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Luncheon Meeting
June 4, 2008

Irvine Great Park

- SPEAKER:** Sukhee Kang
Irvine Mayor Pro Tem
- WHEN:** Wednesday June 4, 2008
11:30 am to 1:00 pm Luncheon Meeting
- WHERE:** Caspian Restaurant: 14100 Culver Dr. Irvine, CA 92604
- RSVP required by e-mail ONLY to:** rebecca@@hushmand-associates.com
- CONTACT:** Mr. Kamran Saber at (714) 293-1014 (Cell) for questions only, not RSVP.
- FEE:** \$20/person (only cash or checks in order of IASCE).

ABSTRACT: Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) El Toro was closed on July 2, 1999 as part of the Federal Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process. Through an on-line public auction, The Department of the Navy sold the property on February 16, 2005 to the winning private bidder, Lennar Corporation, for \$649 million. As a condition of the sale of the property, Lennar Corporation signed a Development Agreement that deeded 1,347 acres to the City of Irvine for the Orange County Great Park and agreed to pay an additional \$200 million for future development and maintenance of the Park. The Orange County Great Park Corporation (www.ocgp.org), a non-profit organization, was established by the Irvine City Council on June 24, 2003. It is charged with the design, construction and maintenance of the Orange County Great Park, a 1,347 acre metropolitan park on the site of the former El Toro MCAS in Irvine. The Orange County Great Park Plan will provide 2.5 mile canyon and lake, miles of walking and biking trails, a cultural terrace, Orange County's largest sports park, a botanical garden, and a tethered helium observation balloon that will be an icon for the Great Park. More than 3,885 of the 4,700 acres will be dedicated to open space, education, and other public uses.

BIO: Irvine Mayor Pro Tem Sukhee Kang was elected to the Irvine City Council in 2004 and won re-election in 2006.



Born and raised in South Korea, Sukhee and his wife Joanne came to the United States in 1977 after his graduation from Korea University in Seoul. Sukhee Kang began his professional career with Circuit City Stores sales and customer service. He was promoted to senior management positions and earned recognition for his service oriented philosophy, ultimately receiving the company's highest honor — induction into the "Colonel's Club," recognizing his dedication and service to the company and their customers.

A successful businessman and the father of two adult children, Sukhee Kang has dedicated his life to his family, his work and service to the community. His efforts on behalf of the Korean American community, including his past service as Chairman of the Korean American Coalition Orange County and President of the Korean American Education Scholarship Foundation, provided an introduction to community leadership that would ultimately inspire Sukhee to run for the Irvine City Council. Sukhee Kang's own American success story has helped to shape his inclusive and engaging leadership style. Active throughout the Irvine community, Sukhee Kang has forged strong and supportive relationships with the business community, the education community and the many cultural, service and non-profit organizations that serve the citizens of Irvine. An advocate for the interests of all Irvine residents, Sukhee Kang has demonstrated his ability to "listen, learn and respond" by walking door-to-door in every neighborhood in Irvine, engaging in "doorstep dialogues" with Irvine residents, then working diligently to respond to their interests and concerns.

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