

APRIL 11 NMNA MONTHLY MEETING

There is a petition drive underway to qualify a referendum for the November ballot banning **fracking** in Monterey County. Leaders in that effort will be sharing what they know. Here's your chance to be better informed.

Monday, April 11

Hilltop Park Center (downstairs)

7 pm

Also on that agenda, representatives from **Monterey Bay Aquarium** will be sharing plans for a new **Education Center** on Cannery Row at Hoffman. See the plans, ask questions. This project is to go before Planning Commission in the near future.

LIGHTHOUSE SPECIFIC PLAN

Architectural Review Committee is winding up their review of the Lighthouse Specific Plan. Next stop: Planning Commission. There will be lots of talk about Lighthouse traffic. Are there areas of Foam or Lighthouse that should have no 3-story? How many vape shops and massage parlors are enough on Lighthouse/Foam? You'll receive a postcard with the date of Planning Commission's first meeting on the subject. Your participation will matter.

PARKS MASTER PLAN SURVEY

There is still time to tell Parks & Recreation Commissioners how you would like them to prioritize park and recreation projects in the Parks Master Plan. You can complete an online survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PRMP2016> or contact Jenny in the Planning office to obtain a copy 646-3886.

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NMNA meets the second Monday each month at Hilltop Park Center, 871 Jessie Street 7 to 9 pm

NIP PROCESS

» Public Comment on New Monterey NIP projects will be at Hilltop Park Center **Thursday, April 14** 6:30-9:00pm.

» Voting night is **Wednesday, April 27** in City Council chambers. Democracy in action.

LARGE ITEM DISPOSAL

You've seen them: upholstered furniture, electronics, household goods left on the curb. What to do with them? Hans Uslar, Assistant City Manager, has some suggestions.

First, many times neighbors know where the stuff comes from – renters from apartments move out and they discard the items at the curb. It would be helpful for the city to have this information. Many times, neighbors do not like to 'turn in' others. A way around this is to work through NMNA; tell a board member who relays the information to the city.

Second, Monterey City Disposal offers, at no cost, pick up of 4 heavy items per year at any service address. If an apartment owner knows about this, he/she can offer this information to their renters before they discard.

Third, for electronics such as microwaves, TVs, PCs, etc. Hope Services will pick up items. Schedule by calling 393-1575 or go online to <http://www.hopeservices.org/our-businesses/recycle-with-hope/schedule-a-donation-pickup/>.

Lastly, some neighbors may choose to speak directly to neighbors who seem to discard items frequently. If one is not comfortable, do not engage! Often, a friendly reminder to pick up after a dog, to not throw a cigarette butt on the ground, or to share how to discard a TV instead of at the curb, works!

Feel free to contact Ted Terrasas 646-5662 terrasas@monterey.org, or Hans Uslar 646-3994 uslar@monterey.org. Working together we can make a difference.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!

If you haven't already renewed your membership in New Monterey Neighborhood Association this year, we invite you to do so now.

\$10/year provides you newsletters all year – and news flashes, if we have your email.

Find a membership form on our website:

www.newmontereyneighborhood.org.

Next NMNA meeting: Mon May 9 Hilltop Pk Ctr

LIBRARY

- **Wed Apr 13 Pizza My Heart Dining Fundraiser**

4–6 pm Help raise funds for the library.

- **Tues Apr 18 Bat Appreciation Day** 6:30–7:30 pm

Meet live bats and learn the important role they play in our environment. NorCal Bat Rescue in Library

Community Room

- **Ebook Help Appointments @ Your Library**

Mondays, 4/18, 5/2, 5/16, 6/6, and 6/20.

The library offers free ebooks. Have you been meaning to try using them but aren't sure how to get started? Want tips and tricks to maximize your usage? Library Technology Volunteer Steven offers one-on-one help! Bring your device and/or laptop, then walk through the steps. Reserve a spot by emailing refdesk@monterey.org or calling the library help desk at 646–3933. 6:30pm, 6:50pm, and 7:10pm appointments available.

SCHOLZE PARK

- **Thursday Matinee**

Current hits and favorite classics are featured weekly! Call 646–3878 on Thursday morning for the featured movie of the day. For Adults and Seniors.

Th 1–3:30 pm Continuous Fee: None

- **Chi Gong**

The practice of aligning breath, movement and awareness for health of mind, body and spirit. Guo Lin Chi Gong will stimulate your nerve system and strengthen your immune system resulting in more healing power. Register at each class. For ages 18 and older. Fee: None Instructor: W. Mih

Th 1:30–2:45pm Continuous

- **Yoga for Everyone!**

Join this Yoga Flow class where laughing and having fun is a must! Stay young in mind, body and spirit.

Postures includes stretching, strengthening and breathing exercises. All levels welcome. For 18 and older. \$2 per person per class

W 12–1pm Continuous Instructor: R. Menezes

- **Walk the Bay: Walking for Fitness**

Looking for a fun way to exercise and de-stress? Join friends and others for a walk along the scenic Recreation Trail. Get fit while enjoying the beauty of Monterey Bay. For 18 and older. Fee: None

Th 5:30–6:30pm Mar 17–May 26

- **Movement to Music** 16080–3

Enjoy a fun, upbeat workout for strength, flexibility and a focus on balance and core work. Class includes warm-up, low-impact aerobics, muscle toning, cool-down and stretching to great music and laughter. For Adults and Seniors. M,W,F 10:30–11:30am Apr 18–Jun 17

(No Class May 30, Jun 6, 8 and 10)

Instructor: M. Schaupp Mty Res \$52

- **Needlepoint**

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

Tu 9 am–Noon Continuous R. Flippo

- **Computer Instruction**

Individual training is available in Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Internet, E-mail set-up, file management and digital photos. Call 646–3878 for an appointment. For ages 18 and older. Fee: None

Tu 10am–1pm See Staff for appointment

Instructor: B. Ludgate

Public Access Computers

Scholze Park Center has three personal use computers with Internet access. Call 646–3878 to check availability. Sign-in is required each time you use the computer.

Alliance on Aging

You may have run across reference to Alliance on Aging and not know what all they do. Here's a summary:

The Alliance on Aging is a non-profit organization whose mission is to help older adults live securely, productively and independently. A multi-purpose agency, the Alliance on Aging sponsors programs that serve seniors and their caregivers. Many Alliance services are offered at the Scholze Park Center. For more information call 646–1458. Alliance on Aging programs include:

Senior Peer Counseling

Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy (HICAP)

Ombudsman for Long Term Care

Tax Counseling

Senior Employment Training

Senior Outreach Luncheons

Benefit Check-up

Spirals Consignment & Benefit Store: 383–5030 –