



MISSION VIEJO REPORTER

NEWS FROM THE MISSION VIEJO HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION INC.

Community Calendar

Shred Day: May 4

Garage Sale Weekend:
June 14 and 15

Summer in the City:
Mission Viejo Park
from 11 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. July 10

Dumpster Days:
June 22 and October 5

Holiday Hayride: December 14

2020 Annual Meeting:
January 13, 2020

May 4th Shred Event

As has been announced in the last two newsletters, the first HOA Board sponsored shredding event is being held on Saturday, May 4th between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. at Holy Love Lutheran Church (unless the truck fills sooner than that). HOA members with proof of membership (the HOA membership card or proof of address) will be permitted to shred up to two banker's boxes of documents at no cost. Since we do not know what the membership response will be to this first-time event, we are not offering the opportunity to shred more than two boxes per residence this year. Data Destruction will have one truck at this event which can accept up to approximately 140 banker's boxes of documents. If the demand is high enough, we will schedule two trucks in the future.

Mission Viejo HOA Meeting

May 6, 2019
6:30 - 8:00pm
Mission Viejo Library

May 2019

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April Board Meeting Notes

At the April 1st (no fooling) HOA Board meeting mayoral candidate Omar Montgomery stopped by to confirm his invitation to attend the May Board meeting to meet interested residents. All members of the community are invited to meet Omar at the May 6 Board meeting in the Community Room of the Aurora Public Library at 6:30 p.m. Other candidates will be invited to future meetings if they desire.

The Board has submitted an application to the City of Aurora for beautification work at the east and west corners on either side of Chambers Way at Quincy Avenue. Work will include cutting back junipers, cleaning out debris and taking out volunteer shrubs and other vegetation. The dates for the planned work will be finalized in May.

Due to a change in his work assignment and added travel, Board member Rich Yeager is not going to be able to participate in Board meetings before October. The Board would welcome anyone interested in filling in for Rich until his return. Please contact Dave Goss at President@missionviejohoa.org or by phone at 303-717-8941 if interested in this temporary role.



Kathy Bitzer introduced herself to the Board as the new Newsletter Coordinator. She has been working with Dorcas and Zazi Hunsucker to take over this task. Kathy asks that anyone with concerns or questions about the newsletter distribution process to contact her at: Kathybitz@aol.com

In March the Welcome Committee introduced 9 new families to Mission Viejo. Each new family received information about the City of Aurora, the Mission Viejo neighborhood, the Aurora Public Library, the Pro Disposal trash program, cookies and other small gifts.

The upcoming Shred Day on May 4th, is open only to current HOA members, either through their participation in the Pro Disposal Trash Program, paid dues for the year 2019 (\$30) or as volunteers to the HOA. This event will be at the Holy Love Lutheran Church Parking lot from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (or earlier if the truck fills up). Members are limited to two banker's boxes per residence. Depending on the response, we will consider increasing the number of shred events or add additional trucks. One truck can only accept approximately 140 boxes.

The Board is exploring the possibility of hosting a food truck event this summer. Tia is gathering information about cost, locations and dates. Feel free to contact her if you have any suggestions at TiaDavis-Burns@missionviejohoa.org. Tia is also looking in to the idea of developing a Mission Viejo app for use in communication and updating information.

Mission Viejo Discount Cards

If you have not yet picked up your 2019 discount card, please contact us by email (President@missionviejohoa.org) or come to an HOA Board meeting to pick one up. You don't have to stay for the whole meeting. We meet on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Mission Viejo Library.

Omar Montgomery, Mayoral Candidate at HOA Meeting on May 6

Mr. Montgomery lives in the Southlight neighborhood of Mission Viejo. Take this opportunity to get to know the candidate's views.

The meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. at the library and the first order of business will be to find out why Mr. Montgomery is running for office and to answer any questions that we have for him to answer. Ryan Frazier, who is also running for mayor, will attend one of our meetings in the near future.



Gardening for Wildlife Month

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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.

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News Articles

The deadline for news articles is the 15th of the month before the next month's issue. Please email news articles to Mary at:

reporter@missionviejohoa.org

All letters or articles need to include your name and daytime phone number. All articles must be approved by the editor for publication, or as space permits.

Advertising

The deadline for advertisements is the 15th of the month for the next month's issue, except for the Jan. issue which is Dec. 6th.

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Get Caught Reading Month

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Aurora Interfaith Community Services

Do you know someone who needs food because their rent is too high or they have had a financial crisis? Do you know a student or adult who would like to volunteer or receive community service hours? Read on for information of how you can refer your family or neighbor to a nonprofit.

Aurora Interfaith Community Services (AICS) provides more than a week's worth of food, clothing for the whole family, utility assistance to prevent shut offs, and other emergency aid to residents of Aurora and the homeless. AICS's building at 1553 Clinton Street was recently renovated with HUD funding through the City of Aurora and Arapahoe County. AICS is the largest emergency agency in Aurora staffed by six persons and 30 volunteers, supported by 30 churches and local businesses. It is a pleasant place for families to volunteer and has expanded hours on the last Friday and Saturday of each month. Call 303 360-9938 to schedule a tour or volunteer time. Call 303 360-0260 to schedule an appointment for services. All are welcome at an Ice Cream Social at AICS on May 18 sponsored by UnitedHealthCare and an Open House on May 25.

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Beautification Grant Submitted on March 29

Our Beautification Grant was submitted to our neighborhood liaison Scott Campbell on March 29. The next step is for the city to decide how to disperse the \$10,000 among the neighborhoods in each of the 6 wards of the city. Last year we received \$1,000 and the year before that \$3,000.

The projects that we have requested funds for are both on Quincy Avenue and Chambers Way. The first project is in front of Trinity Baptist Church. On June 15, volunteers will trim the bushes and junipers. Other volunteers will repair the bricks on the wall. During the week of July 7 to the 14, volunteers will be painting that wall and the wall on the west side of Chambers Way.

The second project is on the west side of Chambers Way. Ironwood Earthcare has begun treating the weeds on that corner and will continue to treat them until they are no longer a problem. On April 26 and 27, volunteers raked and cleaned up the junipers and moved some of the yuccas away from the pine tree. Ironwood Earthcare is trimming the pine tree sometime during the month of May. Also Quality Cornerstone Concrete is going to move the cement pallet that is lying west of this area in the grass. August 3 is the day of completion of the project. The final raking and laying of the new rock will be on that day (if funding permits).

Presently we have 22 volunteers to help with projects on different days. We welcome volunteers, so if you can help, please email ElaineLay@missionviejohoa.org. The estimated cost of the project is \$2,599.14. We are hoping for a nice contribution from the city!

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Trash Problems in Mission Viejo

Exercise is very important to me. I have a fitbit and I try to walk 12,000 steps a day. Not always do I succeed, but that is my goal. A long time ago I decided that our neighborhood had a lot of trash lying around and so began my trash pickup along with my walking. I have picked



up thousands of bags of trash over the last 10 years. I have walked across China according to my fitbit!

Several years ago the neighborhood began to get bags from the city for the Adopt-A-Street program. This encouraged me to pick up more and more trash. Several other people have helped with the program off and on. If you are interested contact Elainelay@missionviejo.org.

However this is not the main point of the article. I was walking a couple of weeks ago picking up trash and was at the corner of South Mission Parkway and East Kenyon Ave. I looked in the bushes on the median and I found the largest pile of bottles and cans that I have ever seen in all of my years of picking up trash. People had thrown about 50 bottles and cans in those evergreens. Approximately 30+ of the bottles and cans were liquor-related. Over the years I have picked up thousands of them. Just a request to quit throwing trash in the streets and bushes! If you see trash lying around and can help clean it up, please do! Let's keep our community clean, safe, and healthy!

Benefits of the MV Trash Program

Soon the Mission Viejo HOA and volunteers will be going out into our neighborhood to solicit participation in the Trash program. Many of our neighbors wonder, "What do I get out of this?"

- 1) Decrease large truck traffic on our residential streets by more using Pro Disposal - only one truck per week in our neighborhood. Trash cans out on the curb only one day/evening.
- 2) Pro Disposal is a Colorado company. Let's keep our dollars in the state.
- 3) The HOA is recipient of money to, in turn, put into the neighborhood, through beautification projects, weed control, Dumpster Day, Shred Day, and our annual Holiday Hay Ride. There are some other projects that are under review at this time that would be fun community events which could be funded as well.
- 4) Pro Disposal has a single stream recycle program included in their fees. There are many other communities that do not have this ease of recycling.

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Spring Yard Work

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That said, we have had many frost events after the middle of May. Try not to be too eager to get your plants into the ground. It is a good idea to follow the instructions given at your local Garden center about acclimating your bedding plants and veggies. Also pay attention to the local weather reports and follow their advice if covering your plants is indicated. A good resource is the National Garden Bureau (www.ngb.org).

If you are doing new planting or need to do any digging in an area not landscaped, you can call 811 and have a free inspection to ensure you're not digging into any lines, cables, or pipes that might be dangerous. This will keep you safe and make your project that much more certain of success! Happy spring!



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- 1) "Placing ANY "Garage Sale" signs on light poles, stop signs, median strips, in parks or in any "right-of-way" (Havana St., Parker road, Colfax Ave., 6th Ave.) is prohibited.
- 2) Up to four signs which include addresses may be displayed to advertise a garage sale.
- 3) Residents can only have four garage sales per calendar year per address, for 72 consecutive hours.
- 4) Items placed outside must be removed and stored in an enclosed structure by sunset each day."

Also, don't forget the community wide, Mission Viejo Garage sale is planned for the weekend of June 14-15.

Watch For Depression In Teens

Being a teenager can be tough, and many teens suffer depression as a result. The symptoms aren't always obvious, though. The American Academy of Family Physicians advises adults to watch for these clues:

- Trouble focusing
- Anxiety
- Anger and frequently losing temper
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## Library Special Events in May!

- **Amateur Art Class** (Registration required) Saturday, May 3 at 3:00 p.m.
- **Art Appreciation** (Discussion of what to look for in paintings) Wednesday, May 8 at 5:00 p.m.
- **Career Speaker: Judy-CRNFA, Surgery with robotics.** Tuesday, May 14 at 6:15 p.m.
- **Anime and Comic Drawing Class** (Registration required) Wednesday, May 22 at 4:30 p.m.
- **Genealogy Round Table-** Saturday, May 25 at 10:00 a.m.
- **Meme Jeopardy** (hosted by Teen Advisory Group and Registration required) Saturday, May 25 at 3:00 p.m.
- **Career Speaker: Jessica-Museum Curator.** Tuesday, May 28 at 6:15 p.m.
- **Computer Guts** (take a computer apart and put it back together). Ages 8+ Friday, May 31 at 4:30 p.m.
- **Computer Tutoring** on May 7, May 14, and May 28 at 5:00 p.m.. (Registration Required)

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## National Women's Health Week

May 12-18

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## Don't Make These Money Mistakes

You don't have to be a financial genius to handle your money successfully. Just avoid simple mistakes, as are spelled out on the CNBC Make It website:

- **Investing in trendy stocks.** If you're investing, don't put your money into the latest stock market darling. Your best bet is to invest a specific amount every month into low-risk options, such as index funds. Index funds are both inexpensive and diversified, and unlike individual stocks, they historically earn a steady, predictable rate of return.
- **Buying a new car.** Cars start to depreciate the moment you drive them away from the dealership. To get the most for your money, financial experts recommend purchasing an almost-new car that's coming off the end of a two- or three-year lease. Such vehicles are usually in good condition with few miles on the odometer, so you can get a good discount.
- **Forgetting closing costs.** When buying a house, remember that you'll be paying for more than the structure itself. Closing costs like property taxes, homeowners insurance, inspection fees, and application fees can add up to 2-5 percent of the total, so budget for those when you decide how much house you can afford.

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## Free Classes and Workshops

The Community and Child Support Services Division now offers free classes and workshops to all individuals receiving services through Human Services.

To learn more about these classes and workshops including dates and times and to sign up, call at 303-752-8908.

**Fatherhood Engagement Class** provides parenting and nurturing skills to dads. This class proves to help promote healthy family relationships that also supports child development. This program is a three week session held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and is offered to any client who is a father and receives services through Arapahoe County Human Services. The Fatherhood Engagement Program Classes are held in the Legacy Room at 14980 E. Alameda Drive, Aurora. Lunch is provided to clients for each class as well as movie tickets and a certificate upon completion.

**Motherhood class** helps moms learn communication strategies, stress and time management skills and how to develop a healthy self-concept. This is a four week session offered to any mom who receives services from Arapahoe County Human Services. Classes are held 11a.m. - 2:30 p.m. on Fridays in the Legacy Room at 14980 E. Alameda Drive, Aurora. Lunch is provided along with a \$50 gift card and certificate upon completion.

**Relationship Skills Workshop** offers strategies to improve communication skills and provides lessons to help create and maintain healthy relationships whether it be a friend, significant other, or your child. This workshop is open to anyone 18 and over. Workshops are held on the second Tuesday of every month from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the Legacy Room at 14980 E. Alameda Drive, Aurora. Lunch is provided along with a \$25 gift card and certificate upon completion.

**Parenting Class** is a court-approved class facilitated by Families First to help moms and dads discover some proven methods for cutting down on the frustration of being a parent in today's hectic world. The class focuses on how to deal with anger appropriately, relate with compassion and communicate to solve problems. Parenting class is a three week course held quarterly on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and is FREE for individuals receiving services through Arapahoe County Human Service and \$60 per person or \$90 for couples outside of Human Services. Classes are held in the Legacy Room at 14980 E. Alameda Drive, Aurora. This class satisfies court-approved requirement for parenting class and certificates are provided upon completion.

**Legal Clinics** are basically FREE legal advice from attorneys. Attorneys donate time to help clients primarily with parenting time issues. Clients receive instruction from Attorneys regarding correct documents to file with Court depending on the circumstances. The legal clinic is held the last Friday of each month from 8 - 11 a.m. in the Legacy Room at 14980 E. Alameda Drive, Aurora.

**Grandparent-2-Guardian Class** is a FREE opportunity for grandparents who are in a guardianship position. This class is an excellent way to receive the resources grandparents need, including community support and we will offer help in problem solving so grandparents don't feel like they are alone in this journey. Grandparents will also receive a \$25 grocery gift card for attending.

**Mediation Services** - This is a service that is only offered to Human Services clients with an open Child Support Services case in Arapahoe County. Free parenting mediation services are offered to help resolve issues such as parenting time, communication and decision-making related to their child. Please call 303-752-8908 to request additional information.

—<http://www.co.arapahoe.co.us/1670/Free-Classes-and-Workshops>



## Get Your Business Up And Running With These Tactics

Do you dream of starting your own business? It's not easy, but you can succeed if you follow this advice from the *Entrepreneur* magazine website:

- **Keep your vision in sight.** Most great businesses start with an ambitious vision. Decide what you want to create in clear, concrete terms, and keep your focus on your vision as you move forward.
- **Be prepared to persevere.** Establishing your business will take time and effort—lots of both. Know that going in, and you'll be ready to persist in the face of obstacles and self-doubt.
- **Plan, but adapt.** A good plan is essential, but don't lock yourself into it so tightly that you can't make changes along the way. Be flexible in how you achieve your goals, and you'll move forward more smoothly.
- **Use your talents.** Take inventory of your skills so you can put them to good use. For whatever you don't do well, delegate it or hire someone to do it for you.
- **Don't reinvent the wheel.** Find out what others are doing in your industry, and copy their tactics and strategies. Don't waste time developing something new when the real-world solution is right out there.
- **Take care of your health.** Burnout is a danger for entrepreneurs, especially when they're just starting out. You'll have to work long hours, but don't push yourself beyond endurance. Take breaks and vacations so you can relax and recharge. Then get back to work with new energy.
- **Keep a sense of humor.** Times will sometimes be tough, but the ability to laugh at your mistakes and your luck (both good and bad) will keep you sane as you progress toward success.

## Spur Creativity In Kids

Children are naturally creative, but you can nurture their imaginations. Try these tactics from the Edupedia website:

- **Let them ask questions.** Listen to kids' questions, but don't answer them right away. Instead, ask them what they think the answer is.
- **Get hands-on.** Don't rely on lectures and textbooks. Do your best to make learning interactive and fun.
- **Expose them to creators.** Use TED talks and other videos to show young people how creative people think and express themselves.
- **Be patient.** Give kids time to explore and try out new ideas. Don't rush them toward the "right" answer.
- **Let them choose.** Give youngsters the freedom to decide how they want to approach an assignment or project instead of telling them what to do.
- **Encourage collaboration.** Working in groups exposes them to different ideas and ways of thinking.
- **Play "let's pretend."** Pretending to be an animal, a famous person, or even an object can spur young people to see new perspectives.

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