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Mission Viejo, Under Construction, Major Projects Take Shape

Millions of dollars in improvements are being invested in Mission Viejo. Just about everything in the neighborhood will soon be under construction or will soon have renovation completed. Last month we informed you about the Mission Viejo Shopping Center's new Walgreen's and Jump Street in the old Grocery Warehouse space. This month we will see major renovations taking place at Mission Viejo Elementary School and at Mission Viejo Park with new playground equipment. Indeed change seems to be happening all around us. In the Quincy Creek Shopping Center, we are seeing a great deal of new restaurants opening including, Rubios Fresh Mexican Grill, Jimmy John's and Noodles and Company among others. Not to mention, that our King Soopers grocery store will also have its major renovations completed in July too. These improvements should strengthen our property values. It also is a strong indication that our neighborhood is alive and well with both government and commercial investment in our area.

One threat of change however to our master planned community may be that our recreation center may be sold and forever changed from that of a recreation center. I urge you to go to our website, www.missionviejohoa.org, and leave us your opinion on our feedback survey related to this issue. At our last Board meeting, we took steps to have our attorney issue a letter to the Realtor selling the property to make sure any potential buyer is aware that any change should go through a general plan (major) amendment. Let us know how you feel about the recreation center and if there was a change in use (see article elsewhere in the newsletter). Also, the HOA's attorney is moving forward to set a full trial date for the breach of contract issue with the City of Aurora over the loss of our library. In the meantime, the empty building is starting to deteriorate and seems to be a target of vandalism and neglect. Let's hope the City and the community can find a solution to this issue soon. Have a great summer!

— Todd McMahon, Mission Viejo HOA President



Outfoxing City Foxes

Red foxes thrive in urban and suburban environments. Red foxes have an exceptionally adaptable diet, preying not only on mice, voles, snakes, insects, and pigeons, but also foraging for fruits, seeds, carrion, and rubbish. Red fox behavior is shaped by its natural instinct and by human opportunity created in its environment.

While many people enjoy watching foxes, intentional or unintentional, feeding can bring these wild canines a bit too close for comfort. If your neighborhood is experiencing an increase in fox sightings and interactions, it may be time to think about outfoxing your local foxes. The best way to avoid negative interactions with red foxes is to keep your local red foxes wild.



NEVER feed foxes, either purposefully or indirectly. Foxes that are fed by humans lose their natural wariness of

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Recreation Center Change of Use Survey

The Mission Viejo HOA, as stipulated in our articles of incorporation, is an organization charged with the duty to represent and protect the common interests of residents and homeowners in our community. That interest extends to the conservation of the neighborhood scheme and our master plan (or general development plan) as a whole. As such the HOA is advocating for the continued use of the former "Heartwood Athletic Club" site to have a recreation center usage. Since the very beginning of the community, the Mission Viejo Company in its Annexation Agreement with the City of Aurora dedicated acreage for this private recreation facility. Incorporating private recreational acreage into the Mission Viejo General Development Plan strengthened the restriction on this site's usage. Originally seven acres were stipulated for use for private recreation centers in the community. A planned second private recreation center, located near the Cherry Glen townhomes was shelved since it was deemed that the existing center (where Heartwood used to operate) would serve the needs of the entire community and as such special negotiations were made with the City to reduce the acreage requirement by the Mission Viejo Company to four acres (the current size of the Heartwood site).

Mission Viejo Company had clear intent to build a planned community under a general plan or scheme that incorporated a private recreation center. Current City zoning codes mandate that changes in use need to be approved by proper amendments

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Next HOA Meeting

Third Tuesday

July 20th • 6:30 p.m.

Holy Love Lutheran Church

Everyone is Welcome!

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humans and can become a nuisance to neighbors and a danger to small, unattended pets. If you see or suspect someone is feeding foxes, immediately contact Aurora Parks and Open Space Naturalist staff at **303-739-7160**. Do not leave pet food outside, day or night. Store all trash in secure containers and do not leave trash out on the curb overnight.

NEVER encourage foxes to come near you or into your yard. Remove backyard attractants such as fallen fruit, bird seed, pet food and unenclosed compost. Haze red foxes out of your yard by shouting, banging on pots and pans, or tossing objects (not food) adjacent to the fox. Repel foxes from areas using ammonia soaked rags or mothballs. Wildlife regulations prohibit the trapping and relocation of red foxes.

PROTECT pets from foxes. NEVER allow pets to play with foxes. Keep pet immunizations current. Do not allow cats to roam freely; foxes occasionally prey on cats at large.

If you have questions or concerns about fox behavior in your neighborhood, please contact Aurora naturalist staff at **mbonnell@auroragov.org**.

Want to learn more about foxes in the community? Please join us and Aurora Naturalist, **Mary Ann Bonnell** from the Morrison Nature Center, who will give a Q&A talk on foxes as our special guest at our August HOA Board meeting, August 17 at Holy Love Church starting at 6:30 p.m.

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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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Disposal of Household Chemicals

Getting rid of paint and other household chemicals is just a call away with the Door-to-Door Household Hazardous Waste Program. Sponsored by Aurora Water and Curbside, Inc., the program provides a convenient, cost-effective way for residents to responsibly dispose of household chemicals, including paint, car batteries, used oil, spray cans and much more. And it only costs residents \$15.

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to the General Plan. As specified by the City, any change in usage would constitute a major amendment to the General Development Plan. This would require the applicant proposing changes of use to hold two public hearings on the changes to both the Planning Commission and the Zoning Commission.

In case there is a potential buyer of our former private recreation center wanting to change the usage from that of a recreation center, the HOA would like to know how members feel about any potential change of use. Please take a moment on our website, www.missionviejohoa.org, and please give us your thoughts on potential changes in usage of this site and how it might affect your property values. Thank you.

**Spruce Up of Two Major Barcelona Walls Completed**

The community's two main Barcelona Walls at the corner of Hampden and Chambers and at Quincy and Chambers were painted at the end of May, thanks to volunteers **Carol Tobiassen**, Mission Viejo Board Members **Todd McMahon**, **Jeremiah Banigan** and his son **Alex**. **Dave Raemer** of Raemer Custom Homes Inc. was hired by the Mission Viejo HOA to facilitate the fabrication of the metal letters and handle their installation. Using Mr. Raemer and a local metal foundry saved the HOA nearly \$1,200 rather than using a well known sign company. These metal signs were stud mounted to the walls utilizing stainless steel pegs to insure against rust runoff and each metal letter was powder coated brown to match the existing letters. The letters should last for many years and add value to our community. Eventually the HOA would like to replace all of the existing acrylic letters which tend to crack, fade and fall off frequently.

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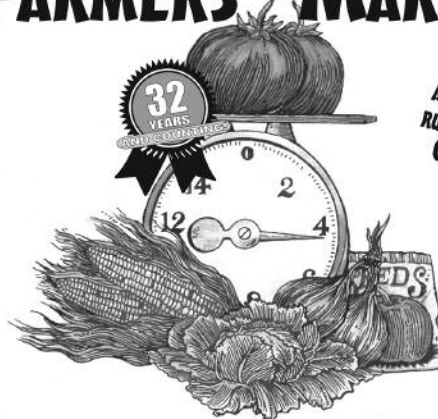
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Sister Community Spotlight – The Lakes of Tempe Arizona

Most people are aware that Mission Viejo Aurora was built to replicate Mission Viejo California but many do not know that at the same time the Mission Viejo Company was building our community, they were also developing The Lakes community in Tempe Arizona.

Although the Lakes community, located between Rural, Baseline, McClintock, and Southshore streets in Tempe, AZ, is smaller in area than Mission Viejo Aurora (approximately 320 acres versus 640), the community continues to strive well in this desert city. Many of the homes in the community back to a meandering lake that winds its way in the community. So successful was the lake-home concept that the Mission Viejo Company wrote into our annexation agreement the possibility of building the same in our community but later chose not to exercise that right.

The Lakes community is a true masterpiece of community planning. It is a lush oasis in the desert. At the center of the community is the Lakes, Beach and Tennis Club. Built at almost the same time as our recreation center (formerly Heartwood), the club has almost the same amenities that Heartwood had, including an Olympic sized pool, handball courts and fitness rooms. The club is exceptionally well maintained and continues to be the focal point of the community, holding many events.

A resident from Mission Viejo Aurora would easily recognize the similarity in home styles to the first filing homes in our community. The homes in the Lakes are extremely well valued and are much higher priced than comparable homes in the Tempe area. Many people in

the Lakes, however, may be completely unaware of the Mission Viejo connection. The Mission Viejo Company decided to mask some of their California influence by not using any Mission Viejo California names for the streets nor are there any Mission Bell street lights anywhere to be found. Few are aware today of Mission Viejo Company's involvement, but to those who do and visit with this knowledge will see the resemblances.



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Sister City News – Mission Viejo CA
DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE FAILS ELECTION

Mission Viejo California's Right to Vote Measure D was decisively defeated by voters on June 8th, 61% to 39%. Some of the supporters of the measure point to the fact that the outcome seemed to be influenced largely by a one-sided campaign waged by the Issue Mobilization Political Action Committee of the California Association of Realtors, which paid for a series of mailings and lawn signs. This California group invested over \$100,000 in their campaign to stop the measure. Over 8,000 Mission Viejo voters initially signed petitions to put Measure D on the ballot, but the initiative ultimately failed 8,700 to 5,500 with very poor voter turnout. Some long time residents now fear that the City of Mission Viejo (a built-out community) will soon focus on changing zoning, allowing more high density housing for certain areas within the community. Others in the community voted against the measure since some thought the initiative was too broadly worded and that it would have cost the City way too much to hold special elections.

Community Outdoor Movie Night

Friday, July 23 at dusk

Trinity Baptist Church 15555 East Quincy Ave in Aurora Sponsored by Trinity Baptist Church. The movie will start around dusk. Bring your lawn chair. Meet in the west parking lot of the Trinity Baptist Church. For more information, call 303-699-9761.

Clean-up on Chambers Road

Volunteers will be finishing up laying the final stretch of new mulch along Chambers Road July 17th. While the volunteers will be working mostly on the north end of the street, the HOA will be closing off all of Chambers Road from Holy Love Church northward. Please call **Elaine Lay at 303-699-0657** if you would like to help with this effort. If your property backs up to Chambers Road, please take this opportunity to safely weed and trim your back wall slope areas and avoid any city citation issues from code enforcement.

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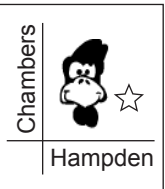
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Home Maintenance Tips – Beams and Rafters

Considering how many homes in Mission Viejo have exposed and interior structural beams, it is essential for homeowners to periodically give maintenance attention to these architectural features. These problems are not unique to our neighborhood as all contemporary style homes built from the 1970's-1980's and older, need special architectural care and attention. If neglected, a beam can eventually bring forth a repair bill costing thousands of dollars. When such cases are found, they usually suffer from conditions that were simply left "out of sight, out of mind" on the top surface of beams exposed in the atrium and those extending beyond the eaves of the house.

For exterior wood beams, decades of weathering cause paint to wear away, leaving the exposed wood beam open to cracking and what is commonly called "dry rot." Even though dry rot is a rather inaccurate term for this condition – the problem doesn't occur in totally dry wood – it causes various types of fungi to deteriorate the wood. These organisms cannot exist if the moisture content of the wood is below 20 percent. Therefore, the way to control wood rot is to prevent water from contacting the surface of the wood. It is essential to regularly inspect exposed beams and check to make sure that the paint protecting them has not lost its integrity.

If the damage is superficial, you can scrape out the damaged areas until healthy wood is exposed. After making sure the beam is thoroughly dry, you might want to patch it with Bondo, and even cap the beam with metal flashing. At the very least, it's a good idea to keep exposed beams painted on a regular basis. It is not recommended removing the beams as they add architectural styling to the façade, giving the homes in the first constructed fil-

ings a feeling of "Western Living with a Spanish Flair", essentially a mix of Craftsman and California Ranch styles.

Interior beams in some models also should be checked periodically for structural integrity. Signs that your home might need repairs are a sagging roof; cracked walls extending from the rafter ceiling that do not disappear after repainting, etc. These signs might mean your beams may have real integrity problems. If you suspect such a condition you might want to hire a qualified structural engineer to inspect your beams.

Taking care of your beams does take time and care but if done properly, usually adds value to your home. These actions also result in greater safety and less costly repairs later on.

Youth Sports Spotlight

Spartan's Youth Club (a club originating from Mission Viejo Aurora) is currently accepting registration for Fall Football, Softball and Cheerleading. For more information, visit <http://www.spartanyouthclub.com>.

Fall Soccer Registration:

Colorado Fusion Soccer Club:

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Mission Viejo Playground Project to Start: Where Do I Take The Kids?

As announced late last year and at our annual meeting, the renovations for the playground in Mission Viejo Park will begin around July 1. It is also likely that the playground around Mission Viejo Elementary will be inaccessible due to their renovations. In the event that the elementary school's playground is also unavailable, that leaves the community with one small playground – located in the greenbelt at Los Niños Park in the west part of the neighborhood. Here is a list of some other alternative nearby playgrounds around Mission:

North:

Meadowood Park, 3054 S. Laredo St located just east of Laredo St. and Dartmouth

South:

Sunburst Park (Recently renovated), 4401 S. Memphis St. located at Memphis and E. Rice Pl.

Northwest:

Eagle Park, 14691 E. Floyd Ave, located at Eldorado Dr. and Floyd Ave.

Southwest:

Pheasant Run Park, 14971 E. Pheasant Run, located at Pheasant Run Pkwy. and E. Radcliff Dr.

Northeast:

Hilltop Park, 3242 S. Richfield St. located at S. Richfield St. and E. Flora Pl.

East:

Hampden Run Park, 3501 S. Uravan St. Located at E. Hampden and S. Uravan St.

No 4th of July Event This Year

Due to the construction of the playground in Mission Viejo Park and the event coordinator's slow recovery from a personal illness, there will not be a 4th of July event this year. Instead the HOA is planning to hold a grand reopening event for the playground sometime in late September or October pending the completion of the construction. For updates on the grand reopening event be sure to follow us on our e-mail newsletter list, or on our Facebook and Twitter accounts.

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The HOA has a few select T-Shirts, golf shirts, bumper stickers and more. Please visit our website and click on the HOA Shop link. For every item purchased, the HOA receives a small rebate. So come on, show your community pride – let everyone know you Love Mission Viejo!



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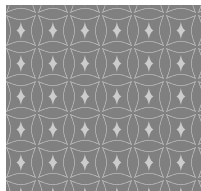
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Cherry Creek Schools News – July 2010

For information about Cherry Creek Schools, visit www.CherryCreekSchools.org. For questions or concerns about Cherry Creek Schools, contact Tustin Amole at 720-554-4475.

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2010!

They were born in 1991 or 92, started kindergarten in 1997 and will graduate later this month as the Cherry Creek School District Class of 2010. They are 3,635 students strong, and have accomplished much during their high school years.

At the May 10 Board of Education meeting, Assistant Superintendent Eric Flor reported that the Class of 2010 has earned more than \$38 million in scholarships and includes 34 National Merit finalists, 6 National Merit Hispanic Scholars, 4 Boettcher Scholars, 6 military academy appointments, and many other scholarship recipients.

Collectively, the Class of 2010 took more than 7,200 Advanced Placement tests during high school and is the fourth class in the Cherry Creek School District to take CSAP tests in grades three through ten.

Since the fall of 2006, members of the Class of 2010 have won state titles (individual or team) in 19 different sports, and performed a variety of classic and contemporary plays and musicals. They have also devoted tens of thousands of hours to community service, helping people in our district and around the globe. Wherever their dreams take them, we know the Class of 2010 will continue to make a positive impact on our world! Congratulations graduates!

NO SUMMER BREAK FOR BOND PROJECTS

The end of the school year is busier than usual this year for students and staff at several schools that will undergo major renovations this summer. In addition to the regular focus on learning and the excitement of year-end events and activities, students and staff are getting ready to move out of their buildings on the last day of school so construction crews can move in.

“Beginning June eighth, every day will be critical for the next ten weeks,” said Mike Langlett, CCSD Executive Director of Educational Support Services. “Facilities will be emptied for demolition work, followed by wall installations and finishes. The contractors will utilize double work shifts, or rolling 40 shifts, to complete the work on schedule.”

Before school begins in August, more than 1.6 million square feet of space will be renovated in schools built between 1958 and 1982. The elementary schools getting major make-overs are Arrowhead, Cimarron, Cottonwood Creek, Greenwood, Heritage, High Plains, Homestead, Meadow Point, Mission Viejo, Ponderosa, Sagebrush, Trails West and Willow Creek.

At those schools, many classrooms will be remodeled, ceilings and flooring will be replaced, and lighting will be upgraded, all of which will enhance the teaching and learning environment for staff and students.

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Cherry Creek Schools News, *continued from page 8*

Renovation work will also be done at Campus and West middle schools and Overland and Smoky Hill High Schools, and lighting and mechanical improvements will be made at Laredo and Prairie Middle Schools and Cherry Creek and Eaglecrest High Schools. Two new schools are also under construction. Pine Ridge Elementary, located in the Wheatlands neighborhood, will open in August. The Institute for Science and Technology at the Overland and Prairie Campus will be completed in 2011. A new Instructional Support Center, which will house the East Admissions Office, Information Systems, and other support departments, is under construction near Thunder Ridge Middle School.

Many critical aspects of these projects include city, county and state permitting, on-time ordering and arrival of equipment and materials, staffing, city, county and state inspections, and the final certificate of occupancy. These facets must be carefully coordinated to ensure successful projects.

All of the projects were made possible by Cherry Creek School District voters who approved the 2008 bond issue.

For more information about these and other bond projects, visit the district website at www.CherryCreekSchools.org and click on the "Design, Build, Achieve" icon.

SAVE THE DATE!

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10th Annual First American State Bank Fitness Festival
Kaiser Permanente 5K Run/Walk or 1 Mile Fitness Walk
Saturday, September 11, 2009 8:30 a.m. – Noon

Registration opens at 7:30 on the day of the event or save time and register online at www.fasbfitnessfestival.com.

The event benefits students throughout the Cherry Creek School District with net proceeds given to the Community Asset Project, a partner with the schools. Funds are used to support programs and practices that strengthen the healthy development and overall wellness of our students.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 10-11

First day of school, four-track calendars, July 6
First day of school, transitional calendars, Aug. 16
First day of school, traditional calendars, Aug. 23
Fall Break, Oct 25-29, 2010
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.

**2010-2011 CHECK-IN, ORIENTATION
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Why We Celebrate Fourth of July

July Fourth is the day Americans celebrate the nation's independence from Great Britain. That might surprise Thomas Jefferson, principal author of the Declaration of Independence. The Second Continental Congress voted to approve a resolution of independence from Great Britain on July 2, 1776. Jefferson wrote to his wife, Abigail, the next day: "The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival."

But the Continental Congress didn't approve Jefferson's declaration until July 4, leading to the popular association of the Fourth of July with the official date of independence. By the way, the Declaration of Independence wasn't signed by most Congressional delegates until August 2, 1776.

Stay Safe From Heat Stroke When Hot Weather Hits

As temperatures rise in the summer months, so does the risk of heat exhaustion or heat stroke. Both are serious. Heat stroke can be deadly.

Heat exhaustion is more common. It typically strikes when people work or play strenuously in a hot, humid environment, causing them to sweat excessively. With diminished fluids and salts, the body loses its ability to cool itself, resulting in symptoms including dizziness, muscle cramps and pain, headache, nausea, and weakness.

Heat stroke is a life-threatening condition caused when the brain is unable to control the body's cooling system. The rise in internal body temperature can result in damage to the brain and other organs. "Classic" heat stroke can develop over a period of days; "exertional" heat stroke strikes more quickly and primarily affects younger, more active persons.

Symptoms of heat stroke include loss of consciousness, confusion, hallucinations, hyperventilation, and flushed, hot, or dry skin. Seek medical help immediately if you suspect heat stroke.

Even in a case of heat exhaustion, consult with a physician, especially if the person loses consciousness, complains of chest or abdominal pain, has trouble keeping fluids down, or has a temperature of 104° F or higher.

Heat stroke and heat exhaustion can hit anyone, but children and older people tend to be more susceptible, so keep a watch on your family when the weather turns hot.

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Boom! Ooh! Ahh!

A Short Look At The History Of Fireworks

Fireworks are an important part of most Fourth of July celebrations. Though most of us associate them with American patriotism – "the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air," and so forth – fireworks actually originated in ancient China.

During the 7th century, Chinese used fireworks to frighten evil spirits away. Eventually, fireworks artists became highly respected for their ability to mix bright color and loud explosions, and their services were employed for royal celebrations. In the Ming Dynasty (which began in the 12th century), fireworks became more commonplace, used for birthdays, weddings, and New Year's festivities.

Treatise on Fireworks, written by Amédée-François Frézie in 1706, became the standard manual for pyrotechnicians. Fireworks were an important part of the very first Independence Day celebration in 1777, and were launched in celebration of George Washington's first presidential inauguration in 1789.



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Recalling History's Biggest Product Recalls

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- **Cribs.** In 2009, about 1 million drop-side cribs were recalled because of risk of suffocation to infants.
- **Window Blinds.** Nearly 50 million roll-up blinds and Roman-style shades were recalled in 2009 after reports that young children had been killed by dangling cords.
- **Easy-Bake Ovens.** This 2007 recall of close to 1 million toy ovens was prompted by 249 reports of children getting fingers or hands trapped in openings, and 77 reports of burns.
- **Thomas & Friends wooden railway toys.** Over 1.5 million units were recalled in 2007 after they were discovered to have paint containing lead.
- **Ford Pinto.** After discovery of design flaws that made the car vulnerable to fires and explosions, Ford recalled 1.5 million vehicles in 1978.



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Jump-Start Your Brain With The Power Of Music

You can't summon inspiration with a flick of the radio dial or a tap on your iPod. But music can set the stage for creativity. Certain types of sounds can stimulate alpha waves in your brain, which normally occur when you're close to sleep. The relaxed sensations created by alpha waves can lower your mental barriers and help you see new connections and possibilities.

Experiment with using music to spur your creative juices by remembering these guidelines:

- Don't play music nonstop. It may distract you when you need to focus your attention on details. You may also train yourself to tune it out. Use music when you need a boost. The best time is usually the mid-afternoon, to get through the post-lunch energy slump.
- Choose the right music. What's right? That depends on your own tastes, but many creative types find that classical music of the baroque style relaxes their mind and makes them more receptive to new ideas.
- Keep your balance. You need a variety of fast-paced and slower music, or your brain will get tired quickly. Choose music you're familiar with, so you can pay attention to it without being unable to do other things. It should be rhythmic but not too repetitive, so your mind can wander freely.
- Be patient. Just turning on a song won't instantly turn you into a genius. Feed your mind in other ways, with art, games, and sufficient rest so you're ready and able to be creative when the time is right.

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Alan Engels – Mission Viejo HOA Treasurer and Vice President

Beginning Balance 1/1/10		\$ 8,017.95	
	Budget	Actual	Difference
YTD Income - Dues	\$ 600.00	\$ 713.00	\$ 113.00
YTD Income - Library Defense	\$ 2,151.37	\$ 1,015.00	(\$ 1,136.37)
YTD Income - Trash Program	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,906.00	\$ 906.00
YTD Budget Expenses	\$ 8,417.82	\$ 4,517.14	(\$ 3,900.68)
YTD Library Defense Expenses	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,815.00	\$ 15.00
YTD Non-Budgeted Expenses	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,002.36	\$ 2,002.36
Balance as of 06/15/10		\$ 11,317.45	



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