



Press Release

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**Montecito Community Foundation to Unveil Fire and Debris Flows  
Memorial Plaque on September 20 at 5:30 pm**

On Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 5:30 pm, the Montecito Community Foundation in concert with the Montecito Association will unveil a plaque dedicated to the victims of the Thomas Fire of December 2017 and the subsequent debris flows of January 9, 2018.

As part of the unveiling, a brief public ceremony will be held on the Corner Green at the corner of San Ysidro Road and East Valley Road.

The 20 by 31 inch bronze plaque also gratefully acknowledges the heroic actions of first responders and community volunteers. Included in the design is an oak leaf cluster symbolizing the strength and resilience of the Montecito community. The plaque will be installed on the north side of the Montecito Corner Green.

Speakers include Steve Hicks, President of the Montecito Community Foundation, Charlene Nagel, President of the Montecito Association, and The Rev. Aimée Eyer-Delevett, Rector at All Saints-by-the-Sea Church.

The community is invited to attend and share in this opportunity to mark the devastating events of last December and January, to honor those who were lost or suffered, and to acknowledge the efforts of all who offered aid and solace.

The Montecito Community Foundation is a philanthropic 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization that accepts and administers gifts for the betterment of Montecito. It was established over fifty years ago, in April 1966, by a group of citizens who believed residents of Montecito, grateful for the good life its environment provides, might wish to make tax deductible gifts or bequests for the preservation and improvement of our unique community. The various projects funded through the Foundation include the Corner Green, Montecito road signs, upgraded bus stop benches and markings, and underwriting the Village Fourth celebration. More information can be found at <https://www.montecitofoundation.org>

The Montecito Association, a 501(c)(4), is a separate organization supported by annual memberships and committed to the protection of the semi-rural character of Montecito as guided by the Montecito Community Plan.

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