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Dedication and Unveiling of the Jim D. Conway Memorial Bench at Colton Hall

On December 11, 2011 at 1: 30 pm the Colton Hall Museum and Cultural Arts Commission along with the City of Monterey invites the public to join us as we dedicate a park bench in loving memory of Jim Conway, the former Museums and Cultural Arts Manager with the City of Monterey. The bench has been placed in front of Colton Hall near the "Grizzly Bears" sculptures. Jim was an enthusiastic promoter of Monterey's history and cultural heritage, and wrote the book "Monterey: Presidio, Pueblo and Port", the most current history of Monterey. He was instrumental in acquiring two original California Constitutional Convention documents for permanent display at Colton Hall, the original site of the 1849 convention. The bench will look out towards the Grizzly Bear statues, a place where Jim enjoyed watching his grandchildren play.

Who: **City of Monterey**
Colton Hall Museum and
Cultural Arts Commission

What: Dedication and Unveiling

Where: **Colton Hall (570 Pacific Street)**
831-646-5640

When: Sun, Dec. 11, 2011
1:30 p.m.

WHY COVER THIS? This is a great opportunity to learn the history of Colton Hall. Human interest and visuals.

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