'808' Marks Record Sale in Mission Viejo

In less than seven months, Mission Viejo Company has shattered all existing sales figures for any year by recording 808 home sales by the first week of July, 1971. According to James E. West, chairman of the board, Mission Viejo Company, the previous record year for sales was 1968, when 807 homes were sold in a 12-month period.

More Escrows

Mission Viejo Company also set a record for closing 682 home escrows in 1970 — more than any other Orange County homebuilder. "This year's remarkable sales record, achieved in little more than half a year, indicates sales of more than four home sales a day," West said.

Four Projects

Mission Viejo Company is currently selling single dwelling homes in New Madrid, Seville and Eldorado neighborhoods and the Aliso Villas townhomes. In the five years since the community began more than 3,800 homes are now occupied, and the population is in excess of 16,000 persons.

The other four neighborhoods within the 11,000-acre community — La Paz, Granada, Coronado and Mission Ridge — have sold out within the past year.

Goals Passed

"We have already surpassed our sales goals for the year," noted West, "and by January, 1972, we expect to have cumulative sales of over 4,500 homes."

Mission Viejo, which has been cited as "America's most successful new town," represents more than a master-planned community," added West. "It is more a way of life which we offer our homebuyers."

Lakes Surpasses 100 Home Sales Since March

Mission Viejo Company has sold 108 homes at The Lakes in Tempe, Arizona, in less than four months since it first project began there.

Tony Moiso, executive vice president and director of Mission Viejo Company, said he was extremely gratified with sales results. "Now that we have four distinct projects underway, sales are certain to accelerate," Moiso said.

"Lake-View Homes, which opened a month ago, are receiving very favorable comments from prospective buyers," he said. "And construction is underway on our two townhome developments, Lake-Shore Villas and Lake-Park Villas."

Reservations are being taken for the two villa projects, although completion of the models will be in early Fall.

Ron Brady, sales manager of Mission Viejo projects at The Lakes, said marketing of both villas will be handled at Lake-Village Garden Homes' sales office on Lakeshore Drive.

Mission Viejo Company now offers homes at The Lakes ranging in price from $24,990 to more than $60,000.

The first phase of The Lakes' private beach and tennis club will be completed in mid-August. A shopping plaza, marina and restaurant are also planned.

The community, which features five miles of shoreline, is located on Baseline and Rural Road.
YOU'RE OUR 808TH — And that sets a record for Mission Viejo Company in home sales in one year. Nick and Sandy Nannes, and daughter Nicole, became Mission Viejo's 808th homebuyer in 1971, when they purchased their Aliso Villas' townhome from Jim Gray, Aliso Villas salesmen (far left). Jim West, (second from right) chairman of the board of Mission Viejo Company, and Don Schulz, sales manager (far right) present the family with one year's membership in the Mission Viejo Recreation Centers, a champagne dinner at Mission Viejo Company's four neighborhood recreation centers, a commemorative cake. The Nannes' purchase surpassed all previous sales records. In 1968, there were 807 sales for the year, which has now been bettered in less than seven months.

Surfside's record sales of 807, Mission Viejo's 808th homebuyer in 1971, when they occupy their Plan C townhome. The Nannes' Villas purchase surpassed all previous sales records. In 1968, there were 807 sales for the year, which has now been bettered in less than seven months.

Bacopulos Moves to Madrid Home Sales

The appointment of George Bacopulos to the sales staff of new Madrid Homes was announced recently by Don Schulz, sales manager of Mission Viejo Company. Bacopulos, who joined Mission Viejo Company in May, 1970, was formerly a salesman in Granada Homes, which now have been completely sold. Prior to this, he was with the first housing division of Million Dollar Club.

Oliphant Scores For Third Time in Madrid

Ray Oliphant, salesman for new Madrid Homes, is salesman of the month for the third time in recent months. His sales of 26 homes totalled $1,000,370 for the one-month period. His total sales for 1971, since joining the Mission Viejo Company in February, have now reached $3,370,485, with 92 net home sales. His June sales volume, and for the months of March and May, surpassed any individual salesman's total volume for any one year since Mission Viejo Company began sales in 1966. Oliphant, his wife, Doris, and children, Heather, George, Jeni, Kathy and Lori become Mission Viejo residents in the Fall, when their own Madrid home is completed.

Mission Viejo Holds Second Outdoor Auction

An outdoor public auction of more than 1,000 items of furniture and decorative accessories from Mission Viejo's Granada Home's models was held recently in the La Paz Plaza area. It was the second such event; the first having been planned as a two-day sale, but with sales so rapid, it was concluded the first day.

Bedroom, living and dining room furniture, wall accessories, mirrors, lamps, draperies and collector items went under the gavel of auctioneer Robert M. Abell at 10 a.m., and were sold by early afternoon.

A number of items were purchased by residents of Mission Viejo.

Events Planned in August, 1971

August, 1971

Challenge Homes' Unit 6 opens; first move-ins in Unit 2

Aliso Villas' Unisa 2 and 3 open for sales — 80% reserved

Eldorado Homes' Unit 19 started — 50% sold; first move-ins in Unit 17

Seville Homes' Unit 4 construction begins; first move-ins in Unit 3

Aliso Villas recreational facilities construction begins

808"— Good Round Figure

To Mark Record-Breaking Sale

Nick and Sandy Nannes of Long Beach wanted to "get away from congestion and the 'rat race.'" They saw an ad in the Los Angeles Times several weeks ago, had wanted a townhome, and Aliso Villas looked very appealing. So they came with daughter Nicole, three months, for a ride to Mission Viejo, and became the community's 808th homebuyers in 1971.

Their purchase surpassed 1968's record sales of 807. Mission Viejo Company's previous record for any single year since the community's origin in 1966. And the 808th sale was achieved in less than seven months.

Nick and Sandy are originally from Anaheim, but have been residents of Long Beach for 14 years. They will be one of the first move-ins in the Aliso Villas' neighborhood when they occupy their Plan C (two-story, two bedrooms) the first week in October.

Recreational facilities for the Villas' neighborhood will be completed when the Nannes family moves in.

The Nannes' Villas purchase is one of 170 total units sold of the first 220 units to be made available. Nick, who owns the Academy of Professional Dog Grooming in Westminster, "may open a Madrid Home's dog grooming center," added Nick, "so we'll have time to see the games this season and enjoy our other pastimes."
Lakes Construction Men Put Quality into Homes

When a community starts taking form, it all begins with construction. The men behind the scenes, who help to make a plan into a reality, are Mission Viejo Company's construction staff.

Four of the men at Mission Viejo's Lakes projects who have laid the foundations of the quality homes in Lake-Village Garden and Lake-View neighborhoods and townhomes in Lake-Shore and Lake-Park Villas are Ron Haarer, Hank Arndt, Fred Ward and Rigby, a part of the busy and successful construction team.

Ron Haarer, recently appointed head of construction, is in charge of The Lakes, joined Mission Viejo Company in October, 1970, as construction superintendent at this Arizona development.

His present construction superintendents include two newcomers to Mission Viejo Company — Arndt and Ward, both of Scottsdale; and Rigby, who recently moved from Mission Viejo, California, to work on The Lakes development.

Haarer was formerly with Allied Construction in Valley of the Sun, Arizona. He, his wife, Marcia, and children, Deanna, 8, and Ron Jr., 6, have lived in Phoenix for 2 1/2 years. The youngest member, Randall, joined the Haarer family recently.

The Lakes' newly-appointed superintendent, John Benton, is a senior student at Arizona State University. He enjoys the outdoor life in Arizona, particularly hunting, fishing and camping. He plays folk guitar and is an enthusiast of both folk and country Western music.

Rigby, former construction manager with John Willens, Inc., lives with wife Patricia, and daughters, Michelle and Dallon Marie, in Scottsdale. He is an El Zaribah, Shriners.

Ward, and wife Lana, have one daughter, Carol. He enjoys fishing at a pastime. Californian Rigby has been with Mission Viejo Company in Orange County since October 1967. He and his wife, Louana, and daughter, Melissa, still own their home in the La Paz neighborhood.

The Lakes' outdoorsmen are indeed a part of Mission Viejo Company's vast program in building communities which are recognized not only by homeowners but on a national level as America's most successful new towns.
MV Stables Go 'Way Out' Western

How far West can activities go at the Mission Viejo Stables, which recently opened near new Madrid Homes in the heart of the community?

"Far out," according to Jerry Curran, director of recreation for Mission Viejo Company, who recently announced the addition of extensive youth and adult activities at the equestrian center, for community residents and the public.

One of the highlights of the Western equestrian program will be overnight rides which include camp-out dinner, breakfast, and horse for $7 per person. Breakfast rides are also planned as a group activity.

Clergy, church groups and youth organizations may arrange for special day or evening treks by contacting Marguerite Center.

Hayrides are now underway. Steak fry cook-outs in the scenic setting of Osos Canyon and Wilderness Glen can also be arranged.

"Our riding lessons are also open to the public," added Curran. "And we have more than 30 rental horses at this time, with plans to add more. We hope to see more youngsters and adults utilizing our new facility.

For complete information on group outings or individual arrangements, call 837-4084.

MORNING SESSIONS — Weekday mornings at Mission Viejo Stables are set aside for horseback riding lessons, instructed by Dolores Purdy, (far right) a resident of the community who recently moved from Pleasanton, California. One-hour classes are offered at 9 a.m. for one week. Janine Petrie (closest to camera) and Grace Jeffries adapt to riding without saddles.

MARQUERITE TREAT — The slide at the tot play area is just one of the featured attractions at the new center.

READY TO RALLYE — Young members of Mission Viejo Recreation Centers straddle their trusty wheeled steeds in preparation for the Bike Rallye, set for noon Sunday, August 22, at Marguerite Center. Signing up now for this test of skill, endurance, and stamina as you pedal your way to prizes.

Handball Highlights

Eight members of Mission Viejo's newly-organized handball association slammed their way into the semi-finals of the organization's first Intra-Club Doubles tournament recently.

Bill Price and Jack Robinson teamed to take on Don Cate and Tommy Schmitz, with Price and Robinson heading into the finals. Dave Rukstalis and Milt Rukstalis with scores of 21-15, and 21-17.

Dan Bemoll, who is coordinating all handball activities at Marguerite Center, has announced plans for a Doubles Handicap tournament in the Fall. Open play is also being arranged for October with the University of California at Irvine, Milo's Health Club and several Orange County Y.M.C.A. groups.

An official U.S. Handball Association uniform is included in the initial fee.

Call Dan for membership information — 837-4084.

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End of Summer With Events At

August augments activities for Mission Viejo residents, as the community's three recreation centers fill each day with planned events for all the family.

Wed. Aug. 4
9 a.m. Queen Mary Tour
Visit the mighty maiden of the oceanways, now resting at her berth in Long Beach. Bus leaves Montanoso for a tour of this majestic liner. Adults — 3.75; youths, five to 17 — 1.75; children — 1.75

Thurs. Aug. 5
9:15 a.m. Ice Skating
Hans Drinkers of all ages are invited to board the Family Fun Bus at Montanoso and head for the rinks. $2.50 per person.

Fri. Aug. 6
6:30 p.m. Angels' Game
The Halos meet Minnesota at this special "Helmet Night" game. Free headgear for the youngsters, $4.50 per person includes transportation on the Fun Bus from Montanoso.

Tues. Aug. 10
1 p.m. Ice Cream Feed — Montanoso
All you can eat of cool and creamy, scrumptiously delicious ice cream. Just 10¢ a scoop for all the family.

7:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge — Montanoso
Calling all card-players for a challenging evening at the tables. Master points play is in the offering — $1 for members, $1.50 for guests.

Wed. Aug. 11
7:30 p.m. Teen Bowling
Score — with a test of skill on the lanes. Prizes to top keglers. Fun Bus leaves from Montanoso. "Square" an evening for fun.

Thurs. Aug. 12
11 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. San Clemente Beach
Swim, surf and sun at the President's favorite beach site. Pack your own sack lunch. $1.25 includes transportation.

Fri. Aug. 13
4 p.m. Big Toe Contest
An annual laugh-getter. Dress your big toe and bring it to Montanoso to enter the competition — prizes for the best con-toes-tants.

6 p.m. Rams' Game
See the mighty men of Los Angeles in combat with the Cleveland Browns at the Coliseum. $5 per person includes transportation from Montanoso.

NADADORES CAMP — A few pigtailed members of the swim club warm up in the early morning sun before their events.

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS — A few words to entrants are given by one of the officials during a recent meet at the Center with Lowell Swim team, from northern Orange County.

AUGUST, 1971
SEASON BRIMMING
MV REC CENTERS

SAT. & SUN., AUG. 14 & 15

BOYS’ CAMP
Two full days of boating, fishing, swimming, horseback riding and ice skating for boys 12 through 15. Lodging and meals are included in the $14 fee.

MON. AUG. 16
7:30 p.m.
LAGUNA FESTIVAL OF ARTS
Living portrayal of masterpieces in the art colony setting of Laguna. Share this breathing event. Only $4.50 per person, includes Fun Bus transportation from Montanoso.

TUES. AUG. 17
7:30 p.m.
NIGHT SHOOTING — Flying from their starting blocks are swimmers and divers competing for the younger swimmers, and invite interested youngsters to try out for the teams. For information on the Nadadores Swim Club contact Craig Lilley at 837-4084.

WED. AUG. 18
1 p.m.

THURS. AUG. 19
6 p.m.
CIRCUS
It’ll be a three-ring Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey for all the family. Only $4 per person. Bus leaves from Montanoso.

FRI. AUG. 20
7:30 p.m.

SAT. AUG. 21
7:30 - 10:30 p.m.

SUN. AUG. 22
Noon - 4 p.m.

SUN. AUG. 29
9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

SAT. AUG. 28
1 - 4 p.m.

MON. AUG. 30
6:30 p.m.

WATER CARNIVAL
A splash spectacular for a finale to August. Dynamic designs in the waters of Montanoso’s Olympic-sized pool. Free for everyone.

NADADORES WIN
PENTATHLON MEET
Mission Viejo’s Nadadores Swim Club went all the way to sweep the Orange County Pentathlon Conference Pentathlon recently at Foothill High School.

The Nadadores aced out hosting teams, the Southern California Aquatics Club Fins, 52 to 48. In a Pentathlon meet, each swimmer competes in a 100-yard individual medley and a 25-yard (for eight year olds and under) or 50-yard (for nine and over) of each event. Points are given for times of each event. Janelle Campbell, 7, captured the 7-8 Girls’ division title by winning three of the five events. Brian Goodell placed first in all five events of the 11-12 Boys’ bracket, and first place in the over-all results.

Romi James, 6, was one point out of first place, to win second place in the 5-6 Girls’ division. She also broke two Pentathlon records — with times of 1:46.2 in the 100-yard individual medley and 2:22.3 in the 25-yard backstroke.

Robbie Stout placed second in the 9-10 Boys’ events and Tom McDonald took sixth in the same division.

In the 15-17 Girls’ competition, Sally Nibecker proved the best finish with a second place, while Gail Goodell took third, and Pam Vallenega, 11, fourth. Other Nadadores’ place winners were: 7-8 Girls’ — Cheryl Campbell, third, 9-10 Girls’ — Sally Nibecker, fifth, 9-10 Girls’ — Diane Tregler, fourth, 13-14, ‘Girls’ — and Gary Ozaka, third, 13-14 Boys’.

Other Nadadores’ record-breakers were: Lynn McDonald, with a 2:11 in the 25-yard breaststroke; Ricky Robinson, 16.1 in the 25-yard butterfly; Robinson and Cook, 17.8 in the 25-yard backstroke, and Reinicke, with her 39.5 in the 50-yard breaststroke.

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How sweet it was,” for the Nadadores Swim Club is the recent Sunlight Open “AA” Invitational meet held recently at Los Angeles Swim Stadium.

Competing with swimmers from throughout California, Canada and Australia, Mission Viejo’s swimmers placed 13th in overall standings and seventh in the boys’ division.

Division finals in the Orange County Swim Conference will be held at Sierra Recreation Center, Saturday and Sunday, August 7 and 8. Community residents and the public are invited to the highlight of Orange County’s swim season.

The Long Course Junior Olympics—an AAI-sanctioned meet will be held August 27 through 29, for the younger swimmers, and September 3 through 5, for the older swimmers.

The Nadadores, which presently boast more than 225 members, is looking for new members and invites interested youngsters to try out for the teams.

For information on the Nadadores Swim Club contact Craig Lilley at 837-4084.

PRICELESS — Worth more than a million dollars is the pleasure reflected in the face of Carol Hersperger of La Paz Homes. Nickel nite will be held at Montanoso Center at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 17 and food, games, entertainment are just a nickel.

WHAT’S THE RACQUET?

The Mission Viejo Tennis Club hosted Oceanside for a tourament recently at Marguerite and Sierra courts, and defeated their visitors 25 to 7.

A return match is planned for Saturday, August 14, in Oceanside with singles and doubles events for men, women and mixed play.

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The first annual Mission Viejo Pre-Winter League tourney will be held in the community at the recreation centers and Mission Viejo High School courts September 25 through 26 and, October 2 and 3.

Singles, doubles and mixed events in “A,” “B,” “C,” and “D” divisions are planned. Senior men “over 50” will also meet at the net for doubles competition.

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Women members of the El Camino Tennis Club, San Clemente, have invited MV’s tennis club to a morning match Wednesday, August 6, at 9 a.m. The two clubs will meet on San Clemente High School’s courts.

Swim classes for adults will be offered twice a week for two weeks at Marguerite Center. The 25-yard pool, which begins August 2, will be held Monday and Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m.

Junior-Senior lifesaving classes will also begin Monday, August 2, with classes meeting everyday from 9 to 11 a.m. at Marguerite Center. This will also be a two-week session.

Adult tennis classes will be offered mornings and evenings in three-week sessions.

HO, BOY—HORO DAY — Looking like two characters from “Peanuts” are these little hobo-ettes, Krista Ely, 6/7, and Dianna Dodge, 8, both of La Paz Homes. Hobo Day, for the wee “youngsters,” found the little folk donning their casual “grubbies” for a day of fun. Hobo stew was fore the day.

AUGUST, 1971
An old-fashioned family Fourth of July, celebrated in the heart of the Mission Viejo Community, found more than 6,000 persons sharing in the spirit of the evening event.

Children came to play in the spacious setting of the golf course greens and to savor fluffy cotton candy. Everyone came with picnic baskets for an informal “on the lawn” supper and listened to the songs of the past—and rock music with the sound of tomorrow.

Refreshments were available, and the demand for “good old American hot dogs” found volunteers who manned the booths working at a rapid pace to quell holiday appetites. Proceeds from sales went toward the fireworks’ fund.

The spectacular fireworks display began at dark with both dramatic aerial and ground pyrotechnics lighting the skies and illum-
July Celebration still lives...and thrives successful new town.”

The second annual Fourth of July event was coordinated by the Mission Viejo Activities Committee, a group of community residents who plan and organize Mission Viejo's special events.

General chairman was Marty Russo; with Vince Esposito as entertainment chairman. Fireworks co-chairmen were Bud Gonzales, Mike Nason and Russo. Nason also served as publicity chairman.

Kerry Baichtal and Art Hamer assisted with refreshments. Jim Toepfer and Bob Aldrich were co-chairmen of the clean-up committee.

The Activities Committee is now planning Mission Viejo Days for early October (story on page 10), and will all-too-soon be involved in arrangements for the Nights of Christmas.
Gold Rush Days
To Mark MV Fete

If you have a hankerin' to return to the colorful days of the Gold Rush, your chance is a'comin'.

Mission Viejo Days will bring a touch of the Great Northwest to the community with log rolling contests, father and son sawing events, nailing driving, pole climbs and the traditional greased pig race for the youngsters.

Horseshoe events and children's games will also fill the weekend of activities. Square dancing and an outdoor band concert will add to Mission Viejo's return to the "old days."

A western barbeque dinner will also be served, and a drawing for a steer or horse may also be a highlight of the two-day event.

The Mission Viejo Activities Committee, which invites homeowners to participate, is now actively planning the two-day event for September 25 and 26.

Last year, more than 5,000 persons took part in the community's third annual Mission Viejo Days celebration. It will soon see what a Gold Rush can do in Orange County.

Saddleback College
Sets Entrance Exams

American College Test entrance examinations for prospective Saddleback College students will be given at 7:45 a.m., Saturday, August 7, at the college.

The tests, which are required for placement in English and mathematics classes, will be scored by September 13, first day of registration for the fall quarter.

Students may sign up for testing at the Student Affairs Office, Saddleback College administration building.

For complete information and fees, call 337-9700 or 495-4950.

Hides Become Hobby
With MV Homeowner

The tremendous appeal of leather accessories and apparel and their recent upsurge on the fashion scene have prompted a Mission Viejo homeowner to return to a craft he had learned in high school.

Mike Schechter, of Eldorado Home, started to make his pastime into a business venture two months ago.

His Hides Ltd, custom leather items are strikingly handsome.

Created in rich browns, umbers and golden latigo — oil tanned cowhide—they are hand-tooled in original designs of florals, abstracts and contemporary California-Western.

Mike's handbags are also his own distinctive creations rounded, hand-laced and in heavy cowhide for "rough-cut" suede.

Each piece, whether a watchband, headband or belt, is hand-initiated by the artisan for a personalized touch. He is also working macrame (knot-tied weavings) into his belts and purses.

His present artistry will expand into custom vests, skirts and the current fashion craze, hot pants, in the near future.

Mike, who was formerly with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with Autonetics, is now a counselor with 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**MV Women's Club Selects Officers**

Mission Viejo Women's Club recently held its installation of officers for 1971-72. Mrs. Harold Gagnebin will serve as president of the organization, with Mrs. Leonard Evans as first vice president; Mrs. Frederick Bruno, second vice president; Mrs. Robert Shirley, third vice president, and Mrs. Richard Caneday, fourth vice president.

Other officers are Mrs. Richard Kalanjian, secretary; John Carlisle, treasurer; Pat Geshell, historian; Donald Middlekauff, parliamentarian, and Cliff McCarthy, inspiration.

Mrs. David Keller is bulletin chairman, while Mrs. Burton Allen is ticket chairman, and Mrs. Jim Ferley, sunshine chairman. Telephone chairman is Mrs. George Paine. Mrs. Alan Salmon is new decoration chairman, and Mrs. Frank Fajnik, Block Parent chairman.

New members are welcome in the Mission Viejo Women's Club, and monthly meetings will be held September through May. Game nights are planned as well as guest speakers. Members of the group have coordinated drives for Teen Challenge, the Donald Bundi and Ray Wheat memorial funds. They were also responsible for implementing the Block Parent program in Mission Viejo.

For information on meetings or membership, contact Mrs. Gagnebin — 837-3635 or Pat Geshell, 837-4793.

**La Paz Teacher Wins Scholarships**

Mrs. Roland A. Maxson of Mission Viejo, an instructor of remedial reading at L. P. Intermediate School, was one of four recipients of the Orange County chapter of the Freedom Foundation scholarships.

Tuition, books, room and board are included in the three-week seminar held at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, as well as a round trip air fare from Los Angeles to Philadelphia.

The graduate credit seminar will be held from August 1 through 20.

**Y'All Come to Old Mac's Farm for Home Cookin'**

California ranch-style home cooking will be featured on weekends, throughout the summer, at Old MacDonald's Farm, Mission Viejo.

Deep pit barbecue beef, salad, cowboy beans, salza and sour-dough bread will be served continuously from noon to 6 p.m. Coffee or punch is also included in the afternoon menu.

Visitors may enjoy the less family attractions at the Farm, too. Wagon rides behind a team of Belgian horses, are offered every half-hour from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Burros are available for a tour of the animal farm from 10 a.m to 6 p.m., for adults and the little folks. A mule-driven merry-go-round is another feature of Fulton Shaw's Farm, located on Crown Valley Parkway, southern Mission Viejo.

For information on the barbecue or admission to this unique entertainment opus, call 831-1880 or 495-4333.

**TOE-TAL FASCINATION —** Undergoing the close scrutiny of a young Rec Center member are two Can'toe'nders in the Annual Big Toe Contest, set for Friday, August 13, at 4 p.m., Montanoso Center. Don't be superstitious, your toe artistry may make you a lucky winner.

**Vie-Ho**

"The Odd Couple," Neil Simon's celebrated hit play, is Laguna Moulton Playhouse's summer presentation which runs Wednesday through Saturday evenings now until August 21.

The evening performances are at 8:50 p.m., at the Playhouse, 606 Laguna Canyon Road, Laguna Beach. For ticket information, call the box office — 494-0743.

St. Kilian's Catholic Church's Annual Bratwurst Festival will be held Sunday, August 29, from noon until 8 p.m. at Camp Vaquero, Ortega Highway.

Tickets, which are now on sale in the community, are $1 each. Proceeds will go toward the construction of the new church, which held its groundbreaking July 25, at Montanoso and Estanciales in Mission Viejo.

Food, games and a prize drawing will highlight the afternoon event. For information, call 837-7428.

Registration for new students at Mission Viejo High School will be Wednesday through Friday, August 17, 18 and 19.

Freshman orientation will be Friday, September 10. School opens Monday, September 13. For registration and orientation information, call the high school — 837-7722.

Being your partner and do-as-do-to the next meeting of the Ramblin' Rogue Square Dance Club. Not only do they promote the fun of square dancing, they also have an active outreach program to encourage the spread of square dancing in the community, county and state events.

For information on becoming a "Rogue" call 837-3325. Classes will be held at Mission Viejo High School starting next month, so sign up now.

Counseling for Saddleback College students — both entering freshmen and students returning to college after a break in their schooling — will begin September 1. Appointments may be made now by calling the college. Students will be assigned a date and time for group counseling September 1 through 9.

A children's theatre presentation of the fairy tale, "The Princess and the Swineherd," will be given at Saddleback College, Saturday, August 7, at 10 a.m. and 12 noon, in the college's drama theatre.

Admission is free. Seating will be limited for this summer production, so that advance reservations should be made by calling the office of student affairs, 837-9700 or 495-4950.

**OUTDOOR ARTISTRY —** Two little Mission Viejo pre-schoolers dabble in the arts at Sierra Center.
Record Marlin Catch Reported by Homewner

(When contacted by Hank Solak, of Granivia Drive, Mission Viejo, and told of his record blue marlin catch off Mazatlan, Sinaloa, Mexico, the Reporter was ready to interview Mr. Solak and relate the story of his “catch.”)

But when we received his “fish story,” thought it better to print it in Mr. Solak’s own words, so he relates his story of his 383-pound blue marlin catch. The record fish — “the biggest this year for the fleet” — was 11 feet, 5 inches, and took 1 hour and five minutes to land.

Thank you, Mr. Solak, for your exclusive to The Reporter.

By Hank Solak

For the benefit of other tenderfeet, let me say Marlin are not fished for — they are hunted. The great fish take the sun in the morning, and the forward portion of their dorsal fins can be clearly seen above the surface of the water. When the captain spots a clump of fins, he cuts the boat in front of it at full speed and with great skill drags the bait right in front of the nose of the feeding fish. I had taxied down to the UNIFLEET DOCKS at 7:00 a.m., carrying a box lunch and a camera. Everything else was supposedly to be provided by UNIFLEET, and it certainly was.

As soon as we stepped aboard, we were welcomed by Sr. Ricardo Gallardo, the patron of “UNIFLEET”; the mate, Pelon, and skipper, “Shorty.” Then we cast off and were on our way. The “Comanches” proved to be a comfortable, beamy 36-foot sportfisherman with an efficient-sounding diesel below. The captain knows his business, and we quickly threaded our way through the yachts in the harbor and out into the open ocean.

It was a glorious morning — the sea calm as a pane of glass and the sky obscured only by a few shreds of morning fog.

After an hour of pleasant cruising, a great flurry of activity announced our arrival at the fishing grounds. The mate busied himself attaching a psychedelic lure to the center fishing pole and tossed the lure into the ocean letting it troll out about 60 yards; then locked the reel and inserted the pole onto the gimbal attached to the boat.

We were lazily around and talking to each other, when the mate leaped from the bridge, barely touching the steps of the lad

“It’s a monster,” I yelled. “The biggest fish in the whole Pacific Ocean.”

The mate fixed the rod into the chair gimbal, and we were fast to our first blue marlin. I am not normally given to exuberant outbursts, but I let out a great yell. One hundred yards astern of the boat, a magnificent creature had burst from the sea in a shower of spray and was walking across the water on his tail . . . just like the movies. Wow!

That fish did everything a great game fish is supposed to do. He was out of the water as much as in it, his dark underside and blue fin sparkling in the sun. He made great, surging, underwater runs and belabored the blue marlin about the head with a club. The colors on a marlin’s body and fins are an unforgettable sight

An absence of space and concern for the reader prohibits me from detailing all of the fish we battled that long morning. Suffice it to say that we had many thrilling strikes — played two sailfish, dolphinfish and lost them. Also caught one sixty-five pound turtle.

BEAUTIFUL PLACE TO PLAY — Wilderness Glen, offering more than 25 acres of natural park — with trails, picnic and camping areas — is open to community residents and special groups by arrangement. Children love the challenge of exploring its tree-covered paths (photo right) or climbing the giant trees that we left in their natural splendor.

CHURCH SITE DEDICATED — A consecrated mass conducted by The Most Reverend Archbishop Timothy Manning marked the ground-breaking of Mission Viejo’s first Catholic church. St. Kilian’s Church, which is planned to seat 550 persons, will be located on a 4½-acre site at Estanciero and Montanoso Drive. More than 100 persons attended the outdoor ceremony.

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Memberships Move
At MV Golf Club

Memberships in Mission Viejo Golf Club are moving fast, according to Tommy Mitchell, general manager of the club. "Our charter memberships are nearly sold out, and we're now taking regular, social and corporate membership applications on a limited basis," he said.

If you are presently a member of the Mission Viejo Golf Club or a community homeowner, you have the option to join prior to the general public.

"Mission Viejo Inn will remain a public facility," added Mitchell, "but the golf club will become a private facility on October 1.

"We have great plans for our members, and look forward to a number of special events and tournaments at the course," he said.

For brochures and information on the golf club, or a tour of the facilities, call 837-5433.

MV's Three Golf Pros
May Enter Cal. Open Play Tourney.

The two-day Pro-Am tourney at Mission Viejo Golf Club's neighboring course, the Golf Course at Mission Viejo, will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, with qualifying rounds Tuesday, with the event set for August 16.

More than 500 entrants will participate in the 72-hole medal play tourney.

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With a little help from its friend — Getting all the assistance it could from the gent behind the counter, this little white golf ball is urged into the hole at Mission Viejo Golf Course during the recent Multiple Sclerosis Benefit tournament. Did it go in, or didn't it? According to sources at the course — it did.

Tee Tottallers

By Nadine Maze

The pace at Mission Viejo Golf Club continues to quicken as ideal weather and course conditions lure a number of individual players and tournament entrants to this 18-hole challenge in southern Orange County.

The Los Angeles Police Department puts aside its uniforms of the day for a tournament, Thursday, August 5. On Saturday, August 7, Fullerton employees are set with starting times, and on Sunday, August 8, the Japan Traders Club Textile Division will swing on the front and back nine.

Wednesday, August 11, finds the Saddleback Chamber of Commerce in a tournament, and on Thursday, August 12, the Los Angeles home office of Underwriters will use their scorecards to tally, rather than insurance forms.

Bank of Tokyo brings 50 players to the course on Saturday, August 14, and the Iona Masonic group fees off with close to 60 players on August 18. The following day, for their health, the Southern California Medical Golf Association has set a day at Mission Viejo.

Other fans of "play" are the Mattel Management group who will put aside their toys for a tourney on Saturday, August 21.

As the month draws to a close, other groups are the Huntington Park Elks Club, with more than 40 members playing Sunday, August 22; Los Borrachos, an annual event at Mission Viejo, will be on Friday, August 27; and Continental Airlines will land at the course Sunday, August 29.

With all the tournaments set for Mission Viejo Golf Course, individual starting times are still available through the Pro Shop — 837-5604.

Tee rates will apply through the month, too, with green fees of $2.50 on weekdays, after 3:30 p.m., and only $2.50 on weekdays after 3:30 p.m. If you can't get out for an early morning game, why not plan to play after work.

Junior members Mark O'Meara and Ted Cumming, who have been blazing the course hole-in-one and birdies for record net scores were entrants in the 27th Annual Herald Examiner Junior Golf Championship held the last week of July at Alondra Park Country Club. Mark scored a 38.21, for a total gross score of 80, putting him in 19th place. Ted finished 27th in a field of 67, with rounds of 40-44, for a gross score of 84.

And speaking of juniors . . . the first session of Junior Golf lessons was such a great success, that an additional series is being planned.

Six one-hour lessons are offered for only $5. Balls are furnished, but the youngsters — boys and girls — should provide their own clubs.

Pros Roger Belanger, Bob Harritt and Richard Martinez will be handling the youth sessions. For dates and registration, call the Pro Shop.

Awards will be presented during the club's Men's Night.

Mission Viejo Men's Club championship perpetual trophy will add the name of Howard Shallen as low gross winner and new champion. His 76-77 total low gross of 153 for the 36-hole tourney was best score for the two-day event. Gerald Bock (79-81) 160, and Garvan Kelly (83-87) 170.

Low net winner was Larry Smith with (68-63) 131; second low net was Larry Hoehman (68-71) 139, and third, Ron Jones, (75-73) 148. Awards will be presented during the club's Men's Night.

Men's Night at Mission Viejo Golf Club is set for Wednesday, August 18. A featured sports flick will be shown the gents, with the event set for 7:30 p.m. at the Inn.

For information or reservations, call the Pro Shop.

SAUNAS TAKE SHAPE — New locker room and sauna facilities, which are being built adjacent to the present Pro Shop and Inn, are planned for completion this month. Additional expansion, with outdoor deck-dining area and patio barbeque, is also being finalized, pending arrival of wrought iron dining sets and hand-painted tiles from Mexico.

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Community Hospital Opens First Phase

Mission Community Hospital, located on a 14-acre site in the southerly portion of Mission Viejo, recently held the official opening of its first phase of development, one year from the start of its construction.

According to a spokesman for Mission Viejo Medical Company, owners and developers of this new facility, this first unit includes 126 beds for general care, 12 obstetrical beds, a 24-hour-a-day emergency diagnostic and treatment center, an outpatient unit and radiological services. Surgical centers with a radioisotope program, laboratory facilities and an intensive care unit are also included in this first phase.

One of the unique features of the new hospital, planned to serve the medical needs of Southern Orange County, is a helicopter pad which will provide emergency access to the hospital.

Another phase of the hospital's development is a 138-bed convalescent home. It also will be operated by the Mission Viejo Medical Company.

The privately-owned medical facility will provide a lecture hall and three classrooms for Saddleback College's new nursing program. Audio-visual equipment with closed circuit television will be included in this instructional arrangement.

When all phases of construction are complete, the 80,000-square foot facility will encompass a 250-bed hospital, the convalescent unit, a 100-bed board and care facility for the elderly and a medical office.

Dr. T. A. Ross has been appointed the hospital's chief of staff. Administrator of the new facility will be George L. Ollendorf.