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Los Angeles River Ranger District Volunteer Newsletter June 2009

GREETINGS

VOLUNTEERS ARE THE HEARTBEAT OF THE FOREST SERVICE

The mission of the Forest Service is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations.

The mission of the Forest Service is guided by the fundamental principle of providing the greatest amount of good for the greatest amount of people in the long run and is characterized by the slogan: Caring for the Land and Serving People.

After approx. 4 years, the Angeles Crest Highway is open from Foothill Highway (210) to Wrightwood. As you travel this highway, remember to drive defensively since you'll be experiencing a different driving experience than previously experienced when this Highway was closed.

This past Memorial weekend, we experienced a large Forest Visitor population that participated in either overnight camping (all campgrounds were at or near capacity) or day use activity, most day use sites (Chantry Flat, Switzers PA etc) were at or above capacity and hiking trails were at capacity. It appears that both the beautiful weather and economy might have contributed to this local influence. As you venture into the Forest, be prepared to encounter more Visitors than you've experienced in the past, since it appears that economy and weather are becoming the driving force on using the Angeles National Forest.

On May 17, the Angeles NF raised the Fire Danger Level from moderate to High as warm temperatures continue to dry out vegetation and the forest prepares for an increase in visitation. Despite the change, there are no new campfire restrictions. Open wood and charcoal fires will still be permitted in developed campgrounds and picnic areas only. Gas and propane powered stoves and grills are permitted in non-developed areas with a valid California Campfire Permit.

Welcome to the Forest Service: A Guide for Volunteers, (Tech. Rep. 0967-2813-MTDC) is available to all volunteers. This guide will provide you with a brief history of the Forest Service, an overview of the volunteer program, and some information you will need to work safely and productively for the agency. If you want a copy, please contact either your Group leader or myself.

Have you accumulated 500 volunteer hours since January 1, 2007? If you have, please contact me so that you can receive your America the Beautiful – Annual Pass.

The volunteer program is open to all individuals and/or groups that are interested in assisting the Angeles NF in accomplishing natural resource management objectives. If you're interested in assisting us in managing your National Forest or have questions about the Volunteer Program, please contact me at 818-899-1900 ext 229 or

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/s/ Howard S. Okamoto
Angeles National Forest
Los Angeles River Ranger District
Recreation Officer

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A man may die,
nations may rise
and fall, but an
idea lives on..
John F. Kennedy

Los Angeles River Ranger District June 2009 Volunteer Events Calendar

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VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

AC100 TRAIL VOLUNTEERS

- June 20th Training Run
- June 27th Trail Work
- June 28th Training Run

<http://www.ac100.com>

April 25th, 2009 work was performed on the Wintercreek trail along Manzanita Ridge between the Mt. Wilson Toll Rd. and the Hoegees junction. California Trails Day - Hal and BCTC crew worked Condor Peak Trail.

Richard and Hal led 17 FS Volunteers of several affiliations, BCTC, Beyond Basecamp, Outdoors Club etc working on a remaining 1.5 mile segment of Upper Trail Cyn trail that the Camp 16 inmates had not completed in their opening up of this essentially blocked trail from Indian Ben Saddle to Lightning Pt. and Messenger Flats. From Indian Ben Saddle we cleared the downed trees and brush to within 0.25 miles of the inmate crew's work end in the overgrown stream canyon.

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Altadena Crest Trail Restoration Working Group (ACTRWG)

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Angeles Mountain Bikers and Trail Keepers

Mark Gage mrgy33@hotmail.com

Hikers and Bikers working together on trails. We work on the trails almost every Saturday. Our focus trails are Lower Sam Merrill and Castle Canyon.

ANGELES MOUNTAIN BIKE PATROL

AFMBP@hotmail.com

- June 6th - National Trails day

Our mission is to provide educational and a responsible image to all trail users. To encourage rider's to obey forest regulations and working to preserve and protect trails. A.M.B.P is here to serve and inform the public.

ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST FIRE LOOKOUT ASSOCIATION (ANFFLA)

<http://www.anffla.org>

Welcome to the Angeles National Forest Fire Lookout Association, a nonprofit volunteer organization dedicated to restoring, maintaining and staffing to lookouts of the Angeles National Forest.

Be a Lookout!

It's probably easier than you realize to become an active Fire Lookout with the ANFFLA. It just takes a few classes training (which are quite fun!) and the desire to spend some time in the Angeles National Forest

Antelope Valley Conservancy

www.avconservancy.org

OFFICE PHONE (661) 943-9000

avconservancy@yahoo.com

Audubon Center at Debs Park

http://www.audubon-ca.org/debs_park.php

(323) 221-2255

Beyond Basecamp

Beyondbasecamp.com

323 896-0123

Need volunteers to help in the maintenance of Valley Forge, West Fork and Devore Trail Camps

BEAR CANYON TRAIL CREW (BCTC)

Richard Nyerges

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- June 6th - National Trails day

Hi Everyone,

What can I say!! A fabulous weekend working on Upper Trail Canyon Trail.

I want to first of all thank all the groups involved. The Bear Canyon Trail Crew, AC100, Beyond Base Camp & the JPL Trail Builders. We had 18 individuals who worked on the trail badly overgrown. There was a lot of brushing tread work and many tree's that needed to be cut off the trail. The first .7 miles involved a 500' loss of elevation to the canyon floor. Brushing near the top and tread work all the way down. Along the canyon floor was where we encountered all the tree's and extreme bushwhacking. (CONT ON P4)

BEAR CANYON TRAIL CREW (BCTC) (CONT FROM P3)

We worked along the canyon floor about .9 miles, brushing cutting trees and repairing the tread.

When the final group of us were heading out, we were able to see the difference that we all made. From no trail, to a very open and useable trail.

There is still about .2 of a mile that still needs to be worked but that section of trail is easily seen. Only 2 tree's on the trail there and minor tread work.

When we returned to camp we were entertained with live music compliments of Rod's brother's group and Mike Garcia. The potluck dinner and story telling was fantastic. The food was great and we had plenty of it.

In all, there were about 30 folks at the potluck dinner and campfire.

For those that missed out, maybe next time
Again, Thanks to everyone this weekend

Richard

Big Santa Anita Firesafe Council

cafiresafe@sbcglobal.net

Looking for volunteers to assist in fuel hazard reduction, trail maintenance and visitor information in Big Santa Anita Canyon.

Blight Busters Trail Crew

Danny Treadway

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Graffiti Removal & Trail Clean Up.

Boy Scouts of America

Los Angeles Area Council

• June 6th National Trails Day/Trail Boss

www.laac-hat.com

Concerned O4f-Road Bicyclists Association (CORBA)

• June 6th - National Trails day

Telephone (818) 773-3555

<http://www.corbamt.com/cgi-bin/calendar.pl>

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

California Trail Users Coalition (CTUC) www.ctuc.info

• June 17th Meeting

• June 13th San Gabriel Canyon Super Sweep

To provide a forum for all trail users to discuss trail related issues, problems and alternative solutions; to assist in the planning, development, maintenance and patrolling of trails to enforce rules of the road; and to develop and maintain programs designed to educate users on proper use of trails and trail etiquette.

Looking for interested hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians to be a part of this Coalition. If interested come to our next meeting or check out www.ctuc.info.

City of Glendale

Parks, Recreation & Community Services

• June 6th National Trails Day

Join us for a morning of hiking, trail information and creating of your own blend of "Trail Mix" We will offer a Family Hike for hikers of all abilities and dogs on leashes and a Fitness Hike for the more advanced at Deukmejian Wilderness Park

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Community Hiking Club

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Dianne Erskine Hellrigel

• June 6th -National Trails Day-This will be a day of service at Placerita Nature Center.

• June 7th -Today will be an easy hike through lovely Whitney Canyon to the now dry waterfall.

• June 12th/13th/14th -Join Dianne and other wilderness advocates for an Eastern Sierra Campout. We will be hiking several beautiful trails in the area. Reservations must be made in advance for this trip.

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Community Hiking Club

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- June 13th -East Canyon-Terry Morse will be leading the group today up to the top of East Canyon.
- June 19th, 20th-Open House at Placerita Nature Center
Come view the newly opened facility!
Visit Dianne on the 19th, and Darlene on the 20th in our booth inside.
- June 20th The Bridge to Nowhere!
- June 27th Mt Pacifico Hike
- June 28th - Piru Creek cleanup

Additional opportunities in Forest Service areas and State Parks on Saturdays and Wednesdays by arrangement with Dianne.

Equestrian Trails, Inc.

<http://www.etinational.com/>

A non-profit organization dedicated to the Acquisition and Preservation of Trails, Good Horsemanship, and Equine Legislation. For event information and helpful tips for horse owners.

HABITATWORK.ORG

Kim Clark or Tom Persons
818-353-4653

<http://www.habitatwork.org/calendar.htm>

- June 6th/7th Marijuana Camp Clean Up
Cuyama Watershed, Los Padres NF
- June 20st /21st, 2009
Invasive Species Survey - Backpack
Piedra Blanca, Sespe Wilderness, Los Padres NF
- June 27st /28st, 2009
Grassy Flat or Bust, Backpack Survey
Devil's Gate, Sespe Wilderness, Los Padres NF

Hahamongna Watershed Park Advisory Committee

<http://cityofpasadena.org/publicworks/PNR/ArroyoSeco/annex.asp>

- June 23rd at 6pm
Victory Park, 2575 Paloma St. ,Pasadena, CA

Haramokngna American Indian Cultural Center

www.haramokngna.org

- June 6th/7th and 13th /14th – Special workshop on earth pigments with Paul Campbell
- June 20th Join Haramokngna American Indian Cultural Center n the Angeles Crest Forest for a day of Music
- June 27th *Summer Solstice Star Stories – evening astronomy program-* Music, stories, hands-on activities, and an evening of astronomy with Glenn Miller
Kat at 310-455-1588, katcalls@aol.com

High Country Riders

Forest wide equestrian volunteer group that patrols trails and can pack Trash, Rubbish, Equipment, Material and Supplies etc... to your Trail or worksite.

Glen Foster 760-868-8313
or 760-508-0344

second contact is
Dave Ewbanks 909-489-5470

JPL TRAILBUILDERS

<http://www.jplhiking.org/>

Kathie Reilly 818-354-8321 (JPL)
626-798-7256 (home)

Jack Russell 562-861-3187

- June 6th National Trails day

We continued to work the Mt Lowe East Trail now that there is an opening to hike by the huge slide at Mueller Tunnel. The amount of rock that has come down is amazing. We also participated in Hal's outing for the Upper Trails Canyon Trail.

We will continue work on either the Mt Lowe West, Mt Lowe East or Colby Canyon Trails depending upon road, and tunnel conditions. The maintenance work consists of cutting back brush and trail widening.

Kathie

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

Monrovia Canyon Park

<http://www.cityofmonrovia.org/index.cfm/0/Canyon-Park-1.cfm>

- **June 27th Annual NABA Count**

The North American Butterfly Association (NABA) coordinates an annual census of the butterflies of North America (United States, Canada and partially Mexico) and publishes the results. Volunteer participants conduct a one-day census of all butterflies sighted within a designated area. Beginners and experts welcome.

If interested call (626) 256-8281 or E-mail simmer@ci.monrovia.ca.us. North American Butterfly Association requires a \$3 fee for all participants.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer call Kathleen at 626-256-8282.

Pacific Crest Trail Association (PCTA)

WWW.PCTA.org

- **June 5-7 Trail Skills College**

- **June 13 TRTA Training**

Crosscut Saw Training Beginner's Certification

From desert to glacier-flanked mountain, meadow to forest, the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) symbolizes everything there is to love - and protect - in the Western United States. Join us as we celebrate, enjoy and safeguard this unique American treasure.

Matt Maxon

"Hike to Mt Lukens spend a few hours working on Stone Cyn Trail. Most every Thursday....90° + temps cancels

Don't want to hike up there? Other work days can be arranged!

Matt Maxon

matt@mattmaxon.com"

SCENIC MT. LOWE RAILWAY

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- **June 21st - Kenvon Devore Trail**

Mt. Wilson Observatory Association

<http://www.mwoa.org/tour.html>

PO Box 70076 , Pasadena,

CA 91117-7076

- **Guided walking tours every Saturday and Sunday afternoon meet at the Pavilion at 1:00pm.**

Outward Bound – Los Angeles

<http://www.obainc.org>

The mission of Outward Bound Los Angeles is to provide nature-based education that promotes positive self-development, environmental responsibility, and outdoor career exposure for low income, at-risk, and urban youth.

Phone: 626-564-0844

E-mail: obainc.sbcglobal.net

San Bernardino National Forest Assoc.

Partner For Conservation, Education and Recreation

www.sbnfa.org Get Involved!

Volunteering is a strong part of our tradition at the National Forest Association. Through our more than 1,000 volunteers we serve more than 250,000 visitors annually. We couldn't do what we do without them.

Forest Association staff regards their volunteer peers as fellow workers and we are eager to provide you with appropriate training to make your volunteer activities at the National Forest Association rewarding. As part of the Forest Association volunteer force, you will be effectively and creatively assisting staff in development of the programs and activities through meaningful assignments

We welcome suggestions regarding new volunteer assignments. If you have a special ability or expertise that you would like to share with us, please complete the form at <http://www.sbnfa.org/getinvolved.php> and click on submit. Every effort will be made to place you in an area that matches your interest and utilizes your special creative talents

Santa Clarita Valley Trails

Advisory Committee

Meeting on a Quarterly basis at Carvalho Sports Complex Activity Center.

SAN GABRIEL TRAILBUILDERS

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We work on the first, third, and fifth Saturday of each month.

TreePeople <http://treepeople.org/>

Founded in 1973 by teenagers, TreePeople staff and volunteers continue to plant trees and restore the pollution-damaged mountains of Southern California. TreePeople has pioneered more than 200 tree-planting groups worldwide, and as one of the largest environmental educators in the U.S., TreePeople has initiated numerous large-scale public and youth education programs. The result: millions of people caring for their local environment by planting trees, recycling and preventing the pollution of stormwater.

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Volunteers of the Angeles National Forest
Wrightwood, CA
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The Great American Backyard Campout

Today, children are increasingly disconnected from nature. With that, the Great American Backyard Campout is a signature event that is part of a larger National Wildlife Federation campaign to get american families outdoors.

The Great American Backyard Campout is on June 27, 2009. But camping is something you can do year-round, and we encourage you to give it a try. Get started on planning your next camping trip today!

Camping out in the backyard or a local destination is an excellent introduction to this favorite pastime and the first step families can take to get outdoors and explore nature. They'll spend their time watching for wildlife, listening for nocturnal creatures, gazing at the stars and telling stories around the campfire or lantern.

Why is it Important to Connect with Nature?

The more time that kids and adults spend outside, the more likely they will want to protect nature and wildlife!

For more information: <http://www.nwf.org/BackyardCampout/>

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

Wednesday Hiking Club and Granada Club

• June 13 Outing

We're Korean-Americans, who love working in the National Forest. We work the 2nd Saturday of each month on maintaining the Sunset Ridge Trail, 12W18.

If you would like to join us or have any questions, please contact

Ted Kim at infocus804@yahoo.com

William S Hart UHSD of Santa Clarita ANF Crew 5130

ROP Classes for 17 students Thurs, May 14th. Students received competency certificates in many areas including: History and principles of land and resource management agencies in the US; basics in trail maintenance and construction; backcountry navigation; tactical radio communication; CPR and basic first aid. Work will continue as needed throughout the summer and fall with a crew of 7 students, with full classes resuming next spring.

If you need assistance with a work project, please contact Kevin Sarkissian at :

ksarkiss@hartdistrict.org.

Two week advance notice is requested since my kids are scattered far and wide during the summer months.

Upcoming events:

National Trails Day - Saturday, June 6th.

Elsmere and PCT work projects - TBD monthly (June-Dec)

**UPPER TRAILS CYN. TRAIL WORK MAY 16/17, 2009
BY USFS LARRD VOLUNTEERS OF SEVERAL AFFILIATIONS**

**By: Hal Winton Vol. 12
AC100 Co-RD, CTUC/NFA**

- **Tools & Safety Lecture held for all workers at Indian Ben Saddle on Saturday by Richard Nyerges with Hal Winton**
- **17 Volunteers cleared about 1.5 miles of brush, rock debris and downed trees from Indian Ben Saddle of Upper Trails Cyn. Trail towards Lightning Pt. Campground.**
- **5 of us cleared the trail of brush and debris for 0.7 miles on a 500 ft. elevation descent to the canyon stream bottom end. Kathie Reilly and Guy Kuhn from JPL, Rod Stauth and Heather Waldroup from Outdoors Club, Barbara Rowe of AMT/C.**
- **12 followed Richard Nyerges and Pamela Bailey of BCTC down to the canyon stream bottom to clear lots of old downed oaks and very heavy brush from the trail as it criss-crosses the flowing stream several times. The work was very intense and they cleared all but about 0.25 of a mile upstream to where the Camp 16 fire crew inmates had cleaned the trail almost down to the last stream crossing. Working with Richard and Pam was Mark Gage AMT/C, Michael Garcia of Outward Bound & Frank Gallegos of Beyond Basecamp plus from BCTC, Andy Hoyer, Kara Taub, Henry Fithian, Kris Weidman, Mike Makshanoff, John Raymond and George Aumman.**
- **Perhaps 0.25 miles remains to be cleared of vegetation and debris and one 16 inch diameter downed conifer to the last stream crossing before the trail ascends out of the canyon. Thanks to the Camp 16 inmate fire crews the trail is cleared and cleaned beyond there all the way to Messenger Flats and to the 3N32 trailhead at Lightning Pt. as well.**
- **Just above the last stream crossing I managed to pry off the trail with a pole a large section of previously cut, oak tree by the inmate crew, cut on both ends but not removed at the time.**
- **The Camp 16 fire fighter inmate crews and their Captain Hall (requested by Linda Winkler, Fire Patrol to perform this work) deserve a commendation for outstanding work removing the brush and clearing the trails so well.**
- **Mike Garcia and I installed wooden FS signs (built by Todd Doro CTUC host of CTUC's North Fork Station) on a good post at Indian Ben Saddle with 4 miles to Lightning Pt campground wording and another at the 3N32 trailhead near Lightning Pt with 6 miles to Tom Lucas and 10 miles to Big Tujunga Canyon.**
- **A wonderfully restorative pot luck and BBQ, music fest , group campfire with stories and joke telling helped celebrate the accomplishments of the day. The majority stayed overnight in tents and RVs. A debt of gratitude goes to CTUC chairman Terry Kaiser for hauling a 500 gallon water tank trailer up there for us to flush the toilet commodes. Terry regretted not being able to stay and work with us and missing our celebration due to having to organize a Corral 20 horse trail ride on Sunday.**
- **After a scrumptious scrambled egg s breakfast on Sunday morning put on by Richard and Pam we cleaned up the area and put the fire ring campfire dead out and most left for home. Mike Garcia , Frank Gallegos and Mr. Haung of JPL and 9 year old son Andrew carried tools into the canyon trail towards Messenger Flats. The Haung's helped me remove a double trunk tree from across the trail while Mike and Frank widened the trail and out sloped it correctly in a ravine for a hundred or more feet.**
- **One more large ravine closer to Messenger Flats needs the same work done to improve the tread from a trench cut by the inmates to a wider trail for several hundred feet. Mike said he would come back to do that work sometime later.**
- **Those volunteers for whatever reasons who decided to not come or had to cancel last minute missed out on a great piece of volunteer trail work which should help restore the Upper Trails Cyn trail back into a useful condition and missed the social and potluck and campout which was fun too.**
- **Thanks to the FS Volunteers and leaders for making this happen this far from the beaten paths. We should do more of this which Richard suggested a long time ago.**

LAARD BI-MONTHLY VOLUNTEER MEETING MINUTES

Wildwood House

By: Kathie Reilly

20-May-2009

Attendees: Terry Tanner, Guy Kuhn, Kathie Reilly, Hal Winton, Kevin Sarkissian, Howard Okamoto

National Trails Day: 8:00 am at Mt Wilson parking lot. Lunch provided by USFS. John Horton will coordinate work assignments. 2:00 Mt Wilson Institute will present their vision of the pavilion area. (Visitor Center, Food service, Amphitheater etc).

San Gabriel Canyon Super Sweep: June 13 hosted by CTUC.

Department of Transportation DVDs: Kevin told us of free publications and videos he ordered from the Department of Transportation web site, www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/rectrails/trailpub.htm. 1) Trail construction and maintenance notebook, 2) Trail Training DVD Series: DVD 1 Includes: "Handtools for Trail Work" and "An Ax to Grind." DVD 2 Includes: "Constructing Trail Switchbacks," "Basic Trail Maintenance," "Trails in Wet Areas: Turnpike and Puncheon Construction," and "Surface Water Control Techniques for Trail Maintenance." And 3) Building Mountain Bike Trails: Sustainable Singletrack (DVD).

Welcome to the Forest Service: A Guide for Volunteers: Is currently available electronically, contact Howard. Not available in hard copy format.

Upper Trails Canyon Trail: All but ¼ mile is finished. Thanks to LA County Camp 16, who did a lot of work before we worked the weekend of May 16th. Hal was very pleased with the work and there was a great pot luck/campfire/singing that night.

Mt Lowe Road -Mueller Tunnel: Forest Service is developing a closure order for this segment of the Mt Lowe Road until the tunnel and landslide issues are resolved.

Angeles Crest Highway opened today: Be careful of extra traffic

Fire danger level: May 17 went from moderate to high

Charlton Flats PA: should be open by August. Contractor is waiting for new picnic tables

Switzers PA: Recreation Site Improvement project similar to Charlton Flats PA. Expect it to be closed sometime in August.

Capital Improvement Project: High Desert National Recreation Trail and Devils Chair Trail.

Laurel Gulch/East Fork Bridge Project: May 16 foot bridge components flown in by helicopter and reassembled.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: Crews funded by this Act are on the Forest maintaining trails.

Highway 39: Environmental study being done to take it to Crystal Lake.

PCT – Little Rock Creek: Due to Mountain yellow-legged frog critical habitat, this segment of the PCT alternative routes are being explored.

Next meeting is scheduled for July 15, 2009.

Los Angeles River Ranger District
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San Fernando, CA 91342

TUNDRA by Chad Carpenter Los Angeles Times July 1, 2008 email: info@tundracomics.com



Volunteer Today

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e-mail _____

Interests

Indicate what you would like to do. Circle area or enter your interests.

Campground Host/ Visitor Information/ Smokey Bear - Fire Prevention/

Recreation Aid / Forest Patrol /Resource Management / Computers/

Research-Librarian / Office Clerical / Tour guide/ Fire Lookout/

Conservation Education / habitat restoration and tree planting

Other: _____

USDA Forest Service Los Angeles River Ranger District
National Trails Day 2009

DATE: June 6, 2009
TIME: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, Registration 8:00 – 8:30
LOCATION: Meet at Mount Wilson west parking lot

The USDA Forest Service and associated LARRD volunteer organizations will celebrate National Trails Day on June 6, 2009. The celebration will include 4-6 hours of trail work on the Mount Wilson Trail System, and a lunch at the Pavilion. This event is sponsored by the Los Angeles River Ranger District. Lunch will be served at 1:00 pm. Special Event: At 2:00 pm, Mt. Wilson Observatory Association will provide a docent for a Mt. Wilson Observatory guided tour. Plan approximately one (1) hour for the tour.

This activity is open to all volunteers, including sponsored groups. Please let David Ledford or John Horton know if you will bring your group and how many will be in your group. Those individuals who are volunteering for trail work for the first time, please identify yourself to the registrar, so we can arrange for a Trail Boss to provide instruction and proper tools. Please bring personal equipment listed below.

Personal Equipment to Wear while working:

Work gloves, work shoes, work clothes (long sleeve shirts and long pants), sun protection hat, Hard-hat (if available), personal first-aid kit including sunscreen, water (2 Qt's.), and snacks.

Directions: From 210 Fwy in La Canada, go north on Angeles Crest Hwy (CA State Rte.2). Upon reaching Clear Creek Junction (9 miles) continue on Angeles Crest Hwy to Red Box Station (4 miles). Turn right off the Angeles Crest Hwy and continue to Mt. Wilson (5 miles). Park in the west parking lot. **Allow 0.75 Hour Driving Time from the 210 Fwy.** Carpool if possible.

For Additional Information, contact one of the following:

USDA Forest Service, LA River Ranger District, Little Tujunga Ranger Station

(M-F, 8am – 4pm): Howard Okamoto
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