



The Official Newsletter Of The Miraloma Park Improvement Club September 2017

Miraloma Life

President's Update

Bill Kan

Welcome back. I hope you had a great summer. Publication of Miraloma Life was on its summer break for the last two months, but the MPIC stayed busy planning and hosting events. **Mark your calendars for Miraloma Park Neighborfest on October 28th.** It will be Miraloma Park's first community-wide block party. The amount of planning that volunteers on the Resilient Miraloma Park Committee have done for this event has been amazing. The block party will be lots fun and have many educational activities for people of all ages. See the announcement for details. The annual holiday party and potluck cook-off is also just around the corner. It is slated for the first weekend of December. There will be lots of opportunities to get to know your neighbors and make new friends going into the holidays.

Getting to know neighbors is not just about folks within Miraloma Park. In June, students from SOTA took time from their summer break and crossed O'Shaughnessy Boulevard to perform for Miraloma Park at the MPIC Clubhouse. With the help of Tristan Arnold, the Director of Orchestra at SOTA, a string quartet of sophomores to juniors consisting of

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October 5, 2017

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* Members wishing to address the Board of Directors should call 415-281-0892 to request placement on the agenda.



Extra, extra read all about..... Miraloma Park Neighborfest!

SAVE THE DATE! OCTOBER 28, 2017

On October 28, 2017 from 11:00AM - 2:00PM, Miraloma Park will celebrate its 1st Miraloma Park Neighborfest. The event will take place on Omar Way, between Rockdale and Sequoia.

All Miraloma Park residents, young and old are invited to attend Miraloma Park Neighborfest and have fun building a stronger, more connected community. There will be something for everyone: Free food and drinks, games, prizes, raffles, live music and more. For the kids, we will have a fire truck, talking police car and a Halloween costume parade. Our new Senior Program - Community Connector's will make its debut. The program supports seniors, the disabled and isolated mothers in our neighborhood. Miraloma Park received funding from Supervisor Yee's Participatory Budget program to purchase items to help Miraloma Park residents prepare for disasters. Miraloma Park Neighborfest will showcase the equipment and supplies, and demonstrate how they help neighborhood preparedness.

PLEASE JOIN US, WE CARE ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORS

LET'S CHANGE STRANGERS INTO NEIGHBORS AND NEIGHBORS INTO FRIENDS

DON'T BE SCARED, GET PREPARED

President's Update

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violinists Trent and Faith, violist Kaitlyn, and cellist Kai performed Mozart, Vivaldi, Haydn and modern arrangements of classic modern songs that ranged from Coldplay, Michael Jackson to U2. It was great to see the students enjoy performing and to give us an introduction to the wonderful talent that is so close to home. A list of upcoming shows at SOTA is available at www.sfsota.org/sotashows.



SOTA Orchestra Director Tristan Arnold introducing performers at MPIC Clubhouse

The coordinator of the Miraloma Park NERT team, Joanie van Rijn, held a joint training session on emergency response at the MPIC Clubhouse in June. Joining the Miraloma NERTs were members of the Sunnyside and Glen Park NERT teams. Working together is critical in times of crisis, and practice makes perfect. Contact the MPIC if you want more information about disaster preparedness for your family or to get involved with the Miraloma NERTs.



Joint NERT training with Miraloma Park, Sunnyside and Glen Park NERTs

The MPIC tries to keep Miraloma Park informed and provide a forum for discussion on issues that affect our quality of life. At the June MPIC meeting, Steve Ritchie of the SFPUC gave a detailed presentation on the **program to blend groundwater into our drinking water**. What was supposed to be a 30 minute program turned

out to be an extended discussion. Blended water will be distributed in much of the western portion of San Francisco. Some folks expressed concerns that ranged from the effects of adding chemicals to our drinking water to how it will affect the taste.

Like it or not, **short-term rentals** are now a fact of life in San Francisco. At the August MPIC meeting, Kevin Guy, Director of the San Francisco Office of Short Term Rentals, updated us on developments regarding short-term rentals in San Francisco



SFPUC Presentation on Blended Drinking Water at June 2017 MPIC Meeting

and around Miraloma Park. Even though registrations in Miraloma Park is less common than other areas of San Francisco, we did discuss a problematic situation within Miraloma Park. There are rules regarding registration, reporting, hosted versus un-hosted rentals, penalties for non-compliance, and a system to handle concerns about possible illegal rentals that may result in investigations. For more information, see shorttermrentals.sfgov.org.

Volunteers on the **Safety** Committee continue to be proactive in addressing issues that it has identified and those brought to the MPIC's attention. The Committee communicates regularly and meets with the police captain of the Ingleside Station. The MPIC writes letters of commendation to express our appreciation and lets the captain know when there are shortcomings. In a recent discussion, Safety Chair Robert Gee and Committee member Bryan Forman met with Captain McFadden to discuss our concerns about police staff purported to discourage residents to file police reports, police staffing, auto break-ins involving electronic hacking, stolen packages and jail-time for crimes. Residents are welcome to contribute to the efforts or even serve on the Safety Committee. The Committee has also been communicating with the Criminal Justice Accountability Coalition (CJAC) about its efforts to promote accountability through its crime and court watch program. **Come speak with Captain McFadden and his staff on at 7pm on September 19th. The MPIC will host the Ingleside Community Meeting at the MPIC Clubhouse at 350 O'Shaugnessy at Del Vale.**

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President's Update

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I have a confession. I am proudly embarrassed to admit that I have been struggling to describe succinctly the MPIC ever since I became President. The MPIC is involved in such a wide gamut of activities, it has been hard for me to say it in a few words. I now tell people that the MPIC is a volunteer-based, service organization with about 400 members serving 2,200 homes in Miraloma Park. The MPIC is a great way for members to give back to the community by bringing people together, helping everyone with disaster preparedness, advocating to address our mutual needs and much more. I am proud because I have had the opportunity to work with the people who take time from their busy lives to give back to our community.

Update on Teresita Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Improvements

MPIC Safety Committee

The MPIC continues to advocate with the SFMTA with Supervisor Norman Yee's assistance for the completion of traffic and pedestrian safety improvements all along Teresita Blvd that first started back in 2006. The newest improvements recently installed by SFMTA as part of the project include:



No hit posts drilled into the street on Teresita Blvd at Bella Vista Way/Marietta Drive.

A red zone was also painted next to the mailbox so that parked cars wouldn't block the driver's view of pedestrians crossing Teresita to Bella Vista Way.



New cross walks will be painted across Teresita to the Marietta Island.



New white lines and no hit posts installed on Teresita between Agua and Isola to reduce the width of the street to slow cars down.



A red zone was painted on Teresita at Isola before the cross walk on Isola so that drivers have a clear line of sight of pedestrians crossing at Isola.

Reflectors were installed along the double yellow lines all along Teresita Blvd.

We spoke to the City work crew installing the no hit posts. They told us a crew of 10 is responsible for over 1 million signs in the City and that they have a huge backlog of street signs to fix and install. We are still waiting on SF-

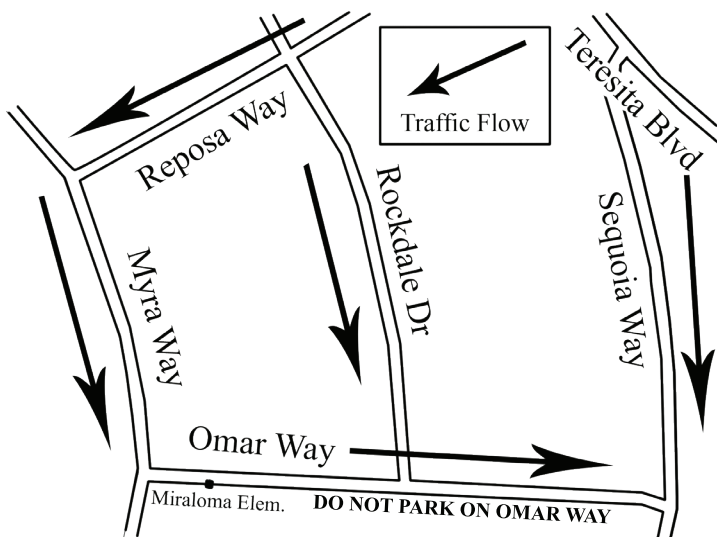
MTA to respond to our requests to change the yield sign at Teresita/Fowler to a stop sign, identify other Teresita crosswalks that should have high visibility paint, and update us on the status of up to three long approved speed humps that could be installed along Teresita if the current improvements are not working.

Miraloma Elementary School: Morning Traffic Flow

MPIC Board of Directors Safety Committee

The new school year began on August 21 and once again, the Administration of Miraloma Elementary School and the MPIC have implemented our Traffic and Parking Congestion Mitigation Plan. This comprehensive Plan, including enforcement and parent education components, has been effective in reducing traffic and parking congestion problems in the vicinity of the School. MPIC looks forward, once again, to a successful partnership with the School in mitigating traffic and parking congestion, and we thank Miraloma Elementary Principal Mr. Noah Ingber for all of the time and energy that he has devoted to working with us.

To assist with congested traffic around the school during the morning drop-off time (7:45 am - 8:15 am), the school community and Miraloma residents should follow the driving route as shown below:



Miraloma School staff, along with SFPD and SFMTA officers will be on hand during the first weeks of School to provide traffic control and, where needed, enforcement.

However, throughout the school year, if your driveway is blocked, please call Mr. Ingber's office directly at 469-4734. Please leave a message with his assistant and the illegally parked car's owner will be immediately advised to move his or her car.

Should you need to contact Mr. Ingber's office about a blocked driveway, please provide the following information: your address, the license number, make, model, and color of the car blocking your driveway. You can also send an email to Mr. Ingber at principal@miralomasf.com regarding any non-urgent traffic and parking matters.

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Nuthin But Muffin For Mutts

Sofia & Maya
Miraloma Elementary Alumnae & Current
SOTA students

Hi I'm Sofia. And I'm Maya. And together we make up Nuthin' But Muffin For Mutts, a small organization we put together to try to make this world a better place. Being very fond of animals, we wanted to help out the ones in need.



Unfortunately, being 14 limits your options. But when we started brainstorming ideas, we realized we both enjoyed the art of muffin making. We put two and two together and came up with the idea to make a muffin business that gave their proceeds to animal shelters. Nuthin' But Muffin For Mutts provides an opportunity for not only, allowing us to help animals in need, but also to allow members of our community to join together and create a bigger impact for our cause. Even though we know that this is only a small beginning to something that has the capability of being big, we won't let our age stop us from trying to make a difference. With your help and support, we believe we can help animals in need as well as help people in need of muffins. If you have any questions and/or ideas on how to expand our business, feel free to email us at nuthinbutmuffin4mutts@gmail.com.

The authors and creators of Nuthin' But Muffins For Mutts are Sofia and Maya. They both attended Miraloma Elementary School and are both going to be ninth graders at Ruth Asawa School Of The Arts.

Nuthin But Muffin is a startup business that bakes muffins and sets up local stands around Miraloma Park in order to raise money to support local animal shelters.

The money raised by NBM is used to buy materials and other needs requested by animal shelters.

Magical Oasis in our Neighborhood

Joanie van Rijn

On Saturday, June 29, the Los Palms Garden participated in District 7's "community clean-team" program. Neighbors were invited to come help. On Saturday morning, City staff, a truck, tools and volunteers arrived to transform our garden into a magical oasis in the City.

The garden was very overgrown due to the winter rains. Blackberry plants were encroaching on the garden. Garden interns from Public Works, neighbors, and volun-

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Magical Oasis in our Neighborhood

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teers tackled the berries and the weeds. Soon afterwards, the entire garden started to look like it had gone through a transformation.

The Los Palmos Garden appreciates all the neighbors who assisted and especially for Supervisor Yee for making this program available to the residents of District 7.

Please stop by and visit the garden, on Los Palmos at Foerster, take a walk on the wild side.



The Community Clean Team for Los Palmos Garden



Thanks to Everyone that Helped Transform the Magical Oasis

MPIC Safety Committee Update

The following incidents for the period 7/1/2017 thru 8/16/2017 were reported by the Ingleside Police Station and *Crimemapping.com* which gets incident reports from SFPD. There were some package theft and vehicle break in incidents that were reported on Nextdoor Miraloma Park and did not have a corresponding report on Crime-mapping.com even though the Nextdoor post indicated that a police report was filed.

Please do file a police report for all package thefts and vehicle break-ins. The police and district attorney's office do use crime statistics to determine trends. Such reports help justify increased police coverage where needed.

| Date | Time | Incident | Location |
|-----------|---------|------------------------|--|
| 7/1/2017 | 6:00am | Computer Hacking | 700 Blk Foerster |
| 7/1/2017 | 4:05pm | Burglary | Unit Blk Marietta |
| 7/2/2017 | 6:26pm | Vehicle Break-In/Theft | 700 Blk Foerster |
| 7/2/2017 | 10:20am | Theft from Vehicle | Malta Drive/Valleta Court |
| 7/3/2017 | 3:49pm | Vehicle Break-In/Theft | 300 Blk Juanita |
| 7/4/2017 | 10:15pm | Burglary | Unit Blk Gaviota |
| 7/4/2017 | 11:39am | Theft from Vehicle | 100 Blk Bella Vista |
| 7/6/2017 | 7:21am | Vehicle Break-In/Theft | Unit Blk Chaves |
| 7/6/2017 | 10:32pm | Vehicle Break-In/Theft | 100 Blk Chaves |
| 7/6/2017 | 7:12am | Theft from Vehicle | Myra/Bella Vista |
| 7/9/2017 | 8:03pm | Fraud | 400 Blk Myra |
| 7/10/2017 | Evening | Vehicle Break-In/Theft | Myra/Reposa – reported only in Nextdoor |
| 7/12/2017 | 7:46am | Fraud | 700 Blk Portola |
| 7/13/2017 | 9:36am | Person with Knife | 600 Blk Portola |
| 7/13/2017 | 10:00am | Theft from vehicle | Teresita/Foerster |
| 7/14/2017 | 5:00pm | Package theft | 200 Blk Molimo-reported only in Nextdoor |

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| 979 Teresita | 2/1 | \$1,100,000 | 945 Teresita | 3/2 | \$1,470,000 |
| 59 Gaviota | 3/2 | \$1,106,000 | 440 Molimo | 3/2 | \$1,505,000 |
| 400 Melrose | 2/1 | \$1,140,000 | 1 Del Vale | 4/3 | \$1,625,000 |
| 350 Teresita | 2/1 | \$1,200,000 | 683 Teresita | 4/3 | \$1,640,000 |
| 111 Marietta | 2/1 | \$1,240,000 | 153 Del Vale | 4/2 | \$1,750,000 |
| 1 Stanford Hts | 2/1 | \$1,300,000 | 248 Juanita | 4/3 | \$1,840,000 |
| 501 Rockdale | 2/2 | \$1,325,000 | 267 Bella Vista | 3/3.5 | \$1,950,000 |
| 30 Stanford Hts | 3/2 | \$1,400,000 | 266 Juanita | 4/3 | \$2,000,000 |
| 388 Marietta | 3/2 | \$1,402,000 | 107 Marietta | 4/3.5 | \$2,350,000 |

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| 7/15/2017 | 6:15pm | Theft | Unit Blk Molimo-reported only in Nextdoor |
| 7/16/2017 | 12:27pm | Theft/Larceny | 600 Blk Portola |
| 7/17/2017 | | Auto Break In | 700 Blk Myra Way-reported only in Nextdoor |
| 7/17/2017 | 6:54am | Attempted Auto Theft | 200 Blk Juanita |
| 7/19/2017 | 11:45am | Attempted Burglary | 600 Blk Teresita |
| 7/19/2017 | 6:45pm | Theft | Unit Blk Molimo-reported only in Nextdoor |
| 7/21/2017 | 8:30pm | Burglary | Unit Blk Marietta |
| 7/21/2017 | 2:42pm | DUI | 600 Blk Portola |
| 7/22/2017 | 1:00pm | Vandalism | Unit Blk Agua |
| 7/24/2017 | 4:38pm | Fraud | 400 Blk Marietta |
| 7/28/2017 | 10:56pm | DUI | 200 Blk Teresita |
| 7/28/2017 | 9:54am | Fraud | 100 Blk Melrose |
| 7/28/2017 | 3:07pm | Fraud | 400 Blk Melrose |
| 7/30/2017 | 4:46pm | Fraud | Unit Blk Miraloma |
| 8/1/2017 | 12:14am | Motor Vehicle Theft | Portola & Teresita |
| 8/1/2017 | | Auto Break In | Teresita/Fowler- reported only in Nextdoor |
| 8/2/2017 | Night | Auto Break In | Rockdale-reported only in Nextdoor |
| 8/2/2017 | Night | Auto Break In | Agua/Evelyn – reported only in Nextdoor |
| 8/2/2017 | Morning | Auto Break In | Myra – reported only in Nextdoor |
| 8/2/2017 | | Auto Break In | Los Palms/Teresita- reported only in Nextdoor |
| 8/2/2017 | Night | Auto Break In | Burlwood – reported only in Nextdoor |
| 8/3/2017 | 3:30am | Auto Break In | Unit Blk Agua |
| 8/4/2017 | 8:08pm | Vehicle Break In | 100 Blk Juanita |
| 8/4/2017 | 10:02pm | Stolen Auto | 700 Blk Myra |
| 8/5/2017 | 7:55am | Fraud | 400 Blk Melrose |
| 8/7/2017 | 7:54am | Burglary | 700 Blk Teresita |
| 8/8/2017 | 1:03pm | Petty Theft | 600 Blk Portola |
| 8/8/2017 | 1:30pm | Vehicle Break-In/Theft | Unit Blk Melrose |

Other Safety Tips

MPIC Safety Committee

The MPIC Safety Committee recently met with Ingleside Station Captain Joseph McFadden to discuss the following safety issues.

Preventing wireless key hacks to your car

A number of residents have reported that thieves may have stolen the electronic codes that a car key sends when it unlocks a car from a distance using a remote. They found that their cars were broken into and items missing, but there was no signs of forced entry. It's possible the thieves are using an inexpensive power amplifier to open cars electronically. Using a technique to amplify the signal of a wireless key fob, thieves can open doors of cars with keyless entry system even when the key fob is not present.

When you walk up to your car with a keyless entry and try the door handle, the car wirelessly calls out for your

key so you don't have to press any buttons to get inside. If the key calls back, the door unlocks. But the keyless system is capable of searching for a key only within a couple of feet. In theory, the thief would turn on the amplifier device which amplifies the distance that the car can search, which then allows the car to talk to the key which could be sitting 50 feet away on the kitchen counter. And just like that, open sesame.

To prevent this long distance approach to exploit keyless entry systems, SFSAFE and Captain McFadden both suggest that you place your key fob in a small box that is lined with aluminum foil. If radio signals can't penetrate it, the thief in theory can't electronically open your car. Such a box is called a "Faraday cage" named after Michael Faraday, who in 1836 built a room coated with metal foil to prevent electromagnetic fields from influencing anything inside. The Faraday cage protects against this electronic hack on keyless entry systems in which you touch the car door handle to unlock the car while the key stays in your pocket. Others have suggested putting your key in the freezer to accomplish the same result.

Another way a thief can break in is to use a device called RollJam. It works by stealing the coded unlock command your key sends to your car when you actively press the unlock button. For this kind of attack, the Faraday foil box won't help.

If your car was broken into, please file a police report online and include any video picture that your front door camera may have taken.

Tips on preventing theft of packages left at your front door

Captain McFadden stated that thieves generally know not to steal packages left by the US Postal Service as it is a federal crime. So thieves will focus on deliveries made by FedEx and UPS or private delivery services. One tip to prevent thefts is to track your package. Tracking will help you anticipate when the package will arrive and to make sure someone will be home. Another option is to sign up for email notification when a package gets delivered. UPS has a mobile app that does this. FedEx also allows for email notification. Other tips include having a neighbor watch out for the delivery of the package or having the package delivered to a 3rd party address like a UPS Store. If your package is stolen, please file a police report and submit any video picture from your front door camera.

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Miraloma Park Improvement Club

June 5, 2017

William Scott, Chief of Police
1245 3rd Street, 6th Floor
San Francisco, Ca 94158

Re: Report number: 170304279

Dear Chief Scott,

On behalf of the Miraloma Park Improvement Club (MPIC), I am writing to express our deep appreciation to the two very alert officers, Officer Carew and Officer Lee, who made the following arrest on April 13, 2017 in Miraloma Park:

8:13pm Teresita & Foerster Warrant Arrest

Two observant Ingleside officers spotted a suspect wanted on several theft, vehicle code, and narcotics warrants out San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties and who was also on active probation with a search condition. Ingleside Officers Carew and Lee saw the suspect standing outside a vehicle that had three occupants including the suspect's young child inside. The officers stopped their patrol car approached the suspect and placed him in custody. The officers inspected the car and found a significant quantity of methamphetamine hidden between the seats of the car. The narcotics were confiscated and the suspect was taken to Ingleside station and booked for the outstanding warrants.

The MPIC, in continuous operation since its incorporation in 1935, has a voluntary membership of 400+ residents and advocates on behalf of our more than 2000 homes on the slopes of Mt. Davidson. We collaborate with many City departments to promote a high quality of life in our neighborhood and work with Ingleside Station to optimize community policing and citizen safety. MPIC has a stated policy of zero-tolerance of illegal activity, and we do our utmost to prevent and to respond appropriately to criminal activity in our neighborhood.

As a community, we must communicate to those who commit crimes that they may not do so with impunity in Miraloma Park. We strongly commend Officer Carew and Officer Lee for their vigilance and highly effective action in keeping our neighborhood safe.

Sincerely,

Robert Gee
Safety Chair, Board of Directors

Miraloma Park Improvement Club

Cc. Captain Joseph McFadden; District 7 Supervisor
Norman Yee; William Kan, President, MPIC

Other Safety Tips

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What to do if police do not want to take a report

Some residents have stated that some police officers have discouraged them from filing police reports on property crimes. Captain McFadden stated emphatically that if a police officer discourages you from filing a police report and makes comments such as "why are you reporting" or "it won't get investigated", you should send the name and Star # of the officer to Captain McFadden of the Ingleside Station. His email address is joseph.mcfadden@sfgov.org.

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June 5, 2017

William Scott, Chief of Police
1245 3rd Street, 6th Floor
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Re: Report number: 170425085

Dear Chief Scott,

On behalf of the Miraloma Park Improvement Club (MPIC), I am writing to express our deep appreciation to Ingleside Officer Curry for his vigilance and dedicated policing in making the following arrest:

10:14am Unit Blk. Sequoia Stolen Vehicle

*A motorist, mysteriously confused about how to use turn signals, caught the attention of Ingleside Officer Curry. Curry was on routine patrol when he spotted an older Acura stopped at Myra and Molimo Streets. The Acura driver put his right blinker on but turned left at the intersection. Officer Curry decided to run the plate and quickly discovered the Acura was reported stolen from a San Bruno address. He called for backup and pulled the Acura over near Miraloma Park. The driver and his female passenger got out of the car and started to walk away but Curry, with the assistance of Ingleside Officers Gomez, Lujan, and Tillan quickly detained and arrested the driver. A search of his clothing revealed a package of methamphetamine and another of marijuana. A records search revealed a \$5000 warrant for the driver's arrest on theft and narcotics charges. He was taken to Ingleside Station and booked for vehicle theft and the warrants. His passenger was released at the scene. The owner of the stolen vehicle traveled to the station to retrieve her car. **Report number: 170425085***

We thank Officer Curry for his fine police work: his perception that something about the Acura was suspicious led to removal of a wanted criminal from our neighborhood and the recovery of a stolen vehicle.

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activity, and we do our utmost to prevent and to respond appropriately to criminal activity in our neighborhood. As a community, we must communicate to those who commit crimes that they may not do so with impunity in Miraloma Park. Indeed, officer patrols of the side streets in Miraloma Park, especially during the morning hours when our residential burglaries tend to occur, serve as a highly effective deterrent to crime and criminal presence.

We warmly commend Officer Curry for keeping our neighborhood safe.

Sincerely,

Robert Gee
Board of Directors Safety Committee
Miraloma Park Improvement Club

Cc. Captain Joseph McFadden; District 7 Supervisor Norman Yee; William Kan, President, MPIC

Recreation and Park Department's Response to Glen Canyon Fire Concerns

The MPIC and the Diamond Heights Neighborhood Association recently expressed concerns to the Recreation and Park Department (RPD) regarding the high brush in Glen Canyon including the brush all along O'Shaughnessy Blvd and the potential fire danger where embers could be sent across the road and up into Miraloma Park as well as towards Diamond Heights.

On June 3, 2017, Phil Ginsburg, General Manager of RPD, gave the following response:

I have discussed this with Park Superintendent, Eric Andersen, copied here. We are very aware of current conditions in Glen Canyon. Glen Canyon is a natural landscape that is managed with primary objectives that include preserving its diverse and highly valued native plant communities and ecosystem as well as providing a safe environment for the public and adjacent property owners.

RPD's vegetation management efforts at Glen Canyon comply with the San Francisco Fire Marshall's code requirements for the protection of structures. The primary requirement is the mowing or clearing of dry grasses or other potential fuels within 30' of a habitable structure. We are mandated by the Fire Marshall to complete these fire abatement activities by July 1st of each year. Outside of these requirements, we don't generally carry out any additional fire abatement activities within the park as it conflicts with environmental management objectives.

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Rec. and Park Response to Glen Canyon

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Our staff will most certainly continue to evaluate the areas along O'Shaughnessy Boulevard to ensure that they are meeting the Fire Marshall's requirements and we will rely upon their guidance for an extraordinary abatement measures SFFD deems necessary.

Please let us know if you have any other specific locations within the park that you'd like us to evaluate and feel free to send us a photo of anyone observes a condition within 30' of a habitable structure that is of concern.

Thanks,

Phil Ginsberg
General Manager



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New Wheel Technology Quiets BART's Screeching Rails

Joanie van Rijn

Guido and I have both noticed that BART is quieter. We wondered if something had changed, and what was the reason. We contacted BART, and there is good news.

The screeching noise from BART is known as "rolling noise," the sound generated by the vibration of wheels rolling over the rails. This vibration creates visible ruts in the rail called "corrugation." Corrugation creates even more noise. Noise will also increase when the friction when BART goes around a corner on the track.

BART has spent time and energy over the years trying to reduce this noise. One effort was to smooth out the rails. BART owns two rail grinders. At night when we are sleeping, BART uses the grinders to smooth out the rails.

BART asked Bombardier (car manufacturer) to help solve this noise issue when it was purchasing new rail cars. Through computer modeling technology and many years of testing, Bombardier found out that changing the shape of the wheel to a slightly tapered profile could reduce the noise. It promised to reduce wear and tear on the rails as well.

BART tested the new wheels for two years. It was checked and double-checked so the results could be validated. All the data showed the new wheel profile would be quieter and safer.

How much quieter? Henry Kolesar, BART Engineer, says the testing shows the new wheel profile could cut noise by as much as 50 percent.

BART's Operations staff has now decided not only to use the design in wheels of the new cars but also to change the profile on the existing cars as they come in for regularly scheduled maintenance.

It will take 12 to 36 months to change all the wheels' profiles on all of the BART train cars. The result will be not only a quieter ride for riders, but also a victory in the battle against rail corrugation. This will mean less grinding that will also save time and money.

Miraloma Park is now enjoying less noise from BART. Thanks to technology another problem is being solved.

THANK YOU to MPIC Members Who Came Out to Vote in the 2017 MPIC Election of Officers and Directors on June 22nd

The MPIC welcomes newly elected Directors Bryan Forman and Reza Vagefi. All other members on the slate were re-elected for another two-year term. We appreciate your dedication and service to the Miraloma Park community.

2017 - 2018 Slate of Officers and Directors Miraloma Park Improvement Club

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Announcements

SFPD Ingleside Community Meeting

September 19 at 7PM

Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.
Meeting will be held at MPIC Clubhouse at 350
O'Shaughnessy at Del Vale.

Mt Davidson History Hike

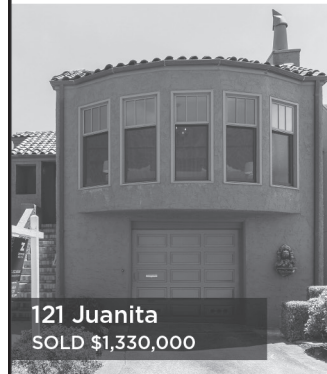
October 28, 1:00 PM

Join San Francisco historian Jacquie Proctor for a free
and fascinating walking history tour of beautiful Mt.
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☐ New Member

☐ Renewing Member

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

☐ Please send me an email reminder to renew my membership.

Enclosed are my dues for the next twelve months (check one):

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☐ \$25 Family Membership

☐ \$35 Supporting Member

☐ \$50 Contributing Member

☐ \$_____ Other

No MPIC membership information is shared with other parties or organizations.

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| Ingleside Police Community Room | 415-404-4000 |
| Parking Complaints | 415-553-1200 |
| Abandoned Cars | 415-553-9817 |
| Security Survey/Nbd.Watch | 415-673-SAFE |
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