

Message from
New President
David Tramp



First of all I would like to introduce myself, my name is David Tramp. I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve on the board as president of the La Mision home owners association for the next two years. I have been living full time here in La Mision for over four years and loving every minute of it. My girl friend, Gema, and I enjoy many of the great things that living in Baja has to offer. I surf almost every day, we golf at the beautiful golf courses that we have nearby. We go to the wine country and discover wonderful restaurants and vineyards. We go on road trips up and down the peninsula camping at small fishing villages and towns. We go boating, wakeboarding and fishing. We ride in the bike races from Rosarito to Ensenada. And I also work and have been able to make a living while experiencing this great life style.

I would like to thank Jerry Lyons for all of the work he has done over the last couple of years as president and acknowledge that he did a great job while president. I would also like to acknowledge all of the work that Marla Poggioli has done over the past years as treasurer. She has really done a wonderful job and she put a lot of her time and energy into her position and I appreciate that. I would like to welcome our new treasurer Beverly Wilburn. She will have this position for the next two years and I am sure she will do a wonderful job. Thank you for volunteering for this position. We appreciate it. Mark Johnson is staying on as vice president. I would like to thank you for your help and I appreciate your service. We still have Sandy Torres as our Secretary and she has been doing a great job. I would like to thank her for her help.

Leonard Spielman is still in charge of security for the Playa side of the community and I would like to thank him for all of the hard work that he has done. Since he has been in this position, I have seen a lot of positive change; keep up the good work and thank you, Leonard, for doing such a great job. We are going to be appointing someone to take my place as head of roads and security on the Loma side of the community. I am so fortunate to have found such a wonderful community to be a part of. This is one of the most beautiful places I have ever seen. We have the best beach in Baja, we have the estuary, marina, a beautiful golf course, the wine country, Ensenada and Rosarito close by, plenty of great restaurants and we are close to the U.S. border. More important than all of those things we have a fantastic group of people. This is what makes La Mision so special. I could never have imagined living in a community like this where age, religion, political standings, economical standings and just about everything else that would normally separate people,



mean nothing here. We have people from every walk of life living here and we are all friends. I feel so lucky to be a part of a community where almost everyone contributes to causes such as the BECA program that puts kids through school. We are not some gated expat community that separates ourselves from the surrounding Mexican communities. We do everything we can to be a part of the Mexican communities that are nearby.

We truly do have something special here but there are a few things that I would like to see change. I would like to talk about security which is the biggest issue that we are currently dealing with. Break-ins have been increasing and we all would like to do what we can to reduce the break-ins and feel more secure in our community. I know that Leonard has been doing what he can on the beach to counteract the surge in break-ins and I'm sure he will succeed in that. There are things we can do on the Loma side of the community to improve our security. I am calling a meeting for the home owners on the hill to get together to discuss our options as well as appoint a new head of security and roads for the hill.

The meeting will be on December 4th at my house on the hill (new yellow and grey house next to Lynn and Jerry's house.) The meeting will be held at noon. If you do not know where Gema and my house is please email me at david@bajalandandhome.com or call me at 619-948-8175 and I will give you instructions. If you have suggestions on how we can improve security on the hill or the playa or are interested in the security position on the hill please contact me. (Editor's note: Although this meeting is primarily to discuss hill security, David has assured me that all are welcome.)



above: Neighbors gathered for the 2010 Annual Meeting where David Tramp was elected the new President of LMPOA.
top right: Former Treas. Marla Poggiol checks attendance with former Pres. Jerry Lyndes and Sec. Sandy Torres.
middle right: Former VP Vinnie McDarbie registers at the entry desk hosted by Sandy and Marla.
bottom right: Current VP Mark Johnson confers with Bob Poggioli.