

**FROM SLAUGHTERHOUSE TO SANCTUARY:
THE HISTORIC EVOLUTION OF MONTEREY BAY**

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How did the peoples of Monterey Bay, the other Bay Area, evolve from resource users to resources conservators; or were they always conservators? Mr. Lydon explored the unnatural history of the region beginning with the first human inhabitants and ending with a perspective on the current ones. Monterey Bay has been home to people with varied ethnic backgrounds, political outlooks, and social needs. Yet, all have used the fantastic natural resources of the area. The long history (in Western American scale) of use and abuse, exploitation and conservation of natural resources has produced a community willing to work together to make the Monterey Bay Marine Sanctuary. Perhaps, the relationships among different ethnic groups nurtured this spirit of cooperation.

Mr. Sandy Lydon, Professor of History, Cabrillo College is an award-winning author and lecturer who specializes on the peoples of the Pacific Rim. *Chinese Gold* is soon to be reprinted and his forthcoming book on Point Lobos is eagerly anticipated. Both are welcome additions to libraries building collections on multicultural perspectives on the community use of natural resources.

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