Mission Viejo's Seventh Wonder: New Madrid Homes Introduced

The seventh home neighborhood in Mission Viejo offering seven new plans will be open for sales Saturday, February 20.

The new Madrid homes, model complex will be located on Marguerite Park, the northern portion of the community, adjacent to the new Marguerite Recreation Center.

With a complete spectrum of designs offered in three to five-bedroom plans, Madrid homes have utilized a number of innovations based on home-owners' preferences.

"Extensive market research, coupled with the success of La Paz and Granada homes, have been incorporated into these homes," said John Martin, vice president of sales and marketing for the Mission Viejo Company.

Several unique features of these California-inspired homes will be the mission barrel tile roof of the Plan 66A, a fireplace in the master bedroom, and a separate library and entertainment area in this plan. An optional deck off the master bedroom will offer additional relaxation area for the home-owner.

"Madrid homes will add new impact to home styling within the community," added Martin.

"We believe their acceptance will be based not only on their excellent design and construction, but on the total value of the home."

New Madrid homes will be priced from $28,900 to $37,500.

All plans will offer ceramic tile kitchen and bathroom counters; electric range with self-cleaning oven, dishwasher and disposal; Fireplaces with log lighters for ease of maintenance; luminous lighting in master baths; stained hard wood cabinets in kitchen and master baths, and heavy shake roofs.

"Whatever the preferences of the prospective homebuyer, he will be able to fulfill his needs and expectations with the new Madrid homes," Martin added.

"It is our belief that these homes offer everything at a realistic price," he concluded.

Some of the homesites will overlook Trabuco Canyon and the hillsides to the east.

Parade, Party to Mark St. Patrick's Day Event

All you believers in leprechauns, walk very softly—your time is near.

Within a month, your annual celebration—in honor of Saint Patrick—will make the community "see green." Mission Viejo's second annual Erin fete is planned for Wednesday, March 17.

According to official shillelagh swinger and coordinator of the event, Tommy Mitchell, Mission Viejo Inn host, plans are progressing and the community "should prepare!"

Last year, more than 4,500 persons joined in the mile-long march between Mission Viejo High School and the Inn, and shared in the evening's festivities. This year, the parade route will be along the newly-completed Marguerite Parkway, a point approximate (0 03 mile from the Inn.

The scenic area for participants will be announced in the March Reporter with starting time set for 3:30 p.m.

Prospective parade entrants—whether groups, schools, private organizations, families or individuals—are invited to share in the occasion. Carts to use as floats will be provided to residents of Mission Viejo, and arrangements should be made through the golf club office for their use.

Entries will be limited, and charter entrants (those who participated in last year's parade) will be given preference.

There will be prizes for the Most Original, Best Theme, Most Humorous and Grand Prize floats. And for those with a flair for the aires of Erin, or with Irish blood surging in their veins along with the urge to "wear green"—there will also be trophies for the four best adult and children's costumes.

Dedication of a special plaque—which will be mounted with the "blarney stone" in front of the Inn will climax the parade. This "wee bit of Erin" was flown in by helicopter to the grassy plot in front of the Inn during last year's celebration. It will stand as a permanent monument of Mission Viejo's St. Patrick's Day events.

To round out the day's activities, a special St. Patrick's Day Golf Tournament is also being staged for club members. Registration is now open at the Pro Shop for those wishing to get into the spirit of the day.

Special guests are being invited, including well-known show business personalities. The United States Marine Corps Band and the Costa Mesa Police Department Color Guard have also been asked to return this year.

In addition to Mitchell, other committee members working on the community's annual Irish 'bash' are chairman Bob Ramsey, Bob Brennen, Bill Fenton, Marty Russo, Joanne Gagushin, Jerry Curran, John Hardy, Carl and Jan Venstrom and Bascum Shoaf.

A FEW WORDS — On behalf of Mission Viejo's forthcoming St. Patrick's Day festivities are voiced by Tommy Mitchell (right) and the honorary colonel-in-chief of these annual events, Richard O'Neil (left), director of Mission Viejo Company, will be sharing in the festivities planned for Wednesday, March 17.
Newcomer Carner Hits Home With Top Sales Score

Mission Viejo Company's newest salesman, Chuck Carner, joined the veteran ranks when he became top Salesman of the Month for December. His 10-sale total at Eldorado Homes resulted in a net sales figure of $273,707 for that month.

Carner's sales for the year total $15, for a net figure of $628,192.

Carner became a full-time member of Mission Viejo Company's sales staff September 1, 1970. His sales preceded was set after two months as a salesman.

He lives with his family in Mission Viejo.

Schulz Given Sales Post:

Hicks, Sempstone to Madrid

The recent addition of Donald Schulz as sales manager for La Palma, and Granada homes has been announced by Mission Viejo Company.

Gordon Hicks, former sales manager of La Paz homes, will become manager of the new Madrid homes this month. He will be assisted by Ken Sempstone, who has been a Granada homes' salesman since mid-1970.

Schulz, a former associate real estate broker with a Tus- tino firm, has also been a mar- keting consultant, with more than nine years in the real estate field. His predecessor in La Paz, Hicks, has been with the Mission Viejo Company since September, 1968. For the past two years, he has distinguished himself by exceeding $3 million in sales in both 1969 and 1970. He has also been Mission Viejo Company's top salesman for the months of June and September.

Hicks lives with his family in Mission Viejo and is presi- dent of the Deane Men's Club in the community. Sempstone, also a resident of Mission Viejo, joined the staff in June, 1967. He was in the sales office of Eldorado homes for three years prior to his move to Granada.

The La Paz sales office will be relocating on Floresta near Marguerite Parkway in March. Prior to that, the office was handling sales for the remaining homes in the Coronado and Seville neighborhoods, which were previously affiliated with the Seal Beach Art Association.

The location, they feel, "is ideal for working as we enjoy the quiet of the neighborhood, and the way of life that the community provides for family enjoyment," she added.

"Mission Viejo is wonderful for children. Our two are still young, but we look forward to their growing up in the secur- ity of this area," Marilyn conclu- ded.

And when looking at one of Marilyn's paintings of chil- dren surrounded by the beauty of the countryside, it seems to be a reflective view of life in Mission Viejo.

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Waste Makes Money For MV School Program

By Larry Marcuse
Grade 6 — Linda Vista Elementary

Linda Vista students want to make use of some of the eight pounds of waste that each person discards each day.

A school Ecology Drive will be held on February 25, and the last Thursday of each month. Students will be working on a voluntary basis to collect bottles, cans, papers and litter throughout the community. These re-claimable items are worth money to the school.

Newspapers, magazines and telephone books are worth $8 a ton. One-half cent is paid for bottles—any color any size—on non-deposit bottles. Deposit bottles are worth more. Aluminum cans, which can be identified by the characteristic rounded bottoms, are worth 10 cents a pound.

All reclaimable trash may be turned in at the school — $100 to contribute for the school's needs. Another trash drive is planned for February 25.

High School Parents' Group Elects Officers

Mission Viejo High School recently elected officers for its Band Boosters.

President will be Bob Ramirez, with Ed Norris serving as first vice president and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Treat jointly filling the second vice president. Mr. and Mrs. Don Adams will be the group's treasurers, with Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Maxson as publicity co-chairmen.

The Boosters offer active support, assistance and encouragement to the Diablo's band members as well as promote a personal interest in the band through fund-raising projects.

Parents of student band members are invited to attend Band Boosters' meetings, and may contact the high school for information on the group — phone 837-7722.

Community Artists To Display Works

An exhibit of the works of members of Mission Viejo Association of Artists and Craftsmen will be on display this month at the Mission Viejo Library to mark its opening.

This public showing will be held in the special community room of the new branch located in the La Paz Plaza adjacent to the Cinema Viejo Theatre.

Monthly meetings are held in the community with guest artists giving demonstrations and discussing their art.

The February meeting, which is open to the public, will be held Thursday, February 11, at 7:30 p.m., in the multi-purpose room of Linda Vista School. Guest artist will be Tonja Kountz, of the Laguna School of Art, who will discuss "Teaching Art to Children."

Volunteer mothers are needed for valuable assistance in the school's reading program and as drivers. Reading mothers donate 45 minutes a week to aid students with reading difficulties. Call the school for information — 830-0970.

RE-USABLE TRASH COLLECTORS — A recent drive for discards netted students of Linda Vista Elementary School $100 to contribute for the school's needs. Another trash drive is planned for February 25.

Linda Vista PTO
Sets Drives, Asks Aid

Donations are now being accepted for the Linda Vista PTO White Elephant sale, which is planned for March. Community residents are asked to bring toys, clothing, books, household items and paraphernalia to the school.

School-sponsored sales of T-shirts and identification bracelets and necklaces are also planned for this month. Orders are being taken now. Call the school or Mrs. Barbara Marcuse — 830-3353, for information.

Citizenship awards for January were as follows: Grade One-Tom Bunnard; Grade 2-Andrea Tomos; Grade 3-Doug Bemoli; Grade 4-Shirley Thane; Grade 5-Amy Dowd, and Grade 6-Teri Cannon.

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LETS PRETEND — The art of stage make up is shown young members of Mission Viejo Radio Recreation Centers in an afternoon craft class. It is designed as part of 7/11 (pre-teen) program.
Irresistible? (Hal)

Karate Classes

Set for Sundays

Sunday evenings are not necessarily a time to sit in front of TV, with little else to do but wait for activity the new week brings.

Now you can be a part of the Karate classes which are being held from 6 to 7:15 p.m., Sundays, at Montanoso Center.

Open to men, women and children of any age, the karate sessions will be taught by Andy Stewart, president of the American Shoto-kai Karate Association and owner of an Orange County Karate and health club.

Holder of a second degree black belt, Stewart has been a student of the art for 16 years, and spent part of that time in the Orient studying the many styles of karate.

Community residents are invited to watch the classes and may get information on joining by contacting the Mission Viejo Recreation Centers — 837-4054.

Gaucho Hoopsters Round Off Season

Final season games in Saddleback College's basketball schedule will be held Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout this month.

On February 6, the Gauchos meet Grossmont; followed on February 10, by their conference clash with Riverside. Both games will be "at home" to be played at Mission Viejo High School gym, with tip-off at 5 p.m.

Other home games will be on February 20, against Palomar, and on February 27, with Citrus.

The traveling squad will play Southwestern, February 18; Chaffey, February 17, and San Bernardino, February 24.

For ticket information, telephone 837-9700 or 495-6650.

Saddleback Team Heads to Diamond

Baseball breaks into the sports scene at Saddleback College. The Gauchos open their pre-season games this month with Cypress, Santa Ana and Rio Hondo Colleges on February 9, 11 and 13.

The Imperial Valley College tournament will be held in Holtville February 19 through 23.

The team returns the following week to play their first home game against Orange Coast College on February 23.

On February 25, they face Fullerton, then February 27, meet Goldenwest at home.

Mission Conference games will begin in early March.

FINAL TOUCHES — Wheels are spun and imaginary motors rev on race cars during the finishing check up at Montanoso Center. Cars were designed by young members for this annual event.

Model Car Designers — Winning entrants in the Recreation Centers' model car contest sport their award ribbons and prize entries. They are (left to right) Colleen Devine, Stuart Kenson, Judge Dennis Cole, Steve Kelly and Bron Bailey.

HEAVY DEFENSE — Community basketball keeps Saddleback Valley men in shape as the 18 league teams turn out on Monday and Wednesday nights at Mission Viejo High School gym. Games start at 7:30 p.m., with "C" and "D" league teams on Mondays; "B" league teams on Wednesdays. Last year's champions, La Paz Reality, play the Ball-Hoggs (above) in a close, double overtime game. The winners — by one point — the Ball-Hoggs.

TEE TOTALLERS

By Nadine Maze

Long Beach State College selected Mission Viejo Golf Course for qualifying rounds in the State NCAA championships which will be played in Mission Viejo on May 17.

Other groups which have scheduled golf days in Mission Viejo are the Bank of America, Korean Businessmen's Golf Club, Zenith Masonic, C. Ito and Company and the Dana Laboratories.

Sunday tournaments are planned by the Koke, Inc. Golf Club, the Sanbernini-Lina America Golf Club, Norwalk Elks, Bank of Tokyo, Crenshaw Branch, Ralph's Market and Harvey Aluminum.

Weekday play will find the Japanese-American Dental Society, Eastman Kodak and Corona Del Mar Kiwanis Club on the course this month. A special tourney for veterans is set for February 18, while the Los Angeles Rubber Company will bounce in February 25 for the 19-hole stretch.

And that's not all... More than 100 members of the ILWU Golf Club will tee off March 4, to round out the special guest events for the finale to winter.

Sundays are "open season" to golf club members, with starting times saved. Sundays also offer reserved starting times for the membership, and no tournaments begin before 10 a.m., so that an early start can be offered.

Members may call 10 days in advance to reserve start times.

An eclectic is planned for the members on February 13 and 20. The best scores on each hole out of two rounds will be counted. Registration is now being held at the Pro Shop — 837-5804.

Don't forget holiday-time this month, too, which allows for an extra day of golf on February 15. Call now for times so that you can relax on MV's challenging course.

Don't forget the special time that's set aside for all the special events in Mission Viejo. Spring is meaning — with longer days for relaxing at the course. We'll be waiting for you.

STICK STRATEGY — Wednesday afternoons are set aside for indoor hockey games at Montanoso Center. Careful supervision and officiating is provided by the professional staff of the community's recreation centers. Mixed matches for boys of all ages as well as tourney play for 7/11 club members, are now underway.
February Hits Funtime High
For Young MV Residents

February marks a heavily youth-oriented program of activities for Mission Viejo Recreation Centers. In addition to yoyo, basketball, ice hockey, bowling trips, and fishing expeditions, there are dances and parties planned for the pre-teens and teens of the community.

Wed., Feb. 3 7:11 Club Recreation Day — Montanoso 3 to 5 p.m.
Fun day for the pre-teens, with tournaments and games. Winners of the tournaments will be given free club trips.

Thurs., Feb. 4 3 to 5 p.m.
7/11 Craft Corner — Montanoso
Another new feature! Boys and girls are invited to share in the fun of making a special art project.

Sat., Feb. 6 7:15 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Ski Lessons — Moon Ridge
A new package, for skiers and non-skiers. Fabulous facilities and a staff of 75 instructors are available at this Big Bear resort area. Total day of skiing, with one lesson, and transportation is $10. Equipment available for $3. Sign up now for this winter wonderland of sports and fun.

Sun., Feb. 7 Pre-Teen Part — Montanoso
6 to 8 p.m.
7/11 Science — Montanoso
Fifth and Sixth graders will get together for dancing, prizes. 25c for members.

Mon., Feb. 8 11 a.m.
Craft Afternoon — Montanoso
Bring casserole or salad for six, and a special friend. Donald Wallin-Mason, producer-director of the Pageant of Masters for Laguna's Art Festival will discuss this annual art happening. Child care provided at 50c a child, but bring brown bag lunch for the young one. Members — free; guests — 50c each. Registration now. Sign up by February 5.

Wed., Feb. 10 3 to 5 p.m.
7/11 Recreation Day — Montanoso
Second of these after-school fun-get-togethers for the pre-teens and teens of the community.

Thurs., Feb. 11 3 to 5 p.m.
7/11 Valentine Contest
Judging of Valentines made in last week's craft class. Prettiest, funniest, most unusual and most original will be awarded prize ribbons.

Fri., Feb. 12 10 a.m.
Hockey Tournament — Montanoso
Boys—6th through 9th grade. Indoor hockey competition by teams. Sign up now.

Sat., Feb. 13 10 a.m.
7/11 Fishing Tournament — Montanoso
Learn to tie, bait and cast. Bring your own equipment if you have it. Instructor will have limited gear available.

Sat. & Sun., Feb. 13 & 14 9 a.m.
Swim Meet — Sierra
March holds many events for Mission Viejo recreation centers’ adult members, too, with a Las Vegas trip on tap; deep sea fishing, and a car-ralley.

Mon., Feb. 15 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Youth Tennis Tournament — Montanoso
Double elimination for ages 12 and under, and 13 and over. Registration now. Entry fee 50c. Contact Dan Benboll for information.

Tues., Feb. 16 8 p.m.
Topics Unlimited — Montanoso
“Discuss? Communicate?” Do you? Aspects of communication, so your boss, friends, huffybody understand you. Members — free; guests — 50c each.

Wed., Feb. 17 3 to 5 p.m.
7/11 Yo-Yo Contest — Montanoso
Another afternoon of entertainment for the pre-teens. Competition starts at 3:30. Prizes to winners.

Thurs., Feb. 18 3 to 5 p.m.
7/11 Crafts — Montanoso
Projects for the art-inclined and for ac-who-compiling worthwhile items.

Sat., Feb. 20 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Teen Bowl Tris — Montanoso
Three lines, shoes and transportation all for $2.50. See how many strikes you can get. Sign up now.

Wed., Feb. 24 3 to 5 p.m.
7/11 Recreation Day — Montanoso
After-school socializing for pre-teens.

Fri., Feb. 26 3 to 5 p.m.
Craft Afternoon
Arts and crafts add a little spice to creative inclinations of pre-teens. Material charge - 25c each.

Sat., Feb. 27 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Santa Anita Day
A day at the races. Bus leaves from Montanoso. Price includes reserved seat at a table, with excellent view of the races. Members — 54c; non-members — $5.50.

Sun., Feb. 28 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
3 to 5 p.m.
Rock Dance — Adults
Top rock groups from the “in” spots in Orange County will be featured. May be the start of monthly swing outs for the swingin’ set. $5 per couple.

Other happenings are Recreation Centers plan for a Trail-bike Outing, and organizing a Gun Club and Fishing Club. Contact Dan Benboll if interested in these activities.

Shape-Up Classes
Set For Community
Dance and Slimnastics classes for students and adults are being offered to residents of the community under the direction of Fran Roylaney. The slimnastics sessions will be held Mondays from 7 to 8 p.m. at Cordellera Elementary School. Dance classes in ballet, tap, creative and jazz will be offered Thursday afternoons and Saturday mornings at Pas Intermediate.

For complete information, call Mrs. Roylaney at 830-7945.

Time Beneficial
For Health Workers
Volunteers interested in doing community work are being offered to residents of the community. Under the direction of Fran Roylaney, this "Community Friends" program is open to membership.

These "Community Friends" are asked to help with convalescent programs for persons recovering from mental disorders. They will participate in a 10-hour training program sponsored by the Orange County Association for Mental Health.

Interested persons should contact Mrs. Jo Holck, volunteer coordinator, Mental Health Association, at 547-7509, to arrange for future training programs.

Fashions, Brunch Planned by Guild
Tres Osos Guild of Children's Hospital will hold its 9th annual fashion show on February 16, at Anaheim Convention Center. This fund-raising event is open to the public, and ticket information may be obtained from the group's publicity chair Mrs. Gordon Hicks, 837-5864.

A new membership brunch in planned for March, and prospective guild members should call 837-7380. Purpose of the guild is to help Children's Hospital with costs of part-pay patients in the outpatient clinics.

Hale and Hearty
Take Heed—Handball
To Hit Community
Grab your gloves, men of Mission Viejo . . . there’s still time to join the Mission Viejo Handball Association and be a charter member.

Charter membership is open to the first 100 members to sign up. An official U.S. Handball Association uniform will be given members along with one-year membership in the association.

Members are entitled to participate in tournaments throughout Southern California.

According to Dan Benboll, supervisor of recreation for Mission Viejo Company, fees for charter members will be $20 a year. Dues will be increased after the first 100 have joined.

The community’s handball program will be actively under way upon completion of the Marguerite Recreation Center, planned for March 27.

For complete membership information, contact Montano Recreation Center — 837-4084.

Campfire Girls
Invite New Members
The girls who help themselves — the Campfire Girls — are open to membership.

The program is designed for growth and development through creative and flexible programs emphasizing interests in nature, home, outdoors and the arts.

Interested girls, between six and 17 years of age, are asked to call the community’s field director, Dee Lambert, at 547-5894.

Campfire Girls are concluding their annual canned nut sale the first week of February. They will have booths set up in shopping centers as well as selling door-to-door in their neighborhoods.

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Pre-School Center
Choose Community Site

Sullivan Pre-School Centers have selected Mission Viejo as a site for their newest facility.

Preliminary plans have been approved, and construction is set to begin in March, with completion due the following month.

The Sullivan Pre-School facility will be located at Estancia and Marguerite Parkway.

As part of an educationally-based pre-school system, the Sullivan facility is one of 10 planned for California at the present time. Additional sites will be located throughout the country as a nationwide network of these facilities is established.

According to Dr. Robert Jenkins, president of the centers, "After careful study of areas throughout the county and northern California, we chose the Mission Viejo site as we felt our educational program would be needed here and accepted."

The school will accommodate close to 200 students.

Both full-day and half-day programs are planned for children from 2 1/2 to 6 years of age — pre-school and kindergarten.

Dr. Jenkins, who served as superintendent of schools in San Francisco until his retirement last year, now lives in Granada Homes.

The Sullivan Pre-School Centers' office is located near Orange County Airport. For information, contact 833-3713.