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Miramonte Neighborhood

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Thanks for your support! (other appreciated donations mentioned in bulletin kiosk article elsewhere in this newsletter)

As a neighborhood association, we are fortunate to have so many individuals and businesses that support our efforts throughout the year with monetary contributions. Since the last newsletter we have received donations from: William Fink, Sheldon Gutman, Mr. & Ms. Warren May, and Mr. & Ms. Charles Jacobus. We are sincerely grateful as these contributions allow us to cover business expenses as well as other ongoing and unanticipated expenses. If you would like to make a donation please remove the section below and return to:

MNA @ PMB 217, 3400 E. Speedway, Suite #118, Tucson, AZ 85716

Membership in Miramonte Neighborhood Association is open to any adult resident (*including renters*), owner of real property, or business proprietor within MNA boundaries. **No dues are required for membership.** MNA relies entirely on donations to pay its operating expenses. Your donations are greatly appreciated:

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ EMAIL _____

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DONATION AMOUNT \$ _____ enclosed Permission is given to acknowledge my donation in the MNA newsletter. YES NO



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Annual Halloween Party in the Park!

When: Saturday October 27th, 2012
3:00 pm sharp
Where: Miramonte Park (corner of Richey and E. 3rd St.)
What: **Free Pumpkin Raffle for Kids** (every child will receive a pumpkin while supplies last).
Costume parade
Light Refreshments

Come and enjoy a trick or a treat with the neighborhood!

We'll also be signing up volunteers for the **2-week park monitor slots**. Help us check on the park and make sure that litter is kept in check and graffiti is reported. This would be a great task for youth and teens in the neighborhood and could be beneficial for community service experience and school applications!

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Community Calendar

MNA Annual Halloween Party in the Park **	Oct. 27th 3:00 pm
MNA Board Meeting *	Nov. 14th
MNA Board Meeting *	Jan. 9th
Assessor Bill Staples @ MNA Board Meeting *	Feb. 13th

* Board meetings are typically held on the second Wednesday of the month, except July and December, and unless noted otherwise. Check miramontena.org for details.

** More information can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Pima County Assessor to Speak to MNA in February

Questions about your property's assessed value, and how it's calculated (which translates directly to your property taxes)?

Wonder how you can apply for an adjustment?

Join us at the February 13th Board meeting, 7 pm at the Ward 6 bldg, for a conversation with Bill Staples, County Assessor.

(check miramontena.org for any updates as the date approaches)

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New Businesses in our Neighborhood

from Marilyn Russell

Please check our website for a comprehensive list of businesses in the neighborhood, as well as a special list of new ones!

email mna@miramontena.org to add your business to our online list at our website: miramontena.org

Keep'n Things Tidy and Cleared.

Don't forget to keep the easements, alleys, and areas behind the curb in the rights-of-way around your house clear of weeds and debris! Check out the brush pickup info. on the next page for disposal ideas.

MNAAction - what it is and how to use it

by Kelsi Montgomery and the MNA Board

The purpose of the MNA email listserv/electronic bulletin board (our Yahoo Group: MNAAction) is to distribute and respond to information from the Board of Directors and our neighbors. It is a forum for those living, working, owning a business or owning property in the neighborhood. Posts regarding "goings on" both good and bad, lost and found, and other issues that directly affect the neighborhood are expected. If there is an issue with broader concerns (e.g., those which other Tucson neighborhoods are considering) that you feel we need to consider that is appropriate as well.

On the other hand, posting of messages or event notifications that pertain only to one political party or point of view without offering representation of both sides, opinions that lack constructiveness and can be purely categorized as "cheerleading" or "nay saying," and email deluges that make many of us numb to emails from certain senders/posts from the Group are not condoned. If an individual is deemed to continually disregard the spirit of the MNAAction Group, the board will make a determination regarding removal.

With the cutback on free mailings from the city, **MNAAction** and our website: miramontena.org have become the first lines of communication in our neighborhood. We need to use these tools effectively to encourage our neighbors to join us online.

MNA online resources	Website: miramontena.org	Yahoo Group: MNAAction
What is it for?	Official MNA website and information source	Spontaneous neighborhood related communications by neighbors, and city and community bulletins
How do I join/subscribe?	Subscribe to the blog role to receive new posts by visiting the website and signing up in the righthand column on the homepage	Visit: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MNAAction/ and request to join, or email webstuff@miramontena.org

Numbers Please!

by Marilyn Russell

Are your house numbers plainly visible from the street? Do visitors have trouble finding your residence? Do emergency responders lose precious time finding your house?

Recently we updated our Miramonte Neighborhood Association Mailing List. Several houses and apartments were a puzzle! Where were their numbers? Some were hidden by shrubs and trees, some were faded or eroded, some were nowhere to be seen!

Please make sure that your house and apartment numbers are CLEARLY VISIBLE...day AND night! ...also painted on the curb with luminous paint! You'll be glad they are!

Contact Us

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Special thanks to Susan Patainia for her Halloween Party help!

Want to volunteer to help with anything MNA currently does, or have an idea for something new? Let us know!

Graffiti

You can report graffiti by calling 792-2489 or by filling out the form online at:
<http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/graffiti/report>

MNA Board News

- We passed the bylaw revision from the last newsletter that was voted on at the annual meeting. The revision allows for the board to vote-in new board members mid year if there are less than the maximum of 15 people on the board. This is very helpful when people want to be involved and may get lost in other things waiting for the next annual meeting. Please contact us if you know anyone who might be interested in being involved in planning fun for neighbors and in making MN a great place to live work and do business!
- Our Miramonte "pocket park" is a great destination and venue for birthdays, picnics, and enjoying the wonderfully maturing desert vegetation that provides cozy paths and deep shade. We are looking for people to fill two-week stints monitoring the park for trash, checking and reporting problems with irrigation, reporting graffiti, and keeping the walks and paths tidy. Our park is a special amenity so please email us, or call our president (see sidebar) and we will contact you with open weeks. ... or come by the Halloween Party to sign up!

Neighborhood Information Destination: Soon to be a reality and start fabrication

Thanks everyone! We've met our goal for the bulletin kiosk fundraising (well, as soon as we get our long awaited check from AT&T to top off what our awesome neighbors have contributed - all monies over our goal will go into the neighborhood's general account for operations and future projects)

- Richard Alexander**
- Ann Baldwin**
- Dr. Karla Boyer, Speedway Veterinary Clinic**
- Cercidium Rentals**
- Fred Fruchthendler**
- H. Pat Harris**
- B. Kazen & K. Iveson**
- Stuart Meinke**
- Marilyn Russell**



Brush and Bulky Pick up Anytime for a Nominal Fee (in addition to free service twice a year)

Call 791-3171 or visit:
<http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/es/content/special-services-request>
Remember to keep the Rights-of-Way and Easements clear of weeds and debris around your property.