

### **MAY 11 MPUSD SCHOOL UPDATE**

Our guest speaker this month is **Jon Hill**, our representative on Monterey Peninsula Unified School District board (and chairman). He will share about his recent visits to school sites and the district's efforts to accommodate the expansion of Bay View Academy. We welcome your participation.

**Monday, May 11**

**Hilltop Park Center (downstairs)**

**7 to 9 pm**

### **NIP PROJECTS SELECTED**

On April 23, fourteen neighborhood representatives selected the projects they recommend for FY15/16 Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP) funding. City Council will see the list at their May 19 meeting.

Parks & Recreation Commission (on May 21) and Planning Commission (on May 26) will review the projects for conformity with adopted policies. City Council will vote to include NIP projects in the budget June 16.

New Monterey projects that won approval are:

Belden/Drake Open Space

Cannery Row Crosswalks at Prescott, Hoffman and Drake

Cannery Row Worker Shacks Restoration

Hilltop Park Security Light Replacement

NMty Street Name Signs - 20 Cleaned or Replaced (Illegible signs only)

Oak-Newton Park Lights & Posts (lower park)

San Carlos Beach Walk/Stair Safety Upgrades

Terry 746 Improve Drainage & Access

Parks/Open Space, Drainage/Streets and Pedestrian/Bicycle projects were the top vote getters. 11 small projects were funded by neighborhood base allocation, 30 projects were selected by the voting process.

This was the first time Jeff Krebs, NIP Coordinator, and Pamela Renteria, Admin, have ever worked the NIP process. Kudos! Well done!

### **FREE CONCERT THIS WEEKEND**

**Sunday, May 10**, from 2 to 3 pm there will be a free concert on the **Colton Hall** lawn. Bring you blanket or lawn chairs and enjoy the VOICI A Capella Chamber Ensemble

VOICI a cappella Chamber Choir formed in 1993 as a vehicle for singers with the larger chorus, I Cantori di Carmel, to sing in a small chamber group setting. VOICI a cappella Chamber Ensemble has been singing for Monterey Peninsula audiences for over twenty years. The group of twelve singers performs songs that span the ages of choral music--from Renaissance motets and madrigals, Baroque, Classical and Romantic styles, to beautiful compositions by contemporary composers. Songs include sacred motets, secular art songs and traditional folk songs.

The Colton Hall Museum and Cultural Arts Commission sponsors this free concert on the lawn in front of historic Colton Hall and welcomes the public. The program begins at 2:00 P.M. lasting approximately one hour. For more information, call Colton Hall Museum 831-646-5640 or visit their website at [www.monterey.org/museums](http://www.monterey.org/museums).

### **LIGHTHOUSE SPECIFIC PLAN**

The joint ARC/Planning Commission Lighthouse Specific Plan subcommittee resumes May 7, reviewing changes to Chapters 1-4, and will begin work on Traffic & Parking May 21. Additional meetings June 11 & 24 are tentatively scheduled for refining the rest of the draft document.

Meetings are held in Council Chambers 9-noon.

To see the complete draft on the city's website:

[http://monterey.org/Portals/1/pec/workprogram/lhsp/15\\_0303\\_LHDraft.pdf](http://monterey.org/Portals/1/pec/workprogram/lhsp/15_0303_LHDraft.pdf)

### **FEATURED LIGHTHOUSE BUSINESS**

For a quick copy or a custom print job, graphic design, computer repair, fax & business services, creating a puzzle, gift cards - great service with a smile: **Pixels Graphic Design** 730 Lighthouse Av 333-0174

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Next month NMNA launches a campaign to help neighbors meet neighbors and set up Neighborhood watch block-by-block.

Monday, June 8 at our monthly meeting at Hilltop Park Center, members of Monterey Police Department will review basic security measures and help us get organized. There will be hand-outs: forms for neighbors to write down contact information of their immediate neighbors, window decals, and other information.

Let us know if you'd like us to distribute invitations to neighbors in your block. We're building community a block at a time!

## MONTEREY PUBLIC LIBRARY

◇ Sun June 28 "Italians of the Monterey Peninsula"

**lecture** Times: 1 - 3:30 pm Slide-illustrated lecture by Mike Ventimiglia on his newly released book, "Italians of the Monterey Peninsula". Book signing follows. Reservations req. 831.646.3949.

Have you ever visited the **California History Room** at the Library?

The Monterey Public Library collects and preserves written, visual and audible materials created by and about residents of the Monterey area, both past and present. These records are housed in a secure, climate-controlled room, and made accessible to scholars and the public for research.

California History Room collections relate specifically to the geographic, cultural and social region including the Monterey Peninsula and extending from Moss Landing to Big Sur and Carmel Valley.

Identification is required to use California History Room materials, and the permanent historical materials of the California History Room may not be checked out.

There are clippings files, maps, books, and computerized links to other historic resources locally and elsewhere. It is a wonderful resource. Visit if you've yet to do so. You'll be impressed!

## HILLTOP PARK CENTER

◇ **Hilltop Park Center Darkroom**

This 3-station darkroom is open to the public Monday through Friday on a reservation or drop-in basis. Call for availability. Orientation required prior to first use. Users provide their own chemicals and paper. Call 646-3975 for details. Ages 16 +  
1) PUNCH PASS (for 10 hours use): \$70/\$50 Mty res  
2) DROP-IN USE FEE (per hour): \$8/\$6 Mty resident  
**SCHOLZE PARK CENTER**

◇ **Needlepoint**

Tu 9:00am-12:00pm Continuous R. Flippo  
Join others who love to create beautiful needlepoint treasures. Produce art projects, pillows and "paintings" by using a variety of stitches and stitching techniques. Join the class anytime. All levels welcome. Register at first class.  
For Adults and Seniors. Provide own materials.

◇ **Senior Taxi Voucher Program**

A limited number of free taxi vouchers are distributed to Monterey Resident Seniors for travel in Monterey, Seaside, Sand City, Del Rey Oaks, Pacific Grove, and Carmel. Seniors (65 and older) must provide proof of age and residency. Vouchers are worth \$14. Participants will pay a \$3 co-pay to the taxi driver.

Vouchers are distributed at Scholze Park Center, Casanova Oak Knoll Park Center and Monterey Recreation Administration Office. Program status subject to change or cancellation. For Seniors (65 and older)

**GENTRAIN Lectures** are held in MPC Lecture

Forum 103 1:30pm. Nonmember parking is \$2.00

◇ Wed May 20 2015 -- Laura Courtney Headley:  
Wee Folk, Legends of the Little People

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Next NMNA Meeting: Mon June 8 Hilltop Pk Ctr