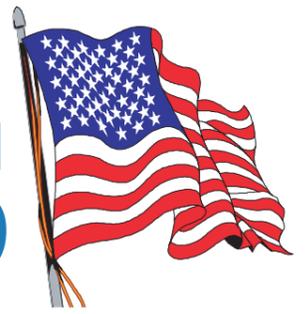




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Harmony Festival Car Show and Artisans' Faire

Two great events, one amazing day! The community is invited to enjoy another FREE afternoon at Barnes Park



Saturday, October 19, Barnes Park
Harmony Festival Car Show
9:00 am – 3:30 pm
Artisans' Faire
10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Harmony Festival Car Show

The Harmony Festival Car Show features over 100 classic hot rods, lowriders, euros, imports and crazy modified vehicles. Vehicles are displayed and judged throughout the park with awards given to the top cars in each category. Also enjoy the car show food booths, live entertainment, vendor displays and other activities for the entire family.

Artisans' Faire

Monterey Park's annual Artisans' Faire features over 30 local artisans selling handmade jewelry, candles, holiday decorations and unique gift items. Held

in Barnes Park, many visitors use the opportunity to get a jump start on their holiday shopping, or some just come to appreciate the artisans' creativity and craftsmanship. The Artisans' Faire also features a childrens craft workshop and a variety of delicious food from local vendors.

For more information on the Harmony Festival Car Show or Artisans' Faire, or how you can play a part as a vendor or car show participant, please visit the city's special events page at www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us or contact the recreation department at 626-307-1388.



Farmers' Market Friday Night Fun



Have you visited the farmers' market yet? If not, swing by this Friday to taste some freshly picked strawberries. The Monterey Park Farmers' Market fills up Ramona Avenue between the Library and City Hall every Friday from 4pm-8pm. In addition to fresh California grown produce picked the day before the market, you will find tasty treats from artisan food vendors (hummus, breads, specialty jams and more). The market also offers great dinner options with tasty tacos, squid skewers and crepes. And don't forget, every 2nd Friday of the month we offer a free Zumba class at 6:30pm.

Guess That Veggie Contest

Test your fruit and vegetable knowledge and win a basket of fresh fruits and vegetables from the market. Email us the correct answer to montereyparkFM@gmail.com and we will select one lucky respondent to win the basket. Here we go! Autumn is now upon us and with the new season comes new bounties, such as squash. What kind of squash is this?



Farmers' Market Tip of the Month:

Here is a great tip to extend the life of your onions, garlic and shallots, which you have hopefully purchased from our great farm vendor, Gama Farms. Store them in a closed paper bag that's been punched with holes. This can extend their life for months! For more great tips, follow us on Facebook (montereyparkFM).

The market is open rain or shine every Friday at 318 S. Ramona Ave from 4-8pm.

MP Police Explorer Program Wants You

Young people can enhance their leadership, career, team building and community service experience with the MP Police Department

Training and mentoring is provided by Monterey Park police officers and staff members. Police Explorers spend many hours learning about and improving skills in leadership development, discipline, responsibility, confidence, organization, law enforcement tactics, uniform etiquette, first aid and CPR, and team building



Qualifications:

- Be 14-21 years old
- Have a 2.5 grade point average
- Have no felony convictions or serious misdemeanor criminal convictions
- Good moral character and a willingness to succeed.

Life as an Explorer. Upon graduating from the academy, an explorer is ligible to participate in:

- Ride-alongs
- Regular meetings
- Saturday trainings
- Annual interagency competitions
- Colorguard ceremonies
- Community service functions.

The Monterey Park Police Explorer program is a volunteer career education program that's part of the Learning for Life division of the Boy Scouts of America.

Being a Police Explorer is a fun and interesting way of preparing yourself for the future while getting involved with the community. The training and skills earned will be a valuable resource you can use throughout your life, whether or not law enforcement is chosen as your career.

For more information please contact Officer Troy Grant at 626-307-1216 or tgrant@montereypark.ca.gov.



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 Mark Hensley, City Attorney

LAMP Changes Lives!

By Joyce Chan, Library Foundation Board Member

Monterey Park has been cited as one of the most diverse cities in the country. It is a gateway community for many immigrants to the U.S., particularly new arrivals from Asia. Many Asians begin their integration into the community at the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library. The LAMP Program vision is that all community members would have an awareness of the services and opportunities available to them through American institutions such as our library that offer exposure to culture and services; as well as gain the confidence and motivation to access these programs and become a part of them.

To date, the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library has helped over 1,000 adults to become U.S. Citizens and close to 8,000 children and adults become better English speakers, readers and writers. By learning English and gaining U.S. Citizenship status, many residents significantly improve their lives, job opportunities and participation in their communities. The LAMP Literacy Program's Citizenship and English classes are so vital to many people. With all volunteer instructors and tutors, LAMP is a highly cost effective program. However, to assure the literacy program's proper function of services to the community, adequate funds for support for staff and administrative costs must be maintained.

As a fundraiser, our 5th Annual Walk for Literacy will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2013 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Barnes Park softball field. You can get involved by:

1. Making a donation - choose a member or team to support online!
2. Join or start a walking team (pre-registration required)
3. Be a volunteer for the LAMP Program!

All funds will benefit the LAMP English & Citizenship Program and are tax deductible (Tax ID # 77-0086780). For more information, please call the LAMP office at 626-307-1251 or visit <http://www.razoo.com/story/Lampliteracy>

Check donations are welcome. Please make check payable to Monterey Park Library Foundation; put "LAMP Walk 2013" on memo line. Please mail or turn in check in person to LAMP Office, Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library 318 South Ramona Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754. For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Joyce Chan, Board Member, 213-808-1768 or jchan@cscla.org

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

2nd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
 Service Club House, 440 S. McPherrin Ave.

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.ci.monterey-park.ca.us.

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	626-307-2510
Risk Management	626-307-1437
Special Events	626-307-1390
Trash Collection (Athens Services)	626-336-3636
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.ci.monterey-park.ca.us.

City Hall Hours

Monday-Thursday: 7:00a.m.-6:00p.m.
 Closed Fridays

City Events Calendar

- October 2 Regular City Council mtg., 7:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber.
- October 15 City Council Guests & Presentations Mtg., 6:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chamber (to be announced).
- October 16 Regular City Council Mtg. Cancelled.
- October 19 Harmony Car Show & Artisans' Fair, Barnes Park
- October 26 Community Cleanup Day, 7:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Barnes Park.

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 Community Calendar at www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us.

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Halloween Safety Tips from the MPPD

By Sergeant John Martindale, MPPD

As the festive evening draws near, the Monterey Park Police Department is reminding you that safety comes first as kids and adults alike take to the streets. With some prior planning and good common sense, you can help to ensure your kids have a great time while still being safe. Here are some safety tips to help safeguard your children.

Trick-or-Treating Safety Tips:

- Go out with a group of people
- Stay with your children and know what houses they go to
- Stay in familiar neighborhoods
- Carry a flashlight
- Attach small, LED-style blinkie lights to your child's costume or their goody bag
- Wear reflective clothing or a glow-stick necklace or bracelets
- Only go to houses that are lit
- If you accept unwrapped or homemade treats, make sure it's only from houses you know.

Costume Tips:

- Make sure your child can walk in the costume. If the costume is too bulky it could make movement difficult
- Make sure capes, etc. do not drag on the ground
- Masks and/or makeup should not block vision. Have your child pull mask up their mask when walking if necessary
- Props should be made of plastic or other flexible material
- If you must use them for your costume, make sure guns, knives, swords, and other weapons are easily identified as toys
- Select brightly colored costumes, if possible.

Driving Tips:

- Slow down much more than you would on a normal night
- Use high-beam headlights where appropriate and legal
- Anticipate someone will dart into your path and be prepared to act accordingly
- Avoid driving on dark, narrow streets when possible
- Park your car and don't go out driving at all
- Pay extra attention to your driving and do not try to do other things while you are behind the wheel.

Because of nighttime safety concerns, many families are pursuing options which do not involve going house to house for treats. Some of those alternatives include: Going to shopping centers or malls which hold Halloween events such as trick or treating from store to store; having neighborhood block parties with games, bouncers, etc.; going to a "trunk-or-treat" event at a local church or other community organization. Your Halloween options are almost limitless, and with a bit of pre-planning and guidance you can help make the night memorable - in a good way. Also, the Monterey Park Police Department will again be handing out Halloween treat bags. Be sure to say "Hi" to any police officers you see and ask them for a treat bag.

If you are having a community or neighborhood Halloween event that you would like the police department to be aware of, or if you have any questions about Halloween safety, please contact the Monterey Park Police Community Relations Bureau at 626-307-1215.

A Quick Guide to the Night Sky for October 2013

By Tre Gibbs, Los Angeles Astronomical Society

Happy Halloween! This month, Venus continues to dominate the western horizon just after sunset as it slowly makes its way south, traveling with the ecliptic. As Saturn continues its journey into the glare of the sun, Venus is just about the only planet visible after sunset, prior to Jupiter's rise in the east at approximately 1:00 am and the rise of Mars at 3:30 am early in the month - aside from a brief show of Mercury, which will be at its greatest elongation on the 8th, just after sunset, though it may be too low on the horizon to see.



Follow the young crescent moon as it travels above and passes Venus on the evenings of the 7th and 8th, again just above the western horizon shortly after sunset.

Mid month, Venus pairs up with the "Heart of the Scorpion" - the red giant, Antares on the early evening of the 14th. Though Venus will appear much brighter than Antares, look for them both low in the west soon after the sun's glare becomes hidden by the western horizon. However, if you miss it, you can always stay up and watch the red planet Mars rise alongside the bright star Regulus, in Leo the Lion at 4:00 am on the same night (which will then be early on the 15th). Together the pair will be so close, they will almost appear as two celestial "eyes" staring down at us - though the left "eye" will be reddish-orange (Mars) while the right one will appear bluish-white (Regulus). Their apparent brightness, or magnitude, will be almost the same. Spooky!

By month's end, glorious Jupiter will be rising quite a bit earlier - about 30 minutes prior to midnight on Halloween night.

Have a safe and fun Halloween - and keep looking up!

The Los Angeles Astronomical Society (LAAS) meets at the Garvey Ranch Observatory every Wednesday night, rain or shine, from 7-10 pm. 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 via any of the methods listed. We would love to see you there! LAAS: 781 S Orange Ave, Monterey Park, CA 91755; www.laas.org; www.facebook.com/LosAngelesAstronomicalSociety; or phone 213-673-7355.

WWII P-38 Pilot to be a Guest Speaker at Historical Society Event

The MP Historical Society will be honoring all veterans on November 3, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. at the Bruggemeyer Library. The society is honored to have World War II P-38 pilot Pete Maimone as one of our guest speakers. The MP American Legion will also be involved in our presentation, so we invite everyone to come and hear personal accounts of our American history. It will be a wonderful rendition of our past history and the service of our fellow, heroic citizens. Refreshments will be served after the presentation.

The Historical Society maintains the Monterey Park Historical Museum, located at 781 S. Orange Avenue (general info 626-307-1267). Museum hours are Saturday and Sunday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Special school tours are available by calling 626-458-5505.

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626-570-9429

Contact Deana Marie Sewell for more information!

MONTEREY PARK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS PROUD TO PRESENT

Mayor of Monterey Park State of the City Address Wednesday, October 23, 2013

Monterey Hills Restaurant
3700 West Ramona Blvd.
Monterey Park, CA. 91754

Social: 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Dinner / Program: 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Member Cost: \$35.00 w/RSVP or \$45.00 at door
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RSVP by Wednesday, October 16, 2013

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Monterey Park Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit organization helping businesses owners and individuals who are committed to investing in their community since the 1937, for now and for the future. Together, we are working to improve the business, civic and cultural well-being of our City.

If you are the owner of a business located in Monterey Park or is considering locating to the City, please know that we are here to help you! Among the Chamber's many focus are:

- Personal business development opportunities
- Business networking events
- Educational opportunities
- Marketing assistance, and
- Legislative advocacy

All of these events are designed to help our members improve and maximize their bottom line while improving our community at the same time.

In the past 12 months, with the support of our great membership and Board leadership, we have improved our operation and financial stability to better serve the General Membership and the community at large.

Please join the fast growing Monterey Park Chamber of Commerce and take advantage of some of our membership benefits such as:

- *Special discounts to MP Chamber events
- *Membership rates will be increasing in 2014, take advantage of our low membership rates NOW!
- *Special discount rates for advertising in the Monterey Park Cascades Newspaper.

Stop by and visit us at:

700 El Mercado, Monterey Park, Ca
For more information, please call us at 626-570-9429
Ask for Deana Sewell, Office Manager

Message from our President – John Man

"I want to personally thank all the chamber members and business owner, board members and staff s to help turn the Monterey Park Chamber around in the last 12 months! We are now stronger and bigger than ever"

ATTENTION COMMUNITY IN ACTION!



MONTEREY PARK COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION DAY Barnes Park

350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park

Saturday, October 26th, 2013

Registration confirmation begins at 7:30 a.m.

Clean-up starts at 8:00 a.m. promptly and ends by 12 noon

Snacks & water will be provided in the morning and lunch afterwards.

Start or keep showing your city pride by volunteering to clean up Monterey Park!
Join your neighbors and local businesses in 'sprucing up' your hometown.
Volunteers will paint, pull weeds, plant landscape, pick up trash, sweep sidewalks, etc.
Wear your 'work clothes', gloves and city spirit.
Students that participate the full four hours can earn service hours.

To register or for more information
Please call 626-307-1388 or

Email Recreation Department at- recreation@montereypark.ca.gov



LET'S KEEP

MONTEREY PARK CLEAN!

Bella Vista Optimist Club Memorial Youth Award Program

By Yosh Hirai, Bella Vista Optimist Club



Front row, Lt. to Rt: Capt. Ellen Moasi, Montebello Police Explorer, Sal Chavez, Schurr High School, Steven Woo, Montebello Plymouth Congregational Church, Melany Chan, Montebello Jetts, Jacob Jimenez, Monterey Park Police Explorer;

Back Row: Mitchell Sakado, President of Bella Vista Optimist Club, Chief Kevin Mclure of Montebello Police Dept., Assistant Principal Constantino Duarte of Schurr High School, Lori Katayama of Plymouth Church, Michele Shimahara of Jetts, Officer Troy Grant of Monterey Park Police Dept., and Mike Izuno of Bella Vista Optimist Club.

Bella Vista Optimist Club held their annual Memorial Youth Award Program on Tuesday, August 13, 2013. The BVOC Memorial Youth Awards was created to honor deceased members of the club who unselfishly dedicated and involved themselves in community service, embodying the spirit, purpose, and philosophies of Optimist International.

Five young adults from the local area were recognized at Savatore's Italian Restaurant in Whittier, for their outstanding service to community activities.

MONTEREY PARK CRIMES BY LOCATION

Addresses are identified by block number, not exact address.

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HILLSIDE ST / COLLEGE VIEW DR
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1500 WANDERING DR
1300 1ST ST
500 N NEW AVE
1700 MIRA VALLE ST
100 E ARLIGHT ST
400 S ATLANTIC BLVD
E GARVEY AVE / N GARFIELD AVE
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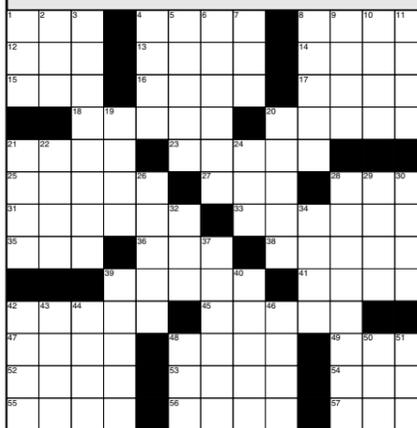
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4. "Agreed!"
8. Get ready for a trip
12. Archer's skill
13. Arm bone
14. Strong team
15. Econ. indicator
16. Canoeing challenge
17. Conga formation
18. More fit
20. "Beau ____"
21. Almost unique
23. Studio stock
25. End of a bridal path
27. Like a balm
28. Grammy category
31. Binaural
33. ____ Beach, Calif.
35. Okra, essentially
36. Put to the test
38. Drew in mysteries
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41. Boardwalk treats
42. Greek thinker
45. Goodness
47. Cheerful tune
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49. Artificial conception
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57. Brewer of golf

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1. Bed problem
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6. First name of two U.S. presidents
7. Act like a chicken?
8. Explorers' destinations
9. Allies opponent
10. Small change
11. On bended ____
19. Den denizen
20. Collect slowly
21. Blacksmith's implement
22. Choral voice
24. Crig, when grown
26. Back in?
28. Boxing
29. "____, bitten, twice shy"
30. Picks up the check
32. An eye for the poetic?
34. Canter, for example
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39. Complete
40. ____ Dame
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Protect Your Home Against Burglars

Think like a burglar and prevent them from making your home an easy target

Many homeowners and apartment dwellers are worried about their homes becoming a target of burglary today and are looking for ideas for home security. This is because home burglaries are definitely on the rise. While we should not be surprised by this trend, we also should not be worried by it either. You can keep you and your family safe. Here are some tips from the Monterey Park Police Department on how to keep your home from becoming a target of burglary:

- 1. Clean up your yard.** Keeping your home safe begins with the outside appearance of your home. Do not leave toys, tools or other items lying around. Make sure that your yard is kept neat and tidy. If you live in an apartment, you should be sure that you never let anyone that you do not know into the building; this is one way that criminals gain entrance to apartment buildings.
- 2. Make sure that there are no dark or concealed areas around your home.** Cut your shrubs if they are too big.
- 3. Close all of your windows whenever you leave home.** It does not matter how long you're planning to be gone; all of your doors and windows should be locked whenever you leave home.
- 4. Install a peephole.** Install a peephole in your door so that you can see who is at the door without opening it.
- 5. Never leave notes on your door for deliverymen.**
- 6. If you need to let someone into your home while you are away,** purchase a lockbox for the key. For the best security, never leave a key "hidden" near your house as this makes your home an easy target for burglars. Whenever you move into a new apartment, you should make sure that a new lock has been installed so that old tenants cannot gain entrance into your apartment. Also be sure to replace your locks whenever you lose your keys.
- 7. Unplug your garage door opener if you are going on vacation.** For those who live in an apartment, when you go on vacation, you should be sure that you tell a trusted neighbor when you are leaving and when you will return so that she can keep an eye on your apartment for you. Regardless of your dwelling, you should also stop your mail and newspaper

delivery or have your neighbor pick it up for you while you are gone. It is also a good idea to invest in timers so that your lights will automatically turn on and off while you are gone.

- 8. If your apartment has a parking garage, make sure that the garage is well lit.** Always be aware of your surroundings when you are in the garage. Never leave valuables in your car.
- 9. Place an extra lock on your sliding glass door.** Use a piece of wood placed in the door track if you do not do anything else. Also if you leave your door open while you are home, make sure that you keep the door open only far enough to let air in, but not enough that a person could fit through it.
- 10. Purchase a timer for your lights if you are not going to be home at night or leave a stereo or television on while at work.** This is very important because typically burglars don't want confrontation and would rather break in an empty house. You need your home to appear to have occupants at all times.
- 11. Install motion detectors and proper lighting** if you have a privacy fence.
- 12. Immediately replace any door locks or latches** that are in need of repair.
- 13. Properly lock all of your basement windows.** You should never overlook this area of your home simply because you do not go down there as often as you go into the other parts of your home.
- 14. Temporarily stop your mail and newspaper services** if you are going on vacation. Your other option is to find a reliable person (i.e. friend, neighbor, or other family member) who is willing to pick up your mail for you each and every day.
- 15. Make sure that the doors that lead outside to your pool or back patio are kept locked for best house security.** You should also place a deadbolt lock on these doors for added protection.
- 16. If you have an elevator in your apartment building,** do not enter the elevator if it makes you feel uncomfortable (for example if you do not get a good feeling from someone who is in the elevator already). You should also be sure that you know where the emergency button is in the elevator.

17. **If you see a crime being committed,** you should immediately call the police. While crime prevention is everyone's responsibility, you should never try to resolve the issue yourself. Try to get the car's license number and description for the police, as this is also great information for the police to use. If the crime has taken place in your residence, do not enter the dwelling but immediately call the police instead. You should also keep a list of your valuables in case the crime occurs in your home or apartment.

To keep your home safe, try to think like a burglar. Take a walk through your home and look at all of the areas listed above. Also, look for anything else that will help a burglar make a fast, easy, undetected entry and exit to and from your home. These are the things that you really want to pay extra special attention to fixing or making secure, since they are what give a burglar an open invitation to burglarize your home.

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Council Action Review

Special Council Meeting of August 7, 2013

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., with one Council Member absent.

There were no Agenda additions, deletions, changes, and adoptions.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 1 The City Council adopted Resolution No. 11598 fixing the salary rates and benefits for Executive Management Employees.

Agenda Item 2 The City Council approved a three-year contract for a Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager, in a form approved by the City Attorney, for the salary of \$170,000 per year.

The City Council went into Closed Session at 6:20 pm with no reportable actions taken.

The Council meeting was adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Regular Council Meeting of August 7, 2013

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

The City Manager reported that two items under Council Communications and Mayor/Council and Agency Matters continued.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item 1A The City Council approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. SA-46 of the Successor Agency to the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency allowing certain claims and demands per warrant register dated August 7, 2013 totaling \$6,325.00 and specifying the funds out

of which the same are to be paid.

Agenda Item 1B The City Council adopted Resolution No. SA-47 approving the Long Range Property Management Plan for the Successor Agency of the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency in accordance with Health and Safety Code § 34191.5 and recommended approval by the Oversight Board and authorized the City Manager to transmit the Long Range Property Management Plan to the Oversight Board and Department of Finance for approval.

Presentations: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item 2 The City Council approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. 11599 allowing certain claims and demands per Warrant Register dated August 7, 2013 Totaling \$3,256,003.07 and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid.

Agenda Item 3 The City Council tabled the 2nd reading of the Ordinance adding § 21.24.675 to Chapter 21.24 of the Monterey Park Municipal Code requiring identification signs utilizing the modern Latin alphabet for non-residential properties to the October 2, 2013 Council Meeting and asked staff to:

- keep track of requests that come in
- encourage business with the practices of the past for safety reasons
- outreach to Asian Pacific Legal, ACLU, LULAC
- input from the City Attorney's Office on thoughts of the outreach efforts
- staff report prepared by the City Attorney's Office
- police and fire will keep statistics of any issues

Agenda Item 4 The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a 2014 Lunar New Year Festival Contract Renewal with World Journal LA, LLC, in a form approved by

the City Attorney.

Agenda Item 5 The City Council authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Clinical Laboratories in an amount not to exceed \$347,000 for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Agenda Item 6 The City Council confirmed the purchase of Granular Activated Carbon for six vessels at the Dual Barrier Treatment Plant from Prominent Systems and authorized payment from the Treatment Fund in an amount not to exceed \$145,257.28 per Monterey Park Municipal Code Section 3.20.050(1).

Agenda Item 7 The City Council approved a slight change in the salary schedule for the Parks Maintenance Crew Leader to equal the salary schedule of a Crew Leader.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 8 The City Council tabled this item adopting a Resolution authorizing and requesting the investment of excess funds in the Los Angeles County Treasury Pool and receiving and filing the 2012-13 Investment Report to another date.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND MAYOR/COUNCIL AND AGENCY MATTER

Council Members announced appointees for Commissions, Committees and Boards.

The City Council continued this item to discuss placing new buses into service.

The City Council continued this item to discuss the Towne Centre Project.

The City Council discussed communications and committee reports from Council Representatives of specific organizations.

No action was taken.

The Council meeting was adjourned at 10:49 P.M.

Regular Council Meeting of August 21, 2013

The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., with one Council Member absent.

The City Manager reported that there were no Agenda additions, deletions, changes and adoptions.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item 1 The City Council approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. SA-48 of the Successor Agency to the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency allowing certain claims and demands per warrant register dated August 21, 2013 totaling \$7,175.74 and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid.

Agenda Item 2 The City Council received and filed the Successor Agency Investment Report as of July 2013.

Agenda Item 3 The City Council approved the minutes from the Successor Agency to the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency regular meeting of June 19 2013.

Presentations: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item 4 The City Council approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. 11599 allowing certain claims and demands per Warrant Register dated August 21, 2013 Totaling \$431,186.18 and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid.

Agenda Item 5 The City Council received and filed the

investment report as of July 2013.

Agenda Item 6 The City Council approved the minutes from the regular meeting of June 19, 2013 and the special meetings of May 28, 2013, May 29, 2013 (adjourned special), May 29, 2013, June 5, 2013, July 3, 2013, and July 17, 2013.

Agenda Item 7 The City Council adopted Resolution No. 11601 declaring September 2013 as National Preparedness Month in the City of Monterey Park as sponsored by the United States Department of Homeland Security.

Agenda Item 8 The City Council waived bidding requirements pursuant to Monterey Park Municipal Code § 3.20.050 and authorized a contract with Life Assist Inc for Emergency Medical Services, and authorized the City Manager to execute a contract with Life Assist, Inc. in a form approved by the City Attorney.

Agenda Item 9 The City Council waived bidding requirements pursuant to Monterey Park Municipal Code § 3.20.050 and authorized the Fire Department to purchase the Fire Chief's base vehicle under the State of California Cooperative Purchase Agreement for \$40,675.65 and authorized the Fire Department to expend the remaining budgeted amount and seek bids to award to a qualified vendor the installation of command equipment, radios and necessary electronic equipment to enable this vehicle "Code III" ready for an amount not to exceed \$19,324.35.

Agenda Item 10 The City Council adopted Resolution No. 11602 rescinding and terminating the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement creating the West San Gabriel Valley Consortium.

Agenda Item 11 The City Council authorized the City to execute a contract in a form approved by the City Attorney

with Film L.A. for coordinating its Filming Permit Process.

PUBLIC HEARING

Agenda Item 12 A Public Hearing was held and the City Council considered the evidence and adopted Resolution No. 11603 confirming the itemized weed abatement charge list of weed abatement costs and directing the Los Angeles County Agricultural Commissioner to collect these costs through property tax billings.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Agenda Item 13 The City Council approved the recommended changes to the City's Investment Policy with the requirement that prior approval is needed for investments to be deposited in County Pool, Bankers Acceptances, Commercial Papers and Purchase Agreements; adopted Resolution No. 11604 to open an account to invest the funds in the Los Angeles County Treasury Pool and received and filed the 2012-13 Investment Report.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND MAYOR/COUNCIL AND AGENCY MATTER

Council Members announced appointees for Commissions, Committees and Boards.

The City Council discussed communications and committee reports from Council Representatives of specific organizations.

No action was taken.

The Council meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M. in memory of resident Marie Tang.



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Tokyo Fried Chicken Co.

by Brian Lee



In these years, living in LA never gets bored, in terms of finding delicious food. Food trucks serve exciting fusion everywhere. New restaurants and joints are taking burgers to another level, maybe even to another universe. Korean beef ribs you just can't stop grilling, rich Japanese ramen soup you want to take a slurp every night.

And this time, Monterey Park may get into limelight of another tasty food wave, because of the crispy and juicy southern fried chicken which Tokyo Fried Chicken Co. offers.

Former The Open Door owner + chef Kouji Yamanashi took two years to perfect this frying bird recipe, relaunch this location is a whole new comfortable dinner place for friends and family.

This Japanese inspired menu is simple, around \$12 per person, everyone at the table gets 2 pieces of crispy deep fried chicken

marinated with soy, ginger and garlic. Brined so well that it gives an unique tender and juicy texture, so flavorful that you may think about to steal other people's share. To stop you from starting a fight, this dinner set also comes with classic side dishes (with a Japanese touch) like **curry creamed corn, soy glazed carrots with bacon, dashi braised collard greens**, and many more to choose. At last, a box of chicken-broth-steamed rice and house pickled ginger cabbage arrive to complete your meal fully.

Another advice, one of your friends or family may need to be the assigned driver, because you don't want to miss the more than 20 choices of local craft and imported Japanese beer.

Some may argue, is this Japanese-Southern fried chicken still qualified as classic comfort food? Chef Kouji Yamanashi said, "I am really excited to share this new experience with you: an interpretation of memories have from my childhood family chicken dinners." I guess this is where the warmth and comfort come in.

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Multi-purpose Pouch

by Sharon Ma



Do you have an old handkerchief that you love, but don't use anymore? Or a worn shirt with a beautiful pattern that you like too much to throw away? Why not convert it into a pouch and give it a new life? It can be used as a pencil case, or hold your art supplies like markers or color pencils, or even as a cosmetic bag, and much more. The size of the pouch is adjustable based on your needs making this versatile pouch a handy item to have around.

MATERIALS YOU NEED: (FIG. #0)

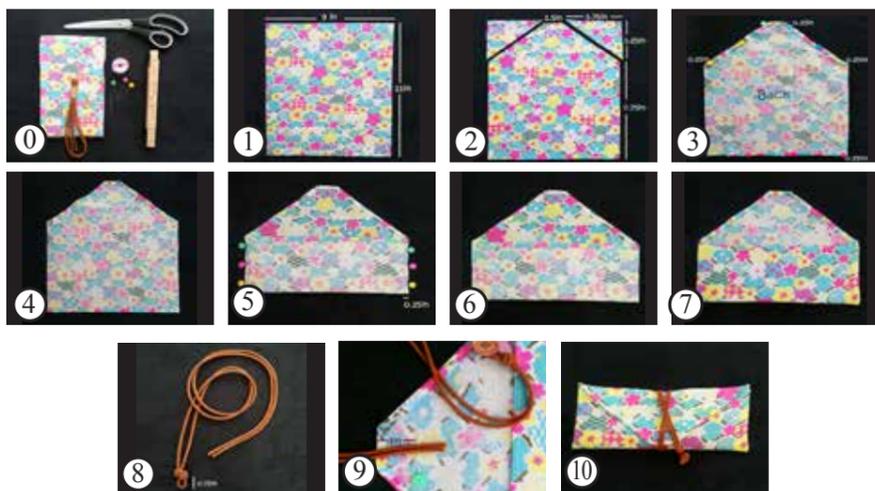
- A handkerchief or a piece of fabric you like
- 1 string or ribbon, approximately 39 inches
- 1 Button

TOOLS YOU NEED: (FIG. #0)

- Scissors
- Ruler
- Thread (for sewing)
- Sewing needle
- Pins

STEPS:

1. Cut the handkerchief or fabric into 9x11 inches in size (fig. #1)
2. Cut both top corners as shown on image #2 (fig. #2)
3. With the back facing up, fold a hem of 0.25 inch for all sides except the left and right sides (fig. #3)
4. Sew the folded sides (fig. #4)
5. With the front facing up, bring the bottom up to fold it in half, and mark a 0.25 inch hem on both sides (fig. #5)
6. Sew the marked hems on both sides (fig. #6)
7. Now that all sides are sewed, flip the pouch inside out so that the sewed part is in the inside (fig. #7)
8. Double the string and make a knot at the folded end, leaving a 0.75 inch loop (fig. #8)
9. Sew a button onto the end of the loop then sew the open end of the string to the flip of the pouch, about 1 inch away from the edge (fig. #9)
10. You are done! (fig. #10)



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A message from American Legion Post #397

Exciting October Events and New Officers at the American Legion Post and Auxiliary Unit #397

The Installation of our new officers is complete and we are excited to start our new year. Thank you to all who came out to our Post Clean Up Day on Saturday, August 31st. A special thanks to Coach Aaron and the Mark Keppel football team (fresh off of their first win of the season), as well as the Mayor of Monterey Park.

In continuation of the support of our veterans, we are having a new socks and underwear drive during the entire month of October. These supplies will be distributed to Veterans in need at our booth at the 3rd Annual "Heroes in the Shadows Stand Down" event on November 1st, 2nd and 3rd at Whittier Narrows Park. This event provides hot meals, showers, clothing, Vision & Dental screenings along with many other resources and services to our veterans. Please help spread the word about the event and help us donate these necessities to our veterans by dropping off new socks or underwear at the American Legion any time before Thursday, October 31st. Gift cards are also welcome.

The American Legion will have a booth at the Harmony Car Show in Barnes Park on October 19th. We will be selling breakfast

burritos, coffee and snacks as well as military hats, shirts, etc.

Homecoming for Mark Keppel High School is on October 25th and the American Legion will be hosting Alumni night immediately following the game. The same weekend, on Saturday, October 26th the Cal State Los Angeles Veterans Club together with the American Legion will be hosting a Halloween Celebration at the Post. All are welcome to both events!

Don't forget to join us for our Friday night dinners at the Post in October on the 11th and the 25th. October 11th will be bacon wrapped meatloaf night! Dinners are served from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

We are always looking for new members to join our Post. If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact Commander Gabriel Suarez at (626) 232-4850. "Like" us on Facebook or email us at post397@gmail.com. Contact the hall at (626) 572-9211. We are located are 338 S. Ramona Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.

MOMS Club of Monterey Park Welcomes New Members

By Liz Chang, MOMS Club of Monterey Park

The MOMS Club of Monterey Park, CA welcomed new members at its Open House meetings and Park Play Days this summer.

The new members expressed enthusiasm about joining the club and meeting other local mothers.

"I'm enjoying being part of the new MOMS Club," said new member Lori Montgomery. "It's fun to get to know other moms and their kids."

Montgomery has three children: a four-year-old boy, two-year-old girl and newborn boy. She stays at home full-time with her kids and works part-time as the KidZone Director for the Alhambra campus of Church in the Valley.

The MOMS Club continues to welcome new members. Interested mothers are invited to attend a monthly meeting to learn more.

For more information about the club, visit www.momsclubmontereypark.org. For upcoming meeting dates and locations, e-mail club president Liz Chang at momsclubmontereypark@gmail.com.

The MOMS Club of Monterey Park, CA is the local chapter of the International MOMS Club, a nonprofit run by and for mothers with over 2,100 chapters and 100,000 members worldwide. For information on the International MOMS Club, visit www.momsclub.org.

TOO TOXIC TO TRASH

Household Hazardous Waste and E-Waste Roundup

Saturday, October 5, 2013
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**City of South El Monte
Community Center Parking Lot**
1415 Santa Anita Avenue
South El Monte

Open to all Los Angeles County residents

Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste and E-Waste the right way on Saturday: **OCTOBER 5, 2013**

BUSINESS WASTE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

What you CAN bring to an event (examples):

- Brake fluid, paint, paint thinner, cleaners with acid or lye, pesticides or herbicides, household batteries and car batteries, pool chemicals, motor oil, oil filters, expired pharmaceuticals, anti-freeze, and fluorescent light bulbs.
- Household electronic waste which includes: Computer monitors, televisions, computer CPUs, keyboards, printers, cellular phones, etc.

What you CANNOT bring to an event:

- Hazardous waste and electronic waste from businesses.
- Explosives, ammunition and radioactive materials.
- Trash and tires.
- White goods such as refrigerators, stoves and washing machines, etc.
- Controlled substances.

How to prepare items for transportation:

- Bring the items in a sturdy box, preferably in their original labeled containers.
- Do not mix the items together.
- There is a limit of 15 gallons or 125 pounds of hazardous waste per trip.
- Be prepared to leave your containers and boxes. Remove all other items from your trunk.

For a complete listing of what you can and cannot bring or information on upcoming events, contact: 1(888) CLEAN-LA • www.CleanLA.com, or 1(800) 238-0172 • www.lacsad.org.

Brought to you by the County of Los Angeles and presented by the Department of Public Works and the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County in cooperation with the cities of Alhambra, Azusa, Baldwin Park, El Monte, Industry, Irwindale, La Puente, Monrovia, Monterey Park, Pico Rivera, Rosemead, San Gabriel, South El Monte, Temple City, and Whittier.

Home-generated sharps waste such as hypodermic needles, pen needles, syringes, lancets, and intravenous needles SHOULD NOT be placed in your trash. Bring them to the Roundups or visit www.CLEANLA.com for alternate disposal options.

You can also take your used motor oil to more than 400 oil recycling centers in Los Angeles County. Call 1(888) CLEAN-LA for a complete listing.

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Martinez v. Elvaquero	\$717,712	Liess v. Mars, Inc.	\$205,000
Heise v. Cimms	\$475,000	De Vela v. Loya	\$140,000
Baumann v. Cochran	\$375,000	Cancino v. Torres	\$130,000
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Brighton Collectibles joins with Monterey Park's "Strides Against Breast Cancer" organization in the "Power of Pink" campaign



By Larry Sullivan, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer

Brighton's Power of Pink Campaign Marks over a Decade of Making a Difference through Supporting Breast Cancer Charities, joining them will be the Monterey Park Strides Against Breast Cancer organization.

Brighton Collectibles has remained dedicated to their dream of a world free from breast cancer. To continue in that quest, the accessory company's designers have again created a special piece of jewelry that will be available from Brighton starting September 27th through the month of October while supplies last. The 2013

limited-edition bracelet is a classic design resembling one of the bracelets in the Brighton line that women have loved collecting. During this time Brighton will contribute \$10 for each \$60 bracelet sold to the Monterey Park Strides Against Breast Cancer organization for awareness and research.

Believing that "none of us can stop until we cure this disease," Brighton's intention is to set off a chain reaction of donations to breast cancer organizations and continue to spread awareness that results in many individuals giving

donations to organizations working toward this goal.

To benefit the Monterey Park organization please purchase your "Power of Pink" bracelet at the Brighton Collectible store at the Paseo mall, you may call the store at 626-577-3849 or email Paseocolorado@brightoncollectibles.com for more information.

For more information about the Monterey Park Making Strides Against Breast Cancer organization please contact Larry Sullivan at 626-428-1877.

Monterey Park Library Foundation "Why is the library important to you?"

By Joyce Chan, Library Foundation Board Member

The Monterey Park Library Foundation would like to invite you to participate in the Essay Contest to tell us why the library is important to YOU. There will be cash prizes awarded to the winners.

ESSAY TOPIC: Why is the library important to you?

There will be two(2) categories awarded: Participants who are under the age of 18 and Participants who are age 18 or older.

Winners from EACH category will receive the following

CASH PRIZES:

- First Place Winner - \$300
- Second Place Winner - \$150
- Third Place Winner - \$50

CONTEST DETAILS:

- Submitted entries will be judged based on the following criteria:
 - × Originality
 - × Creativity
 - × Appropriateness to contest theme
- Deadline for submission: October 31, 2013 – all entries must be received by 6:00pm
- Essays must be submitted via E-mail – MPLibraryFoundationEssayContest@Outlook.com
- 500 words or less. Typed entries must be no smaller than 12 font size.
- Please do not include your name in the Essay body.
- Please include a cover sheet. Cover sheet must include:
 - Name and Address
 - Email address and Telephone number.
 - Please indicate age category on the cover sheet (based on age as of Oct 31): Under 18 years old OR 18 years old or Over
- Entries not complying with all rules are subject to disqualification.
- Decisions of judges are final and binding.
- Winners will be awarded at the Monterey Park Library Foundation Christmas Party on Saturday, December 07, 2013 – date may be changed at Foundation's discretion.

Winners must be present to receive cash prize.

Monterey Park Library Foundation is not responsible for lost, late, illegible, or incomplete entries, or entries not received for any reason. Entries will not be acknowledged or returned. Entrants will not be notified if disqualified. By entering, Entrant warrants that his or her entry (1) is original and does not infringe the intellectual-property rights of any third party, (2) has not been published in any medium, and (3) has not won an award. Participants must submit their entry under the appropriate Age category based on the individual's age on October 31, 2013. Proof of eligibility may be requested. Individuals that do not meet the requirements may be disqualified without notice. All entries shall become the property of the Monterey Park Library Foundation. By submitting an entry to this contest, you hereby grant the Monterey Park Library Foundation the right to reprint or otherwise use, in whole or in part, your submission.

77-0086780). For more information, please call the LAMP office at 626-307-1251 or visit <http://www.razoo.com/story/Lampliteracy>

Check donations are welcome. Please make check payable to Monterey Park Library Foundation; put "LAMP Walk 2013" on memo line. Please mail or turn in check in person to LAMP Office, Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library 318 South Ramona Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754. For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Joyce Chan, Board Member, 213-808-1768 or jchan@cscla.org

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October 14 - Mature Driving Class 8:00 A.m.
October 21 - Commission On Aging Meeting
11:00 A.m.
October 27 - Club Amistad Dance

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.

MONDAY - FRIDAY, 6:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M. - SEPTEMBER 23 – DECEMBER 20, Fees are \$39.00

SATURDAY PLAY 8:00 A.M.- 12:00 NOON - SEPTEMBER 28 – DECEMBER 21, Fees are \$26.00

Only players that have paid activity fees may participate during the posted time. Doors open for regular play at 8:00 a.m. Monday – Friday no play on thanksgiving holiday

BINGO - EVERY FRIDAY AT 12:30 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. COME JOIN THE FUN! DOORS OPEN AT 11:15 A.M.

1st and 3rd Friday of the month Bingo is conducted by Monterey Park Friends of the Seniors. 2nd and 4th Friday of the month Bingo is conducted by Monterey Park Senior Citizen Club. 5th Friday of the month is on rotation of both groups. 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 10:00 a.m. Early Bird, 12:00 Noon

Conducted by Monterey Park Friends of the Seniors. Everyone over 18 years of age invited. 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. All seniors are invited.

GARDEN CLUB! Do you love gardening? Would you like to share your experiences, talents, and knowledge of gardening with others? Contact Suzie Juarez at (626) 695-8059, if you are interested or need further information. No fees.

4th Monday of the month, CLASSROOM 2. Everyone is invited to join and meet gardening friends!

CLASSES OFFERED BY LANGLEY CENTER

AMERICAN CULTURE
Thursday, Beginner 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.; Intermediate, 3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m., Paul Cheng Instructor, Free

BEADING CLASS
- Mondays, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Francis Lau, Instructor, Free. Pay for materials used.

CHINESE HEALTH EXERCISE
– Mary Tam conducts a health exercise class every morning at the Center, 7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m. Everyone invited. Free.

CHINESE KUNG FU FAN DANCE CLASS
Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Instructors: Sandra Lin, Rosa Yee, Alice Tsao. Fee

CHINESE BRUSH PAINTING
– Monday or Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Instructor: Ping Wen Chiang

\$4 per class, plus cost of materials.

CHINESE PAINTING II and CALLIGRAPHY
– Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., (donation) Painting Instructor: Yu Zhou So; Calligraphy Instructor: Louie Valdivia

CHINESE PAINTING
FRIDAY AFTERNOON – 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

CHINESE YUAN CHI DANCE/ EXERCISE CLASSES

Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m. Instructors: Sandra Lin, Rosa Yee, Alice Tsao Free.

COMPUTER
–\$15.00 - 6 Weeks, September 10 – Beginning; September 11 Intermediate

Beginning level, Tuesday 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.; Intermediate level, Wednesday 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.,

DANCE CLASSES
- Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.; \$5.00, Instructor: Glenn Yata

ENGLISH CONVERSATION
- Thursday, 9:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Instructor: Betty Cheng

KARAOKE
- Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. -12 Noon, Instructor: Betty Cheng

LINE DANCING
- Fridays, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Instructors: Sandra Lin and Wilson Ng. (donation)

NEEDLE CRAFT WORK SHOP
- Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

MUSICAL GROUPS

FRIENDSHIP CHORUS,
Wed., 9:30 a.m.-12 noon, Prof. Ping Qiao, Director

CHINESE EVERGREEN CHORUS
Wed., 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m., Mr. Delly Chow, Musical Director

CHINESE OPERA
Monday, 9:00 a.m.–12 Noon, Director, Fuller Chen

CHINESE OPERA
Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon, Director, C.L. Shen

MONTEREY PARK CHORUS
Monday – 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Friendship Room, Dr. S.S. Chang

CITY EXERCISE CLASSES FALL SCHEDULE

Sign up at the Recreation and Community Services counter in City Hall.

CHAIR FITNESS FOR SENIORS
– 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Tuesday /Thursday, 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Thursday only

TOTAL FITNESS FOR ACTIVE SENIORS
– Beginning: 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Monday/Wednesday

– Intermediate/Adv: 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday/Thursday

– Intermediate/Adv: 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Tuesday

ZUMBA GOLD FOR SENIORS
12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Tuesday

COMMISSION ON AGING
- The Commission will meet **OCTOBER 21, 2013** 11:00 a.m. The public is invited.

CONCERT BAND OF MONTEREY PARK
- Meets Mondays, 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Musicians wanted – brass, woodwinds and drums. Must be able to read music and have own instrument and music stand. Fee

DANCE TUESDAY
1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Dance to the music of Incredible Time Machine, Refreshments, \$2.50

DIAL-A-RIDE
For service Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m., call (626) 307-1396. This free service for seniors 55 years of age and over, provides transportation within Monterey Park City limits, except for medical needs, and then into adjacent communities only. Dial-A-Ride provides two shopping tours a month to Town Center, Montebello or Wall-Mart, Rosemead, 12:00 – 2:30 p.m.

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.)

HEALTH SCREENING & RELATED SERVICES
BLOOD SUGAR/GLUCOSE SCREENINGS – (1st Tuesday of the month), **OCTOBER 1, 2013** 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., Provided by **Healthcare Partners**, Olga Reyes and Celia Valenzuela

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC – Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m., provided by **Garfield Medical Center** Nurse

FOR LOAN- Senior residents of M.P. may check out a wheel chair, walker or crutches for a limited time.

HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER
Walk-In-Fair Housing Clinic (1st Tuesday of month) **OCTOBER 1, 2013** 1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m., for persons needing assistance related to landlord/tenant laws (no appointment needed) for a free consultation with a housing counselor. For information, call 1-800-477-5977

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL
Call 211 for services available throughout L.A. County.

IN-HOME REGISTRY SERVICE
This 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, injections, etc. Certified Nurse Assistants for personal care needs such as feeding, bedside care, bathing, etc.; homemakers/companions – for housework, meals, laundry, errands, etc; plumbers, electricians, handymen, gardeners, etc. who will come to your home. 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.

JEWELRY AND WATCH REPAIR
at discounted prices. Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. for repair or estimate. Service provided by Kit Moc. Langley Center does not warrant or guarantee any aspect of any repair.

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. Limited number of lunches. Suggested donation \$2.00.

MAH JONG
- 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

MATURE DRIVER'S IMPROVEMENT COURSE
– **MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2013** - 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Seniors completing the 8-hour course will be certified and eligible to get a 5% to 10% reduction on their premiums for bodily injury & property damage liability for up to three years with participating insurance companies. State Certificate of Completion, \$1.00. Information call (626) 307-1395.

METRO "TAP CARD"
The CARDS will be processed from the 25th of the month through the 10th of next month, Mon. – Fri., 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. To receive the City of Monterey Park discount, you must be 62 or older and have proof of residency which must include identification with name and address imprinted, such as a Driver's License, DMV ID Card or Utility Bill, and a valid "TAP CARD".

NOTARY PUBLIC
Virginia Greene, a Notary Public, Wednesday, 12 noon – 2:00 p.m. Notarizations \$8.00 per signature for Langley Center Seniors; Refinance Loan Documents, \$45 per set, Sale Loan docs - \$50.00 per set, 2 sets refinances docs – 1st set \$45, \$30 second set, (must be 2 loans for same property), 2 sets of sale loan docs - \$50, 1st set, \$45 second set (must be 2 loans for same property); Subscribing witness forms - \$10; Custodial documents forms \$10. SEE'S CANDY 1 lb. CERTIFICATES - Available for \$14.70

SOCIAL SECURITY SERVICE PROVIDED
- The Montebello Social Security Office will no longer be offering this service at Langley Senior Center, due to Social Security Service staffing and budget constraints.

TAXI COUPONS
will be issued each month, on the 1st Monday of the month - to qualified senior residents, 65 years and older; whose household income meets the Los Angeles County poverty guidelines (\$11,490 per year for one member, \$15,510 for two, \$19,530 for three or \$23,550 for four). Those meeting the guidelines are

allowed 2 coupons a month, and the value of each coupon is \$11. The coupon is only valid for the month it is issued. Sign up at the office.

SENIOR CITIZEN TRIPS & TOURS

THE TRIPS and TOURS DESK IS OPEN 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. MONDAY - FRIDAY

Trips are for senior citizens 50 years and older only, no exceptions. Sign up with Tour Director for all excursions as early as possible trips are limited and are on a first pay basis. All casino dividends are subject to change. Monterey Park's Recreation/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. CANCELLATIONS: To receive a refund, if you must cancel a trip, mail or bring your ticket to the office. A telephone call is not sufficient. (Day Trips: at least five working days prior to date of trip; Overnight Trips: at least 14 working days prior to departure date; Extended Excursions: as stipulated for specific tour). We make no refunds after the designated time. If you wish to cancel after the specified time limit, we will try to resell your ticket if a waiting list exists for the trip. A cancellation fee of \$2 per person on day trip ticket and \$5 per person on overnight trip ticket will be withheld from the refund. You may not transfer from one trip to another, sell, or give away your ticket without a cancellation fee. After paying the cancellation fee, (with approval of the Tour Office) you can sell or give away your ticket to a qualifying senior prior to trip departure. On any trip there is the possibility of a fuel surcharge. If this occurs, you will be notified prior to the trip.

WONDERS OF THE VALLEY OCTOBER 4 - 6

A weekend desert get-a-way to Death Valley. \$339.50 per person, double occupancy, \$409.50 single person in room. Deposit \$150.00 per person, balance due September 13. Transportation, two nights lodging at the Stagecoach Inn Hotel and Casino, breakfast every morning, extensive sightseeing throughout Death Valley area, Admission to Scotty's Castle and National Monument. Highlights include: Furnace Creek Ranch, Zabriskie Point, Harmony, 20 mule team Borax works, and Ubehebe Crater. Escort and driver gratuities are included.

HEARST CASTLE AT CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 12-14

\$499.00 per person, based on double occupancy, \$590.00 single person in room. Deposit required \$200.00 per person. Final payment is due October 22, 2013. Tour includes deluxe motor coach, 2 nights accommodations at San Simeon, Christmas time night tour at Hearst Castle (tour is 2 1/2 hours long and 340 steps), wine tasting at a local winery, two dinners, two continental breakfasts, and luggage handling. Sightseeing highlights: Coastal California, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Solvang, and San Luis Obispo. Also included is a stop at Friends of the Elephant Seals at Piedras Blancas located at the southern end of Big Sur, and just north of Cambria and near entrance to Hearst Castle.

ARIZONA GEM TOUR JANUARY 21-23, 2014

\$299.00 per person, based on double occupancy, \$399.00 single person in room. Deposit is \$100.00 per person. Final payment due December 7. The town of Quartzsite has been a rock hound's paradise since the 1960s! In January rockhounds, jewelers and vendors attend the major gem and mineral shows. Highlight of the tour is visiting Quartzsite for the Tyson Wells Sell-A-Rama Show, QIA'S Pow Wow Show, Rock, Gem & Mineral shopping in Quartzite, Arizona, Celia's Garden, Quartzite Museum, two night stay at the Blue Water Resort and Casino in Parker, Arizona.

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LAMP LITERACY AND ESL CLASSES

The literacy program has every level of ESL classes available to help adult Second Language Learners gain reading, writing and speaking skills in English. Students are pre-tested to determine their proficiency levels in Basic English skills and to assist in placement of appropriate levels. ESL classes available are: Phonics on Tuesdays 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., Beginning Literacy on Tuesdays / Thursdays 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Beginning Low on Mondays 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., Beginning High on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m., Intermediate Low on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Intermediate High on Tuesday evenings 7:00-8:30 p.m., Advanced ESL on Mondays/ Tuesdays/Wednesdays 3:00 -5:00 p.m. and English Conversation on Sundays 1:00 - 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 for English Workbooks is required for each class per each semester. Students who register for classes that no longer have space available will be placed on a waiting list.

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 by enrolling in classes 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. Intermediate ESL levels are preferred to pass the Naturalization Exam. Pre Citizenship Classes are offered on Sundays from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Mondays from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., and Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Permanent residents 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.

ONE TO ONE TUTORING FOR ADULT LITERACY

If you know an adult learner who cannot read or struggles in reading, call the LAMP Literacy Program. 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 pre-tested for accurate placement with tutors. Enrollment for the one to one literacy program is free and funded by California State Library Literacy Services (CLLS). Monterey Park residents are given priority on all waiting lists. Please be prepared to present proof of residence. 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 is required for one to one tutoring sessions.

JOIN THE LAMP TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS!

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. The LAMP Literacy Program will provide tutoring training skills and will also supply all needed training materials at no cost to the tutor. 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.

STUDENT GAINS EARN LAMP GRANT INCREASE!

The LAMP Literacy Program received notification from the Department of Education, WIA II (Workforce Investment Act), of an increase in funding for the new Fiscal Year 2013/14 which was a substantial increase from \$47,518 the previous year to a heaping \$85,279! The increase in the award

amount was due to the dramatic academic gains and points made by the ESL and Citizenship students in the LAMP Literacy Program. Funding for the current year was calculated based on payment points gained during the 2011/12 fiscal year. In September 2008, when Norma Arvizu first came onboard as the Literacy Administrator, the literacy program was only receiving a minimal annual grant amount of \$7,500. Since then, LAMP has rapidly increased in the number of ESL classes and adult students thus yielding the academic gains that have contributed to grant funding increases yearly. But these academic gains made by students could not have been possible without the fantastic cadre of volunteer instructors and tutors who were trained by the Literacy Administrator and supported by the LAMP Staff. These dedicated volunteers have committed extensive hours and personal time to teach ESL classes and Citizenship Preparation courses to support patrons and students in our community and surrounding cities. Still recognized as one of the most successful Adult Education programs within a library setting, LAMP continues to remain active in the Monterey Park community and beyond with a vast amount of students and volunteers that come to serve and learn. With 13 ESL Volunteer Instructors onboard from Sundays through Thursdays, the commitment to the ESL and Citizenship Program is an enormous support to our immigrant second language learners. In 2012-2013, the LAMP Literacy Program had 124 Volunteers who contributed 4,542 hours. There were 1,416 students who received over 34,570 hours of instruction and gained English Basic skills, reading support and became New Citizens. Congratulations to the LAMP Staff for all their support and guidance to this dynamic team of volunteers and students!

Norma Arvizu, City Librarian

BOOKSTORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MONDAYS AND TUESDAYS NIGHTS

Volunteers are needed to help with the Friends of the Monterey Park Library Bookstore. If you have time to donate to your community, invest that time in helping out in the bookstore. Volunteers are needed to help extend evening hours on Mondays and Tuesdays nights. Volunteers will assist with the sorting of donated books, inventory collection and sale events. If you are interested in joining the team of the Friends of the Library Bookstore Volunteers, please contact Gwen Kishida, Administrative Secretary at (626) 307-1269, or come by the library and fill out a volunteer application.

JUMPSTART'S READ FOR THE RECORD® OCTOBER 3, 2013

In partnership with the LAMP program, the Children's Department on Thursday, October 3, at 10:30 am will read the children's book *Otis* by Loren Long during its preschool storytime. This is to support Jumpstart's premiere national campaign, Read for the Record, to celebrate literacy and to work towards the day that every child in America enters kindergarten prepared to succeed. Each participating preschooler will receive a free copy of this beautifully illustrated children's book. The program is free, however pre-registration is required. The sign-up sheet is available one week prior to the program. For sign up or for more information about this program, please call the Children's Department at (626) 307-1358 or the LAMP Program (626) 307-1251.



IN-N-OUT BURGER READING PROGRAM

Beginning Monday, October 7, the library will participate in the In-N-Out Burger "Cover to Cover Club" Reading Program for children ages 4 to 12. To participate, children need to register at the Children's Desk to receive a reading log and check out books at their reading level from the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library. Participating children



need to return to the Children's Desk to receive credit for the books they have read. Children reading five books must have a parent or guardian sign the reading log to be able to receive a "Cover to Cover Club" achievement award which is good for a free hamburger or cheeseburger at any In-N-Out Burger. Children who are too young to read may participate by having books read to them by their parent or guardian. Children may receive up to three award certificates during this six-week reading program. The "Cover to Cover Club" Reading Program will end on November 15. For further information, call the Children's Desk at (626) 307-1358.

HALLOWEEN PRESCHOOL STORYTIME AND CRAFT PROGRAM

The Children's Services Department will conduct a special Halloween preschool storytime on Thursday, October 31 at 10:30 am in the Storytime Room followed by a "Make Your Own Trick or Treat Bat Box" paper craft program in the Arts & Crafts Room. The library will provide craft materials free to the first twenty children. For further information, please call the Children's Desk at (626) 307-1358.

HOMEWORK ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The library offers a free Homework Assistance Program for elementary school children who need help with their homework while studying at the library during the school year. Local high school students conduct this Homework Assistance Program by volunteering their time and expertise on school subjects such as English, mathematics and science. The program is held in the Arts and Crafts Room Monday through Thursday from 3:30-5:00 pm. Please call the Children's Desk at (626) 307-1358 for more information.

TWEEN PROGRAM

On Thursday, October 17 at 3:00 pm, the Children's Services Department will host a scrapbooking workshop pre-teen program for children ages 9-12 in the Friends Room. The program is free, but pre-registrations is required and the sign-up sheet will be available one week prior to the program. For more information, call (626) 307-1358.

STORYTIMES

Children are invited to participate in the library's storytime programs in the children's Storytime Room on the following days:

Tuesdays	7:30 pm
Wednesdays	4:00 pm
Thursdays	10:00 am for infants (one parent or caregiver per child is required)
Thursdays	10:30 am for preschoolers

Each storytime lasts about 30 minutes. For safety, children need to be accompanied by an adult/guardian during all storytime programs. For further information, please call the Children's Desk at (626) 307-1358.

MONDAY NIGHT BASIC COMPUTER CLASSES IN CANTONESE

Monday night computer classes in Cantonese are scheduled for October 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 7 pm in the computer lab located on the second floor of the library. Space is limited and registration is required for the free classes. Adults wanting to learn basic computer skills that include mouse, keyboard, Microsoft Word and the Internet are encouraged to register for the free classes at the Reference Desk or by calling (626) 307-1368.

TUESDAY NIGHT OPEN COMPUTER LAB

Adults wanting to practice computer skills can join the open computer lab on Tuesday evenings in October from 7:00-8:30 pm in the computer lab. The lab is designed to offer reinforcement and practice time for adults in the library's computer classes and is also open to those needing personalized help with computer programs such as E-mail, Microsoft Word, Excel, and the Internet. A library staff member will be 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 BASIC COMPUTER CLASSES IN ENGLISH

Thursday morning computer classes in English are scheduled for October 10, 17, 24 and 31 in the computer lab from 10:30 am - 12 noon. Space is limited and registration is required for the free classes. Adults wanting to learn basic computer skills that include mouse, keyboard, Microsoft Word and the Internet are encouraged to register for the free classes at the Reference Desk or by calling (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 PROGRAM

The public is invited to the library's special film screenings featuring award winning films. The International Film Program on Wednesday, October 16 at 2 pm in the Friends Room is a free program with light refreshments compliments of the Friends of the Monterey Park Library. For additional information contact the Reference Desk at (626) 307-1368.

INTERNATIONAL BOOK CLUB

The International Book Club will meet on Sunday, October 27 at 2 pm in the Friends Room to discuss Aravind Adiga's bestselling fiction book, *The White Tiger*. The author was born in India and attended Columbia and Oxford universities. A former correspondent for Time magazine, he has also been published in the Financial Times. *The White Tiger* tells the thought provoking and intense story of social and economic injustice in Mumbai through its engaging characters and stories providing an account of India today. For more information about the International Book Club contact the Reference Desk at (626) 307-1368.

MIDWEEK MOVIE @ THE LIBRARY

The first Wednesday of each month at 3 pm in the Friends room, the library showcases a new to DVD released movie. On Wednesday, October 2, a sci-fi, action film will feature eccentric genius, billionaire, philanthropist Tony Stark as the armored super-hero known as Iron Man. When his world is destroyed and those closest to him threatened, Tony must find a way to save them. The movie is rated PG 13 and the run time is 130 minutes. For more information about this and other free programs contact the Reference Desk at (626) 307 1368.

JF PROGRAMS FUN PROGRAMS BY YOUTH FOR YOUTH

The Junior Friends, a library teen volunteer organization hosts a program each month to serve the youth at the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library. On Wednesday, October 9 at 3:30 pm in the Friends Room, the Junior Friends will host a Halloween Perler Bead Program. All teens are welcome!

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 will meet on Wednesday, October 23 from 3:30-5:00 pm in the Friends Room.

HALLOWEEN

On Thursday, October 31st at 3:30 pm, the Junior Friends will host a Halloween Carnival in the Friends Room. Plenty of fun activities for all ages are scheduled and will include Halloween favorites like Bobbing for Apples, the Cake Walk and a costume contest with prizes awarded to the winners. This program is intended for youth ages 1 to 99. For more information about this and other free programs contact the Reference Desk at (626) 307 1368.

San Gabriel senior named finalist in national journalism contest

By Derrick Chi, senior, Life and Arts Editor, The Matador, San Gabriel High School

OPINIONS THE MATADOR THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2013 6 Penalty for sexual assault should be more severe



Vanessa De La Rosa

Repercussions for cocaine and marijuana possession in California range from five years in incarceration, illegally reproducing or printing music, a civil lawsuit and, depending on the case, five years in prison. What Strawberry High School football players Mark Richmond and Trent Mays received for sexually assaulting, raping, psychologically destroying and essentially humiliating Jane Doe? One year in prison.

On Aug. 12, 2012, Richmond and Mays raped 16-year-old Jane Doe after she had been severely intoxicated to the point of unconsciousness. Evidence of the assault was plastered on social media, specifically on networking sites such as Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram, leading to their eventual conviction on March 17. Despite the mass exposure of the incident and the fact that these were lots of people around, no one came to Jane Doe's aid.

It is extremely disappointing and tremendously upsetting to see a woman disrespected and completely disregarded by another person, let alone two people, and it is even more demoralizing to see how the media reacted to the conviction. Rather than empathizing with Jane Doe and humiliating her and the mental and physical struggles she undoubtedly underwent, CNN mourned the "plight" of the convicted rapists, whose lives were "ruined" by the guilty verdict.

In an article on Huffington Post, CNN Correspondent Poppy Harlow was the center of criticism for the comments she made that seemed to sympathize with the rapists and their actions.

"These two young men who had such promising futures—star football players, very good students—literally watched as they believed their lives fell apart," Harlow said in the report.

The musing thought that seemed to dominate the one was the fact that they were "high school football stars" and that their "promising futures" were spoiled. It does not matter whether they held the potential to make something out of themselves. What matters is that they both decided to rape and humiliate Jane Doe, subjecting her to a night of mortification. They were both convicted and apologized only after the verdict was declared. They felt no real remorse nor regret for their repulsive actions until after they realized that they would spend one year of their lives in incarceration. Jane Doe in no way ruined their lives; they ruined their own lives when they decided to take advantage of her.

Another prominent thought that seemed to willingly discredit Jane Doe was the fact that she had been excessively drinking. Whether or not she had been severely intoxicated is not the issue; how much a person drinks should not factor into someone else's decision to take advantage of them. A woman's unconscious state does not mean consent, and women should stop being blamed for the volatile acts of selfish men. It was Mays' responsibility as a friend she had previously trusted to get her home safe and sound.

Despite the turmoil her family endured, Jane Doe's mother spoke out in an interview with Anderson Cooper 360 on March 18 in hopes of bringing awareness to sexual assault.

"I feel I have an opportunity to bring awareness to others, possibly change the mentality of a youth... We need to stress the importance of helping those in need and to stand up for what is right," Doe's mother said.

Richmond and Mays deserved so much more than just one year in prison. It is deeply infuriating to know that the court system holds the value of printed music and illegal drugs in higher regards than a woman's life and safety. One year in prison for raping someone and, to an extent, seriously damaging someone's life compared to the possession of cocaine is extremely insulting. It is no wonder why rape culture is still prominent in our society.

If stricter, more severe laws were implemented on both rapists and bystanders who simply watched as accidents like these transpired, rape culture would not be such a distinct aspect of our own culture.

**Name has been changed.*

Vanessa De La Rosa's award-winning opinion article appeared in the April 2013 issue of The Matador, San Gabriel High School's student-run newspaper.

Vanessa De La Rosa lives by her favorite author's words: "I write only because there is a voice within me that will not be still." - Sylvia Plath.

Currently a senior at San Gabriel High School, Ms. De La Rosa has had a passion for writing and literature ever since she first laid her eyes on a book. Participating and being involved in the school's newspaper as a journalist, Ms. De La Rosa was recently announced as a finalist in the National Scholastic Press Association's "Story of the Year" competition for her editorial article entitled, "Penalty for sexual assault should be more severe."



Vanessa De La Rosa

"At first, I was super nervous because I have no confidence in myself and especially my writing, but after being persuaded by the old Editor-in-Chief Lauren Fukumoto and Adviser Ms. Kim, I felt I had nothing to lose by entering and so much to gain," Ms. De La Rosa said.

After several months of anticipation for the list of finalists, Ms. De La Rosa received the news on Sept. 10. Ms. De La Rosa gained attention from the staff including the administration of the school.

"Vanessa might not realize how many people she touched. It is great to see a strong, independent, young woman like her advocating the voice others," Assistant Principal of Student Services Janet Perales said.

The first place winner in each category will compete for the \$1,000 Brasler Prize. First through fifth places will also be honored at the Journalism Education Association and National Scholastic Press Association Fall National High School Convention in Boston on November 16. These awards have been likened to high school Pulitzer Prizes.

"There are ten contestants competing, so I'm hoping my writing will persevere and get me to number one. Most importantly, I hope my article will reach the eyes of thousands and maybe lessen the impact of rape-culture in our society," Ms. De La Rosa said.

Continuing her second year in journalism as an opinion's editor at her school, Ms. De La Rosa seeks to continue entering more contests and writing more controversial topics that affect the world. Without a doubt, Ms. De La Rosa is looking forward to continue pursuing a career in writing as a journalist or a novelist. She is San Gabriel High School's first student to be recognized on a national level for journalism.

Please visit www.thematadorsghs.com for the article.

Northrup students enjoy two new playgrounds



Front Row from Left to Right:

Celebrating the opening of Northrup's new playgrounds: MunMeu, MLA Architecture; Brad Walsh, Director; Dr. Gary Gonzales, Assistant Superintendent; Cynthia Martin, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Laura Tellez-Gagliano, Superintendent; Pat Rodriguez-Mackintosh, AUSD Board Member; Jane Anderson, AUSD Board President; Bob Gin, AUSD Board Vice President; Barbara Messina, Alhambra City Councilwoman; Janet Lees, Director; Anna Kuo, Director; Stacie Colman-Hsu, Principal; and Dr. Ana Escobedo, Instructional Specialist.

Back Row from Left to Right:

Stephen Perry, Bond Chairmen; Susan Cantone, EC; Fred Kirkendoll, TKR; and Eric Espinosa, TKR.

Northrup Elementary students welcomed the start of the 2013-14 school year by celebrating their two new playgrounds with a ribbon cutting ceremony. In attendance were the playground architects and district and city officials.

Alhambra Unified School Board President Jane C. Anderson, Vice President Bob Gin and Board Member Pat Rodriguez-Mackintosh held the ceremonial scissors as students shouted a countdown before the ribbon was cut. Mrs. Anderson and AUSD Superintendent Dr. Laura Tellez-Gagliano gave motivational messages to students and families in attendance.

Alhambra City Councilwoman Barbara Messina presented a certificate and encouraged students to lead a healthy lifestyle through regular physical exercise.

When the ribbon was cut, AUSD Director Janet Lees was the first to go down the slide. Northrup students enjoyed seeing an adult model playground safety first hand.

Northrup kindergarteners are enjoying a new playground complete with a new trike path worthy of adventure.

"The playgrounds serve a testament to power of collaboration between the community and the Alhambra Unified School District," Northrup Principal Stacie Colman-Hsu said. "The greatest part is that the students will benefit from this collaboration on a daily basis."

Dodge is coming to San Gabriel High School

Alhambra Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, and RAM teams up with San Gabriel High School PTSA

San Gabriel High School PTSA will host a Dodge Booster Club Fundraiser at San Gabriel High School's south parking lot on Saturday, Oct. 19 from 10:00am to 1:30 pm.

Dodge brand will make a \$20 donation to San Gabriel High School PTSA for each person who takes a short test drive at the event. Alhambra Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, and RAM dealership will have the new Dodge Dart, Durango, Journey, Grand Caravan, Challenger and Charger at the event for participants to inspect and drive. Dealership personnel will volunteer their time to assist with the fundraising drive. Anyone age 18, or over, with a valid driver's license may drive and earn a donation for SGHS. Driving times are from 10:00am to 1:30 pm. The goal is to attract 250-300 participants.

"The Dodge events are a lot of fun," Principal Jim Schofield said, "and we are really pleased to have this opportunity from Dodge to push our fundraising goal over the top! People may not know it, but Dodge has been supporting schools in the communities where the company does business for many years." In fact, since 1993, Dodge has helped raise an estimated \$4.5 million for local schools with the test drive programs like the Dodge Booster Club Fundraiser.

"The whole community is invited to join us at San Gabriel High School," Event Coordinators Steven and Millie Tani said. "Look for the black Dodge tent. Take a short test drive in the Dodge of your choice and help San Gabriel High School PTSA raise up to \$5,000."

Hepatitis B awareness in the Asian American community



Mark Keppel High School senior Elaine Cheung had the opportunity to study at Stanford University this summer to learn about raising awareness of Hepatitis B, a viral infection that 1 out of every 10 Asians is infected with. She is pictured here, fourth from right, with fellow conference attendees on the Stanford campus.

Mark Keppel High School senior Elaine Cheung attended the summer Stanford Youth Leadership Conference to promote Asian and Pacific Islander health. The main focus of the conference was to promote awareness of Hepatitis B among youth and community leaders.

Hepatitis B is a viral infection that weakens the human liver; the disease is a main cause of liver cancer or cirrhosis when left untreated. Unfortunately, Hepatitis B is most prevalent in the Asian community and about 1 out of every 10 Asians is infected with Hepatitis B. The Asian Liver Center at Stanford University strives to expand outreach to a broader audience of Asians worldwide, especially new immigrants. Promoting prevention of Hepatitis B is a main strategy to minimize Hepatitis B.

"As a student and advocate, I recommend to every Asian to get screened for Hepatitis B at a local clinic or hospital—Hepatitis B screening only takes a few minutes," Ms. Cheung said. "Receiving three vaccine shots for Hepatitis B immunity within six months can save a life. Seeking help from your healthcare providers about Hepatitis B and telling friends and family to get screened or vaccinated prevents further damage to your liver. The symptoms of Hepatitis B occur during liver failure, so it is a silent killer if left untreated. Visit local clinics or hospitals to check if you are Hepatitis B free. Liver cancer is one of the most preventable type of cancer, unfortunately Asians most susceptible to Hepatitis B are unaware of screenings or treatment options," Ms. Cheung advised.

Featured Stories in Chinese and Spanish

和諧節慶車展和手工藝品展覽

令人驚喜的一天，兩個超棒的活動！歡迎社區各界參加下午在博恩斯公園舉行的另外一個免費活動



和諧節慶車展

和諧節慶車展，陳列了超過100輛經過改裝的經典高馬力，低車盤的歐式進口古董名車。車輛將在博恩斯公園裡展出和評審，並將頒獎給每一種不同類型車輛參賽者優勝者獎盃。此外，還將有美食攤位，現場音樂表演，商家產品展銷以及其它節目等，提供給闔家觀賞和享受。

十月十九日星期六，博恩斯公園
和諧節慶車展
早上9點至下午3點30分
手工藝品展覽
早上10點至下午3點

手工藝品展覽

蒙特利公園市的手工藝品展覽，將有超過30個當地工藝品攤位，銷售手製首飾，蠟燭，節慶裝飾品和珍貴禮品等。本次活動將在博恩斯公園舉行，大部份觀光客會利用此次機會開始他們的假日購物，或來此欣賞手工藝藝術家的創意和技巧。手工藝品展覽會還將包括兒童手工藝工作坊及來自當地商家的各式美食攤位。

若需更多有關手工藝品展覽或和諧節慶車展信息，或想知道如何成為攤主一員或參加車展，請瀏覽市政府特別活動網頁：www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us，或致電626-307-1388，與休閒娛樂部門聯繫。

Exhibición de Carros del Festival de la Harmonía y Feria de Artesanos

¡Dos estupendos acontecimientos, un asombroso día! La comunidad está invitada a disfrutar de otra tarde GRATUITA en el Parque Barnes.

Sábado, 19 de Octubre,
en el Parque Barnes
Exhibición de Carros del
Festival de la Harmonía
9:00 am – 3:30 pm
Feria de Artesanos
10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Feria de Artesanos

La Feria Anual de Artesanos de Monterey Park incluye más de 30 artesanos locales que venden joyería hecha a mano, velas, decoraciones para festividades y artículos únicos para regalos. Se lleva a cabo en el Parque Barnes y muchos visitantes usan esta oportunidad para comenzar temprano sus compras navideñas, o algunos sólo vienen a apreciar la originalidad y habilidad de los artesanos. La Feria de Artesanos también incluye un taller para actividades infantiles y una variedad de deliciosas comidas de vendedores locales.

Para más información sobre la Exhibición de Carros del Festival de la Harmonía o la Feria de Artesanos, o sobre cómo puede usted tomar parte como vendedor o como participante de la exhibición de carros, por favor visite la página de eventos especiales de la ciudad en el www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us o póngase en contacto con el Departamento de Recreación llamando al (626) 307-1388.

Exhibición de Carros del Festival de la Harmonía

La exhibición de carros del Festival de la Harmonía incluye más de 100 "hot rod" clásicos, "lowriders", euros, importados y vehículos con modificaciones disparatadas. Los vehículos son mostrados y juzgados a lo largo del parque y premios serán dados a los mejores carros en cada categoría. También puede disfrutar de los puestos de comida de la exhibición de carros, del entretenimiento vivo, de las demostraciones de vendedores y de otras actividades para toda la familia.

星期五晚農夫市場的快樂



您去過農夫市場嗎？如果沒有，請在這個星期五到農夫市場來，嘗試一下剛摘下來的新鮮草莓。蒙特利公園市的農夫市場，位於圖書館和市政廳之間的Ramona大道上，將於每個週五下午4點至晚上8點營業。除了可以嚐到農夫市場營業前一天摘的新鮮加州產品外，您還將找到各式美味的美食攤位(如芝麻沙拉醬，麵包，特別果醬等)。農夫市場還會提供美味晚餐選擇如tacos，串燒魷魚和烤薄餅。不要忘了，每第二個週五晚上6點30分，我們將提供免費Zumba舞蹈課程。

猜蔬菜比賽

測試您對水果和蔬菜方面的知識，從農夫市場裡贏取一籃新鮮的水果和蔬菜。請把正確答案電郵至 montereyparkFM@gmail.com，我們將會從眾多參賽者裡抽出一位幸運得主。現在就來參加比賽，回答我們的問題！秋天到了，新的季節就有新的農產品，例如南瓜。這是什麼南瓜？



每月農夫市場提示：

這是一個延長洋蔥，蒜和青蔥生命的好提示，希望您有從我們的農夫商家Gama農夫市場，購買產品。把它們放在帶有孔的密封的紙袋裡。這可以延長它們好幾個月的生命！若需更多好提示，請在臉書上關注我們(montereyparkFM)。

The market is open rain or shine every Friday at 318 S. Ramona Ave from 4-8pm. 無論是雨天還是晴天，農夫市場照樣在每週五下午4點至晚上8點營業，地址：318 S. Ramona Ave。

Diviértase el Viernes de la tarde en el Farmers' Market

¿Todavía no ha visitado usted el Farmers' Market? Si no lo ha hecho, vaya éste viernes a probar las frescas fresas recientemente recogidas. El Farmer's Market de Monterey Park llena Ramona Avenue entre la biblioteca y la municipalidad todos los viernes de 4 a 8 pm. Además de los frescos productos cultivados en California y recogidos el día anterior del mercado, usted encontrará sabrosas sorpresas de los vendedores de comida (humus, panes, mermeladas especiales y otras cosas). El mercado también ofrece muy buenas opciones para cenar con sabrosos tacos, brochetas de calamar y crepés. Y no se olvide, cada segundo viernes del mes ofrecemos una clase gratuita de Zumba a las 6:30 pm.

correcta al montereyparkFM@gmail.com y escogeremos a una afortunada persona de las que respondieron para que gane la canasta. ¡Aquí vamos! El otoño ya está casi con nosotros, y con la nueva estación vienen nuevas cosechas, tales como la calabaza. ¿Qué clase de calabaza es ésta?

Consejo del Mes del Farmers' Market:

Aquí tienen un gran consejo para alargar la vida de sus cebollas, ajos y chalotes, que esperamos los hayan comprado de nuestro vendedor, Gama Farms. Guárdenlos en una bolsa de papel cerrada que ha sido agujerada. ¡Esto puede extender sus vidas por meses! Para más buenos consejos, síganos en Facebook (montereyparkFM).

Concurso Adivine ésa Verdura

Ponga a prueba su conocimiento de frutas y verduras y gane una canasta de frutas y verduras frescas del mercado. Envíenos un e-mail con la respuesta

El Mercado esta abierto llueva o truene todos los viernes en el 318 S. Ramona Avenue de 4 a 8 pm.

Book Outreach Learning Center 博文教育

MathStar Program/数学新秀培育
K-6th graders; 1-2 hours/session, 2 sessions/week; Mon.-Sat. 3:00-6:00pm
The guided math practice will uncover, cultivate and fully develop your children's interests and talents in math with adapted Singapore Primary Mathematics Curriculum, which is the world's highest-ranking mathematics curriculum.

Math Assistance/ Group Tutoring/初高中数学辅导
Mon.-Thur.: 3:00-6:30pm (help on math subjects)
Pre-algebra, Algebra I & II, Trigonometry & Pre-calculus, Geometry, Calculus.

Math Olympic Class/数学奥林匹克班
Improvement on mathematic thinking and training for math contests
Elementary Math: 3-6th graders, Sun.: 4:00-6:00pm
Pre-Algebra: 6-7th graders, Sun.: 2:00-4:00pm

Math Review Class/数学复习班
Review and help on math subjects
Algebra I/Geometry: 7-10th graders, Sun.: 12:00-2:00pm

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Safety Tips from John Man Group

- S** Swords, knives, and similar costume accessories should be short, soft, and flexible.
- A** Avoid trick-or-treating alone. Walk in groups or with a trusted adult.
- F** Fasten reflective tape to costumes and bags to help drivers see you.
- E** Examine all treats for choking hazards and tampering before eating them. Limit the amount of treats you eat.
- H** Hold a flashlight while trick-or-treating to help you see and others see you. Always WALK and don't run from house to house.
- A** Always test make-up in a small area first. Remove it before bedtime to prevent possible skin and eye irritation.
- L** Look both ways before crossing the street. Use established crosswalks wherever possible.
- L** Lower your risk for serious eye injury by not wearing decorative contact lenses.
- O** Only walk on sidewalks whenever possible, or on the far edge of the road facing traffic to stay safe.
- W** Wear well-fitting masks, costumes, and shoes to avoid blocked vision, trips, and falls.
- E** Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid eating homemade treats made by strangers.
- E** Enter homes only if you're with a trusted adult. Only visit well-lit houses. Don't stop at dark houses. Never accept rides from strangers.
- N** Never walk near lit candles or luminaries. Be sure to wear flame-resistant costumes.

21 SUGGESTIONS FOR SUCCESS



1. Marry the right person. This one decision will determine 90% of your happiness or misery.
2. Work at something you enjoy and that's worthy of your time and talent.
3. Give people more than they expect and do it cheerfully.
4. Become the most positive and enthusiastic person you know.
5. Be forgiving of yourself and others.
6. Be generous.
7. Have a grateful heart.
8. Persistence, persistence, persistence.
9. Discipline yourself to save money on even the most modest salary.
10. Treat everyone you meet like you want to be treated.
11. Commit yourself to constant improvement.
12. Commit yourself to quality.
13. Understand that happiness is not based on possessions, power or prestige, but on relationships with people you love and respect.
14. Be loyal.
15. Be honest.
16. Be a self-starter.
17. Be decisive even if it means you'll sometimes be wrong.
18. Stop blaming others. Take responsibility for every area of your life.
19. Be bold and courageous. When you look back on your life you'll regret the things you didn't do more than the ones you did.
20. Take good care of those you love.
21. Don't do anything that wouldn't make your mom proud.



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