



**COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
COUNTY OF MONTEREY**

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 7, 2008
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Lew C. Bauman
County Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: County Administrative Officer's Weekly Report for April 7, 2008

This is the weekly report by the County Administrative Officer to the Board of Supervisors. This report provides information on issues affecting the County and the progress of County activities.

Library

Free Nature Programs Hosted For Children and Teens: The Marina, Seaside, and Carmel Valley Branches of the Monterey County Free Libraries (MCFL) and the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District have teamed up to offer nature walks through the months of April, May and June. The youth program "Bee at the Party" features nature walks and scavenger hunts, bug stories, songs, crafts and art for children ages 7 -11. The teen program "What's Buggin' You" is open to youth ages 12-18 and features nature walks and poetry workshops.

Both programs are open free of charge to MCFL library cardholders. Apply for a free library card at all MCFL branches or on-line at www.montereycountyfreelibraries.org under "Services". To register for the upcoming free nature programs, call (831) 883-7543. For more information, call MCFL's Youth Services Librarian Ruth Paget at (831) 883-7542.

Sheriff's Office

The Police Activities League (PAL) of Monterey County and the Castroville Artichoke Festival invite walkers and runners alike to participate in the *Mothers Day 10K/5K Run – 5K Walk* on Sunday, May 11, 2008 on Preston and Merritt Streets, in Castroville. Proceeds from the event will support PAL efforts to provide youth activities in Monterey County.

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10K and 5K races are scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m., and race day registration begins at 7:30 a.m. The course is a rustic flat, out-and-back course through picturesque artichoke fields, mostly on dirt roads. All runners/walkers must be able to complete the course in 2 hours or less, as the course will close at 11 a.m. Awards will be presented to women and men, 1st –3rd place of each age division (18 & under through 60 +) as well as overall 1st place awards for 5K/10K male and female.

Entry fee for the event is \$25.00 through April 30, 2008 and \$30.00 after April 30th. The fee includes an Artichoke Festival t-shirt, entry to the Artichoke Festival May 17th and 18th, and a fresh artichoke (crop permitting). Interested participants can register on-line at: <http://artichoke-festival.org/palrun.html> or mail-in registration to: Craig Pakish, 342 Capitol Street, Salinas, CA 93901. Checks may be made payable to Castroville Artichoke Festival. For more information on the event, call 831-633-2465.

This concludes the CAO report.