

**Mar 9 PURE WATER PROJECT**

There is a water supply project that is ahead of Cal Am's desal schedule, is likely to justify postponing the threat of rationing, is less expensive than Cal Am's desal and completely publicly owned. Supported by ag and city interests, it uses a proven technology that will likely be used statewide. What is it? It's a new water source called the Pure Water Project.

Come learn more about it from **Keith Israel**, General Manager of Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency.

**Monday, March 9**

(instead of NMNA's monthly meeting)

**Unitarian Universalist Church**

(Aguajito Road off Hwy 1 at Hwy 68)

**7 to 8:30 pm**

This talk is co-sponsored with Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and Public Water NOW.

**NIP PROJECTS IN REVIEW**

New Monterey Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP) project ideas being considered this year are:

- Belden/Drake Open Space
- Cannery Row Crosswalk Graphics
- Cannery Row Worker Shacks Restoration
- Hilltop Park Security Light Replacement
- Hilltop Park Upper Picnic Area Tables & Benches
- Laine 300 Street Widening
- Lower Presidio Historic Park Improvements
- Lower Presidio Walkway II (ADA portions)
- NMty Street Name Signs Cleaned or Replaced (Illegible signs only)
- Oak-Newton Park Lights & Posts (lower park)
- Presidio Child Care Center Exterior Paint
- San Carlos Beach Walk/Stair Safety Upgrades
- Scholze Park Streetscape II (Wall, new access)
- Terry 746 Improve Drainage & Access

Public comments are welcome Th **Apr 9** at **Hilltop Park Center** or **Apr 16** at **City Council chambers**. NIP voting is Apr 23 at City Council chambers 7 PM.

**MEASURE P CONSTRUCTION BEGINS**

In November, Monterey voters approved a 1% sales tax increase for 4 years, the funds to be used to fix streets, repair storm drain pipes, and provide access ramps at corners. This month City Council is awarding bids to begin that work.

The following street sections in New Monterey will be paved this Spring:

- Belden 800 block (Irving to David)
- David (Devisadero to Grace)
- Irving (Devisadero to Lobos, Lottie to Taylor)
- Oak 800 block (Irving to David)
- Pine 800 block (Irving to David)
- Spencer 800 block (Irving to David)

New Monterey NIP-funded projects that will be constructed prior to that paving work are:

- Archer/Drake sidewalk/ramp improvements
- Jessie/Irving ped crossing improvements
- Prescott/Parcel curb extensions
- Taylor/Irving stormdrain improvements

Stormdrain repairs will begin in late summer.

Go to [www.monterey.org/fixingstreets](http://www.monterey.org/fixingstreets) to find an interactive map with dates and details.

**HWY 68 ROUNDABOUT**

Removal of trees has begun at the intersection of Holman Highway and Hwy 1 where the current signal lights will be replaced by a roundabout.

After various preparations, construction begins Fall 2015. One travel lane will remain open during the several months of construction. New Monterey drivers will likely find travel around Lighthouse Curve to Pacific Street, through town to Soledad & Hwy 1 onramp a more satisfactory route to points south during that time.

If you google "City of Monterey Roundabout", you will find some fascinating simulations that show you what is planned. Transportation Agency of Monterey County (TAMC) will have up-to-date routing information once construction begins.

CHOMP's recent concerns have been addressed.

***Thank you to all who have renewed their membership!!***

## MONTEREY PUBLIC LIBRARY

### ◇ "VOICES & IMAGES: MONTEREY REMEMBERS"

**JAPANESE-AMERICANS IN MONTEREY** The Library is seeking members of Monterey's Japanese-American community to share personal and family stories through video interviews and share photographs about their experiences growing up, living, and working in Monterey in the 1940s, 1950s, 1960s, and 1970s. Videos and copies of photographs will become part of the Library's archival collections, where they will be available for researchers, scholars, and genealogists for generations to come. If you are interested in participating in this project, please contact Jeanne McCombs at (831) 646-3949 or Dennis Copeland at (831) 646-3741. Or email [mccombs@monterey.org](mailto:mccombs@monterey.org) This project is funded by a grant from the Thomas Doud Sr. and Anita M. Doud Fund and the Marcia F. DeVoe Fund of the Community Foundation for Monterey County.

◇ **Making Artbots** Th, Mar 5 3:30pm Creativity, electronics, and fun with Tenaya and Rogue Making. Kids 7-13 are invited to join in making and modifying an artbot to take home. Space is limited. Please register early.

◇ **Teen Film Festival** Th Mar 12 3:15 pm High School and Middle School Age students are invited to watch short films with innovative technologies created by local teens and grab some free popcorn. This event is run through CSUMB. Any teen in the Monterey County area can enter this annual event. For specific information about the details of the event, please contact [Kharriel@csumb.edu](mailto:Kharriel@csumb.edu). The films will be shown in the Community Room starting at 3:15 pm.

\*\*This is a Teen Tech 2015 Week Event\*\*

◇ **Stories for Adults featuring Patrick Ball in an evening of Celtic Harp and Story.** T Mar 17 7pm Ages 16-up only. Tickets in advance at the Help Desk. \$15 or one ticket free with your valid MPL or PGPL card. For information 831.646.3949 or email [mccombs@monterey.org](mailto:mccombs@monterey.org)

## SCHOLZE PARK CENTER

**Golden 55 Travelers** Reserve your space early. For information about these and many other adventures, call (831) 646-3878.

◇ **Sat Apr 18 Bouquets to Art at the DeYoung Museum** Gifted floral designers bring their imaginative interpretations to works in the De Young's permanent collection. Whether quirky, stunning or simply beautiful, the designs are always captivating. Cost: \$70 Registration Deadline: March 16

◇ **Sat May 16 San Francisco On Your Own:** Visit the sites of your choice. The day is all yours to shop, visit a museum, explore Chinatown or Japantown or have a delicious lunch with family or friends. Enjoy the city without having to worry about transportation and parking. Cost: \$45 Registration Deadline: April 13

◇ **Sun Jun 7 Roaring Camp Railroad: Santa Cruz Beach Train** Departing from the Santa Cruz Mountains, travel through Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park, down the scenic San Lorenzo River Gorge, across a 1909 steel truss bridge and through an 1875 tunnel before arriving at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. Spend the afternoon enjoying a breath-taking train ride and have time for a no-host lunch at Roaring Camp before exploring the fun sights of the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. Cost: \$65 Registration Deadline: May 1

## HILLTOP PARK CENTER

### ◇ **Hula Dancing**

T 5-6 pm Ages 18 & older \$45Mty/ \$59 Non-Mty  
Classes: Jun 3-Jul 8; Jul 15-Aug 19; Aug 26-Oct 14  
(No Class Sep 9 and Oct 7); Oct 21-Dec 2  
Learn the basic steps to a beautiful Polynesian dance. The hula uses the entire body to express the meaning of the dance-hands, feet, eyes, posture-all have a place in telling the story. Without the story, there is no hula. For an 18 and under class, call Hilltop Park Center, 646-3975.

**GENTRAIN Lectures** are held in MPC Lecture Forum 103 1:30pm. Nonmember parking is \$2.00

◇ **Wed Mar 4 -- Gary S. Breschini: The Prehistory of the Monterey Peninsula Area**

Next NMNA Meeting: Mon Apr 13 Hilltop Pk Center

2015 NMNA Membership Form

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