Mira Mesa Town Council

May 2010

The May 3 meeting is going to be fascinating! Big business is coming to Mira Mesa in the near future in the name of Advanced Particle Therapy. We'll get a bird's-eye view of advancements in medical treatments using protons and how cutting edge it is in diseases like cancer. We hope to see you at this meeting at the Senior Center at 7 P.M.. Come welcome this company to our neighborhood.

John Mishalanie, Vice-President of Business Development, Advanced Particle Therapy

California Proton Treatment Center

Advanced Particle Therapy ("APT") is committed to bringing turnkey proton treatment center technology to leading universities and large-scale health care institutions. As the project's developer, APT has created the necessary management structure-process to assure the project is delivered on-time according to a realistic schedule under a predictable financial model.

Creation and delivery of proton therapy treatment centers is both complex and expensive. APT has established the critical relationships necessary to finance, design, construct, and operate proton treatment centers. APT provides the following services:

- Architectural design-build and related engineering services
- Proton therapy equipment vendor selection and configuration
- Debt and equity financing structure attractive to private investors
- Construction project management
- Clinical operating partner identification and negotiations

Mr. Mishalanie comes to Advance Particle Therapy from IBA, the leading provider of Particle Therapy solutions for the healthcare industry as Director of Business Development working closely with major University and Academic Centers in their development of Particle Therapy projects.

Mr. Mishalanie is a licensed Radiological Technologist with the American Registry of Radiological Technology (A.R.R.T.), California Society of Radiological Technologist (C.S.R.T.) and the American Society of Radiological Technology (A.S.R.T.) retired. Mr. Mishalanie is certified in Nuclear Medicine and Radiation Oncology as well. Mr. Mishalanie received a Bachelor in Business Administration from the University of Miami and an Associate degree in Science in Radiological Technology from Broward Community College.

SAVE THE DATE: "Spring Cleaning" event, Saturday, June 19, 8 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Mira Mesa High School, 10510 Reagan Rd. Drop off your e-waste, yard waste, and housenold junk. More information will be announced closer to the event date.

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Mira Mesa Town Council Meetings—New Location

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 held the first Monday of each month at the *Mira Mesa Senior Center* from 7 to 9 p.m., with no meeting held in July.

Agenda for the **May 3, 2010** meeting:

- **John Mishalanie, V.P. of Business Development, Advanced Particle Therapy**

The next MMTC meeting is **Monday, June 7, 2010**

PLEASE NOTE THE NEW MEETING LOCATION BEGINNING IN APRIL—MIRA MESA SENIOR CENTER!

Visit us online at www.miramesatowncouncil.org

LOCAL NUMBERS

General County Services Information

2-1-1 San Diego 2-1-1

Emergency Services

Police/Fire/EMS 9-1-1
Poison Control 1-800-222-1222

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

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

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
Code Compliance 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

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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:

- **BANNER DISTRICT COMMITTEE**
- **CLUSTER SCHOOLS COUNCIL**
- **COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**
- **COMMUNITY PRIDE COMMITTEE**
- **COMMUNITY VISION COMMITTEE**
- **FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE**
- **HEROES**
- **MMTC STREET FAIR COMMITTEE**
- **MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMITTEE**
- **RECREATION COUNCIL**
- **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 9 for specific meeting times and locations.

President's Message

By Ted Brengel, MMTC President

April was a busy month and I want to sincerely thank all the volunteers who made all of our objectives move forward. Street Fair planning is now in full swing. That will culminate in a fantastic Mira Mesa Street Fair on Saturday, September 25. We thank Marcia Davis for taking on the job of Street Fair vendor coordinator. We are looking for volunteers to assist with handling vendor applications and other pre-event tasks. Also we need an event-day volunteer to coordinate electrical connections. You don't need to know anything about electricity, you just need to account for the connections and insure that all fees are paid for each connection.

Our next big event is the Volunteer Dinner on May 15 at County Inn and Suites on Lusk Boulevard where we will honor our 2009 Volunteer of the Year, Sandy Smith. This is an event with a real double-benefit. Of course it is fantastic to be able to thank one of our fine volunteers for her many contributions to the community over the years, but the event is also a very entertaining evening out. The web page to make reservations is now open at www.miramesatowncouncil.org/VOYPayment.htm. Please make your reservations as early as possible to allow the committee to plan for correct group size. Don't miss this fantastic event.

By the time you read this the huge HEROES-MMTC Paint Out will be history. On Saturday, April 24 we got as many people as possible together for four hours to paint fences. This is one more huge step in making our community better. How our streets look is very important to how our community perceived both by residents and visitors. We all benefit from a well-kept community. Thanks to all the volunteers who got out there and painted walls.

We need members. Please mention MMTC to your friends and to merchants you do business with. While coming to meetings is a good idea, people *can* participate in MMTC simply by staying abreast of community events by reading the newsletter and checking the website periodically. And don't forget our mid-month *e-Newsletter*. Bari Vaz, our Newsletter Editor conceived the concept and has done an outstanding job of making community information available to us all with the mid-month electronic update.

Oxy Task Force Collects Ton of Medication, Moves Forward with New Program

By Supv. Pam Slater-Price

The latest prescription drug Take Back Day, hosted by the Oxy Task Force of San Diego County, broke its own record by collecting more than a metric ton of medication just ahead of an effort to meet this public need permanently, announced county board Chairwoman Pam Slater-Price.

On April 17, residents brought back more than 2,500 pounds of drugs to six locations around the county – far exceeding the first Take Back Day last October, which netted roughly 322 pounds. A good percentage of the drugs included addictive narcotics such as methadone, morphine and of course, OxyContin – a brand name prescription painkiller popular among youth to get high.

Just days before the Take Back Day, Sheriff Bill Gore joined Slater-Price and Nick Macchione, Director of the San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency, to announce a proactive measure to fight prescription drug abuse starting where it typically begins: home.

Through a county ordinance, set to be brought forward for consideration on April 27 to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, the County of San Diego would install 22 prescription drug collection containers at Sheriff's facilities.

"The overwhelming response from the public at this most recent Take Back Day made it incredibly clear that a permanent, safe solution to dispose of prescription drug must be found for San Diego County," Slater-Price said. "The Prescription Drug Take Back Program will offer residents safe, year-round locations to surrender these medications for destruction – no questions asked."

As part of the ordinance, Slater-Price and Gore pledged funding to pay for the purchase and installation of the containers, which must go through a public bid process. Communities in about 20 states offer a similar service to the public as a means to dispose of unused, expired medications.

"Reducing the easy access to these narcotics to our young people will decrease the amount of these potentially dangerous drugs from getting onto the streets," Slater-Price said. "The one-time cost for the containers will more than pays for itself if we prevent just one youth from a lifetime of drug addiction and crime."

If approved, officials hope to have the program fully implemented and the drop-off containers installed by later summer or early fall.

Mira Mesa Town Council/Verne Goodwin Scholarship Applications Due May 21st

By Jeff Stevens

Every year since 1985 the Mira Mesa Town Council has awarded scholarships to graduating high school students living in Mira Mesa based on volunteer service. The scholarship is named in honor of long time community volunteer Verne Goodwin. Scholarships are awarded in June after evaluation of applications by the Scholarship Committee, which is chaired this year by our Parliamentarian, Jon Labaw. If you are a graduating high school student, or know a graduating high school student who has been a good volunteer, please go to the Mira Mesa Town Council website to download the application. Scholarship applications are also available from Jennifer Kvalvik at Mira Mesa High School. High School seniors living in Mira Mesa who attend Scripps Ranch High School or any other high school are also eligible to apply.

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HEROES and Rotary Club Team Up to Beautify Mira Mesa

By Mike Davis

On Saturday, April 24, HEROES and the La Jolla New Generations Rotary Club joined together in a day of service, painting the remaining portion of the retaining / sound barrier wall as well as touch-up some areas of fence that were previously painted. Mira Mesa community members and local Boy Scouts also participated in this event.

Volunteers met at Mira Mesa Mall North, in the Kohl's parking lot. The last three remaining unpainted sections of wall were painted, completing a two year project. 50 volunteers participated, using 120 gallons of paint. The event lasted from 8 a.m. until Noon, and was followed by a mini-party to celebrate our efforts. Councilman Carl DeMaio's office presented certificates to some of the volunteers who have participated in the wall painting efforts for most or all of the last two years.

RSVP Now for May 15 Volunteer of the Year Dinner Honoring Sandy Smith

By Pam Stevens

Everyone is invited to the Mira Mesa Town Council's annual dinner honoring Mira Mesa resident Sandy Smith as 2009 Mira Mesa Volunteer of the Year on Saturday, May 15, from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Country Inn and Suites hotel in western Mira Mesa, 5975 Lusk Boulevard, San Diego 92121. Please join us for this gala event! The theme is "Old Hollywood Style." Optional dress is 20's – 30's era gowns/outfits for fun and to be a part of the evening's excitement. For details see the MMTC website, www.miramesatowncouncil.org. Reservations should be made online or by return mail to MMTC no later than May 10.

The dinner will be $35 per person. That includes a served dinner, with complimentary hors d'oeuvres during our reception from 6 to 7 p.m., and a dessert buffet. There will be a cash bar available throughout the reception and dinner. Prior to, during and following dinner there will be some special surprises and presentations for Sandy, with music and dancing into the evening. It should be a FABULOUS party!

Each year at the time of the Volunteer of the Year dinner the Mira Mesa Town Council also accepts donations in recognition of our honoree to the college scholarship fund that MMTC awards to graduating high school seniors based on their community service. In addition to attending the dinner, you can honor Sandy Smith by making a scholarship fund donation in any amount.

RSVP online (we need to know your dinner choice - grilled chicken with ratatouille and red potatoes, baked salmon with mango salsa served with rice and green beans, or vegetarian option) and pay via credit card at www.miramesatowncouncil.org or by mailing your check to the Mira Mesa Town Council, Attention - Volunteer of the Year Dinner Committee, PMB 230, 10606-8 Camino Ruiz, San Diego CA 92126.

This year's Volunteer of the Year Dinner Committee, co-chaired by Mike Davis and Pam Stevens, includes Bari Vaz, Robin Stutsman, Debbie Vincent, Tri Huynh and Karen Burger. Mira Mesa Town Council president Ted Brengel will be the master of ceremonies for the brief program when elected officials and fellow volunteers make their presentations to Sandy.

Sandy Smith has a long history of actively and enthusiastically volunteering with Mira Mesa community groups. In addition to serving in a variety of offices on the Mira Mesa Town Council Board, Sandy is a longtime member and current chair of the Mira Mesa Community 4th of July Committee, who raise all the funds needed for the July 4 fireworks and all-day celebration, as well as plan and host the day's events. Sandy is also a long time Mira Mesa Theatre Guild member, having been on the Theatre Guild Board for many years, and a participant in Theatre Guild productions, including Monster Manor and Breakfast with Mrs. Claus. A realtor with Red Carpet Realty in Mira Mesa, Sandy is currently a business member on the Executive Committee of the Mira Mesa Community Planning Group. She has been part of HEROES and the Mira Mesa Chamber of Commerce since their inception.

Sandy Smith has also been a participant in the Stakeholders committee, Kiwanis, Epicentre (Teen Center) Oversight Committee, NEC and the Mira Mesa High School Business Partnership Council. Sandy likes to connect our community groups and volunteers to each other, and likes to work behind the scenes to make Mira Mesa a better place to live, work and play. In addition to volunteering herself, Sandy is exceptionally good at bringing new volunteers into our community groups.

Join the Mira Mesa Town Council and elected dignitaries on May 15 in honoring Sandy Smith, volunteer extraordinaire!

For more information contact MMTC Volunteer of the Year Dinner Committee co-chair Pam Stevens, 858-566-2261, or send email to pstevens@san.rr.com.

Banned Book Club to Discuss "*A Grave in Gaza*" May 25

By Pam Stevens

On Tuesday, May 25, the Mira Mesa Library's Banned Book Club, a book group with a focus on reading and talking about books that have been banned or challenged, as well as other thought-provoking titles that tie into a "freedom to read" theme, will discuss *A Grave in Gaza*, by Matt Beynon Rees.

While not a banned or challenged title, this mystery novel is a thought-provoking one, set against a backdrop of local politics and violence in the Gaza strip, as seen through the eyes of Rees's main character, middle-aged and mild-mannered Palestinian history teacher Omar Yussef. Rees knows the area, having covered the Middle East as a journalist for over a decade. All are welcome to attend the discussion, 7 to 8 p.m. in the Mira Mesa Library community room.

The Banned Book Club meets the last Tuesday of the month at the Mira Mesa Library. As a reminder, titles for discussion in future months are:

June 29 - *Cat's Cradle*, by Kurt Vonnegut
July 26 - *The Bookseller of Kabul*, by Asne Seirstad
August - no meeting
September 28—annual book selection meeting

For more information, email Banned Book Club facilitator Pam Stevens, pstevens@san.rr.com , or call the Mira Mesa Branch Library, 858-538-8165.

Highlights of the March 1, 2010 MMTC Meeting

POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS

SD Fire Department (Chief Mike Finnerty—Battalion 7)
- No report

SD Police Department (Ofc. Susan Steffan)
- No report

ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

City Councilman Carl DeMaio (John Ly)
- "Spring Cleaning": June 19th, 8-9 PM, Mira Mesa High School
- Budget to be released by April 18th.
- April 28th, 9:30 AM, Miramar College Field House—"Small Business Forum".
- City Heights displays efficient use of "granny carts" in place of shopping carts.
- Mira Mesa Blvd paving pushed back to September, 2010 from July, 2010.
- Introduction: Felipe, Councilman DeMaio's new Chief of Staff

State Senator Christine Kehoe (Andrew Kennerly)
- Bill introduced to introduce self-defense classes to high school students still going through committee and taking input.
- Legislation to create greenway by Del Mar Fairgrounds as a buffer around the facility.
- Information in Senator's newsletter regarding May 8th primary election.

  Q: Where have the stimulus funds gone? How many jobs have been created?
  A: Senator's newsletter has information

- "Cash for Appliances" program introduced; refrigerators, dishwashers, etc. accepted. Tax credits available.

COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS

Non-profit Executive Council (Mike Davis)
- HEROES event on April 24th, outside of Kohl's.

Mira Mesa Community Planning Group (Linda Geldner)
- New meeting date/time to be announced shortly, due to Mira Mesa Library closure on Mondays.

Mira Mesa Street Fair (Jeff Stevens)
- Beginning preparations for Street Fair. Meetings will be on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Senior Center. First meeting on April 22nd.

Mira Mesa 4th of July (Sandy Smith)
- Funding is needed for the event; total annual cost is $35,000 to $40,000.

Mira Mesa Maintenance Assessment District (Tom Durr)
- Installed water-saving plants, river rock, and ground cover on the median by Jack In The Box on Mira Mesa Blvd. Project will reduce water usage by 2/3.

Community Announcement (Pam Stevens)
- Announced book series entitled "Images of America"; will be working on a Mira Mesa edition, which should be available next year. Looking for pictures of the original Mira Mesa schools and buildings—e-mail Pam if you have a photo to share.

Volunteer of the Year Dinner (Pam Stevens)
- Date is May 15th; information will be sent out soon.

MIRA MESA TOWN COUNCIL BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

Painting of Utility Boxes (Mike Davis and Leo Reyes)

- Overall positive responses so far.
- Minimal concern over graffiti. Q: What is the cost to paint a box? A: Can be estimated at around $25 , after price of supplies.
- Open to donations and financial brainstorming.

NEW BUSINESS

Randy Huber, Construction Administrator, San Diego County Water Authority, San Vicente Pipeline Project

- San Diego County Water Authority is an independent agency, governed by a board that represents 24 agencies.
- San Vicente Pipeline has been under construction for five years.
- Colorado River and Northern California are main suppliers of SDCWA pipelines.
- In case of severe earthquake or drought, pipelines are planned to distribute emergency water from Lake Hodges and San Vicente reservoir for up to six months.
- Work on the pipeline around I-15 and Mercy Rd (West Shaft) will continue until September 2010.
- Local rain does not affect our water supply very much. Majority of it comes from snowfall in the Sierras. A lot of recent snowfall will be absorbed into the dry earth.
- Please continue to conserve water. Conservation tips are available at www.sdcwa.org.
- Thanks to Joe Frichtel for his work in obtaining benches for park as part of this project.

Q: If we are cut off from northern California, we have six months of available water?
A: Depends upon many variables. Assumptions, according to analysis, state that repair would take anywhere from two to six months. Water usage would need to be rationed to at least 75% of usual usage.
Q: Can we make drinking water from salt water?
A: We are currently developing desalinization plants in Carlsbad and Camp Pendleton. The plants are very energy intensive.
Q: How much of our usage would a desalinization plant handle?
A: About 10%
Q: How high is San Vicente dam? How much water can it hold?
A: It is 170 feet high, holding 90,000 acre feet of water. When completed it late 2014, 242,000 acre feet will be accommodated.
Q: Does this serve agriculture districts as well as residential?
A: Yes.
Q: We have hard water, would the desalinated water be the same?
A: Desalinated water is completely free of minerals and we must manually add minerals. It would not remarkably decrease hard water.
Q: What is the cost of desalinated water?
A: Not sure, but it is the most expensive option. Please consider conservation.
Q: Does the water taste better now than it did in years past? Why?
A: In recent years, water quality standards have improved. State requires more treatment. Depends on district, chemicals, and methods. Also, possible seasonal effects.
Q: Will the residents of Alemania Road continue to be affected by construction?
A: Construction is still going on, but should be finished by the end of the year.
Q: What is the estimated lifetime of the pipeline?
A: Around 150 years.
Q: Where are the pipeline workers coming from?
A: There are three mining operations, two different tunnel machines, and conventional tunneling equipment are being used. Contractors that work worldwide have been involved.
Q: Is there a website with the information on this tunneling work?
A: www.sdcwa.org (Infrastructure section)
Q: Was it difficult to create the tunnels?
A: Not particularly.
Q. How is my friend's water bill $7?
A: Not sure, some portions of Orange County receive treated wastewater and other cost-effective renewable solutions.

Open Forum

- Margaret Jahn remarks that Mira Mesa banners can be difficult to read.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 p.m.—Next meeting Monday, May 5, 7 PM, at the Mira Mesa Senior Center.

Mira Mesa Street Fair

By Jeff Stevens

The 12th annual Mira Mesa Street Fair will be held on Saturday, September 25th, 2010. The Street Fair committee started meeting 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 6:45 PM. Jeff Stevens and Mike Davis are co-chairs of the event this year. The Street Fair requires considerable work and advance planning, so the more people we have to help the better. Please come to the meetings and help us put on this great annual event sponsored by the Mira Mesa Town Council. The vendor application will be posted on the website in May and we will start taking applications. The Street Fair is intended to showcase our local crafters, non-profit organizations and businesses, and all are encouraged to participate. For more information see the Street Fair page on the Mira Mesa Town Council website at http://www.miramesatowncouncil.org/mira_mesa_street_fair or contact Jeff Stevens at jeffstev@san.rr.com.

Celebrate the Life of Orlando Vernacchia on May 1

By Pam Stevens

All Mira Mesa Town Council members and others involved with the Mira Mesa community are invited to a memorial and celebration of the life of longtime Mira Mesa volunteer Orlando Vernacchia on Saturday, May 1, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Verne Goodwin Mira Mesa Senior Center, 8460 Mira Mesa Blvd. The RSVP Color Guard will begin the brief ceremony. Friends, family, and fellow volunteers will have the opportunity to share memories of Orlando. A new bench at the Senior Center will be dedicated in Orlando's memory. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. Please RSVP to mmseniorcenter@juno.com.

Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve CAC Meets May 20

By Pam Stevens

The Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens Advisory Committee will meet on Thursday, May 20, at 7 p.m. at the historic Penasquitos Adobe Ranch House. Anyone interested in issues or programs relating to this San Diego City/County open space preserve, Mira Mesa's own "wild backyard" and a natural treasure that all San Diegans share, is welcome to attend.

The City has recently released a Final Draft of the Carmel Mountain and Del Mar Mesa Resource Management Plan, which can be viewed at http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/mscp. Hikers, equestrians, and mountain bikers interested in using the future trails system as a connection from Penasquitos Canyon, as well as all concerned about preservation of natural habitat for wildlife and plantlife in the area, are encouraged to review the plan and provide your input. Please provide written comments by March 10, 2010, to Betsy Miller, Open Space Division, City of San Diego Park and Recreation Department, at bmiller@sandiego.gov. The RMP boundary is within the Carmel Valley and Del Mar Mesa community planning areas, so the Del Mar Mesa and Carmel Valley Community Planning Boards are also scheduled to review the RMP and make their recommendations.

The Mira Mesa Community Planning Group had a presentation at its April 19 meeting about the City's site development permit application for the planned permanent City Ranger Station to serve both Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve and Black Mountain Open Space Park, located at the northeast corner of Black Mountain Road and Mercy Road. At the April MMCPG meeting, the Planning Group Executive Committee wanted additional information from the City before making a recommendation about the site development permit. An update about the ranger station is scheduled at the May 20 LPCP CAC meeting.

Since spring rains are continuing, do you want to know if trails in the Preserve are open or closed? You can call Gina Washington, Senior Park Ranger, City of San Diego, Open Space Division, at 858-538-8066 for a trails update.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 5, as this year's National Trails Day. Like last year, the celebration of National Trails Day in Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve will start with a "work party" on the trails for anyone who would like to volunteer in helping get trails ready for the summer, followed by a public celebration and lunch at the historic Los Penasquitos Adobe Ranch House. For more information, contact the San Diego County ranger office in Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve, 858-484-7504, or see http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/parks/

San Diego County Park docents lead a free guided tour of the Adobe Ranch House, San Diego's second oldest standing residence, at 11 a.m. on Saturdays and 1 p.m. on Sundays, lasting 45 minutes. See an historic Mexican era rancho with three foot thick adobe walls, settler and Indian artifacts and tour the grounds. From Mira Mesa, take Black Mountain Road north and turn left at Canyonside Drive, continuing past Canyonside Park to the parking area near the ranch house. For more information call the County Ranger office at the Adobe, 858-484-7504.

For information about the Friends of Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve and their guided hikes and other activities, see www.penasquitos.org.

The LPCP Citizens Advisory Committee holds regular meetings on the third Thursday of odd-numbered months, 7 p.m. at the Penasquitos Adobe Ranch House. The group makes recommendations about the preserve to the San Diego City Council and San Diego County Supervisors via reporting to the LPCP Task Force, which consists of City Councilmembers Carl DeMaio and Sherri Lightner, as well as County Supervisor Pam Slater-Price.

For more information, contact LPCP CAC Chairman Marvin Gerst, mgerst@ucsd.edu , or Mira Mesa Community Planning Group CAC representative Pam Stevens, pstevens@san.rr.com

UPCOMING EVENTS AND SPECIAL DAYS

May is "Asian Pacific American Heritage Month"
May 1—Orlando Vernacchia "Celebration of Life"
May 4—"National Teachers Day"
May 5—"Cinco de Mayo"
May 9 = "Mother's Day"
May 15—"Volunteer of the Year" Dinner honoring Sandy Smith
May 20/21—Charles Lindbergh's Trans-Atlantic flight
May 30—Memorial Day

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

1ST MONDAY / May 3	**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING (MMTC)** — 1st Monday (no meeting in July) — Mira Mesa Senior Center — 7:00 p.m.
1ST TUESDAY / May 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 / May 5	**KIWANIS, SCRIPPS-MIRA BRANCH** — Every Wednesday —Mimi's Restaurant — 7:00 a.m.
2ND SATURDAY / May 8	**FIL-AM SR. CITIZENS ASSN** — 2nd Saturday — Mira Mesa Senior Center — 10:00 a.m.
2ND SUNDAY/ May 9	**FAASDNC Meeting**—12:00pm—Mira Mesa Recreation Center
2ND MONDAY May 10	**Mira Mesa Town Council Board of Directors**—Mira Mesa Senior Center—6:45 pm **MIRA MESA CLUSTER SCHOOLS COUNCIL—**Mira Mesa High School Media Room—6:00 pm
2ND TUESDAY / May 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
2ND WEDNESDAY / May 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. **EXCHANGE CLUB OF SAN DIEGO**—2nd and 4th Wednesday—Mandarin Garden Restaurant (Mira Mesa Blvd) — 6:30 pm
3RD MONDAY / May 17	**COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP—**3rd Tuesday —Epicentre Teen Center—7:00 p.m.
3RD TUESDAY / May 18	**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 Senior Center — 7:00 p.m. **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** —3rd Tuesday — Mira Mesa Library — 7:00 p.m. **TEEN CENTER (THE EPICENTRE) OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE** — Call Epicenter for next meeting date and time.
3RD WEDNESDAY / May 19	**KIWANIS, SCRIPPS-MIRA BRANCH** — Every Wednesday —Mimi's Restaurant — 7:00 a.m. **MIRA MESA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**—Location Varies—6:00pm
3RD THURSDAY/ May 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 **Black Mountain Democratic Club**-3rd Thursday-7-9 p.m., 10550 Caminito Flores (Mesa Village Rec. Hall 1) **HALLOWEEN COMMITTEE** — 3rd Thursday — Mira Mesa Rec. Center — 12:00 p.m. (June, August, September, October only) **MIRA MESA THEATRE GUILD** — 3rd Thursday — Location Varies — 6:00 p.m. (4th Thursday in April, No Mtg Sept/Oct)
4TH TUESDAY / May 25	**GOLDEN FRIENDS (SENIOR CENTER)** — Every Tuesday (business meeting on 1st Tuesday) - Mira Mesa Senior Center—10:00 a.m. **NON-PROFIT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL** —4th Tuesday of each month—Mira Mesa Senior Center. 6:30 PM **BANNED BOOK CLUB** —Last Tuesday of each month except December at the Mira Mesa Library. 7 PM
4TH WEDNESDAY / May 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. **EXCHANGE CLUB OF SAN DIEGO**—2nd and 4th Wednesday—Mandarin Garden Restaurant (Mira Mesa Blvd) — 6:30 pm
4TH THURSDAY May 27	**STREET FAIR COMMITTEE (SENIOR CENTER)-**4th. Thursday—6:45 PM April through October

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