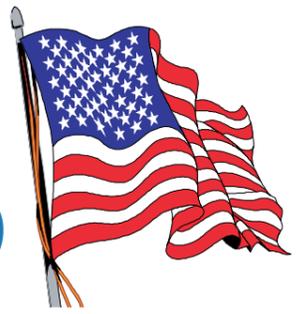




# The Monterey Park Cascades



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## Memorial Day Ceremony May 25

Honoring those who have given their lives during military service



Monterey Park's annual Memorial Day ceremony will take place on Monday, May 25 at 10 a.m. in front of city hall at the veterans and war monuments. The ceremony will feature speeches, patriotic music and static military displays in remembrance of those who have given the ultimate sacrifice. American Legion Post #397 will host the event. For more information, please call the legion at 626-571-9211 or recreation at 626-307-1388.

## Play Days: Happy 99th Birthday Monterey Park!

Celebrate with rides, games, food and fun at your hometown Play Days carnival and parade

### MONTEREY PARK PLAY DAYS AT BARNES PARK

Thursday	<b>May 14:</b>	5-10 p.m.
Friday	<b>May 15:</b>	5 p.m.-midnight
Saturday	<b>May 16:</b>	Noon-midnight. Parade 11 a.m. on Garvey Ave.
Sunday	<b>May 17:</b>	1-10 p.m.

Commemorate Monterey Park's 99th birthday at the annual Play Days carnival, May 14-17 at Barnes Park. Play Days features tons of family fun with big carnival rides, kiddie rides, games and plenty of your favorite foods & beverages. With all the carnival rides, live entertainment, food vendors and attractions, this four-day event has something for everyone at every age.

Another highlight of the event includes the annual Play Days Parade on Saturday, May 16 at 11 a.m. along Garvey Avenue that features local marching bands, drill teams, community organizations, sports teams and dignitaries. The 2015 Grand Marshal will be World War II veteran William Sanchez. The Honorary Grand Marshal, selected by the Monterey Park Historical Society, will be former mayor and long time resident Francisco Alonso.

For three great ways to save on ticket prices, look for the related article and coupon in this issue of the Cascades.

Barnes Park is located at 350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park. For more Play Days information please visit the city website at [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov) and search for Play Days or contact recreation at 626-307-1388.



Parade Grand Marshal WWII Veteran William Sanchez

## Cinco de Mayo



Monterey Park's 33rd annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration will take place on Sunday, May 3 from 1-5 p.m. at the Barnes Park Amphitheater.

The Cinco de Mayo event features the sights, sounds and magic of Mexico through performances by popular local and regional performers. The event will also feature authentic Mexican food as well as several fundraising raffle drawings.

Plenty of shaded seating will be available at the amphitheater. The public is invited to bring the family and celebrate with an afternoon of wonderful entertainment and delicious food. Visit the city website for more info or search the Internet for Monterey Park Cinco de Mayo.

## Monterey Park Farmers' Market: It's Refreshing

### Stay Quenched with Fresh Fruit-Infused Water

Warm weather is on its way and the Monterey Park Farmers' Market has plenty of refreshing sweet fruits to make homemade fresh fruit-infused water. Staying hydrated is important when it's hot out and the best way to do it is by avoiding added sugars and caffeine. Making your very own flavored water at home is easy. Lemons, limes, strawberries, even cucumbers and mint are great refreshing options. Don't forget about our Market Match



program for EBT & WIC recipients to help you buy more fresh produce.

### Isn't Nature Beautiful?

Romanesco cauliflower is a true testament of how nature is absolutely stunning. Its formation has even been studied by architects for new models of buildings (cool, right?). We enjoy breaking it up into florets and roasting with garlic and olive oil. It's a healthy, simple dish that looks stunning on a plate. Leave us a comment on our Facebook page to let us



know how you enjoy cooking cauliflower.

### Farmers' Market Tip of the Month

Buy asparagus as soon as possible after it is harvested. Asparagus fresh from our farmers are your best bets for optimal taste and texture. Look for smooth skin, bright green color, compact heads, and freshly cut ends. Look for asparagus that is as green (or purple or white in the case of purple and white varieties) as possible to up your chances of biting into tender spears.

For more great tips, follow the Monterey Park Farmer's Market on Facebook @ montereyparkFM. For more info, visit the info booth at the market or email [montereyparkFM@gmail.com](mailto:montereyparkFM@gmail.com). The market is open rain or shine every Friday from 4-8 p.m. at 318 S. Ramona Avenue in front of the library and next to city hall.

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## SR-710 North Study Draft EIS/EIR Available for Review

Caltrans and Metro have released the Draft Environmental Report and Environmental Study (EIR/EIS) for the State Route SR-710 North project that would close the gap in the 710 freeway between the I-10 and the I-210 freeways. The City of Monterey Park City Council believes that this gap closure is critical for the mobility of Los Angeles County.

Four alternatives to the SR-710 tunnel GAP closure are discussed in the study:

1. "No Build" alternative - would leave traffic conditions as they are today.
2. "Traffic Management System" project (TMS) - would upgrade and synchronize signals and improvements to local streets and intersections.
3. "Bus Rapid Transit" project (BRT) - would feature high-frequency bus service with minimal stops on dedicated bus lanes on Atlantic Blvd.
4. "Light Rail Transit" project (LRT) - would move passengers on a fixed rail system between East Los Angeles/Pasadena.

The study identifies key benefits to the SR-70 tunnel GAP closure:

1. Provides the greatest improvement in

- travel times and a substantial reduction in the percent of long distance trips using local arterials (such as Rosemead Blvd, Fremont Ave), compared to all the other alternatives;
2. Offers the greatest increase of job opportunities in the region;
3. Decreases morning and evening regional vehicle hours traveled;
4. Significantly relieves congestion on the I-5—the most congested freeway in the state of California, as well as other connecting freeway and arterial highways (the only alternative that would achieve this goal) and;
5. Does not result in any significant displacements or affect the character or cohesion of any of the communities under which the tunnel will be constructed.

Although the Gap Closure Tunnel alternative appears preferable in being able to achieve the goal of improving traffic efficiency, no decisions have been made on whether or not the Gap Closure Tunnel or any of the other 4 alternatives will be selected for construction. The draft EIR/EIS is public with a 120-day public comment period that will end on July 6, 2015. The community is invited

to review the EIR/EIS study that can be downloaded from Caltrans' website <http://www.dot.ca.gov/> (search 710 draft EIR). Hardcopies of the report are available at the Bruggemeyer Library, 318 S. Ramona Ave., Monterey Park.

Two public hearings are scheduled in May: Wednesday, May 6, 2015, 6-9 p.m. at La Canada High School Auditorium, 4463 Oak Grove Dr., La Canada-Flintridge, CA 91011; and Thursday, May 7, 2015, 6-9 p.m. at Los Angeles Christian Presbyterian Church, 2241 N. Eastern Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90032.

Comments to the EIR/EIS study are encouraged and can be made in writing either by U.S. Mail to Garrett Damrath, Caltrans District 7, Division of Environmental Planning, 100 S. Main St., MS-16, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or online via <http://www.dot.ca.gov/> (search 710 draft EIR and scroll to the bottom).

Community feedback is a vital part of the project development process and will be instrumental in the final decisions to construct the SR-70 GAP closure tunnel.

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Hans Liang, Mayor  
 Peter Chan, Mayor Pro Tem  
 Mitchell Ing, Council Member  
 Teresa Real Sebastian, Council Member  
 Stephen Lam, Council Member

Vincent D. Chang, City Clerk  
 Joseph Leon, City Treasurer

Paul Talbot, City Manager  
 Mark Hensley, City Attorney

**CITY COUNCIL, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND BOARDS MEETING SCHEDULE**

**CITY COUNCIL**  
 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
 City Hall Council Chambers

**COMMISSION ON AGING**  
 3rd Monday, 11:00 a.m.  
 Langley Senior Center, 400 W. Emerson Ave.

**BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
 Quarterly, 3rd Thursday, 3:30 p.m.  
 City Hall Room 266

**COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION COMMISSION**  
 3rd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.  
 City Hall Community Room

**DESIGN REVIEW BOARD**  
 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
 City Hall Council Chambers

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
 1st Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.  
 City Hall, Room 266

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**  
 2nd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.  
 City Hall Community Room

**LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
 3rd Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.  
 Bruggemeyer Library

**PERSONNEL BOARD**  
 2nd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
 City Hall Council Chambers

**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
 City Hall Council Chambers

**RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION**  
 1st Monday, 7:00 p.m.  
 City Hall Council Chambers

**SISTER CITIES COMMISSION**  
 Quarterly, 1st Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.  
 Bruggemeyer Library

**TRAFFIC COMMISSION**  
 3rd Thursday, 7:00 p.m.  
 City Hall Council Chambers

For more information please visit the community calendar at [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov)

# National Public Works Week

The City of Monterey Park will be celebrating National Public Works Week May 17-23, 2015.

The National Public Works Week theme, "Community Begins Here," speaks to the essential nature of public works services in support of everyday quality of life and is expressed in its national campaign slogan...

"There would be no community without the quality of life public works provides.

There would be no community to police and protect, no public to lead or represent.

Public works allows the world as we know it to be."  
 Check MPK-TV government access television and the city website, [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov) during the month of May for details of upcoming events and programming to acquaint you with your city public works department and how this department assists our community.



## City Hall Frequently Used Phone Numbers

Mayor and City Council	626-307-1465
City Manager	626-307-1255
City Clerk	626-307-1362
City Treasurer	626-307-1488
Animal Control	626-307-1217
Aquatics/ Rec. Classes	626-307-1388
Building Division	626-307-1300
Business License	626-307-1338
Code Enforcement	626-307-1415
Community & Economic Development	626-307-1315
Dial-a-Ride	626-307-1396
Economic Development	626-307-1382
Engineering	626-307-1320
Finance	626-307-1348
Fire Department Admin	626-307-1262
Fire Dept. Ambulance	626-307-1423
Fire Prevention	626-307-1308
Graffiti Removal	626-307-1449
Housing Rehabilitation	626-307-1385
Human Resources	626-307-1334
Job Hotline	626-307-1446
Langley Senior Center	626-307-1395
Library	626-307-1269
Planning and Zoning	626-307-1315
Police (emergency only)	9 1 1
Police (non emergency)	626-573-1311
Police Comm. Relations	626-307-1215
Police Reports & Records	626-307-1211
Pothole Report Line	626-307-2585
Public Works	626-307-1281
Recreation & Community Services	626-307-1388
Recycling Hotline	626-307-1320
Risk Management	626-307-1437
Special Events	626-307-1390
Trash Collection (Athens Services)	626-336-6100
Tree Trimming	626-307-1292
Water Billing	626-307-1342
Water Dept. After Hours	626-307-1282
Weed Abatement	626-307-1415

For additional numbers please visit the city directory at [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov)

## City Hall Hours

Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
 Friday 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

## City Events Calendar

May 3	Cinco de Mayo Celebration, 1-5 p.m., Barnes Park Amphitheater.
May 6	Regular City Council Mtg., 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.
May 14-17	Play Days Carnival, Barnes Park.
May 16	Play Days Parade, 11 a.m., Garvey Ave., Downtown Monterey Park.
May 19	City Council Guests & Presentations Mtg., 6 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.
May 20	Regular City Council Mtg., 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.
May 25	Memorial Day Ceremony & Holiday, 10 a.m., City Hall Front Lawn. City Hall Closed.
May 30	City Hall Fire Station Open House, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Regular city council meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of the month in the city hall council chamber, 320 W. Newmark Ave.  
 For more city events please visit the event calendar at [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov).

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 Monterey Park, CA 91754

### A SNAPSHOT OF MORTGAGES

**Interest Rates**  
 Freddie Mac 30 Year Fixed Rate  
 Where Have They BEEN? (January 2013 - October 2014)  
 Where Are They GOING? (2015 Projections)

**Average Qualifying FICO Scores**  
 2012: 763 (Conventional), 700 (FHA Loans)  
 2014: 755 (Conventional), 682 (FHA Loans)

**Mortgage Credit AVAILABILITY**  
 Since April 2013, the ability for Americans to obtain a mortgage has increased SUBSTANTIALLY!

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# Council Action Review

## Regular Meeting of March 18, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., with all members present.

There were no additions, deletions, changes or adoptions.

**Presentations:**

**1-A.** Council received and filed a report on the Double Tree Hotel Project (Hotel 220 MPk) Located at 220 N. Atlantic Boulevard (This item was heard after 1-B.)

**1-B.** Council received and filed a report on Business Tax Enforcement as amended to extend the amnesty period till June 30, 2015 with a refined letter with Council approval; directed the City Attorney to bring back documents relating to taxes imposed on real property and food trucks; and for staff to not pursue real property tax related issues until the City Attorney comes back with his report.

RECESSED AT 9:55 P.M.  
RECONVENED AT 10:01 P.M.  
WITH ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Agenda Item 2-A.** Approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. SA-91 of the Successor Agency to the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency allowing certain claims and demands per warrant register dated March 18, 2015 totaling \$2,466.06 and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid.

**Agenda Item 2-B.** Council received and filed the Successor Agency Investment Report for February 2015.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Agenda Item 3-A.** Approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. 11720 allowing certain claims and demands per Warrant Register dated March 18, 2015 Totaling \$608,399.47 and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid.

**Agenda Item 3-B.** Council received and filed the City Investment Report for February 18, 2015.

**Agenda Item 3-C.** Council approved a resolution declaring the Month of March as Women's History Month.

**Agenda Item 3-D.** Council authorized the City Manager to execute a retroactive amendment, in a form approved by the City Attorney, to Traw Associates Consulting's existing contract to pay for all past services; and authorized the City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the City, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Traw Associates Consulting, in the amount not to exceed \$25,000 annually for a term of three (3) years (a total not to exceed amount of \$75,000).

**Agenda Item 3-E.** Council received the Notice of Completion recorded by the Public Works Director on March 12, 2015 accepting the George Elder park Swimming Pool Replastering and Cascades Waterfall Rehabilitation completed by Mountain View Pools; authorized the allocation of an additional \$8,620 in General Fund Capital Improvement Reserves to cover the final cost of

the replastering work at George Elder Park Swimming Pool; and approved the expenditure of an additional \$46,218 in Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District grant funds to cover the final cost of the waterfall rehabilitation work at Cascades Waterfall.

**Agenda Item 3-F.** Council authorized the City Manager to execute an Amendment to the Compression Services Agreement with SoCalGas, in a form approved by the City Attorney; approved appropriation in the amount of \$28,524 annually, for 5 years, in Assembly Bill 2766 funds for costs required by the Amendment; approved \$75,000 in Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) grant funds for the purchase of dispenser equipment and electrical upgrade equipment; awarded the contract to Tulsa Gas Technologies, Inc. for Compressed natural gas (CNG) dispenser equipment; and authorized the City Manager to execute the contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

**Agenda Item 3-G.** Council adopted Resolution No. 11722 establishing a bus loading zone at 404 S. Atlantic Boulevard between the hours of 6:00 PM and 10:00 PM daily.

**Public Hearing** None.  
**New Business** None.  
**Council Member Communications** Discussion only, no actions taken.

**The Council meeting adjourned at 11:06 P.M.**

## Regular Meeting of April 1, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m., with all members present.

There were no additions, deletions, changes or adoptions.

**Presentations:** None.

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Agenda Item 2-A.** Approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. SA-92 of the Successor Agency to the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency allowing certain claims and demands per warrant register dated April 1, 2015 totaling \$194.48 and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid.

was then continued to the April 15, 2015 Council Meeting.

**Agenda Item 4-B.** The Public Hearing was opened regarding the draft ordinance amending regulations affecting the number of rooms that may be leased in a single-family dwelling unit. The Ordinance was introduced with amendments in Section 3 - specifying "three or more" separate rental agreements, Section 6 - define "common areas" and directed staff to provide an outreach program to potential users of boarding houses on their rights to present at a future meeting. The second reading was scheduled for adoption on May 6, 2015.

RECESSED AT 9:16 P.M.  
RECONVENED AT 9:26 P.M. WITH ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Agenda Item 3-A.** Approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. 11723 allowing certain claims and demands per Warrant Register dated April 1, 2015 Totaling \$1,160,214.59 and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid.

**Agenda Item 3-B.** Council adopted Resolution No. 11724 declaring the month of April as National Donate Life Month.

**Agenda Item 3-C.** Council approved the At-Risk Youth Employment Plan for Cascades Waterfall rehabilitation and Edison Trails Park improvements; and authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with the San Gabriel Valley Conservation Corps.

**Agenda Item 4-C.** The Public Hearing was opened to discuss the City Of Monterey Park 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, 2015-2016 Annual Action Plan, and 2015 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. The second public hearing is scheduled for May 6, 2015.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Agenda Item 6-A.** Council adopted Resolution No. 11725 declaring an emergency and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to rehabilitate Well #15 without the need for bidding with the amendment to change section 1F from 500 feet to 250 feet. Council also approved the City Manager to execute an agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with General Pump Company to rehabilitate Well #15; and authorized staff to complete this process on an as-needed basis from this certified vendor throughout the 2015 year.

Council approved a motion to extend the meeting to 11:30 P.M.

**Agenda Item 6-B.** Council adopted Resolution No. 11726 declaring an emergency and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to contract without the need for bidding pursuant to Public Contracts Code §§ 20168 and 22050 for repairs to the sink hole, water main, and sewer pipe located at 128 N. Garfield Avenue. Council also authorized the City Manger, or designee, to execute a public works contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Doty Brothers; and to accept the repairs completed by Doty Brothers and make final payment to Doty Brothers based on the final accounting of the repair work estimated at \$60,000.

**Agenda Item 6-C.** Council adopted Resolution No. 11727 declaring an emergency regarding repairs to water main and roadway on El Repetto Drive between Atlantic Boulevard and Loma Verde Street without the need for bidding pursuant to Public Contracts Code §§ 20168 and 22050. Council also authorized the City Manger, or designee, to execute a public works contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with All American Asphalt; to accept the repairs completed by All American Asphalt and make final payment to All American Asphalt based on the final accounting of the repair work estimated at \$125,000 appropriated from the Water Operation Fund.

**Agenda Item 6-D.** Council approved urgency Ordinance No. 2117 temporarily prohibit the City from issuing permits to allow the construction or operation of "vaping stores."

**Council Member Communications** Discussion only, no actions taken.

**The Council meeting adjourned at 11:30 P.M.**



CITY OF MONTEREY PARK

## RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM



**ELIGIBLE INCOME LEVELS**

To determine eligibility, locate your household size in the table below. Your household income cannot exceed the corresponding maximum income.

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	INCOME LEVEL
1	\$45,650
2	\$52,200
3	\$58,700
4	\$65,200
5	\$70,450
6	\$75,650

Source: HUD 2014

The City of Monterey Park offers financial assistance through grants and loans of up to \$24,000 to qualified low- and moderate-income households to repair or improve their homes. The program is designed to preserve the City's housing supply and improve the health and safety of our neighborhoods. Funding for this program comes from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). For additional information on this and other programs, please visit the City's website at [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov).

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

**\$ 13,000** Grant

**\$ 11,000** Loan  
at 3% Simple Interest

**ELIGIBLE IMPROVEMENTS**

The property must be occupied by the eligible property owner and is located within the City of Monterey Park.

Types of eligible work include:

- Roofing
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Painting
- Windows and Doors
- Heating and Insulation
- Weatherization
- Other Code Deficiencies

**CONTACT**

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City of Monterey Park  
Recreation and Community Services

## Kidventure Camp

2015

**June 1 - August 28**  
Ages 5-12 years

If your child loves engaging in activities, and spending time with friends, Kidventure Camp is the place to be! Kidventure Camp offers exciting weeks of educational activities and fun! It is a quality program that is structured to enhance the social and physical development of children. The program is also geared towards strengthening the social and motor skills of children with special needs through interactive activities. Directed by the Recreation and Community Services Department and staffed by a qualified experienced highly skilled team. Our goal and commitment is for the children to have an enjoyable and enriching experience in a positive and safe environment. We offer free lunch and afternoon snack throughout the summer sponsored by the USDA.

**Weekly Fees**

\$124.00 Monterey Park Resident  
\$130.00 Non-Resident

**Swimming Everyday!!**  
2:30-4:30 p.m.

**Daily Routine**

Arts/Crafts  
Cooking/Baking  
Sports/Swimming  
Music/Dance  
Drawing/Painting



Serving the community for over 24 years!!

**Field Trips**

(Field trips are an additional fee)

June 5: 12 AMC Theater  
June 19: Skate Express  
provided)

June 26: Adventure City  
July 10: Medieval Times  
July 17: Knott's Berry Farm

**Hours of Operation**

6:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
(Breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack will be provided)

**Now Enrolling**  
Reserve your spot today!

This program is not sponsored or endorsed by the Alhambra Unified School District.

City of Monterey Park  
Register at Barnes Park Extended Day Care Center  
For more information call Ma Maricela Vasquez, Program Coordinator at 626-307-1451 or 626-307-1388, or email [mvasquez@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:mvasquez@montereypark.ca.gov).

# LANGLEY SENIOR CENTER

400 W. EMERSON AVENUE MONTEREY PARK

(626) 307-1395

Open Monday – Friday From 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

FOR ALL ACTIVITIES

CLOSED SATURDAY and SUNDAY  
EXCEPT FOR FEE BASED ACTIVITIES

## SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER . . .

**MAY 7 - Mother's Day Lunch**  
**May 10 - Mother's Day – No Bingo**  
**MAY 11- Mature Driving Class**  
**MAY 18 - Commission on Aging, 11:00 A.M.**  
**MAY 24 - Club Amistad Dance**  
**MAY 25 - MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE**  
– CENTER CLOSED

## MONTEREY PARK'S SENIOR CITIZEN GROUPS MEET AT LANGLEY CENTER ON THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

M.P. Senior Citizens Club, Friday, 10:00 a.m.  
Japanese/American Club, 3rd Saturday, 1:00 p.m.  
Club Amistad, Wednesday, 12:30 p.m.  
Club Bella Vista, Thursday, 12:30 p.m.  
Chinese/American Sr. Citizens Club, 1st Saturday, 1:00 p.m.  
Gardening Club, 4th Monday, 1:00 p.m.  
Wu Dang Tai Chi Club, Friday, 4:00 p.m.

## IMPROVING YOUR WELL-BEING

Each month on the second and fourth Tuesday, except on holidays, Care Manager, Vivian Chen will be at Langley Center from 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon. Care Manager services, provided by YWCA San Gabriel Valley, Intervale Senior Services, include referrals for medical, counseling and mental health; in-home services; transportation; caregiver resources, and nutritional referrals. Monterey Park seniors, ages 60+, can obtain free assistance as a means to help them live independently and safely in their homes for as long as possible. Staff also can assist with advocacy related to Medicare, Medi-Cal and Social Security benefits. Please call the YWCA Case Management Program if you require supportive services at 626.214.9467, or schedule an appointment at the Langley Senior Center front desk.

## PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE SAFETY CLASS –

May 11 • 10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.  
Monterey Park Police Department class will promote pedestrian and bicycle transportation use, safety, and accessibility.

## ACTIVITIES, CLASSES AND SERVICES

**BINGO** – Every Friday from 12:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. Doors open at 11:00 A.M., everyone over 18 years of age is invited to play. No children are allowed.

**BINGO** - On the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the month. Door open at 10:30 A.M. No children are allowed.

**BRIDGE** - Contract or Duplicate – Mondays and Thursdays, 12:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. If you play contract Bridge and are looking for a good group to share an afternoon of bridge with, come join us. Those who play 500 also welcome new players.

**DANCE EVERY TUESDAY**, 1:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M., Dance to live music performed by the Incredible Time Machine (Gary and Eric) \$2.50 per person.

**HAIRCUTS** - First come, first served. Wednesdays and Fridays, 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Barber: Robert Delgadillo Suggested donation, \$5.00. Beautician, Martha Pineda, suggested donation, \$6.00. (The donation maintains equipment and purchases barber supplies.)

**JEWELRY AND WATCH REPAIR** - Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., for repair or estimate.

**LUNCH PROGRAM** – American or Chinese Hot Lunch served Monday thru Friday to those 60 years and over. Reservations must be made in advance in person on Monday mornings for the following week. Limited number of lunches. Suggested donation is \$2.00.

**MAH JONG** - 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.  
**HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER** - Walk-In-Fair Housing Clinic – MAY 5, 1:00 P.M. (1st Tuesday of month). For information, call 1-800-477-5977.

**IN-HOME REGISTRY SERVICE** - Service can provide you with names of individuals who can work in your home offering a variety of skills. Our registry includes: LVNS for skilled nursing care, Certified Nurse Assistants for personal care needs such as feeding, bedside care, bathing, etc.; Homemakers/companions – for housework, meals, laundry, errands, plumbers, electricians, handymen, gardeners. Payment for the work performed is determined between the worker and you. If you reside in Monterey Park and are 60 or over and need this type of in-home care, please call (626) 307-1373. Applications for work are available.

**NOTARY** - Virginia Greene, a Notary Public, Wednesdays, 12 Noon – 2:00 P.M.

## TRANSPORTATION

### DIAL-A-RIDE

Service available Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M., call (626) 307-1396. Free service for seniors 55 years of age and over, transportation within Monterey Park City limits, except for medical needs, and then into adjacent communities only

### MATURE DRIVER'S IMPROVEMENT

Class held from 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. Register for the MAY 11 class. Each senior must register in person with a valid California Driver's License. Seniors completing the 8-hour course will be certified and eligible to get a 5% to 10% reduction on their premiums for bodily injury and property damage liability for up to three years with participating insurance companies. \$1.00 FEE includes State Certificate of Completion. For information call (626) 307-1395.

### METRO "TAP CARD"

Renewal is offered from the 25th of the month through the 10th

of next month, Mon. – Fri., 8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. To receive the City's discount, you must be 62 or older and have proof of Monterey Park residency, which must include identification with name and address imprinted, such as a Driver's License, DMV ID Card, and a valid "TAP CARD". Senior Citizen/Handicapped monthly fee is \$20 non-residents or \$17 for Monterey Park residents.

### TAXI COUPONS

Issued monthly from 1st Monday of the month, availability on a first come, first served basis - to qualified senior residents, 65 years and older, whose household income meets the L. A. County poverty guidelines (\$11,670 per year for one member, \$15,730 for two, \$19,790 for three or \$23,850 for four), are allowed 2 coupons a month, value of each coupon is \$11.00 and only valid for the month issued.

### SENIOR CLASSES – FREE

#### AMERICAN CULTURE

Explore American life and language. Paul Cheng, Instructor  
Thursday, 1:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

#### BEADING CLASS

Pay for materials used. Francis Lau, Instructor  
Monday, 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

#### CHINESE PAINTING

\$25 materials fee. Yu Zhou So, Painting Instructor  
Thursday, 9:30 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

#### CHINESE BRUSH PAINTING

Material fee.  
Thursday, 9:30 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

#### ENGLISH CONVERSATION

Refine your English language skills in conversation with other students.  
Betty Cheng, Instructor  
Thursday, 9:15 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

#### GARDEN GROUP

Learn tips for making your garden look terrific!  
Suzy Juarez, Leader  
4th Monday of the month, 1:00 P.M.

#### KARAOKE

Betty Cheng, Instructor  
Tuesday, 9:00 A.M. – 12 Noon

#### NEEDLECRAFT WORKSHOP

Sew or knit with friends learning new skills or sharing your designs.  
Tuesday, 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.  
**LINE DANCING**  
Alice Tsao, Instructor  
Monday and Tuesday, 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

#### LINE DANCING

Beginning level. Sandra Lin and Alice Hao, Instructors  
Friday, 8:45 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

#### LINE DANCING

Intermediate/advance, Wilson Ng, Instructor  
Friday, 9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

#### YUAN CHI DANCE/TAI CHI EXERCISE

Sandra Lin, Alice Tsao, and Rosa Yee, Instructors  
Monday – Tuesday, 8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.  
Wednesday – Thursday, 8:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

#### FRIENDSHIP CHORUS

Prof. Ping Qiao, Instructor  
Wednesday, 9:30 A.M. – 12:00 Noon

#### CHINESE EVERGREEN CHORUS

Delly Chow, Instructor  
Wednesday, 1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

#### CHINESE OPERA

Fuller Chen, Instructor  
Monday, 9:00 A.M. – 12 Noon

#### CHINESE OPERA

C.L. Shen, Instructor  
Friday, 9:00 A.M. – 12 Noon

#### MONTEREY PARK CHORUS

Wei Pu, Conductor  
Monday, 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

#### CONCERT BAND OF MONTEREY PARK

Monday, 7:30 P.M. – 9:30 P.M., Monthly fee

## SENIOR CLASSES

### MEMORY MAKERS FITNESS

Includes Yuan Chi Dance, Line Dance and Tai Chi Exercises  
Sandra Lin, Alice Tsao, and Rosa Yee  
Fee: \$10.00 per quarter  
Saturday, 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

### TABLE TENNIS, BILLIARDS AND EXERCISE

Doors open for regular activities at 8:00 A.M., Monday – Friday.  
No open play on Saturday or Sunday

#### SPRING SESSION –

MARCH 16 – JUNE 12

\$39.00 Seniors 50 yrs and Up

4602.401 Monday – Friday 6:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M.

MARCH 21 – JUNE 13

\$27.00 Seniors 50 yrs and Up

4602.402 Saturday 8:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon

### CHAIR FITNESS for OLDER ADULTS

Sonja Holladay, 50 yrs & Up

SPRING SESSION - MARCH 31 – MAY 28

4215.401 Tuesday & Thursday 1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M., \$48.00

4215.402 Thursday 1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M., \$28.00

### TOTAL FITNESS FOR SENIORS

Sonja Holladay, 50 yrs & Up

SPRING SESSION - MARCH 30 – MAY 28

1 Day \$31.00, 2 days \$55.00, 3 days \$75.00

4215.403 Beginner Mon & Wed, 1:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.

4215.404 Inter/Adv Mon & Thurs, 2:45 P.M. to 4:15 P.M.

4215.405 Inter/Adv Tuesday, 2:45 P.M. to 4:15 P.M.

4215.407 Inter/Adv Mon, Tues, Thurs, 2:45 P.M. to 4:15 P.M.

### ZUMBA GOLD

Sonja Holladay, 50 yrs & Up

SPRING SESSION - MARCH 31 – MAY 26, \$34.00

4215.406 Tuesday 12:15 P.M. to 1:15 P.M.

## SENIOR CITIZEN TRIPS and TOURS

TOUR DESK IS OPEN FROM 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.,  
MONDAY - FRIDAY

All reservations must be made in person at Langley Center. Trips and tours are for senior citizens 50 years and older only, no exceptions. Trips are limited and are on a first pay basis. All casino dividends are subject to change. Monterey Park's Recreation and Community Services Department acts only as an agent in putting together day and extended trip packages and does not assume any liability for illness, injury, damages, loss, accident, or delay due to any act or default of any company or person involved in the trip, nor can we be held responsible for changes made by the tour operator or hotels. For information and reservations contact: Langley Senior Center, 400 W. Emerson Avenue, Monterey Park, or call Trips and Tours travel coordinator Joyce Knox at (626) 307-1395.

### PALA CASINO RESORT AND SPA - MAY 28

Gambler special get-away-day of gaming fun on the PALA Indian Reservation. Depart at 9:00 a.m. and return at approximately 5:00 p.m., check in time 8:00 a.m. \$7.00 Per person, Plus \$1.00 Driver's tip; receive \$5.00 for added play at casino. Must have Driver's Card # and original valid State driver's license, or original State Senior ID or valid current government issued photo ID at time of registration.

### SEATTLE - SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

#### - A VISIT TO THE EMERALD CITY - MAY 19-23

This trip includes five wonderful days and four nights in the Pacific Northwest Coastal City of Seattle. \$1899 per person, double occupancy, \$2299 single occupancy. Round trip airfare to Seattle, Washington, professional tour escort to Kubota Gardens, Seattle Art Museum, City highlight tour with cruise of Ballard Locks, Boeing factory tour, Aquarium, Chihuly Garden and Glass Museum and Northwest Folk life Festival. Booking deposit required of \$200 per person.

### SAN FRANCISCO AND WINE COUNTRY

#### - JULY 30 - AUGUST 2

Tour features the San Francisco and the beautiful California Wine country including Napa, Sonoma, and St. Helena. Four days and three nights all for \$699 per person, based upon double occupancy, \$949 single person in room. \$200 deposit, final payment is due June 14, 2015. Deluxe motor coach, professional tour escort, three nights at the Concord Hilton Hotel; sightseeing includes tour of San Francisco, Golden Gate Bridge, Union Square. Wine country tour with 2 wine tastings, 2 dinners and 3 breakfasts, luggage handling.

### EASTERN CANADIAN/FALL FOLIAGE

#### - SEPTEMBER 22 – SEPTEMBER 30

Another delightful fall foliage trip to Canada! \$300 per person booking deposit. \$2,049 per person, double occupancy, \$2,549 single person in room. Airfare included! We begin this fabulous journey with a flight to Buffalo New York! Come see the beautiful autumn colors as we experience Niagara Falls, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, Vermont, New Hampshire, Franconia Notch and Boston. Maid-of-the Mist cruise, St. Lawrence River cruise, mini tour of Niagara Falls, city tours of Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec and Boston. Valid Passport required (non-United States citizens will need a visa too!)

### UTAH CANYON ROYALE

#### - SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 1

Featuring a stop at Valley of Fire State Park in the Mojave Desert, then it's off to exciting Casa Blanca Resort and Casino. On day two we travel to awe-inspiring Zion National Park in Utah to spend the day. Zion features stunning scenery and sandstone cliffs. On day three it's off to Cedar Breaks National Monument, a unique park, with lush meadows and bristlecone pine trees. Also included is a stop in Las Vegas on our way home! \$399 per person, double occupancy, \$699 single occupancy. Booking deposit required of \$200 per person, balance due August 14. Tour includes deluxe motor coach, professional tour guide, three nights at the Casa Blanca Hotel and Casino Resort in Mesquite, Nevada. \$20.00 meal coupon and luggage handling.

### ALBUQUERQUE BALLOON FESTIVAL

#### - OCTOBER 8 - 13

Travelstakeyouthroughthebeautifulcoloredrocksandformations made by weather and minerals that have the look of the Painted Desert. Come enjoy six days and five nights in fabulous Arizona and New Mexico. Deluxe motor coach transport to Flagstaff, Arizona and then off to Albuquerque, New Mexico for the world famous Balloon Festival – Morning Balloon Ascension, Evening "After Glow", visit the Indian Pueblo Cultural center, Historical Santa Fe Plaza, and Route 66 highlights, accommodations in Flagstaff, Albuquerque, New Mexico. \$999 per person, double occupancy, \$1,399 single occupancy. Booking deposit required of \$200 per person, balance due August 8.

### MEMPHIS - TENNESSEE - OCTOBER 9-19

Motor coach transportation, 11 days 10 nights lodging, including 4 consecutive nights at a Tunica area Casino Resort, 18 meals, admission and platinum tour of Graceland, - Home of Elvis Presley; guided tour of Memphis; free time on Beale Street in Memphis. On the trip home stops include: Old State House Museum in Little Rock, Arkansas; Route 66 Museum in Clinton, Oklahoma; Rio Grande Botanic Garden in Albuquerque, New Mexico --- plus much more. Come to the office for more details. \$860 per person, double occupancy; \$1,180 single occupancy in room. \$75 deposit required per person, balance due August 3.

# MONTEREY PARK BRUGGEMEYER LIBRARY

318 S. Ramona Avenue, Monterey Park

Hours: Mondays and Tuesdays 12 - 9 pm • Wednesdays and Thursdays 10 am - 6 pm

Fridays and Saturdays 10 am - 1 pm • Sundays 1 - 5 pm

## ESL (ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE) CLASSES

The literacy program has every level of ESL classes available to help English Language Learners gain reading, writing and speaking skills. Students are pre-tested to determine their proficiency levels in Basic English skills and to assist in placement of appropriate levels. Beginning Literacy- Tuesdays / Thursdays 12-2:00 p.m. Beginning Low- Mondays 6 -7:30 p.m., Beginning High -Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m., Intermediate –Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. and also on Tuesday evenings 7-8:30 p.m., Advanced ESL on Mondays/Tuesdays/Wednesdays 3-5 p.m., and English Conversation on Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and Sundays 1-3:00 p.m. All classes are open enrollment and anyone interested in joining a class can come by the LAMP Literacy office located on the second floor of the library for more information and to register. A material fee of \$20.00 is required for each class each semester.

## CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION CLASSES

Citizenship Preparation classes are available at the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library. Persons who plan on becoming New Citizens should prepare for their Interview exam within six months prior to submitting their N-400 application. Citizenship Preparation classes will assist students with knowledge of American History, Government and Civics covered during the examination. Classes are offered on Sundays from 1:00-3:00 p.m., Mondays from 6:00-8:00 p.m., and Wednesdays from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Persons planning to become New Citizens should register early for these classes before submitting their N-400 Citizenship application. A material fee of \$20.00 is required for each semester. For more information, please contact the LAMP Literacy Office at (626) 307-1251.

## 1 TO 1 TUTORING FOR ADULT LITERACY

If you know an adult learner who cannot read or struggles in reading, call the LAMP Literacy Program. Our success rate for assisting adult learners is well established. Adult learners are matched with trained literacy tutors who will give reading and writing instruction in English to adult learners who have little or no reading skills. All learners are pretested for accurate placement with tutors. Enrollment to the one to one literacy program is free and funded by California State Library Literacy Services. Monterey Park residents are given priority on waiting list. Please be prepared to present identification. Please call the LAMP office for more information at (626) 307-1251 or visit the literacy office on the second floor of the library. No material fee for tutoring sessions is necessary.

## JOIN THE LAMP TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS!

Are you interested in giving back to the community of Monterey Park and have command of the English writing, reading and speaking skills? Then we need you to join our team! The LAMP Literacy Office is looking for motivated people who are interested in tutoring adult learners in one-to-one English Language Instruction, or small groups of adult learners, or Citizenship Preparation coaching. Training will be provided for all volunteers. The LAMP Literacy Program will supply all needed training materials at no cost. Please contact the LAMP Literacy Office at (626) 307-1251 for more information or stop by and fill out an application. Give the gift that will last a lifetime by helping someone learn English so they can flourish and prosper in their communities. Individual trainings can also be scheduled to meet your availability.

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOKSTORE

The Friends of the Library is seeking a volunteer for Saturdays. If you have a little spare time in your weekends and would like to be involved in your community, volunteering at the library's bookstore would be a great adventure. The bookstore is open the same hours as the library on Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and is in need of a volunteer. Please call Gwen Kishida at (626) 307-1269 for more information. Your help is desperately needed.

## CANTONESE STORYTIME

May 4, 2015 3:30 pm For All Ages

Join us for an all-ages Cantonese bilingual storytime! Hear stories, sing songs and learn rhymes in Cantonese with Miss Ana. No registration is required to attend this program.

## 粵語講故事

2015年5月4日 3:30 PM 不限年齡

我們為不同年齡孩子用廣東話雙語講故事！聽故事，唱歌，與安娜小姐學習粵語兒歌。參加這項節目無需註冊。

## MOTHER'S DAY PRESCHOOL STORYTIME AND CRAFT

May 7, 2015 10:30 AM For Ages: 3-5

Want to celebrate Mother's Day with your Preschooler? Come to our Mother's Day Preschool Storytime in the Storytime Room. Following the storytime, preschoolers can create their own Mother's Day card in the Arts and Crafts Room. Registration for this program will open Thursday, April 30th at the Children's Desk.

## SPANISH BILINGUAL STORYTIME/ CUENTOS EN ESPANOL

May 11, 2015 3:30 PM For All Ages

Join us for a lively Spanish bilingual storytime! Hear stories, sing songs and learn rhymes in Spanish with Miss Celia. No registration is required to attend this program.

Los invitamos a asistir a los cuentos bilingües para la

familia! Escuchar cuentos, cantar canciones y aprender rimas en español con Señorita Celia. No es necesario registrarse para asistir a este programa.

## TWEEN PROGRAM: PAINT WITH LIGHT

May 14, 2015 3:00 PM For Ages: 8-12

Learn how to capture your own amazing photographs by "painting with light"! Children will use iPads and LED lights to create stunning photos in the Friends Room. Refreshments will be provided courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Registration for this program will open on Thursday, May 7th at the Children's Desk.

## MANDARIN STORYTIME

May 18, 2015 3:30 PM For All Ages

Join us for an all-ages Mandarin bilingual storytime! Hear stories, sing songs and learn rhymes in Mandarin with Miss Ana. No registration is required to attend this program.

## 普通話講故事

2015年5月18日 3:30 PM 不限年齡

我們為不同年齡孩子用普通話雙語講故事！聽故事，唱歌，與安娜小姐學習普通話兒歌。參加這項節目無需註冊。

## STOP MOTION ANIMATION!

May 21, 2015 3:00 PM For Ages: 6-12

Create a short stop motion film starring your favorite toy using an iPad! This program will include a short presentation on stop motion animation, which will include a description of the topic, examples of notable stop motion films, and a short set of instructions before we begin. Each child is encouraged to bring their favorite toy to assist in the film making process. Refreshments will be provided courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Registration for this program will open on Thursday, May 14th at the Children's Desk.

## AFTERSCHOOL ART: COSMIC SUNCATCHERS

May 28, 2015 3:00 PM For Ages: 5-8

Create a suncatcher and capture the sun's rays with cosmic colors! Children are invited to create a "cosmic suncatcher" using everyday material such as white glue, food coloring, toothpicks and recycled plastic lids. All artwork will be put on display within the Children's Department of the library. Registration for this program will open on Thursday, May 21st at the Children's Desk.

## LIBRARY STORYTIMES

- Family Storytime (all ages):  
Tuesdays, 7:30 -8:00 pm
  - Wednesdays, 4:00 -4:30 pm  
Baby Storytime (birth to age 2):  
Thursdays, 10:00 -10:30 am  
(one parent or caregiver per child is required)
  - Preschool Storytime (ages 3-5):  
Thursdays, 10:30-11:00 am
- All storytimes are held in the Library's Storytime Room with each program lasting about 25-40 minutes. Children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver during all storytime programs. For further information, please call the Children's Desk at (626) 307-1358.

## 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

The library runs a year round reading program for children who have not yet entered kindergarten. The 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program encourages parents and caregivers to read 1,000 books with their child before he or she enters school – a goal experts say helps prepare children to be successful readers once they enter school. Reading to children helps develop important literacy skills that provide a solid foundation for learning and academic success. This program has no end date except when a child enters school. For further information, please call the Children's Desk at (626) 307-1358.

To participate:

1. Sign up at the Children's Desk of the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library to receive a 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten reading log and tote bag.
2. Read together and write the titles on the reading log. If you read a book more than once, you can record it each time. Books read at library storytime, at daycare, or books that are read by others to your child also count!
3. After each 100 books, bring your reading log to the library to:
  - Place your name on our giant Rainbow of Readers Board.
  - Collect your next reading log.
  - Receive a prize. Prizes include magnets, pencils, finger puppets, books, flashcards and other small incentives.

## MONDAY NIGHT COMPUTER CLASSES IN CANTONESE

Beginning Computer Classes in Cantonese are scheduled on Monday nights, May 4, 11, and 18 from 7 pm -8:30 pm in the computer lab located on the 2nd floor. Space is limited and registration is required for the free classes. Adults will practice mouse and keyboard drills, Internet searching skills and an introduction to Microsoft Word. To register for the free classes contact the Reference Desk or call (626) 307-1368.

## TUESDAY NIGHT OPEN COMPUTER LAB

Join the Open Computer Lab on Tuesday, May 5 and every Tuesday evening in May from 7-8:30 pm in the computer lab. The lab offers practice time for adults in library computer classes and is also open for those needing personalized help with e-mail, Microsoft Word, Excel and the Internet. A library staff member is present to answer questions. There is no registration required

but seating is limited to a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information contact the Reference Desk at (626) 307-1368.

## THURSDAY MORNING BEGINNING COMPUTER CLASSES IN ENGLISH

Beginning Computer Classes in English are scheduled on Thursdays, May 7, 14, 21, and 28 from 10:30 am to 12 noon in the computer lab located on the 2nd floor. Space is limited and registration is required for the free classes. Adults will practice mouse and keyboard drills, Internet searching skills and an introduction to Microsoft Word. To register for the free classes contact the Reference Desk or call (626) 307-1368.

## JOIN THE LIBRARY TEAM OF COMPUTER VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTORS

The library is looking for volunteers to teach computer classes, basic, intermediate, or advanced during the day or evening. Please call the Reference Desk at (626) 307-1368 for additional information if you are interested in becoming a volunteer.

## INTERNATIONAL FILM PROGRAMS

The public is invited to the library's film screenings featuring award winning international films on Wednesday, May 20 at 2 pm in the Friends Room. The programs are free with light refreshments compliments of the Friends of the Monterey Park Library. For more information contact the Reference Desk at (626) 307-1368.

## FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE CLINIC

Volunteer attorneys will be on hand to answer legal questions at a free legal assistance clinic on Tuesday, May 12 from 6 -8 pm in the Friends Room. The clinic is sponsored by the Asian Pacific American Bar Association (APABA). Volunteer attorneys will answer questions about immigration, criminal law, civil matters, estate planning, government benefits, labor and employment. For more information and to register for the free program call the Reference Desk at (626) 307-1368.

## FAIR HOUSING WORKSHOP

The Housing Rights Center (HRC) in partnership with the library will present a FREE 'Fair Housing Workshop' for Monterey Park residents and community on Tuesday, May 26 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the Friends Room. HRC will present information and resources regarding housing discrimination and landlord-tenant rights and responsibilities. Topics will include: discrimination against families with children, disability rights, sexual harassment, evictions, repairs, security deposits, rent increases, substandard conditions, and much more! For more information, or to RSVP for this FREE workshop, please call (800) 477-5977 extension 1104. TTY users please call (213) 201-0867. The location is handicap accessible.

## HISTORY ALIVE PROGRAM: REAL LIFE STORIES FILM AND AUTHOR PROGRAM FEATURING KAY MOURADIAN

Author and filmmaker, Kay Mouradian will talk about her biographical memoir, My Mother's Voice on Sunday, May 31 at 2 pm in the Friends Room. The program is part of an ongoing library series featuring authors, books, and films about real life stories. The author will introduce her book and screen a short 25-minute documentary film which tells the story of Mouradian's mother who escaped from the throes of World War I in Ottoman Turkey. The book/film tells the story of the Armenian Genocide during World War I and brings to light during this 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, the effects of war on Armenian families in Ottoman Turkey. The author's book will be available for purchase at the event with book signing. Kay Mouradian EdD is a professor emerita from the Los Angeles Community College. She holds a doctorate in education from Nova Southeastern University and degrees from Boston University and UCLA. For more information about the free program contact the Reference Desk at (626) 307-1368.

## MIDWEEK MOVIE @ THE LIBRARY

Read the book and see the movie. The library will showcase a movie blockbuster hit on May 6 at 3 pm in the Friends Room. This 2014 film adaption is based on the 1994 Newberry Medal award winning book by Lois Lowry. Jeff Bridges, Meryl Streep and Brenton Thwaites star in the film about a teen that lives in a perfect community without war, pain, suffering, differences or choice but chooses to learn from an elderly man about the true pain and pleasure of the "real" world. The movie is rated PG13 and runs 113 minutes. For more information about the free film program contact the Reference Desk at (626) 307-1368.

## JF PROGRAMS

### FUN PROGRAMS BY YOUTH FOR YOUTH

The Junior Friends (JF), a teen volunteer organization at the library, hosts a program each month to serve the youth at Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library. Do you have the urge to create? Are you a tinker at heart? Come check-out our final workshop of the school year on Wednesday, May 13 in the Friends Room at 3 pm. For more information about the Junior Friends or our programs contact the Reference Desk at (626) 307-1368.

## ANIME/MANGA CLUB

Join the library's Anime and Manga club and watch the latest Anime releases, meet other Otaku and discuss new titles for the library. We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 3:30 -5:00 pm in the Friends Room. See you on May 27.

# Housing Rights Center to Host Free Workshop on Rent Increases, Evictions, Discrimination, Foreclosure and More

The Housing Rights Center (HRC) and the City of Monterey Park will be hosting a free Fair Housing Workshop for Monterey Park landlords, tenants and community members on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 from 5-7 p.m. at the Bruggemeyer Library Friends Room located at 318 S. Ramona Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754. HRC will present information and resources regarding housing discrimination and landlord-tenant rights and responsibilities.

Topics will include: discrimination against families with children, disability rights, sexual harassment, evictions, repairs, security deposits, rent increases, substandard conditions and more.

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, known as the

Fair Housing Act provides protection from discrimination in all housing related transactions based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status and disability. Furthermore, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act provides additional protections against housing discrimination based on marital status, ancestry, sexual orientation, and source of income. The California Unruh Civil Rights Act also provides protection from housing discrimination based on age and protects the right to freedom from violence and intimidation in housing.

For more information or to RSVP for this free workshop, please call HRC at 800-477-5977 extension 1104. TTY users please call 213-201-0867. This location is handicap accessible.

# Lions Club 68th Annual Ham n' Eggs Breakfast to support Eyesight for Kids Program

The Monterey Park Lions Club invite the public to attend the Eyesight for Kids program at their 68th Annual Ham n' Eggs Breakfast, Sunday, June 7, at the Barnes Park Picnic area. Breakfast runs from 7 a.m.-noon and supporters will be provided scrambled eggs, ham, pancakes, orange juice and coffee for \$7 per person.

According to the Lions Club, over 800 people were served last year with all monies going towards the Eyesight for Kids program. The program provides annual eye checks for over 2,500 Monterey Park elementary school kids. For more information or to buy tickets call 626-307-9569 or email mpklionsclub@gmail.com.

## Help Send Mark Keppel High School Actors & Musicians to Scotland

MARK KEPPEL HIGH'S PRODUCTION OF PETER PAN IS GOING TO SCOTLAND.

Recycle Your E-waste  
Saturday and Sunday, May 2-3, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Mark Keppel High School front parking lot  
501 E. Hellman Ave., Alhambra.

All proceeds benefit our Scotland trip and are tax deductible.

## STREET BEAT MONTHLY CRIME LOG

Addresses are identified by block number, not exact address.

### March 2015

#### AUTO BURGLARY

- 1000 COLLEGE VIEW DR
- 500 N YNEZ AVE
- 2900 W FLORAL DR
- 700 S GARFIELD AVE
- 800 W EL REPETTO DR
- 1300 MONTEREY PASS RD
- 400 S ATLANTIC BLVD
- 400 N ORANGE AVE
- 1900 CERCO ALTA DR
- 3500 RAMONA BLVD
- 1700 COLLEGE VIEW DR
- 1700 COLLEGE VIEW DR
- 1000 COLLEGE VIEW DR
- 400 W ELMGATE ST
- 500 N ATLANTIC BLVD

#### AUTO THEFT

- 600 N NICHOLSON AVE
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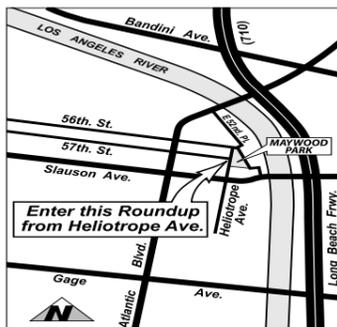
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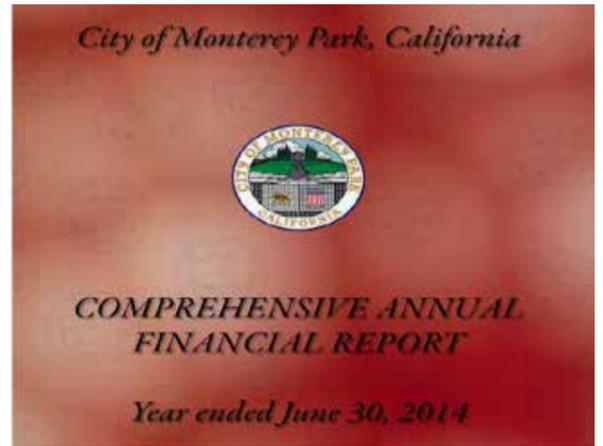


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# A Guide to the Night Sky

By Tre Gibbs, Los Angeles Astronomical Society



Mercury is the smallest planet in our solar system and also the one closest to the Sun. One might assume that Mercury is also the warmest planet because of its proximity to our own star, the Sun. However, that is not the case. Venus, the next planet in our solar system as you travel away from the Sun, is the warmest planet. Doesn't seem right to call it warm - it's hot, very hot. So hot it could melt lead. Mercury, having no atmosphere and looking a lot like our moon, has a surface temperature somewhere in the neighborhood of about 800 F degrees, while Venus reaches a scorching +/- 900 F degrees. The reason Venus is hotter - even though it's further away from the Sun - is because its thick, carbon dioxide atmosphere traps the heat from the Sun, causing the temperatures to soar. While both of these worlds are inhospitable to human beings, they are beautiful to see from a distance and you can see both of these gleaming worlds

this month.

Venus is easy to spot. Anytime during or after twilight, go outside and look due west. See the star-like object that resembles a helicopter coming directly toward you? That's Venus. It's also known as the Evening Star and Earth's sister planet, even though the two planets could not be more different from each other, climate wise. Mercury however, because it's the closest planet to the Sun and, from our perspective, never wanders too far from it, is much harder to see, since the horizon often gets in the way. But just after sunset on the evening of May 7, look for little Mercury, low in the west, way below Venus. You will know it's Mercury because it will be gleaming in the twilight sky, while no stars near it are yet visible.

Another unusual world begins its majestic return to our evening skies and that is the gorgeous, ringed gas giant Saturn. Saturn, like Jupiter, is huge, but its density is so low, that if you had a bath tub big enough, Saturn would float in it. From Earth, Saturn appears as a normal, fairly bright star since it's so far away (just under 800 million miles from us). But look at it through a telescope and the image looks much different. You can see its magnificent rings, one of its largest moons, Titan, and you may notice that it has a pale yellow or beige hue, due to all of the ammonia crystals in its atmosphere. The ring system is made mostly (about 95%) of the stuff in your freezer that you put in your summer

cocktails - water ice. Early in the month, Saturn rises in the ESE around 10 p.m. But at month's end it rises above the horizon as early as 8 p.m., so by 11 p.m. or so it will be high enough to view clearly.

If you have trouble locating Saturn, which you may because it only resembles a fairly bright star, you can use the moon on the night of May 1 and 31 to find it. Both nights the almost full moon rises with Saturn, just below the moon and traveling the entire night sky with it.

And don't forget mighty Jupiter. Although moving further and further west each night, it's still almost overhead and slightly to the west at sunset, but quickly wanders further west as the evening progresses, setting around midnight.

Enjoy the late spring skies this month, and keep looking up.

The Los Angeles Astronomical Society (LAAS) meets at Monterey Park's Garvey Ranch Observatory every Wednesday night, rain or shine, from 7-10 p.m. All members are eager to answer your questions and let you have a peek through our 8" telescope, weather permitting. Feel free to contact us, we would love to see you there. Address 781 S Orange Ave, Monterey Park, CA 91755; www.laas.org/; Facebook www.facebook.com/losangelesastronomicalsociety; or phone 213-673-7355.

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### Opening Night Discount:

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### Sunday Night Wristband:

Buy a wristband on Sunday, May 17 for \$17 and ride all you want between 1-5 p.m. (For additional savings on this offer, look for the coupon in this issue of the Cascades newspaper.)

# PLAY DAYS



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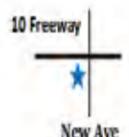
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# Century High School named a Model Continuation School



Century High School has been identified as one of 29 continuation high schools in the State recognized as Model Continuation High Schools by the California Department of Education.

Model schools are recognized for providing comprehensive services to youth through the use of exemplary instructional strategies, flexible scheduling, and guidance and counseling services to students who may otherwise have been at risk of not graduating.

“These outstanding schools provide teaching approaches that better serve their students and give them every chance to flourish,” said Tom Torlakson, the state superintendent of public instruction. “Our goal is to ensure that every student receives a high-quality education and, upon graduation, that every student has a plan for the future and the skills necessary to succeed.”

According to the Department of Education, continuation high schools meet the needs of students aged 16 years or older who lack sufficient school credits to graduate. Students benefit from supplemental programs and services like independent study courses, career counseling, job placement, apprenticeships, and concurrent enrollment in community college.

# Marguerita School hosts successful open house



Parents, families, and friends enjoy viewing student work reflecting Common Core State Standards at Marguerita School's Open House in March.

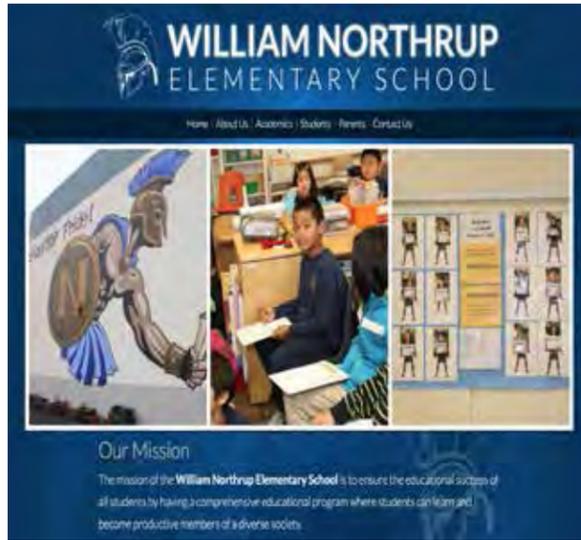
March's Open House at Marguerita School was a night filled with varied displays of students' work, work that gave insights into the Common Core State Standards. The event showcased writing and research by students; oral presentations captured by teachers on PowerPoint and videos; visual math representations showing systematic problem solving and conceptual understanding; Thinking Maps showing thought processes of students across subject areas; and work reflecting Project Based Learning. Through these displays, parents witnessed the extensions of learning from text to the real world.

One of the highlights of the evening was the Science Fair displaying scientific studies and experiments, and data collection of students from seventh and eighth grade. Parents, families, and friends packed the classrooms during the first hour as the doors to classrooms were opened from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Prior to the official opening of doors to the classroom, parents were invited to the auditorium for an update on the Local Control And Accountability Plan of the Alhambra Unified School District, as well as a peek at cut-off scores of the Smarter Balance test which students in third through eighth grade will be taking in April/beginning of May 2015.

Marguerita School gives its sincere thanks to all who came to their showcase.

# New school websites launch in AUSD



Screenshots of Northrup's and Repetto's new school websites.

As of March 4, 2015, all schools in the Alhambra Unified School District have their own websites. Prior to this, only some schools maintained web pages. New websites were created for schools without them to facilitate giving information from the school and district to the community.

On each website, parents can email teachers, view school policies, download handbooks and supply lists, see the school calendar, access Common Core State Standards, connect to Parent Portal, and much more. Edlio, a company that specializes in school and district websites, designed the websites, which feature school mascots, photos of the campuses, and school news.

Here is a listing of all AUSD schools and their websites:

Alhambra Unified School District	ausd.us
Alhambra High School	ahsmoors.org
Baldwin	baldwinelementary.org
Brightwood	brightwoodelementary.org
Century High School	centuryhs.org
Emery Park	emeryparkelementary.us
Fremont	fremotelementary.us
Garfield (existing site)	garfieldelementary.org
Granada	granadaelementary.org
Independence High School	independecehs.org
Marguerita	margueritaelementary.org
Mark Keppel High School (existing site)	mkhs.org
Monterey Highlands	montereyhighlandselementary.org
Northrup	northrupelementary.us
Park	parkelementary.org
Ramona	ramonaelementary.org
Repetto	repettoelementary.org
San Gabriel High School (existing site)	sghsmatadors.org
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# District high school seniors benefit from ELAC AOC Day

# Career Day at Marguerita School



Students from Alhambra High School, Century High School, Mark Keppel High School, and San Gabriel High School pose with Avalanche, ELAC's Husky mascot.

In March, Alhambra Unified School District high school seniors attended East Los Angeles College (ELAC) for Assessment, Orientation and Counseling (AOC) Day. All new students to ELAC are required to complete AOC Day prior to their priority registration date and time. By attending AOC Day, the students got a jumpstart on their college career.

Students were able to take the English, Reading, and Math assessment tests, which helps them save time and money by being placed in the appropriate courses. Orientation provided students with information about college, certificate programs, associate degrees, and transfer information. In addition, students got the opportunity to speak to a counselor to develop an Abbreviated Student Educational Plan (ASEP), which assists students in outlining and completing their academic goals.

"I definitely enjoyed coming today," said Nicholas Don of Mark Keppel High School. "It was very helpful and made me feel like I was on the right track." Calvin Chow of Alhambra High School shared: "Coming to ELAC was a fun experience. We learned about different majors, minors, AA/AS degrees. Attending the field trip gave me first priority in picking classes."

Michelle Yang of San Gabriel High School appreciated getting assessment, orientation, and counseling all done in one day. "That was good because we didn't have to come back on different days and possibly forget something," she said.

Overall, it was a very informative and enjoyable day for all. "Not only did our students gain valuable information about college, but also had an opportunity to learn how they can further their journey towards higher education," said Elizabeth An, San Gabriel High School's Career Technical Education Advisor. East Los Angeles student ambassadors are available weekly at the high school to assist students in preparing to be college ready. "Start at ELAC; go anywhere you desire! Our goal is for you to graduate from college; our hope is for all students to succeed in life," said Luis Ponce and Jesus Villalba, ELAC student ambassadors.



Nancy Ganuchau, an architect from Home Front Build, shows her home designs to Marguerita students at Career Day.



Ellena Wong, a mechanical engineer and Pilates instructor to instructors, describes different engineering fields to Marguerita students at Career Day.

The Marguerita Elementary School PTA hosted its annual Career Day on March 20, bringing in 10 presenters and representatives from the Alhambra Police Department and the Alhambra Fire Department-Station 72 for the students.

Brian Chan, a pastor, professor, artist, and author was the keynote speaker. His message to the sixth through eighth grade students was not to sit back and play "Spiderman" video games, but rather, be the "Spiderman" with all the talents and perform your duties to save the distressed. Mr. Chan told the students that they each have their own gifts that they should use.

Other speakers presenting to the sixth through eighth graders were Nancy Ganuchau, an architect from Home Front Build; Ellena Wong, a mechanical engineer and Pilates instructor to instructors; and Jorge Gamboa, a manager of ESL programs.

The audience was impressed with Ms. Ganuchau's outstanding architectural designs of homes. She shared that it was her love for drawing and her inquisitiveness that made her pursue her career as an architect. Ms. Wong described the many different types of engineering fields, from biochemical, biomedical, to aerospace and automotive, and showed the faces of well-known personalities who are inherently engineers.

While this was happening in the auditorium, the Alhambra Fire Department -Station 72 with their fire truck and Officer Manny from the Alhambra Police Department shared their work with the Kindergarteners at their playground.

Following the upper grade presentations, the fourth and fifth graders welcomed speakers William Saunders, a civil engineer with L.A. County Public Works; Jose Vazquez, a housing administrator; Nick Miramontes, a lineman; and Dr. David Kuo, a chiropractor. Dr. Kuo captured the attention of his audience with a PowerPoint showing the physical distortion of bones and muscle structures that he had treated.

The presenters to the first through third graders were Veronica Jauregui, an insurance agent; Lloyd Davis, a therapist and clinical psychologist; and again Mr. Miramontes, a lineman.

Marguerita School and the Marguerita PTA would like to extend their sincere gratitude to all the participants for their time and continued support of the school and students.



Ramona Elementary honors crossing guard with 'Ms. Peggy Day' on March 31. Peggy Russell, who was the first crossing guard at Ramona and is a fixture in the community, was honored for her 27 years of exemplary service to the school. Ms. Peggy is a former member of the AUSD Board of Education; her children attended Ramona and her husband is an LAUSD teacher of 44 years. Alhambra Police Chief Mark Yokohama (right) and Captain Clifford Mar attended the ceremony in which the students dressed up as Ms. Peggy. The day also celebrated her birthday.



Emery Park School held a successful three-day food drive in March, collecting and donating canned and boxed food and fresh produce to the South Pasadena Giving Bank. Students in the ASB went to the Giving Bank and made sack lunches for the homeless, giving out two bags of food, plus a fresh frozen turkey, to each needy family. Pictured are the ASB students, ASB advisers, and staff from the Giving Bank.

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# AHS Red Cross wins Cup of Life challenge



Photo caption: AHS Red Cross members raise lifesaving donations for their local community, helping to alleviate the reduction in donors throughout the nation due in part to turbulent winter weather.

The Alhambra High School (AHS) Red Cross Club held its last blood drive for the year on April 9, raising 152 pints of blood.

The club, in its second year spearheading AHS' blood drives, recently won a Cup of Life challenge between the high schools in the district to see which student body could raise the highest number of lifesaving donations. Last Oct., the club raised a total of 129 pints and then proceeded to increase its efforts to a total of 169 in March.

"Everyone benefits from a blood donation. Schoolhosted blood drives are a great way to target the population of young people who are able to give blood. The donor gets a feeling of serving his/her community

and the blood receiver gets a chance to continue living," said Tiffany Chen, AHS Red Cross Club Blood Drive Chair.

AHS Red Cross Club held the drive in order to help alleviate the reduction in donors throughout the nation due in part to turbulent winter weather. Each blood donation has the potential to save up to three lives and the club collected both whole blood and double red blood cells from donors in hopes of giving back to the community. Many donors feel a sense of accomplishment upon giving.

"I donate because I know it helps other people who need [the blood]. It's important [to give back] because it can benefit someone greatly," student donor Eugene Luk said.

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Foods	5	AHS	B-5	M-F	8:00am-12:00pm	\$50
Graphics Design	5	MKHS	D102	M-F	8:00am - 12:00pm	\$50
Health Careers (Academy students only)	5	SGHS	MS-8	TTh+ TBD	8:00am-12:00pm	
International Foods	5	SGHS	H-5	M-F	8:00am-12:00pm	\$50
Pre-requisite: Foods or Culinary Arts						
Video Game Design	5	AHS	A-25	M-F	1:00pm-5:00pm	
Wood Technology	5	SGHS	IA-3	M-F	8:00am-12:00pm	\$120

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**Tues & Wed (May 26 & 27, 2015) 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.**  
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# 90% of Cells in the Body Are Not Human But You Need Them to Maintain Systemic and Dental Health

By John Chao, DDS



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The vast majority (approximately 90%) of cells in the human body are not human at all, according to a 2006 article published in Cell, a highly respected peer-review research journal that covers a broad range of disciplines within life sciences. This profound discovery within the field of human biology is explained by the intriguing fact that many of these non-human cells play important

roles in normal human physiology. These beneficial germs (microorganism) involved in the absorption of nutrients into the body, synthesis of vitamins and protection of human cells from infection. It may be said that survival of the human body (host) depends on the interaction between human and non-human cells. Therefore it is not entirely correct to say that the human body remains healthy because it fights off bacterial invasion. Actually it may be said that life is maintained by an interdependent, mutually beneficial coexistence between the human and non-human cells.

The human body contains "ecological niches," such as the oral cavity, to acquire and retain beneficial microorganisms, according to a recent article published this year in Periodontology 2000, a highly respected journal in the field of dentistry. The latter article further stated that the oral cavity is a warm, wet and nutrient-rich environment that is ideal for supporting microbial growth. The benefit of having beneficial microorganisms is not without consequences. Undesirable microorganisms continually challenge the delicate biological balance between the human body (host) and beneficial non-human cells. The host

deals with the microbial challenge through the release enzymes and immune factors in the saliva and the blood supply. Thus, in the healthy individual there exists a dynamic balance that arises out of numerous, complex host-microbial interactions. These interactions are loosely called "inflammation," a healing process. However, a substantial disruption of this balance over time can lead to "chronic inflammation." Chronic inflammation triggers the release of a cascade of self-destructive immune factors, such as white blood cells and enzymes that may lead to adverse oral conditions, such as periodontitis (gum disease).

Furthermore, chronic inflammation and its associated toxic by-products invariably may also be released into different parts of the body through the circulatory system. Recently research, widely disseminated through the news media, points to the close association between the oral inflammatory processes and systemic disorders, such as diabetes, atherosclerosis, respiratory diseases, rheumatoid arthritis, Alzheimer's disease, and certain forms of cancer and even low-weight or pre-term babies.

How does the body facilitate and accommodate beneficial microbes in the oral cavity? Dynamic balance is, by and large, maintained in biofilms, which are initially formed by host cells. This microscopically thin cellular scaffold initially attracts beneficial aerobic microbes that would exist in communal harmony with the host cells.

How does gum disease and cavities develop? Unwelcome anaerobic microbes may invade the biofilms in large numbers under certain conditions, such as inadequate oral hygiene, dry mouth and high sugar intake. The affected biofilms then become "dental plaque," which leads to cavity formation and periodontal disease. It is also known that internal (endogenous) factors such as stress, external (exogenous) factors such as smoking are associated higher risk of occurrence of gum disease and cavities.

The take-home lesson of understanding of this interesting aspect of oral biology is that oral health stems from a dynamic balance of cells of the human body with oral bacteria and other microbes. Provided the body is generally healthy (not under unusual stress), this biologic balance can be maintained at a healthy level throughout an entire lifetime if healthy habits are followed on a daily basis, with professional care at regular intervals. These healthy habits includes proper brushing, flossing and use of dental aids such as mouthwashes and hydroelectric devices ("water-pik," "hydrofloss," etc.). Proper nutrition, stress control, low intake of sugar products are also important in safeguarding this dynamic balance in the mouth. However the patient should understand that since so many factors must be in sync to maintain this dynamic balance, even with the best of homecare there is no guarantee that this dynamic balance would not change. To avoid unpleasant surprises it is therefore recommended that everyone see the dentist regularly for checkups.

An ancillary conclusion to be drawn from this up-to-date concept of biochemistry in the oral cavity is that antibiotics must not be taken indiscriminately. If an antibiotic is prescribed, it is only for a particular condition, such as infection causing pain and swelling in the cheeks. Continual use of antibiotics to ameliorate recurrent acute conditions would tend to obliterate beneficial microbes as well as those causing the infection. This results in difficulty in forming a new dynamic balance that leads to more decay and gum infection. In fact, yeast and other opportunistic microorganisms may take over as a result. It is imperative that the offending tooth/teeth be treated or removed and replace. rather than depending on an antibiotic prescription when an infections recurs. Of course it is better to prevent the problem in the first place by following good dental hygiene habits and seeing your dentist regularly for checkups and maintenance.

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John Man and Philip Chang would like to thank Linda and Allan Wong from Spark Afterschool Academy for inviting us to the Brightwood PTA meeting. It's been such a long time since the four of us went to Brightwood Elementary where we received such a great education. We are also grateful to have won the grand prize.



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Duplex: 2 Bed/1 bath each. 1,768 sqft living space total on a 6,332 sqft lot.



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1500-1502 S. 5th St, Alhambra  
Two homes on a large R3 lot!  
Front: 3 Bed/3ba - Back 3 Bed/2ba



**NEW PRICE**

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1570 Fulton Ave, Monterey Park  
6 Bed/5 bath house with 3,073 sqft living space on a 14,851 sqft lot.



**NEW PRICE**

Listed at \$499,000

3225 Montezuma Ave, Alhambra  
3 Bed/2 bath house with 1,508 sqft living space on a 11,409 sqft lot.



**JUST LISTED**

Listed at \$749,000

2885 Doolittle Ave, Arcadia  
4 Bed/3 bath house with 1,945 sqft living space on a 5,635 sqft lot.



**JUST LISTED**

Listed at \$395,000

1925 Delta Ave, Rosemead  
3 Bed/2 bath condo with 1,183 sqft living space with community pool!



**PENDING**

Listed at \$859,000

930 Ridgecrest St, Monterey Park  
3 Bed/3 bath house with 2,200 sqft living space on a 9,948 sqft lot.



**PENDING**

Listed at \$545,000

205 Sefton Ave, Monterey Park  
3 Bed/2 bath house with 1,412 sqft living space on a 6,788 sqft lot.



**JUST SOLD**

1501 Sunnyhill Dr, Monterey Park  
3 Bed/2 bath house with 1,362 sqft living space on a 8,505 sqft lot.



**JUST SOLD**

1156 Crest Vista, Monterey Park  
3 Bed/2 bath house with 1,500 sqft living space on a 11,450 sqft lot.



**JUST SOLD**

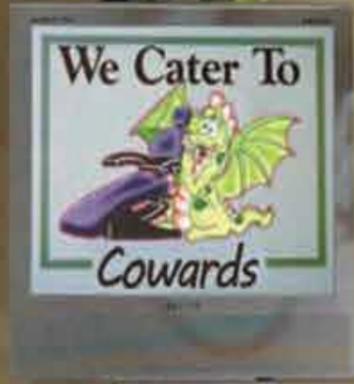
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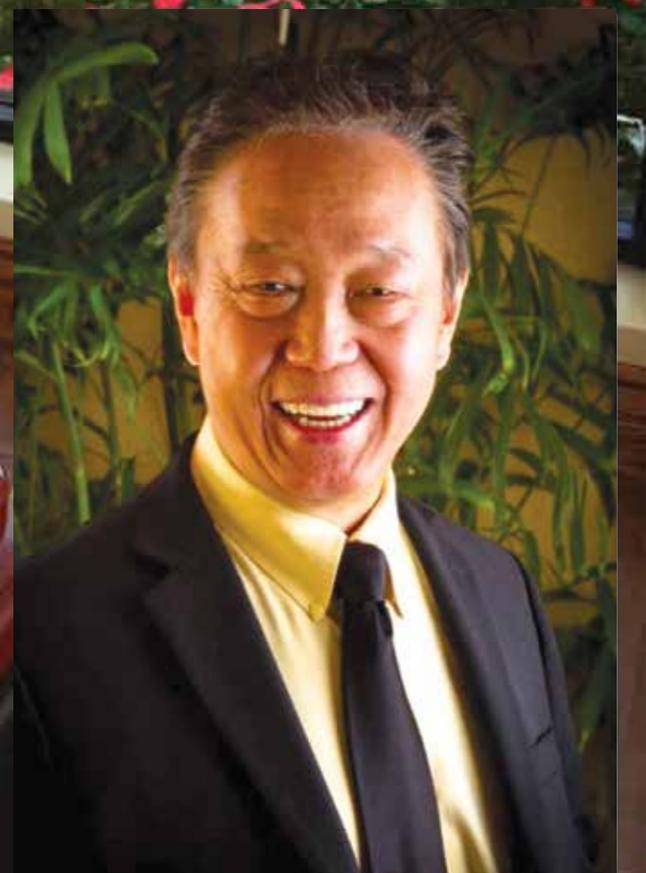
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