

MIRALOMA LIFE

Issue No. 9

Celebrating, Informing, and Strengthening the Miraloma Park Community

miralomapark.org

Dec. 7

MPIC Board Meeting

Call 415-322-0211 to request placement on the agenda

7pm

Dec. 9

Clubhouse Clean-Up

Second Saturday of the month at the MPIC Clubhouse.

10am-noon

Dec. 10

Holiday Party

Open to all Miraloma residents.

5-8pm



(above)
Mr. Shap entertains the crowd with help from the audience at the 2022 Holiday Party, The Merry Miralomans jazz it up at Holiday Party 2022
(below)



FEATURE

Miraloma Park Residents are Invited to the MPIC Holiday Party 2023!

Sunday, December 10, 2023 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm

MPIC Clubhouse at 350 O'Shaughnessy at Del Vale

MPIC Is Providing Dinner
Jambalaya, Mac 'n Cheese, Salad
Beverage for Children & Adults

Bring a Dessert to Share!
You'll be entered in a Raffle for Prizes from Local Businesses

Entertainment
Mr. Shap, SF Balloon Artist & Magician

The Merry Miralomans
Miraloma Residents Todd Siemers (sax); Paul Clanon (Bass) Joined by Ken Chou (piano); Jack Kerns (drums)

\$10 donation per family is appreciated



President's Message

by Patti Moran,
Acting President

As I did last year when I was Acting President during the holiday season, I ask you again in 2023 to keep in mind our wonderful neighborhood and local businesses and retailers for your shopping choices. We have some retail here in Miraloma, and wonderful stores and shops in our neighboring areas of West Portal, Glen Park and Noe Valley, a short drive or MUNI ride away. Shop Local! Shop SF!

If you have not already, please take a moment and follow us on Instagram at @MiralomaPark

Wishing you all a peaceful and healthy holiday season. Thank you for your continued support of the Miraloma Park Improvement Club - we are grateful for you all, our amazing volunteer Board and committee members, and all the volunteers who support our programs in Miraloma. ■

Dear Miraloma

by Fiona

I love the fresh and clean
Feeling when I awake at 7:00
A.M.

I love the soothing sound of
Owls continuously hooting
Back and forth to each other
In humble conversation
Disrupting my sleep
Even though i know they don't
Mean to

I love the smell of your divine
Rosemary in every other front
Lawn
As if it is a contest of who is
The best gardener

You are hidden and peaceful
Like water in a desert
Like a needle in a haystack

There are so many old people
That i'm starting to think
That there are no young ones

I love the windy streets
I love the windy streets
There are no real blocks

I love the sound of skateboarder's
Skateboards gliding down the
Street like there's no tomorrow

I love seeing all the dog walkers
Walking their dogs of various
Breeds
Wishing i had one as well

I love all your twists and turns
With sparkly hot black cement
Pavement

You're home
You're mine
You're just fine

Sincerely,
Fiona

Reservoir Lands Clean Up a Success!

by MPIC

On November 5 about 15 to 20 people joined to clean up the area known as Reservoir Lands, the open-space area on Marietta Drive that overlooks O'Shaughnessy Boulevard. The volunteers collected a mix of glass, trash, green waste and even a shopping cart! The City and organizers provided clean-up equipment, gloves and light refreshments. ■



“Octoberfest on Chaves” Neighborfest Block Party

by MPIC

On a rainy Sunday, October 22, neighbors on and around Chaves Avenue held the weekend’s third Neighborfest Block Party in Miraloma Park. But the weather didn’t dampen the neighbors’ spirits. Everyone had a wonderful time. Emily and Matt Boschetto and Laura Lison hosted the event and coordinated the party. Neighbors brought food and drinks to share, set up a bounce house for kids and shared bouquets of flowers for everyone.

Emily Boschetto shared that: “It was wonderful as we met lots of neighbors we hadn’t met before. I know COVID changed the dynamic of the city in so many ways with people moving in and out, so it was amazing. Most all it was great to come together, even in the pouring rain, to meet, gather and connect over a beer and a hot dog. We have so many young children in our neighborhood. It was so fun for them all to come together and play in the street and on the bounce house and to jump in the muddy puddles! The kids had the best time. Family and community are at the heart of what Miraloma Park is all about so it was a really fun, fabulous afternoon!”



Melrose-Detroit Neighborfest Block Party Draws a Big and Happy Crowd

by Daryl Browne

Saturday October 21 was a sunny day. The Neighborfest organizing committee, led by Tom Whitehead, Daryl Browne, Darlene Ramlose, and Rick and Andrea O’Leary assembled tables and chairs, tents and canopies, and gaily fluttering sun umbrellas. Over the course of the day, an estimated 150 participants enjoyed the fine weather and the fine company.

All manner of delicious dishes began appearing and were arranged on the tables by Laura Kee and Rick grilled on the BBQ. Jeff and Shanna Herman manned the children’s activities section along with a great group from the Miraloma Co-op Nursery School.

Three very local groups entertained with live music: the Miraloma Strummers, direct from the Miraloma Clubhouse and led by teacher Abby Margolis, had an admiring following as they showed how much fun playing ukulele with others can be. Robert Scott Mueller, who lives just around the corner, brought his tent and sound system, and his rock and roll band, Gen 11. What a tight and entertaining group they are! Todd Siemers, another close neighbor barely 2 blocks away, rounded out the afternoon music with his jazz combo band,

reaching the assembled listeners with lively and charming versions of jazz standards.

There were exhibits from Community Living Campaign/Vials of Life, California Youth Commission, Miraloma Community Connectors, Quacked Sidewalks, Resilient Miraloma/Block Champions, the Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) and a visit from the San Francisco Fire Department.

The best part was the opportunity for neighbors to meet neighbors from near and farther away, and learn a little more about people you may see frequently on the street. And some on the same street you had never met before! In addition to the organizers, there were numerous donations from attendees, Quick and Convenient, MPIC, CLC, and a very neighborly donation from the Sunnyside Neighborhood Association. Andrea O’Leary arranged, for our use, the chairs, tables, and umbrellas for which she had obtained a grant a dozen years ago – items stored at Sunnyside Rec and finally used for the first time at this block party. ■



Marietta Drive's Neighborfest Block Party

by MPIC

On Saturday, October 21 the neighbors on Marietta Drive held their second annual Neighborfest block party near the overlook. A team of neighbors planned and hosted the block party: Robin Shostack, Janet Fobes, Linda Cheu, Kenneth Matthews, Sophia Dias and Bryan Forman. Neighbors and the MPIC contributed food and drinks as well as activities for the kids. This year's party strengthened the connections neighbors made with neighbors who they met for the first time at last year's block party. Neighbors stayed longer than last year! The party planning process itself helped build connections between the hosts. ■



BECOME AN MPIC MEMBER OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

ONLINE AT: miralomapark.org/join

OR BY MAIL:

Complete this form and mail with your dues, check payable to:

MIRALOMA PARK IMPROVEMENT CLUB, 350 O'SHAUGHNESSY BLVD, SF, CA 94127. No cash, please.

The MPIC is a qualified tax exempt 501(c)(3) organization – tax ID 94-6092576. Your membership donation is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. MPIC does not share membership information with other parties or organizations.

NEW MEMBER RENEWING MEMBER Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Enclosed are my dues for the next 12 months (check one):

- \$12 Senior Member \$15 Single Member \$25 Family Membership
- \$35 Supporting Member \$50 Contributing Member \$100 Sustaining Member
- \$ _____ Other

PLEASE SEND ME AN EMAIL REMINDER TO RENEW MY MEMBERSHIP!

Thanks to The Neighborfests from MPIC

It takes a lot of time and effort to bring a block party to fruition. MPIC thanks those who hosted the three 2023 Neighborfest parties. The hosts worked with the LivableCity/Neighborfest leadership, plowing through bureaucratic roadblocks to obtain street closures and permits, and prizes. MPIC also thanks those who worked to make the Neighborfests so successful, and those who joined in the fun! The Neighborfests were supported by funds from District 7 Supervisor Myrna Melgar. The three Neighborfests truly celebrated, informed and strengthened the Miraloma Park Community.

Block Champions and Emergency Radio Operators Respond

by Joanie van Rijn

On October 27, 2023 at 6:38 pm there was a 3.7 earthquake centered in San Bruno (USGS). It felt like a jolt here in Miraloma Park. Members of the Block Champions (BCs), and Emergency Radio Operators (EROs) knew what to do. They turned on their two-way radios and checked in.

Normally the BC's and Emergency Radio Operators practice a radio drill every other month, but this was real. BC's and ERO's also use What's App to communicate issues or to report that they are not in town. Resilient Miraloma Park would like to thank the following BC's and ERO's for turning on their radios and checking in with their status: Anne, Janice, Terry, Chris, Joanie, Guido, Herman, Darlene, Bill, Robert, Mary. A special thanks to Daniel who got the team activated immediately for a real – and not practice – drill. ■

ADVERTISING PARTNERS

Financial Planning	Investment Advisory
	
<i>Independent Financial Advice from CFA Charterholder with Over 20 Years Experience, Based in Miraloma Park.</i>	
Education Saving	Retirement Income
(415) 742-1681	bill.kan@candentcap.com

Cassandra Mettling-Davis, Architect 415 664 3400	
Kitchens, Bathrooms, Complete Remodels and Additions CMDarchitecture.com 801 Portola Dr Suite 104 SF CA 94127	
CMD Architecture San Francisco	
	

Clubhouse Clean-Up



The next Second Saturday Clubhouse clean-up takes place on **December 9 at 10am to noon**. Join your Miraloma Park neighbors and tidy the grounds around our historic Clubhouse. The plants (and weeds) are thriving, as we've been experiencing warmer weather. The first of the winter rains have begun, and we are expecting a wet winter due to El Niño. Please consider volunteering two hours of your time – it's a great cause, and an opportunity to connect with neighbors. Rain cancels!

ADVERTISING PARTNERS

Melinda Atta

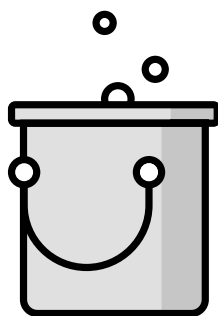
expert housekeeping

TEXT

415.640.2839

Serving Miraloma Since 1986

References Available



AETHOS

REAL ESTATE

In 2022 we helped quite a few neighbors buy and sell their homes:

990 Monterey Blvd \$4,150,000 Buyers

966 Teresita \$1,510,000 Sellers

453 Teresita Blvd \$1,630,000 Sellers

1 Brentwood Way \$2,100,000 Sellers

263 Staples St \$1,360,000 Sellers

2023 Looks like it will be a busy year as well. We have several listings coming soon (please call for more info) in the neighborhood.

We also offer some very creative options to buy before selling and/or to renovate and stage your property quickly, affordably and pay for it at close of escrow through our Aethos Revive program.

Please call or email for more info.

We are also excited to offer you our new Aethos Real Estate Search app free. And we never sell your info! Just scan to download

or



Available on the
App Store

GET IT ON
Google Play

35+ Years of Experience

Over \$1 Billion in Sales

John Woodruff

www.AethosRE.com

415.999.9827



Miraloma Park Seniors Community Connectors Senior Program



Tai Chi on Tuesdays

Always Active on Thursdays

10:30am at Cornerstone Church

If you are interested in attending, please contact Darlene Ramlose: Darlene@sfcommunityliving.org or by phone at 714-423-8844. You must sign up in advance as we will not accept walk-ins as space is limited due to COVID restrictions.

Miraloma Senior Walks in San Francisco

Contact Darlene Ramlose at
Darlene@sfcommunityliving.org

Ukulele Class

Tuesdays at 2:00 PM

Contact Barbara Wheeler for details at
bawheeler46@yahoo.com

Connectors Zoom Social Hour

Fridays at 4:30pm

See all current activities at
sfcommunityliving.org



Also visit us on our Facebook page:
Miraloma Park Community Connectors



Miraloma Park
Resident for 24 Years

Top 1% of all agents
in San Francisco

#1 Realtor in Miraloma Park

\$450M+ in Sales to Date



billkitchensf.com

Every Home Needs a Kitchen

Abundantly humble, honest, and hardworking, Bill is relentlessly dedicated to client care. A straight shooter who also happens to be in the top 1% of San Francisco Realtors, Bill has built a reputation for exceeding expectations.

Whether buying or selling, upsizing or downsizing, Bill works tirelessly to make his clients' dreams a reality. How? With unparalleled experience, intimate market knowledge, and his signature blend of personality-meets-professionalism.

Bill Kitchen
Realtor®
415.309.7279
bill.kitchen@compass.com
DRE 01395888



Compass is a real estate broker licensed by the State of California and also by Equal Housing Opportunity laws. License Number 00512111. All material provided herein is intended for informational purposes only and is compiled from sources deemed reliable but has not been verified. Changes in price, condition, sale or withdrawal may be made without notice. No statement is made as to accuracy of any description. All measurements and square footage are approximate. This is not intended to solicit property already listed.

MPIC Safety Committee Update

Crime Stats from October 1, 2023-October 31, 2023

Date	Time	Intersection	Description
10/02/2023	5:00 PM	JUANITA WAY \ MARNE AVE	Burglary, Residence, Unlawful Entry
10/01/2023	9:00 AM	TERESITA BLVD \ MARIETTA DR	Suspicious Occurrence
10/03/2023	5:00 PM	TERESITA BLVD \ GAVIOTA WAY	Vehicle, Stolen, Auto
10/03/2023	6:00 PM	EMIL LN \ CRESTA VISTA DR	Vehicle, Stolen, Auto
10/06/2023	7:44 PM	TERESITA BLVD \ PORTOLA DR	Theft, Shoplifting, >\$950
10/06/2023	9:00 AM	TERESITA BLVD \ BELLA VISTA WAY	Burglary, Hot Prowl, Unlawful Entry
10/07/2023	5:00 PM	PORTOLA DR \ WAITHMAN WAY	Burglary, Residence, Att. Forcible Entry
10/09/2023	11:42 AM	TERESITA BLVD \ FOERSTER ST	False Personation to Receive Money or Property
10/09/2023	8:00 PM	STAPLES AVE \ FOERSTER ST	Vehicle, Stolen, Truck
10/11/2023	8:00 AM	JUANITA WAY \ MARNE AVE	Burglary, Residence, Forcible Entry
10/12/2023	4:00 PM	EVELYN WAY \ JUANITA WAY	Theft, From Locked Vehicle, \$200-\$950
10/15/2023	10:00 PM	ARROYO WAY \ MARIETTA DR	Vehicle, Stolen, Auto
10/15/2023	8:00 PM	STILLINGS AVE \ CONGO ST	Vehicle, Stolen, Attempted, Vandalism to Vehicle
10/18/2023	9:00 AM	TERESITA BLVD \ ARROYO WAY	Vehicle, Stolen, Auto
10/18/2023	10:00 PM	JUANITA WAY \ MARNE AVE	Burglary, Hot Prowl, Unlawful Entry
10/22/2023	7:16 AM	TERESITA BLVD \ MARIETTA DR \ MOLIMO DR	Theft, From Building, \$50-\$200
10/18/2023	5:30 PM	TERESITA BLVD \ FOERSTER ST	Theft, From Unlocked Vehicle, \$50-\$200
10/24/2023	12:00 AM	TERESITA BLVD \ LOS PALMOS	Fraudulent Game or Trick, Obtaining Money or Property
10/26/2023	8:39 AM	MELROSE AVE \ CONGO ST	Vehicle, Recovered, Auto
10/26/2023	12:59 AM	FOWLER WAY \ PORTOLA DR	Officers Lagto and Miller were dispatched to an attempted robbery involving the use of a fire-arm. The officers arrived on scene and contacted the victim, who was unharmed. The victim told the officers that they were in front of their residence when a dark-colored SUV double-parked in the street. Two suspects exited the double-parked vehicle and approached the victim. One of the suspects held a pistol and demanded the victim's wallet and car keys. The victim did not have any valuables on their person and informed the suspects of such. One of the suspects checked the victim's pockets, and after realizing the victim was telling the truth, the suspects entered the vehicle and fled the scene.
10/26/2023	12:07 PM	JUDSON AVE \ FOERSTER ST	Theft, From Building, >\$950
10/28/2023	8:00 PM	STANFORD HEIGHTS AVE \ LOS PALMOS DR	Theft, From Building, \$200-\$950
10/09/2023	6:00 PM	EMIL LN \ CRESTA VISTA DR	Theft, From Unlocked Vehicle, >\$950
10/28/2023	9:30 PM	STANFORD HEIGHTS AVE \ LOS PALMOS DR	Theft, Other Property, >\$950

RENT YOUR MPIC CLUBHOUSE



Discounted rates for MPIC members · Free Parking
Contact us for rates and availability
415 322 0211 *or* miralomapark@gmail.com



MIRALOMA PARK
IMPROVEMENT
CLUB

@miralomapark  

MPIC Board Of Directors

Acting President	Patti Moran
Acting Vice President	Joan Van Rijn
Recording Secretary	Stephanie Boudreau Ma
Corresponding Secretary	Cary Matthews
Treasurer	Mary Fitzpatrick
Sergeant-at-arms	Vacant
Jean Perata	Robert Gee
Todd Siemers	Darlene Ramlose
Joanie van Rijn	Stephanie Boudreau Ma
Mary Fitzpatrick	Cary Matthews
Patti Moran	Tina McGovern

Programs at the MPIC Clubhouse

Jazzercise

Wednesday and Saturday 9:00am
Monday 5pm
650 888 6129
sbjazzercise@comcast.net

Chang International Folk Dancing

7:00–10:00pm Friday
One hour lessons on the first and second
Fridays of each month.
changsdancers@aol.com

Fort Mason Artists

Learn to sculpt, paint and draw
Monday 6:15–10:15pm
Friday 10:00am–2:00pm,
2:30–5:30pm
Konrad Dunton; 650 868 6336
Fortmasonartists.org

Ukulele Class

Tuesdays 2:00pm–3:00pm
Bawheeler46@yahoo.com

Mary L. Harden Botanical Drawing

Monday 10:00am–1:30pm
maryharden@me.com

Linda Hope - Figure Drawing

Saturday 11am–2:30pm
415 334 3603
Lindahope.art@gmail.com

Grace Community Church

Sunday 11:00am-1:30pm; Pre service
coffee followed by community lunch
415 753 9931

Guide Dogs For The Blind

2nd/4th Wednesdays 7:00 – 8:30pm
info@gdbsanfranciscopuppyraisers.com
or guidedogs.com/puppy

Miraloma Park Residential Guidelines

The purpose of the Miraloma Park Residential Design Guidelines is to promote quality design and preserving as much as possible, the neighborhood's architectural character:
miralomapark.org/neighborhood/design-guidelines

MPIC Directory

www.miralomapark.org

General Inquires for MPIC	(415) 322-0211
Clubhouse Manager + Rentals	(415) 322-0211
Webmaster: Ron Proctor	(415) 322-0211
Miraloma Elementary School	(415) 469-4734
Miraloma Playground	(415) 337-4704

Miraloma Life Staff

Contact: miralomapark@gmail.com
(415) 322-0211

Editor	Jean Perata
Advertising	Kate Clements
Graphics/ Layout	Butler Looney

Article Submission Policy:

Email submissions to: miralomapark@gmail.com
with **Miraloma Life** in the subject line.

Articles submitted must be 800 words or less in length and should not be selling or promoting a product or service. Anonymous submissions will not be considered for publication.

Deadline for submissions are the 12th day of the month prior to publication.

Submitted articles become the property of MPIC.