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Mission Viejo Holiday Hay Ride

Friday, December 10, 6-9 p.m.

Holy Love Church



Please join us for a tour of the many wonderfully decorated homes in Mission Viejo. Ride in an open wagon with hay bales to fully capture the winter wonderland spirit. At the end of the ride, join us at Holy Love church for hot chocolate, hot apple cider and holiday treats. Please bring a plate of goodies to share with everyone. In order to plan the hayride, we need to know how many people to plan for. If you and your family are planning to attend, please call **Elaine Lay at 303-699-0657** by December 5. Children must be accompanied by parents. If you know of any homes that should be included on the route please let Elaine know.

Mission Viejo Library Back! But With No Guarantees

Just as we received word that mediation with City was delayed from our scheduled October 4th date, the next day (Saturday, October 2nd) at a special City Budget workshop, City Council proposed and adopted a proposal to utilize risk management funds to re-open the Mission Viejo library on a part time basis (20 hours a week) for one year. News of this was delivered to the HOA only through the media. The HOA Board finds the City's re-opening of our library to be a positive step in the right direction yet the re-opening was done completely without any consultation or any guarantees of further contract breach. The Executive Board has therefore adopted the following position:

While the news of the re-opening of our closed Mission Viejo Library is positive; the City has failed to coordinate any of its recent actions with the Mission Viejo Homeowners' Association Inc. This is highly unusual in the context of a lawsuit. Further, the Mission Viejo Homeowners' Association Inc. has received no guarantees of future closures in violation of our contract, details on the level of service from the re-opened library or mitigation of damages to the breach of contract to the community. The HOA requests that the City of Aurora present a global settlement proposal to the HOA through its attorney in regards to these matters rather than continuing to unilaterally circumvent the legal process. The only way a permanent resolution can be reached is through a mutually agreeable global settlement of the lawsuit.

The Mission Viejo HOA Board would like to extend our thanks to those of you who have thanked us. Clearly our stance has successfully pressured the City to take some action with the library however we encourage residents to contact City officials and insist that the City agree to the terms advocated by the Mission Viejo HOA and that the remaining fifteen years of the original agreement with the community are upheld, that there are an adequate number of resources and staffing in the library and that the number of hours be



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Mission Viejo PTSCO: Veteran's Day Celebration

November 11, 2010,

Mission Viejo Elementary

On Thursday, November 11th, Mission Viejo Elementary will host our annual Veteran's Day Celebration. We would like to invite veterans from our school family to join us for this very special day... aunts, uncles, moms, dads, grandparents and neighbors. The tentative agenda will be as follows:

9:15-9:50: Assembly with all students

10:00-11:00: Speak to Individual Classrooms (share stories, medals, pictures, Q&A*)

11:00-12:30: Lunch & Discussion with fellow veterans

* Please do not bring any weapons, real or fake.

You may participate as little or as much as you would like. You may stay just for the assembly or stay with us all day. You may wear your uniform (which the kids LOVE) or just bring it with you to show. This day is about you, our veterans. No matter how long you decide to stay or how much you decide to participate, I promise that the tribute from our students will be a blessing.

It is imperative that I receive an RSVP from any of our veterans who will be joining us as I must plan accordingly for lunch and a special surprise. Please RSVP no later than November 8, 2010 to **Sandy Roberts at missionptsco@gmail.com or 303-693-8400.**

We would like to invite all of our community to join us for the assembly celebrating our brave men and women in uniform. Even if you are not a veteran,

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Next HOA Meeting

Third Tuesday

November 16th • 6:30 p.m.

Holy Love Lutheran Church

Everyone is Welcome!

Mission Viejo Library Back, *continued from front page*
increased to accommodate what was the second most used library in the City. With luck we can find a mutually agreeable solution and be assured that the library will remain open for many years to come.

— Todd McMahon, Mission Viejo HOA President

Veteran's Day Celebration, *continued from front page*

I am confident that you will be moved by the amazing tribute that our students pay to our veterans.

We will also display our "Wall of Honor" featuring photographs of our veterans. The "Wall" will be on display until November 13th. I will put it up as soon as I start getting pictures. Anyone is welcome to turn in pictures of your US veteran family members, friends and neighbors to be displayed. We hope to fill every space on the wall this year. There is plenty of room so start sending them in now. Please be sure the pictures are marked with student name and teacher. It is very important so that I am able to return these special photos to you.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or ideas. I am looking forward to hearing from you soon and getting more RSVPs than I can keep up with.

— Sandy Roberts, Veteran's Day Event Coordinator

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The Mission Viejo Homeowners' Association Inc. is a state non-profit organization. The purpose of the Mission Viejo HOA is to unite the unit owners of the Mission Viejo subdivisions in Aurora, Colorado; to encourage civic improvements within said area, to encourage community activities including, but not by way of limitation, the beautification, maintenance, and general appearance of vacant and improved lots, streets, parkways, entrances, open and recreational areas situated within the area and used in common by its residents; enhance the safety of Mission Viejo; facilitate enforcement of any and all building restrictions, protective covenants, and to otherwise act in the interests of the members of the Association.

The deadline for articles and advertisements is the 15th of the month for the next month's issue except the Jan. issue which is Dec. 6th. **All articles must be approved by the editor for publication, or as space permits.** To submit an article, e-mail an attachment to Todd McMahon at president@missionviejohoa.org. All letters or articles need to include your name and daytime phone number. All articles must be approved by the Board for publication, or as space permits.

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New Playground Taking Shape - FAQ

Trent Woolley from the Aurora Planning, Design and Construction Division answers some questions about the new playground equipment and sculptures in Mission Viejo Park:

THE STONE PILLARS BEING INSTALLED IN MISSION VIEJO PARK, WHAT ARE THOSE?

I assume you are referring to the large cut sandstone rocks. They are solar system planet markers. There are six of them marking Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto. Mercury, Venus, Earth and the Sun are all marked in the playground area on the ground (for safety reasons). The center of the playground is where a representation of the Sun will be located and the other planets are laid out to scale based on their distance from the Sun.

HAVE YOU MADE ANY CHANGES TO THE ORIGINAL PLANS YOU PRESENTED TO US IN JANUARY?

WILL THERE STILL BE A LARGE SHADE PAVILION STRUCTURE AND MORE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT?

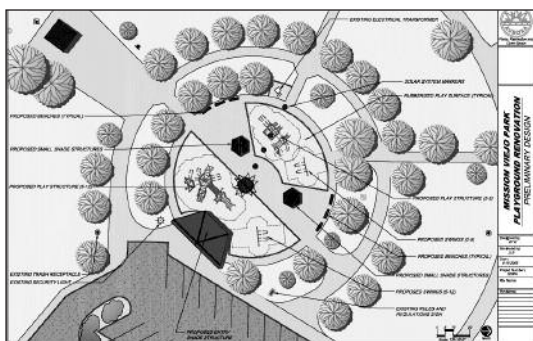
The plans have not changed since we presented at the meeting back in January. The shelters (one large, two small) will be one of the last items to go in.

WHEN CAN WE ESTIMATE THE PROJECT TO BE COMPLETED? WILL THERE BE A BARRIER UP AROUND THE PLAYGROUND ALL WINTER?

If the weather cooperates, we hope to be finished by the middle of November. The fencing will come done in November when the playground is complete.

WILL THERE BE ANY CELEBRATED OPENING?

The HOA answering: The HOA is hoping to host a special dedication event in the Spring to celebrate the new playground and hopefully the final settlement of the library issue. Stay tuned for details.



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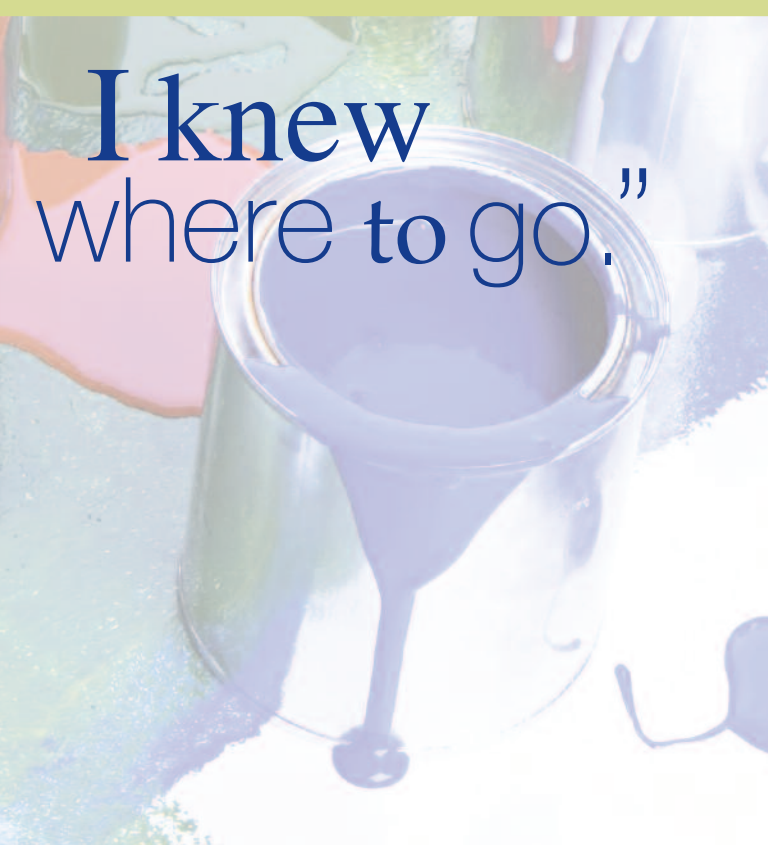
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Landscape Committee

Members of the Landscape Committee met on October 23 to formulate plans for neighborhood beautification and maintenance projects for the next two years that will enhance our community and the values of our homes. Members of the committee are: Jerry and Lois Kiefer, Tom Evans, Sharon Sunstrom, Dee Klaus, Butch Miller and Shelby and Elaine Lay. The committee will meet again in November and December. If you would like to make suggestions for the committee or meet with them in November and December, please call **Elaine Lay** at 303-699-0657.

Classes Promoting Health Prevention for Seniors

The Healthy Aging Initiative (HAI) is a statewide 6.5 million dollar initiative funded by the Colorado Trust with 20 grantees for 4 years (June 2007-May 2011). The City of Aurora's, Aurora Center for Active Adults was awarded a grant to promote health and prevent disease of seniors through three areas of lifestyle; cognitive, physical and social wellness. Check out the Healthy Aging Initiative website at: www.auroragov.org/healthyaging. Go to "News" to find the latest classes. For additional information, contact **Eileen Prosser**, HAI Coordinator, at 303-739-7944 or email eprosser@auroragov.org.

New Look for Our Community/HOA Web Site

Your Mission Viejo HOA has completed a major upgrade to our community and HOA web site. The newly re-designed web site is web 2.0 compliant and boasts a complete neighborhood history section, list of covenants, bylaws, city zoning ordinances, maps, maintenance/renovation tips, payment of dues and donations on-line, trash program information, minutes, financials, community calendar, archive newsletters and its own search engine. Be sure to check it out! Our web site receives an average of 600 unique visits a month from people and computers from all over the world. It's a major way for our community to reach out to prospective buyers wanting to make Mission Viejo their new home and for you to keep up with what is happening with your HOA. Check it out!! <http://www.missionviejohoa.org>



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Cherry Creek Schools News – November 2010

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR 10-11

Winter Break, Dec 20-31, 2010, (School resumes Jan 3, 2011)

Spring Break, Mar 28-Apr 1, 2011

The district's 10-11 four-track, transitional and traditional calendars are available on the district's website at www.cherrycreekschools.org.

WEATHER DELAYS AND CLOSURES

Note: Due to the changes in school start times, SOME delayed start times have also changed.

The Cherry Creek School District is committed to holding school if at all possible, even during inclement weather, to ensure that our students continue to learn and reach their academic potential. However, when extreme weather hits, district officials decide whether to close, delay or hold school as scheduled, based on the safety of students and staff.

If a delay or cancellation is to be implemented, notifications are sent to local media outlets and are posted on the district's website, www.cherrycreekschools.org. Families can also call the district's weather hotline at 720-554-4701.

The delayed start schedule is as follows:

HIGH SCHOOL bus pickup and school start times are delayed 30 minutes.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL bus pickup and school start times are delayed 60 minutes.

MIDDLE SCHOOL bus pickup and school start times are delayed 60 minutes.

CHALLENGE SCHOOL start time is delayed 60 minutes.

I-TEAM programs start times are delayed 30 minutes.

CARE/PREP and Joliet Learning Center bus pickup and school start times are delayed 60 minutes.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT PROGRAMS bus pickup and school start times are delayed 60 minutes.

VOCATIONAL bus pickup and school start time is delayed 60 minutes.

EXPULSION program operates on a normal schedule.

PRESCHOOL (AM only) NO bus transportation to or from school - school start times are delayed 60 minutes.

KINDERGARTEN (AM Take-Home ONLY) buses will depart school at their regular times.

MID-DAY KINDERGARTEN buses will pick up at their regular times.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL DAY CARE programs operate on a normal schedule.

FACILITY SHUTTLES ARE CANCELLED.

Afternoon dismissal times will be the same as usual for all schools unless otherwise announced.

Regardless of any decision made by the district regarding a regular schedule or delayed start, parents may keep their children home if they feel that is most appropriate, and any absence will be considered excused. During the school day, a decision will be made concerning after school athletics and activities. Before and after school care will continue as normally scheduled. In the case of a closure, all school programs including before and after school care are cancelled.

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Cherry Creek Schools, *continued from page 6***CCSD STUDENTS HONORED AS NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP SEMIFINALISTS**

Thirty-seven students from the Cherry Creek School District are among 16,000 students nationwide who have been named 2011 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 8,400 National Merit Scholarships, worth more than \$36 million, which will be awarded next spring. The Cherry Creek School District National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists are:

Josh Alswang – Cherry Creek High School
 Alicia Alvero Koski – Cherry Creek High School
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 Sarah Brook – Cherry Creek High School
 Li Ding – Cherry Creek High School
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 Juwon Song – Cherry Creek High School
 Thomas Stone – Cherry Creek High School
 Hannah Strobel – Grandview High School
 David Thomas – Cherry Creek High School
 Ilana Urman – Cherry Creek High School
 Stephen Whitnah – Overland High School

The 16,000 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists were selected from 1.5 million high school juniors who took the 2009 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). The nationwide pool of Semifinalists, which represents less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest-scoring entrants in each state. The number of Semifinalists in a state is proportional to the state's percentage of the national total of graduating seniors. Semifinalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the Finalist level of the competition. They must have an outstanding academic record

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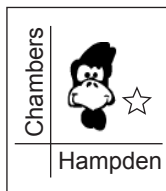
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throughout high school, be endorsed and recommended by the high school principal and earn SAT scores that confirm the students earlier performance on the qualifying test. The Semifinalist and a high school official must submit a detailed scholarship application, which includes the student's essay and information about the student's participation and leadership in school and community activities.

About 90 percent of the Semifinalists are expected to attain Finalist standing, and approximately half of the Finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar title. 2011 National Merit Scholarship winners will be announced next spring.

YOU'RE INVITED!

Smoky Hill High School

- Nov. 4, 6:30 p.m., Smoky Hill Feeder Community Event
- Nov. 6, 9 a.m., Smoky Hill Craft Fair
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Home Maintenance Tips: Winterize Your Mission Viejo Home

1. Clean Out Your Gutters

Gutters that are dammed up with leaves can result in ice dams, which can lead to all kinds of costly outdoor repairs — damaged shingles, roof leaks, broken gutters, etc. Additionally, if your gutters are clogged up, water could be falling right next to your foundation and leads to possible flooding in the basement.

2. Blow Out Your Sprinklers

Have your sprinkler system winterized by having the system blown out by using an air compressor, professional landscape company or if you have a self draining system by opening the drains. Winterizing should also include turning off the water supply outside to prevent them from freezing and bursting.

3. Caulk

Search for drafts around windows and doors on a cold windy day. Place a tissue paper over the suspected draft area. If the paper flutters, you've probably located the draft. For drafts under doors, you may have to buy a rubber draft stopper to place at the bottom of the door.

5. Check the Exterior, Doors and Windows

Inspect exterior for crevice cracks and exposed entry points around pipes; seal them. Use weather-stripping around doors to prevent cold air from entering the home and caulk windows. Replace cracked glass in windows and, if you end up replacing the entire window, prime and paint exposed wood. If your home has a basement, consider protecting its window wells by covering them with plastic shields. Switch out summer screens with glass replacements from storage. If you have storm windows, install them.

6. Replace Your Furnace Filter

Furnace filters in a clean basement, can lead to a more efficient furnace when replaced about every six months. I usually replace mine when I first turn on the heat and then when I switch over to air-conditioning in the summer.

7. Programmable Thermostat

Most programmable thermostats can be purchased for \$30-\$70. In a cold climate, you might be able to save that much in a month alone if you set one up to be cooler while you are out of the house and at night, and warmer when you are at home.

8. Get the Fireplace Ready

If you still have a traditional fireplace, if the chimney hasn't been cleaned for a while, call a chimney sweep to remove soot and creosote. Buy firewood or chop wood. Store it in a dry place away from the exterior of your home. Inspect the fireplace damper for proper opening and closing. Check the mortar between bricks and tuckpoint, if necessary. Enjoy a nice warm fire on those upcoming cold Winter days!

Mission Viejo HOA Budget

Alan Engels – Mission Viejo HOA Treasurer and Vice President

Beginning Balance 1/1/10 \$8,017.95

	Budget	Actual	Difference
YTD Income - Dues	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 727.00	\$ 373.00
YTD Income - Library Defense	\$ 2,151.37	\$ 1,015.00	\$ 1,136.37
YTD Income - Trash Program	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 14,606.00	\$ 394.00
YTD Budget Expenses	\$ 14,824.82	\$ 9,990.12	\$ 4,834.70
YTD Library Defense Expenses	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,865.53	(\$ 65.53)
YTD Non-Budgeted Expenses	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,165.83	(\$2,165.83)
Balance as of 10/19/10		\$ 9,344.47	

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MV NADADORES NAMED

TO USA SCHOLASTIC TEAM

USA Swimming named several Nadadore swimmers (private swim club started by the Mission Viejo Company) to its Scholastic All American Team for the 2009-10 school year. The Mission Viejo Nadadore honorees include: **Men:** Alex Cisneros, Zack Ridout, George Schnaars, and Spencer Wolkind. **Women:** Kellie Fecarotta, Megan Gehrich, Livvy Hughes, Amanda Maffris, and Rheanna Vaughn. Eligible swimmers must have completed 10th, 11th or 12th grade, be a USA Swimming member athlete, and have a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Beer Is Most Popular With U.S. Drinkers

You may crave a tall, cold malt beverage after reading this: Two-thirds of U.S. adults drink, according to a recent Gallup poll, and beer is their favorite alcoholic beverage, followed by wine and then hard liquor.

The proportion of American drinkers in the poll is the highest since 1985. Beer is the drink of choice for 41 percent, and it's been number one since 1992 (except for a blip in 1995, when wine was more popular). Men under age 50 are beer's biggest fans; women older than 50 are most likely to favor wine.

Gallup found that church attendance is one of the most significant indicators of alcohol consumption: Those who report going to church rarely or never were more likely to say they drink than people who attend church services regularly.

How To Carve Your Turkey Successfully

A good Thanksgiving dinner is usually about the turkey. You don't have to be a surgeon to carve one correctly, but proper carving and slicing techniques will ensure you get the most meat from your bird and enable you to present an attractive meal to your family and friends. Follow these simple techniques for successfully carving your holiday turkey:

- Let your 10-pound-or-bigger turkey stand at room temperature for 10 to 20 minutes after cooking and before slicing. This allows the juices to distribute evenly throughout the turkey. Netting and cooking bags are also easier to remove after waiting.
- Slice or carve the turkey on a sanitized cutting surface. Knives, pans, and covers should be sanitized, too. Resanitize boards and knives every 30 minutes. Wear disposable food-handling gloves while carving or frequently wash your hands thoroughly.
- Immediately after the 10 to 20 minutes holding time, carve the turkey into major sections (i.e., breasts, thighs, drumsticks, and wings).
- To serve turkey hot, place sections in pans. Cover with foil or plastic film to retain heat and moisture and to minimize the possibility of contamination. Hold at 140° F or higher in a hot holding device (a cabinet, steam table, or bain-marie). Your turkey should be at least 140° F when placed in the holding pans. The heating device will only maintain temperature. A maximum holding time of 20 to 30 minutes is recommended.
- Slice the sections into serving pieces, arrange them on a plate, and add garnish. Enjoy!



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