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## Monterey Park Tree Memorial Award Nomination Period Now Open

By Recreation and Community Services Staff

Nominations for the 2021 Tree Memorial Award are now being accepted through March 31, 2021 by the Recreation and Community Services Department. The Tree Memorial Award was created to recognize individuals who have made a significant positive impact on the community.

This prestigious award is reserved for an individual who has demonstrated the highest level of community involvement and can be awarded to a person living or deceased. Nominations will be reviewed by an ad hoc committee of Community Participation and Recreation and Park Commissioners. The committee will make their recommendation to the Monterey Park City Council. Following City Council approval, a recognition ceremony will take place, honoring the individuals with plaques installed under designated trees.

Groups or individuals who wish to nominate an individual should complete the application process. Applications are available at the recreation department. For more information or to obtain an application, please call Recreation and Community Services at 626-307-1388 or email [recreation@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:recreation@montereypark.ca.gov).

## Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library Turns the Page on Overdue Fines

By Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library Staff



On February 3, 2021 the Monterey Park City Council voted unanimously to eliminate overdue fines on library materials at the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library and to forgo collection of any outstanding overdue fines. With this important action the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library joins many other libraries locally and nationwide that have gone "fine-free" to remove barriers and expand access to library services for their communities.

"The support of the Monterey Park City Council and the Library Board of Trustees for this change shows recognition of the importance of life-long learning in our community", says City Librarian Diana Garcia. "The Library is a vital part of our residents' lives and this change makes access easy, equitable and enjoyable for everyone."

If you've been avoiding the Library because you have overdue materials, now is the perfect time to bring them back without the fear of fines! Residents are encouraged to return any long overdue items in order to clear their accounts and start using library services again. All materials can be returned using the outside book drop located under the covered parking area next to the Library's back entrance. The book drop is open from 9:00 a.m. on Monday through 6:00 p.m. on Friday.

"Most library users have missed a due date at one point or another. Unfortunately, when these late fines add up, visiting the library can start to feel like a burden, especially on your wallet", adds Library Board of Trustees President Larry Sullivan. "By eliminating overdue fines, the Library is welcoming back thousands of community members to take full advantage of all that the Library offers."

### How Does the New "Fine Free" Policy Work?

During the Library's closure to the public due to COVID-19, due dates have been extended and no overdue fines will be assessed. The Library encourages patrons to return library materials on time to make them available to others to borrow.

Once the Library reopens, current loan periods will be reinstated and there will be an added convenience of two automatic renewals for most items. Items will be renewed automatically on the due date. However, if an item is on hold for another person, it will not be renewed and the patron will be asked to return it by the due date.

If an item is not returned, or is damaged or lost, patrons will still be held responsible. Borrowing privileges will be suspended until materials are returned or the Library is compensated for these items. Once items are returned or paid for, any fees are removed from the cardholder account and borrowing privileges are restored.

In addition, fees will still be assessed for replacement library cards, printing, and holds not picked up. Items that are obtained from other libraries through interlibrary loans may be subject to fines through the lending library.

For more information about the programs and services offered by the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library, please see page 7, or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/library](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/library) or call 626-307-1366.

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## Pet Laws Protect Owners, Pets and the Community

By Monterey Park Police Department Staff

It is part of the mission of the Monterey Park Animal Services Bureau to help people and animals live harmoniously together in our community. Pet adoptions have soared as we seek safe social interactions and companionship during this global pandemic.

With the increase in pet adoptions and new pet parents, you'll need to be aware of some of the common community nuisance issues surrounding our furry friends. As more people work and attend school from home it is more likely that certain behaviors disrupt residents' peaceful enjoyment of their homes and property. Listed below are some requirements and common community nuisance issues involving pets and information regarding the applicable laws and ordinances that address them.

### Cleaning Up After Pets

Accumulation of animal waste on a pet owner's property creates unhealthy conditions for people as well as your pet. Pet owners who fail to pick up after their pets while on walks also contribute to unsanitary conditions. Pet owners should remove and dispose of pet waste from one's private property. Additionally, pet owners are required by city and county ordinance to clean up and discard their pet's waste that has been left on others' private property as well as public property.

### Dogs Running at Large

It is unlawful to allow dogs to run at large as city ordinance requires dogs to be restrained by a leash not exceeding six feet in length whenever they are on public property. By doing so, dogs will be kept safe from potential danger such as being hit by cars, attacked by other animals or exposed to dangerous substances such as poisons. Your pet looks to you to ensure their safety.



### All Dogs and Cats Must be Licensed, Microchipped, Spayed or Neutered

The County of Los Angeles requires all dogs and cats to be spayed or neutered, microchipped, and licensed. Dog and cat licenses and microchips are an important means of identification and may help to reunite a lost pet with its owner. Failure to license your pet may result in hefty fines and a lost companion.

### Animal Noise Complaints

The Monterey Park Police Department understands that ongoing animal noises can be annoying and disturb the peace and enjoyment of your residence. It is important to know, it is unlawful for an owner or custodian of an animal to allow the animal to continue its excessive noise once a written warning has been issued. Every person who allows this to continue after written notice from the city may be charged with a misdemeanor.

For additional information please contact the Monterey Park Police Department Animal Control Bureau at 626-307-1217 or visit the city website at [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov).

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## CITY HALL FREQUENTLY USED PHONE NUMBERS

Mayor and City Council	626-307-1465
City Manager	626-307-1255
City Clerk	626-307-1362
City Treasurer	626-307-1488
Animal Control	626-307-1217
Aquatics/ Rec. Classes	626-307-1388
Building Division	626-307-1300
Business License	626-307-1338
Code Enforcement	626-307-1415
Community & Economic Development	626-307-1315
Dial-a-Ride	626-307-1396
Economic Development	626-307-1382
Engineering	626-307-1320
Finance	626-307-1348
Fire Department Admin	626-307-1262
Fire Dept. Ambulance	626-307-1423
Fire Prevention	626-307-1308
Graffiti Removal	626-307-1449
Housing Rehabilitation	626-307-1385
Human Resources	626-307-1334
Job Hotline	626-307-1446
Langley Senior Center	626-307-1395
Library	626-307-1269
Planning and Zoning	626-307-1315
Police (emergency only)	9 1 1
Police (non emergency)	626-573-1311
Police Comm. Relations	626-307-1215
Police Reports & Records	626-307-1211
Pothole Report Line	626-307-2585
Public Works	626-307-1281
Recreation & Community Services	626-307-1388
Recycling Hotline	626-307-1320
Risk Management	626-307-1437
Special Events	626-307-1390
Trash Collection (Athens Services)	888-336-6100
Tree Trimming	626-307-1292
Water Billing	626-307-1342
Water Dept. After Hours	626-307-1282
Weed Abatement	626-307-1415

For more information, please visit [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Directory](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Directory)

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

Due to the fluid nature of the coronavirus emergency, meetings may be canceled, rescheduled or modified. Please visit the city website for the most up-to-date information.

### CITY COUNCIL

1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 6:30 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, 3:00 p.m.  
City Hall Room 251

### COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION COMMISSION

3rd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall Community Room

### DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

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

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

2nd Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall Room 153

### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

2nd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.  
Engineering Conference Room 153

### LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

3rd Tuesday, 6:00 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, 6:00 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 [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Boards](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Boards)



## CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor Yvonne Yiu, District 2  
Mayor Pro Tem Henry Lo, District 4  
Council Member Fred Sornoso, District 3  
Council Member Hans Liang, At-large  
Council Member Peter Chan, At-large

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

Ron Bow, City Manager  
Karl Berger, City Attorney

## Stay Informed - Sign Up for the City E-Newsletter, News Releases and Council Agendas

Sign up for the Monterey Park e-newsletter and stay informed about what's happening in your community. Available by email, the newsletter is designed to be a quick roundup of city events for people on the go. The e-newsletter is produced about twice a month as a companion to the monthly Cascades and features updated news and information that might not have made it into the Cascades.

For people who want a bit more city information, you can also sign up for our news release and city council agenda mailing lists.

As a news release subscriber you'll receive the same timely information that the media receives about current issues and events. Subscribers to the council agendas will receive meeting notifications and a summary of items. Email from both lists contain links back to the city website for further reference or updates.

In addition to our e-mail lists, some city departments also offer links to popular social media like Nixle or Twitter. On Facebook, the city can be found by searching for "City of Monterey Park." On Twitter follow the city @CityofMPK. The Cascades Newspaper is also available by electronic delivery or download from the city website.

Your e-newsletter or news release subscription insures that you're receiving official city notifications as soon as they're released. And of course, you can unsubscribe at any time.

To subscribe or for more information, please visit the city website at [www.montereypark.ca.gov/social](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/social) and look for the social media, e-newsletter, "News" and "Notify Me" links.



Scan to Sign Up for the City e-Newsletter

## CITY HALL HOURS

During the time city hall is closed due to the pandemic, staff will continue to be available by phone and email. Hours and availability subject to change.

Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Friday 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Phone 626-307-1458

Regular city council meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. For more city events please visit the event calendar at [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Now](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Now)



## A & B SMOG TEST & REPAIR CENTER

501 E. Garvey Ave., #B-2 Monterey Park  
(corner of Sierra Vista St & Garvey)  
(626) 280-2678

Open Monday to Friday 9am to 5:45 pm. Saturday 9am to 4pm



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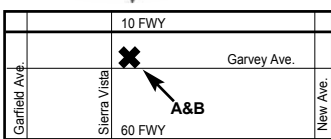
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# StoryWalk Combines Literacy with Outdoor Play

By Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library Staff

The Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library in partnership with City of Monterey Park Recreation and Community Services has installed StoryWalks® at four city parks: Barnes Park, Sierra Vista, Highlands and Garvey Ranch.

A StoryWalk® is a way for families to enjoy the love of reading and the outdoors at the same time. Pages from children’s picture books have been placed along walking paths at the designated parks so that families can walk along the path and share a story together.

Conceived as a way to inspire parents, teachers, and caregivers to take young children outdoors for physical activity and to learn, StoryWalk® helps build children’s interest in reading while encouraging healthy activity for both adults and children. Look for the city flags at each park to locate the beginning of the StoryWalk®.

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vermont and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

For more information, please contact the library at [www.montereypark.ca.gov/library](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/library) or 626-307-1366.



# Property Maintenance Helps Preserve Monterey Park’s Neighborhoods

By Fire Department Code Enforcement Staff

We are very fortunate to live in a beautiful community, one that was awarded as a “Top 100 Places to Live”, yet it takes our entire community to care for itself. We must all take steps to maintain our properties so that we can continue to be proud of where we live and enjoy having the highest property values possible. However, when properties are neglected, they bring down the aesthetics of the neighborhood and create a public nuisance. Keeping this in mind, sometimes just performing the basic maintenance to your property enhances the appearance and preserves the quality of life in your neighborhood.

Despite the COVID-19 crisis facing the country and the stay at home orders in effect, the City of Monterey Park would like to remind everyone to maintain their properties and help preserve the city’s beautiful neighborhoods.

### Top Five Guidelines to Help Preserve Neighborhoods

By following a few simple guidelines, you will be doing your part to preserve this beautiful city. Below are a few simple ways you can help:

- Maintenance of landscaping. Maintain your property free of any dead, diseased or overgrown trees, bushes, weeds or other vegetation which is likely to harbor vermin, constitute a fire hazard or obstruct pedestrian and vehicular traffic due to overhanging onto the street or sidewalk.

- Easy-up canopies and other similar temporary covers. The use of easy-up canopies is not permitted when placed in the driveway or in public view.
- Litter and bulky items discarded on public streets. Check your parkway and sidewalk for trash and litter. If you have bulky items such as mattresses, televisions and other furniture, please call Athens Trash Services at 888-336-6100 to schedule a free pickup.
- Trash Cans in public view. Store all of your trash containers out of public view except for during your scheduled collection period.
- Illegal storage in public view. Maintain your property free from accumulation of packing boxes, lumber, junk, trash, discards household material or other debris which is visible from public view and/or adjoining properties.

By working together we can make a difference. The City of Monterey Park would like to thank you for your efforts to maintain a safe and beautiful place to live, work, and play.

For more information, please contact the Fire Department Code Enforcement Division at 626-307-1415, [codeenforcement@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:codeenforcement@montereypark.ca.gov), [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov) or use the GoMPK app available on your device’s app store.

**Virtual Paint Night**

Join your neighbors as you create A painting from the safety of your home. LIVE step by step guidance provided by a professional instructor via Zoom. No experience necessary. (Supplies will be provided using contactless pickup)

Cost: \$45 per kit  
Each kit will include:

- Paint canvas
- Assorted paint colors
- Assorted brushes and sponges
- Paint mixing palette

Friday, March 19, 7-8:30PM  
To register call (626)307-1388 or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov)

Register by Wednesday, March 10.  
Zoom info will be emailed prior to start of class.

**City of Monterey Park**  
Trash & Recycling – Do’s and Don’ts  
Please visit:  
[www.montereypark.ca.gov/575/Residential-Curbside](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/575/Residential-Curbside)

Did you know the City of Monterey Park has a great Bulky Item Pickup program provided by Athens Services? All you need to do is schedule your bulk item pickup by visiting [athensservices.com/bulky-item-pickup/](http://athensservices.com/bulky-item-pickup/) or by calling (626) 336-6100.

**Help keep Monterey Park beautiful!**

For more information visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov) or call us at 626-307-1320

# Recreation and Community Services Department

## Classes & Programs

Online and phone registration begins Monday, March 1, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov) or 626-307-1395.

### Body Sculpting

This class is a series of non-impact strength building exercises to improve strength flexibility and balance, please bring hand weights to class, available for all levels.

**Location:** Barnes Park behind Service club (outdoors). **Instructor** Katalina Beltran.

**Cost:** \$65 – 8 weeks,

**March 10-April 28. Wednesdays, 330pm – 4:30pm.**



### Chair Fitness

Class involves aerobic movement, range of motion exercises, strength training, performed in a seated position. This wellness course also blends weights and exercise band movements.

**Location:** Barnes Park behind Service club (outdoors). **Instructor** Katalina Beltran. **Cost:** \$65 – 8 weeks, **March 8-April 26. Mondays, 10:45 – 11:45am.**



### Cardio Fitness

30 min. low impact aerobics and 30 min. Weights and exercise band, get in shape fast with this workout!

**Location:** Barnes Park behind Service club (outdoors). **Instructor** Katalina Beltran.

**Cost:** \$65 – 8 weeks, **March 11-April 29. Thursdays, 10:45 – 11:45am.**

### Stretch Class

This 30 minute workout will focus on stretching all muscles in the body which will help overall strength, flexibility and balance. Bring 2 towels a mat and water.

**Location:** Elder Park (outdoors). **Instructor** Margaret Nalbandian.

**Cost:** \$85 – 9 weeks, **March 22 – April 27. Tuesdays, 2 – 2:30pm.**

### Hitting Fundamentals for Beginning to Advanced Baseball / Fast-pitch Softball (Private Instruction)

Designed to teach boys/ girls fundamentals of hitting. Students will get repetition by utilizing the latest tee drills, flip drills and front toss drills. Need your own bat and batting helmet. Contact instructor for times and days available (Jay Simper 626-664-4583).

**Location:** La Loma Field. **Private Lessons: March, 2021**

**(4 lessons total). Fees: \$129.00, 8yrs to 18yr.**



### Virtual Class (Zoom Conference)

### Yoga

A revitalizing one hour full body yoga workout that focuses on utilizing the core, stretching the back, and building resilience to stress.

**Instructor - Haruna Asakawa. Cost: \$84 -7 weeks, March 11, 2021 – April 15, 2021. Thursdays 5 - 6PM. (Zoom information will be emailed prior to start of class).**

## Monterey Park Recreation Department Senior Programs

For Langley Senior Center general information during the COVID-19 Safer at Home order, please call 626-307-1395, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., or call direct for one of the services below.

**Senior Lunch Program:** The City of Monterey Park continues to work with Los Angeles County and the YWCA Intervale San Gabriel Valley to provide meals to Monterey Park residents. Contact Langley Center at 626-307-1395 for current details about the program and to register. Seniors 60 years and older must be registered with Los Angeles County Area Agency on Aging to qualify for the lunch program.



### Dial-A-Ride

**Transportation Services:** The city continues to recognize Dial-A-Ride services as an essential program for

our senior residents. Dial-A-Ride services will remain available at 626-307-1396 Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. with the following modification to ensure public safety: Rides will only be provided for essential trips to medical facilities, grocery stores or local pharmacies.

**Dial-A-Taxi Supplemental Transportation Services:** The city's Dial-A-Taxi service is also available 24 hours, 7 days a week for senior residents. Residents must complete an application and provide proof of residency (State issued ID Card or Utility Bill) and one-time \$5.00 registration fee. Due to the COVID-19 emergency declaration, applications will be issued on a need basis to ensure transportation services are met. If you have any questions or would like an application form, please call the Dispatcher at 626-307-1396.

## Recreation Department Spring Virtual Activities

All virtual activities will be hosted via Zoom with information to be emailed to all registered participants prior to each activity. For questions or more information please contact Recreation and Community Services at 626-307-1395.

**Medicare 101 -** Come Learn the basics of Medicare A, B, C and D. Kaiser Permanente in partnership with the City of Monterey Park will offer a virtual seminar on the basics of Medicare. This is an open forum and questions are welcome and encouraged. Presenter: Adela Rodriguez from Kaiser Permanente. 11 a.m., Friday, March 12, and Friday, March 26.



**The Mediterranean Diet:** Independence At Home in partnership with the City of Monterey Park. The Mediterranean Diet has been shown to have many health benefits. Join us for a discussion on which foods to eat, how

following this diet can improve our health, and how it can help prevent certain medical conditions. Instructor Angeline Renfrow. Wednesday, March 3, 11 a.m.

### Memory Loss & Alzheimer's: Let's Talk!

An overview of Alzheimer's disease and its effects. Learn about what causes memory loss, the difference between normal aging and signs of dementia, and what to do when you visit the doctor. Tuesday, March 16, 11 a.m.



### CalFresh Healthy Living Workshop – (telephone class)

Tips to boost your immune system, quick and easy snack ideas and keeping fit and increasing energy with fun chair exercises. Instructor Dustin Mesick. Tuesday, March 23, 11 a.m.

# Night Sky Report

By David Nakamoto, Los Angeles Astronomical Society

Pacific Daylight Saving Time (PDT) begins on Sunday March 14 at 2:00 a.m. All clocks must be advanced by one hour. Pacific Standard Time (PST) returns on Sunday November 7.

Spring officially begins for the northern hemisphere, and autumn begins in the southern hemisphere, on March 20 at 2:37 a.m.

I'll discuss the planets in the order they appear in the sky, starting in the early evening.



Mars continues moving west to east through the constellations of the zodiac even as the whole sky moves slightly to the west each day. Mars starts each night almost overhead and slightly west of the meridian, the imaginary line going north to south and passing overhead. Mars slowly shrinks from 6.3 arcseconds to 5.3 arcseconds. This small size will make it nearly impossible for most amateur telescopes to see anything on the Martian disk.

All the remaining bright planets rise just before the Sun does in the morning sky.

Saturn rises in the east about an hour before the Sun rises. This will make it difficult to observe, but even a small scope should show the rings with enough magnification, and perhaps the largest and brightest of Saturn's moons, Titan, which will show up as a faint star close to Saturn.

Jupiter rises a half an hour later and begins March close to the Sun and unobservable. Later in March, both Jupiter and Saturn rise about an hour later, and are higher in the sky and better placed for observing. A small telescope will show the two cloud belts of Jupiter, and its four brightest moons will show up as stars close to Jupiter and in a rough line.

Mercury rises just before the Sun does making it hard to observe. Even through a telescope, Mercury shows such a small disk that this is all you can observe. Although Mercury passes within half a degree north of Jupiter on the morning of the 4th and the 5th, this will be almost impossible to observe, as Jupiter rises above the flat horizon at 5:05 a.m., PST, while the Sun rises at 6:15 a.m., PST.

Venus is close the sun through March and unobservable.

The Moon's phases in March are: Last Quarter – 5th; New Moon – 13th; First Quarter – 21st; Full Moon – 28th.

The author is a member of the Los Angeles Astronomical Society (LAAS), which operates the Garvey Ranch park observatory. Normally it is open to the public on Wednesday nights from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM. However, due to concerns about the Covid-19 virus, the building housing the observatory is closed to the public at this time. More info is available at [www.laas.org](http://www.laas.org); [www.facebook.com/losangelesastronomicalsociety](https://www.facebook.com/losangelesastronomicalsociety); or 213-673-7355. Garvey Ranch Park is located at 781 S. Orange Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91755.



## STREET BEAT MONTHLY CRIME LOG

Addresses are identified by block number, not exact address.

### JANUARY 2021

#### AUTO BURGLARY

- HENDRICKS AVE / W POMONA BLVD
- 300 S NEW AVE
- 1900 COLLEGE VIEW DR
- 3500 MARKET PLACE DR
- 2200 S ISABELLA AVE
- 200 W EL REPETTO DR
- 600 N MCPHERRIN AVE
- 700 ACKLEY ST
- N MCPHERRIN AVE / GARCELON AVE
- 800 S ATLANTIC BLVD
- 400 GARFIELD AVE
- CUPANIA CIRCLE
- 2100 ALAMO DR
- 200 E NEWMARK AVE
- EDGLEY DR / S ALHAMBRA AVE

#### AUTO THEFT

- 300 MOONEY DR
- 400 W EMERSON AVE
- 3600 RAMONA BLVD
- 200 E FERNFIELD DR
- 200 W MARKLAND DR
- 500 N GARFIELD AVE
- 400 N ATLANTIC BLVD
- 1900 POTRERO GRANDE DR
- 500 W HELLMAN AVE
- 1900 WILCOX AVE
- 900 E GARVEY AVE
- 900 E GARVEY AVE
- 1700 POTRERO GRANDE DR
- 3000 MARKET PLACE DR
- 800 S ATLANTIC BLVD
- 300 E POMONA BLVD
- 700 S GARFIELD AVE
- 500 W POMONA BLVD
- 400 MONTEREY PASS RD
- 700 S GARFIELD AVE
- 1900 WILCOX AVE
- 1400 ROCKHAVEN ST
- 300 S RAMONA AVE
- 600 MONTEREY PASS RD
- 2000 S GARFIELD AVE

#### BURGLARY COM

- 1300 AVENIDA CESAR CHAVEZ
- 100 W GARVEY AVE
- 2300 S GARFIELD AVE
- 1100 W RIGGIN ST
- 4400 W RAMONA BLVD
- 1300 AVENIDA CESAR CHAVEZ
- 1300 AVENIDA CESAR CHAVEZ
- 100 N GARFIELD AVE
- 1900 POTRERO GRANDE DR
- 300 N GARFIELD AVE
- 2000 S. ATLANTIC (SPECTRUM) BLVD
- 500 S ATLANTIC BLVD
- 400 W GARVEY AVE
- 2200 S ATLANTIC BLVD
- 2300 S ATLANTIC BLVD
- 2200 S ATLANTIC BLVD
- 2200 S ATLANTIC BLVD
- 3500 MARKET PLACE DR
- 300 N ATLANTIC BLVD
- 2000 S. ATLANTIC (SPECTRUM) BLVD

#### BURGLARY RES

- 600 S SEFTON AVE
- 100 FLORENCE AVE
- 400 POMELO AVE

#### ROBBERY

- 700 S ATLANTIC BLVD
- 600 N HUNTINGTON AVE

CITY OF MONTEREY PARK  
**COMMUNITY COOKBOOK**  
WINTER EDITION

A community cookbook is about sharing  
food and building community

Send in your favorite recipe by Wednesday, March 31, 2021 to  
be included in the MPK Community Cookbook  
(Cookbook will be available at [montereypark.ca.gov](http://montereypark.ca.gov))

To submit your favorite recipe or for more information please contact the Recreation & Community Services Department at (626) 307-1395 or [recreation@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:recreation@montereypark.ca.gov)



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• Sandwiches

• Salads  
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### Women's History Virtual Talk & Tea

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### Children's Read Aloud Series

Tuesdays in March on YouTube  
Children's Services is celebrating Women's History Month with a read aloud series on YouTube! Tune in each Tuesday in March to hear a new story.

## Adult Services

### St. Patrick's Day Grab and Go Craft Kits for Adults

Adults are invited to pick up a St. Patrick's Day themed tea towel craft to make at home beginning on March 8 and to join Library staff on Friday, March 12 at 2 p.m. via Zoom as they will demonstrate how to put the craft together. To pick up the craft kit, call (626) 307-1368. Supplies are available on a first come, first served basis. To sign up for the Zoom program, visit <http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/1265/Adult-Programs>.

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### Virtual Origami Party

Wednesday, March 24, 4 p.m. on Zoom  
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Tuesday, March 2, 12:30 p.m. on YouTube  
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Beginning Monday, March 1 families may pick up a craft kit to take and make at home. Each kit contains everything kids need to create a wooden craft stick catapult! Kits will be available outside the library on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last.

### Virtual Homework Help

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### Music & Movement

Friday, March 12, 2:00 p.m. on Zoom  
Join Children's Services staff for music, movement and dancing on Zoom! This monthly program is for children of all ages and their caregivers. Registration is required. To register, visit the library website.

### Mandarin Storytime

Friday, March 19, 2:00 p.m. on Zoom  
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# District Launches Virtual Afterschool Clubs

By Natalie Tee Gaither

Most Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) TK-8 schools have an After School Education and Safety (ASES) program to provide afterschool support and enrichment to eligible students. Like all other district programs, ASES has had to pivot to a virtual format this year. Under the leadership of Duane Russell (Director of School Operations and Programs) and Linda Nakagawa (Instructional Specialist), ASES has supported more than 600 students this year through a variety of online enrichment lessons.

To reach even more students, the ASES is launching ASES Adventures Club this month to help students who miss socializing with other students. These clubs are offered free to any TK-8 AUSD student and include the supplies necessary for the activities. Options include art, crafts, science, literature, music, world culture, and technology. Each class will be limited to 25 students per club and will include a Fun Friday optional day, which is dedicated to games and social activities for the students enrolled in that club.

Students may participate in more than one club as long as the days/times don't conflict. For this first session, 419 students enrolled in 745 sessions. Students who missed their chance to sign up this time, still have the opportunity to join two additional sessions. Session #2 will be held April 5-30 (with registration happening March 3-16), and session #3 will run May 3-28 (with registration happening April 5-16).

For more information about the ASES program, please visit their website at <https://sites.google.com/ausd.us/ausd-ases-adventures/home>.



Marguerita Youth Specialist Edward Zha will be leading the Music Fun club where students will explore the basics of music through string instruments and the keyboard.

# Baldwin Middle Schooler on Her Way to Becoming an Author-Illustrator

By Natalie Tee Gaither

When Baldwin teacher Patricia Allaf assigned an open-ended "Passion Project" to her GATE students, seventh grader Xin Lu took the assignment very seriously. She dedicated herself to writing and illustrating her own picture book. After a month, she completed her work and titled it A Flurry of Time.



This beautiful book cover is one example of just how talented Xin Lu (insert) is as an illustrator.

Allaf was very proud of Xin's hard work and dedication, and was excited to share her talents beyond her own classroom. Xin has been reading her book to the primary classes at Baldwin, and so far, the reviews are all positive, with one first grader emphasizing, "I thought your book was AMAZING!"

Principal Chris Takeshita joined in on the first primary class reading and reported, "It was great; the kids were engaged and focused. They loved the story." He is equally complimentary of Xin's teacher. "Ms. Allaf is incredibly creative and brings out the best in her students. It's no wonder she was selected as the district's Teacher of the Year."

# Monterey Highlands Career Week Speakers Inform and Entertain During Virtual Recesses

By Natalie Tee Gaither

During recent virtual recess sessions, Monterey Highlands students were able to hear from local community leaders like Engineer David Goetz from the Monterey Park Fire Department. PTA members organized various speakers to be part of their annual College and Career Week, and then Gateway counselor Mailin Chan combined the speaker sessions with the virtual recesses she often facilitates.



These are just a few of the students who Monterey Park Fire Department Engineer David Goetz spoke to when he joined Monterey Highlands' second grade virtual recess.

Engineer Goetz shared details about the Fire Academy, protection equipment, firefighters' preparation, and what it takes to become a fire chief. "I really enjoyed learning all about firefighters because when I grow up, I want to be a firefighter," declared second grader Jacob Duran. "I learned that I need to exercise to stay in shape, so I can train hard and I'll have to be a paramedic too. I really want to help people and the environment stay safe."

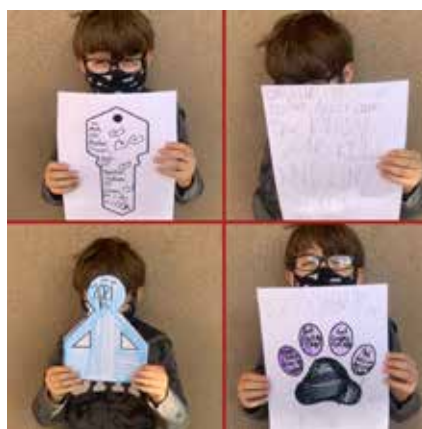
These virtual recesses (which are not always as structured as they were during College and Career Week) give student a chance to socialize and relax with their peers, while still being in a supervised environment. But this session was especially enjoyable for the students, whose only complaint what that it was too short.

"I wish I had more time to ask more questions," lamented second grader Joshua Tom. Joshua still wanted to ask, "Why does the firefighter sleep at the firehouse instead of their actual houses?" and "How does it feel when you go into the fire and what are the effects of breathing in too much smoke?" The students were disappointed when the end of recess came, but they hope Engineer Goetz will return again soon.

# Park Students Harness the Power of Kindness

By Natalie Tee Gaither

For almost three weeks, Park School focused on creating an atmosphere of kindness for the community through their annual Panther Kindness Frenzy. As part of the message Park principal Carin Gasca sent home to families to kick off the event, she explained, "The last few months have been extremely tough for so many of our families and staff. Personal family losses, losses of homes and jobs, turbulence in our nation, pressures of trying to keep all the plates spinning in our homes and work, social distancing requirements and much more, have left many of our Park families and staff feeling disconnected, isolated, and sad."



Third grader Ian Reed was eager to spread kindness to the community and completed ALL five Park Kindness Frenzy tasks!

With some adjustments this year due to Distance Learning, the goal was to continue helping families and staff members to feel connected to Park School, despite the physical distance between them. Activities included creating Valentine paws (that were later compiled into a poster for a local hospital, a friendship chain links (which was hung outside the school fence), original friendship poems, and keys to kindness. Students also took the Park Kindness Pledge to spread kindness throughout their community ("I pledge to myself on this day to try to be kind in every way. To every person big and small, I will help them if they fall. When I love myself and others too, that's the best that I can do!").

Throughout the campaign, the photos were posted on the school website. At the very end, the photos were combined into a video, which were sent to their families and staff members on Valentine's Day. Principal Gasca reminded Park School that, "Together as a community, we can do our part to keep each other going during this difficult time."



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# District Game Changers Represent the Best of the Best

By Natalie Tee Gaither

The District's Game Changer program is one of many ways our students, parents, administrators, and co-workers are able to recognize our "shining star" staff members. Our dedicated employees have been working hard and are demonstrating amazing innovation and creativity during this pandemic. We are excited to honor our latest set of Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) Game Changers: Wendy Endo-Soo Hoo from Brightwood School and Jody He Dowell from Marguerita School.

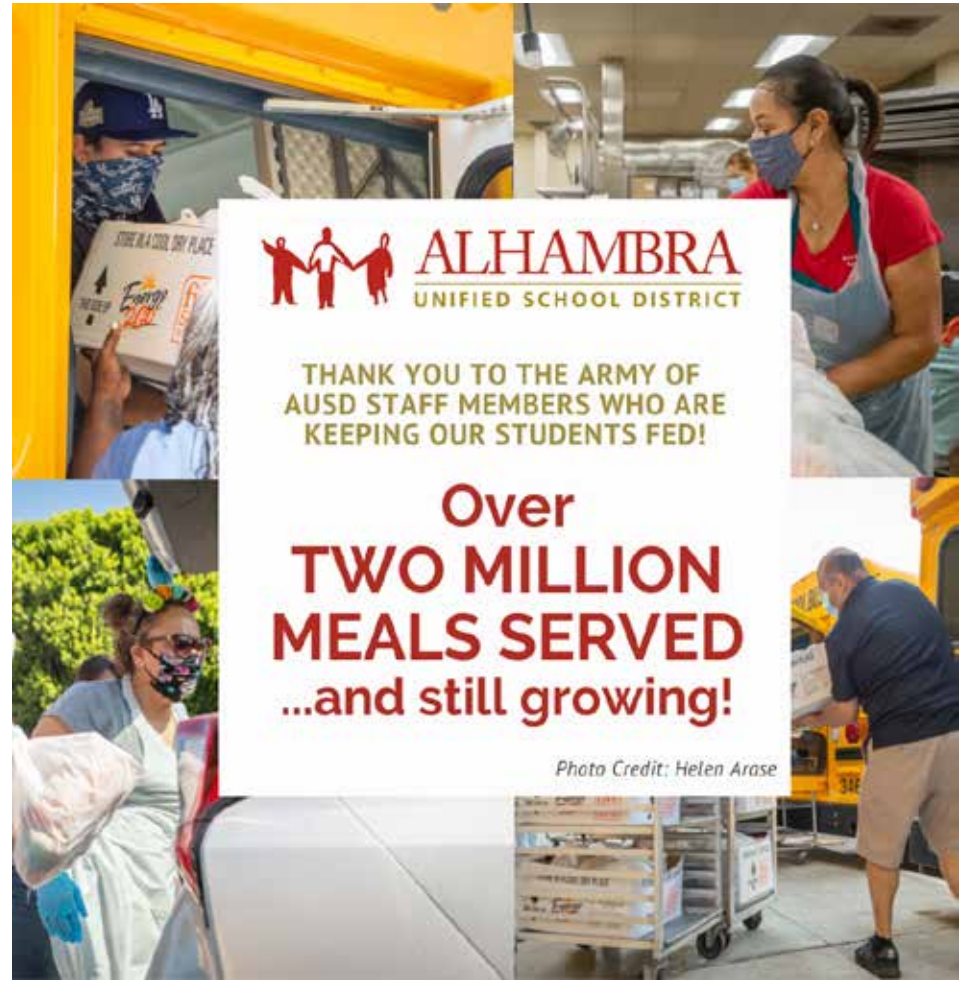


Wendy Endo-Soo Hoo (left) and Jody He Dowell are both long-time AUSD employees who excel at their job duties on a daily basis. AUSD is very appreciative of both of them for their dedication and commitment to excellence.

Wendy Endo-Soo Hoo is Brightwood's Elementary Office Assistant, who works on attendance and records. She was nominated by Jane Torres, Brightwood's office manager and colleague, who reports that, not only does Wendy keep all files immaculate, she also has an excellent rapport with the parents.

Wendy goes beyond her duties to assist parents and answer questions regarding attendance, enrollment procedures and their children's records. Wendy can reassure the most anxious parent with her calm, gentle disposition. She is not only an asset to the Brightwood community, but to the Alhambra Unified District as well. Jody He Dowell was nominated by two colleagues, Li Chen and Chris Dowell. In their nominations, they stated that Jody dove in head-first when it came to finding new ways to deliver instruction in to her second graders in the Mandarin Dual Immersion (DI) program. She adapts material she finds on the internet in ways that increase participation and engagement with her students. She has also hosted parent information sessions to discuss the results of student assessments used by the Mandarin DI program. She collaborates with her teammates regularly, so that they can maintain a sense of learning community and consistency of program across the grade level team. Jody has really devoted all of her time and attention to planning and delivering the best distance learning experience possible to her students.

There are so many other AUSD staff members who deserve to be recognized too. You can nominate someone to be the next Game Changer by going to [www.ausd.us/badges/](http://www.ausd.us/badges/) and select either badge ("Above and Beyond the Call of Duty" or "Spotlight") for your nominee and fill out the short form. Game Changers are selected from employees who receive either of these badges.



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由蒙特利公園市布格麥爾圖書館工作人員提供

2021年2月3日，蒙特利公園市市議會投票通過，取消了蒙特利公園市布格麥爾圖書館借租材料的逾期罰款，並放棄任何未清的逾期罰款。通過這一次投票，蒙特利公園市布格麥爾圖書館與其他城市和全國其他許多圖書館一起“免除收取逾期罰款活動”，以消除障礙而可擴大為社區獲得更多的圖書館服務。

“蒙特利公園市市議會和圖書館董事會對這次投票變更的支持表明了對我們在社區內長期了解圖書館的重要性，”圖書館工作人員戴安娜·加西亞 (Diana Garcia) 說。“圖書館是我們居民生活中至關重要的組成部分，這次投票變更使所有人都可以很方便、公平和愉快的使用圖書館服務。”



如果您由於材料逾期繳納而一直避開圖書館，那麼現在正是時候將材料歸還而不需要擔心罰款的最佳時機！鼓勵居民歸還任何逾期未交的材料，以解清其帳戶並重新開始使用圖書館服務。所有材料您可以使用圖書館的後門旁有屋頂停車場下方的室外書庫箱歸還。歸還材料時間為星期一至星期五上午9:00至下午6:00。

“大多數圖書館用戶都有經驗錯過歸還材料的截止日期。不幸的是，當這些罰款金累計起來後，尤其是在您的各人經濟，去圖書館的感覺就開始感到負擔重重”，圖書館董事會主席Larry Sullivan補充道。“通過取消逾期罰款，圖書館歡迎成千上萬的社區成員充分享用圖書館所提供的一切服務。”

### 新的“免除收取逾期罰款活動”政策如何運作？

在圖書館因新冠病毒疫情而對公眾關閉期間，歸還材料截止日期已經延長，而不會有逾期罰款。圖書館鼓勵居民按時歸還圖書館材料，以供他人借閱。

圖書館重新開放後，將恢復當前的租借期限，並且為大多數材料提供了兩次自動續租的便利。材料將在到期日自動更新。但是，如果材料已被他人預租，則不會續租材料，並且要求顧客在到期日之前歸還該材料。

如果材料沒有準時歸還，損壞或丟失，租客將需要承擔責任。借閱權將被暫停，直到歸還材料或圖書館收到材料的補償為止。一旦歸還材料或收到賠償補償，便會從持卡人帳戶中刪除所有費用，並恢復借租權利。

此外，需要補發一張圖書館卡，打印和預留而未領取的材料也會產生費用。通過其他圖書館互借的材料，如果沒有準時歸還，也會產生借閱圖書館的罰款。

有關蒙特利公園市布格麥爾圖書館提供的計劃和服務的更多信息，請參閱第7頁，或參訪www.montereypark.ca.gov/library或致電626-307-1366。

## 現已開始可以為蒙特利公園市植樹紀念獎提名

由娛樂和社區服務部門人員提供

娛樂及社區服務部現已接受2021年植樹紀念獎的提名。設立植樹紀念獎旨在給個人對社區有極大影響貢獻的表彰。

這個享有盛譽的獎項是授予那些在社區內有極大的貢獻並可以授予在世或已故者的個人。提名者將由社區參與和娛樂和公園部門專員特設委員會審核。該委員會將向蒙特利公園市市議會提出建議。市議會批准後，將舉行表彰儀式，向個人頒發在指定的樹下安裝牌匾。

團體或個人可提名及完成申請流程。娛樂部門可提供申請表格。欲想了解更多或獲取申請表格，請致電626-307-1388致電娛樂和社區服務部門或發送電子郵件至recreation@montereypark.ca.gov。

## 寵物法保護主人，寵物和社區

由蒙特利公園市警察局工作人員提供

這是蒙特利公園市動物服務局的使命之一，即幫助人們與動物在我們的社區中和諧共處。在這全球新冠病毒大流行期間，我們尋求安全的社交互動和陪伴，寵物的收養率直線上升。隨著寵物領養和新寵物家庭的增加，您需要了解一些與寵物有關的常見社區破壞性問題。隨著越來越多的人在家工作和上學，有些行為可能破壞及打擾居民的房屋和財產的享受。以下列出了關於寵物的一些要求和常見的社區環境問題，以及有關解決這些問題的適用法律和法規的信息。



### 清理寵物的廢物

家主院內積聚的動物糞便廢物會給人們以及您的寵物帶來不健康的狀況。如果寵物主人帶狗散步時不清理寵物的糞便，也會造成不衛生的狀況。寵物主人應清除並處置他人院中的寵物糞便。此外，根據市縣法規定，寵物主人必須清理並丟棄留在他人院內和公共場所的寵物糞便。

### 到處亂跑的狗

法規不允許狗在室外自由奔跑，因為城市法令要求狗在公共場所時，必須要用不超過六英尺長的狗鏈來約束。這樣做可以保護狗免受潛在危險，例如被汽車撞倒，被其他動物襲擊或暴露於如毒藥之類的危險物質。您的寵物需要您的照顧及保護。

### 所有的貓及狗都必須申請執照，使用微型芯片，結紮或絕育

洛杉磯縣要求所有狗和貓都需要被結紮或絕育，使用微型芯片並獲得執照。狗、貓的執照和使用微型芯片是一種重要的識別方法，可能有助於使丟失的寵物與其主人團聚。不給您的寵物獲得執照可能會導致高額罰款和寵物遺失後而且無法團聚。

### 動物噪音投訴

蒙特利公園市警察局了解到，持續不斷的動物噪音會令人煩惱，並擾亂您的居住環境。重點是要知道，一旦發出書面警告，寵物主人或保管人還是允許動物繼續發出過多的噪音是非法的。每個人在接到城市書面通知後還是允許動物繼續發出過多的噪音，可能會被控犯罪。

有關更多信息，請致電626-307-1217與蒙特利公園市警察局動物控制局聯繫，或參訪城市網站www.montereypark.ca.gov。

## La Biblioteca Bruggemeyer de Monterey Park Elimina las Multas Vencidas

Por el personal de la biblioteca Bruggemeyer de Monterey Park

El 3 de febrero del 2021, el Concejo Municipal de Monterey Park votó unánimemente para eliminar las multas vencidas sobre los materiales bibliotecarios de la biblioteca Bruggemeyer de Monterey Park y renunciar al cobro de cualquier multa pendiente. Con esta importante acción la biblioteca Bruggemeyer de Monterey Park se une a muchas otras bibliotecas locales y por toda la nación que se han “liberado de multas” para eliminar barreras y expandir el acceso a los servicios bibliotecarios para sus comunidades.

“El apoyo del Concejo Municipal de Monterey Park y de la Junta Administrativa de la Biblioteca para este cambio muestra el reconocimiento de la importancia del aprendizaje constante en nuestra comunidad”, dice la bibliotecaria de la ciudad, Diana Garcia. “La biblioteca es una parte vital en la vida de nuestros residentes y este cambio hace que el acceso sea fácil, equitativo y agradable para todos.”

Si usted ha estado evitando ir a la biblioteca porque tiene materiales vencidos, ¡ahora es el momento perfecto de regresarlos sin temor a las multas! Se alienta a los residentes a devolver cualquier artículo con fechas vencidas para limpiar sus cuentas y empezar a usar los servicios de la biblioteca nuevamente. Todos los materiales pueden ser devueltos utilizando el depósito de libros exterior ubicado debajo del área de estacionamiento cubierta junto a la entrada trasera de la biblioteca. El depósito para libros está abierto desde las 9:00 a.m. del lunes hasta las 6:00 p.m. del viernes.

“La mayoría de las personas que usan la biblioteca han fallado en notar la fecha de vencimiento en algún momento. Desafortunadamente, cuando se suman estas multas tardías, visitar la biblioteca se puede empezar a sentir como una carga, especialmente en su billetera”, añade el Presidente de la Junta Administrativa de la Biblioteca, Larry Sullivan. “Al eliminar las multas atrasadas, la biblioteca está dando la bienvenida a miles de miembros de la comunidad para que aprovechen al máximo todo lo que ofrece la Biblioteca.”

### ¿Cómo Funciona el Nuevo Sistema “Libre de Multas”?

Durante la clausura de la biblioteca al público debido al COVID-19, las fechas de vencimiento se han extendido y no se impondrán multas tardías. La biblioteca alienta a los clientes a devolver los materiales bibliotecarios a tiempo para que estén disponibles para que otras personas los puedan pedir prestados.

Una vez que la biblioteca vuelva a abrir, los períodos de préstamos actuales serán restablecidos y habrá una conveniencia adicional de dos renovaciones automáticas para la mayoría de los artículos. Los artículos serán renovados automáticamente en la fecha de vencimiento. Sin embargo, si un artículo está en espera para otra persona, no será renovado y se le pedirá al cliente que lo devuelva antes de la fecha de vencimiento.

Si un artículo no es devuelto, o es dañado o perdido, los clientes seguirán siendo responsables. Los privilegios de préstamo serán suspendidos hasta que los materiales sean devueltos o la biblioteca reciba compensación por estos artículos. Una vez que los artículos sean devueltos o pagados, cualquier cargo será removido de la cuenta del titular de la tarjeta y sus privilegios de préstamo serán restablecidos.

Además, se seguirán cobrando las tarifas por el reemplazo de las tarjetas de la biblioteca, por imprimir, y por las retenciones no recogidas. Los artículos que son obtenidos de otras bibliotecas a través de préstamos interbibliotecarios, pueden estar sujetos a multas a través de la biblioteca del préstamo.

Para obtener más información sobre los programas y servicios ofrecidos por la Biblioteca Bruggemeyer de Monterey Park, por favor vea la página 7, o visite [www.montereypark.ca.gov/library](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/library) o llame al (626) 307-1366.

## La Nominación para el Premio del Árbol Conmemorativo de Monterey Park está Abierta

Por el Personal de Recreación y Servicios Comunitarios

Las nominaciones para el Premio del Árbol Conmemorativo del 2021 (Tree Memorial Award) están siendo aceptadas hasta el 31 de Marzo del 2021 por el Departamento de Recreación y Servicios Comunitarios. El Premio del Árbol Conmemorativo fue creado para reconocer a las personas que han hecho un impacto positivo significativo en la comunidad.

Este prestigioso premio es reservado para una persona que haya demostrado el más alto nivel de participación en la comunidad y puede ser otorgado a una persona viva o difunta. Las nominaciones serán revisadas por un comité ad hoc de Participación Comunitaria y Recreación y la Comisión de Parques. El comité hará sus recomendaciones al Concejo Municipal de Monterey Park. Después de la aprobación del Concejo Municipal, se llevará a cabo una ceremonia de reconocimiento en honor a las personas elegidas, con placas instaladas debajo de los árboles designados.

Los grupos o individuos que deseen nominar a una persona deben de completar el proceso de solicitud. Las solicitudes están disponibles en el Departamento de Recreación. Para obtener más información o una solicitud, por favor llame al Departamento de Recreación y Servicios Comunitarios al (626) 307-1388 o por correo electrónico a [recreation@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:recreation@montereypark.ca.gov).

## Las Leyes Para Mascotas Protegen a los Dueños, Mascotas y a la Comunidad

Por el Personal del Departamento de Policia de Monterey Park

Es parte de la misión de la Oficina de Servicio de Animales de Monterey Park el ayudar a las personas y a los animales a vivir juntos en armonía en nuestra comunidad. La adopción de mascotas ha aumentado desmesuradamente a medida que buscamos interacciones sociales y compañía durante esta pandemia global.

Con el aumento de adopciones de mascotas y de nuevos padres de mascotas, usted necesitará estar informado de algunos de los problemas comunes de la comunidad que afectan a nuestros amigos peludos. A medida que más personas trabajan y asisten a las escuelas desde sus casas es más probable que ciertos comportamientos interrumpen a los residentes el disfrutar pacíficamente de sus hogares y propiedades. A continuación se enumeran algunos requisitos y problemas comunes de molestias en la comunidad que involucran mascotas e información con respecto a las leyes y ordenanzas aplicables que los tratan.

### Limpiando Tras las Mascotas

La acumulación de desechos de animales en la propiedad del dueño de una mascota crea condiciones insalubres tanto para las personas como para su mascota. Los dueños de mascotas que no recogen sus desechos cuando las sacan a caminar también contribuyen a condiciones insalubres. Los dueños de mascotas deben recoger y deshacerse de los desechos de las mascotas de su propiedad privada. Además, los dueños de mascotas están obligados por ordenanza de la ciudad y el condado a limpiar y deshacerse de los desechos de sus mascotas que hayan sido dejados en la propiedad privada de otros, así como en propiedad pública.

### Perros Corriendo en Libertad

Es ilegal permitir a los perros correr en libertad, ya que la ordenanza de la ciudad requiere que los perros estén restringidos por una correa que no exceda seis pies de largo siempre que estén en propiedad pública. Haciendo esto, los perros se mantendrán a salvo de peligros potenciales como ser atropellados por carros, atacados por otros animales o expuestos a sustancias peligrosas tales como venenos. Su mascota acude a usted para que la mantenga segura.

### Todos los Perros y Gatos Deben de Tener Licencia, Microchip y Ser Esterilizados o Castrados

El Condado de Los Angeles requiere que todos los perros y gatos sean esterilizados o castrados, que tengan microchip y licencia. Las licencias para perros y gatos y los microchips son un medio importante de identificación y puede ayudar a reunir a una mascota perdida con su dueño. La falla de obtener licencia para su mascota puede resultar en fuertes multas y la pérdida de un compañero.

### Quejas por Ruido de Animales

El Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park entiende que los ruidos continuos de los animales pueden ser molestos y perturban la paz y el placer de disfrutar de su residencia. Es importante saber que, es ilegal que un dueño o guardian de un animal permita que su animal continúe el ruido excesivo una vez que se ha emitido una advertencia por escrito. Cada persona que permita que esto continúe después de una notificación de la ciudad, por escrito, puede ser acusada de un delito menor.

Para obtener información adicional, por favor póngase en contacto con la Oficina de Control de Animales del Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park llamando al (626) 307-1217 o visite el sitio web de la ciudad en [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov).



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