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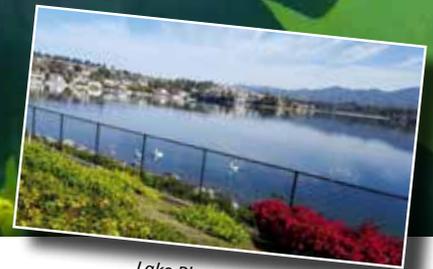


BENEATH THE SURFACE

Lake Mission Viejo's Hidden Treasure



Photo Courtesy of Lake Mission Viejo



Lake Photo by Lauren Stopnitzky

Lake Mission Viejo opened its doors in April of 1978. In October 1978, **Dave Kerr** started working as a Life Guard at the lake. Dave has seen it all over the last 39 years. One of his most memorable Lake moments was in 1980 when he personally placed 700 stoves in 45 different piles under the lake.

Here's the story: In the late 1970's, the **Mission Viejo Company** while building homes all over Mission Viejo, discovered that the new avocado

green Amana Dual Oven Ranges that were being installed were faulty and could catch fire. In the interest of safety, they removed these 700 stoves from the homes, and then had to destroy them. Someone heard that Lake Mission Viejo bass love the nooks-and-crannies that these Amana Range's provided. The stoves were loaded onto trucks, driven to the launch area, placed upon electric boats, taken out to specific locations

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MISSION VIEJO'S DEPUTY OF THE YEAR



Deputy Joe Cislo has been selected as the 2016 Mission Viejo's "Deputy of the Year." Joe has been a deputy with the sheriff's department for about ten years, with the last four and a half served in the City of Mission Viejo. He has been a member of the Bike Patrol and Special Enforcement Teams in Mission Viejo. Joe is a Field Training Officer (FTO) and has trained numerous deputies in different stages of the training program during his time as an FTO. He has also been a member of the department's Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team for the last three years. Joe is also recognized by his peers as a leader within MissionViejo. His experience has developed

into a leadership role, and his fellow deputies often use him as a resource of information. Joe is a likable guy, with a cunning sense of humor.

Deputy Joe Cislo has excelled in all aspects of the job to become a valuable part of the Mission Viejo team, and he exemplifies what the Orange County Sheriff's Department's commitment to "Service above Self" represents. It is deputies like Joe that make the City of Mission Viejo one of the safest and greatest cities in America.

WENDY GOES TO WASHINGTON REPRESENTING MISSION VIEJO



By Mayor, Wendy Bucknum

I had the privilege to represent Mission Viejo as I attended the 85th Annual US Conference of Mayors in Washington DC in January, along with 300 other Mayors, held in conjunction with the Presidential Inauguration. Pictures are worth a thousand words and I share a few of them here so you can see what an amazing experience it was.

**God Bless America and Mission Viejo!
Mayor Wendy Bucknum**



California Society Luncheon



The Presidential Inauguration



California Society Luncheon



The Inaugural Concert

MISSION VIEJO CHARACTER PROGRAM

by Trish Kelley, Councilmember - Mission Viejo



This year marks the 14th anniversary of Mission Viejo's Character Program. This is a program that has been near to my heart since I co-founded it in 2003. At the time, I had just joined the Mission Viejo City Council and was eager to begin making an impact in the lives of our youth and community.

Perseverance, Unity, Integrity, Service, Moral Courage, Citizenship, Fairness, Self-Control, Responsibility, Respect, Thankfulness and Caring – set the stage for a new dynamic in Mission Viejo. Materials, books, inspirational quotes and posters that illustrate these character qualities were then pulled together and provided to every teacher in our 25 Mission Viejo schools. We still do this today.

I believe good character helps young and old make good decisions in life. Good character is a great safety net to catch us when we start to fall. Research proves that character education reduces disruptive behavior, alcohol and drug abuse and teen pregnancy.

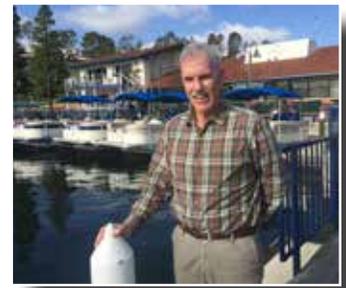
Since its inception, our Community of Character program has been a model for all others to follow. It has received several state and national awards, but more importantly, its success has been celebrated by our teachers, principals and students.

As co-founder and co-author of this program, I am proud of every student, teacher, parent, principal and individual in our community who demonstrates good character in his and her daily lives.

Keep up the great work Mission Viejo!

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throughout the lake, and dumped overboard. Enter Dave Kerr, Dave, wearing his tight-fitting scuba-diving suit, went down and strategically placed 45 piles of these 700 stoves on top of each other, three high, in the shape of an "L".



Dave Kerr - Administrative Manager

Today, at certain times of the year, when the water is clear, you can see Dave's handiwork from the surface. Thanks to Dave, bass and catfish call these Amana Dual Oven Ranges their home. The **Mission Viejo Reporter**



asked Dave if he ever gets overcome with the sentimental urge to dive-down and check out his masterpiece arrangement he created almost 40 years ago. Dave said, "No, not at all."



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**Lieutenant Ken Binning
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FROM OUR CULTURE IN THE STREETS DEPT.

IMAGINE

REACHING INSIDE YOUR HEAD



The student poster art along our "Parkway Gallery" has been selected from more than 500 submissions by students in grades through 7-12. Running down both **Crown Valley Parkway** and **Marguerite Parkway**, you'll find some creative and unique art.

"Each one of these pieces was worthy of recognition, and the overall quality of work submitted this year was quite impressive which made the judges' decisions very difficult," explained **Patricia Wayne**, Former Director of Programs and Education for Arts Orange County. "We saw many more digital art pieces submitted this year which shows how technology and the arts work together to stimulate creativity."



In a recent survey by the Orange County Business Council, 98% of Orange County residents indicated that the arts are important for a child's development and education. So, our "Parkway Gallery" is just one of the many ways Mission Viejo promotes the arts.

FROM OUR HOT ROD FORD DEPT.

1951 FORD DELUXE

MISSION VIEJO RESIDENT ENJOYS FORD'S AUTOMATIC DRIVE

Meet **Lynn Houchin**. Lynn, a retired plumber and his wife **Jackie** moved to Mission Viejo 5 years ago to be closer to their grand kids after living in Sun Valley on their horse ranch for 36 years. Feeding horses twice a day finally got the better of them.



Lynn Houchin and his 1951 Ford Deluxe

One of the classic cars Lynn has is a pristine 1951 Ford Deluxe. In 1951, this was Ford's super fast three speed column shift. Lynn sandblasted this vehicle down to the metal and had **South County Auto Body & Paint** put a dual color on her. The paint and leather is like new.

Lynn did kick-it-up a notch with a 392 cu in. 4-speed automatic 1957 Chrysler engine.

Lynn says every part of this car has been redone. The **Mission Viejo Reporter** asked, "How much do you have into this car?" Lynn says he knows exactly. He has kept a ledger listing every single expense he's paid for to get this car in this condition. He says he keeps the ledger hidden in a safe place and never wants his wife to see it.



FROM OUR HISTORICAL DEPT.

OLDEST TREE IN MISSION VIEJO

Located at the entrance of Arroyo Trabuco Golf Course is a California Sycamore Tree, the oldest tree in Mission Viejo.



Oldest Tree In Mission Viejo

Estimated by officials at over five-hundred years old and split by lightning almost fifty years ago stands one of three trees in the city that was not planted by man. All other trees throughout the city were planted by humans.

This tree has its own eco-system. While visiting this tree the **Mission Viejo Reporter** noted all the living things that make this tree their home. Squirrels, birds, lizards, ants and even the dreaded termite.

General Manager **Matt Dovovan** said that once he saw his grounds crew working to clean up a fallen branch that looked broken and dead. He told them to leave it alone. Now, years later this branch from the same tree has taken root and is thriving.



Tree's Leaf

Years ago, when this area was a rock quarry, a fireplace and picnic table were located under this tree for the comfort of the quarrymen at lunch.



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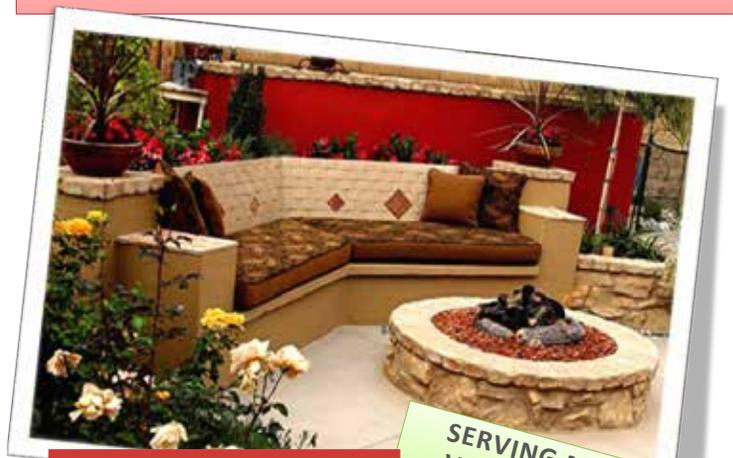
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WHAT'S THE HARDEST PART OF BEING A KID?

MISSION VIEJO KIDS ANSWER THE BURNING QUESTION



Arabella B., "Fights with friends."



Kate J., "Listening to your parents every time they talk to you."



Andrea J., "Having adults treat you like a little kid, but expecting you to act like an adult."



Cole S., "Deciding what you want to do with your life"



Leah P., "The hardest part about being a kid is people believing you because adults don't believe you and it's hard when I'm telling the truth."



Blake D., "Waking up early to go to school and being the youngest of three boys. You always have to be aware"



Austen B., "You are always told what to do by your Mom, Dad, Teacher and sisters. Everyone bosses you around."



Cayden and Carson F., "That we have to listen to our parents all of the time, get up for school early and spend all day at school, then come home and have to do homework."

Sometimes, we adults think life's hard; what about being a kid? The pressures of friends, parties, school and growing up - it's enough to make a kid stressed.

The **Mission Viejo Reporter** sent out our ace reporter **Grace Arthur** on a special assignment, to ask some Mission Viejo kids a tough question: "What's the hardest part about being a kid?" We think you'll agree; Grace got some great answers from the kids.



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Ask Aunt Sandy



- with Sandra Ferguson MV Resident

In the tradition of great personal advice, Mission Viejo Reporter's own Aunt Sandy is a straight shooter who relates to all ages. She researches topics of interest to her readers, and then answers their most personal questions with empathy and gentle humor.

Dear Aunt Sandy,

Do you know anything about cats? We just got a Siamese cat for a pet and he is very loveable. We wanted to mate him, so we borrowed a female Siamese for that purpose. We put them together and he wouldn't have a thing to do with her. She didn't seem to have any interest in him either, but I think if he had romanced her a little, she might have cooperated.

My wife says she thinks our cat is a homosexual. Aunt Sandy, have you ever heard of a gay cat? I asked our vet, and he just laughed. I'd really like to know.

-Serious in Mission Viejo

Dear Serious,

I asked one of the finest vets in Mission Viejo and he didn't laugh. Instead, he told me that unless the female is "in heat", the male will have nothing to do with her. And, she could care less about him. Also, some cats refuse to breed in captivity. My vet did ask me if your cat dressed nice and enjoyed show tunes?

-Sincerely,
Aunt Sandy

Dear Aunt Sandy,

A neighbor left a note on my car saying she doesn't want me to park in front of her house anymore. There is no room in my garage because there are too many motorcycles, and I don't want the car in the driveway because it just started to leak oil. All she does all day is sit outside on her porch and yell at her gardeners. Can you tell someone not to park on the street because it's in front of your house?

-Motorcycle Mama

Dear Motorcycle Mama,

Are you kidding me? More neighborhood arguments and disagreements come from parking issues. I get the sense that your garage is full of loud, stinky, oily, motorcycles that are probably a neighborhood nuisance.

Put your big girl panties on and throw down some kitty litter and park in your own driveway or you could drive down the street and find a spot NOT in front of someone's home. Yes, the lady doesn't own the public street, but leave the lady alone, she's got bigger issues with her gardener.

-Sincerely,
Aunt Sandy



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SOUTH COUNTY LEXUS PRESENTING ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

Tanner Bibee



Mission Viejo High School Baseball



Tanner, a senior at Mission Viejo High School, started playing baseball when he was 4 years old. He played both in North and South Mission Viejo little leagues and for Baseball West Coast. Tanner is starting his 3rd season as a pitcher on the Diablo varsity team. His sophomore year he was part of the MVHS CIF Championship team. Tanner signed his National Letter of Intent to play baseball for Cal State Fullerton. He is looking forward to being a Titan in the

2018 season. This summer he will play in the California Collegiate league for the Pacific Union Capitalist. He is a fierce competitor and loves being part of a team. He is hoping to one day find himself in the MLB.

DOG PARK AGGRESSIVE DOGS!



OPINION

Please Submit to
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by Sharon Cody - Former Mayor of Mission Viejo

As a long time animal advocate, it has been disappointing to see so many well cared for K9's getting bitten by aggressive dogs at the MV dog park. Sadly, Animal Urgent Care has seen a great many of these injured dogs. Most require surgery, and in nearly EVERY case, the owners of the offending dogs actually sprint to their car to avoid speaking with the owners of the injured dogs.



As in all parks owned by the City, this park is particularly well planned, beautiful and well maintained. Adequate space for both big dogs and small dogs exists. Talking to frequent users of the park, dog owners come from as far as LA to use our park. OVER USE of the park results in additional maintenance costs, currently being provided by taxpayers of the City of Mission Viejo. Parking and traffic issues occur regularly on busy weekends.

While there may not be a solution that guarantees there will never be an aggressive dog in the park, there is a way to reduce the number of poorly socialized and aggressive dogs. IT IS TIME for a permit process. If permits were issued by Animal Services, the owner would be required to furnish proof their dogs are spayed or neutered, and at least vaccinated for rabies. Dog owners would be required to have a dog license. Dog owners in all of the cities served by the shelter, MV, LN, AV, LH, and RSM, would be eligible to apply for a dog park permit. The new revenue derived with improved dog license compliance would help pay for any additional cost of administering the passkey program.

Who would NOT be granted a permit?

- Owners who live OUTSIDE of the shelter's 5-city service area.
- Owners with dogs already declared dangerous.
- Owners who fail to comply with licensing requirements.
- Owners who have dogs that are not spayed or neutered

IT IS TIME! We need a permit application, process and passkey. IT IS UNACCEPTABLE that taxpayers and residents, who worked so hard to get this park, cannot use it. IT IS UNACCEPTABLE that our well socialized, sweet, community K9's are at risk of being injured by dogs outside of the shelter's service area. Let's improve their chances and establish a "passkey" permit process, just as other cities have done.

FROM OUR MAIL BAG DEPT.

SERIOUS LETTER

This is an honest-to-goodness, serious letter, no gags or silly questions. I have been reading the Mission Viejo Reporter for a year and a half now, and am still amazed. I have seen articles in your publication on subjects which would never be touched in other leading papers. Yet, you have had the courage to print stories and articles about people and things that we would never have heard of. You have treated subjects with humor, but the real underlining message comes through.

In these times and with the world in the state that it is in, all Mission Viejo Reporter readers should be thankful for your enjoyable, humorous and most of all an informational magazine.

I know you won't print this letter because you and your staff are much too modest to accept any of the credit you so richly deserve.

William R.
Mission Viejo

Oh, you are right! You are so right! - Dave, MVR

ONE RAINY WISH The Day the Rain Came to Oso Creek Trail



Visit us at the **Mission Viejo Reporter Facebook** page to see exciting video footage from that day.



ALMOST DEAD MISSION VIEJO STUDENT HAS CLOSE CALL

Ashley Klein was almost one of those high school kids you hear about that dies on the football field (or in her case the swimming pool) for absolutely no apparent reason. Her family was incredibly fortunate to have caught her problem days before she would have died by taking her to her regular sports physical. She had no symptoms at all, but the nurse noticed that Ashley had a slightly higher pulse than normal. Within 6 days she had an Echocardiogram and hours later was told to get to the ER immediately. When she arrived her parents were told that she was in complete heart failure and that she may need a pacemaker or heart transplant. Through a series of tests it was revealed that she had developed a 3rd heartbeat (we all have 2).



Dr. McCanta and Ashley Klein

Her Cardiologist, Dr. Anthony McCanta at CHOC Children's Hospital, decided to perform an ablation where he enters her heart through an artery in her leg and shocks the mis-firing sensor in her heart. The bad sensor was located millimeters from her good sensor, so if he missed he would stop her heart. 7 1/2 hours later, Dr. McCanta was successful!

Ashley has made a full recovery, and within months of her procedure was playing water polo for Mission Viejo High School again. She volunteers at Mission Hospital, and formed the CHOC Club at MVHS. Remember: Check your athlete child's pulse often and make sure it is under 100BPM at rest.



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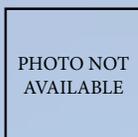


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FROM OUR IT'S NOT AVON CALLING DEPT.

LEADING BY WANDERING AROUND WALKING THE STREETS LIKE CAINE IN KUNG FU

Elder Travus Lemon and Elder Brant Stevens live in the apartments near Alicia and Jeronino. Each day they wake up and begin knocking on doors for the LDS Church (The Mormons), spreading the good news about the Church.



Travus Lemon and Brant Stevens

Travus and Brant are both from Utah. The church sends boys to locations throughout the world for about two years. Each boy is usually in his second year of college when he is plucked from school to make this sacrifice.

The LDS Church strongly encourages, but does not require, missionary service for young men. All Mormon missionaries serve voluntarily and do not receive a salary for their work; they typically finance missions themselves or with assistance from family or other church members.

The Mission Viejo Reporter asked Travus and Brant how they like wandering around Mission Viejo, and they said, "We love it." The Reporter couldn't help but think there are worse places in the world to be wandering around for two years.

FROM OUR MEMORY LANE DEPT.

PRECIOSA ENTRADA MISSION VIEJO'S BEAUTIFUL ENTRANCE

The original length of La Paz Road, the initial entrance to Mission Viejo, is lined with olive trees in slump-stone block planters. They were installed to honor the importance of the olive to the Mediterranean region, olive oil being one of the three core ingredients in Mediterranean cuisine.

Today, these trees remain symbols of our Spanish culture and Mediterranean architecture. At Christmastime, these trees are magnificently decorated with thousands of lights.



FROM OUR LOVE AND CHOCOLATE DEPT.

KIWANIS SCORES BIG CAMP PENDELTON MARINES RECEIVE SWEET TREATS

Mission Viejo Kiwanis Club's annual See's Candy fundraiser sent 672 one pound boxes of chocolate to deployed and Headquarter's Marines. Sergeant Major Chamberlin, of the Headquarter's Battalion, said that he has received notes of thanks from parents for the chocolate given to their sons and daughters.



ABOUT CICERO'S IS A HIT! CICERO WAS A ROMAN PHILOSOPHER WHO LOVED PIZZA

If you've read my previous columns, you know that our family is big on pizza. We have "Pizza Friday" every week and try to venture out to some new places rather than just hitting up our usual spots. I had been to the plaza at the corner of Alicia and Trabuco many times previously but had failed to notice Cicero's Pizzeria, located between CVS and Smart and Final, perhaps because I usually have four kids in tow and they're often all chatting at once.

We decided to try Cicero's last Friday night and although they deliver locally, we wanted the full experience so we opted to eat there. We brought our friends Darwin and Carmen, along with their three kids, so the eleven of us shared two booths. The kids ordered the usual pepperoni pizza and we also ordered the homemade lasagna for them which was a hit with both the kids and adults. The sauces, which they make on the premises, are especially flavorful. Our table ordered the steamed artichoke and an order of meatballs for an appetizer followed with the Vegetarian pizza with pineapple added plus a BBQ chicken pizza and an order of linguine. The pasta dishes come with a nice side salad that is a bit more exciting than the usual ones offered at Italian restaurants. All of the portions were generous and nicely presented. The best part was we had enough leftovers for a few lunches that weekend.



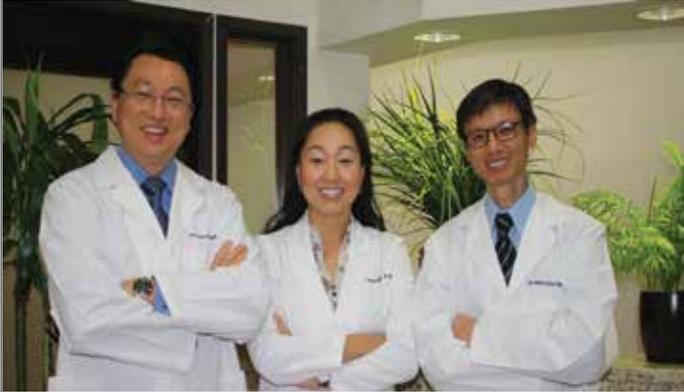
Cicero's - Pizza is good!

While we sat there, we noticed a steady flow of regulars coming in for take out, which says a lot about the restaurant. We liked it so much that we went back a few days later to try some of the subs which were hearty and delectable. If you're looking to enjoy some authentic Italian food, give this place a try. Tell them Kathy from the Mission Viejo Reporter sent you and they'll give you a small order of breadsticks on the house through April 30th, 2017.



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Meet **Arlene Taslitz**. Alene lives in the Palmia neighborhood of Mission Viejo. The interior of her home is very sleek, stylish and comfortable. Arlene is a minimalist. She only has what she needs, you'll find no clutter in this issue's Hacienda of the Month.



Kitchen

Arlene's favorite thing to do in her home is entertain, something she is able to do often. Arlene's home is her palace and she loves sharing it's beauty and uniqueness with others. When asked what advice she would give to other homeowners she said "take your own likes, personality, and desires and make the home yours. Do not fear being different." The Taslitz's took their likes and dislikes and turned them into a magnificent home that they and Mission Viejo can be proud of.



Arlene and her Mother



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Location	Bed/Bath	Square foot	Sold Price
Stoneridge	5/5	3,850	\$1,275,000
Tres Vistas	4/4	3,412	\$1,300,000
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Stoneridge	6/4	3,600	\$1,350,000
Canyon Crest	5/3	3,870	\$1,450,000
Canyon Crest	5/5	4,774	\$1,520,000
San Marino	5/7	7,133	\$1,732,500
San Marino	5/4	4,209	\$2,300,000
San Marino	4/4	5,200	\$2,500,000

All information provided by CRMLS

While the majority of these amazing homes is on the shores of Lake Mission Viejo in either Tres Vistas (southwest shore) or San Marino (northeast shore), there are also a few in the guard gated Canyon Crest and Stoneridge communities just above the lake. Waterfront homes feature the wonderful, close-up views of the lake and the Saddleback Mountains in the distance. Homes further up the hillside have gorgeous city lights views, panoramic lake and valley views, and sunsets to die for.

Of course, Lake Mission Viejo is the major attraction to this area with its endless recreation possibilities. You can enjoy swimming, sailing, kayaking, fishing and the North and East Beach. Additional activities include: live music summer concerts, movie nights and holiday events for all ages. Many of these homes have custom landscaped yards that will rival vacation destinations.

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Artist's rendering of the new location



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The proposed hotel's architecture will include a contemporary design, including tile roof materials, stucco walls, stone trim, and color selection.



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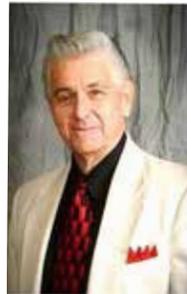
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The store features a large selection of board games, educational toys, and collectible items. In addition, **The Game Chest** will offer STEM based classes for kids of all ages on topics like hands-on science and computer coding.

The store will also host events such as birthday parties, board game nights, Boy Scout/Girl Scout Badges, corporate team building events and gaming tournaments. Game rentals will be available if you would like to host your own game night.



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FROM OUR RUN-FOR-THE-BORDER DEPT.

RESIDENT OF THE MONTH

MISSION VIEJO'S FANTASTIC CHARLIE HORNER

-by Grace Arthur

I promise that you will never meet a happier, funnier, and more loving person than **Charlie Horner**. Charlie is sixteen years old and says he is, "living the best life ever". Charlie attends Tesoro High School and works part time at **Lake Mission Viejo**. One thing you need to know about Charlie Horner is that he is a burrito lover. "My absolutely most favorite restaurant is Taco Bell. I love their burritos, but I'm only allowed to have one a day because I'm on a diet". Charlie said he is going to "be skinny this year." He also wants to be a singer when he's older so he can be on television.



Charlie working at Lake Mission Viejo in the summertime

Charlie loves to hangout with his friends and neighbors, and also play baseball and play basketball. He said his mom and dad are his role models because they teach him what to do and what not to do.

Charlie is loved by all, and I mean all. When I asked him who his best friends are, he said, "Everybody in the whole wide world because everybody loves Charlie Horner."

Overheard Mission Viejo

I would have appreciated if you could have educated Menaced Off of Marguerite [in Ask Aunt Sandy] about the fact that the term 'Oriental' is something that should be used when describing rugs from Asian countries... not people. - *Sincerely, Minority in Mission Viejo*

Your headline about the one-armed man applauding Mission Viejo was funny. - *Jimmy D.*

The guy who wants his girlfriend checked for virginity by a physician is an idiot. [In response to our Ask Aunt Sandy column] - *Mildred T.*

Love the Reporter. I pick it up at the store pictured [Trader Joe's] each month! - *Nancy B..*

My husband received a Purple Heart in Vietnam from one of the booby traps that you mentioned. Thank you for sharing. - *Lorraine G*

I loved the article on Super Salesmen. I bought my Lexus from Matt 3 years ago. - *Dan D.*

Loving last month's pictures of sunsets, too cool. - *Dawn L.*

Greg Rath's column in the MVR was spot-on. His line 'a free-market system that provides quality and personal choice without growing the government should be the rallying cry for all of our council members. - *Bob T.*

Just received and read the latest issue. I did not appreciate Greg Rath's b.s. commentary - *Madonna R.*

In your Valentine Issue I didn't appreciate the picture of the man tongue-kissing that girl. I had to explain to my five-year old what a French kiss was.... thanks! - *Bonnie T.*

Correct me if I am wrong, but I thought M.V. Council members were elected to represent the people of M.V. Rath's opinion should have had an alternate opinion shared. Is this a political publication or a community information publication? - *Eileen R.*

I just wanted to say that the response in the February Issue to M.O.O.M was perfect! [Ask Aunt Sandy] I hope you pick more letters like that. I'm still laughing about the details (especially the priest joining the suspicious mixture of company!) - *Lori L.*

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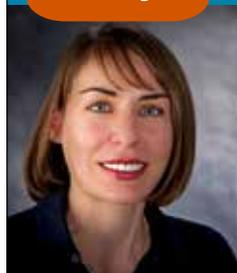


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