

MARCH 13 MONTHLY MEETING

Cristie Steffy of Monterey's Parking Division will tell us about the city's **Resident Permit Parking** program. The lower half of New Monterey has been preapproved by the City Council, but only a half dozen blocks have taken advantage of the program. Learn how to get it started in your block **Monday, March 13**
Hilltop Park Center (downstairs) 7-9 pm

NEW MONTEREY NIP PROJECT LIST

The complete list of New Monterey projects proposed this year is as follows:

- *Belden/Drake Open Space II (additional money for purchase, if needed)*
- *Cypress 500 sidewalk and widening*
- *Cypress Park Tennis Court Resurfacing*
- *Devisadero 700 Drainage, E side only*
- *Hawthorne/Irving curb extensions*
- *Hawthorne/McClellan curb extensions*
- *Hilltop Park Tennis Court Resurfacing*
- *Hilltop Park Tot Lot Fence Replacement*
- *Marine Safety Facility Repair*
- *New Monterey Street Name Signs III*
- *Pine 800 Crown Removal and Drainage Improvements*
- *Scholze Park Parking Lot ADA upgrade*
- *Scholze Park Tot Play Equipment*
- *Scholze Park Wall II (construction \$ for approved design)*
- *Taylor 600 walkway*
- *Wave St Crosswalks at Prescott and David*

A request for tree trimming will be referred to the city's forestry division.

New Monterey projects will be explained TH April 6. Public comment about those projects will be heard W April 19. NIP voting will be Th April 27. All three of those meetings will be held in City Council chambers.

Are you a member of New Monterey Neighborhood Association? Dues are \$10/year. Join now! Tell your neighbors & friends.

FIRST NIGHT MONTEREY ART CAMPS

First Night Monterey, located at Archer Park, is offering two Spring Break Art Camps for students grades 4 to 10, led by FNM's professional artists.

Session 1: March 20-24 9:30am - 3pm

Session 2: April 10-14 9:30am - 3pm

Extended supervision available: mornings 8:30am - 9:30am and afternoons 3 - 5:30pm

Students explore the visual arts and projects may include painting, drawing, print-making, sculpture, mixed media or photography. Class size is limited; registration will close when class is full. Register now http://www.firstnightmonterey.org/ArtCamps/SpringCampReg_2017.pdf or call 373-4778.

CITY COUNCIL VOTES

The City Council voted on Tuesday March 7th

- to approve a prohibition of advertising for short term rentals (vacation rentals shorter than 30-days) in residential areas, and
- to agree to join an Energy Cooperative, along with a number of cities in Monterey County, San Benito County, and Santa Cruz County. This new Joint Powers Authority will provide an alternative for PG&E customers, with the goal of providing "greener" energy. A stronger focus on alternative energy, such as solar or wind, will help reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Consistent with the City's Climate Action Plan, the new JPA should provide residents the ability to choose greener energy sources at equal or lesser cost. Residents will also have the choice to stay with PG&E.

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MONTEREY PUBLIC LIBRARY

- Sat Mar 11 Share Kindness: Gratitude & Letter Writing 10–11:30 am



Come together to write and share reflections on gratitude, then write a letter to someone who has added meaning to your life. Note cards, pens, and US stamps provided. Free. Join at anytime. All ages program. More info? Email garibald@monterey.org or call (831) 646–5603.

Researchers are finding that people who practice gratitude consistently report a host of benefits such as stronger immune systems and lower blood pressure; more joy, optimism, and happiness; acting with more generosity and compassion; and feeling less lonely and isolated. And, who doesn't enjoy receiving a personal note of care every now and then?

- M Mar 13 Tai Chi Chuan for Health & Fitness with Dr. Stephanie Taylor 6–7:30 pm Community Room

Tai Chi Chuan is a martial art, a health and fitness practice and a spiritual discipline. There are four main branches of Tai Chi: Chen, Wu, Yang and Sun style. The latter style was created about 100 years ago, and was specifically designed for health.

Dr. Taylor will review classical Tai Chi forms, as well as the newer short forms for health. Everyone will have a chance to participate in a short exercise. You will go home with a list of reading recommendations as well as local resources for classes.

Admission is free; reservations required. Adults 50+ are encouraged to attend. Sign up in advance at the Help Desk or contact Sirie Thongchua at 646–5632 or thongchu@monterey.org

COMPUTERS AT THE LIBRARY

- Sat Mar 18 Technology 101: Word Tips and Tricks 10:30am

Learn tips and shortcuts to get the most out of Microsoft Word.



- Sat Apr 1 A Librarian's Guide to Pinterest 10:30am Is your Pinterest board out of control? Get organized the way only a librarian can!
- Sat Apr 15 Photo Editing 101 10:30am Learn photo editing tricks from a graphic designer.

Space is limited and signup is required for these classes. Call (831) 646–3933 for more information and to sign up.

GENTRAIN MPC LF 103 1:30–2:30pm

- W Mar 15 Travels in Mali Burkina Faso Travel with Sandy and Gail Cohen to Burkina Faso and Mali in West Africa. Stay on a rooftop in a colorful Gourounsi village in Burkina Faso and encounter the nomadic Fulani with their colorful jewelry and tattooed faces. Mingle with the Dogon, who live on the sides of an escarpment in Mali, and watch them perform a ritual funeral dance with ornate carved and painted masks. Visit a male circumcision site, and learn how the circumcision ceremony is carried out. An 8–hour cruise down the Niger River followed by a 7–hour drive brings you to the legendary city of Timbuktu. After reviewing the customs of the Tuareg in Timbuktu, you end your trip with visits to the Great Mosque in Djenne and the capital, Bamako.

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2017 NMNA Membership Form

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