

**MAY 9<sup>th</sup> NEW LIBRARY DIRECTOR**

Come meet Monterey Public Library's new Library Director **Inga Waite**. Inga has been with the library twelve years, promoted to the top position last month. She will share what's going at the Library, where she sees the Library going, and answer your questions.

**Monday, May 9**

**Hilltop Park Center** (downstairs)

**7 pm**

We may also have an opportunity to meet Community Service Officer **Lisa Marlow** and other members of Monterey Police Department's Community Action Team (CAT), a seven person team of department personnel created in part to focus on and address quality of life concerns within the community. They want to hear about any concerns you may have.

**LIGHTHOUSE SPECIFIC PLAN**

Architectural Review Committee meets again **May 18** to make final revisions to the Lighthouse Specific Plan. One topic to be decided: should 3-story buildings have public review? Public consensus says yes. Thanks to all who spoke or emailed. Your voices are being heard!

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.

**2016 NMNA BOARD**

President/Secretary	Sharon Dwight
Vice President	Robert Kohn
Treasurer	Nancy Runyon
Patricia Domingo	Bob Evans
Laurie Hambaro	Carole Hayter

Meetings the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at Hilltop Park Center

**NIP PROJECTS SELECTED**

New Monterey projects that received NIP support were disappointingly few this year. The most significant is \$100,000 toward an adaptive signal system on Del Monte Avenue, synchronizing signal lights to keep traffic moving.

Other projects include:

Aeneas Bridge Restoration	25K
Bicycle Racks on Lighthouse Av (10)	5K
Hilltop CERT box roof	5K
Hilltop Park Lighting Adjustments	3K
Hilltop Park Retaining next to Jessie walkway	10.8K
Irving walkway repairs just below Pine	8K
Replacing illegible street name signs, Ph II	5K
Shoreline Park Fish Hopper Restoration	40K
Sloat Monument Path from Museum	350K
Dennis the Menace Train Caboose	370K

**MONTEREY'S LEASH LAW**

Some of your neighbors are finding dog excrement in their yards and wondered what the city's policy is. Here it is:

- ~ When in public areas, all dogs must be on a leash that cannot exceed six feet in length.
- ~ Dog owners are required to pick up their dog's droppings. City ordinance prohibits anyone who owns or has custody of a dog to allow it to deposit excrement on public or private property without permission of the property owner. The person in charge of the dog is required to clean up after it.
- ~ Violation of the ordinance is considered an infraction and carries a fine of up to \$100 for the first offense, up to \$200 for the second and up to \$500 for the third. Report offenders to 646-3914.

Dog owners/walkers: please be good neighbors. Bring along a bag; gather those deposits and take them with you. Your neighbors will love you for it!

Next NMNA meeting: Mon June 13 Hilltop Pk Ctr  
Learn about the Aquarium's traffic mitigation measures during Hwy 68 Roundabout construction.

## CAL-AM WATER MAIN COMING

Cal-Am Water Company will soon be installing a 36" water main from existing Cal-Am pipes at Hillcrest Ave & Sinex in Pacific Grove to a pipeline near General Jim Moore Blvd east of Seaside. The new pipeline will run south along Filmore across David Ave, turn east on Withers, south on Lily (an alternative is along Cypress) to Hoffman, east to Spencer, then south into the Presidio.

NMNA board members are meeting with Cal-Am officials Monday, **May 9**. There will be a report of additional details at the NMNA meeting later that evening.

## HOLMAN HWY 68 ROUNDABOUT FORUM

Learn about how roundabouts work, where they might turn up in Monterey County and more about the Holman Highway 68 Roundabout project starting construction in June 2016.

### **Roundabout Forum**

MPC Lecture Forum 103 (980 Fremont St)

Wed, **May 11** at 6 p.m.

## WALK OF REMEMBRANCE

Monterey Bay has a rich Chinese heritage. Plan to join the festivities at **PG Museum of Natural History Saturday May 14** 1-3 pm. Speakers will share history, then Monterey Bay Dance Team will lead participants on a gentle walk to Lover's Point and along the Rec Trail to the site of the original Point Alones Chinese fishing village.

Visit the Museum's Chinese Fishing Village exhibit to learn about these pioneering settlers.

## LIBRARY

- Sat May 14 **Elder Fraud: Who Can You Trust?** 10-11:30 am Rina Tringali, CPA & Certified Fraud Examiner, will discuss financial self-defense tips and how to avoid scams targeting seniors. Reservations required.
- Mon, May 16 **Functional Medicine: Another Approach to Dealing with Health Challenges** 6pm Laura Paris, L.Ac, and Brian Ellinoy, Pharm D., share the difference between Functional Medicine and Conventional Medicine and how this healing approach is used. Reservations required.
- Tues May 24 **Stories for Adults with Elizabeth Ellis** 7 pm "Words that Tickle: Words that Heal." For ages 16+ Tickets in advance, in person at the Help Desk. \$15 or 1 free with valid MPL or PGPL card. No tickets by phone or at the door.

## REPLACING OR BUILDING A NEW DECK?

Isn't as simple as measuring and nailing.

Decks are considered to be accessory structures. If it's going to be visible to other properties, it is subject to design review. If it is more than 20" above grade, it requires a building permit. Higher yet, it may require handrails.

There are different setback standards depending on whether it is attached to the dwelling or free-standing. Better safe than sorry, inquire first. Call the Planning Department at 646-3886.

## MONTEREY COMMUNITY BAND

Monterey's Community Band has been in existence for over 25 years. Conductor Dick Robins leads weekly rehearsals Monday nights at Monterey High School during the school year and at Hilltop Park Center June and July.

Players with good music reading skills and their own instruments who can commit to rehearsals and performances are welcome. Drop in on any rehearsal to observe or bring your instrument and start playing! Piccolo, Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Saxophone (Alto, Tenor, Baritone), Bassoon, Trumpet, Cornet, French Horn, Trombone (Tenor, Bass, Baritone), Euphonium, Tuba, String Bass, and Percussion players are all welcome.

The band's **Spring Concert** will be held on Sun, **June 5** at the **MPC Music Hall**. Concerts are free.

## ALLIANCE ON AGING

Last month there was information in our newsletter about this nonprofit organization.

To support their programs, the Alliance on Aging operates **Spirals**, a 'thrift store' located at 570 Lighthouse Avenue in Pacific Grove. All purchases support the Alliance on Aging. Spirals promotes environmentally-friendly practices while offering a wide variety of items, all while supporting a good cause. You can earn money by consigning your gently used items and help support their mission. Their hours are: T/W 10-5, Th/F 10-6, Sat 10-5, Sun 12-5, Closed Mondays.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!

\$10/year provides you newsletters all year - and news flashes, if we have your email. Tell a neighbor about us. Find a membership form on our website: [www.newmontereyneighborhood.org](http://www.newmontereyneighborhood.org).