

# MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT ART, ASTRONOMY, BIRDING, KIDS CAMP AND HISTORY WALK

The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District is continuing to offer a wide variety of nature programs, classes and camps this summer. Information on all activities may be found in The Park District's Let's Go Outdoors! guide or on-line at [mprpd.org](http://mprpd.org).

Below is information on a few that are coming up soon.

## Where Nature Meets Art

Explore connections between nature and art with the scenic parkland as your inspiration. You will learn to sharpen observation skills, uncover a palette of colors and encounter the rich assortment of life in our area. Colors and images appear as you create your masterpiece.

Ages 7-11, 10 a.m.-12 noon, Thursday, July 8. Subsequent classes in this session offered on Thursdays, July 15, July 22 and July 29. Marina Library, Locke Paddon Park, 190 Seaside Circle, Marina, \$10 (district resident), \$11 (non-district resident) per class, or \$33/\$36 for four-class session, plus \$4 materials fee per class. Instructor: Jill Legler.

## Astronomical Adventures

Gaze into the universe above observing the magnificent summer night sky. Fix your eyes on the spectacular Milky Way, Mars, Venus, Saturn, star clusters, nebulae and even satellites as they come into view. Secrets from above will be revealed as you are led through this adventure using the unaided eye, binoculars and high-powered telescopes.

All ages, 8:30-10:30 p.m., Friday, July 9, Garland Ranch Regional Park Visitor Center, 700 W. Carmel Valley Road, \$10 (district resident), \$11 (non-district resident), or \$33/\$36 for group of four, children 6 and younger are free. Instructor: Dr. Jim Eagle, Docent, Monterey Institute for Research in Astronomy (MIRA).

## Birding for Fledglings

"Egg on" your child's fascination with the colors and antics of birds! An experienced local birder will share with your tot a whole new appreciation for the birds and wildlife surrounding them in the Santa Lucia Preserve. Give your fledgling

birder a peck in the right direction!

Ages 3-5, an adult must accompany children, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Saturday, July 10, Santa Lucia Conservancy Visitor Center, 26700 Rancho San Carlos Road, \$15 (district resident), \$17 (non-district resident), adults are free. Instructors: Santa Lucia Conservancy Naturalists.

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Go H2O!

From the heights of the peninsula to the depths of the submarine canyon, come discover our watershed. We will hike, whale watch and splash our way around. Adventures in and around the water create excitement each day, including an overnight tent-camping experience near the beach.

Ages 9-12, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday, July 12-Friday, July 16 (five days), with overnight Thursday to Friday. Base Camp: Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, 299 Foam St., Monterey, \$180 (district resident), \$198 (non-district resident). Instructors: MPRPD staff.

## Lifestyles of Monterey's Past

Journey into the cultural roots of Monterey as you enter its historic homes and secret gardens. This walking tour peeks into the lives of the city's early ruling families and explores their influence on the Monterey of today. Led by a renowned local historian.

Ages 9-adult, 12:30-2:30 p.m., Sunday, July 18, downtown Monterey (see [mprpd.org](http://mprpd.org) for details), \$10 (district resident), \$11 (non-district resident). Instructor: Monica Hudson.

Pre-registration is strongly suggested for all classes and programs offered by the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District (MPRPD). Register online at [www.mprpd.org](http://www.mprpd.org) or in-person between 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuesday-Friday, at the MPRPD office, 60 Garden Court, Suite 325, Monterey (check, money order, Visa or MasterCard accepted). If space is available, there is an additional charge of \$5 to register the day of the class. On-site registration begins 20 minutes prior to the start of the class. All check-in and registration closes 5 minutes before the class begins. Contact is Joseph Narvaez, at 372-3196, ext. 3.

## McCall In Marina

by  
Council Member  
Dave McCall



John Quincy Adams as President after a non-majority vote in the Electoral College. In 1828, he ran again, and was successful. His eight years in office – as well as the years following his term up until the Civil War – are considered to be a period of "Jacksonian Democracy". Many states began relieving voting restrictions, and, outside of the South, by the time the Civil War began voting rights were extended to most white men.

February 3, 1870 – Fifteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution is ratified. The Amendment grants voting rights to former slaves freed by the Civil War.

August 18, 1920 – After a fifty year struggle by suffragists such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott, and Frederick Douglass, the Nineteenth Amendment is ratified granting women the right to vote.

March 29, 1961 – The District of Columbia, which previously had no right to vote in presidential elections, is granted the right to vote by the passage of the Twenty-Third Amendment.

January 23, 1964 – The Twenty-Fourth Amendment is passed, prohibiting poll taxes.

August 6, 1965 – President Lyndon Johnson signs the Voting Rights Act of 1965. This Act was the first Federal action in fighting disenfranchisement, and put teeth to the 15th, 19th, and 24th Amendments. It allowed federal courts to sue states and jurisdictions that were disenfranchising minority voters. In attendance for the signing were Civil Rights champions Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King, Jr. The Act was renewed for another 25 years in 2006 by President George W. Bush. Prior to its passage, less than 50% of citizens were registered to vote. Today, it is over 80%.

July 1, 1971 – At the height of the Vietnam War, the Twenty-Sixth Amendment is ratified, guaranteeing that eighteen year olds will have the right to vote. Amendment was born out of the fact that many eighteen year olds were being drafted, yet were unable to vote for their representatives.

August 28, 1986 – President Ronald Reagan signs the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, requiring that all U.S. States and Territories allow military personnel and overseas resident to vote in federal elections.

## Current Debates over Voting Rights:

1) Electoral College – Many people want a national popular vote to replace the Electoral College. Four times in US History – 1824, 1876, 1888, and 2000 – a person won the popular vote

and lost the presidential election.

2) Federal vs. State Control – The oldest argument in American electoral disputes – who controls the right to vote, state legislatures or the Congress?

3) DC Congressional Voting Rights – Should DC get US Senators and Representatives who are able to vote in Congress, even though the Constitution prohibits it?

4) Territories – Should the United States extend voting rights to its territories – Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands, etc.?

5) Prisoners – Many states prohibit prisoners and ex-cons from voting. Many people feel this policy should be changed in order to have truly universal suffrage.

This July 2010, insist on your right to vote. Ask the City Council on July 7th, to please... put the 1% sales tax on the November ballot.

This vote will tell the City Council the level of service you, the citizens want provided. Do you want the current Police, Fire and Recreation levels maintained? Or do you want the current levels reduced?

Police Fire and Recreation consume about 90% of the city budget.

There will be plenty of time to discuss this matter, but first the City Council must allow it to be put on the November ballot. So please ask the City Council to consider the voters rights. Your rights!

Councilman Dave McCall

## Friday Evening Dinner

8:00 PM  
To  
8:00 PM

## MAIN COURSE

All Dinners Served With Soup & Salad, Bread, Butter, and Dessert

Post 694 Ground Steak	\$12.00
Our Signature Meal	
T-Bone Steak	\$16.00
Filet Mignon	\$16.00
Large Barrel Cut	
Prime Rib	\$16.00
Cooked to Perfection	
Deep Fried Shrimp	\$13.00
5 Large Crisped Prawns w/Tartar & Cocktail sauce	
Salmon 8oz as available	\$14.00
Ala Carte: Soup & Salad	\$5.50
Baked Potato	\$2.50
French Fries	\$2.00
Chefs Special (ask your server)	\$12.00

Call for information

American Legion Post 694  
Phone: (831) 384-6616



Miss Barbara's Child Development Center's Summer Fun Day. The event will take place on Saturday July 17th 11am - 4pm and will feature a bounce house, My Museum Wheelie Mobilee, carnival games, face painting BBQ and lots more! It will be fun for the whole family.

Please come along 226 Beach Road, Marina [www.missbarbaras.com](http://www.missbarbaras.com)