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Dave Leckness  
Editor



# CITY SPEAK

## PERMIT DAY MAKING THE PROCESS EASIER



by Ed Sachs  
Mayor, Mission Viejo

One of the promises I made upon becoming Mayor of Mission Viejo was to benefit our residents and small business owners to navigate a slimmed-down governmental process dealing with permit application. Working with city staff, who were very excited to engage in this project, we will now be offering "Mission Viejo Permit Day."

Projects such as Small Residential Solar Systems, Window replacements, Water heater change outs, Re-roof permits, Trellises complying with city hand out, Residential re-pipe, Residential Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Systems, Electrical Service upgrade, Commercial wall signs and bathrooms and Kitchen remodels where no bearing walls are removed are already issued over the counter in a simplified process.

"Permit Days" is on Wednesdays only, appointments will be taken on a first come first serve basis by calling 949-470-3054 to set up appointment and review all materials necessary for this one day permitting process. Projects must include all supporting documentation as outlined in the city's residential submittal and tenant improvement checklist.

Qualified projects include, residential remodels, one story residential additions, decks, patio covers, swimming pools and spas, residential retaining walls of one property, and The Shops interior tenant improvements with valuation less than \$50,000 (excluding restaurants).

## UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY WORKING TOGETHER HELPS EVERYONE



by Trish Kelley  
City Council Member  
Co-founder Mission Viejo  
Community of Character

Unity is a trait which includes teamwork, harmony, support, sharing, selflessness, oneness, collaboration, brotherhood, and friendship. In practicing Unity, we gain a valuable tool: synergy, which is the increased effectiveness that results when two or more people or groups work together. Through unity we can recognize our limitations and appreciate the resources available through others. Unity does not mean that we must agree about everything or that we are all the same, but we can respectfully see the viewpoint and strength of another, and we may be stronger when we work together! Unity is an important element in families, sports teams, bands, choirs, orchestras, businesses, service organizations, schools, churches, and neighborhoods.

Babe Ruth's words help us to see the value of unity: "The way a team plays as a whole determines its success. You may have the greatest bunch of individual stars in the world, but if they don't play together, the club won't be worth a dime."

## IT PAY\$ TO BE A MEMBER MISSION VIEJO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



by Doug Zielasko  
C.O.O. MV Chamber of Commerce

Promoting the economic well-being of businesses in Mission Viejo is clearly the mission of the Mission Viejo Chamber of Commerce. Our mission in 2018 with our planned programs and events will be the best ever!

This summer we'll have our 2nd annual Restaurant Week, enabling residents to taste the wide array of cuisines available. Restaurant Week supports local business, which contributes to a strong local economy and encourages a robust sense of community. If you're a restaurant sign up now space is limited.

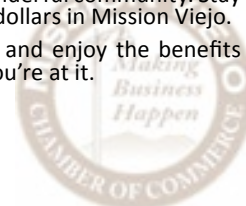
The Chamber Board of Directors look forward to making 2018 another banner year for the businesses and residents of our wonderful community. Stay tuned for our Buy Local Initiative to help keep our tax dollars in Mission Viejo.

Please consider joining the Chamber of Commerce and enjoy the benefits that will assist you in growing your business and having some fun while you're at it.

Check our website: [MissionViejoChamber.com](http://MissionViejoChamber.com) Phone: 949-441-0602

Hope to see you soon,

Doug Zielasko





FROM OUR AUDACIOUS PAST DEPT.

# GORBY/TRUMP

## MISSION VIEJO RESIDENT TRICKS TRUMP

In December of 1988, **Mikhail Gorbachev**, Secretary General of the Soviet Union, came to New York City to address the United Nations. At the same time Mission Viejo resident and Gorbachev impersonator **Ronald Knapp** went to New York for one day to do a segment on Fox TV with Gordon Elliott on "Good Day, New York," knocking on doors in New Jersey the same day Gorbachev was arriving.



Knapp was so successful that Fox TV said, "Let's hire a limo and turn him loose on New York." While filming, the real Gorbachev motorcade was on one street, and Mission Viejo's Gorby was on another. Mission Viejo's Gorby shook hands with 100,000 New Yorkers that

day.

Even Donald Trump came out of Trump Tower to greet him. The Fox TV cameras captured it for the evening news on Maury Povich's "Current Affair." Later people would stop Knapp on the street and say, "You're the guy who got Trump." This was just the beginning of the outrageous adventures he shares in his book *"The Guy Who Got Trump - Outrageous Adventures of an Audacious Impostor."*

You can see the complete Trump vs Mission Viejo Gorby saga on YouTube, just Google "Trump



FROM OUR CITY FOUNDERS DEPT.

# WHO WAS NORMAN P. MURRAY?

## MISSION VIEJO'S FIRST MAYOR



Norman P. Murray being sworn in as Mayor

When voters decided to make the Mission Viejo area a city in 1987, they selected Norman P. Murray as one of the five original City Council members. The newly formed council unanimously voted for Murray to serve as the city's first mayor.

Although he did not win re-election in 1992, Murray continued to work for Mission

Viejo. He served on the Planning Commission and the Historical Committee and was active in several service organizations.

The **Norman P. Murray Center** is named after Norm. He is well remembered today.



Norman P. Murray Center in Mission Viejo



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FROM OUR COMMUNITY HEROES DEPT.

# DEPUTY OF THE YEAR

## KEEPING MISSION VIEJO SAFE

Meet **Deputy Travis Krudwig**, a 10-year Sheriff's Department veteran. Travis has been named Mission Viejo Deputy of the Year.

Travis has been assigned to the City of Mission Viejo for the past four years. He started as a patrol deputy and now serves as School Resource Officer at Trabuco Hills High School. SRO's have an office at each of our high schools where they develop a connection with students that keeps our schools safer than most. Many cities don't invest in the cost of having deputies stationed at our high schools and middle schools, lucky for us, the City of Mission Viejo knows how important keeping our kids safe is to its residents.



Deputy Travis Krudwig - Mission Viejo Deputy of the

Deputy Krudwig is also a mentor and advisor for the Sheriff's Explorer program that helps guide young folks considering careers in law enforcement.

In 2016, Deputy Krudwig received the Sheriff's Department Medal of Lifesaving award for stopping a suicidal young man from jumping off a building.

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## Ask Aunt Sandy

- WITH MISSION VIEJO'S SANDRA FERGUSON



Mission Viejo's very own advice columnist is a straight shooter and slightly humorous.

## COFFEE ENEMA

Dear Aunt Sandy,

What are your thoughts on this? Seems like everytime I'm in a hurry and stop at the La Paz Starbucks, I end up getting behind someone who orders a complex drink. Should they have a separate line for straight coffee?

-Kaffine Kate

Dear Kaffine Kate,

*Don't get me started with these weird drink order folks. I loathe standing there behind them with their long list of specialty drinks while I try to look inconspicuous and feign interest in the Norah Jones CD for sale.*

*It takes a long time to make a blended coffee beverage - and she just ordered eight! Now I have to stand around and wait for the next twenty-five minutes, shifting my gaze between the barista's latest piercing and a selection of tacky, overpriced earthenware mugs. Yes, I get upset at these wacky drinks. Silently, I'm hoping they hit a pothole on the way back to work and spill coffee all over their cloth interior...Hmm, that sounded mean, but yes, a line for simpler drinks might be a good addition.*

*Of course, my order's no slam dunk either, I have to get 10 lbs. of fine ground Ethiopian Arabica beans for my coffee enemas.*

- Aunt Sandy

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## THE SHOPS AT MISSION VIEJO



Currently, this road entering **The Shops at Mission Viejo** is going through further transformation as construction begins on the new

FROM OUR HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPT.

# BLACKBOARD JUNGLE

## NEW PRINCIPAL AT CAPISTRANO VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Meet Capo Valley High School's new Principal **Mr. John Misustin**. While Mr. Misustin is new to the Principal position, he was an Assistant



Principal Mr. John Misustin talking to this incredible place.

Principal at Capo for the past two years. Mr. Misustin takes every opportunity to promote his amazing programs and students and to inform parents and the community about how open enrollment / school of choice affords them the opportunity to become a part of

Being the Principal is not something he takes lightly, and each day he comes to work with the goal of doing everything he can to ensure that our students have every opportunity to be successful.

The Mission Viejo Reporter asked, What's the most challenging aspect of being a new high school principal?" His answer is simple; "Trying to find effective ways to let people, parents and families know they have a choice in their education. We have amazing and innovative programs that benefit and support student's passions, and they can be part of this through our open enrollment process".

Mr. Misustin reminded us that this generation of students was born in the 21st century. His job is to find ways to make education real and relevant to the students, while allowing them flexibility and the opportunity to innovate.



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Mission Viejo Library - 1970



Intersection of Avery and Marguerite Parkways - 1972



Trabuco and Marguerite - 1978

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