

City Manager's Update

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Hello everyone!

In an effort to provide an update of important news and notes from this last week, the following report has been prepared. As always, please feel free to let me know if you have a question about any of the items contained in this update – I can be reached via email at ochi@ci.monrovia.ca.us!

And of course... all the best to you and yours as we continue through this week!

Best regards,
Oliver

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

If I had six hours to chop down a tree, I'd spend the first four hours sharpening the axe.
– Abraham Lincoln

FIRE CHIEF CHRIS DONOVAN LEAVING FOR EL SEGUNDO

As you have likely heard by now, I wanted to share with everyone that Fire Chief Chris Donovan has formally accepted the position of Fire Chief with the City of El Segundo. His last day with Monrovia will be February 11, 2016. We have certainly appreciated all of Fire Chief Donovan's efforts in leading our Fire Department during the past ten years, and all of us wish Chris every success in all of his future endeavors in El Segundo.

Given this pending transition, we are currently working on developing a transitional leadership plan for the Fire Department, and we will be certain to share details related to that plan once we have further assessed all of our options. In addition, please feel free to let me know if you should have any questions regarding this particular matter.

CITY RECEIVES AWARD FOR STATION SQUARE FROM THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS & BOARD MEMBERS

Last week, we learned that the Monrovia Station Square Project was selected to receive the 2016 Outstanding Project Award from the California Association of Park and Recreation Commissioners & Board Members (CAPRCB). Community Services Chair Nancy Matthews submitted the project for the State Award consideration, and we are delighted that our project was selected!

A copy of the award letter detailing the selection of Station Square as the 2016 Outstanding Project Award winner is included below for your review and consideration.

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Nancy Matthews
Monrovia Community Services Commission
119 West Palm Avenue
Monrovia, CA 91016

Dear Ms. Matthews:

Congratulations, the Monrovia Station Square Project was selected to receive the 2016 Outstanding Project award by the California Association of Park and Recreation Commissioners & Board Members. The award will be presented at the Association's annual Award and Installation Banquet on March 10, 2016, at the Hotel Maya at the Long Beach Harbor. Attached is a bulletin that provides the banquet details including time, location, and other vital information. The Association will provide one complimentary dinner for the individual that will be accepting the award. Other individuals who may join in on the presentation can order dinner tickets and make reservations by using the attached bulletin or by ordering on-line at www.caprcbm.org and reserve using PayPal.

We are preparing an awards booklet and respectfully request that you provide two photographs of your project for use in the booklet. The photos should be in a .jpg format and sent to the address shown on the footer no later than January 31, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 707-332-3267 or rgdmid@sbcglobal.net or call Paul Romero, at 916 799-5908. We are both here to help you.

Again, congratulations on being an award recipient.

Randy Davis
CAPRCBM Awards Committee Chair

Business Office: PMB #157, 1750 Prairie City Road, Ste. 130, Folsom, CA 95630-9579
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HISTORIC SANTA FE DEPOT REHABILITATION EFFORT UPDATE

Last week, additional progress was made on the rehabilitation efforts for the Historic Santa Fe Depot. From a process perspective, the Historic Preservation Commission at their meeting on Wednesday, January 27, 2016, established a sub-committee that will be tasked with interfacing with the development team at Daylight Limited, LLC, to coordinate the details of the rehabilitation work at the Historic Santa Fe Depot. The sub-committee members include Chair Jimi Hendrix, Commissioner Mark Houston, and Commissioner Dan Ryan.

In addition, staff also had additional meetings with representatives of Daylight Limited, LLC, this past week. Based on the preliminary rehabilitation schedule they have established, the overall construction work is tentatively scheduled to be completed by late-2016. We have also been working in partnership with the representatives from Daylight Limited, LLC, regarding the need to interface early in the process with the Historic Preservation Commission, and those discussions will continue during the next few weeks. We will of course keep everyone informed of our progress moving forward.

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MONROVIA SET TO CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH DURING FEBRUARY 2016

The City has been working during the past several weeks with the Monrovia-Duarte Black Alumni Association to develop and promote programs and events celebrating Black History Month in February 2016. Based on that work, we are pleased to share that the theme of this year's recognition will be, *Hallowed Ground: Sites of African-American Memories*. An overview of all of the events being planned are outlined in the calendar below, and of particular note, there will be activities celebrating Black History Month occurring nearly every single day in February 2016.

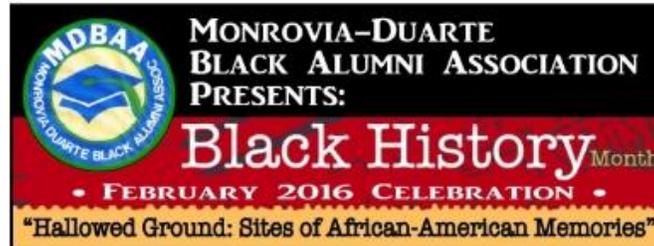
The festivities will begin on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, when a family movie night will be held at Santa Fe Middle School at 5:30 p.m. to watch, "Remember the Titans." As the month continues to unfold, the additional activities that the City will be engaged in providing include the following:

- The Canyon Park Nature Center will be executing a program to remind visitors that the Buffalo Soldiers were among the first National Park Rangers. The photo below was taken in 1899 and illustrates the Buffalo Soldiers of the 24th Infantry carrying out mounted park ranger patrols in Yosemite National Park.



- Canyon Park will be celebrating the memory of Carol Nelson, who in 1975 was named the first female African-American National Park Ranger.
- Storytelling activities coordinated in partnership with the Library and the School District will be occurring throughout February 2016 at schools in Monrovia.
- An art festival for elementary students focused on the theme, *Hallowed Ground: Sites of African-American Memories*. All of the art produced from the program will be displayed at the Monrovia Community Center.
- A movie and discussion about the Underground Railroad will be held for teens and tweens at the Monrovia Public Library on Wednesday, February 17, 2016, from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- An event centered around Harriet Glickman, the woman who inspired Franklin (the African-American Charlie Brown character) will be held at the Monrovia Public Library on Saturday, February 20, 2016, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event flyer below provides additional background information.
- Youth sports participants will be participating in discussions about key African American figures such as President Barack Obama, Jackie Joyner Percy, Maya Angelou, Martin Luther King Jr., W.E.B Du Bois, and Harriet Tubman as part of the sports program during the month of February 2016.
- All throughout the month of February 2016, the Monrovia Public Library will be displaying books, music, and movies created by, inspired by, or taught by African-Americans.
- On Thursday, February 18, 2016, the New Buffalo Soldiers will be visiting Clifton Middle School from 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m., and Santa Fe Elementary School from 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. this year.

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February 2016						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT - 3:30-8PM "REMEMBER THE TITANS" Santa Fe Middle School Cafeteria	4	5	6
7	8 HOLIDAY	9 Black History Reads Wild Rose	10 Black History Reads Wild Rose	11 Black History Reads Bradoaks FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: 6:30- 8PM "REMEMBER THE TITANS" Clifton Middle School Cafeteria	12 Black History Reads Bradoaks	13 Elementary School Arts Festival 3:30-5:30 PM Monroe Elementary School Cafeteria
14	15 HOLIDAY	16 Black History Reads Plymouth	17 Black History Reads Plymouth Tween and Teens Movie and Discussion The Underground Railroad, 2:00-4:00PM Monrovia Public Library	18 New Buffalo Soldiers 9:00-9:45AM Clifton Middle School Cafeteria New Buffalo Soldiers 11:30AM-12:15PM Santa Fe Middle School Cafeteria	19	20 "Race for your life Charlie Brown" - Movie 1:00-3:00pm Guest Speaker: Harriet Glickman, the inspiration for the African American character Franklin Armstrong Monrovia Public Library
21	22 Artist in Residence: Hope Demetriades Monrovia High School	23 Black History Reads Mayflower Artist in Residence: Hope Demetriades Monrovia High School	24 Black History Reads Mayflower Artist in Residence: Hope Demetriades Monrovia High School	25 Black History Reads Monroe Artist in Residence: Hope Demetriades Monrovia High School	26 Black History Reads Monroe Artist in Residence: Hope Demetriades Monrovia High School	27 Storytelling in the Library 2:00-3:00pm Monrovia Public Library, 321 S. Myrtle Ave, Monrovia
28 ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY LUNCHEON 2:00-5:30pm 119 W. Palm Ave, Monrovia; Soul Food Lunch \$15.00 Entertainment/Door Prizes/Raffle	29	Notes:				

More Calendar: [Map](#), [App](#), [PDF Calendar](#)

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City of Monrovia
Public Services Department

MONROVIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20th @ 1:00 PM
LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM**

MEET Harriet Glickman, the teacher who changed history and inspired Charles Schultz to create the first African-American comic strip character.



WATCH the 1977 movie, *Race for Your Life, Charlie Brown*



For more information call 626-256-8274 or visit the website:
cityofmonrovia.org/library
321 South Myrtle Avenue, Monrovia



We are looking forward to participating in all of the events planned throughout the month and hope to see you there!

2016 HOMELESS COUNT RESULTS

Last Tuesday, January 26, 2016, over twenty volunteers (see the photo below of some of our volunteers) participated in Monrovia's 2016 Homeless Count. The data gathered during the Homeless Count is essential to shed light on the number of individuals experiencing homelessness in the Los Angeles area. In addition, the data collected is used by policy makers, service providers, and elected officials in the distribution of resources for addressing homelessness. The volunteers that participated in the data gathering event met at the City's Community Center for a pre-count briefing that included light refreshments. The volunteers then formed into groups and were given a map which assigned each team to a specific area of the City. By utilizing this methodology, volunteers were able to cover more areas within the community in one night.

The preliminary results from the Homeless Count include the following information:

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- 14 Campers / Vans / RVs
- 2 Make-Shift Shelters
- 7 Individuals
- 1 Car
- 1 Tent

In comparison to last year, the data collected during the 2016 Homeless Count reflects no increase in the Camper /Van / RV category, and a decrease of 2 in the Make-Shift Shelters category. The data also shows there was an increase of 5 in the Individuals category, an increase of 1 in the Car category, and an increase of 1 in the Tent category. This data illustrates a slight increase in homeless activity has occurred in the City during the past year.



PARK NEEDS ASSESSMENT COMMUNITY MEETING RECAP

On Saturday, January 30, 2015, fifteen (15) community members, including the Community Services Commission, participated in a discussion related to Monrovia Parks. The meeting was coordinated in partnership with the County of LA Park Needs Assessment and the information collected will serve as a foundation for the development of the City's own Park Master Plan.

The group reviewed the amenities that are currently available in Monrovia and assessed additional needs in the community. Based on the discussion, the park amenities most desired by those who participated in the assessment include the following:

- Dedicated pedestrian trail leading to the entrance of Canyon Park
- Splash Pads
- Restrooms at Library Park and Julian Fisher Park
- More shaded areas at the Parks
- Historical Interpretive signs at the Parks
- Universal access for all abilities on all amenities at all Parks
- New Park Land / Pocket Parks in the south end of Monrovia
- Fitness Courses at Lucinda Garcia, Station Square, and Grand Avenue Park

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Another Park Needs Assessment community meeting is scheduled to take place on Saturday, February 6, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. at Fire Station 102.

COMMUNITY MEETING HELD FOR THE PROPOSED SMOKING BAN IN MONROVIA PARKS

A community meeting regarding the proposed smoking ban for Monrovia parks was held this past Wednesday, January 27, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Monrovia Community Center. There were approximately 30 individuals in attendance at the meeting, including Monrovia residents and representatives from the Los Angeles Department of Public Health, the American Lung Association, the American Cancer Society, the Anti-Tobacco Coalition, the Santa Anita Family YMCA, the Boys & Girls Club of the Foothills, and the Monrovia Historical Museum. The discussion at the meeting included insights that were shared regarding the health risks associated with smoking, the economic impacts of smoking, and environmental concerns.

During the meeting, participants inquired about a variety of different smoking ban ideas. Ultimately, however, the sub-committee of the Community Services Commission tasked with reviewing the proposed smoking ban directed that an additional sub-committee meeting be held on Monday, February 1, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at the Monrovia Community Center to review and discuss the concepts that were presented. Based on the results from that sub-committee meeting, work will then commence on creating a proposed regulatory framework that will be presented for City Council consideration.

WATER LEAK REPAIR AT 270 NORTH CANYON REQUIRED DRAINING THE PIPE

Early last week, the City received multiple reports about a water leak located near the intersection of Greystone Avenue and Canyon Boulevard. A riveted steel water main that was originally installed in the 1920s had a leak, and our water utility construction crews took the pipe out of service around a week ago. However, once the pipe was taken out of service, we had to drain the pipe before we could complete the repair. Draining the pipe took several days, and it appeared during that time that the pipe was leaking uncontrollably. In actuality, our crews had already shut off water pressure at the location and the "leak" that appeared to be running at the location this past week was actually the water remaining in the pipe that needed to be drained before repair efforts could be completed. After draining the pipe, our crews were able to place a clamp on the steel water main to repair the leak at the location. Kudos to our team for their efforts!

CALLING ALL TEENS – TEEN MOVIE MANIA EVENT SET TO TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2016, AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE LIBRARY

All teens in grades 6 – 12 are invited to join the Teen Advisory Board for a Teen Movie Mania Event set to take place on Friday, February 5, 2016. The movie that will be shown will be selected by the Teen Advisory Board at their regular meeting to be held on Monday, February 1, 2016. As an added bonus, free movie-themed snacks will be provided to all participants. If you have any questions regarding this particular event, please feel free to contact the Library at (626) 256-8274.

GO BEHIND THE SCENES AT THE MONROVIA PUBLIC LIBRARY ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016 FROM 10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

Have you ever wanted to really get behind the scenes of the Monrovia Public Library? Don't you want to know how our librarians organize all of those books at the Library? What's on the iPads at the Library? Can adults play with puzzles? What about those games at the Library? Are there resources available to help my child learn and grow? Get these questions answered and more at a special look behind the scenes event at the Monrovia Public Library! Discover all the secrets that the Library has to offer you and your children on Monday, February 8, 2016, from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in the Monrovia Public Library Story Room. The event is hosted by the MOMS Club of Monrovia. Parents, caregivers, and children are all invited, and for questions / additional information, please call Elizabeth Schneider, Youth Services Library Supervisor, at (626) 256-8275, or via email at eschneider@ci.monrovia.ca.us.

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NEIGHBORHOOD COMPATIBILITY / HISTORIC PRESERVATION OUTREACH MEETINGS

As you may recall, based on concerns about the potential impact of new development on the character of Monrovia's neighborhoods, the City has been engaged in an extensive review of our current development regulations. Over the past year, numerous community meetings, commission deliberations, and City Council assessments have been coordinated to discuss concerns related to new development.

With the input received, City staff has developed an outline of proposed modifications to our development standards. However, prior to presenting the proposed adjustments to the Planning Commission and City Council, a series of community meetings took place to review the proposed adjustments. Last week, we coordinated a series of outreach meetings that included a discussion with Realtors / Brokers / Developers on Monday, January 25, 2016, the Monrovia Historical Preservation Group (MOHPG) on Thursday, January 28, 2016, and a meeting with our Monrovia Area Partnership Leaders / General Public on Monday, February 1, 2016.

Following these outreach meeting sessions, we plan on presenting our proposals – along with an overview of the feedback received on those proposals – in a series of Study Session meetings with the City Council and the Planning Commission pursuant to the following schedule:

- **Tuesday, February 2, 2016 @ 6:00 p.m.** – City Council Study Session at City Hall
- **Wednesday, February 10, 2016 @ 6:00 p.m.** – Planning Commission Study Session at City Hall

Once we have completed those discussions, our plan is to coordinate the formal consideration and public hearings regarding the proposed development standard adjustments pursuant to the following tentative schedule:

- Formal Planning Commission Review – March 9, 2016
- City Council, First Reading – April 5, 2016
- City Council, Second Reading – April 19, 2016
- Effective date of new development standards – May 19, 2016 (Construction Moratorium Repeal Date)

Additional information about the process, the issues, and the moratoria are available on the City's website at the following address:

<http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/communitydevelopment/page/moritoria-demolition-and-construction>

FREE TAX SERVICES, FREE SHOWER SERVICES AND FREE SHELTER SERVICES OFFERED FOR THE COMMUNITY

During the last week, several groups have asked that the City assist in publishing information regarding free services available to the Monrovia community. Among those free services include the following:

- The Foothill Unity will be providing a **FREE TAX SERVICES** beginning in February. For additional information or to set-up an appointment, please call (626) 358-3486.
- The Women's Room at Friends In Deed (444 E. Washington Blvd., Pasadena) offers a safe daytime refuge for women who are alone and homeless or at risk. From healthy meals, to writing workshops, to free shower / laundry services, to monthly haircuts and massages, the Women's Room is a resource available to those here in town. For questions, please call (626) 797-2402.
- With the winter season now upon us, a variety of free homeless shelter facilities are available throughout Los Angeles County. The attached fliers provide more detailed information for the following three free shelter service providers:

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- The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority Free, which is helping to coordinate access to shelter services, can be reached at (800) 548-6047.
- The Ascencia Winter Shelter Program will be provided through March 31, 2016 in Glendale, and they can be reached at (818) 246-7900.
- The East San Gabriel Valley Coalition for the Homeless has coordinated an overview of additional free shelter options, and they can be reached at (626) 333-7204.

SECOND PARK MASTER PLAN NEEDS ASSESSMENT MEETING BEING COORDINATED TO TAKE PLACE ON FEBRUARY 6, 2016

The City of Monrovia would like to invite community members to attend the Monrovia and Los Angeles County Parks & Recreation Needs Assessment meeting. The second of the two workshops will be held on:

- Saturday, February 6, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at Fire Station 102 (2055 S. Myrtle Avenue)

The City has recently completed an inventory of existing parks, recreation facilities, and open space, including an assessment of what kind of shape those facilities are in. The next step in the assessment process involves hearing from the community regarding what you would like to see in our parks. A few of the topics that will be discussed at the workshops include:

- The current state of our park and recreation facilities, and open space areas
- Which parks are in need of repair or expansion?
- What type of recreation is most needed?
- Where do we need new parks or recreation facilities?

Working together, the City hopes to create a list of park priorities for our Monrovia. Please note... a continental breakfast will be provided at the meetings, so please make plans to participate! For more information, please contact the Monrovia Public Services Department at (626) 256-8246.

BICYCLE MASTER PLAN COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE WORKSHOP ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2016

On Wednesday, February 3, 2016, the City will be hosting a Community Open House Workshop to discuss our Bicycle Master Plan. The workshop will be hosted at the Monrovia Community Center (119 West Palm Avenue) and the meeting begins at 6:00 p.m. However, there will also be a pre-workshop bicycle ride, and for those interested in participating, meet at 5:00 p.m. at the bicycle rack in Library Park.

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MONROVIA BICYCLE MASTER PLAN

Community Open House Workshop

**Wednesday, February 3, 2016
6:00 - 8:00 PM**

Monrovia Community Center
119 W. Palm Avenue | Monrovia, CA 91016

The City of Monrovia is working on a Bicycle Master Plan to make riding a bicycle safer and more enjoyable, and we want to hear from you!

- How can we improve bicycling conditions in the City so you can safely and comfortably ride to school, work, and shopping?
- What improvements would you like to see to popular cycling routes?
- How can we make better connections to regional destinations, such as neighboring cities and the San Gabriel River Trail?

Pre-Workshop Bicycle Ride

- Meet at 5:00 pm at the bicycle rack in Library Park across from the Community Center.
- Ride departs at 5:15 pm and will return by 5:50 pm.
- Slow, easy ride. Families welcome!
- Helmets required for anyone under 18 years old.

For more information, contact Sean Sullivan, Management Analyst, at ssullivan@ci.monrovia.ca.us or 626-932-5522.

Please take the short Bicycle Plan Survey at:
www.surveymonkey.com/r/MonroviaBikePlan



FREE RAIN BARREL DISTRIBUTION EVENT SET FOR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2016 AT 8:00 A.M. AT MONROVIA HIGH SCHOOL

As part of our continued water conservation partnership efforts with the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, we will be hosting a **free rain barrel giveaway** event at Monrovia High School on Saturday, February 13, 2016, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Event details are included on the flyer attached below, and also involve the following components:

- Saturday, February 13, 2016 @ 8:00 a.m.
- Monrovia High School (845 West Colorado Boulevard)
- Supplies are limited and offered on a first-come, first-served basis
- Maximum of one (1) rain barrel per address
- Participants must bring a water bill and photo ID
 - The water bill must show the name of the water company and the account number for the address where the barrel will be installed
- Only residents within Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District's service area are eligible to participate in this program. Check your residency online at the following website:
 - <http://apps1.lavote.net/onlinedistrictmapapp/>

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- For general event information, please (866) 308-8391

Please join Director Anthony R. Fellow...

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13TH
8:00 AM

FREE
rain barrels

For general information, call toll free:
(866) 308-8391

Begins at 8:00 AM. Be prepared to wait in line.
Supplies are limited and offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Location: **Monrovia High School**
845 W Colorado Blvd
Monrovia, CA 91016

• Barrels are 22 inches in diameter by 38 inches tall.
• Only residents within Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District's service area are eligible to participate in this program. Check your residency at: <http://apps1.lavoto.net/online/districtmapapp/>
• You must bring a water bill and photo ID. The water bill must show the name of the water company and the account number for the address where the barrel will be installed.

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PAMELA PARK NEEDS ASSESSMENT MEETING SET TO TAKE PLACE ON FEBRUARY 17, 2016

The Monrovia-Arcadia-Duarte (MAD) Town Council, along with the County of Los Angeles, would like to invite the public to attend a Park Needs Assessment meeting, which is scheduled to take place on:

- Wednesday, February 17, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at Pamela Park (2236 Goodall Avenue, Duarte)

We hope that the community will make plans to attend this event!

MONROVIA ASSOCIATION OF FINE ARTS PRESENTS "TAXES AND THE ARTIST" WORKSHOP ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2016, AT 10:00 A.M. AT THE MONROVIA COMMUNITY CENTER

Don't miss this seminar being coordinated by the Monrovia Association of Fine Arts (MAFA) on the essentials of income tax for individual artists and artist groups of all disciplines, and the self-employed! The event, which is scheduled to take place on Saturday, February 13,

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2016, at 10:00 a.m. at the Monrovia Community Center (119 West Palm Avenue, Monroe Room), will be an intimate affair with only 30 seats available. Learn how you can efficiently track income and expenses throughout the year and correctly file your taxes. Topics will include record keeping, Form 1040, Schedule C, the self-employment schedule, deductions, hobby losses, home offices, and more. In addition, a comprehensive workbook, "*The Art of Deduction*," is included with the admission fee.

The cost to participate for current and past MAFA members is \$20, while the cost for non-members is \$30. Students 21 and under with valid ID will be able to access the event for \$10. To purchase tickets, please visit the following website:

- <http://bit.ly/1nmsELn>

Additional handouts will be provided at the event where presenter Abe Carnow, C.P.A., will be providing the talk. Abe is very active in tax practice and tax education, and as a nationwide lecturer for Gear Up Tax Seminars, he teaches other accountants about individual income taxation, business income taxation, and ethics. In his tax practice, Abe works with a variety of professionals, including graphic artists, performers, and other service professionals. From 1974-1990, Abe worked for the Internal Revenue Service in the examination and appeals divisions. Abe has been presenting California Lawyers for Artists' annual tax workshop for artists in Los Angeles since 1993.

YOUTH WINTER SPORTS UPDATE

The City of Monrovia's winter Youth Sports program played their fourth week of basketball games on Wednesday, January 27, 2016. The first game of the day was between the Plymouth Dragons and the Wild Rose Bears. Both teams came into the game seeking a win and the game was fairly close throughout. Ultimately, the Bears fell behind and after a 20-point fourth quarter by Plymouth, the game ended with the Plymouth Dragons beating the Wild Rose Bears 40- 13.

The second game matched up Shamrock Falcons and the Monroe Lions. The Shamrock Falcons could not stop the high scoring Monroe Lions offense. The game finished with Shamrock beating Monroe 44-18.

The last game of the evening had the Bradoaks Bobcats facing off against the Mayflower Mariners. The Bobcats went ahead early and the Mariners gave chase. However, a big 12 point third quarter from Bradoaks put the game out of reach for Mayflower, as the Bobcats beat the Mariners by a score of 33-19.

All cheer teams had their second cheer competitions of the season. Teams are judged on their dance, technique, formation, and enthusiasm. Each category is scored on a scale from 0 (lowest) to 4 (highest). The competition finished as follows:

- Bradoaks 12
- Mayflower 11
- Monroe 10
- Plymouth 9
- Wild Rose 6
- Shamrock 5

The next round of basketball games and cheer competitions are scheduled for tomorrow, Wednesday February 3rd.

POLICE DEPARTMENT SEMI-WEEKLY NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH REPORT

The most recent Police Department semi-weekly neighborhood watch report for the period January 25 – 27, 2016 has been uploaded to our website your review and reference. During the past seven-day period, the Monrovia Police Department handled 371 service events, resulting in 65 total investigations. To access the report, please click on the following hyperlink:

<http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/police/page/semi-weekly-report>

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That's it for this update, thanks so much for taking the time to read this report and I do hope you have a wonderful rest of the week!

Best regards,
Oliver

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City Manager

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