



MISSION VIEJO REPORTER

NEWS FROM THE MISSION VIEJO HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION INC.

Community Calendar:

Dumpster Day – October 5

Holiday Hayride – December 14

2020 Annual Meeting – January 13, 2020

Code Corner

BUSHES/PLANTS/ SPECIAL HAZARDS/TREES

Bushes over sidewalks must be cut back 6 inches from the sidewalk to clear walkway. The maximum height of hedges in the front yard is 42 inches (EXCEPTION- see visibility triangle). Plants which have thorns, spines or prickles shall not be planted or maintained within 4 feet of a public right of way or sidewalk. It is the responsibility of the occupant and/or owner to cut and remove all tree branches lower than 8 feet over sidewalks and 13 feet 6 inches over street, alley or highway. If it is a City of Aurora tree, call Forestry at 303-739-7177.

VISIBILITY TRIANGLE/ CORNER LOT OBSTRUCTION

To ensure pedestrian and vehicular safety, no plants, fences, trees or other objects over 26 inches high may be maintained in the visibility triangle. The visibility triangle is measured from intersecting lines 30 feet each way along flowline (street gutter) and 15 feet drive or alley.



Next Mission Viejo HOA Meeting

September 2, 2019, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Mission Viejo Library

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Traffic Safety Concerns

A number of Mission Viejo residents have contacted the Board expressing their concern over an increased number of people speeding in the neighborhood and people not stopping for stop signs, especially around the elementary school. The City of Aurora has a "traffic calming" program that neighborhoods can apply for to assist in making people more aware of speeding and the need for safety. These applications require that residents sign a petition and submit it to the City seeking support for traffic calming measures. The primary areas of concern in Mission Viejo are along Alicia Parkway and Mission Parkway and near Mission Viejo Park. If you live along these streets or share the concern about drivers being careless, please contact one of the Board members or send an email to President@missionviejohoa.org. We will arrange for you to sign the petition to the City so they can conduct a study to determine if traffic calming measures are justified and options for them. At least twenty-five residents are needed to sign, but the more the better. We want to see if there are ways to improve driving safety before a person, a child, a pet or a bicyclist is injured. We hope you'll support this initiative.

Traffic Safety: School Zones

School is now in session. Mission Viejo Elementary School holds pride of place in our neighborhood. Let's make sure everyone has a safe year. Please observe the posted speed limits of 20 mph while the lights are flashing, and 25 mph otherwise. The posted speed limit for the entire subdivision is 25 mph as a residential area. Keep in mind the "circle," Mission/Alicia Parkway, which is busy at all times of the day with walkers, bicycles, strollers, and kiddos going to and from school. We all appreciate your attention. Also, there are designated bike lanes. Please keep these clear for the bikes.

We all need to keep an eye out for each other. Observing the posted speed limits and stopping at the stop signs will not slow you down too much and the life you protect may be your own!

Aurora Craft Brews Tour

Aurora Public Libraries are sponsoring the 4th Annual Craft Brews Tour. Pick up your passport at any Aurora library. Visit the breweries and have a brewery staff member stamp your passport. Make your way to 5 participating breweries to receive a commemorative glass. Visit 10 to receive a glass growler! Participating breweries are: Bent Barley Brewing, Cheluna Brewing, Comrade Brewing, Dragon Meadery, Dry Dock Brewing, Haykin Family Cider, Launch Pad Brewery, Pilothouse Brewing, Peak to Peak, Two 22 Brewing and Ursula Brewing. Glasses and growlers are available at all public libraries locations through November 7.

Attend these special events to receive a bonus prize:

- **Cheese & Beer Pairing** @ Bent Barley, September 4, 6:30 p.m.
Learn about pairing perfect types of cheese with different beer through sampling.
- **Adult Spelling Bee** @ Peak to Peak, October 2, 6:30 p.m.
Test your spelling and you may win a G-R-E-A-T prize!
- **Adult Spelling Bee** @ Ursula Brewery, October 10, 6 p.m.
- **Harry Potter Trivia** @ Launch Pad. Grab a pint of butterbeer and put your history of magic knowledge to the test to win prizes. Teams of up to 4 people.

Special Events at Mission Viejo Library in September

Saturday, September 7: Adult Art: Fall Painting
(Registration required)

Saturday, September 21: Create: Autumn Luminary
(Adults) (Registration required)

Saturday, September 28: Lanyard Keychains
(6-12th grade) (Registration required)
Register online at AuroraLibrary.org

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.

National Night Out

August 7 was National Night Out and the Mission Viejo Park was filled with police officers, firemen, their equipment and informational displays and tables. It is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. Tom Tobiassen and his wife Carol provided ice cream treats to all who wanted them, helped by members of the HOA Board. The Aurora Police Department handed out stuffed animals, school supplies and other souvenirs to the children. Target offered hot-dogs, water and popcorn and the City of Aurora had information on parks, open space and other programs. More than a hundred people had the chance to visit with police and fire professionals and to inspect fire trucks and other emergency vehicles. It was a great way to meet neighbors and first responders.

*We are, as a species, addicted to story.
Even when the body goes to sleep,
the mind stays up all night, telling itself stories.*
—Jonathan Gottschall

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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.

To place an ad, call **Colorado Lasertype, 303-979-7499.**

Email: getinfo@coloradolaser.com To find ad rates and discounts, go to www.ColoradoLaser.com and click on the "Advertising Rates" link.

World Alzheimer's Month

Dementia is often hidden away, not spoken about, or ignored at a time when the person living with dementia and their family caregivers are most in need of support within their families, friendship groups, and communities. World Alzheimer's Month is an international campaign every September to raise awareness and challenge the stigma that surrounds dementia.

Beautification Grant Progress

The concrete slab and pieces have been removed from the west side of Chambers Way and Quincy. Steve and David from ProQCS used a sledge hammer to break up the slab, which was eight inches thick in some places and approximately 2x8 feet! Last month's MV Reporter had a picture of the concrete that was removed. Here is what it looks like now!

Take a look at the corners of Quincy & Chambers Way!



BEFORE:



AFTER:



In July Kelly Abramson of Curb Appeal Masonry replaced the broken and missing slump blocks on both sides of Chambers Way. He also repainted the mortar and fixed the cracks to keep out water in the future.

On August 10, nine Mission Viejo residents gave their time and energy to improve the appearance of the corner near the Grease Monkey, which has been in disrepair for 20+ years. Thanks goes to Courtney and Nolan Dauer, Susan Putnam, Dave Brisk, Tina Cline, Barb Ferris, Craig Messenger and Shelby and Elaine Lay.

Together they dug out the yuccas that surrounded the tree and raked 30 years of pine needles from under the tree. The tree will receive more water now. They pulled all the weeds, raked, and gathered 23 bags of trash. The yuccas are being stored behind the wall until dumpster day in October.

All that remains of the Beautification grant is to paint the walls in September and grind the stumps on the Trinity Baptist property. The date has yet to be determined. If you want to help, contact ElaineLay@missionviejohoa.org.

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.

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- Sunday, September 22, 2019
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- Presented by the city of Aurora and BOK Financial this year's event is sure to send those gourds faster and farther than ever before!
- Punkin Chunkin is a fall festival that celebrates all things fall-while simultaneously showcasing over 25 teams of chunkers who use various self-made machines to see who can shoot a pumpkin the farthest over 2 days of competition.
- This unique fall festival is sure to entertain all ages. Included is a pumpkin patch, pony rides, fall crafts, a corvette car show, Carve War's chainsaw carving competition-plus food vendors and a beer garden!
- New this year is our pumpkin carved display. Hundreds of pumpkins will line various parts of Punkin Chunkin to culminate in a larger than life pumpkin carved display-talk about #squashgoals.
- Family 4-pack tickets are only available for discount if purchased online.
- Tickets sold onsite at the event are \$5 for ages 5 and older. Children ages 4 and younger are FREE.
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- For more information contact Tim Erickson

— https://www.auroragov.org/things_to_do/events/punkin_chunkin_colorado

Give Money Advice that Pays Off

You may want to give advice about money to your children, or to friends, but you don't want your words to go to waste. Here's some advice on how to give advice, from the Nerdwallet website:

- **Make sure they want advice.** Don't force advice on people who aren't willing to listen. Try something diplomatic, like, "I've noticed you're having some trouble staying within your budget. If you want some ideas, let me know."
- **Use the right words.** Don't blame people for their money mistakes or say anything that makes them feel stupid. Be empathetic. Share your own mistakes to show you understand their situation.
- **Ask questions.** Find out what their obstacles are. Try questions like, "What's hardest for you?" or "Why do you find saving difficult?" Tackle these problems one by one instead of trying to solve all their problems at once.

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New Exhibit Highlights Historic Preservation

The Aurora History Museum has a new exhibition that explores the historic preservation program of Aurora.

The free exhibition “Hidden in Plain Sight: Aurora’s Historic Preservation Program” will run from July 23 to November 3 at the Aurora History Museum, 15051 E. Alameda Parkway.

“Hidden in Plain Sight” chronicles the stories of Aurora’s historic landmarks and districts, and Cultural Heritage Site Program. This exhibit will showcase and profile Aurora’s 28 historic landmarks, the two historic districts, the city’s cultural historic site and the Historic Preservation Commission’s role in designating new landmarks for the future.

“My hope is for this exhibition to foster pride in Aurora’s neighborhoods and in the preservation of historic sites,” said Aurora History Museum and Historic Sites Director T. Scott Williams. “With this exhibition we aspire to connect and motivate residents and perhaps bring new economic life into the community through the retention of the city’s historic qualities by inspiring creative re-use of older buildings.”

The exhibition includes complementary programming such as a panel discussion on historic preservation in the metro area and statewide on Oct. 16. For details on additional programming visit the museum website.

Admission to the Aurora History Museum and the exhibition is free. Learn more at AuroraMuseum.org.

— https://www.auroragov.org/news/what_s_new/new_exhibit_highlights_historic_preservation

How Much Coffee Can You Safely Drink? A Lot

Coffee lovers can be understandably confused by the mixed messages they’re getting about the health risks/benefits of their favorite beverage. Some studies have suggested that drinking too much coffee can cause stiffening of the arteries, increasing the chance of suffering a heart attack or stroke. On the other hand ...

A new study from the British Heart Association, reported on the CNN website, suggests that drinking three cups of coffee or more a day is no worse for arteries than drinking a single cup. Researchers studied more than 8,000 people in the United Kingdom, some of whom drank one coffee or less a day, others who drank one to three cups, and a third group who reported consuming up to 25 cups of coffee a day. All participants were given MRI heart scans and infrared pulse wave tests, and scientists corrected the data for such factors as age, weight, diet, tobacco and alcohol use, and other factors.

The findings appear to show that drinking three cups or more a day doesn’t significantly increase artery stiffness compared with consuming just one cup. No one is recommending binging on 20 cups or more per day, but you can rest easier knowing your arteries apparently aren’t in danger.

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While shopping online may be more convenient, local neighborhood stores create the backbone of the community we live in. They help strengthen the local economy, create close-knit communities, provide better customer care, and so much more. Why you should support small businesses and #ShopLocal today, and every other day:

1. Small Businesses Strengthen the Local Economy

As of 2015, 58.9 million people have been employed by small businesses in the United States. Small business owners are more likely to hire locals, so shopping at these businesses frequently creates more job opportunities. Small businesses also tend to source products locally, thus supporting fellow local businesses.

2. Small Business Owners are More Likely to Give Back to the Community

In a study by Civic Economics, "48% of each purchase at local independent businesses was recirculated locally, compared to less than 14 percent of purchases at chain stores."

3. You Benefit from a Close-Knit Community

Whether it's at your local coffeehouse or the hardware store around the block, shopping at neighborhood businesses gives you the opportunity to better connect with other members of your community. Cities and towns with a higher number of local businesses are proven to have stronger social ties and more participation in civic affairs.

4. You Get Personalized Customer Care

Anyone who's shopped at multi-chain retail stores has had the experience of walking into a gigantic store, being overwhelmed, and walking out without purchasing anything because no one was around to help. On the other hand, small business owners will go the extra mile to ensure you benefit from personalized support and local expertise.

5. You Enjoy Product Diversity

Would you prefer to purchase a unique, one-of-a-kind product or one that's owned by thousands of other people? Shopping at a local business gives you the benefit of not only getting unique products, but also access to an inventory that's almost as exhaustive as that of a big box store.

Introduce your friends and family members to your favorite local business by giving them a gift card. This way, you're encouraging more people around you to #ShopLocal as well.

Take a few pictures at your local businesses and promote them on social media. Make sure to tag their social handles and mention what you love so much about them.

Leave your favorite local business a positive review on Yelp/Google/Facebook. People tend to leave reviews only when they have a negative experience with a business, so do the opposite and show some love for your favorite local store and let people know why they should visit.

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National Campus Safety Month

As students start or return to college, Clery Center emphasizes campus safety by partnering with institutions of higher education to develop programs and resources that promote campus safety, working with college and university officials to spread awareness, inform institutional policy, and effect change. For more information, go to the Clery Center website at <https://clerycenter.org>.

Numbers do not feel. Do not bleed or weep or hope.

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Love and allegiance. At the very apex of callousness, you will find only ones and zeros.

—Amie Kaufman

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Japanese beetles are here! If they are chewing on your plants, learn about the most effective treatments that will keep your plants and pollinators safe. A little knowledge goes a long way in your battle against the beetle.

Quick Facts

- Japanese beetle adults chew flower blossoms and leaves of many commonly grown plants.
- Japanese beetle larvae are a type of white grub that feeds on the roots of grasses.
- Adults are best controlled by handpicking or by use of certain insecticide sprays.
- Japanese beetle traps that can capture many adults have never been shown to reduce damage to nearby plants.
- Japanese beetle larvae can be controlled with certain insecticides or by insect parasitic nematodes.

— <https://extension.colostate.edu/docs/pubs/insect/05601.pdf>

Remember What Labor Day Is All About

As you fire up your grill one last time for the summer, remember that Labor Day is about more than barbecuing. This yearly celebration of the American worker is a tribute to labor's contribution to the economic and social well-being of the United States.

Labor Day originated in an age of 12-hour workdays, seven-day-a-week schedules, child labor, and terrible working conditions. Its origins aren't clear. Some say that Labor Day originated in 1882 with Peter J. McGuire, a co-founder of the American Federation of Labor. Others claim that a machinist named Matthew Maguire proposed the celebration while serving as secretary of the Central Labor Union in New York.

However, there's little dispute that the first Labor Day parade was held on Sept. 5, 1882, when 10,000 workers in New York City marched from City Hall to Union Square. The Central Labor Union selected the first Monday of September as its annual holiday in 1884.

The first state to recognize Labor Day officially was Oregon, in 1887. By 1894, 23 more states had followed suit, and in that same year Congress passed an act making the first Monday in September a legal holiday throughout the country.

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