

SPECIFIC PLAN MEETINGS RESUME

After a year's hiatus, Lighthouse Avenue Specific Plan meetings resume **Thursday, June 12**
8:30 - 10:30 AM at Scholze Park Center
6:30 - 8:30 PM at Hilltop Park Center.
Attend either one or both. City Planner Taven Kinison Brown will show slides of Lighthouse Avenue, review progress so far, and discuss the process going forward.

How tall, where to park, whether to provide green spaces. Come share your opinion and be part of the vision as the process gets going again.

230 LIGHTHOUSE IS DENIED BY ARC

The project proposed for 230 Lighthouse has been denied by Architectural Review Committee (ARC) and is being appealed to Planning Commission where the applicant is hoping for approval. The applicant refused to make any of the modifications requested by ARC to reduce the appearance of massiveness from the streets.

WHAT THE MILLS ACT COULD DO FOR YOU

Owners of historically important homes and businesses are able to enjoy significant reductions to their property taxes, thanks to the Mills Act. The City agrees to lower property taxes in exchange for the property owner maintaining the property according to an approved maintenance schedule.

The City currently has 41 contracts. Planning staff inspects each property to ensure that the contract terms are met. The inspections continue through the life of the contract, which is in perpetuity, unless either party decides to cancel the contract.

There is more information about Mills Act program benefits and application procedures on the City's website and a handout is available at the Planning office.

THANK YOU FOR SERVICE TO NMNA

Ken Wanderman and Michael Hanley have recently stepped down from NMNA board. Their passion and caring have inspired us to a higher standard. We thank them for their contributions.

We also want to thank Howard Fosler and Jeffrey Parks for producing our newsletters the past several years. They've done a beautiful job.

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN

There will be no update of New Monterey's Area Plan this year after all. The Planning Commission supported creation of a prioritized list of neighborhood plans: which will be done when. Staff hopes to apply in January/February for grants to fund the planning process *next* year.

AUDIO LOOPS NOW OPERATIONAL

Scholze Park Center and the Library Community Room now have Induction (Audio) Hearing Wire Loops and amplifiers, including microphones and speakers.

When a hearing aid user selects the 'T'-coil setting, he or she can pick up the sounds spoken into the PA system's microphone instead of the hearing aid's internal microphone. For more information: www.loopwisconsin.com.

CITY FUNDS SENIOR DISCOUNT

Did you know that if you are a resident of Monterey and over 65 years of age, you can receive a discount on your Monterey City Disposal bill? Just send a copy of your driver's license or other ID and your account number to Monterey City Disposal, Inc., PO Box 2780, Monterey, CA 93942 and request the Senior Discount.

ABANDONED VEHICLES

If you see a vehicle that has been parked on your street for a few days and it doesn't belong to any of your neighbors, call Police Dispatch at 646-3914 or the Abandoned Vehicle line at 646-3973 to report it. They'll mark it and get the process started to remove it.

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NMNA PURPOSE is primarily to preserve and enhance the quality of life and residential quality of our Neighborhood and to support and enhance business and business development in our commercial area.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND TOWN

Green Chalk Contemporary Art Gallery 616 Lighthouse Avenue

June 7 - July 8 Exhibit "Earth: The Boundless Sky/Sea." Misuzu Kamaishi's photographs of the aftermath of the Tohoku earthquake and tsunami will be juxtaposed with local artist Mai Ryuno's beautiful watercolor paintings.

Gallery is open Tuesday-Saturday, 1pm-7pm.

More info at <http://lighthousedistrict.net>.

CERT Quarterly Drill

Saturday, June 21 9-11 a.m.

Community Emergency Response Team members will be receiving eSponder messages at 8:30 a.m., directing them to a staging area for an 'emergency' with several scenarios. They will work with fire and ambulance personnel for this practice. Wear helmet & vest. See www.montereycert.org for more information.

Library

◇ **Saturday, June 28, 2 p.m.**

"The Abalone King of Monterey": A slide-illustrated lecture by historian and author Tim Thomas on the subject of his newest book, *The Abalone King of Monterey*. Enjoy a little slice of Monterey history. Hear the story of how, in 1908, "Pop" Ernest Doelter transformed rubbery gastropods into an epicurean delight at this Alvarado Street restaurant. The lecture will be followed by book sale and signing.

Adults and mature teens are invited to attend. Admission is free, but reservations are required. Email mccombs@monterey.org or call 831 646-3949.

◇ **Tuesday, July 22, 7 p.m.**

Stories for Adults with Donald Davis

Advance tickets are now on sale at the Help Desk for this delightful evening of stories from Appalachia and beyond. Tickets \$15 or 1 free with your valid Monterey or PG Library card for ages 16-up only. No tickets by phone. For more information call 831 646-3949 or email mccombs@monterey.org. Sponsored by the Friends of the Monterey Public Library.

JUNE CALENDAR

Mon Jun 9 NMNA Monthly Mtg Hilltop Pk Ctr 7pm

Th Jun 12 Lighthouse Plan Scholze Pk Ctr 8:30am

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Sat Jun 21 CERT Quarterly Drill 9 – 11 am

Scholze Park Center

◇ Chinese Calligraphy

Learn the majestic and artistic practice of Chinese Calligraphy. Experience how relaxing calligraphy can be while making beautiful art pieces. No experience required. \$2 materials fee paid to the instructor at each class.

Class resumes June 6th

Adults and Seniors

When: Fridays 10:30-11:30am

Instructor: A. Wang

◇ Watercolor Painting: Beginner

Explore the beauty and versatility of painting with transparent watercolor or acrylics, from fundamentals of color and composition to bold mixed media experimentation. Join the fun and creativity.

Wednesdays, 10:00am-12:00pm

Session: June 11-July 9

Instructor: M. Ryan Sadler

Fee: \$38 Program Fee/ \$30.00 Monterey Resident

◇ Drawing & Painting

Exercise your mind through art. Beginning to Advanced artists will learn new art skills including drawing with colored pencils, charcoals and painting with oils and acrylics.

Tues 9:30am-12:30pm

Session: June 17-July 8

For Ages 18 & older

Fee: \$50 program fee/ \$42 Monterey Resident Fee

Gentrain

Gentrain Wednesday Lectures are usually held at Monterey Peninsula College in LF 103 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm unless differently specified.

Visitors are welcome; no charge or registration is required. **\$2.00 parking permit required for non-society members. Parking permit machines (quarters only) are in each parking lot.**

◇ June 18, 2014: **Carol Marquart -- The Life and Times of William Randolph Hearst** This is not a straight history lecture but a staged reading of dramatic monologues representing a dozen personae close to W R Hearst.

◇ July 2, 2014: **Tom Logan -- A Trip to Jordan and the Arab Spring** This lecture will focus on the trip taken by Gentrain students in March as well as where the Arab Spring is now, and what the future of it may be.

Questions? Concerns? We're here to help.