting:

- The league of Women Voters on the Special Election

The next MMTC meeting is **Monday, June 1, 2009**

Visit us online at www.miramesatowncouncil.org

President's Message

By MMTC President Jeff Stevens

At our May meeting we will have a presentation by the League of Women Voters on the May 19th, 2009 special election. The special election is the result of the State of California's convoluted budget process, and the propositions are intended to plug the remaining hole in the budget. While it might be acceptable for the state to ask taxpayers for more help under the circumstances, the doublespeak in the propositions is very bothersome. For example, Proposition 1D is titled "Children's Services Funding" which suggests that it is funding children's services, but in fact it cuts about a billion dollars from early childhood development programs. Proposition 1C is the "Lottery Modernization Act" which if you read past the "increased payouts" and "effective management" actually allows the State to borrow $5 billion from future lottery profits. We will get the rest of the story at the May meeting.

We have better news in the City of San Diego. Six months ago we were faced with the prospect that 7 neighborhood libraries and 9 recreation centers could be closed due to a budget shortfall. Now it appears that the City will pass a balanced budget that leaves City services relatively intact. To do this required reducing employee salaries and benefits, but the reductions were relatively modest and they allowed the City to avoid layoffs and preserve services. Three of the five employee unions agreed to the reductions and the City Council unanimously imposed similar reductions on the other two unions.

On another topic, at the last MMTC Board meeting, we decided to establish a new policy regarding MMTC donations. It often happens that someone will come to an MMTC meeting asking for money, and while it is generally for a good cause, this puts the membership on the spot to make a decision. In the future when someone makes a donation request at a meeting, the Board will discuss it at the next Board meeting and make a recommendation for a vote at the following meeting. This removes the pressure and allows time to obtain any other relevant information. The policy does not apply to those donations that are already listed in our budget.

Finally, this is the time of year for two great Town Council traditions: the Volunteer of the Year dinner and the Mira Mesa Town Council/Verne Goodwin scholarship awards. The Volunteer of the Year dinner and the scholarship both started with the first dinner in honor of long time community volunteer Verne Goodwin in 1984. At that time the scholarship based on community service was established and it was awarded to the first scholarship winners Kelly Rudiger and Connie Viado in 1985. So please encourage any high school seniors who are good volunteers to apply for the scholarship, and please plan to attend the Volunteer of the Year dinner in honor of Ted Brengel on June 6th.

Mira Mesa Street Fair

The Mira Mesa Street Fair will be held this year on Saturday September 26th. The Street Fair committee started meetings in April and will hold meetings on the Fourth Thursday of each month and every week in September. All meetings are held at the Mira Mesa Senior Center at 6:30 PM. The Street Fair requires considerable work and advance planning, so the more people we have to help the better. Jeff Stevens and Mike Davis are co-chairs of the event this year. Please come to the meetings and help us put on this great annual event sponsored by the Mira Mesa Town Council.

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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)**
- **Banner District Committee**

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.

Taste of Mira Mesa a Grand Success.

By Kathy Madsen

MMHS Foundation Board expresses our deep appreciation to Gen-Probe for once again opening their beautiful courtyard to us for our Taste of Mira Mesa. We want to thank all of our great restaurants, and all of our patrons. Your generosity is truly amazing. We collected over $10,000 the evening of our event. We have already met to discuss next year's event. Meanwhile, see you all at our Farmer's Market!

Mira Mesa Farmers Market Now Open

A new Farmer's Market in Mira Mesa opened April 21 at Mira Mesa High School, in the northeast corner of campus at Mira Mesa Boulevard and Reagan Road. The Farmers Market will be open on Tuesday afternoons from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (in winter months, 3 to 6 p.m.) The Farmers Market already has more than 65 vendors, with more lined up for coming weeks. The Farmers Market will feature farm fresh vegetables, fruits and flowers, as well as specialty foods like hummus, fresh fish, baked goods, cheeses, olive oil, and Kettle Korn. Come shop for fresh and local items every Tuesday afternoon!

The Farmers Market is sponsored by the Mira Mesa High School Foundation, with the assistance of the Mira Mesa Chamber of Commerce. Chamber of Commerce treasurer Brian Wissinger has played an active role in helping launch the Farmers Market. 50% of the net proceeds will go towards supporting our students and our Mira Mesa High School's budget during these difficult economic times. The high school recently had a $180,000 reduction in funds by the school district in several rounds of budget cuts. For a Farmers Market vendor application, see: http://www.miramesachamber.com/documents/Mira-Mesa-Farmers-Market-Vendor-Application.pdf

"Chalk the Walk" May 9:

The "Chalk the Walk" Mira Mesa Art Festival will be held Saturday, May 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Mira Mesa Recreation Center, 8575 New Salem Street. "Chalk the Walk" is a sidewalk art festival where artists of all ages create works of art by drawing with pastels directly on the concrete sidewalk in and around the park. A Children's Fun Center along with live music will add to the festive atmosphere. It is a fun and rewarding event to raise funds for our school's visual arts programs. Sidewalk squares are $10 for an individual square; $25 for a non-profit group to sponsor a 4 x 4 foot square (max 3 artists), which also includes a 10 x 10 foot information booth space; $100 for a business to be a supportive sponsor of a 6 x 6 foot square (max 4 artists), which includes a 10' x 10' information booth space, name/business listed in program and on web, and photo of art work and artist with your corporate/business name; or $200 to be a major sponsor of an 8 x 8 foot square (max 5 artists), with the same benefits listed for supportive sponsors. Chalk is provided. The festival is sponsored by the Mira Mesa Women's Club, a volunteer, non-profit organization. Open to the public! For more information call (858) 578-1416; email mmwomensclub@yahoo.com or visit http://www.mmwomensclub.com

"One Book, One San Diego" Discussion of "The Zookeeper's Wife" May 11:

A discussion of this year's "One Book, One San Diego" title, "The Zookeeper's Wife," by Diane Ackerman, will take place on Monday, May 11, at 7 p.m. at the Mira Mesa Branch Library. For more information contact Pam Stevens, pstevens@san.rr.com. Everyone who'd enjoy talking about this tale of survival and compassion during World War II is welcome to attend. Due to the Memorial Day holiday, there will be no regular Banned Book Club meeting in May; instead, the group will have a combined May/June meeting on Monday, June 8, to discuss "Dr. Zhivago," by Boris Pasternak.

Parade and Fun Day Booth Space Applications Available from MM 4th of July Committee:

Mira Mesa celebrates the 4th of July with all-day festivities, including a mid-morning parade and Fun Day in Mira Mesa Community Park. Each year the local Fourth of July fireworks display is set off from Mira Mesa High School fields and enjoyed by many who gather at locations such as Mira Mesa Community Park or at Miramar Lake in Scripps Ranch.

The Mira Mesa Community 4th of July Committee is a non-profit group that raises the funds to put on the fireworks display, parade, and Fun Day completely through donations, as well as plans and hosts the day's events. The group meets monthly year-round on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM and every Wednesday in June, at the Mira Mesa Senior Center, 8460 Mira Mesa Boulevard. New volunteers are always welcome!

Applications for groups and businesses who would like to be in this year's Mira Mesa 4th of July Parade, or have a booth at Fun Day in Mira Mesa Community Park, will be posted on the Fourth of July page on the Mira Mesa Town Council website in May. See www.miramesatowncouncil.org/fourth_of_july.htm.

For more information contact Sandy Smith, President, Mira Mesa Community 4th of July Committee, (858) 361-5229, SandySmt@san.rr.com.

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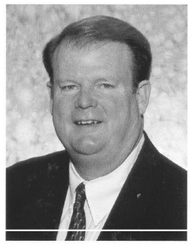
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MMTC to Honor Ted Brengel at June 6 Volunteer of the Year Gala at MCAS Miramar Officers Club

This year's MMTC Volunteer of the Year celebration honoring Ted Brengel as 2008 Mira Mesa Volunteer of the Year will be a gala "Black and White Ball" held on base at MCAS Miramar in the Miramar Officer's Club Ballroom, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, June 6, 2009.

Ted Brengel is currently Mira Mesa Town Council second vice-president (membership chair), a position he held from 1996-2000 and in 2002 and 2007, also serving in 2001 as MMTC Board Member at Large. Ted also just stepped down (due to term limits) as Chairman of the Mira Mesa Community Planning Group, having served as a member of the MMCPG Executive Committee from 1995 to March 2009 and as Planning Group Chairman from 1999 to March 2009. Ted is a familiar face as a volunteer community photographer taking pictures at the Street Fair and other Mira Mesa events. Whenever or wherever he's needed to help, Ted is one of those volunteers who is "always there!"

The gala will start with a social hour from 6 to 7 p.m. with a no-host bar, followed by a served dinner, a brief program with presentations to Ted Brengel by elected officials and fellow volunteers, and dancing into the evening. The dinner will include a choice of three entrees (with selections made on the RSVP forms): macadamia crusted mahi mahi; Monterey chicken; or pasta primavera. Tickets are $25 per person.

The Mira Mesa Town Council is now also accepting scholarship fund donations in honor of Ted Brengel as 2008 Volunteer of the Year. The MMTC/Verne Goodwin Scholarship, named after Mira Mesa's first Volunteer of the Year, annually awards college scholarships based on community service to graduating high school seniors from Mira Mesa. The RSVP form for the dinner includes the option to make a contribution to the scholarship fund as well.

Because this year's Volunteer of the Year dinner is on base MMTC needs to have the names of all people who will be attending at least 4 days prior to the event, i.e. no later than June 2. Invitations will be mailed to MMTC members and dignitaries in early May, as well as posted on the MMTC website. You can return the RSVP form with your check in the mail to the MMTC or make your reservation online at the MMTC website.

For more information see www.miramesatowncouncil.org or contact Volunteer of the Year Dinner Committee chair Robin Stutsman, rstuts@san.rr.com.

MMTC/Verne Goodwin College Scholarships Application Deadline is May 8

Need $500 for school next year? Write an essay on volunteering! The Mira Mesa Town Council is now accepting essays/applications for the 2009 Mira Mesa Town Council / Verne Goodwin Scholarship Awards, named after Mira Mesa's first Volunteer of the Year, Verne Goodwin. These awards are designed specifically for students who have enjoyed community volunteering. No specific GPA is required. All Mira Mesa residents are eligible to apply, no matter what high school they attend, as long as they are graduating seniors and planning to further their education within the next year through community college, university, or technical school, and have participated in community service.

According to MMTC Scholarship Committee chair Alan Philpott, a good essay should be 250 - 500 words in length and contain a narrative of your personal volunteer experience, expanding on which project was your favorite and why, describing how the experience has positively affected your outlook on volunteering. Applicants should list on a separate sheet of paper the different types of community service they have been involved in, with an approximation of hours for each project. One letter of recommendation is requested from a supervisor relevant to your volunteer work. Six scholarship finalists will be selected by the MMTC Scholarship Committee. Judging is based on the quality of your experience, not quantity. Winners and their respective school(s) will be notified by phone. Scholarship winners will be invited to attend the June 6 MMTC meeting to receive your $500 check. At that time MMTC would also like to hear a bit about your community spirit and where you will further your education (approximately 2 minutes per student.)

The application deadline is Friday, May 8. Submit essays/applications to: Mira Mesa Town Council Scholarship Committee, PMB 230, 10606-8 Camino Ruiz, San Diego CA 92126. For more information, see www.miramesatowncouncil.org.

Humanitarian Recognized by City of San Diego

On April 3, during a SDELC meeting at the Gil Johnson Rec. Center, Lion Tim Mendez of the SD Executive Lions Club (SDELC - Mira Mesa area) received a humanitarian proclamation from 5th District Councilman, Carl De Maio.

Pictured (l to r.) Lion Tim Mendez (SDELC) , Coulcilmember Carl De Maio, Lion George Folwarski (President SDELC)

The City of San Diego
Proclamation
In recognition of the humanitarian contributions to the Community
Lion Tim Mendez

1st Annual Walk for Rides

The more you walk the more seniors ride.

Saturday, May 30, 2009 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. 2 Mile Walk
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Walk as an individual. Or, gather friends, family or co-workers and make it a team effort.
Hold a friendly competition to see who on your team is able to raise the most in pledges.
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Highlights of the April 6, 2009 MMTC Meeting

MMTC Executive Board Change

- Sandy Smith was nominated as Board member at large replacing Robin Stutsman. On a unanimous vote, she was confirmed as a Board member.

POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS

Police Department (Officer Paul Lennon, Lt. Rick O'Hanlon)

- several robberies in the area.
- Jade Coast had home invasion - two (2) female lookouts and 1 male. Offenders caught and in jail
- Armed robbery on Londonderry.
- Fire Department responded to 11200 block of Ganesta - found 333 marijuana plants growing in home. All burned Male sleeping in home was arrested.
- Burger King had a robbery in early morning hours by two (2) armed males. Opened safe, workers put into freezer.
- Cold Stone - clerk threatened by male. Cash was put into a bag. African-American male in 20's escaped in a light colored car.

SD Fire Department (Capt. Myers)

- No report

ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

City Councilman Carl DeMaio (John Ly)

- Open Forum on April 20 at Library to discuss Hillery Direct Access Ramps.
- MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) for Salk Elementary School will go before the San Diego Unified School Board for approval on April 28th. The issue will go to the City Council in May if school board supports.
- Carl is against the pool fee increase for Mira Mesa High School water sports.
- Shopping carts - less than positive results for retrieval. John called in several abandoned carts to the California Shopping Cart Retrieval Service and they were not picked up within the expected time period.
- Camino Ruiz Trail is two (2) weeks behind schedule.
- Roads - two weeks behind in road repairs; potholes all over. Call John Ly for pothole repair.

County Supervisor Pam Slater-Price (Erica Holloway)

- Small business forum on April 23 by Slater to help local business.
- Property taxes are due April 10. There is a 10% penalty if not paid.
- May 19 election - May 4 is deadline for registering to vote in the election. May 12 deadline for voting by mail. Special election costing millions but voting by mail will be most cost effective.
- Governor proposed special election because legislature is wasting money because they can't come together and agree. Special elections have cost about 900 million dollars since Arnold took office.

State Assemblyman Nathan Fletcher (Oscar Urteaga)

- Community Coffee Event May 2, 2009 at Standley Recreation Center on Governor Drive.
- Bill AB83 Protection of Good Samaritans. A person cannot be sued by a victim for being a good Samaritan.
- Bill AB12 California Fostering Connection to Success Act. Allows State to receive matching funds to expand fostering to 21 years if special conditions are met. Aged-out youth currently are incarcerated (1 in 4) or homeless 1 in 5).
- AB23 Cal Cobra. Health care insurance through 9/2/09. An individual qualifies for CalCobra if they are laid off. Federal funding will extend health care benefits at a 65% subsidy to laid-off workers.

County Supervisor Ron Roberts (Lauren Prescott)

- Costal monitoring program has been restored.
- MTS - budget issues, next five years. Reduces expenses and revenue. Eliminated all state transit additions.
- Fire season is approaching. Encourage health and safety. Everyone needs to be prepared.
- May 12, 2009 county will be approving budget. Budget will be affected by special election.
- Lawnmower exchange program will be May 16, 2009. Trade in a working gas mower and $150.00 for a brand new electric one valued at about $450.00.

State Senator Hollingsworth (Ellen Malin)

- Thank you to Ted Brengel for a job well done for so many years.
- Comprehensive reform for water - paying more, getting less. Water bond.
- SB668 (Bonnie Dumanis) - tips and tools, child abduction.

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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
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Power/phone line downed 619-811-8081
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- Ready for new budget. (6 to 10 billion deficit). Deficit will be 16 billion over the next 2 years if there is no tax increase.

COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS

Casino Night (Sandy Smith)
- Casino Night April 25th – Festivities plus Silent Auction.

HEROES (Mike Davis)
- 2 elementary school beautification
- Clean and Green will focus only on a small area on Greenford this year.

Women's Club
- Women's Club - Chalk the Walk - May 9 Mira Mesa Recreation Center.
- Support from Pam Slater –Price has been great.
- All expenses are covered.

Mira Mesa Library (Pam Stevens)
- Banned book group April 27, 7-8 PM - Maya Angelou's collection of poems.
- May 11 book discussion - Zookeepers Wife.

Farmers Market -
- Grand Opening Tuesday April 21st. at Mira Mesa High School 3-7, and every Tuesday thereafter.

Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve (Pam Stevens)
- elected new officers, Marvin Gerst chair.

MM Recreation Council (Joe Frichtel
- Next meeting—April 14.
- City wants to raise fees for all kids to use parks. Contact Mayor to say NO!

Mira Mesa Street Fair (Jeff Stevens)
- September 26.
- Meetings will be on the 4th Thursday of each month starting April 23rd at 6:30 PM at the Senior Center.

Volunteer of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year Dinner for Ted Brengel - June 6 at Miramar Officers Club.

NEW BUSINESS

Town Council Budget
- Motion was made to allow the MMTC Board to spend up to the budgeted amount approved by the general membership. Budget items can be approved by the Board of Directors up to the amount specified in the budget approved by the membership. The specific amount will appear in the following month's budget report.
- Jim Hearn seconded.
- MMTC general membership has more authority than other groups.
- Passed with 16 yeses, 3 nos.
- This approves payment of the $5,000 budgeted for the Fourth of July celebration as well as other explicitly budgeted items.

Kathy Lippett -
- Headshops update.

Alex Nguyen – Secretary, Mira Mesa Theatre Guild –
- shared brief history of Mira Mesa Theatre Guild, Mira Mesa's non-profit community theatre group, and Monster Manor, MMTG's current annual production.
- MMTG is now also preparing to offer youth and adult acting classes, and to produce its first play in a decade, tentatively set for August.
- MMTG is seeking individual, group, and business donations or sponsorships to bring these programs to the community. Individuals can join MMTG as members to help support its goals – see membership form at www.miramesatheatreguild.org.
- Cost breakdowns for play production and Monster Manor are at www.miramesatheatreguild.org/sponsors.html. Nguyen said

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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 4—Mira Mesa Town Council Meeting
May 9 —Chalk the Walk
May 10—Mother's Day
May 25—Memorial Day
May 30—Mira Mesa High School Prom
May 31—Rock and Roll Marathon

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

1ST MONDAY / May 4	**Town Council Meeting (MMTC)** — 1st Monday (no meeting in July & 2nd Monday in September) — Mira Mesa Library — 7:00 p.m.
1ST TUESDAY / May 5	**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 / May 6	**Kiwanis, Scripps-Mira Branch** — Every Wednesday —Mimi's Restaurant — 7:00 a.m.
2ND SATURDAY / May 9	**Fil-Am Sr. Citizens Assn** — 2nd Saturday — Mira Mesa Senior Center — 10:00 a.m.
2ND SUNDAY/ May 10	**FAASDNC Meeting**—12:00pm—Mira Mesa Recreation Center
2ND MONDAY May 11	**Mira Mesa Town Council Board of Directors**—Mira Mesa Senior Center—6:45 pm
2ND TUESDAY / May 12	**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 **Exchange Club of San Diego**—2nd and 4th Tuesday — Courtyard by Marriott in Kearny Mesa — 6:30 pm
2ND WEDNESDAY / May 13	**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 MONDAY / May 18	**Community Planning Group** — 3rd Monday — Mira Mesa Library — 7:00 p.m.
3RD TUESDAY / May 19	**Golden Friends (Senior Center)** — Every Tuesday (business meeting on 1st Tuesday) - Mira Mesa Senior Center—10:00 a.m. **Mira Mesa Women's Club** —3rd Tuesday - Mira Mesa Presbyterian Church — 7:00 p.m. **Teen Center (The Epicentre) Oversight Committee** — Call Epicenter for next meeting date and time. Mira Mesa Chamber of Commerce—Location Varies—6:00pm
3RD WEDNESDAY / May 20	**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/ May 21	**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 **Black Mountain Democratic Club**-3rd Thursday-7-9 p.m., 10550 Caminito Flores (Mesa Village Rec. Hall 1)
4TH MONDAY/ May 25	**Banned book club** —Last Monday of each month except December at the Mira Mesa Library. 7 PM. **NOTE: No May meeting due to Memorial Day Holiday; Combined May/June meeting on June 8 at the MM Library, 7:00 pm.**
4TH TUESDAY / May 26	**Golden Friends (Senior Center)** — Every Tuesday (business meeting on 1st Tuesday) - Mira Mesa Senior Center—10:00 a.m. **Exchange Club of San Diego**—2nd and 4th Tuesday — Courtyard by Marriott in Kearny Mesa — 6:30 pm **Mira Mesa Theatre Guild** — 4th Tuesday — Mira Mesa Rec. Center — 6:30 p.m. (Board), 7:00 p.m. (General)
4TH WEDNESDAY / May 27	**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
4TH THURSDAY May 28	**Street Fair committee (senior center)**-4th. Thursday—6:30 PM

Highlights of the April 6, 2009 MMTC Meeting

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- MMTG is asking MMTC for donation of $3,000 - $5,000.00. Postponed decision on donation amount.

Charlotte Parnell-Taylor - Relay for Life-

- May 17-18.
- Motion made and it was unanimous to give $200.00 to Relay for Life.

Ted Brengel , Chairman, Mira Mesa Planning Group -

- Has been Chairman for the Planning Group for 10 years.
- The planning process uses the San Diego General Plan as a guide.
- Mira Mesa is the largest community in the San Diego general plan.
- Capricorn turn restrictions are gone!
- Recapped some of the highlights of what's happened on the Planning Committee during his tenure. Fascinating and informative. The complete presentation is posted on the MMTC website at http://www.miramesatowncouncil.org/doc/Plangrp/MMCPG%20Retrospective.pdf.