

MSPA Minutes of Regular Meeting – December 3, 2009

**NOTE: MSPA Board Meeting scheduled for January 7<sup>th</sup> is rescheduled to January 14<sup>th</sup> at 8 am at OV Bistro. OV Bistro is at the corner of Florencita and Ocean View.**

Meeting was called to order at 8:17 am. Minutes from the November 5<sup>th</sup> MSPA meeting were approved as written and posted.

**Board Members and Guests Present:** Alyce Russell (Andersen's Pet Shop – President); Mary Dawson (Revelation Tops – Vice-President); Maureen Palacios (Once Upon A Time – Treasurer); Danny Pranata (Honolulu Wood & Things – Secretary); Vito Cannella (Montrose Barber Shop); Dale Dawson (Mountain Rose Gifts – Interim Executive Director); Matt Zakarian (GPD); Ron Harlan (Glendale College)

**Visitor Reports:** (1) Ron Harlan from the Glendale Community College stated that the college seeks community input regarding the community college's services. (2) Officer Zakarian informed the Board that there was an attempted car break in near Billy's Board Shop. GPD requests that members and their patrons exhibit caution this Holiday season by not leaving packages unattended or in the plain view in cars. Officer Zakarian informed the Board that Lieutenant Ian Grimes was also assigned to the Montrose area. The GPD has asked the MSPA to not engage unwanted solicitors.

**Committee Reports:** (1) Election Committee announced that as a result of the election, Mary Dawson and Vito Cannella were re-elected to the Board. (2) The Christmas Lighting Committee reported that most of Christmas lights are on and in full operation. (3) Advertising Committee stated that full back color advertisements have been placed in the CV Weekly and in the Glendale News Press. Also the MSPA has a weekly article in the CV Weekly. (4) Website Committee reported that the MSPA has a new email at [shopmontrose@aol.com](mailto:shopmontrose@aol.com); a Facebook Fan page and is working on a Montrose Blog. (5) Treasurer reported that the treasurer's report for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter were delivered to the membership with the election ballots.

**Old Business:** (1) MSPA shall follow up with Fred Zohrehvand from the City of Glendale Public Works regarding the placement of bike racks in the town.

**New Business:** (1) The Tierra Del Sol Foundation invites the membership to Holiday Party for the benefit for adults with disabilities. The event shall be held at Holy Redeemer Church on December 13, 2009 at noon. (See the attached flyer below for details) (2) OV Bistro is applying for a Conditional Use Permit with the LA County of Department of Regional Planning on January 6<sup>th</sup>. (3) MSPA received a new 1 year lease for the COPPS substation from the landlord. (4) The following officers were nominated for 2010: President – Alyce Russell; Vice –President – Mary Dawson; Treasurer – Maureen Palacios and Secretary – Danny Pranata. This nomination of officers was unanimously approved by the Board.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:13 am

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Dear Friends:

*For the last thirty-six years I have been responsible, with the help of many others, to provide a Christmas party for people with different disabilities.*

*This group is comprised of exceptional disabled men and women who range in ages from 18 to 65. This party will be held on Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at the Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in Montrose.*

*I am looking forward to your help and support in order to make this year's party a success and to help bring a little joy to others. Everyone can help by bringing a new small gift for a man or woman suitable for a person in the above age range. Gifts that have been donated in the past include aftershave, perfume, costume jewelry, radios, games, etc. We would appreciate it if you would wrap the items and indicate on a tag whether it is for a man or a woman. These gifts can be brought to the rectory at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, or you may contact Grace Chase at 818-248-4009 for a pick-up.*

*You can also help by giving a tax deductible donation to the Tierra Del Sol Foundation, a local Sunland non-denominational school for men and women with various disabilities. I will gather up all of these donations and present them with a monetary gift at the Christmas party.*

*Please help me to make people smile. Thank you in advance for support and help.*

*Merry Christmas to you and yours!*

*Vito Cannella*

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