If you think the rain has been mainly a pain, consider the effect it has had on poor Don Boucher, who—general superintendent for Mission Viejo Company—is directly responsible for the 700 homes the company presently has under construction. He is trying very hard to complete them on time for the families waiting to move in.

"It's been the most frustrating winter I've had in 18 years I've been in California and the 17 years I've been in this business," Boucher said recently as he recounted how he'd lost 36 of the preceding 82 working days to the little old rainmaker.

"We lose more than just the days on which it rains," he hastily adds. "Two or three days after it stops, the ground may still be too damp to get concrete, to bring materials onto the site or to do grading work. We can't go ahead with other work because each of the 100 or more operations required to construct a house must be done in sequence. And when we start them for one reason or another, work backs up through the entire tract since we must work on all houses in their numbered sequence.

"Wind causes many other big problems, according to Boucher. Three coats of stucco go on each house and each coat must be properly dried before the next can be applied. When a downdraft thoroughly wets the stucco, the drying process is drastically slowed. "Weather can cause us problems, too, even when it does not rain," he added. "High humidity can slow both the stucco work and drywall finishing. Temperature also is critical in painting and drywall finishing. In summer, for example, a sudden heat wave may cause drywall joints to dry too quickly and we have to redo them."

In case you're beginning to feel that Don must have one of the toughest jobs in Mission Viejo, you haven't even heard about his most critical problem—the manpower shortage. When the building industry hit its big slump in 1966, thousands of skilled workers went into other industries and many even left the state.

Mission Viejo Company may not be able to do anything about the weather, but it has set up a training program to relieve the shortage of supervisory personnel. Eighteen months ago, it instituted a program in which men with continued on page 2

Mission Viejo Named 'The Greatest'  

Mission Viejo has been named the "Most Outstanding Master Planned Community in Southern California" by New Homes Magazine of California. The award was presented to Mission Viejo Company President Philip J. Reilly and other company officials by New Homes Editor Bill Desmond.

In presenting the award Desmond stated, "Mission Viejo is the Cinderella of the homebuilding industry. Three years ago, in the depths of a nationwide housing slump, Mission Viejo was started.

Since then, over 3,000 homes have been sold and over 8,000 people live in this new town. It truly is the most outstanding master planned community in Southern California.

"A drive through Mission Viejo's tree-lined entry, past the charming shopping plaza, the heavily landscaped school, the green-belted parkways, the hundreds of pleasant yards, and along the lush golf course shows the reason for the success of this new town. However, it took more than beauty to win this award."

Mission Viejo Realty Open; Dull Heads Staff  

Mission Viejo Realty — a real estate firm founded to serve Mission Viejo residents and people who wish to buy a pre-owned home in our town — has opened with temporary offices at the La Paz Homes model complex at 2031 Chisanta Drive.

Announcing the community's newest business, John T. Martin, vice-president of marketing, said: "With the opening of Granada Homes, we found that many families now living in Mission Viejo desire to move to homes that are more adequately satisfied their changing family requirements. In keeping with Mission Viejo Company's philosophy of adding services as they are necessary to help our residents, Mission Viejo Realty has been formed."

Martin also announced that the office is managed by R. E. (Bob) Dull, a Mission Viejo resident who had become widely known in the community as sales manager for the Dearie Homes neighborhood. Dull brings to his new position an exceptionally outstanding sales record that includes 21 years in sales management in the automotive industry, four years as owner-manager of a hearing aid company, and seven years in real estate sales.

"Bob's staff is familiar with the current housing values and will be available seven days a week to counsel residents on the sale of their homes. We believe Mission Viejo Realty listings will sell more rapidly because they will benefit from the extensive advertising used in promoting Mission Viejo Company's new home projects."

"We invite residents who want to sell their home to see Mission Viejo Realty. Or, if they have friends or relatives who would like to move to Mission Viejo, to call Bob at 837-9500."
Spring is just around the corner, and Marilyn Maynagh at Carriage Trade Fabrics has a brand new assortment of embroidered dotted Swiss and pique, all in new spring shades. She also has lots of red, white, and blue materials in prints and solids.

Next door, at Hibbard’s Meats, Jerry Hibbard is featuring potato, cole slaw, macaroni, and carrot and raisin salads from Knudsen’s.

Across the way, Helen Whitemyer at La Paz Cleaners says now is the time to clean up those winter clothes and get ready for spring. Also, come in and get her tips on removing spots and stains.

At the Garden Center, Ben Bustillos suggests preparing those beds for spring planting by cultivation and using lots of fertilizer.

Sam Myers at Viejo Barber Shop is having a time keeping men’s necklines short and the sideburns long. Come in and see Sam for a trim.

Give your favorite coltens a spring spruce up. A new “two-corner, tax time will not be far behind. If you need a little “venir,” come in and see Bill Wells of United California Bank for a tax loan.

Looking for something special for those leotards meals? Come in and see Kitty Batsch of Thiftimart for a fine selection of pressed and tailored rocks.

For that spring vitamin pick-me-up, visit Fred Stewart at Morrison’s Pharmacy.

Richard Watt of Phillip’s Hair Fashion has a new “two-inch-all-over” cut which requires no-set and no-permanent. This Helene Curtis creation is especially “groovy” for natural early hair.

At the new Farnochia of Plaza Home Center have all the new patterns of Nor- tika “Progression” china. It has a two-year guarantee against chipping and may be purchased at a time at one time.

Visit Cheng Shu Yao at the Village Coffee Shop for a luncheon treat during March.

“Most Frustrating Winter”

A basic knowledge of the construction industry are brought in for a year’s training, which qualifies them for the position of assistant superintendent. Thus far, eight men have completed the course.

As if those two big problems weren’t enough, a third one continually haunts Boucher: material shortages. Fairly well known is the lumber shortage, brought on by (a) the war effort’s increased needs for wood, (b) bidding of foreign builders and (c) the fact that the ‘66 building industry slump permanently closed some lumber mills and shuttered plants.

However, many other mate- rials have been in short sup- ply.

Construction delays and pushed-back completion dates seriously affect both homebuyers and homebuilders.

For homebuyers, it complicates the problems of selling the present house and moving, especially since the new FHA regulations insist that the escrow must be closed on the old house before the family can move into the new one.

For the homebuilder, time is money and construction delays only increase his costs, top of the ever-rising mate- rial and labor costs. And, of course, once a house is sold for a certain price, the builder cannot boost that price, no matter how many price in- creases he runs into.

Why don’t homebuilders schedule a cushion to allow for bad weather? The answer is obvious, once you think about it; if the weather was good, they couldn’t be pre- pared to take advantage of it, and they would have to take a vacation they couldn’t afford.

“We have to attempt to achieve the optimum,” stresses Boucher. “There is no way we could know how much bad weather to schedule for. We have to schedule on a no-lost-time basis in order to be prepared to take advantage of every available working day.

“Today, we can schedule the construction of a home as closely as the manufacturing of a car, weather permitting. And, with 700 homes under way at one time, we force to schedule them that closely,” he adds pointing to his office walls which are papered with house-by-house, operation-by-operation construction schedules for each of the 12 tracts under construction.

Looking at the charts, your

Mission Viejo Funds Saddleback Loan Program

A $1,000 addition to Saddle- back College’s revolving loan fund has been made by Mission Viejo Company. Donald G. Zellner, the company’s vice president of finance, presented the $1,000 check to Dr. Fred Bremer, Saddleback College president.

In the revolving loan pro- gram, a student attending Saddleback may obtain a loan and repay it with no interest charge.

For Residents

To aid both residents and visitors, Mission Viejo Com- pany produced the commu- nity’s very first street map last spring.

A new supply of updated and redesigned maps has been produced, reports Buck Bean, marketing coordinator for the company. The new, larger and more handsome maps are available in the Eldorado Homes, Carada Homes, La Paz Homes and Mission Ridge sales offices, and the Mission Viejo Recreation Center.
HITS MILLION IN 31 DAYS

Selling more than $1 million worth of Granada Homes in January, Mission Viejo's Ron Brady achieved in just one month a record most new home salesman in the area. Presenting Brady with a special presentation plaque commemorating his "memorable month," Stuart McFarland, sales manager for Mission Viejo Company, noted that the unusual achievement was "a perfect example of an excellent salesman teaming up with an excellent product." Granada Homes, which made their debut in January, promptly registered 62 sales in 31 days leading Mission Viejo Company, the nation's largest one-site homebuilder, to a new one-month sales record of 135 homes. Brady sold 30 homes for a total of $1,000,052 in January.

Brady joined the company late in 1968, coming from another homebuilding firm, where he won the "Salesman of the Year" award in 1967. A former assistant golf professional, he sharpened his game on Mission Viejo's famous golf course.

MILLION DOLLAR MONTH - Ron Brady, Granada Homes salesman, displays a plaque commemorating his achievement to hostesses Bobbie Bernard (foreground) and Mary Jones.

HICKS HOLDS SALES LEAD

Gordon D. Hicks and his wife, Carole, a native of Fullerton, have lived in Southern California for seven years. They have two children, Deana, 6, who attends Margarette M. O'Neill Elementary School and Mark, an active member of the Mission Viejo Kiwanis Club.

Gordon Hicks has sold more Mission Viejo homes than any other salesman in the community's short but illustrious history. First, he sold a total of 311 Deane Homes, 43 percent of all the Deane Homes built in Mission Viejo. Then, he joined the Mission Viejo Company and has already sold six dozen La Paz Homes in six months.

Gordon has been selling homes in Mission Viejo since 1965: "I have been here since the temporary bridge was built, and have watched it grow ever since," he said.

With Deane, he was a member of the three Million Dollar Club for two consecutive years. Earlier he had been assistant manager for a large real estate firm. He entered the real estate field seven years ago.

Born in Hayward, Calif., he was raised in Texas, North Dakota, and Oklahoma before returning to California to graduate from high school in San Francisco. He received a football scholarship to California State College, San Jose, but declined that for four years in the Air Force.

He later obtained an A.A. degree from Fullerton Junior College, then attended classes at Lumbree Real Estate School in Santa Ana: "I love sports and was a flanker back for the Orange County Rhinos (now the San Bernardino Ramblers)," he recalls proudly.

He played with the Rhinos two seasons. During the first year, he had ten interceptions. Gordon also played summer softball, in the Fullerton Triple A League. He was a catcher.

Meets Your Salesman:

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Jojoaquin School District (three vacancies) — Edward E. Berry, incumbent; Charles L. Billings, former supervisor; B. Brian, attorney; Robert L. Dameron, consultant; Vincent A. Laut, the Turners elected; Robert W. Livingston, accountant; Arnoll Krenek, manager.

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Tustin Union High School District (three vacancies) — Chester G. Brown, incumbent; Charles T. Bell, contractor; Clifford B. Boehmer, manager; Ronald W. Fraese, teacher; James M. Knapp, engineer; Patricia A. Stratton, teacher; John F. Unger, engineer, and Lois Young, home-maker.

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WOMEN’S WORLD

by Joanne McGregor

During a recent meeting of the miniature section of the Rancho Viejo Women’s Club, Caroline Kelly, director of the children’s summer program, presented tips on the natural look in spring makeup. Attending in the home of Mrs. Joan Doran were Billy Sullivan, Norma Black, Jewel Dobson, Jane Cosmos and Virginia Brown.

Dottie Roseberry won a gift certificate from Mission Viejo’s Tienda de Golf (golf shop) for her low gross in a putting tournament played by members of the Mission Viejo Women’s Golf Club. Runners-up were Lynn Fleck and Anne Amussen. Golf balls were won by Gwen Bergh, Mary Clark, Sallie Erich, Nancy Johnson and Jody McMartin. For information about the women’s group, contact Mildred Hammonds, handicap chairman, at 837-2435.

At the February meeting, members of the Rancho Viejo Women’s Club were given a sneak preview of spring fashions. Modeling ensembles from area stores were Mmes. Henry Javsou, Paul Ricker, and Bernard Vittetoe. For information, contact the women’s group, which meets at 10 a.m., March 17, at the Swim and Racquet Club.

Rosemary Swanson has been elected president of the Christian Women’s Club, which serves Mission Viejo and surrounding areas.

Dr. Samuel Stanley, hypnotist, will be the guest lecturer when the Rancho Viejo Women’s Club meets at 10 a.m., March 17, at the Mission Viejo Recreation Center. June Cosmos, president of the women’s club, extends an invitation to all interested women in the area to attend the meeting and get acquainted.

Melinda Brown has been elected president of the Temple Elit, Sisterhood serving Mission Viejo and surrounding areas. Assisting her are: Joyce Frablinger, first vice president; Irene Cohen, second vice president; Pearl Kaplan, treasurer; Shelly Schlesinger, financial secretary; Carolyn Goodman, recording secretary; and Florence Feldman, corresponding secretary. The group sponsored a buffet dinner and dance on March 8 at the Swim and Racquet Club.

Dove Weilein is this year’s chairman for the second annual Cinco de Mayo fiesta, a communitywide organizational event. Last year’s fiesta was televised in part by CBS Channel 2, and more than 2,000 Spanish style meals were served. This year’s event will again be sponsored by the Mission Viejo High School P.T.O.

PIONEER HOMEMAKER—Mrs. Richard Geib, Mission Viejo’s first homemaker, shows daughter Sandy the secret to toasting a Caesar salad. The Geibs moved to Mission Viejo March 30, 1960 from Long Beach.

COOKING TIPS—Miss Demi Burner, home economist for San Diego Gas and Electric Co., recently demonstrated the features and uses of electric appliances in Mission Ranch Homes to feminine residents on “the Ridge.” Picking up tips are Ming Pletich (L) and Ronnie Dull.

LITTLE LEAGUE AUXILIARY Elects Board

by Joanne McGregor

Ruth (Mrs. David) Ochoa has been elected president of the Women’s Auxiliary of Mission Viejo Little League.

Serving with her will be Mmes. Jody McMartin, vice president; Janet Core, secretary; Elaina Draper, head team mother; Pat Blackburn, assistant team mother; Nira Hiers, snack bar chairman; Harriet Dalrimple, publicity chairman; Marcia Edin, ways and means chairman, and Norma Sandstedt, host scorer.

During the season, the auxiliary will sponsor a candy drive, a bake sale and a fireworks stand. Members also hope to hold a dance. All funds raised by the women’s group will be used for purchasing equipment, uniforms, and snack bar supplies.

All interested mothers can contact Mrs. Ochoa for further information at 837-7068.

LITTLE LEAGUE BOARD—Helping the Mission Viejo Little League teams will be members of the women’s auxiliary (from left) Evelyn Shloley, Janet Core, Nina Hiers, Donna Jens, Mary Ann, Ruth Ochoa, Jody McMartin, Norma Sandstedt, Elaine Draper, and Harriet Dalrimple.

Dyan Geib: Mission Viejo’s Very First Lady

“Like the challenge of taking one decorator item and seeing how many other uses I can make of it and how many other places I can use it in the house,” she added. “I like the warm tones of oranges and yellows because they help bring my personality into my home.” She is an active member of “Sing Along with Lily,” a girls chorus at the Swim and Racquet Club, and also likes to play the ukulele and dance.

Since moving to Mission Viejo, Dyan has become an enthusiastic connoisseur of Mexican dishes and has discovered some tasty entrees, including tortilla cheese appetizers, chili relleno casserole, chilli enchilada pie and Mexicali lasagne.

The Geibs have two children, Sandy, 4, and Scott, 21 months. Dick is an engineer for Douglas Aircraft in Long Beach.

Artists Plan Dual Events

For March

An Art Happening and a lecture head the list of March activities planned by members of the Mission Viejo Art, Artists and Craftsmen.

During March, the group is sponsoring an Art Happening at La Paz Plaza. A combined art show and art sale will be open to the public with graphic and fine art selections available.

At the general meeting March 20, 7:30 p.m., in the Marguerite M. O’Neill Elementary School multi-purpose room, members and guests will hear a lecture demonstration by the nationally syndicated cartoonist, Roger Armstrong. The famed artist, from Laguna Beach, will provide a creative forum on the concept of comic books. Following the lecture, ten guests from the audience will receive a cartoon suitable for framing.
Girl Scout Troop Plans Cutting Day

Attention, all green thumbs and non-green thumbs of Mission Viejo!

Girl Scout Troop 242 of Mission Viejo has designated Saturday, March 15, as Mission Viejo’s official “Cutting Day.”

During the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., residents may come to La Paz Plaza and select roots, greenery, seeds, slips and other shrubs donated by other residents, who have an overabundance of greens in their yards. The purpose of the day is to help make Mission Viejo more green, but be fruitful. No charge will be made in taking plants and shrubs home to aid in landscaping that new home.

Anyone planning to thin out his landscaping this spring is asked to share his growing wealth by bringing plants and cuttings to the plaza. Gardeners should start now in preparing slips. Members of Troop 242 will be on hand to separate clumps and assist in selecting proper plants for spring planting.

Donations will be accepted by the troop. For further information, call Mrs. Donald North at 839-0522.

Students Active
In Youth Group

Several junior high and high school students from Mission Viejo have been active in the newly organized youth group at Abiding Saviour Lutheran Church of El Toro.

Active members from Mission Viejo include Leslie Dumont, Barbara Gull, Susan Kelley, Mike Madeckoff, Linda and Lori Matz, De Anna Schefel, Lorena Vaughn, Steve Westrom and Susan Saper. Serving as group leaders are Lee Schefel and Jack and Annette Sinkbeil, both of Mission Viejo.

Since January, the group has planned a snow trip to the Bear, has donated 700 ball park pennants. A mission chaplain, has taken clothing and staples to needy families in Mission Viejo, and sponsored a spaghetti dinner to raise money for a basketball and volleyball court for the church.

GREEN THUMB DAY — Preparing for Mission Viejo Cutting Day, March 15, at La Paz Plaza, are members of Girl Scout Troop 242 (from left) Debra Newton, Julie O’Donovan, Leslie Curtis, Joan Cooper and Shelley Weinstein.

**The Younger Set**

Jill Hoffman sailed in early February on the SS Ryndam, Chapman College’s World Campus Afloat. Jill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Deuane Hoffman of 901 Alicante Drive, will tour both European and South American ports.

A new speakers bureau has formed at Saddleback College. Both students and faculty members may be invited to guest lecture before civic, service, educational, business, labor, professional, youth, and church groups. Requests for speakers—at least two weeks in advance, please—may be made by contacting the Office of Community Services at the college. Subjects range from college financing to world religion, from juvenile delinquency to the fourth estate today.

The J. H. Club of Mount of Olives Lutheran Church has a hayride planned for March 14, from 6 to 11 p.m., at Irvine Park. Cost is $2 per person, which includes a hayride, a dance and a barbecue. A similar hayride is set for March 28 for all Mission Viejo High School students, 6 to 11 p.m., it will cost $2 per person or $3 per couple. A barbecue and dance also will be held.

"El Viejo," Mission Viejo High School’s yearbook has gone to press and editor Sandy Birel and her crew have several new and interesting changes in the look.

Freshman World History classes from Mission Viejo High School will attend a showing of "A Lion in Winter" at the University of California at Los Angeles. Tickets are on sale in the student store.

Rehearsals are under way for Mission Viejo High School’s spring production, "21 with late registration on April 2, the day classes begin.

Students to attend evening "extended-day" classes are encouraged to register on designated registration dates, but they may register on the night of the first class meeting, said R. L. Platt, assistant dean of admission and records.

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Courses offered include: anthropology, art, astronomy, biology, business, drama, economics, English, geology, German, health, history, journalism, mathematics, music, philosophy, police science, political science, psychology, sociology and speech.

There is no registration or tuition fee for district students or any student taking six units or less.

GLAD LAUGH IN — Members of the third and sixth grade drama class at Linda Vista Elementary School practice a song and dance rehearsal for a PTO talent show held in February.

**Girl Scout Troop Plans Cutting Day**

**LINCOLN’S BIRTHDAY — Diane Diehl (1.) and Sherry McCollum, sixth graders at Marguerite M. O’Neill Elementary School, participate in the school’s salute to Lincoln by reciting the Gettysburg Address.**

**New Swim Team Organized; Splashing With ‘Gold Power’**

What is all that splashing about down at the Rec Center pool? It’s the new Mission Viejo swim team, the Nada Dorores (the swimmers), practicing for its upcoming meets.

Coached by Thom Martin, the team has 45 members, 90 per cent of them novices. Team uniforms are gold and orange, prompting members to claim they have “gold power.”

Organized a little more than three months ago, the team already has distinguished itself.

In its first outing, against the Newport Swim Club, six swimmers placed in events. Taking first place ribbons in Class A were Bob Woods, 11, in the 100 yd. freestyle and Dan O’Donovan, 13, in the 50 yd. freestyle. In Class B, firsts went to Brian Goodell, 10, in the 100 yd. individual medley and Kevin Hurd, in the 100 yd. individual medley and in the 50 yd. butterfly. Diane Troop 10, 50 yd. back stroke, and Kevin Reilly, 10, 50 yd. breaststroke.

In Class C, Mike Hurd won a first in the 50 yd. freestyle. Young Miss Toepfer also captured a second in the Class B 100 yd. individual medley and Hurd a second in Class C 100 yd. individual medley.

In their second meet and their first "big" meet, the Newport Invitational, the Nada Dorores competed against 300 swimmers from 12 area teams. Bringing home honors were Diane Toepfer and Pam Valderber. Diane took first in breaststroke, a second in freestyle, and third in the individual medley. Pam captured a third in the 100 yd. freestyle, fourth in breaststroke and a sixth in 50 yd. freestyle.

The team’s first home meet will be March 22, hosting the El Toro Swim Club at 9:30 p.m., in the Recreation Center pool.
Among Webster’s several definitions for "wizard" are "a very skillful person" and "one possessing magical influence." Certainly both descriptions apply to Bob Osborne, the youngest Mission Viejo Company official in what is perhaps Bob's most challenging assignment. The company has invested more than $300 million in homebuilding, and Bob has been promoted to devise the construction techniques to offset ever-increasing labor and material costs.

Responsibilities one and two are taken over from the engineering department when rough grading is completed and the purchasing department programs materials are signed. Then, Bob and his staff of 38 go to work and keep day-by-day progress charts showing how the dozens of subcontractors are performing on the 90 to 110 operations required to build every home. Commercial construction, of course, requires the same bird-dogging, but Bob will occasionally have to point out detail, the same hir-dogging.

That third responsibility is perhaps Bob's most challenging assignment. The company is in the construction of 2,300 homes, ranging from $14,000 to $85,000, in Fullerton, Brea, and from O.C.C. That summer at Mission Viejo. He and Pat (they were married the spring after they met) moved into a San Juan Model on a sweeping view lot in a La Paz Home in Mission Viejo. He and Pat (they were married the spring after they met) moved into a San Juan model on a sweeping view lot on Paraiso Drive last June. They have been out in the field two or three weekends a month. Frequently, they and their Labrador retriever combine adventures with Jerry and Mary Moiso and their two Labs for fishing. (During the long hunting season, he may be out in the field two or three weekends a month.)

Sports: Enthusiast
Pat and Bob like to take their children on surf fishing outings, now that they are getting big enough (Lisa, 7, and Bobby, 5, is enrolled in Tiny Tots at the Rec Center.) The Osbornes also like to ski. Looking somewhat embarrassed, Bob pulled a stocking-cord-flad foot from under his desk and said: "Sprained ankle. Souvenir of last weekend! I've got to get it healed by March 7th because we're organizing a big ski trip for about 30 members of the company."

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"Os is very intelligent and highly incisive. He doesn't get lost in details and he doesn't stop to think. He's highly driven and motivates his staff well. He moves very well among the governmental agencies that are involved in the building industry. He believes in his product, his company, and his community."
**Little League To Form 20 Teams; 3 Divisions**

For its second season, the Mission Viejo Little League program is doubling in size and stature, according to Claude Hendrix, league president.

Eight major and eight minor league teams are forming and a junior division of four teams for boys 13, 14, and 15 years of age is also planned. Boys nine through 12 are eligible for the major league teams and boys eight to 12 are eligible for the minor league. The season will run through May and June with major league teams playing on Wednesdays from 5 to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 2 p.m. Minor league teams will play on Tuesdays from 5 to 7 p.m. and on Saturdays from noon to 2 p.m. All major and minor league games are scheduled for the Marguerite M. O'Neill Elementary School field. The junior division will also play on Saturdays, but at Mission Viejo High School with starting times to be announced.

Approximately 14 boys will comprise each of the teams.

**Gauchos Develop Team Unity During Season, Says Coach**

From the start of its season the Saddleback College basketball team played three strikes against it — newness, inexperience and an all-freshman squad. But despite the overall 8-20 season record, the team has improved steadily.

“With each game, we developed a little more team unity,” said Coach Boyd Stevens. “Each of the boys as a unit is very hard working and throughout the season, morale was high.”

Stevens noted three big team improvements during the season — better ball handling, fewer offensive mistakes, and better defensive pattern movement.

From the standpoint of player improvements, Stevens cited guard Bill Noon as a key to Gauchos’ effectiveness. The Gauchos’ leading scorer, averaging 20.3 points per game, he is also the top junior college scorer in Orange County. Noon hit 99 points against Cavin College for his season high and Cavin is ranked eighth among California junior colleges. In the final 58 seconds of the game with University of California at San Diego fresh, Noon scored two big baskets to push the Gauchos ahead, 58-57.

Gauchos center Marc Hardy also has improved during the season. Against San Diego Mesa, he hit 22 points and was the game’s top scorer. Before fouling out early in the second half against Grossmont College, he hit 20 points. In a game against Southwest College, he scored the nets for 21.

Improvement was also visible in the playing forward Randy Lawrence and Greg Swenson, reserve center Mark Winter, and guards Hal Boyd and Rick Merrill.

Next season, Saddleback will enter the Desert Conference. “We are hoping for a better overall record next year, with the return of seasoned ball players, and the addition of recruits from the local high school cage powers,” Stevens added.

**Diablos Achieve Cage Goals**

Although the Mission Viejo High School basketball teams didn’t win the Crestview League Championship, Coach Pat Roberts isn’t disappointed with the 1968 basketball season.

“The team set two goals in the beginning of the season: to win a tournament and to go over the 300 mark and we did both,” he said.

The Diablos won the Brea-Olinda Tournament, defeating the Servite Friars 60-50. At the end of the season the Diablos were 14-9.

During Crestview League play the team bounced as high as second place, finally finishing fifth with a 6 and 8 record.

Captain Tom Gardner led the team in scoring, averaging 18 points per game. A forward, he scored 27 points against El Modena, 25 against Villa Park, and 32 against San Clemente.

Roberts considers center Dan Kratz one of his most improved players. But, he feels the team still lacks that one key player who can take charge, be a leader, and do a consistent job of shooting in each game.

Coach Roberts will have seven out of eleven players returning next season, including Steve West, Jeff Master son, Steve Hazan, Rudy Holmes, Dan Kratz, Bob O’Brien, and Jim Shaeffer. The graduating seniors are Jerry Gloster, Mike Koski, Mike Clegern, and Tom Gard ner.


**Rec Center News**

**Curran-by Speaking**

by Jerry Curran

Potluck and Bingo Night

"Palatable potluck and bingo-fun-are" are on the calendar for March 15, 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Rec Center Women's Group, the evening calls for casual dress and promises fun for all. Reservations and menu arrangements must be completed by March 13. For information, call Mrs. George Cole at 830-0428.

Kite Frolic

"Let's go fly a kite" is the theme for the kite flying contest planned for Sunday, March 9, from 1 to 5 p.m. Awards for family and individual entries will be made in the following categories: Youngest Flyer, Most Festive, in the following categories: Youngest Flyer, Most Festive, in the following categories: Youngest Flyer, Most Festive, Most Original Design, and Most Fun for all. Reservations call for casual dress and reservations must be completed by March 9. For more information, contact the Rec Center at 837-4084.

**What's Doing In March**

1. **Park Party** — Members of Temple Eliaa get their annual party in the home of the Arthur Sapulpa, 9 a.m.

2. **Organization Meeting** — First general meeting for all parents interested in forming a Parent Teacher Organization for La Paz Intermediate School, in the multipurpose room, 7:30 p.m.

3. **Election Meeting** — To discuss the tax override election. Sponsored by the Mission Viejo High School P.T.A. in the multipurpose room, 7:30 p.m.

4. **Key Bible Words** — Residents of Mission Viejo are invited to attend the ecumenical discussion of "Sin" by a local clergyman in the home of the Thomas Dickson, 10 a.m.

5. **Spring Art Show** — Art Happening in La Paz Plaza sponsored by Mission Viejo Aaa. of Artists and Craftsmen, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

6. **Bingo and Pizza** — Opens to all couples from Mount of Olivet Lutheran Church at Fashion Lanes, Santa Ana, 60 cents a game, 7 p.m.

7. **Kite Frolic** — Fun and prizes for family and individual entries by Rec Center members, 1 to 5 p.m.

8. **Shopping Trip** — A pre-Easter shopping spree and sightseeing day south of the border for all ladies, either members or non members. Sponsored by the Rec Center Women's Club, I to 5 p.m.

9. **Cutting Day** — Mission Viejo homeowners can select bulbs, slips, or smallings from Girl Scout Troop 242 at La Paz Plaza. Donations accepted, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

10. **Kegs-for-Bingo** — A Potluck dinner with bingo following sponsored by the Rec Center Women's Group at the Rec Center, 7 p.m.

11. **Hypnosis Demonstration** — Meeting for all members of Rancho Viejo Women's Club with a lecture by Dr. Samuel Stanley, hypnotist, at the Rec Center, 10 a.m.

12. **Art Demonstration** — General meeting for all members of the Mission Viejo Aaa. of Artists and Craftsmen, featuring the talents of Roger Armstrong, cornetist, and Margaret B. O'Neill, 2:30 p.m.

13. **Women's Golf Tournament** — Mission Viejo Women's Golf Club will sponsor a member-guest day tournament and a luncheon at the Mission Viejo Inn, tee-off at 9 a.m.

14. **Little League** — Tryouts for team positions for boys, ages 9 through 12, at Mission Viejo High School, 9 a.m.

15. **Donkey Basketball** — Key Club of Mission Viejo High School will sponsor a basketball discussion of "Faith" by a local clergyman in the home of the Arthur Sapulpa, 10 a.m.

16. **Christian Women's Club** General meeting in the home of Oumar's, San Clemente, noon.

17. **Key Bible Words** — Residents of Mission Viejo are invited to attend the ecumenical discussion of "Grace" by a local clergyman in the home of Dr. Asa Lange in the home of the Thomas Dickson, 10 a.m.

18. **Little League** — Tryouts for team positions for boys, ages 9 through 12, at Mission Viejo High School, 10 a.m.

19. **Women's Club** — Meeting for all members of the Mission Vtejo Women's Club at Mission Viejo High School, 7:30 p.m.

20. **Christian Women's Club** — Meeting at the home of the Dr. Asa Lange in the home of the Thomas Dickson, 10 a.m.

21. **Meet Your Candidates** — All candidates for the upcoming school board elections will be on hand to answer questions at a meet-and-greet sponsored by the Mission Viejo Republican Women's Club at Mission Viejo High School, 9 a.m.

22. **Key Bible Words** — Key Club of Mission Viejo High School will sponsor a member-guest day tournament and a luncheon at the Mission Viejo Inn, tee-off at 9 a.m.

23. **Little League** — Tryouts for team positions for boys, ages 9 through 12, at Mission Viejo High School, 9 a.m.