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Don't Forget

MMTC Meeting

November 6, 2023
IN PERSON

MIRA MESA TOWN COUNCIL

November Meeting -

Meet VAYA (the Vietnamese-American Youth Alliance), Mira Mesa Town Council's featured "business member of the month," at the November 6 MMTC meeting and get better acquainted with the non-profit group which hosts the annual San Diego Tet Festival, a celebration of the Vietnamese New Year. The meeting will start at 7pm on Monday, November 6, 2023, in the community room of the Mira Mesa Branch Library, 8405 New Salem St. The public is invited to attend.

Please join us November 6 and find out more about the 2024 San Diego Tet Festival (www.sdtet.com). The Tet Festival, presented by VAYA and the Vietnamese Federation of San Diego, will take place the weekend of February 16 – 18, 2024, celebrating the start of the Year of the Dragon in the lunar calendar. VAYA has organized the Tet Festival for 18 years. Highlights of the Festival include the Lion Dances, Miss Vietnam of San Diego Pageant, Golden Voice singing competition, and the Cultural Village, with mock buildings, bridges, and landmarks of Vietnam and its cultural heritage. There will be a variety of food vendors, nonprofit and business vendors, and other entertainment.

The MMTC Board is planning to sign up for a Mira Mesa Town Council booth at the 3-day Tet Festival. If you're a MMTC member who might like to volunteer an hour or two the booth during that weekend, or if you're active with another Mira Mesa non-profit who might enjoy partnering with MMTC in staffing the booth and sharing information about your group with the community, please email Pam Stevens, MMTC vice-president for programs, at programs@miramesatowncouncil.org.

MMTC Board Elections

By Pam Stevens

At the November 6 Mira Mesa Town Council meeting, MMTC members will vote to elect 6 of the 11 members on the MMTC Board of Directors to serve on the Board from January 2024 through December 2025. This is the fourth Board election since MMTC began the policy in 2019 of electing half of the Board each year to overlapping 2-year terms, 6 members in odd-numbered years, and the other 5 in even-numbered years.

A Nominating Committee, consisting of Parliamentarian Eric Kolbeck, chair, along with Pam Stevens and Danielle Austin, will present these recommendations to the membership for 2-year terms in 2024=2025, as well as take any additional nominations from the floor, prior to the vote:

President – Bari Vaz. 2nd Vice President/Membership – Yvonne Negron. Secretary – Jeff Stevens. Parliamentarian – Eric Kolbeck. Director at Large #1 – Dan Austin. Director at Large #2 – Shane O-Garro. Continuing Board members with terms of 2023 – 2024 are: 1st Vice President/Programs – Pam Stevens. Treasurer – Jonathan Lea. Newsletter Editor – Javieer Farkiya. Director at Large #3 – Kaanchan S. Farkiya. Director at Large #4 – Dorothy Lorenz. Director at Large Lisa Balderston will be stepping down from the Board at the end of this year.
A "crossover" Board meeting with new and old Board members is usually held in November or December, and the new Board officially takes office at the January meeting.

The Mira Mesa Town Council is a 501(c)(4) non-profit organized to foster the public welfare of the community. Meetings are held on the first Monday of every month at 7pm. Website: www.miramesatowncouncil.org.

Mira Mesa Town Council Bylaws Update

The Mira Mesa Town Council bylaws require that the bylaws be reviewed and updated periodically to ensure that they stay current and to make any changes that have become necessary since the previous bylaws review. A committee chaired by Parliamentarian Eric Kolbeck was formed to review the bylaws and has suggested a number of changes. Most of the changes are either related to the increased use of modern technology or are clarifying language.

The main changes are:

1. Specifying that meetings may be either physical, virtual or hybrid. Currently the bylaws say that "MMTC General Membership meetings … shall be held at any public place within the geographical area known as Mira Mesa." This gives the impression that meetings must be held in person. During the pandemic, all of our meetings were virtual and we are currently doing hybrid meetings, broadcasting meetings on Facebook live. We need to update the bylaws to allow virtual or hybrid meetings.

2. Changing the newsletter editor language to allow electronic distribution of the newsletter. Currently the bylaws require mailing a hard copy newsletter to members who request it, but we are no longer producing a hard copy newsletter. Current practice is to post the newsletter on the website and email all members to let them know it is available.

3. Removing the requirement to do an annual independent financial review. This requirement dates back to a time of paper records. Currently, the Board does a review of the finances every year during development of the budget and the Board has the power to request an independent review if deemed necessary. An external annual review would be expensive if we hired an outside consultant to do the review, and we do not think it is necessary to do an external financial review on an annual basis.

Appended to the bylaws are the standing rules of all standing committees. These are not part of the bylaws, but are kept here to make them easy to find and access. During the bylaws review, the committee cleaned up the language in a number of the standing rules. We also added a set of standing rules for the Mira Mesa Business Association, a new committee for the business members of MMTC.

The procedure for amending the bylaws is specified in the bylaws: "These bylaws shall be amended by a 2/3 (two-thirds) majority vote of the regular membership present at any regular meeting of the MMTC, provided a quorum is present and that prior written notice has been given." We will be posting the proposed updated bylaws on the MMTC website and asking for a vote of the membership at the January
2024 meeting.

The Mira Mesa Community Recreation Group

The Mira Mesa Community Recreation Group (known as the recreation council in past years) meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Currently these meetings are held at the recreation center at Lopez Ridge Park.

If anyone wishes to be involved they need to contact either Trena (tlbennettsandiego.gov) or Denise (dmlamb@sandiego.gov). They will be added to the email chain and can then attend the meetings or send questions. Everyone is welcome as the more people involved the better results for our community.

Ericson Elementary is Opening a New S.T.E.A.M. Room

In early November, Ericson Elementary will be opening the doors to a brand new Science Technology Engineering Arts and Math (S.T.E.A.M.) room. The new space will feature 3D printers, tinkering tools, Lego and magnet building, as well as storage for grade level curriculum. It will be an exciting project space used by UTK through 5th graders.

The year-long project involved parent, current student & alumni volunteers planning, painting and building out an unused classroom. The effort was organized by the Friends of Ericson Foundation, a volunteer-led non-profit with over 20 years of fundraising and organization at the school. After the school received the generous donation of several 3D printers from a local business (Vinatech Engineering), the Foundation focused its energy on transforming the classroom space. The grand opening on Nov 2nd will introduce students and parents to the room. Over the coming months, Ericson teachers, staff and the Foundation will continue to support students as they take advantage of the new resource.

Mrs. Darius Ashton, Principal Ericson Elementary

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COUNCILMEMBER
KENT LEE

Hi neighbors,

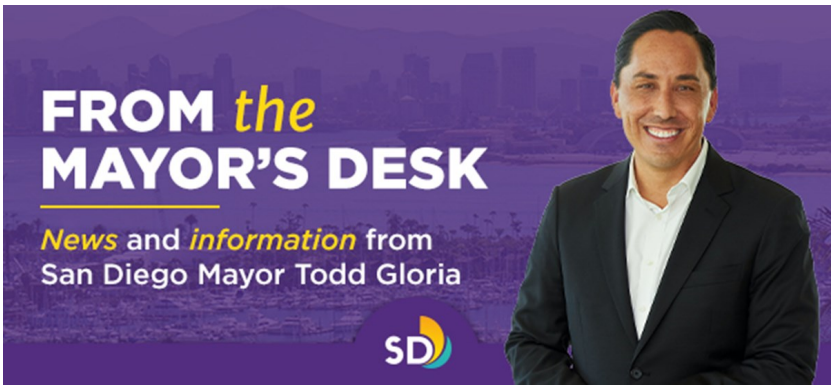
In October, I had the pleasure of celebrating Filipino American History Month, which is recognized at various levels throughout the country and commemorates the earliest recorded history of Filipinos in the United States back in 1587. The City of San Diego is home to the second-largest Filipino American population in the United States, many of whom I'm proud to serve in Mira Mesa. In District 6, the Filipino language and culture continues to be taught and shared in many schools, and I had the pleasure of meeting students from the Filipino Club at Mira Mesa High School as well as welcoming attendees at Miramar College's annual Equity Summit!

Another highlight this month was the Mira Mesa Street fair hosted by the Mira Mesa Town Council. Seeing our local businesses and various booths showcasing Mira Mesa's talent and the people who make our community great was amazing.

Our team has also been hard at work hosting various community events. First was a successful Affordable Pet Care event at Mira Mesa Community Park with the San Diego Humane Society, where we enjoyed seeing residents and their furry friends, especially in their Halloween Costumes! If you missed this event, we'll be hosting another affordable pet care event on Saturday, November 18th, at Mira Mesa Community Park (by the Westmore Rd parking lot) from 10 AM – 4 PM. In addition, on National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, our office hosted a Prescription Drug Drop-Off event with our partners at the Mira Mesa Library, San Diego Police Department, and U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration in an initiative to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible way to dispose of unused or expired prescription medications. Thanks to all those who participated, we were able to fill 8 boxes of prescription drugs to be safely destroyed.

Lastly, thank you to everyone who attended our Epicentre Info Session on November 1. It was great to hear feedback from families, especially youth, on what types of programs you would like to see at a revitalized Epicentre.

Thank you especially to our event co-hosts including the Mira Mesa Schools Cluster, Principal Sabins from Mira Mesa High School, County Parks & Recreation and Supervisor Lawson-Remember's staff, and San Diego Unified School District Board President, Sabrina Bazzo.



Beware of Water Update Scam

In response to recent reports of City of San Diego residents receiving a "water update" notice at their homes, the City is warning people to be aware.

The notices, which include a request to "Please call us ASAP," appear to be from a private company that has no association with the City of San Diego and is not authorized to perform any work on behalf of the City. Residents contacted by the company are urged not to agree to services and not to provide personal information.

Report any suspicious personnel to the San Diego Police Department at its 24-hour non-emergency line at 619-531-2000 or Public Utilities Department's emergency hotline at 619-515-3525 as soon as possible. Public Utilities Department customers can also contact the City's Water Quality hotline at 619-668-3232 or email drinkingwaterquality@sandiego.gov during business hours.

Read more about this issue on Inside San Diego.

Addressing a Longtime Parking Problem

SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT

VEHICLE VIOLATION WARNING NOTICE

COMPLAINT HAS BEEN REGISTERED AGAINST YOUR VEHICLE

his warning is to advise you that your vehicle APPEARS to be in olation of one of the following:

The City is cracking down on vehicles left parked on the street for more than 72 hours. It's one of the complaints we hear the most from residents. Illegally parked vehicles often block sidewalks, bike lanes and crosswalks, putting pedestrians and cyclists at risk

It's already against the law to leave a car or truck in the same spot in the City of San Diego for more than three days, but we have long struggled to enforce that rule because people were often moving their vehicles a very short distance to reset the 72-hour clock. That's why we're proposing amending the city's municipal code to require people to move their vehicle at least half a mile instead. These amendments will strengthen enforcement efforts and ultimately help keep our public roadways open and accessible for everyone.

San Diego K-12 Students Invited to Submit Essay for Annual 'Mayor for a Day' Contest

The 2023-2024 "Mayor for a Day" contest is now live! The "Mayor for a Day" contest aims to foster and encourage leadership in young people living in San Diego.

City of San Diego K-12 students are invited to submit a brief essay (approximately 500 words) or short video (no more than 3 minutes) on how you would make the City of San Diego a better place if you were the Mayor.

The selected winner will be given the opportunity to shadow Mayor Todd Gloria and other City Departments for a day and will be included in the State of the City address in January of 2024.

Please submit an essay or video by 11:59 p.m. Dec. 15, 2023.

In 2022, the winner was 7-year-old, Aiella Niles, a Sandburg Elementary student from Mira Mesa who wrote an essay about the importance of picking up litter and keeping San Diego clean.

Article from Terra Lawson-Remer

One of the things I'm most proud of is the work we're doing to **expand vital services and environmental investments for San Diego County residents without raising taxes —** by making sure San Diego gets our fair share of funding from Sacramento and Washington. This week we scored some big $$$$ wins, including action from President Biden!

Since joining the Board of Supervisors less than three years ago, I've fought hard for local taxpayers.
I've never voted to increase local property taxes (and our County has one of the lowest tax rates in the State of California), and last year we again earned a AAA bond rating for our County's excellent financial management, but we are still investing more $$$ in the local community than ever before. How is that possible, you may ask? Because we are working hard to bring more resources home to San Diego County from Sacramento and Washington to tackle our regions most pressing challenges!

The Right Climate for the Governor's Grant

On Tuesday I joined my colleagues to accept **major funding from the Governor's Office to help us fight climate change and make our communities stronger**.
This $300,000 Transformative Climate Communities grant – which will go toward making our roads safer, connecting young people to jobs, growing local businesses, and helping more of our neighbors access the healthcare they need – is the **result of our successful application to the state of California that the County Board of Supervisors voted to approve** in June 2022.
It will help fund five projects in San Diego County:

- Preserving land that is entrusted for community needs
- Reducing travel times and improving road safety
- Growing green jobs, particularly for young people
- Increasing healthcare access in low-income areas of our region

Strengthening the local economy by better connecting local businesses to the community and workforce

Bringing Home State & Federal Funding to Clean-Up Ocean Pollution

How's this for another set of Sacramento and D.C. wins for San Diego County?
First, on Tuesday we started putting a **$4.25 million grant we won from the state** into action: I voted along with my colleagues to **advance a multi-million-dollar state funded project to remove debris from the Tijuana River Valley** – which will **reduce community and coastal pollution** during flooding events.
Then on Wednesday, **the Biden Administration proposed to Congress $310 million in emergency funds to address the environmental disaster in the Tijuana River Valley**! The president's ask was part of a supplemental funding request for natural disasters. It would set aside funds "to prevent and reduce sewage flows and contamination in Southern California through support for ongoing design and construction at the South Bay International Wastewater Treatment Plant."

Article from Congresswoman Sara Jacobs

I've heard from so many of you about how it's getting more and more expensive to live and raise a family in San Diego – and a big reason for that is the ever-rising cost of health care. That's why, in Congress, I'm fighting to make sure that every San Diegan has the health care that they need. And while there's a lot of work still to do, we've made some big progress! Because of the Inflation Reduction Act that I was proud to help pass last term, millions of Americans, especially seniors, are saving money on the medication they need. And now, seniors can choose Medicare plans with new cost-saving benefits. The Medicare Open Enrollment period has started – so from now until December 7th, seniors can go to medicare.gov to sign up for Medicare or change their current
coverage.

Here are your options:

First – The Inflation Reduction Act capped the cost of insulin at $35 per month for Medicare recipients in San Diego and across the country. For a lot of San Diegans, that used to be as high as $200 per month!

Second – A lot of beneficiaries are now paying less for prescription drugs – a lot less. Any drug covered by Medicare Part B will have a lower co-insurance if the price has increased beyond the rate of inflation. Next year, Medicare Part D enrollees who have drug costs above a certain threshold won't have to pay any cost sharing for their Part D drugs. Starting on January 1, 2024, that threshold is $8,000, so seniors with the highest prescription drug costs could save thousands of dollars next year. By 2025, this will become a flat $2,000 cap on out-of-pocket prescription drug costs, saving nearly 19 million seniors an average of $400 a year. This is a really big deal.

Third – Recommended vaccines are now covered under Medicare without cost- sharing. That means no out-of-pocket cost for vaccines to prevent shingles, tetanus,
hepatitis, COVID, and the flu.

And finally – Starting this month, if a drug company raises the price of a Medicare Part D prescription by more than the rate of inflation, the manufacturer will pay the price difference to Medicare. That means Medicare saves more money – and those savings will be passed on to seniors.

We've made a lot of progress – but we're far from done. Health care is a human right and right now, it's too expensive, too inaccessible, and too complicated for so many Americans. I'm fighting for a future where all Americans can receive the care they need and deserve. In the meantime, I'm proud to have worked with President Biden to reduce the costs of prescription drugs, so that seniors can afford the care they need and deserve, right now.

Earlier this week, California Senate Minority Leader Brian W. Jones (R-San Diego) hosted a successful grand opening and legislative open house of his new Scripps Ranch office. The event on October 4, 2023, had over 1,300 attendees, including several elected officials and 40 exhibits from community groups and non-profits throughout the district.

"We are thrilled that the grand opening of my Scripps Ranch office was an enormous success with over 1,300 attendees joining us to learn more about my office and the good work of community groups around the district," said Leader Jones. "This incredible turnout reflects the strong sense of community and shared purpose that defines our district. I am deeply grateful for the support of our constituents and look forward to continuing our work together."

During the event, Leader Jones recognized the "Senate District 40 Non-Profit of the Year," EDUCATE! University City Foundation for Public Schools, which provided over $2 million in supplemental funds for all five University City public schools to support core programming and education of nearly 5,000 students. Leader Jones also recognized the "Senate District 40 Woman of the Year," Bari Landry Vaz. Vaz is a leader in several Mira Mesa community groups, including serving as the President of the Mira Mesa Town Council and President of the Mira Mesa Community Foundation.

The event featured exhibits from several district and regional non-profits and community groups.

The following community groups had booth exhibits at the event: San Diego Police Officers Association; San Diego County District Attorney's Office; San Diego Unified School District; San Diego State University; University of California San Diego; Fallbrook Food Pantry; G.I. Film Festival – San Diego; Home of Guiding Hands; Friends of the NRA; Project Next; Scripps Ranch Kiwanis; Southern Caregiver Resource Center; Throughout All Ages Ministry; Elisa Peskin Animal Therapy; Lions, Tigers, and Bears; PWI; MANA de San Diego, North County; East County Transitional Living Center; CAPS Pregnancy Clinics; Pregnancy Care Clinic; Urban Corps of San Diego; Poway Unified School District Community Watch; San Diego Mountain Bikers Association; San Diego Workforce Partnership; Institute for Public Strategies; Election Integrity Project; Sewa International USA; Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation of USA; Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh, USA; Salt and Light.

The following local restaurants, businesses, and individuals had booths with donated food for the event: Popeyes; Eastbound Bar & Grill in Lakeside; Hunters of Hendrix Coffee in San Diego; Hilliker's Ranch Fresh Eggs in Lakeside; SDUSD – Culinary, Health, Engineering, and BioMed Program; Phil's BBQ; Red White and Bad Ass Brew; Deanna's Gluten Free; McDonald's in Santee, Vista, San Marcos, San Diego Midway, Del Mar Heights; Mary's Donuts in Lakeside; Jackie's Jams; Crumbl Cookies in Poway; Reyes Coca-Cola Bottling; EDCO Waste & Recycling Services; Republic Services; Takhrai Thai Restaurant in Mira Mesa; Co's Traffic Control, Inc.; Toyota of El Cajon; Old Town Chamber of Commerce; Old Town Mexican Café; Dr. Tamara Hoover's Fudge.

Coming from a military family, Veterans Day has always been meaningful to me. My father, two brothers, twin sister, brother-in-law, two uncles, two cousins, two nephews, and grandfather all served in the Armed Forces.

Supporting veterans in our 39th District community is a true honor, and among my highest priorities. My colleagues and I continue to work on behalf of veterans and military families, and this year, passed legislation targeted at improving their lives, including streamlining the home-buying process for disabled veterans and making public higher education more affordable for children of service-injured veterans.

Our San Diego community also has many opportunities to honor the contributions America's veterans have made to our nation this Veterans Day. Events in our region include:

- **San Diego Veterans Day Parade**
  11:00 a.m. November 12 Harbor Drive, San Diego
- **Fleet Week Veterans Day Boat Parade**
  9:30 a.m. November 12 San Diego Bay – visible from most shorelines
- **Silver Strand Veterans Day Half Marathon**
  7:00-11:00 a.m. November 12 Silver Strand State Beach / Silver Strand Blvd (Hwy 75)
- **USS Midway Veterans Day Celebration**
  10:00 a.m. November 11 910 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92101

To our veterans, current members of the military, and their families: Thank you for your service, and for the sacrifices you have made for our country.

Congratulations to the Mira Mesa Town Council on your 23rd annual street fair!

The community spirit was strong, and the performances were excellent.

Thank you to all the volunteers who made it a success!

DISTRICT 6

NO-COST DUMPSTER DAY & THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023

The Office of Councilmember Kent Lee invites constituents to a community event where residents can dispose of oversized items, as well as donate food for families in need this Thanksgiving season!

- **Hazardous waste, electronics, and mattresses not allowed; please dispose of these items separately and free of charge by visiting sandiego.gov/environmental-services/recycling.**
- **Donate most-needed food items while dropping off your oversized trash!** E.g., canned foods, rice, beans, cereal, nuts, peanut butter, and infant formula. To donate without participating in Dumpster Day, please visit the San Diego Food Bank.

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COUNCILMEMBER KENT LEE
SAN DIEGO CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 6

MIRA MESA TOWN COUNCIL

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Visit bit.ly/D6DumpsterDay to register

Dumpster Day is limited for constituents only, by pre-registration only.
Confirmed registrants will then receive instructions via email, including timeslot and location in Mira Mesa. Priority will be given at subsequent Dumpster Days to households not registered previously.

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Discounted Rain Barrels & Workshops for City of San Diego Residents

Rain barrels are $22 each for qualifying residents after discount. Limit of 2 barrels per household.

Pre-purchase discounted rain barrels for pickup at one of the following distribution events.

MOUNTAIN VIEW COMMUNITY CENTER
Saturday, Dec. 9, 2023
10-11 a.m. - Workshop
12-3 p.m. - Rain barrel pickup window
Purchase deadline: Nov. 26, 2023

SAN DIEGO JEWISH ACADEMY
Sunday, February 25, 2024
10-11 a.m. - Workshop
12-3 p.m. - Rain barrel pickup window
Purchase deadline: Feb. 11, 2024

Learn more and see if you qualify for discounts:
www.solanacenter.org/rain-barrels/

Join a free webinar on Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 6 p.m. or workshop on Saturday, Dec. 9 at 10 a.m. to learn about all the benefits of rain barrels, the best practices for rainwater collection, and more info about rebates and discount programs from the City of San Diego.

Learn more and register:
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0ucuGprDkrHNEouPnGVbbobf2fQzeRzbem#/registration

Happy Thanksgiving Day with Inclusivity

By Kaanchan S Farkiya

Making Thanksgiving Day better for everyone involves creating an inclusive, enjoyable, and meaningful experience for all involved. We could plan Inclusively, such as consider when planning the menu, take into account various dietary needs and restrictions, such as vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, and allergies.

We should accommodate cultural preferences as well. If you have a diverse group, incorporate dishes from various cultural backgrounds to make everyone feel included. We could encourage all attendees to contribute by bringing a dish or sharing their family recipes by Involving everyone in planning. Also, respect and integrate any cultural or family traditions that your guests may have. Create a welcoming atmosphere with a variety of music that everyone can enjoy and make your home inviting with festive decorations that embrace the spirit of Thanksgiving.

Plan some games, activities, or conversation topics that cater to a diverse group and foster a sense of togetherness. Most importantly, I consider organizing a volunteer activity or donation drive to help those less fortunate in your community. Offer multiple food options and make sure there are choices available to accommodate different tastes and dietary preferences.

Respect everyone's boundaries and be mindful of personal space and comfort levels. Not everyone may want to engage in physical contact or overly personal conversations. Share what you're thankful for by encouraging everyone to take a moment to express their gratitude. This can foster a sense of connection and appreciation.

Express gratitude to your guest for their presence and contributions to the celebration. Remember, the key to making Thanksgiving better for everyone is to be considerate, inclusive, and mindful of the needs and preferences of your guests. By fostering a welcoming and appreciative atmosphere, you can ensure that everyone has a memorable and enjoyable Thanksgiving Day.

Upcoming Community Events

Many of these are Mira Mesa Library events. For a full list of MM Library events see sandiego.librarymarket.com

Every Monday — **Do Your Homework @ The Library 3:00 – 6:00pm**
Kids K through 8: Having trouble with that homework? Need a little help? Our friendly Homework Coaches will provide assistance and guide you through your school assignments. .

Every Tuesday — **English Conversation Group 6:30 – 7:30pm**
Join us for casual, friendly conversation designed to increase participants' comfort with the English language and make new friends.

Every Wednesday — **Beyond the Playground Storytime @ Mira Mesa Community Park North**
Join us Beyond the Playground, 10:30am – 11:30am, at the picnic area of the Park and Rec Center for a fun hour of songs and stories with Auntie Hazel. Bring chairs or blankets! Bring chairs or blankets and enjoy this spring time treat. All ages are welcome. No registration required. This event is held at the Mira Mesa Community Park North, near the playground area, across the street from he Library and the Fire Station. Mira Mesa Community Park North is located on 8520 New Salem Street, San Diego, CA 92126. **Program is subject to change. Every Wednesday, 10:30am -11:30am at the Mira Mesa Community Park North

Every Thursday — **Chess Club for all ages 3:00-5:00pm**
All levels of Chess experience are welcome - beginners to advanced. Players of all ages are welcome. Registration is not required. Every Thursday, 3pm - 5pm in the Outdoor Patio.

November 4th — **MMHS Band & Color Guard Field Tournament,** Starts at 12 noon, Awards ceremony 9pm
Large bands start at 7:30pm and end with MMHS field show at 8:45pm
Admission to stadium is $15 adults, $12 seniors and military with ID, $10 students with ID, children under 3 free

November 6th — **MMTC Meeting**
The meeting will start at 7pm on Monday, November 6, 2023, in the community room of the Mira Mesa Branch Library, 8405 New Salem St. The public is invited to attend.

November 10th — **Dumpster Day**
See flyer.

November 14th — **Mira Mesa Community Recreation Group**
7pm - Lopez Ridge Park Recreation Center, 7245 Calle Cristobal, San Diego, CA 92126

November 18th — **Mira Mesa Women's Club Holiday Showcase, Arts, Crafts, & Unique Gifts,**
10am – 3pm, Summit Point Church, Rickert Road.
Event is a fundraiser for Wreaths Across America.

November 20th — **Mira mesa Community Planning Group Meeting**
7pm - Mira Mesa Library

Do you know an event to add to the Calendar? Email **newsletter@miramesatowncouncil.org**

Contribute to the Mosaic, or Volunteer in the Community: Advertise, Write, or Sign Up to Volunteer!

Do you have an article or photo to submit for the next issue of The Mosaic, the Mira Mesa Town Council newsletter? Would you like to place a display ad (business card size or larger)?

Send it via email to: newsletter@miramesatowncouncil.org. Deadline is the 20th of each month.

Are you interested in volunteering with the Mira Mesa Town Council? Are you a high school student or Scout who needs service hours, or a community college student who wants to earn credit hours through a work experience class?

Contact us to sign up: president@miramesatowncouncil.org

Community Contacts and Resources

GENERAL COUNTY SERVICES INFORMATION

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EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police/Fire/EMS.....9-1-1

Poison Control.....800-222-1222

CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

SDPD Community Relations.....858-538-8120

Suspected Arson.....800-472-7766

Gangs.....619-531-2847

Graffiti.....619-525-8522

Non-Emergency Crime.....858-484-3154

UTILITIES

Fire Hydrant Accidents/Open.....619-515-3525

Gas Leak.....800-411-7343

Power/Phone Lines Down.....619-811-8081

Tree Limbs in Power Lines.....800-411-7343

NUISANCES

Animal, dangerous.....619-236-2341

Animal dead.....858-492-5060

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 AND ENVIRONMENT

Bus shelter damaged.....619-231-1466

Manhole cover missing or damaged.619-515-3525

Street, flooded/pothole.....619-527-7500

Street, sink hole or collapse.....619-515-3525

Street, traffic light non-functioning..619-525-8650

Swimming Pool.....858-689-6296

Weeds overgrown, fallen trees, or clogged storm drain.....619-527-7500

Please patronize our Mira Mesa Town Council business members!

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