Kraig and Amy Finstad of Mission Viejo agree that Valentine's Day is love.
For other thoughts on the meaning of Valentine's Day, see page eight.
MVHS students attend D.C. class

Two Mission Viejo High School students just returned from a week-long workshop in Washington D.C. thanks to the financial help of a number of community organizations, including the Exchange Club, the Mission Viejo Rotary Club, the Laguna Hills Women’s Club and Mission Viejo Country Club.

Pam Smith and Victor Vance attended the “Presidential Classroom for Young Americans” Jan. 24 through 31, according to Don Martin, activities director at MVHS.

By mid-January (at Reporter presstime), $400 had been raised by contributions, although Mr. Martin hoped that the school would raise $800 by the end of the month to help defray the cost of the trip. Remaining travel expenses were borne by the students themselves.

This one-week mini course in leadership is offered to a highly selective group of students throughout the nation. Pam and Victor were selected by a faculty screening committee from the high school.

The program consists of workshops and seminars on leadership and the functioning of the federal government. Students were exposed to meetings by government officials, Congressmen, and high-ranking members of the Executive Branch. Last year CIA Director William E. Colby spoke to the “Presidential Classroom” group.

Preparations beginning for St. Patrick’s Parade

BELIEVE it or not..., it’s time again for St. Patrick’s Parade. Chairman Bob Schaller will be assisted by the Cultural and Heritage Committee of the Mission Viejo Municipal Advisory Council.

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ETHS POOL GROUNDBREAKING—Students, faculty and guests attended the recent groundbreaking for the Ronald W. Caspers Memorial Aquatic Center at El Toro High School. The Olympic-size pool is scheduled for completion next May. Attending dignitaries included Supervisor Thomas Riley, Robert Bosanko, first principal of the school, and Dr. Richard Welte, superintendent of the Saddleback Unified School District.

Preparations for whale watching

‘Whale Watch’ every weekend

HUNDREDS of whale dreams have been realized during the first month of Whale Watch excursions, according to Luann Pipher, spokesperson for the San Clemente High School Parent-Teacher-Student Association.

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Challenge of the Sexes continues on CBS

"Challenge of the Sexes" competition in figure skating, table tennis, bowling, and billiards is scheduled on the CBS Sports Spectacular series during February.

This exciting man vs. woman sports match, most of which was filmed in Mission Viejo, will air weekly (on Saturdays) through March 20, with the exception of Feb. 28.

All February telecasts will begin at 4:30 p.m., except the Feb. 7 program which will start at 4 p.m. The Challenge of the Sexes competition was viewed by more than 20,000 fans in Mission Viejo who wanted to see how the 13 women athletes would fare against their male adversaries.

Although the male athletes were handicapped in many cases to equalize the competition, it was obvious that size and strength were the only advantages that the men had over the women. The closeness of almost every event showed the equality of the handicap system.

The excitement exhibited by the spectators in Mission Viejo is now being shared by millions of Americans who have been enjoying the Challenge of the Sexes since the sports series began last month.

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Recognition of a community need and response to that need is a part of California Highway Patrol officer Dick Van Colt's credo for the course. As the pro- gram's mentor, he has conducted the basic rider course Tuesday evenings since the program's inception one year ago.

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Golf update...

MVCC Sponsors Ireland golf trip

The Mission Viejo Activities Committee isn't the only group that's feeling Irish.

The Mission Viejo Country Club is sponsoring a ten-day trip to Ireland, beginning March 12. During the trip the Mission Viejo "wanderers" will play golf at four courses in Ireland and two in Scotland. Although they are playing over the annual "Wanderer's Cup," the real prize may be the trip itself.

The tour includes hotel accommodations—including a four-day stay at an Irish castle—breakfast and dinner daily, air fare, a medieval banquet at Bunratly Castle, all ground transfers and tips, golf at six championship courses—four of which are listed in the top courses in the world—and-a special cocktail party and dinner at Fitzpatrick Castle on St. Patrick's Day.

For real Irishmen the piece de resistance may be an invitation from the Irish Tourist Office to represent Mission Viejo in the St. Patrick's Day Parade down O'Donnell Street in Dublin.

Anyone who feels qualified as a "wandering" golfer is invited to join the group. The price of the tour is $889. For information, call Harry McConnell at 831-9040.

Meet your candidates

The League of Women Voters of Orange County is hosting a candidates meeting (for the upcoming Mission Viejo Municipal Advisory Council-election), on Feb. 24 at 7:45 p.m. at the Swim and Racquet Club on Mission Lace. All candidates have been invited. You are, too.
To diabetic community

Auxiliary offers services

After five months, in operation, the Saddleback Auxiliary of the American Diabetes Association has a wide range of services to offer the diabetic community, according to Fred Beuger, a Mission Viejo resident and president-elect of the Orange County unit.

"The Saddleback Auxiliary has three principle functions," said Beuger, "to provide services to the diabetic and his family, to raise money for research, and to educate the public about the disease." Beuger and his wife became interested in the diabetes association when their daughter contracted a serious form of the disease about two and half years ago. "That's the reason that most people get involved," he said.

Diabetes is the fifth leading cause of death in the United States, noted Beuger. More than 10-million Americans are affected by the disease.

"Right now, all of our main projects is working toward the support of the National Commission on Diabetes' recommendations to Congress. We want Congress to make the appropriations to support the commission's "Long Range Plan to Combat Diabetes." Much research is needed. Much needs to be done, he added. "There were 600,000 new cases discovered in 1974."

About 250 people in the Saddleback Valley have shown an interest in the Auxiliary already, according to the chair man. Any interested persons is invited to attend the monthly educational meetings that are held at Saddleback Community Hospital's cafeteria the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. There is always a dietian present and the meetings are free of charge.

Anyone with questions about any phase of the diabetes is invited to call the Orange County headquarters of the American Diabetes Association at 639-4912.

WHILE THE CAT'S AWAY — The mice do play, declares an old saying. That's just the way it is at the Saddleback Valley YMCA. While mom is out shopping or visiting or resting during the weekly "Mom's Day Off," program, the kids have a ball!

Linda Vista third graders expound on Valentine's Day

Editor's Note: Mrs. Sanderson's third graders at Linda Vista School was asked to write a paper on "What Valentine's Day Means to Me." Here are some of their responses:

Heidi Watz — "I think Valentine's means to give cards and flowers and little hearts and things. But there was a man named S. T. Valentia that was when Christinas were getting jelled and getting put in with the lions. We were saved. And that was very sad. And then people drew names to see what girl they'd have."

E. Rodrigues — "Valentine's Day means hearts to me. My dad said V (peace) with you. And my mom kisses and hugs me. And my dad also gives me candy. . . . My ma said that if you fight it will bring you bad luck."

Mike Lohman — "Valentine's Day is receiving candy and cards. But really love, everybody knows about that. That's the angel with the bow and arrow."

"My Valentine is my family and my friends. My girlfriend is Trisha Dener. And my dog's girlfriend is Misty."

Jill Omark — "Valentia's Day means to me is when you care for someone and want to be with them all the time."

Sally Schup — "It means to me love and friendship for my friends. The cards I get makes me feel good in side my heart. My Valentine is my boyfriend."

Kevin Olson — "When I was in second grade and first grade and kindergarten we made little boxes and we put cards in them. And we get cupcakes and prizes.

YMCA gives mom a break

Mom gets a break from the kids. And the kids get a break from mom. It happens weekly at the Saddleback Valley YMCA during the Friday "Mom's Day Off" program.

Preschool youngsters 2 1/2 to 5 participate in a program of crafts, stories, music and refreshments. A hot lunch and a snack. The program runs Fridays from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The fee is $4.

For that four dollars mom can get her hair done in peace . . . or go to the city for a romp and a hustle. The response to the program has been great, according to the Y. "We've had 20 children — our maximum — just about every week," said Sandy Chace, office manager.

"Mothers or fathers interested in taking advantage of the program should call for reservations Wednesday before the Friday program." Additional information on Mom's Day Off is available at the Saddleback Valley YMCA, 23131 Orange Ave., El Toro; 830-YMCA.

Yoga, karate classes offered

The Saddleback Valley YMCA is currently offering classes in two increasingly popular disciplines: yoga and karate. The programs will take place on a year-round basis.

The Yoga class meets from 2:30 to 4 p.m. each Thursday. Jean Cotner, a yoga practitioner for nine years and a yoga instructor for the past seven, is the instructor.

"Yoga, an effective program for physical, spiritual, mental and emotional self-improvement, is for people of all ages," said Cotner. "Most than an exercise, yoga works on the glands, nervous and muscular systems to improve circulation, which in turn helps balance the weight throughout the body. Since the yoga movements are gentle, any person can practice, even those with arthritis or back problems. In addition, the movements develop weight, improve concentration and mental activity, provide relaxation, and offers the opportunity to pursue true peace of mind."

The cost of the class is $12 per month. The popular karate program meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 to 6 p.m. and from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Karate Federation, 23411 Marguerite Ave., Mission Viejo.

The cost of this program is also $2 per month for YMCA members. Karate classes are open to men and women and boys and girls.

For information or registration, stop at the Y or call 830-9622.

Classes start soon at CSUF center in Mission Viejo

At least eight university-level classes will begin this spring at the Mission Viejo Continuing Education Center, located at the corner of Mission Viejo and Estancia, according to Dr. William F. Munson, associate vice president for continuing education, California State University, Fullerton (CSUF).

The complete schedule of classes, in the form of an advertisement, will appear shortly in local newspapers.

"The center is designed to meet specific educational needs in this community," said William Zogg, coordinator of the center. "For the most part, we will be offering day classes for non-employed women, afternoon classes for educators and evening classes for other South Orange County residents," he said.

The center will offer upper division and graduate-level classes for credit and selected non-credit courses. Classes will be offered in five- , eight- and fifteen-week sessions.

"We intend to be very flexible in types of classes offered and in scheduling," said Zogg.

Among the classes for women that are planned at this time are Basic Interior Design, a one-unit credit art class taught by Danielle Vining, an interior designer from Orange; Women in Management, a two-unit credit course; and The Self-Confident Woman, a one-unit credit course taught by Pamela Dedischew-Barnett.

Other classes planned are Plant and Gardening Science for the Classroom, a two-unit credit course; Horticulture, a non-credit class; An Intensive Approach to Reading Improvement, a three-unit credit course; Personal Finance, a non-credit course geared to the needs of the young family and taught by Chester Briner; and Contemporary Issues in Education, a three-unit, credit course taught by Robert Jenkins.

Other courses in professional areas are planned. Suggestions for classes are being solicited, according to Zogg.

Registration information can be obtained from the Office of Continuing Education by calling 870-2611.
Bicentennial music airs weekdays on Radio KSBR

High school proficiency exams offered

Symphonies, concertos and classics which epitomize America in music will highlight a continuing program on radio station KSBR (88.5 FM), broadcast from Saddleback College.

The “Saddleback Bicentennial Concert” is being hosted by student producers Eric Cooper and Mee Mee Von Glasse and will air continuously Monday through Friday from 1-3 p.m., culminating July 4.

The series will feature the music of American composers Ives, Gershwin, Bernstein and others, with Aaron Copland’s “Fantasie For the Common Man” introducing the daily show.

Programming for the bicentennial production was selected by Cooper and Von Glasse, who have included tunes and orchestral works to remind listeners of the significance of 1765 and the part music plays in American sentimentalism. The 10-watt station is operated from the college library by 30 students reaching a listening audience through most of Orange County.

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Application forms are available at all local high schools. The test will be conducted at Corona del Mar High School and additional sites in the county.

While parental approval is not required for young people to take the examination, state regulations require that parents must approve the student leaving school if the examination is successful.

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For further information, students may contact their Guidance Office.

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MINI-FORD ELEGANCE—Bob Casper, 21-year-old student at Saddleback College and a Mission Viejo resident, won First Place in the Mild Custom Mini-Pickup category at the 14th annual Winter Nationals World of Wheels at the L.A. Convention Center last month. He’s been working on his 1972 Mini-Ford Courier for about three years. Bob sits on his award-winner with a trophy he won in the 16th annual Custom Car, Rod, and Motorcycle Show at the Long Beach Arena last fall.

A free public lecture on Transcendental Meditation will be presented by Doug Smith, an instructor associated with the South Laguna TM Center, on Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Home Savings building in El Toro, 23861 El Toro Rd.

The one-hour lecture will cover the benefits of Transcendental Meditation, emphasizing the most recent scientific research, according to Norman Zierold, chairman of the local center.

“Measurements show that only 15 or 20 minutes of the practice bring a unique state of ‘reself awareness’ characterized by a physical state of rest twice as deep as deep sleep and simultaneously a heightened mental awareness and alertness,” Zierold said.

“Transcendental Meditation is not a philosophical attitude, religious belief, or meditation technique, as some people believe,” Smith noted. “It is a definite, systematic technique, easily learned by anyone in a short period of time.”

For further information on the lecture or other lectures in the area, contact the TM Center at 499-2739.

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YANKEE TUNESMITH—Bill Baker of Mission Viejo, who calls himself the “Yankee Tunesmith,” entertains a group of boys at the Montanoso Recreation Center who may be too young to catch his act at Woody’s Wharf in Newport Beach. Bill entertains there Tuesday through Saturday from 9:30 p.m. until 1:30 a.m. Bill recently settled in Mission Viejo with his wife, Lin, where, he says, “The slow pace is really conducive to songwriting.” Previously, he had toured with his group from Toronto, Canada to Kauai, Hawaii.

Baby gymnasts learn healthy movements

A two-month-old baby playing “inch worm.” An eight-month-old baby tummy surfing. A year-old toddler swinging from a dowel. And a two-year-old lumbering around like a bear.

It all happens in Priscilla Hegner’s Creative Movement classes at the Montanoso Recreation Center.

During each class of the six-week session time is devoted to parent education. Sensory concepts, equipment, and other topics of particular interest to parents are discussed.

Babies of six weeks to 12 months of age may enroll in Diaper Classes, where mothers and baby learn from about relaxation, exercise and sensory stimulation. Mini Classes I and II are designed for children aged one to three. Mini Classes include teething movements, tumbling exercises, and gymnastic routines. Children also have time to play with tunnels, tires, bean bags and other exploratory mediums.

For more information on Creative Movement Classes, contact Montanoso Recreation Centers in February. Signups are accepted one week before class begins.

Two trips planned

Trips to Disneyland and the Bre Antique Guild, are scheduled by the Mission Viejo Recreation Centers in February.

On Saturday, Feb. 28 the rec center bus will take off for Disneyland for a day in the Magic Kingdom and to watch Disneyland’s Bicentennial contribution, “America on Parade.” Sign-up beginning Feb. 14.

Antique buffs get a chance to visit the old Helm’s Bakery that’s now full of American and European antiques on Feb. 24. The bus leaves Montanoso at 9 a.m. and returns about 3 p.m. Sign-up starts Feb. 5.

Parm Preparations—It’s not hard to spot the Valentine in this photo. It’s Randy Erickson, He, Tod Montgomery and Laura Siuakul are all getting ready for the big Valentine’s Day party at the Sierra Recreation Center. Boys and girls, ages five and up who are rec center members, are invited to the party for games and fun. Cost: 25 cents.

REHEARSAL—Mini Petke and Anne Neish practice for the Bingo Italiano night at Montanoso Recreation Center on Feb. 28. Taped background music and Italian decor will set the mood for a spaghetti dinner, Las Vegas-style bingo, and wine refreshments that evening. Gift certificates and bottles of wine will be presented as prizes just to spark up the competition. Cost is $3 per person. Since reservations are limited, bingo players are urged to sign up early at Montanoso.
Schubert named U.S. swim coach

Mark Schubert, head coach of the Mission Viejo Nadadores, was selected by the AAU as the United States team coach for the U.S. U-18 women’s swim team that is competing in Amersfoort, Netherlands, Jan. 30 and Feb. 1 at the Speedo International Swimming Meet.

The USA team is composed of eight men and eight women, two of whom are from the Mission Viejo Nadadores AAU champion swim team.

Peggy Tosdal, 19, will compete in the 100 and 200 meter butterfly and the 100 and 200 meter freestyle events. Peggy is the American record holder in the 100 meter butterfly (1:02.18) and was a member of the U.S. swim team in the 1975 Pan American games in Mexico City.

Art Ruble, 22, will compete in the 100 and 200 meter freestyle and the 400 and 800 meter relay events. Ruble also swam in the 1975 Pan American games.

Don Jacklin of Portland, Oregon will be assistant coach. Jacklin is a coach of the David Douglas High School swim team and the David Douglas Swim Club. Team manager is George Pearson of Woodland Hills, who is the trainer for the University of Southern California swim team. Chaperone will be Myrna Shelton of Arlington, Texas.

The U.S. team left Jan. 26 for Amersfoort, returning on February 3.

Vassallo, Amen shine at meet

Jesus Vassallo and Michele Amen, Nadadores age-group swimmers, topped three AAU Southern Pacific Association age groups in their recent meet at East Los Angeles City College.

Jesus, a 14-year old swimmer, had record times in the 200 and 400 yard individual medleys (2:01.4 and 4:15.24). He also captured first place in each of the 10 events in which he competed.

Ten-year-old Michele broke the record in the 100 yard individual medley (1:05.99).

In addition to her record-breaking swim, Michele swam to six other first place finishes, two second places and one third place.

Blair inducted into Citizens Savings Hall of Fame

Peter Blair was not discouraged when Schubert named T and he was recently inducted into the U.S. swim coach and the Wrestling Hall of Fame.

Blair, a retired Naval Commander, has been honored with many wrestling awards, including the Olympic Bronze Medal, won in the 1956 Olympics in Melbourne, Australia.

Blair began wrestling while attending the U.S. Naval Academy. In 1954, his senior year, he won the Heavyweight Eastern Intercollegiate Championship and the NCAA National Championship at 197 lbs.

Other honors include the J. A. Fletcher Award for outstanding wrestler in the East, the U.S. Naval Academy’s outstanding athlete award, The Thompson Trophy; and the Weem’s Wrestling Award.

Blair, a program manager for Pacific Ordinance and Electronics Company (PAC ORD), currently resides in Mission Viejo with his wife, Margot and their six children.

Rob Kaltenbach

Water poloists named All-America

Rob Kaltenbach and Jim Lyle have closed brilliant Saddleback College water polo careers by being named All-America.

Kaltenbach, who earlier was named Mission Conference player of the year, scored 40 goals and had 27 assists, more than double the total for any other member of the team, in leading Saddleback to the conference championship.

He was named first team All-America. Lyle, the team’s leading scorer with 31 goals, was accorded second team All-America honors.

Bobby Sox celebrates 10th year

More than 1,500 girls in Saddleback Valley will celebrate the tenth birthday of Bobby Sox in the area when league play begins this spring.

Despite its considerable size, Bobby Sox began nationally just 12 years ago in Buena Park. Today it consists of thousands of teams in leagues from Texas to Hawaii.

The program was conceived out of a need to provide girls with something that only boys had been getting: namely, the opportunity to participate in a team activity outside of school. It was felt that girls also needed mom and dad’s attention in the education, discipline and fun of organized competitive team sports, the additional experience of new friendships, and the direction of dedicated adults.

One of the big pluses of the program is that the key to participation is interest and enthusiasm—not athletic ability. A girl need only be 9 to 15 years old and interested in joining and playing.

Unlike some other organized youth sports groups, every girl that registers gets on a team and plays in every game in which her team plays.

While the national organization provides some guidance, the greatest effort comes from the local leagues themselves.

The program provides, in addition to administration and coaching, insurance coverage, clinics for coaches, managers and umpires, and special post-season tournaments.

Mission Viejo has three leagues. Girls living in Mission Viejo south of La Paz to Oso are in the Mission League. Those living south of Oso may join this league if they wish. For information on the Mission League, prospective members may call 830-7736.

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Letty Skeen, Chairman, Mission Viejo Beautiful

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**Potpourri**

**Nadadores at PA/SPA meet**

Twenty-three members of the Nadadores swim team met still qualifying times and competed in the PA/SPA Annual Dual Meet at San Francisco State College, Jan. 18.

This was the longest contingent ever sent to this prestigious meet by the Nadadores and almost twice as many as sent by any other club in the SPA (Southern Pacific Association).” said Guy Barnicoat, vice president of the Nadadores Booster Club.

You can see the importance of this when you consider that 85 per cent of the world class swimmers in the United States swim in the SPA,” explained Barnicoat.

Nadadores who competed in the dual meet include: Sheel, George, Mark Maldonado, Vincent Vassallo, Nicole Kramer, Alice Brown, Claudia Naokas, Mark Murphy, Jesus Vassallo, Charlie Ray, Byne Miller, Steve Barnicoat and Kathy Howe.

Also Valerie Lee, Shirley Babashoff, Becky McCallery, Margaret Brownie, Diann Carter, Brian Goodell, Mike Kelly, Shawn O’Connor, Casey Converse, and Tom Ray.

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Other South League players who were named to the team include Donny Aonos of San Clemente and Mike Tanner of Dana Point.

Second team honors were accorded to Brian Wood and Ron Wade of San Clemente and to Sean Graham of University.

**Softball sign ups set**

The Mission Viejo High School softball team will be holding sign ups for the 1976 season from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Jan. 31 at the La Paz Center.

Final registration will be taken at a general meeting on Feb. 7, at the La Paz Center.

Girls must be accompanied by a parent and bring a birth certificate.

**PA/SPA DUAL MEET COMPETITIONS**

Most of the members of the Nadadores Swim Team who qualified to compete at the PA/SPA Dual Meet in San Francisco two weeks ago are shown here during a break just before the meet.

**Saddleback co-ed wins on beer**

Dru Wiedenkeller has amassed a wealth of information about beer. He can tell you that Christopher Columbus was known to quench his thirst on a primitive hops and barley brew, and that buying beer in Wisconsin is cheaper than purchasing the same quantity of milk.

The 21-year-old Saddleback College sophomore figured the topic was worth discussion in a recent speech tournament, and brought home a secon place trophy for her “History of Beer.”

Forensics students representing 38 colleges and universities from throughout the southwestern United States partecipated with Dru in the two-day tournament, held at UCLA in December.

Dru’s award was earned in the novice category for expository speaking. Her information was based on taste-testing beer way across the country last summer and developing a rating scale according to her “tipping preferences.”

“I initially was going to collect foreign beer for my boy- 
friend,” Dru remarked. “But I became so involved in studying beer that I decided to put together a presentation.”

Saddleback forensics coach Carolanne Kraemer encouraged Dru to enter the tournament with beer as her topic. Her visual aids included a case of empty beer cans and her categorized survey of taste preferences.

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**Plan ahead for college scholarships**

Need help paying for college next year or in the future? If so, Margie Harrison, of Mission Viejo, received her “Coach of the Year” plaque from American Swimming Coaches Association executive director Robert Ousley at the National AAU Convention in New Orleans. The 26-year-old Schubert, the youngest coach to receive the honor, can tell you that Christopher Columbus

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**We get letters...**

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We hope you will continue to be a valuable asset to the community.

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Lettie Skeen, Chairman, Mission Viejo Beautiful
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