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Preparations For St. Patrick's Day Parade

Entries and personalities are already lining up for the Third Annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade to be held in the community March 17.

The event is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m. in the parking lot of the Mission Viejo High School and will end at the Mission Viejo Golf Club.

Master of Ceremonies will be Dave DeSoto, "Mr. Orange County" of KMPC-Radio. He will head the program of prizes and other festivities following the parade.

According to the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, there is room for more entries. Asked are professional organizations, community groups, youth organizations and local businessmen.

The Mission Viejo Golf Club is making available 40 golf carts for use as float vehicles. They are being awarded to groups and individuals on a first come, first served basis. Information regarding the carts or entries may be had by calling Leslie at 831-1550.

At press time entrants are the Marine Corps Band from El Toro, the Mission Viejo High School Band and Mission Belles, the Salvation Army marching group, Mike Doyle's Irish wolf hounds, Mission Viejo and Saddleback Valley Schools, and the Costa Mesa Color Guard.

This year's event is scheduled to also include antique autos, a bag pipe troupe, Miss Orange County and several surprises.

Parade route, this year, has been changed to begin at the

high school and continue south on Chrisanta Drive, south on Via Viento, south on Montanoso Drive, east on Oso Parkway and on to the Mission Viejo Golf Club.

The initial Saint Patrick's Day Parade, two years ago, featured a leprechaun which made an authentic "drop of the blarney stone" on the Mission Viejo Golf course.

Last year's parade was highlighted by the helicopter arrival of KMPC's Dick Whittinghill who officiated as the parade's Grand Marshal.

Dedication of the newly completed Marguerite Parkway last year, was marked by a green railroad spike being driven into the newly completed roadway.

Band participation, marching groups, and equestrian awards were a few of the categories which received trophies. A most humorous and a most unique award were also included in the day's prize presentations. There are also the Judges' Award and the Sweepstakes Trophy.

Children's costumes received special recognition as prizes were awarded for clever and original Irish outfits.



GO BRAUGH — Mission Viejo children account for a large percentage of St. Patrick's Day Parade entries. During last year's festive event, children riding floats, participating in bands or simply representing their school, marched through the community to the Mission Viejo Inn where judges made final decisions as to the winners of trophies and prizes. More than 10,000 persons thronged the streets, hillsides and yards, either as participants or spectators.

Two Degrees Above Marks Ground-breaking In Mission Viejo Community

Mission Viejo, Colorado, located in Aurora, near Denver — one of the fastest-growing areas in that state — held its groundbreaking recently with the symbolic installation of a Mission Viejo-styled light post on the 640-acre site.

Phil Reilly, president of Mission Viejo Company, officiated at the event which was attended by city and state officials and members of the communications media in two-degrees above zero temperature.

More than 3,000 homes will be built in the new community within the next five years. Homes will range in price from \$17,000 to \$45,000. In addition, the area will include townhomes and apartments, recreational facilities, schools, parks, shopping centers, churches and the city of Aurora's newest fire department.

Jeff Lodder, director of ESD operations, Mission Viejo, Colo-

rado, is responsible for activating the plan and design of the community and preparation of the land for the construction of homes.

"Bud" Williams, project manager BSD operations, Mission Viejo, Colorado, is responsible for implementation of construction and sales in the new community.

The Colorado community is the third development in Mission Viejo Company's expansion plans. Other acquisitions are planned in the future, where growth opportunities are determined feasible and profitable for Mission Viejo Company.



TWO ABOVE IN MV — Philip J. Reilly, president, Mission Viejo Company and members of the Aurora City Council gather at the site of Mission Viejo, Colorado, marking the start of the new Colorado community. A brisk wind was blowing, and it was two degrees above zero in Mission Viejo! The new \$108-million community, designed in the motif of Mission Viejo, California, "America's most successful new town," will occupy one square mile and is projected to include 3,200 homes in the next five years.

Kappa Phi Sigma Installs

Kappa Phi Sigma sorority's newly formed Alpha Omicron chapter in the Mission Viejo community recently elected its officers for the year at a tea held at the home of Mrs. Gerri Morris, 26412 Via Lara Dr.

Pat Noga is the group's first president, with Blanche Bradley serving as her vice president; Joy Ferlauto, secretary; and Nancy San Angelo, treasurer.

Committee chairmen are Gerri Morris, program; Serena Love, publicity and historian; Eleanor Markarian, service; Jacque Myers, social; and Sharon Di

Bernardo, ways and means.

The newly formed sorority chapter will meet every second Monday of the month at 8 p.m. Each monthly meeting will feature guest speakers. Activities slated for the year include a picnic, a garage sale, dinners and dances. Proceeds from the group's events will go to charity.