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Los Angeles River Ranger District Volunteer Newsletter April 2013

5 Things Volunteers Hate

- 1: "We don't need you after all." Your volunteer shows up on time and ready to help. But when she gets there, she discovers there's no work to do. Maybe you have enough help already. Maybe the task changed and you're going to do it a different way at a different time. The reason doesn't matter. The message to the volunteer is: "Not only don't we need you, we also didn't care enough about you or your time to tell you before you drove over here."
- 2: "We just need to run to the store." When the volunteer shows up to do some work, all of the materials to do the job are not yet in place. While organizers gather everything that's needed, volunteers end up standing around, waiting. The message: Volunteering with your group is a big timewaster.
- **3:** "Good night, and good luck." Being given a job to do without proper instruction or the tools to do the job properly can be very frustrating—especially if you leave your volunteer on her own to figure things out for herself. Most people won't submit to that kind of experience twice.
- **4:** "Just another hour—or so." You ask the volunteer to donate an hour of her time. But it turns out to be the great elastic hour—it stretches and stretches until the job is done. She might stick around to see things through, but she'll think twice before committing to help out again.
- **5:** "You're doing it all wrong!" It's OK to tell a volunteer when she's doing the wrong thing, but presentation matters. Be helpful rather than confrontational. Anything that sounds like "You're dumb" will cost you one volunteer—and maybe more if she tells her friends.

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One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.

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IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES

Dec 20, 1951 : page 1 Cutting Yule Trees Brings 50 Day Term

John C. Thomas, 38, mill worker of 466 S St. Louis St, East Los Angeles, will spend Christmas and 49 other days in jail because of a couple of Christmas trees.

Before Judge John A Sturgeon in Monrovia Justice Court yesterday he pleaded guilty to cutting down the two trees in Charlton flats in the Angeles National Forest, a violation of the State Penal Code. He was sentenced to pay a \$100 fine or spend 50 days in jail and went to jail.

Thomas was arrested by Patrolman Fre Tyler of the Forest Service, who found the trees in Thomas car.

Forest Supervisor William V. Mendenhall of Angeles National Forest said forest patrolmen are making regular patrols of the roads and highways in the forest to prevent cutting down Christmas trees. He said there already are to few young trees in the forest.

IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES FLASH FORWARD!

Although the U.S. Forest Service has issued suggestions for "safe holiday tree-cutting" on federal land in other parts of the country, Christmas tree chopping is prohibited in the Angeles National Forest.

U.S Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell was stated from Washington "Trees from your national forest brighten homes across the country every year," He urged people to "follow safe cutting practices" when they take out their axes in federal forests.

But that advice is not applicable for the mountains above Los Angeles.

"We don't issue permits for cutting Christmas trees," said John Wagner, a spokesman for the Angeles National Forest.

In fact, officials are on the alert for illegal tree choppers. In past years, rangers have cited tree poachers, who face \$500 fines, plus a surcharge three times the estimated value of the tree and a potential six-month jail sentence.

Gathering holly, cedar boughs and mistletoe in the national forest for commercial purposes is also a no-no.

Local forestry officials say pine trees are planted along mountain roads to prevent erosion. In arid Southern California, it takes about 25 years for a pine tree in the wild to grow to the size of a typical 8-foot Christmas tree

AC100 http://www.ac100.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS:

- 1) help at several aid stations and
- 2) medical volunteers at aid stations i.e. EMTs, First Aid, etc If you are available on August 3/4, 2013 (Sat/Sun), ease contact: ken.hamada3@gmail.com Any help will be appreciated.

If you are interested in this Forest Service activity, please contact Dennis Merkel, LARRD Recreation Staff Officer, at (818) 899-1900, ext. 229 or dcmerkel@fs.fed.us.

• Campground Hosts volunteers! Los Angeles River Ranger District is in need of volunteers to serve as campground hosts for Monte Cristo, Buckhorn, and Chilao Campgrounds. The satisfaction of helping both the National Forest and its visitors is the Campground Host's greatest reward. By their presence, Campground Hosts minimize vandalism thereby saving the taxpayer many dollars in upkeep and property damage. There is no substitute for the personal touch that makes a camper feel welcome and "at home." Campground Hosts meet visitors from all walks of life, and often fellow campers become lasting friends. Many Campground Hosts and campers return to the same campground year after year, sharing stories of new grandchildren, winter activities, and old memories.

Dear Angeles NF Volunteer:

You are invited to join with TreePeople and the US Forest Service to plant seedlings within the Station Fire burn area, to help restore burned areas that can't recover on their own. This year we will plant approximately 15,000 trees -- a mix of Jeffrey pine, Coulter pine, and Douglas-fir seedlings grown from native seeds harvested on the Angeles National Forest.

We will be planting Thursdays through Sundays (9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.), until the middle or end of April.

You'll need to pre-register for this event, so that TreePeople can coordinate crew sizes and other planting details. Follow this link to find and register for the planting day(s) that work for you:

http://www.treepeople.org/volunteer-search

Thanks for your continued help! Kathy Peterson Volunteer/Partnership Coordinator Angeles National Forest

2013 MOUNT WILSON TRAIL RACE

The Mt. Wilson Trail Race sold out today in a record 2.5 hours, and a waiting list has started which as of 3:30pm had 24 people on it. One staff member said that last year's waiting list grew to one hundred people. The race was accepting 300 runners initially.

To get the trail ready for the race, we have two remaining trail work days scheduled

• April 28 (Sunday)

• May 12 (Sunday)

We meet at 8:00A at Lizzie's Trail Inn below the trail head at the Mt. Wilson Trail, at the intersection of Mt. Wilson Trail Road and Mira Monte Avenue in Sierra Madre.

To Volunteer:
Pete Siberell Race Chair

Phone: (626) 574-6373 Fax: (626) 821-1530 Email: pete.siberell@santaanita.com

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Climb for Heroes

What is Climb for Heroes?

Climb for Heroes is a non-competitive, family friendly, day hike accessible to all fitness levels and age groups. The day has been planned so as to be a fun and successful experience for all who attend. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, all donations will go directly to The Heroes Project organizing climbs to the seven summits of the world, each with soldiers, marines and veterans. Video footage of the climbs will be used as part of advocacy and empowerment programs. Among other uses, they will be distributed to all Walter Reed, Bethesda and Naval hospitals giving hope to our returning injured vets and their loved ones. Visit www.theheroesproject.org for more information on the foundation, its focus, and other giving opportunities.

What will the Event look like?

We will depart from Manker Flats, 6177 feet, on Mt. Baldy Sunday morning, April 14th. Check in begins at 8:00 am and will continue until 10:00 am. Tender Greens restaurant will supply all participants with a quick breakfast and a sack lunch to be taken along on the hike. Camp 1 will be a mere 45 minutes to an hour from Base Camp. At Camp 1, hikers will receive a coin to be kept until their day is finished. Hikers can turn around here, or continue to Camp 2. At Camp 2 and then again at Camp 3, participants will receive coins. At any point, hikers can choose to return to Base Camp, or go for the summit. Mt. Baldy is 10,064 feet and hikers that summit will receive a gold coin. Back at Base Camp, coins will be traded for prizes and Tender Greens will once again serve delicious food. The event will end at or before sundown depending upon participants chosen camp destination.

Prepare to be inspired!

Wounded and active duty vets will climb amongst us. Children, dogs, and elderly will be participating. You can climb with friends and family, form a team, or come alone and meet other climbers at the event. If you are unable to join us, consider sponsoring a Vet for the day so that they can hike with us. Click on "Sponsor a Hero" above. Every dollar makes a difference.

For more information:!

www.climbforheroes.org

The Heroes Project is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization - Tax ID# 27-1288926



A big thank you was given to the Angeles Forest Volunteers on March 20th.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

It started with a nice meal of barbecue hamburgers and hotdogs.





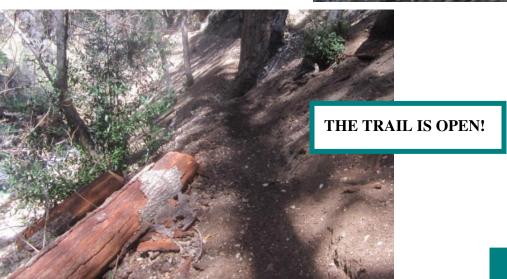


VOLUNTEERS AT WORK

On March 21, 2013, a 20-inch diameter downfall was cleared from the Gabrielino Trail (11W14) near the stream crossing 0.2 miles east of the junction with the Valley Forge Trail.

The work was performed by David Ledford (LARRD Vol 125), Hal Winton (LARRD Vol 12), Michael Craig, Andrew Austin and Dennis Merkel.





USDA Forest Service / Los Angeles River Ranger District

California Trails Day 2013

DATE: April 13 meet at 8 AM / Registration: 8 AM to 8:30 AM

LOCATION: Meet at Vogel Flat Picnic Area parking lot

EVENT: The USDA Forest Service, National Forest Foundation (NFF) and associated Los Angeles River Ranger District (LARRD) volunteer organizations will celebrate California Trails Day on April 13. The celebration will include 4-6 hours of trail work on the Big Tujunga Canyon Trail System. This event is a partnership between the volunteer groups of the US Forest Service Los Angeles River Ranger District and the NFF. We will break for lunch and a short ceremony about California Trails Day at 1:00 PM in the Vogel Flats picnic area. Activities will end at 3:30 PM. A **COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE NATIONAL FOREST FOUNDATION.**

This activity is open to all volunteers, including sponsored groups. For those 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 your personal protective 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 (can be provided if needed), Ten Essentials (include a personal First Aid kit), Water (2 quarts), high energy snacks. Be prepared to hike about a mile and work until 12:30 PM.

DIRECTIONS: From the 210 Freeway in Sunland, go north on Sunland Blvd. to Oro Vista (0.7 miles). Turn left (north) on Oro Vista, which in 0.9 mile will become Big Tujunga Canyon Road. Continue on Big Tujunga Canyon Road and drive an additional 6.6 miles to Vogel Flats Road. Turn right and drive downhill to the parking lot at the Vogel Flats Picnic Area. Allow 25 minutes driving time from the 210 Freeway. Please carpool if possible.

For Additional Information, Please Contact one of the Following:

USDA Forest Service, Los Angeles River Ranger District, Little Tujunga Ranger Station

(Daytime): Dennis Merkel, Recreation Officer

(818) 899-1900 X229 email: dmerkel@fs.fed.us

(Evenings): David Ledford, Volunteer Leader, Training (310) 373-2111 email: GDLedford@verizon.net

Additional Training Opportunities Scheduled for the Future:

May 4, Advanced Leader Training (Front Country)

June 1, National Trails Day (Basic Techniques)

Sept. 7, Advanced Leader Training (High Country)

Angeles National Forest Fire Lookout Association Training for 2013 Season

New Volunteer Training

YOU MUST ATTEND ALL THREE CLASSES, we offer them at two different times. You need to attend only one of each of the classes.

To volunteer and begin training, just show up for the first class.

No RSVP or advanced sign-up is required.

Returning volunteers, please scroll down for Reconnect Class information.

Class 1:

Class 2:

Orientation •Saturday, May 4, 10:00 am — 12:00 noon

•Thursday, May 9, 6:30 pm — 8:30 pm

Interpretation – Natural History

•Saturday, May 4, 1:00 pm — 4:00 pm

•Thursday, May 16, 6:30 pm — 9:30 pm

Class 3:

Operations

•Saturday, May 18, 9:00 am — 4:00 pm

Any questions? Please goto http://www.anffla.org/contact/.

All new volunteer classes will be held at: **Los Angeles River Ranger District Office** 12371 N. Little Tujunga Canyon Road San Fernando, CA 91342

Reconnect (for returning volunteers):

RETURNING VOLUNTEERS MUST ATTEND THIS CLASSES, we offer it at two different times. You need to attend only one of the classes.

Reconnect

•Saturday, May 11, 10:am-1:00pm •Thursday, May 23, 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Any questions? Please use our contact form @ http://www.anffla.org/contact/

Reconnect Training will be held at: Los Angeles River Ranger District Office. 12371 N. Little Tujunga Canyon Road San Fernando, CA 91342



WE NEED YOU SATURDAY, JUNE 8th, 2013 8 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

WE WILL BE CLEANING UP THE SAN GABRIEL CANYON.
SAN GABRIEL, OHV AREA, SAN GABRIEL CANYON ROAD,
HWY 39, JUST NORTH OF THE EAST FORK BRIDGE AND
NORTH OF AZUSA

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

TO VOLUNTEER AND FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

BARRY WETHERBY AT 818-957-1455 E-MAIL BHWetherby@aol.com 3700 Santa Carlotta St., La Crescenta, Ca. 91214

TERRY KAISER at 818-262-0315 E-MAIL hdconcerns@ca.rr.com

WE NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS.

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BBB #13191248

Mt. Wilson Bicycling Association

Pancake Breakfast

Hop on your bike, or plan to hike
In the rain, suck up the pain
Or full on shine, endure the climb
Whether far or near
Get your rear in gear
And meet us at

Henninger Flats!

3 miles up the Mt. Wilson Toll Road
Entrance located at 2260 Pinecrest Drive, Altadena, CA
Meet cycling legend,

Keith Bontrager!

and

LIVE Music with

WRECKINSOW

www.wrecknsow.com

Sunday, April 28, 2013 8:30 am - 11:00 am Rain or **Shine**

Breakfast and 1 raffle ticket: \$6.00

Additional raffle tickets: \$1.00 each

Buy a MWBA Membership: \$30.00 and get 40 tickets

All tickets may be purchased the day of the event.

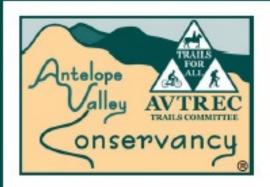
Proceeds go to improving, building and maintaining trails for everyone

Go to MWBA.ORG for more information



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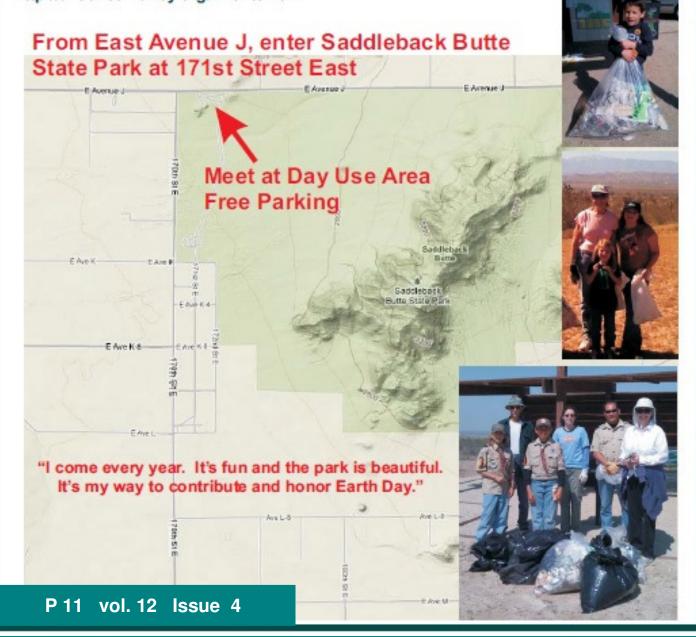
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EARTH DAY CLEANUP

SADDLEBACK BUTTE STATE PARK SATURDAY, APRIL 13, from 9 to Noon

VOLUNTEERS WANTED to hike beautiful Saddleback Butte State Park and pick up light trash as you go. Volunteers must bring work gloves that fit and a refillable water bottle, and wear sturdy shoes. RSVP to (661) 943-9000 or avconservancy@yahoo.com. Groups and Scouts welcome. For waiver forms and more information, visit http://avconservancy.org/Events.htm.



Crosscut Saw Training for A & B Certification

Thank you Jonathan Schultz for bringing this to our attention!

WHERE: Danny Rhynes Training Center

http://www.fs.usda.gov/detailfull/sbnf/home/?cid=fsbdev7_007759

WHEN: April 12-14 – one three day weekend

CONTACT:

Kristel at (909) 382-2984 to reserve a spot. Spots are filling up fast.

NOTE: If there is more people wanting to take it after the classes are full there might be another class if enough students sign up.



Requirements for Crosscut Saw Training (When not camping)

Students must provide their own:*

- Forest Service Approved Hardhat (FSH 6709.11.22.48h.1b)
- Cut resistant Gloves (FSH 6709.11.22.48h.1e)
- Long Pants (FSM 6716.03)
- Long Sleeved Shirt (FSH 6709.11.25.15b.4)
- Cut resistant (Leather) laced boots with non-skid sole, 8" high or at a minimum, fully covering the ankle bone (FSH 6709.11.22.48h.1d)
- Eve Protection (sunglasses can work) (FSH 6709.11.22.48h.1c)
- Pen/Pencil
- All necessary food, water, clothing (rain gear, etc.), 1st aide supplies, sunscreen, day pack etc. for field work
- *if a partner/volunteer, contact partner Forest to receive PPE prior to training
- **In order to be a qualified sawyer (ie-receive a card and operate without supervision) students must be current with Basic First Aid/CPR and Blood borne Pathogens
- If currently certified in 1st Aid/CPR & Blood borne Pathogens, please bring a copy of your cards
 - •If using course to re-certify Crosscut, please bring a copy of your card
 - Bring your own saw if you have a Sharp & TUNED Saw.
 - Suggested Pre-Course reading; MTDC Chainsaw/Crosscut Student Guideboo Chapters 1, 2, 5, and 6

Trail Skills College

Are you looking to learn, improve, or expand your trail maintenance skills?

Grab your boots and head to school! Trail Skills Colleges are open to new and experienced volunteers, hikers, equestrians, and outdoor personnel who would like to learn more about how to maintain their local trails!

What is the Trail Skills College?

Trail Skills Colleges aim to cultivate essential skills in trail reconstruction and maintenance through workshops and trainings that take place on the trail. Trail Skill Colleges are free, 2-3 day events offering hands on experience to all skill levels. Courses will vary by location but may include:

- Basic trail and tread maintenance
- Tread reconstruction
- Drainage design and structures
- Rock work

• Crew leadership

• Certifications (CPR, First Aid, Crosscut, Chainsaw)

Course material is derived from an official Trail Skills College curriculum:

http://www.pcta.org/help/volunteer/trail-skills-college/curriculum.asp

PCTA collaborated with many partners to develop the curriculum and worked with USFS Trails Specialist John Schubert to write the documents. Funding was made possible through a grant from REI.

Who teaches the courses?

Courses are taught by professionals and volunteer leaders who have extensive experience in the fields of recreational construction, trail maintenance, and leadership.

Where are the Trail Skills Colleges being held?

• April 19-21, 2013 Columbia Cascades Trail Skills College @ Cascade Locks, Oregon For information/registration goto:

http://www.pcta.org/trail-skills-college/columbia-cascades/information.php Registration opens on Friday, February 22, 2013.

• April 26-28, 2013 Saw Skills College @ Columbia River Gorge, Washington

A current First Aid and CPR certification is required for a saw certification to be valid. Current First Aid and CPR cards need to be on file at the PCTA Sacramento office prior to the training. After completing your online application, applicants will need to submit copies of their certification cards to the PCTA Sacramento office by email volunteer@pcta.org or mail 1331 Garden Highway, Sacramento, CA 95833.

- July 12-14, 2013 Tahoe Trail Skills College @ Prosser Reservoir, California See note below
- June 21-23, 2013 Big Bendail Skills College @ Hyatt Lake, Oregon See note below
- Fall 2013 Southern California Trail Skills College @ San Bernardino National Forest, Front country Ranger District near Cajon Pass See note below

NOTE: Planning is underway for these events! The website will be updated as additional details become available. If you would live to receive email announcements as event details become available please send your name and email address to volunteer@pcta.org.

AC100 http://www.ac100.com

By: Hal Winton and Ken Hamada

- The Race: Aug 3rd/4th
- April 13th, 7:00AM (Saturday): Trail Work: (NOTICE: This trail work day restricted to the 1st 25 who call or e-mail Hal that they are coming)

Meet at Hahamongna Park-Ball Diamond (see directions below) at 7:00AM.

Carpool to work site. (Trucks, SUVs, 4WDs up Mt Wilson Rd . to Idlehour Ckpoint parking).

Trail work will be on the Idlehour East Side trail.

• April 14th, 6:30 AM (Sunday): Training Run:

Carpool to Chilao Flats Ckpoint (Start together please)

Run 22 miles from Chilao Flats to

Chantry Flats Parking Lot

Altadena Crest Trail Restoration Working Group 626-797-7243 Monthly meetings on second Tuesday at Altadena Community Center www.altadenatrails.org

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

Antelope Valley Conservancy www.avconservancy.org avconservancy@yahoo.com

PHONE (661) 943-9000 Face book: Antelope Valley Conservancy

• APRIL 13th

19th Annual Earth Day Cleanup @ SADDLEBACK BUTTE STATE PARK

- Looking for a sustainable gift? Consider giving a Membership in Antelope Valley Conservancy. Only \$25. A gift that keeps on giving.
- •If you use Google or any other search engine, please try GoodSearch.com to help us build the Sustaining Endowment. Just type "av conservancy" as your charity and Yahoo donates a penny for each search- at no cost to you! Do it now, so you don't forget. Thank you!

ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST FIRE LOOKOUT ASSOCIATION

http://www.anffla.org

Pam Morey pammorey@fs.fed.us Forest Care Program Coordinator 909-744-9510 ext. 125



New Volunteer Training

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- May 4th Class 2 Natural History May 16th Class 2 Natural History
- May 18th Class 3 Operations

RETURNING VOLUNTEERS You need to attend only one of the classes.

- May 11th Reconnect May 23rd Reconnect
- Help rebuild Vetter Mtn Fire Lookout with a purchase of a reusable tote bag for \$5.
- Help support ANFFLA every time you shop!

Register your Ralphs Club Card and your Food4Less card and ANFFLA will receive a donation every time you shop.

It's an easy to help support our efforts and costs you nothing!

Angeles Mountain Bikers and Trail Keepers

Mark Gage mrgy33@hotmail.com

• Trail Maintenance- Gardening by the Mile not the Yard.".... Hikers and Bikers working together on trails.

We work on the trails almost every Saturday.

Our focus trails are Lower Sam Merrill, Castle Canvon and Echo Mt. Trails.

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Angeles Mountain Bike Patrol

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

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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.

Audubon Center at Debs Park

4700 North Griffin Ave.

Los Angeles, CA90031 PHONE: (323) 221-2255

Contact: http://debspark.audubon.org/email/1617/field_location_email

Calendar: http://debspark.audubon.org/events

Giving just a little bit of your time can make a big difference to the success of the Audubon Center at Debs Park. We offer many opportunities to help us bring people together to appreciate, enjoy, and protect birds and nature.

Arroyos and Foothills Conservancy http://www.arroyosfoothills.org/

John Howell, (626) 796-0782 johnrhowell@earthlink.net

Face book: Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy

• April 20th Our next habitat restoration day at the Rosemont Preserve in La Crescenta will be on Saturday, April 20th, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. We will be working on non-native plant eradication and hosting a boy scout group which will be establishing our first trail. *Rain Cancels*

Wear sturdy shoes, comfortable work clothes and garden gloves (long pants and sleeves are recommended.) If you have any of the following tools, please consider bringing them: shovels, spades, loppers, hatchets, clippers. Other tools and equipment will be provided.

The Preserve is located at the north end of Rosemont Avenue, just past the chain link fence. As street parking is limited, please park at Two Strike Park (click here for a map).

This event is free to the public. All ages are welcomed. No reservations are required.

For further information please contact RosemontFriends@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!

BEAR CANYON TRAIL CREW

Andy Hoyer abhoyer@yahoo.com 213-675-0420 2013 Schedule

• Apr 6th 2013 • May 4th 2013 • June 1st 2013

I'd like to continue working in the Bear Canyon itself continuing to try and make our way to the Trail Camp. It's best to get to these areas in the cool months so we don't have to walk so far carrying tools when it starts to get warmer. There is very little in the way of pruning to be done, mostly we'll need shovels, McLeod's, and Pulaski's or pick/mattocks. I'll bring plenty of tools and hard hats but feel free to bring your own if you have them. Please let me know if you are coming and I'll see you on the mountain!

When: Saturday Apr 6th 8:00 am to 2 pm.

Where: Angeles Crest Highway (1000 Milmada Drive, La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91011)

RSVP so we can bring enough tools and hard hats for everyone.

<u>Bring</u> your lunch & plenty of water (2 liters minimum)

Thanks again!

Andy

Big Santa Anita Canyon

http://www.bigsantaanitacanyon.com/

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- Year round, 6 am to 8 pm every day.
- The road is gated and the gate is locked at night.

Be sure to return to your car before 7:30 pm or you may not get out! During and after heavy rains, fires, or after significant earthquakes, and during fire alerts the road may be closed.

- The Sierra Madre Police Dept. is in charge of locking/unlocking the gate. If you are concerned that the road might be closed you can call them for info: 626 355-1414.
- Adams Pack Station Contact:

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 8:00 am - 5:00pm (626) 447-7356

Boy Scouts of America Los Angeles Area Council

http://www.laac-hat.org/

• Apr 13th CA Trails day

Blight Busters Trail Crew Danny Treadway dayhiker86@yahoo.com

California Trail Users Coalition (CTUC)

http://www.ctuc.info/ctuc/

• Apr 17th meeting

Come and Join Us CTUC meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 5:00 p.m. at 3550 Foothill Blvd., Glendale, CA.

Our meetings are open to everyone who wishes to participate. Volunteers have a great time working together on these types of projects. To volunteer on one of our projects, please join us by calling our Chairman, Terry Kaiser at 818-353-4682. You may also email: edwaldheim@aol.com

• CTUC MAPS The first map in our series was completed in 2005 and now, several years later, there are eight maps in print with as many as four more in the works. CTUC maps are unique in that they are not complete inventories of routes. Instead they are travel guides to the area with selected routes shown.

For more information: http://www.ctuc.info/ctuc/index.php/maps

CITY OF GLENDALE

Parks, Recreation & Community Services Dept

http://www.ci.glendale.ca.us/parks/default.aspx 818-548-2000

CITY OF GLENDALE Parks, Recreation & Community Services Dept

• April 6th 2013

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Location: Deukmejian Wilderness Park

Description: Join us for some spring time fun as we learn about nature, problem solving and team building.

Games and activities for both adults and children.

Space is limited. R.S.V.P. to reserve your spot (818) 548-3795.

• April 20th Third Saturday of the Month - Wilderness Workday

Time: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Location: Deukmejian Wilderness Park

Description: Calling all wilderness volunteers (families, students, clubs, churches, individuals) to come out and

help with our restoration efforts.

Space is limited. R.S.V.P. to (818) 548-3795.

Community Hiking Club

communityhikingclub.org

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

661-259-2743 Dianne Erskine Hellrigel email: zuliebear@aol.com

- •Interested in helping a mapping team in the Western end of the San Gabriel Mountains? We need people proficient in Map reading, using a compass, and GPS. Contact Dianne if you are interested in joining us: zuliebear@aol.com
- The Community Hiking Club is forming a new trail team. If you are interested in working on the Western, North, South portions of the San Gabriels, and would like to work during the week, or possibly a few Sundays, please contact Dianne at: zuliebear@aol.com

• April 6th Saturday, April 6- Indian Canyon

This hike is on the PCT, and is 10 miles RT with about 1500' gain. However, you CAN do as much as 18 all the way to North Fork, if you'd like. Richard will be taking you 10 miles. You will be making an uphill climb from Indian Canyon towards the North Fork Trail head. It will be all downhill coming back to Indian Canyon.

Bring at least 2 liters of water, lunch, snacks, camera, and poles will be very helpful on this hike. You will also need an Adventure Pass (available at any sports store or Ranger Station. It is \$5 for a day pass and \$30 for an annual pass. This is part of the Station Fire Burn Area, so you will see lots of fire followers, especially bush poppies, and enjoy seeing the forest recovery.

Meet at 8:00 for an 8:15 departure on the trail.

Directions: To get there, take the SR-14 to the Soledad Canyon Road off ramp (after Sand Canyon). Exit. Turn right on Soledad Canyon Road 7.4 miles until you reach Indian Canyon, on your right. Park here. (There is a Forest Service Sign, a PCT crossing, a parking lot which is slightly up the hill, and a bathroom. Look carefully for the sign and the dirt driveway. **Leade**: Richard **Rated**: Strenuous

• April 13th Saturday, April 13-Vasquez Rocks and beyond

Explore the other Vasquez.. .hike the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) to the animal corridor under the 14 Fwy and beyond for about a mile. Then return the way you came but then continue up a cliff to hike a less visited portion of Vasquez Rocks. We will have lunch at the old homestead ruins before we return to the parking lot. It is approximately 7 miles total with more up and down than you would expect.

Meet in the 1st parking lot by the main rock at 8:00 AM for an 8:15 departure at the trail head.

Bring: camera, snacks, lunch, lots of water. Dress in layers as the weather can be unpredictable, and change rapidly! Wear shoes with good tread as wet areas on rocks can be slippery. Hiking poles are helpful. 10700 W. Escondido Canyon Road, Agua Dulce

Phone: (661) 268-0840

Directions: From Los Angeles, take the I-5 northbound to the Antelope Valley Freeway, the 14 east. You will drive about 25 minutes and will see the Vasquez Rocks off to the left-hand side of the freeway. Exit right at Agua Dulce Canyon Road and turn left, and you will drive under the freeway and across the Sierra Pacific Railroad and wind uphill until you reach Escondido Canyon Road. Make a right turn and you will see the park off to your right and will be right in front of it, as you enter from Escondido Canyon Road. There is no park fee!

Meet at 8:00 for an 8:15 departure from the trail head.

Leader: Angela **Rated**: Easy +++ (a few moderate moments)

• April 14th Climb for Heroes

-Bring your friends and family to Climb for Heroes on April 14th. We are raising money for The Heroes Project, a 501c3 foundation that support injured veterans and organizes climbs to the seven summits of the world. Fun, fit and philanthropy for the whole family

. For more information go to: www.climbforheroes.org

Community Hiking Club cont

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

• April 20th -Golden Valley Open Space

More than 900 acres of chaparral/oak woodland have been preserved along one of the most prominent ridgelines in the Santa Clarita Valley. After making the steep ascent to the ridgeline, trail users will be rewarded with the rolling terrain and sweeping panoramas from the Placerita Trail. Several lookout points located along the trail provide exceptional viewing and rest opportunities. Horse Peak, at 2,391 feet above sea level, lies just south of the trail and is the highest point in Santa Clarita. We can also take a longer, more challenging route along the Nadeau Trail that drops you down into the future residential community of Golden Valley Ranch. We will do all of these trails, and beginners will have the opportunity to leave as we pass the entry trail a second time.

Meet at 8:00 for an 8:15 departure

View the link below for a map of the trail(s).

http://hikesantaclarita.com/where-to-go/golden-valley-ranch/

Directions to trailhead: From the I-5, take the SR-14 to Placerita Canyon Road. Exit. Turn right. Go about 4 miles into the canyon (about 2 miles past Placerita Natural Area). Continue just past the Walker Ranch Trail Head, which you will see on your right. On your LEFT, look for an open gate and a sign that says, "Golden Valley Ranch Open Space". You can park beyond the gate in the parking lot or immediately outside the gate on the dirt beside the road. Look for the American flag to locate your hike leader.

Leader: Lise Meyers Rated: Easy ++

• April 20th/21st Backpacking trip in the Los Padres National Forest.

Our destination, the Sespe Creek near Fillmore. This is a wonderful setting, with sandy beaches, house size boulders, cascades, jumping fish, croaking frogs and everything else you could wish for in a stream-side setting.

This great hike takes you deep into the remote Los Padres National Forest. The trail traverses canyons, creeks and the mountain vistas are quite spectacular.

This is a challenging hike with a moderate to difficult rating. It is 6 miles each day backpack trip with 1400 feet gain/loss. Elevation ranges from 2600 to 1200 feet. Not advisable for beginners.

This is a primitive camping experience. You must provide everything you will need for 2 days. There will be creek water available near camp. BRING A WATER FILTER.

We will meet at 7AM Saturday in Santa Clarita and be at the trail-head at about 8AM.

We will have plenty of time to explore and/or relax after we get to Camp. There is about a 1 hour drive to the trail head. Maps will be provided and we will help coordinate carpooling.

• April 27th -Switzer Falls Hike 1

Distance: 5 miles with 800' evaluation gain (Hike 1)

Difficulty: Easy to Moderate **Hiking Time**: 3-4 hours

Meet at trailhead by 07:30 AM, Adventure Parking Pass required

or meet at Towsley Cyn to carpool at 6:15 AM

Description: The hike starts at Switzer Picnic Area. From the parking lot the trail passes a few restrooms and heads down to Switzer Falls. Just pass the 50' water fall we climb down into the Arroyo Seco, a scenic treasure. Once inside the canyon the stream is lined with oaks and alder, with water cascading over granite into mirror-like pools. There will be stream crossings that could require easy boulder-hopping. Just before Bear Canyon, Hike 1 and Hike 2 will separate. Linda will lead the Easy Hikers back to the parking lot. Dave will lead the more adventurous hikers into the rugged and very isolated Bear Canyon. (See below)

Leader: Hike 1-Linda **Rated**: Hike 1-Easy ++

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

• April 27th -Switzer Falls Hike 2 Same Location & Same Time as Switzer Falls Hike 1

Distance: 8-9 Miles with 1200' evaluation gain **Difficulty**: Moderate+ with Difficulty factor

Hiking Time: 7-8 Hours

Hike 2 Description: Same as above but we will continue up Bear Canyon to Bear Canyon Trail Camp. Rugged Bear Canyon is spectacularly wild, steep walled canyon, isolated and very peaceful. Wear lug-soled boots, the trail is in poor shape and you will need to scramble, cross the creek, and boulder-hop. There are two washouts on the trail we will need to cross that are about 75' above the canyon floor. Other than the occasional scramble up and down to the creek, the trail keeps a pretty level elevation. Bear Canyon Trail Camp is surprisingly remote and surprisingly large. Because of the isolation, this area is teaming with wildlife. On the trips we have taken on this trail we have seen deer, bear, and Dave once caught a fish! More tall tales to be told on the trip! On our way out and if you are up to it we can check out the trail to the base of the falls. If you're careful, you can scramble up a use trail which will get you to a deep swimming hole. If you keep climbing up a bit farther, you can make it to an even more secluded and larger canyon swimming hole, with more water streaming down the side.

Directions to trailhead: Take 5 South to the 210 Frwy. Exit on the Angeles Crest Hwy (2 north). Take the Angeles Crest Hwy 10 1/2 miles to a turn off to the picnic area. The turn off is 1/2 mile past the intersection of the Angeles Crest Hwy and the Angeles Forest Hwy. There will be a sign indicating the Switzer Falls Picnic Area. Turn right and descend 1/4 mile to the parking area. Parking lot is almost always overcrowded, so carpooling is recommended.

For those wishing to carpool please meet me at Towsley Canyon front parking lot at 06:15 to carpool at 06:30 AM. We will work out the carpool details at that time.

Bring water, snacks, lunch, camera, and good boots with lots of traction. Hiking poles are helpful.

Leader: Hike 2-Dave **Rated:** Hike 2-Moderate with several difficult factors

Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Association (CORBA)

PHONE: (818) 773-3555

FACE BOOK: http://www.facebook.com/CORBAMTB

http://corbamtb.com/

For schedule goto: http://corbamtb.com/Calendar/index.shtml

• April 1st The Conejo Open Space Trails Advisory Council meets the first Monday of the month to discuss Conejo Open Space Conservation Agency trails issue. The public is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Nicole Tindell, 805-495-0545.

The Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Association (CORBA) is an all-volunteer non-profit organization serving the mountain bicycling community of Los Angeles and its surrounding areas including southern Ventura County.

We are dedicated to preserving open space, maintaining public access to public lands, and creating more trail opportunities for all to enjoy. We are a chapter of the International Mountain Bicycling Association.

• April 7 Wenches With Wrenches

With the help of Matt Lay at Pasadena Cyclery and the enthusiasm of the fabulous Jenny Johnson and Sue Lafferty, we are going to start a new series of events: **Wenches with Wrenches!**

• April 22nd Monthly CORBA Board of Directors meeting. All are welcome

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

Crescenta Valley Trail Crew aka CV Trail Crew

Karen Buehler 818-363-6216 karen.buehler2@gmail.com Face book: http://www.facebook.com/#!/cvtrail.crew

- April 4th/18th Crescenta View Trail Restoration in Angeles National Forest (Mt Lukens area)
- April 12th/26th Trail Maintenance at Deukmejian Wilderness Park

Crescenta Valley Trail Crew has been restoring trails in 2009 Station Fire Area in Deukmejian Wilderness Park. Now that restoration in complete in Deukmejian, we are working in the Forest to complete the 10 mile loop from Deukmejian Wilderness Park to Mount Lukens.

Friends of El Prieto Trail

bannermoffat@earthlink.net

An organized group of individual working on improving the trail to pre fire condition. If interested in assisting, please contact Banner Moffat by e-mail.

- - Banner Moffat

HABITAT WORKS http://www.habitatwork.org

Kim Clark or Tom Persons 818-353-4653

Habitat Works - Volunteers Improving Wildlife Habitat

Haramokngna American Indian Cultural Center

www.haramokngna.org

• April 13th, 2013 Haramokngna Spring opening

Come celebrate our spring opening starting at 11:00 am.

Live Music, Food, Arts & Crafts

ullet April 14th - Everything elderberry – Kat High

11 – 4 \$10 or culture club membership + materials costs

- Stop by our Center any weekend from 10am 4pm. We are happy to answer any questions about Native American culture, the Angeles National Forest, hiking trails, camping, etc. We have ample parking out front.
- **Volunteers** As a cultural, environmental and arts organization, Haramokngna American Indian Cultural Center shares the flavor of Native American history, culture, traditions and arts with the Los Angeles community. We are always looking for energetic individuals ready to represent the Cultural Center during special events and regular office hours.
- Check the Pukuu's Amazon Store http://astore.amazon.com/pukucultcomms-20 When you order items thru our store, A percentage is donated to our center. THANK-YOU
- •We are open Sat & Sun from 10-4, and by appointment for groups during the week. We now have an answering machine (if the electricity is working) at the Center 663-449-8975.
- •The US Forest Service requires all parked cars in the Angeles National Forest (including at Haramokngna) to display a parking pass.

Passes can be purchased at our Visitor's Center for \$5.

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

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.

Contacts: Jonathan Schultz 951-830-3400 maujds@earthlink.net

Forest Certified Animal Packer,

Master Teacher for "LNT Chainsaw & Crosscut Saw Certified Volunteer.

Glen Foster 760-868-8313 or 760-508-0344 **Dave Ewbanks** 909-489-5470

JPL TRAILBUILDERS

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

Jack Russell 562-861-3187

• April 13th • April 27th Outing

Meet at 8:15 AM at ball diamonds parking lot in the lower part of Hahamongna Park.

WHAT HAPPENED: We completed maintenance on the Dark Canyon Trail, a trail in the lower elevations when there was lots of snow farther up the mountains. It was nice to work on a trail that had some trees.

We also went to work the Link Trail between Mt Lowe East and West Trails near Mt Lowe Campground. The higher end was covered with snow, so went to work the lower end but the Mt Lowe East Trail portion that leads to it was almost grown shut with poodle dog. Between trimming it, then trying to dig out the roots, it makes for slow progress, but a great feeling of accomplishment.

Matt Maxon

matt@mattmaxon.com

Continuing to work on the Stone Cyn Trail. No set schedule. Hope to get out for 1 day at least, every month. I'm very flexible If you want to come out contact me and we'll work something out. Brush clearance top down is my main focus right now, but there is plenty of tread that needs work, switch backs that need to be rebuilt, and 2 slide areas / washouts that need something done with them.

Mt Disappointment 50K Conservation Group

www.mtdisappointment50k.com Gary Hilliard, Director

- Mt Disappointment Endurance Race will be July 13, 2013.
- •Trail work will be:

April 20, 2013 - Silver Moccasin

May 04, 2013 - Kenyon Devore

June 01, 2013 – National Trail Day (Kenyon Devore)

Trail-work meeting place: (Meeting time is 7:00am for 2013)

Directions: From the 210 Freeway exit at Angeles Crest Hwy (CA-2) and go North 0.1 miles.

Pull into the frontage road on the East side (right side) of Hwy 2 and park facing South, away from the residences.

You MUST e-mail Gary at gary@mtdisappointment50k.com during the week before the trail-work day so we have enough tools!!

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Mount Wilson Bicycling Association

Ray Herrera http://mwba.org/

GO HERE TO BECOME A MEMBER:

https://www.imba.com/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=124

• April 28th - MWBA's 2013 Pancake Breakfast

Mix and mingle with everyone! Join your fellow hikers, bikers and equestrians at Henninger Flats on April 28.

Chow down on a plate of pancakes and engage in dialogue with the other trail-users. Let's discuss how we maintain a positive relationship between the various trail user groups.

Don't forget about the legendary raffle, enter to win some awesome schwag!

All walks of life welcome! Details: Sunday, April 28, 2013, 8:30 am – 11:00 am Rain or Shine

Breakfast and 1 raffle ticket: \$6.00 Additional raffle tickets: \$1.00 each

Buy a MWBA Membership: \$30.00 and get 40 tickets

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

Mount Wilson Race

http://www.mountwilsontrailrace.com/MWTR/HOME.

•April 28th trail work day •May 12th trail work day •May 25th RACE IS ON!

The Mt. Wilson Trail Race is sold out. We have a large waiting list as well. Information about the race can be found at www.mountwilsontrailrace.com.

To get the trail ready for the race, we have two trail work days scheduled (all Sundays):

We meet at 8:00A at Lizzie's Trail Inn below the trail head at the Mt. Wilson Trail, at the intersection of Mt. Wilson Trail Road and Mira Monte Avenue in Sierra Madre.

Pete Siberell

Chair, Mt. Wilson Trail Race

Mount Wilson Institute

P. O. Box 1909, Atlanta, Georgia 30301-1909

(404) 413-5484

http://www.mtwilson.edu/

Cosmic Cafe (626) 440-9018

- April 6th Cosmic Cafe reopens for the 2013 season. Please note that we will NOT be open on Fridays this year, but we're excited to see you on Saturdays and Sundays and some holidays 10am-4pm. Looking forward to it!
 - For directions or more information please visit www.mtwilson.edu
 - The USFS requires that all parked vehicles display an Adventure Pass.
 - •The Cosmic Cafe sells the Adventure Pass during our operating hours.
 - •A day pass is \$5.00 and an annual pass is \$30.00
 - •There is a guided walking tour every Saturday and Sunday (from April 1st November 30th) at 1pm, tickets are sold at the Cosmic Cafe and are \$10.00 for adults and \$8.00 for kids and seniors.

Support Mount Wilson Observatory

We Need Your Help - Mount Wilson Observatory is privately owned and receives no continuing state or federal support. You can help ensure the continued operation of this science heritage site with your tax deductible gift in one of two ways:

- **1 Join our Friends of Mount Wilson Observatory organization** to receive a variety of member benefits and stay informed on the latest scientific and other activities from the mountain.
- **2** Contribute to our Second Century Campaign. As Mount Wilson continues into its second century, a capital campaign is being developed to preserve this great observatory for future generations.
- **3** Be a Docent Tour Guide We welcome applications from individuals interested in participating as Docents in our very active guided tour programs.

For application information go to: http://www.mtwilson.edu/docents.php.

Pacific Crest Trail Association

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

http://www.pcta.org

FACE BOOK: http://www.facebook.com/#!/PCTAFan

Liz Bergeron lbergeron@pcta.org

Sacramento, CA Phone: (916) 285-1846 x 2

- April 13th 2013 Annual Meeting Every year we gather with our members and share how your gifts and volunteer work made a difference to the trail. We summarize the state of the trail and the organization while also looking towards the future.
- April 19-21, 2013 Columbia Cascades Trail Skills College
- April 26-28, 2013 Saw Skills College
- Join us! The Pacific Crest Trail is more than a trail from Mexico to Canada. It is a community that stretches around the world.

 Come out and play.

http://www.pcta.org/get-involved/

Play in the dirt, Meet new people, Sleep under the stars.

Pacific Crest Trail maintenance volunteers are needed throughout California, Oregon, and Washington to help repair erosion problems, clear fallen trees, and remove encroaching brush. Help make the hiking and equestrian experience a better one now and for future generations.

Volunteers can head out for the day, a weekend, or longer with car and backcountry camping options available. There are no fees to volunteer and meals are included at our overnight events. Prior trail maintenance skills are not needed on most projects, experienced crew leaders are there to teach you the skills needed. To learn more contact Merrit Hoeh at (916) 285-1838, **volunteer@pcta.org** Or check out the volunteer schedule at www.pcta.org. Have an adventure of a lifetime by volunteering on the Pacific Crest Trail!

• Jan 1st - Dec 30th. 'Fannypack' Projects [FALC]. SBNF, ANF, CNF, and BLM.

Swat teams to inventory trail, clear trees and boulders, and repair slides on short notice. Open to qualified volunteers.

Contact: Pete Fish, Email: pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net, Tel.: 805-658-6540 or: John Hachey Email: goaliejhachey@msn.com, Tel.: 909-605-3219.

SAN GABRIEL TRAILBUILDERS

http://www.sgmtrailbuilders.org

Helen Oakley: 626-792-4573

Ben White: 626-303-1078 ben@sgmtrailbuilders.org

We work on the first, third, and fifth Saturday of each month Trail working volunteers may join the San Gabriel Mountains Trailbuilders in the continued restoration process for trails in and around Crystal Lake and if you would like to volunteer your time, please send e-mail to volfeedback@crystallake.name I will let you know when, where, and what you need to know to join us.

MEETING LOCATION

: San Gabriel Canyon Gateway Center, 1950 North San Gabriel Canyon

SCENIC MT. LOWE RAILWAY

http://www.mtlowe.co

Brian Marcroft 562-868-8919 E-mail: Emworks@verizon.net

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

Sierra Club

www.angeles.sierraclub.org/pasadena/

Sierra Club-Pasadena Group P.O. Box 94086 Pasadena, CA. 91109-4086 (626) 791-7660

For more calendar details go to http://www.angeles.sierraclub.org/pasadena/outings_3mos.html#apr

• April 3rd 7:30 pm Pasadena

Monthly meeting: Former Angeles Chapter Chair and mountaineering leader Virgil Shields presents "Tour du Mont Blanc: a 90 mile stroll through France, Switzerland and Italy". Virgil and his wife completed one of the most popular long distance walks in Europe, which circumnavigates around 4800+ meter Mont Blanc, the highest peak in western Europe. Information on Group's hikes, outings, and conservation activities. Newcomers always welcome. Doors open for social time at 7 pm Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N Altadena Dr in NE Pasadena. For information contact Membership Chair: Elizabeth Pomeroy For information contact Membership Chair: Elizabeth Pomeroy ewpomeroy@sbcglobal.net

- April 4th/11th/18th/25th Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike
- April 6th Mt. Zion Loop from Chantry Flat
- April 6th Greene and Greene Southeast Pasadena Walking Tour
- April 10th/24th Evening in the Arroyo
- April 11th Spring in the Arroyo
- April 20th Hahamongna Update
- April 21st Muir Pk (4688') Rendezvous Hikes
- April 28th 24th Annual Beginning Backpacking Class in the Redwoods
- May 1st 7:30 pm Pasadena

Monthly Meeting: Program by Tom Politeo on Harbor Vision Task Force. Information on Group's hikes, outings, and conservation activities. Newcomers always welcome. 7 pm at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N Altadena Dr in NE Pasadena. For information **contact Membership Chair: Elizabeth Pomeroy 626-791-7660 ewpomeroy@sbcglobal.net**

Tree People http://www.treepeople.org

12601 Mulholland Drive

Beverly Hills, CA 90210 Telephone (818) 753-4600

FACEBOOK: Tree People

For more calendar details go to: http://www.treepeople.org/calendar/2013-04

- Angeles Forest Restoration April 4th-7th/11th-14th/18th-21st/25th-28th
- Campus Planting April 20th
- Branching Out Community Tree Walk April 21st
- Park work day April 4th/11th/13th/18th/25th
- Park tree care April 6th
- Santa Monica Mountains Restoration April 6th/13th/20th/27th
- Street-Commercial Planting April 27th

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MOUNTAINS FOUNDATION

http://mountainsfoundation.org/

Sarah Miggins smiggins@fs.fed.us 909-382-2796 602 South Tippecanoe, San Bernardino, California 92408

VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

Volunteer Become a Discovery Center Volunteer!

If you enjoy the forest and would like to help visitors learn about our local mountains, then the Discovery Center has a volunteer opportunity for you! You'll be joining over 100 other volunteers who enjoy meeting Discovery Center visitors and helping them get the information they're looking for such as where to hike, camp, picnic, go off roading, etc. Help families and students learn about the forest through our naturalist table, nature walks and school programs. You'll have a chance to visit with people from all over the world. Volunteers are asked to donate 8 hours of their time a month, or more if they want to.

We need volunteers to help with a variety of jobs, including:

Greeters

•Information Specialists

Naturalist

- •Gift Store Assistants
- •Nature Walk Guides
- •School and scout program leaders
- •Weekend activities assistants, such as gold panning, animal tracking and nature crafts
- •Assist with special event, including concerts and festivals

We teach you everything you'll need to know!

If you are interested in one of the following positions or would like to attend an orientation session please contact:

Wendy Craig

Big Bear Discovery Center Volunteer Coordinator (909) 382-2843

wcraig@mountainsfoundation.org

Volunteers of the Angeles National Forest

Wrightwood, CA http://www.grassyhollow.net

Visitor Center Phone #: (626) 821-6737 Loren Lake lorenll@verizon.net

The Grassy Hollow Visitor Center and Grounds are open for day-use only

Hours: Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Weekdays- for school groups, youth organizations, etc. By Appointment

William S Hart UHSD of Santa Clarita ANF Crew 5130

Kevin Sarkissian 661.250.0022 X 552

ksarkiss@hartdistrict.org

William S Hart's Regional Occupation Training Program will continue offering "Outdoor Recreation and Wilderness Conservation" as a joint training venture



between WS Hart Union High School District, the USFS, PCTA, and MRCA. In addition to high school credit, the student participants may be offered paid work experience while gaining practical exposure to land management practices and career pathways related to work in the great outdoors including; trail maintenance and construction; wildlife identification and conservation; backcountry navigation; environmental stewardship; wilderness first aid; and much more!

For more information, contact Kevin Sarkissian

at: ksarkiss@hartdistrict.org 661.250.0022 X 552

or visit us on the web at: www.hartrop.com/forestry.

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Los Angeles River Ranger District 12371 North Little Tujunga Canyon Road San Fernando, CA 91342

TUNDRA by Chad Carpenter, Los Angeles Times April 5, 2010 email: info@tundracomics.com



Volunteer Today Send this in Right Away to

Dennis Merkel —12371 N. Little Tujunga Canyon Rd

San Fernando, CA 91342

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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 restaration and tree planting

Conservation Education / habitat restoration and tree planting Other:

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