



# Mission Viejo Means Business Newsletter

City of Mission Viejo

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## *Business Expo Attracts Hundreds While Chamber Gears Up for More Special Events*

More than 400 people flocked to the Norman P. Murray Community and Senior Center Thursday for the Mission Viejo Chamber of Commerce Business Expo. The event showcased the products and services of local businesses and restaurants, which provided free samples. Many patrons enjoyed sipping wine and beer while DJ "The Mad Platter" spun fun tunes.

The event came while the Mission Viejo Chamber of Commerce gears up to host its next mixer at 5:30 p.m. October 20 inside the Microsoft store at The Shops at Mission Viejo as well as Senator Patricia Bates at the November 1 Daybreakers Networking event. Senator Bates will provide a legislative update during the 7:30 a.m. Daybreakers event that takes place every Tuesday morning at High Park Tap House.

Before those two events, the chamber is inviting the public to TEDx Mission Viejo at 10 a.m. on Friday, October 14 in the Council Chamber at Mission Viejo City Hall, 200 Civic Center. Tickets are available at <http://tedxmissionviejo.com> for \$100 per person. For more information, visit <http://www.missionviejochamber.com>.



## *Orchard Supply Hardware to Open New Mission Viejo Store September 27*

Orchard Supply Hardware store will open its new Mission Viejo store at 24021 Marguerite Parkway on Tuesday, September 27. Orchard Supply Hardware is a neighborhood hardware and garden store, with roots dating back more than 85 years ago.

In 1931, 30 farmers each put up \$30 to create the orchard supply warehouse and began buying their farm supplies as a cooperative in San Jose, California. The first warehouse was stocked with picking pails, orchard ladders, sprays, fertilizers and other farming supplies. Today's Orchard Supply Hardware store has about 45,000 products in each of the more than 80 stores in California and Oregon. In 2013, Orchard Supply Hardware was acquired by home-improvement retailer Lowe's. The Mission Viejo store will continue its grand opening celebration the weekend of October 15-16. For more information, visit <http://www.osh.com>.



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### *Registration Available Now for TEDx Mission Viejo*

Community members are invited to TEDx Mission Viejo on Friday, October 14 at the Civic Center. The event is a locally organized version of the internationally known TED conference, which brings together thought leaders and innovators for talks that last less than 20 minutes. All TED talks share the general theme of “ideas worth spreading,” while the TEDx event in Mission Viejo will feature speakers focused on “Perception.”



“It’s about cracking open the nut on perception and challenging the way people think, live, love, laugh and play at life in the city of Mission Viejo,” the website states. “Within our community we want to awaken the dormant belief in many residents that we are just another suburban landscape in the middle of Orange County. We want to arouse new consciousness amongst the city’s residents and bring together not only mind expanding and thought provoking conversations about new ideas but also to enhance the experience of idea sharing by using creative art forms between talks.” Tickets and registration is available online at <http://tedxmissionviejo.com/index.php/register/>.

### *Save the Date for Walk Against Drugs October 15*

Planning is underway for the 28th annual Walk Against Drugs on Saturday, October 15. This event unites the City, Sheriff’s Department, schools, businesses and local community and nonprofit groups with students and families to embrace a healthy lifestyle and say “no” to drugs, alcohol and tobacco use.

The walk, which highlights National Red Ribbon Week, begins at 8 a.m. with a 30-minute rally at Mission Viejo High School Stadium, 25025 Chrisanta Drive. U.S. Navy veteran and Purple Heart recipient Redmond Ramos will kick off the day speaking at the rally. Redmond lost his left leg five years ago while serving our country but has never let that slow him down. He holds 19 medals from numerous athletic competitions held for military veterans, including the Warrior Games, Endeavor Games and the Invictus Games. Redmond is also the 2015 Triumph Games inaugural champion. He enjoys giving back through volunteer work with youth and other veterans. The theme of the event – “Drug Free, Warrior Strong” – was inspired by Redmond.

After the rally, the crowd of more than 4,000 sporting red T-shirts will form a red ribbon as they walk down La Paz Road through the Oso Creek Trail to a Community Fair and 9th Annual South County Disaster Preparedness Expo on the Village Green at Oso Viejo Park, 24932 Veterans Way. The fair, which runs from 9 a.m. to noon, includes games, activities, food and music along with invaluable information for families and individuals about emergency preparedness.

For each \$250 sponsorship, the name of your business will be featured on the back of this year’s T-shirt. The \$500 or more sponsorship includes your business name and logo. Food vendors can provide a minimum of 400 food samples in lieu of the \$500 monetary donation; however, space for food vendors is limited. This is a great opportunity to show your support for a drug-free community! The sponsorship deadline is September 30, 2016. For more information, please contact Khatra Molina at [kmolina@cityofmissionviejo.org](mailto:kmolina@cityofmissionviejo.org) or call 949-470-8495.

