



VOLUME FOUR, NUMBER THIRTY-FOUR

MISSION VIEJO, CALIFORNIA

April 2018

MISSION VIEJO REPORTER



CONVERSATION *With*
MISSION VIEJO CITY MANAGER

CHRISTOPHER'S PARK
A SPECIAL TRIBUTE FOR A VERY LOVED SON



MISSION VIEJO
REPORTER

The Mission Viejo Reporter promises fast, fair, and accurate reporting. If for any reason we fail to live up to these promises, please don't tell anyone.

Questions or Comments:
949.364.2309 • missionviejoreporter@gmail.com

MEET YOUR POLICE CHIEF
MISSION VIEJO'S TOP COP

COVER PHOTO:
Jim Dante at La Paws Dog Park

Mission Viejo Reporter.....364-2309
Kwik Kopy Printing.....364-2309

Emergency Numbers

Police Services / Fire Services.....911
Police Service (Non Emergency).....770-6011
Suicide Hotline.....877-727-4747

Public Services

MV Animal Services.....470-3045
Pothole Hotline.....470-8405
Graffiti Hotline.....470-2924

Helpful Numbers

SMWD.....459-6400
SDG&E.....800-411-7343
Cox Cable.....240-1212
Edison Electric.....800-611-1911
Saddleback College.....582-4500
CUSD.....234-9200
Waste Management.....359-6155
Moulton/Niguel Water District.....831-2500
El Toro Water District.....837-7050
Mission Hospital.....364-1400
Mount of Olives Lutheran Church.....837-7467
Santa Claus.....951-262-3062

Recreation Services

The Murray Center.....470-3062
Lake Mission Viejo.....770-1313
Library.....830-7100
Felipe Tennis Center.....859-4348
Tennis Pavillion.....859-4348
Montanoso Rec. Center.....859-4348
Sierra Rec.Center.....859-4348

**CONTACT US AT
(949) 364-2309 or at**

MissionViejoReporter@gmail.com

EDITORIAL STAFF

EDITOR & PUBLISHER Dave Leckness	DESIGNER Luke Brown
LAYOUT DESIGN Travis Brenier	PRODUCTION MANAGER Jason Givin
PROOF READER Joanne Suttle	NATIONAL AFFAIRS DESK Dr. D.L. Avery
REPORTER Kathy Kuiper	REPORTER Cris Wilson

DISCLAIMER NOTICE
We are not affiliated, associated, authorized, endorsed by, or in any way officially connected with The City of Mission Viejo. All content provided in this issue is for educational, historical and entertainment purposes only. The Mission Viejo Reporter promises fast, fair, and accurate reporting. If for any reason we fail to live up to these promises, please don't tell anyone.



Dave Leckness
Editor



CITY SPEAK

MISSION VIEJO REPORTER HITS HOME RUN

Back in the 1960's and 1970's, the **Mission Viejo Reporter** was part of our community. The Reporter ceased operations in the 80's but, thanks to Kwik Kopy Printing owner and former Mission Viejo mayor **Dave Leckness**, it's back, and better than ever. For the past three years Dave has brought us great stories about people, local businesses and memories of our past. Throughout each issue you'll find local Mission Viejo businesses who advertise, I suggest you visit and buy from those companies.



by **Greg Rath**
Mayor Pro-Tem, Mission Viejo

One of the great benefits of the MVR is that it allows us Mission Viejo councilmembers to express our feelings and share information with you the residents in a publication that gets delivered directly to your homes.

Living and raising our families in Mission Viejo is something we are all proud of and as your Mayor Pro Tem, I encourage you to contact me with your concerns or suggestions to make our city a better place. I've included my cell for your convenience. Greg Rath 949 292-2468



MISSION VIEJO STANDS FIRM!



by **Brian Goodell**
City Council Member

Mission Viejo's City Council directed staff to identify and analyze remedies to address the identified Racially Polarized Voting circumstances in the City, rather than converting our city to district elections. We concluded, after careful analysis and public input, that the demographic structure of the City prevents forming districts as an effective remedy to actually resolve the City's challenging Racially Polarized Voting issue. The City Council and the community desire to correct the circumstances that result in Racially Polarized Voting in an efficient, beneficial and practical manner which uses feasible solutions to achieve compliance with the California Voters Right Act of 2001.

Thanks to the State Legislature and Superior Court rulings, if no alternate remedy can reasonably bring about compliance with the law, then converting to district elections may be used as the default remedy, even if it is actually ineffective as a remedy! Alternate remedies may include forms of weighted voting, enhanced voter education, extended voting periods, additional locations of voting facilities and other solutions. Once the feasible options are identified, recommended options will be presented to the City Council for adoption. To assist and facilitate this effort, the Mayor has appointed Councilmembers **Trish Kelley** and **Greg Rath** to an ad Hoc Committee.

Malibu attorneys Shenkman & Hughes, who brought forward the allegation of the existence Racially Polarized Voting to the City on behalf of their client, "The Southwest Voter Education Project," called Mission Viejo's city attorney Bill Curley to say that their experts concurred with our Council's conclusion and course of seeking alternate remedies, and that we are one of the very few communities where districting actually isn't feasible or suitable. They were respectful in noting we were competent, honest and accurate, and they agreed to work collaboratively rather than as adverse parties with the City, and were appreciative and impressed that our Council took this matter seriously and honestly, and was actually correct!

FOUNDING FATHER Unsung Hero of Mission Viejo - John Ben



by **Wendy Bucknum**
City Council Member

John Ben has been a resident of Mission Viejo since the very beginning, but unlike many others who ran for office, Mr. Ben was a behind the scenes kind of man. He took the lead and was instrumental in the formation of the City of Mission Viejo and in-fact, went to the county to ensure adequate funding was put into place to ensure that our city would be a success and thrive long term and 30 years later, we are!

He organized initial signature gathering and encouraged early city leaders to run to sure good leadership. Arranged and moderated 22 debates on cityhood, raised all the money necessary. He went to LAFCO, pulled all the papers and filled all the paper work necessary to move forward with cityhood.



He also was very involved in the incorporation of the city of Laguna Niguel and has had a positive impact on our neighboring city as well. Former Mayor Robert Breton, shared the following with me, "I remember that John Ben was an excellent announcer (and cheerleader) at the reviewing stand for the St. Patrick's Day Parade for several years, which was televised on our public access channel (produced by Dimension Cable at that time). He provided substantial financial support for many worthy candidates, foundations, and other valuable causes. John and his wife Carolyn continue to stay involved in civic leadership organizations and encourage and support good candidates who are interested in serving the City of Mission Viejo as well as the those who represent and serve our South Orange County Region. Thank you John Ben for being one of our founding fathers!

FROM OUR HALLS OF CITY HALL DEPT.

CONVERSATION *With* DENNIS WILBERG

MISSION VIEJO CITY MANAGER

Meet Mission Viejo City Manager Dennis Wilberg. Dennis began his employment with Mission Viejo in 1989 as Director of Public Works. He landed the top job as City Manager in 2003.

“ My favorite travel item I always pack? My Darth Vader Coffee Mug! ”



The City Manager position must have a strong grasp on finance and budget issues, as well as a leadership style that keeps the city on an even keel during the best days and the worst days. For the last decade under Dennis' leadership, our city has finished each year under budget.

Q&A

Where did you graduate college?

Cal Poly Pomona.

What's your favorite intersection in the city?

La Paz and Chrisanta during the holidays.

What TV show or movie do you refuse to watch?

Not a fan of horror movies, seems like a waste of time.

Favorite place to take your wife in the city?

Oso Viejo park for the Pacific Symphony Concert.

Favorite snack?

Almonds and Cashews.

What song have you completely memorized?

Star Spangled Banner.

Best day?

When I get to help someone.

Worst day?

When I have to deal with a dishonest person.

Most Memorable Moment?

1. *Driving down the freeway when my wife went into labor with my daughter and my son was in the back seat singing all the patriotic songs he had learned in school.*

2. *Having lunch at the Tap House when my son told me he had been accepted to Notre Dame University.*

Where do you usually go when you have a day off?

Somewhere along the coast.

What do you consider beautiful?

Kindness.

Festival, fair or event you never miss?

Tournament of Roses Parade.

How many keys are on your personal key ring?

Three keys.

When was the last time you climbed a tree?

Last year.



Upcoming Events

SPRING WINE TASTING
THURSDAY, APRIL 19TH
6:30PM-9:00PM

ENJOY OVER 100 WINES TO TASTE & PURCHASE AT WHOLESALE PRICES!
TICKETS ARE \$35 AND CAN BE PURCHASED ON EVENT BRITE.

JOIN US FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
IN O'NEILL'S BAR & GRILL
THURSDAYS 5:30PM-8:30PM
FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS 6PM-9PM



PLEASE CALL FOR RESERVATIONS 949.305.5100
36772 AVERY PARKWAY, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92692 - WWW.ARROYOTRABUCO.COM

MEET YOUR POLICE CHIEF MISSION VIEJO'S TOP COP

by Sarah Bardowell

Lieutenant Quyen Vuong, who simply goes by "Q", is a 20-year law enforcement veteran. Well-known throughout the community as the "Cyber Cop" for creating the Text to Tip program our schools use today, Q has formally served Mission Viejo as a School Resource officer for MVHS, Silverado, La Paz and Newhart and is excited to be back in Mission Viejo again.

Q has some exciting and fun changes to look forward to. If you aren't following OCSD

– Mission Viejo Police Services on social media - you need to (yes, need) now! The new social media pages are fun and informative. In addition to social media, Q is evolving Bike Patrol. Morning runs on Oso Creek Trail are a lot safer now.

The Coffee with a Cop days are going to be revived to engage with more of the community. Once the weather warms up, Q plans on hosting an ice cream social. Sweet (literally)!

There will soon be a new Quality of Life Deputy added to the staff at no additional cost to taxpayers. This position will aid with providing the homeless with help and resources they need to get back on their feet. They will also address problems with sober living homes in residential neighborhoods, and help resolve ongoing problems with nuisance neighbors.

The residents of Mission Viejo are who make this such an amazing community. Our new police chief wants residents to know that nothing is too small for Police Services. If you see suspicious activity – report it.



Intersections We Remember



View of Mission Viejo From Santa Margarita Parkway 1993

EXCELLENT AGENT

Elize Kikkert, GRI, SNES, CNE

INTEGRITY * HONESTY * PROFESSIONALISM

These are the attributes that I live and am known by. ALL clients are important to me and I work hard to bring SELLERS and BUYERS together.

Choose a Realtor who is a:

- TOP PRODUCER AWARD RECIPIENT
- GRADUATE REALTOR INSTITUTE
- SENIOR REAL ESTATE SPECIALIST
- CERTIFIED NEGOTIATION EXPERT



EXCELLENT TRACK RECORD



I look forward to meet you!

Call Elize Today
949-462-4064

uAtHomeByElize@gmail.com

www.ElizeKikkert.com

CalBRE # 01903249



Ask Aunt Sandy

- WITH MISSION VIEJO'S SANDRA FERGUSON



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

STEAMER ALERT

MISSION VIEJO MINEFIELDS LEAVE A PERSON STEAMING MAD

Dear Aunt Sandy,

I love your column in the Mission Viejo Reporter. It always makes my day. Here's my dilemma: In my neighborhood park near Alicia, there's a guy who always lets his dog run around off-leash. He thinks it's his own private dog park. I always throw him dirty looks when he sees me, but he just waves and smirks. How would you handle a guy like this?

- Steaming Mad on Valyermo

Dear Steaming Mad,

I know these types. They are self-centered, rude, non-conforming doofuses who refuse to visit the dog park like everyone else. Instead they choose to use our parks and schools as their pet's personal exercise yard. In fact, some schools now have "Poop Monitors". These are school kids who each day scan the playground looking for these disgusting brown land-mines before recess. If Aunt Sandy wasn't such a lady, she'd like to leave this guy a steaming surprise in his front yard.

However, next time call Mission Viejo Animal Service at 949 470-3048, and they will promptly send over an Animal Services officer with his ticket book, ready to serve some poop justice.

- Aunt Sandy

MODERN MEDICINE, TRADITIONAL CARE™

FAMILY PRACTICE



**26922 OSO PARKWAY, SUITE 380,
MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691**

949-305-0110
WWW.ROSSLEGACY.NET



BOOK ONLINE
OPEN DAILY

KARL GEBHARD, MD, MS

Alicia Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry

24481 Alicia Parkway, #B-3
Mission Viejo, California 92691
(Office is located next to the LA Fitness)

949.586.9800

www.Aliciaopds.com

NEW PATIENT SPECIALS

FREE ORTHODONTIC CONSULTATION

\$59 GENERAL PRACTICE EXAM & X-RAY

\$49 PEDIATRIC GENERAL EXAM & X-RAYS

ASK ABOUT OUR
\$699. CROWNS



MEET OUR DOCTORS

General Dentists
Dr. Rodney Boyd
Dr. Alison Austin

Orthodontist
Dr. Peter Kimball

Pediatric Dentist
Dr. Cecilia Koo

- Pediatric Dentistry
- Free Orthodontic Consultations (Invisalign & Braces)
- IV Sedation for Pediatric services
- In-house Discount Plan offered
- Flexible Payment Options
- Most HMO and PPO's accepted

Some restrictions apply to certain services. Some services may be subject to change. All services, fees to be combined with each other or separate offer. Please call office for more details.

Mission Viejo

NEW Self Storage Phases!

GRAND OPENING





OVER 400 NEW UNITS!

LIMITED TIME OFFER

- Secure facility with keypad access and 24-hour security
- Climate controlled
- Any size for any need

DISCOUNT FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS!

MANAGER SPECIAL **20% Off**
All Self Storage Units

SUBJECT TO SPACE AVAILABILITY



25725 Jeronimo Rd
Mission Viejo, CA 92691
949-328-7780

RVStorageDepot.com

CALL, LOG ON OR STOP IN!

CAMP PENDLETON

THE STORY BEHIND THE MARINE'S WEST COAST HOME



General Joseph H. Pendleton

The base was established in 1942 to train U.S. Marines for service in World War II. By October 1944, Camp Pendleton was declared a "permanent installation", and by 1946, it became the home of the 1st Marine Division. It was named after Major General Joseph Henry Pendleton (1860–1942), who had long advocated setting up a training base for the Marine Corps on the west coast.

HISTORY:

In about 1882, the Rancho Santa Margarita y Las Flores land was purchased by wealthy cattleman James Flood and managed by Irishman Richard O'Neill who named it Rancho Mission Viejo. O'Neill was eventually rewarded for his faithful service with half ownership. Under the guidance of O'Neill's son, Jerome, the ranch began to net a profit.



19th Century Map of the original Rancho Mission Viejo



Camp Pendleton in 1944

When expansion of all U.S. armed forces was authorized by President Franklin D. Roosevelt's proclamation of an unlimited national emergency on May 27, 1941, an immediate need for additional amphibious force training facilities led to the construction of Camp Pendleton.

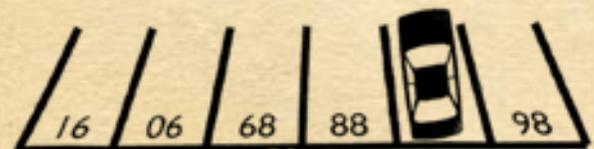
In the early 1940s, both the Army and the Marine Corps were looking for land for a large training base. The Army lost interest in the project, but after December 7th 1941, things changed. In April of 1942 it was announced that the rancho was about to be transformed into the largest Marine Corps base in the country. The Marine Corps paid \$4,239,062 for the rancho.

After five months of construction, the Rancho Santa Margarita by Las Flores, became the West Coast's largest military camp. President Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicated the Base on Sept. 25, 1942, in honor of World War I Major General Joseph H. Pendleton who had called for a West Coast training base for so long and who's idea was now a reality.



BRAIN TWISTER

What is the number of the parking space containing the car?



Answer: Turn to the back cover



Josie Alvarado
Palmia Resident Specialist
and Notary Public
949-215-6676
www.PalmiaRealtor.com

Professional, Efficient, and Courteous.
The way Real Estate Sales should be...always.

Realty ONE Group
#5 in the Nation
25910 Acero, Suite 100
Mission Viejo, CA
92692
BRE #01884157

Complimentary Market Analysis
Complimentary Professional Staging



Join in April and receive a
\$100 Program Credit!

Find your
Fit!

Use your program credit towards swim, sports,
KidZone activities and specialty camps!*

FITNESS STARTS HERE! JOIN TODAY!

One Y. One Goal. One Community.

*Exclusions may apply. Credit good for health & wellness center programming only. May not be combined with any other offers.



MISSION VIEJO FAMILY YMCA
27341 Trabuco Circle, Mission Viejo, CA 92692
(949) 859-9622 | ymcaoc.org/join



#YGOALS

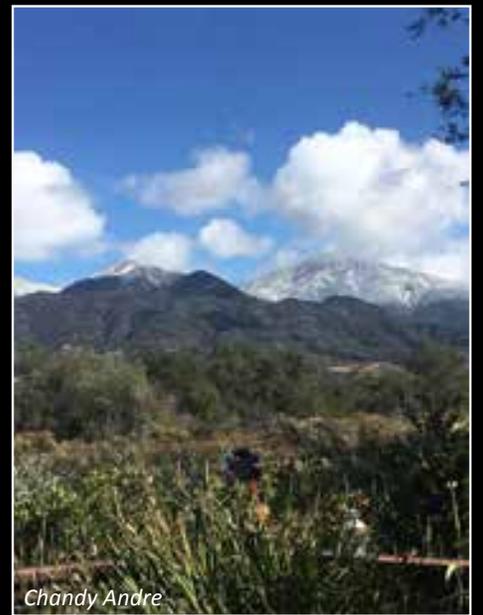
The Y is a leading nonprofit organization for youth development, healthy living and social responsibility.



Hector Salguero



Robert Hark



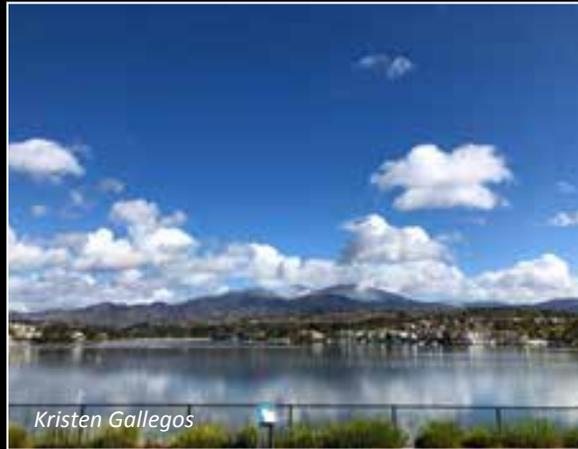
Chandy Andre



David Townsend



Jackie Derr Ladd



Kristen Gallegos



Valerie Quintard



**MISSION VIEJO
REPORTER**

**THE DAY THE SNOW
MADE A BRIEF VISIT**

Submitted Photos



Avid Paulson



Marla Ovitsky Jacobs



Bryan Beardsley



Dee Wells



Philippa Van Diver

General Dentistry

Cosmetic Dentistry

Laser Dentistry

Periodontics

Orthodontics

Dentures

Implants

Invisalign

Implant Special

Starting at **\$ 2,750*** Reg. \$ 4,000

*Expires 4/30/18. Includes implant, abutment and crown

Invisalign Special

\$500 off

*Expires 4/30/18. Insurance will be billed if applicable.



Friendly Staff & Gentle Dentistry
Easy Financing Options

Call Today! 949.916.6868



27680 Santa Margarita Pkwy
Mission Viejo, CA 92691

- ✓ Focus on Prevention
- ✓ Custom Tailored Treatment Plans
- ✓ Nitrous Analgesia Sedation
- ✓ PPO Insurance Accepted
- ✓ 0% Financing Available (CareCredit)
- ✓ Emergency Appointments Available

Mission Viejo Residents New Patient Special

\$49 INCLUDES Exam
Digital X-rays
Consultation

+ Professional Cleaning*

*Expires 4/30/18. In absence of periodontal disease.
Insurance will be billed if applicable.



Dr. Ada Gruita, DDS

FROM OUR CRIME & PUNISHMENT DEPT.

MOMMA'S Kidnapped!

PHONE SCAM HITS MISSION VIEJO

Long time Mission Viejo resident Shelby Garrison shares with us a scam that had her on pins and needles.

By Shelby Garrison

I just got a VERY SCARY call from a Mexico number +53 311 301 1269, and a woman was screaming for me to help her and said they were going to kill her. It sounded just like my mom. A man came on the phone and asked if I was Shelby Garrison. He said, "had my mom and if I didn't give him money, he was going to start cutting off my mom's fingers and that we would never find her body to bury for a funeral."



I ran into my office while on the phone with the man and used the office phone to call mom's work to confirm that she was ok, and thank God she was. Two other people at my mom's work received nearly the same call.

Anyway, my mom and I have a secret "safe" word from when I was a kid, and I just wanted to remind everyone to make sure your kids and relatives choose and remember a safe-word so you can quickly figure out if this is a scam or something to be taken seriously.

Shelby said she telephoned Mission Viejo Police Services and they said they receive calls similar to this scam everyday and there isn't anything they can do about it...they won't even take a report on it.

FROM OUR STRATEGY DEPT.

NOT FAKE NEWS

GREAT PRESIDENTIAL MOMENTS IN MISSION VIEJO HISTORY



On October 15, 1968, **President Ronald Reagan**, then Governor of California, assisted in the dedication of **Saddleback College** at a ceremony drawing more than 1,000 community members.



In 1976, **President Ford** visited Mission Viejo on its 10th anniversary and dedicated the Mission Viejo community flag. The photo shows President Gerald Ford shaking hands with a Mission Viejo High School Marching Band member.

HACKING 101

CODE REV IS GREAT AT GETTING KIDS EXCITED ABOUT LEARNING

My girls had been bugging me to check out a Coding Camp for months, and to be honest, I wasn't exactly sure what coding was! But towards the end of last summer when they weren't signed up for any camps, I decided to look online and see which ones had great reviews, and thankfully, I stumbled upon **CODE REV**, which was started by Evan Boorman.



When I had the pleasure of meeting Evan on the girls' third day of camp, he shared with me that he had thought of starting a Coding Camp after he taught himself to code by creating a few websites for a company he founded which taught advanced Math. That's when he realized that this was the missing link, and that kids should be taught these skills at a younger age.

CODE REV has a staff that is superb at getting kids excited about learning technology, and the kids don't even realize they're learning Math and Physics in the process. The curriculum is honed and tested year round and written by technology institutes such as MIT Media Lab, Harvard and Stanford.

While at camp, my girls sent me texts saying that CODE REV is the "best camp ever" and that they were learning so much. The kids loved being in control of their Minecraft World and making the characters do things that they cannot do in the online game. They were the Rulers of their creative universe and that felt incredibly empowering to them. Both

courses they took, Minecraft Modding and VR 3D Game Design, were exciting because the kids got to "hack" into Minecraft and write their own code in the Java course code it is written in. CODE REV provides the curriculum and technology, and the wonderful teachers know how to relate the often complex topics to kids in a way they understand and latch onto.

A full week of camp changes the way kids think about learning forever, which was actually the #1 goal when our family began to home school two years ago. I can honestly say that classes like these are just what they needed to pique their interest in a subject that they're passionate about and continue to be interested in.

Code Rev is offering **Mission Viejo Reporter** readers a special promo code. Go to CODEREVKIDS.com and Enter **MVREP18** at checkout to get \$55 off any camp sign up.

Code Rev Kids - 844-490-TECH (8324)



BLESSED SMILE

Mission Viejo



www.BlessedSmileDental.com

Dr. Park, Dr. Lee and Dr. Ahn, with our exceptional team, are pleased to provide you and your family the finest dentistry in quality and service. Combined, our doctors possess over 40 years of dental knowledge and expertise. Our doctors are graduates of the University of Southern California and you will always receive the personal attention that is our trademark. Our philosophy of Dental Care is providing healthy teeth and gums for life!

Like our namesake, we hope you will leave our practice not only feeling confident in your smile but that you will also leave feeling Blessed.

(949) 916-1610

Consultations are always complimentary

23032 Alicia Pkwy., Suite D • Mission Viejo, CA 92692

In Olympiad Plaza with Albertson's and Bagels & Brew

C. J. VER BURG LANDSCAPE

THE ONLY CHOICE FOR PATIO REMODELING

MASONRY - CONCRETE - POOLS - PLANTINGS



The only contractor that coordinates design, bbqs, construction, pool/spas, horticulture and lighting to make your project trouble free!

**SERVING MISSION VIEJO
SINCE 1977**

**Free consultation
& estimate**

"C.J." cell **(949) 939 4254**

dutchvb@att.net

ST. LICENSE C-27-484997

www.cjverburg.com

YOUR CHRISTIAN LIFESTYLE STORE

Rejoice
CHRISTIAN BOOKS-CARDS-GIFTS

Come on in and check us out for
Inspirational Books cards and Gifts!

30% OFF OFF ONE ITEM
(Cannot be combined
with other offers)

Visit our new Bargain Room for 40% everyday

**GREAT EASTER GIFTS, DECOR
and MORE!**

23851 Via Fabricante, Suite 201
Mission Viejo, CA • (949) 716-5511
Hours: Mon-Sat 10am-7pm

"Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord Rejoice!" Psalm 105:3

All you can eat
Sushi, Rolls and Appetizers

Zenko **Sushi**

28992 Marguerite Parkway, # 190
Mission Viejo, CA 92692
Tel: 949-347-0844

Mon - Thurs: 11:00 am - 2:30 pm
5:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Fri - Sat: 11:30 am - 2:30 pm
5:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Sunday: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

**SERVING
MISSION VIEJO
27 YEARS**

Corner of
Marguerite
and Escolar

Lunch 11:30 am - 2:30 pm Mon - Sat \$ 20.95
Dinner 5:00 pm - 9:30 pm Mon - Sun \$ 25.95
Kids 10 yrs & under \$ 15.95

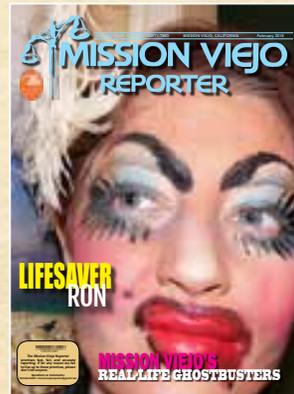
COVER FAILS!



Choosing a cover is always a difficult endeavor. Is the photo too dull or too controversial? Does it look right? What about the colors? With that in mind, we present covers that didn't make the our stringent publishing guidelines...



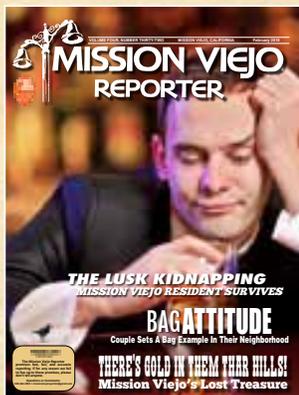
Mission Viejo's Dating Seniors



The Beauty Issue



Safety Around The House



Mission Viejo's Fun Happy Hours!



The Fitness Issue



Mission Viejo's Hottest Bachelors



Playing With Your Pet

INES
REALTOR®

Ines A. Negrete

949.554.5786 (call/text)
Ines@InesNegrete.com
InesNegrete.com
License #01784762

REGENCY
REAL ESTATE BROKERS

OC Regrout
Tile • Marble • Granite

Axel Laverde
Tile Setter

(949) 357-5736
axelglaverde@gmail.com

Flooring • Kitchens & Bathrooms
Installation & Repair Commercial & Residential

Coast to Canyon
REAL ESTATE

Rita E. Tayenaka
BROKER/OWNER

949.292.1393
rita@rita4homes.com
DRE# 01003719

A NAME FRIENDS RECOMMEND!

DAVE'S CLOCK SHOPPE
Serving Orange Co. for over 35 years

Grandfather clock service and repair
HOUSE CALLS
949-364-5572
www.davesclocks.com
dave@davesclocks.com

Mailing Address:
25108 Marguerite Pkwy. Ste. A-218
Mission Viejo, CA 92692

David Harwood
Certified Clockmaker

CENTURION Award Winner
Century 21 Beachside

"WIN WITH FLYNN"

JIM FLYNN BRE # 0215480
FOR ALL YOUR REAL ESTATE NEEDS.

949-463-0739
OVER 25 YRS in ORANGE COUNTY

Internet Marketing Services for Orange County

LOCAL

26040 Acero
Mission Viejo, CA 92691
949-573-2125
jim@949local.com
www.949local.com

Jim Froling
President

Extra Clean Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning

Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning • Residential & Commercial
Serving Orange County, California

Call Today! 949.831.0376
www.extracleancarpet.com
www.facebook.com/ExtraCleanCarpet

PRINTING
COPIES
SIGNS

PRINTING
Printing & Marketing SOLUTIONS

28570 Marguerite Pkwy., Suite 108, Mission Viejo
949.364.2309

Servicing Mission Viejo
"Family Owned and Operated"
LIC# PR 3870

30 YEARS

INTERNATIONAL TERMITE

JAMES McCALL

Is your home termite free?
FOR A NO COST INSPECTION CALL:
(714) 606-0957

- Free Estimates
- Escrow Wood Repair
- Replacement of Termite & Rot Damaged Wood
- Local Treatments Fumigation

FREE INSPECTION
with this ad!

EMPRESA DENTAL
Rancho Santa Margarita

smiles@empresadental.com
www.empresadental.com

A Beautiful Smile is World Class

Dr. Trung Ngo | Dr. Derick Nguy

29941 Aventura, Suite B
Rancho Santa Margarita
California 92688

Phone: 949-888-3333 | Fax: 949-858-0172

WHICH MEDICARE PLAN DO I CHOOSE?
I can answer that question and help you enroll in a plan of your choosing.

Michael Collins (Medi Mike)
Independent Licensed Agent

CA License # 0K94262
Ph: 949-257-2774
Cell: 951-501-6500
medimike65@gmail.com

www.Turning65MadeSimple.com

John Salamy
Loan Representative

NMLS# 1334154
CA DRE# 01742262

John@rescomfs.com
www.rescomfs.com

949-274-9852
949-677-5371 (cell)
949-606-8646 (fax)

RESCOM
FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.
MORTGAGE BANKERS

Your source for residential and commercial finance.

260 Newport Center Drive • Newport Beach • CA 92660



SOUTH COUNTY LEXUS

at Mission Viejo

South County Lexus Of Mission Viejo

28242 Marguerite Pkwy
Mission Viejo, CA 92692
Call for Pricing
949-364-0664



SOUTH COUNTY LEXUS PRESENTING ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

Wyatt Tener - Water Polo

Wyatt Tener, a Sophomore at MVHS is a fiercely independent and goal-oriented young man. After several years of hardwork and dedication, Wyatt has demonstrated proficiency and achievement in martial arts by earning his 2nd Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do.

At the same time, his intense commitment to the Boy Scouts has brought him to the current rank of Star Scout and one step away from reaching Eagle Scout - the highest Boy Scouts rank.

While he enjoyed working with younger kids as a TKO Assistant Instructor, he decided to challenge himself with a new sport. Although he never swam before, he joined the MVHS water polo team and proved that "where there is a will, there is a way". Self-driven and tenacious, Wyatt has excelled not only at an individual sport, but at a team sport as well. With very little time to spare, this busy teen also enjoys the outdoors - hiking and mountain biking.



Optometry at The Shops

Exceptional eye care with a code

LOCATED INSIDE
The Shops at Mission Viejo

Quality Eye Care
Exclusive Glasses & Sunglasses Collections

Call us today to book
your appointment




Dr. Diana Cobanu, O.D.
949.582.2020
optometryattheshops.com
family-owned!

HUMANS OF MISSION VIEJO

with John Rodriguez

STRIVE TO SURVIVE

MISSION VIEJO WOMAN DOESN'T GO DOWN EASY



Meet **Lupe Romero**. Lupe has been the lead medical transcriber in the Imaging Department at Mission Hospital for the last sixteen years. Now, Lupe is a patient of the hospital and fighting for her life.

by John Rodriguez
M.V. Chamber of
Commerce Ambassador

Lupe shares with us, "Life can be extremely difficult at times and during these difficult times we have a choice. We either strive to survive the day, or allow fear and anxiety to paralyze us. I'm choosing to strive and survive."

Lupe is a 6 year two time pancreatic cancer survivor, fighting for the third time. Diagnosed in 2012, Lupe was given the facts of this horrible disease and told she had 3-6 months to live. She's had 3 major surgeries, aggressive multiagent chemotherapy and radiation-chemo treatments. During all of this cancer treatment, Lupe's husband of 38 years died.

Life has dealt Lupe a tough hand, but she keeps going with a great mental attitude. She gets out and enjoys walking, spending time with family and friends, reading, and working on her miniature gardens. Lupe used to be a runner, having completed 11 Los Angeles Marathons. Since she no longer runs, Lupe is staying busy with skydiving, Karate, and she has joined Toastmasters. Lupe also recently started her own online business **Lupe@Strivetosurvive**.



life, clothing gear for survivors.

FROM OUR FAMILY TRADITION DEPT.

CHRISTOPHER'S PARK

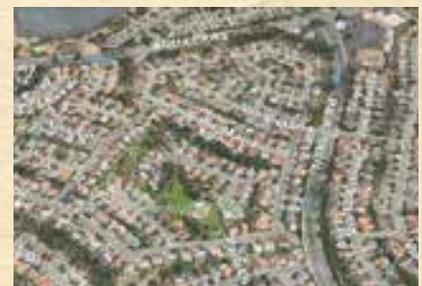
A SPECIAL TRIBUTE FOR A LOVED SON

One of our 52 parks is also one of our first. **Christopher Park** has three entrances each accessing a different neighborhood. Christopher Park was named after **Christopher Blum** who was the son of Tom and Mary Blum. Tom was Director of Planning for the Mission Viejo Company. Christopher died at three years old of Leukemia on December 12, 1971. Jim Toepfer who was Tom's boss spear-headed the park name. [Jim Toepfer would later go on and build Lake Mission Viejo.]



Tom Blum & Christopher (2016)

In 2016, the **Mission Viejo Reporter** met Tom Blum at Christopher Park for a photo-op, and he brought a picture of young Christopher. Sadly, last year Tom passed away. Each year on December 12th, Mr. and Mrs. Blum, would visit the site in remembrance of little Christopher. Today Tom's other son, **Joe Blum** is the current Vice Chairman of the Mission Viejo Planning Commission.



FROM OUR FRESH PRODUCE DEPT.

Organic Farming Mission Viejo's First Ranchers

The Indians who lived here left few artifacts. They camped in the mountains and along the Arroyo to the ocean. They ate berries, fruits, and ground acorns from the oak trees for gruel and bread. They ate clams, mussels and other shell fish from the ocean.

But with the coming of the padres, the Indians' life changed. They were taught to farm and raise livestock. Not wanting



Indians near Marguerite Parkway
(has not been confirmed)

a life of labor, many fled the area. With the coming of the white man also came disease. In 1801 smallpox almost wiped out the entire tribe of Juaneno in Capistrano.



HIGH PARK
TAP HOUSE
MISSION VIEJO, CA

DINE-IN · ONLINE DELIVERY FOOD/BEER/WINE · CATERING · TAKE OUT
23841 Via Linda, Mission Viejo, CA 92691 · (949) 215-3600 · highparktaphouse.com

FROM OUR NOT EATING WITH OUR HANDS DEPT.

TABLE MANNERS *That Matter*

Recently, *the Mission Viejo Reporter* spoke with the lady that trains the princesses in Pasadena, as they vie to become the Queen of the Rose Parade. So you won't look like a slob at dinner, we share with you now. Here are a few of her pointers.

Lessons Fit For a Queen or King

ETIQUETTE FROM THE PASADENA ROSE QUEEN TRAINER

1. Napkin - don't shake - don't put on collar
2. If you leave the table, put your napkin on your chair
3. Soup - Scoop soup away from you - don't drink out of bowl
4. Swirl pasta - don't cut
5. When finished with dinner place utensils together if finished (cross if resting)
6. Don't talk with utensils
7. Drop a fork? Leave it there. Don't pick it up
8. Pass counter-clockwise
9. Bread and butter on left - break off one piece at a time
10. Don't lick knife
11. Spoon and fork at top is for dessert
12. Tie over shoulder is a no-no
13. Jacket is good - always better to look a little better
14. Buffet - Wait till others arrive before starting
15. Don't eat in buffet line
16. Leave something on your plate - don't lick it clean
17. If necessary, just say, "I'll be right back"
18. Don't push back food after dinner



Next month:

We'll share the art of conversation by a Rose Queen

FROM OUR MEET YOUR MERCHANT DEPT.

A Choice Blend of Community and Coffee

You clearly have an overabundance of choices to grab a cup of coffee and a bite to eat as you start your morning commute, or join friends or colleagues for lunch, or cram for that midterm exam, or just decompress after a hard day's work. But many coffee houses just don't have the comfort and sense of community that Mission Viejo's *It's A Grind* has.

Perhaps that's because the baristas and the owner genuinely care about their customers and greet many regulars by their first names when they walk in the door. *It's A Grind* also constantly gives back to the community — whether donating coffee and food to Mission

Viejo schools, PTAs, veterans organizations, and other groups, or hosting events like singing recitals, or treating customers to live music giving local talent a chance to shine.

If you enjoy hot, iced or blended fresh-roasted gourmet coffee or tea drinks, *It's A Grind* has all that, too, of course — as well as, bistro items

other bigger coffee chains don't have, like their very popular, signature avocado toast. *It's A Grind* demonstrates that when community and coffee blend, good things happen.



25522 Marguerite Parkway
(between Oso Pkwy and La Paz)
Mission Viejo, CA 92692
(949) 768-2633

Ask about our catering service

“Freedom Village has given me a sense of comfort in terms of not being concerned about what my future may hold.” — **Willie**, Resident

Willie & John
Residents



John and Willie met at **Freedom Village!** Now, both Residents are creating new memories every day, together. “I’ve got so many things to do,” says Willie about her life at **Freedom Village.** Meet new friends in one of our four dining venues, learn a new craft in our art studio, read a book in our library! It’s all here at **Freedom Village!**

Upgrade your possibilities today. Call to learn more about **Freedom Village,** an **Active Life Plan Community** with **Independent Living, Assisted Living,** and **Skilled Nursing** all on one beautiful campus!



An Active Life Plan Community

Call to schedule a tour

949.340.8108

VOTED THE BEST
Senior Living Community
in Orange County



FOLLOW
US ON:



Lic. #300606831
COA 143

23442 El Toro Road Lake Forest, CA 92630 | www.freedomvillage.org

**SELLER PITFALLS IN THIS MARKET
FIND OUT HOW SELLERS ARE LEAVING THOUSANDS ON
THE TABLE EVEN IN THIS MARKET**

Seller Seminar you DON'T want to miss

**EVENT TIME AND DATE:
April 24, 2018 at 6:30PM**

**Norman P Murray Center
24932 Veterans Way • Mission Viejo, CA 92692**

**Refreshments Served **



What you will learn:

- ✓ What most Agents won't tell Home Sellers
- ✓ The pitfalls of using an "Area Specialist"
- ✓ How the role of a Realtor has changed
- ✓ How the internet is working against Home Sellers
- ✓ See the results of the proven 9 strategy formula



This is a consumer educational event and is not for Real Estate Agents.

REGISTER TODAY

<https://seller9strategies.eventbrite.com>

or call 888-533-1239



To advertise in
**MISSION VIEJO
REPORTER**



please contact us at 949.364.2309 or
MissionViejoReporter@gmail.com



Royal Flooring
& Home Improvements

23854 Via Fabricante, Suite C-2
Mission Viejo, CA 92691

949-215-8530

www.royalflooring.net
Flooring • Kitchen • Bath remodeling



**FREE ESTIMATES!
FINANCING AVAILABLE!**



**MISSION VIEJO
REPORTER**

Advertise with us for as low as \$80.00.
www.missionviejoreporter.com

CONTACT US AT

(949) 364-2309 or at
MissionViejoReporter@gmail.com

**Have Thousands Of Mission Viejo
Residents See Your Ad.**

**MISSION VIEJO
REPORTER**
28570 Marguerite Parkway,
Suite 108
Mission Viejo, California 92692

PSRT STD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
CITY STATE
Permit No. 314

*****ECRWSS/EDDM*****
Postal Customer

"87" is the answer to this month's Brain Teaser.
Turning the page upside down is the secret