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## Los Angeles River Ranger District Volunteer Newsletter October 2014



### Getting to Know the USFS (First in a Series of Articles)



**The United States Forest Service (USFS)** is an agency of the US Department of Agriculture that administers the nation's 155 national forests and 20 national grasslands encompassing 193 million acres. Major divisions of the agency include the National Forest System, State and Private Forestry, and the Research and Development branch.

In 1876, Congress created the office of Special Agent in the Department of Agriculture to assess the quality and conditions of forests in the United States. In 1881, the office was expanded into the newly formed Division of Forestry. The Forest Reserve Act of 1891 authorized withdrawing land from the public domain as "forest reserves," managed by the Department of the Interior. In 1901, the Division of Forestry was renamed the Bureau of Forestry. The Transfer Act of 1905 transferred the management of forest reserves from the General Land Office of the Interior Department to the Bureau of Forestry, henceforth known as the United States Forest Service. Gifford Pinchot was the first Chief Forester of the United States Forest Service in the administration of President Theodore Roosevelt.



The Forest Service has a total budget authority of \$5.5 billion, of which 42% is spent fighting fires. The Forest Service employs 34,250 employees in 750 locations, including 10,050 firefighters, 740 law enforcement personnel, 500 scientists and others.

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**Management is a position that is granted;  
Leadership is a status that is earned**

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## Getting to Know the USFS (cont)

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." Its motto is "Caring for the land and serving people." As the lead federal agency in natural resource conservation, the US Forest Service provides leadership in the protection, management, and use of the nation's forest, rangeland, and aquatic ecosystems. The agency's ecosystem approach to management integrates ecological, economic, and social factors to maintain and enhance the quality of the environment to meet current and future needs. Through implementation of land and resource management plans, the agency ensures sustainable ecosystems by restoring and maintaining species diversity and ecological productivity that helps provide recreation, water, timber, minerals, fish, wildlife, wilderness, and aesthetic values for current and future generations of people.

The everyday work of the Forest Service balances resource extraction, resource protection, and providing recreation. The work includes managing 193,000,000 acres of national forest and grasslands, including 59,000,000 acres of roadless areas; 14,077 recreation sites; 143,346 miles of trails; 374,883 miles of roads; and the harvesting of 1.5 billion trees per year. Furthermore, the Forest Service fought fires on close to 3,000,000 acres of land last year.



The Forest Service organization includes ranger districts, national forests, regions, research stations and research work units and the Office for State and Private Forestry. Each level has responsibility for a variety of functions.

The Chief of the Forest Service is a career federal employee who oversees the entire agency. The Chief reports to the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment in the US Department of Agriculture (USDA), an appointee of the President confirmed by the Senate. The Chief's staff provides broad policy and direction for the agency, works with the Administration to develop a budget to submit to Congress, provides information to Congress on accomplishments, and monitors activities of the agency. There are five deputy chiefs for the following areas: National Forest System, State and Private Forestry, Research and Development, Business Operations, and Finance.



## Gabrielino Trail Help

The Gabrielino Trail from Red Box to West Fork has been worked by volunteer crews in the past and is on the list for future trail work. Bear in mind we have over 375 miles of trails in the Los Angeles River Ranger District alone and the majority were damaged or destroyed by the Station Fire so it will be a long time before all trails are restored to a degree considered adequate. Some of the damage is so extensive that contractors have been hired to help restore the trails and in fact a project will begin on the Strawberry Peak/Colby Canyon Trail the first of next month to restore the washed-out areas. Forest Service partners such as the National Forest Foundation and Friends of the Forest are actively participating in restoration efforts. The Gabrielino Trail has had several Boy Scout Troops as well as other volunteer groups provide maintenance. We are always looking for more volunteers to assist throughout the District. If you know of anyone interested, please contact me.

Thanks,  
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### Switzer-Lands Rustic Setting Its Chief Charm

Only thirteen miles from Pasadena, nine miles up the picturesque Arroyo Seco auto road and four miles by trail through scenery rarely surpassed for rugged grandeur, Switzer-Land is in the heart of an Alpine-like region as unspoiled as it was the day Commodore Perry Switzer first pitched his camp there forty-five years ago.

The quaint rock chapel perched high on the canyon is perhaps the most distinct impression of beauty left by a visit to Switzer-land. The rustic cabins on the brink of the Arroyo Seco Gorge just above the falls and the shady rock-terraced camp, are also long remembered.

A veritable network of trails extends in all directions and bids the hiking enthusiast to explore. Guests at Switzer-Land are never lacking in something to do. A regular program of special entertainments in addition to the dancing is featured every Saturday night and services are held in the chapel every Sunday morning.



## IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES FLASH FORWARD!

• The first tourist resort built in the San Gabriels boasted one of the most incredible -- and precarious -- sights in Southern California: the Christ Chapel. Lloyd B. Austin, Switzer-land owner and former educational director of the Los Angeles Y.M.C.A., spearheaded the bold development of this house of worship in the Arroyo Seco Canyon. Dedicated in June 1924, the resort chapel was erected on a cliff 200-feet above Switzer Falls. According to John Robinson's "The San Gabriels," the building was designed by Arthur B. Benton, architect behind Riverside's Mission Inn, and featured an iron bell, reed organ, and stained glass windows -- all hauled up the canyon trail by hand. The chapel amphitheater seated 200 and, outside of Sunday morning services, was well-used for weddings and youth retreats.

Evidence of Austin's tenacity stretched beyond the successful completion of his iconic cliff-side chapel. During his 24-year tenure as proprietor, Switzer-land was transformed from a financially struggling camp -- founded by Los Angeles carpenter Commodore Perry Switzer in 1884 -- into the one of the most thriving resorts in the mountain range. A brochure boasted a ten-mile trip from Pasadena along the "Trail of a Thousand Wonders" that guests would undertake through the Arroyo Seco. At the end of their burro train, eager travelers could retreat into their cabins or enjoy an open air dance floor, a croquet, and tennis court, and a library. Austin and his wife, Bertha, lived among their guests in the canyon until their retirement in 1936.

Following the construction of the Brown Canyon Debris Dam below the resort property in 1943, Switzer-land was torn down. Today, a public campground occupies the land, and only scattered remnants of the chapel's stone constitution mark the site of Austin's crowning achievement.

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO:

<http://www.kcet.org/socal/departures/san-gabriel-river/peering-into-the-chasm-vanished-canyon-resorts-of-la.html>

# Los Angeles River Ranger District (LARRD) Volunteer Meeting Minutes September 17, 2014 Arcadia By Kathie Reilly

Our newsletter is on the Mt Lowe website -- [mtlowe.net](http://mtlowe.net)

## Organization Reports:

- California Trail Users Coalition (CTUC), (Hal): they discussed North Fork Station, then long discussion there and at this meeting on the San Gabriel Monument (previously National Recreation Area) proposal, opinions voiced on both sides
- Angeles Mountain Bikers and Trail Keepers, Mark: Los Flores Water Company is removing a rusted pipe from Lower Merrill Trail. Mark will work on removing graffiti with Elmer's Glue
- Angeles Mountain Bike Patrol (CORBA), Robin, Mike, Steve: absent
- JPL Trailbuilders, Kathie: working San Gabriel Peak from saddle, lots of scrub oak to trim.
- Angeles National Forest Fire Lookout Association: Vetter absent
- Arroyo Seco Canyon, Tom and Patty: absent. Work in Gould campground area.
- Angeles Forest 50 K Race: (Hal) race was cancelled by Erik, Gary will bring this back next year
- Terry Tanner: absent (Dennis) cleaning camp sites from Charlton to Buckhorn. Supporting an Eagle project on PCT
- Scenic Mt Lowe Committee, Brian: will start up again in 3 weeks putting back signs. Contractor did some clean-up at Echo Mt.
- Boy Scouts of America, David: cleared down trees at Three Points. Work being done on PCT at Cooper Canyon, fall Trail Boss training was on PCT. Eagle projects on Natures Canteen Trail and Valley Forge Campground.
- William Hart Trails, Kevin: absent, nothing until spring
- Angeles Crest 100 Mile Endurance Run, Hal: introduced Jean new co-chair. Best race yet. CHP pressing them to reduce car presence on Rt 2, so will try to keep it to 1 car per runner next year. After the rain season starts, volunteers will get a chain saw class that qualifies us for tree removal on trails
- Bear Canyon: absent
- Tree People: absent.
- Sierra Club, Don: working Rim Trail from Mt Wilson to Newcomb Pass. Program Sept 24 at Eaton Canyon celebrating 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Wilderness Act. Don is on the Hahamongna board deciding what to with the west side.
- MIS Hermanos Pequenitos (My Little Brothers), Andreas: removing graffiti at Buckhorn, what method used (water pressure, scraping, etc.) depends upon where is the graffiti
- Harmokngna American Indian Cultural Center at Red Box: absent
- Mt Wilson Bicycling Association (MWBA), Mitch: Pancake breakfast Nov 16 at Farnsworth Park (moved from Henninger Flats where no water), flyer in newsletter. Working Sunset Trail. Replaced trail courtesy signs on Sunset and El Prieto Trails.
- Restoration Legacy Trail Crew (formerly Grizzly Flat Trail Crew), Brenda: still 5 more trees need chain saw removal on Grizzly Flats. Opened Natures Canteen. Removed graffiti at Geoge's Gap.
- Crescenta Valley Trail Crew, Karen: absent
- Arroyo Seco Foundation ([arroyoseco.org](http://arroyoseco.org)), Rebecca: performing invasive management in Arroyo Seco watershed. On Gabrielino, removing some structures north of JPL. Mapping new beetle infestation -- Polyphagus Shot Hole Borer. Will restore the nursery at Oak Grove. Concern over the catch dams being full of silt.

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## Organization Reports:

- Chantry Flats, Dave: Looking for volunteers at USFS/BLM/Fire-crew LA County Fair display that is huge. Talk to Andy for parking pass, wear uniform, hours 8-2 or 2-8. Fire crew from Little T did 2 weeks of great work at Chantry. Parking is better since school started. Sturtevant has little water. Visitor Center needs to be noted as **open**. See Dave about better batteries for Bendix radios.
- National Forest Foundation, Edward: National Public Lands Day is Sep 27, staging at Wildwood to remove Spanish Broom from Stonyvale. Flyer was sent out by Dennis.
- Adventurerider.com, Joel: they are a group that rides motorcycles and want to give back to the forest, looking at Santa Clarita Divide where there are 1200 dead trees. Dennis said the tree removal will be contracted out, and open in the spring. He will help them find another project.

## USFS Dennis:

- LA Conservation Corps will be working Gabrielino Trail above JPL
- California Conservation Corps is working on several special projects in the LARRD
- Volunteer T-shirts will be ordered after first of fiscal year
- Eaton Canyon closed above the falls. Canyoneers volunteer group removed graffiti and trash
- Dagger Flat Trail has reopened thanks to work by the Community Hiking Club
- Smokey had a birthday - he is 70 years old
- A new phone app called "Agents of Nature" has been set-up at Chilao. It is geared towards kids, encouraging them to get outdoors and learn by finding certain spots and earning points
- Several ongoing Eagle Scout projects in the LARRD

Next LARRD Volunteer Meeting will be held Wednesday 19 November, 7:00pm  
at the Forest Supervisor's Office in Arcadia

## Are you a friend of Smokey Bear?

Well, then wish him a Happy 70th Birthday! - Go to Facebook and wish him happy birthday!



# AGENTS OF NATURE AT CHILAO!

The not so secret, secret agency dedicated to working & playing outside to solve challenges, explore local parks, and connect with the natural environment. **A mission site has been setup at Angeles National Forest Chilao Visitor Center**

The Game is free! It's available to download and play on all Android and Apple iOS mobiles. Once downloaded, choose a Mission Site to start your adventure. You play the game your way, right at the Mission Site! Become an Agent of Nature Today! Go to <http://agentsofnature.com/>

## AGENTS OF NATURE BRIEFING:

The Agents of Nature Mobile Game provides youth with innovative, engaging, and accessible opportunities to get outdoors and learn about the growth and interactions of life forms within their environments, and develop an appreciation for their uniqueness, diversity, genetic continuity and changing nature. Agents of Nature strives to keep science education relevant, gender-neutral and community-based to engage youth with science and connect it to their daily lives.

Agents of Nature is a place-based, environmental education game for iOS and Android enabled devices that blends best practices in gaming industry technology, such as Gamification, Compulsion Loops and Progress Arcs, with experiential outdoor education. It is designed to connect youth with nature, educate them about their local ecosystems, and promote physical activity using the technology they have in their pockets. The overarching goal of AoN is to encourage a new generation of environmental stewards who will champion Science.

Agents of Nature is an exciting new way to get kids learning about science, nature, and culture in the environment around them.

This mobile game blends cutting-edge technology and gamification principles with best practices in outdoor education, to create a unique educational experience. Youth download the mobile app onto their iPhone, iPad, or Android and head out to a local site where they become an Agent of Nature.

Once they arrive, users search for hidden QR codes and scan them to unlock mystery-filled challenges. To move through the game and earn rewards, students must answer questions based on the site's interpretive materials.

Challenges are created by a team of expert writers and local educational partners, in collaboration with interpretive staff at the site. Agents of Nature is designed to suit a wide variety of locations, from parks and forests to zoos and aquariums to museums and historic sites.

## Want to get involved? We're looking for partners!

Agents of Nature is building a diverse network of public, private, and non-profit organizations throughout North America who are committed to getting kids outdoors and teaching them about nature and science in a unique, enjoyable way.

From federal agencies such as the U.S. Forest Service and National Park Service, to local communities such as the City of Los Angeles and City of Calgary and private sector supporters like Southern California Edison, Agents of Nature has an all-star team rolling out this mobile game across the continent.

Whether you're a manager of public lands looking to better engage your visitors, a non-profit education group, or a company searching for a cool way to contribute in your community, we would love to hear from you.

Using innovative technology to engage youth with science, nature and society, Agents of Nature promotes life sciences in order to raise a generation of young people who are inherently aware of their impact on the environment, and how positive interaction with local wildlife can help preserve our natural wonders for generations to come. Get your site put on the map! Contribute to a growing community of caring, active youth.

**CONTACT: phone toll free: 1-855-564-7328**

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# TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

## HAT Training VHC WLACC 2014

**Become a USFS approved Trail Boss  
Supervise Trail Maintenance  
for the youth in your group.  
( Great Eagle Projects! )**



## **A GREAT TRAINING PROGRAM NOT ONLY FOR BOY SCOUTS BUT FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS!**

**Let us train you and other adults in your group  
so that you are qualified to do Trail Surveys and set up projects  
and complete them on your own.**

### **Purpose:**

To provide properly trained personnel with the ability to supervise either “Trail Blazing” or “Forest Conservation” program projects at the unit level.

All Trail Bosses will be trained by USFS Personnel or their approved Trail Boss Trainer.

### **Requirements:**

**Must be 18 or older.**

**Complete 4 days** of 6 hours each in training exercises with the Trail Boss Program.

**Conduct an approved Weekend project.** Minimum 10 hours with your unit. (or another unit) under your supervision, and have it checked out by the Trail Boss trainer.

**(Training days do not have to be consecutive days, weeks, or even years).**

**Training objectives are** Tool, Personal Safety, Condition Survey, Brush Clearing, Tread Work, French Drains, Trail Dips, Soil Sacks, Water Bars, Switchback Construction, Tread Support, Etc.

**Bring:** Gloves, Hat, Water and Lunch, 10 essentials, Day pack, Work clothes.

**Training days 2015 :Jan 10/11 Mar 07/08 Apr 25/26 May 02/03**

**Call to confirm training day, Time and Meeting Place. (Course cancels if no calls)**

**We meet at McDonalds at Bouquet Cyn. Rd. & Valencia Blvd, in Valencia at 8:00 AM.**

### **Contact:**

**Patrick Aubuchon, Chief Trail Boss.**

**818-781-7465 - [bigaub@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bigaub@sbcglobal.net)**

# TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

The American Red Cross in cooperation with the  
Verdugo Hills Council -BSA High Adventure Team presents...

## Wilderness and Remote First Aid

### NOTE: THIS CLASS IS OPEN TO ANY VOLUNTEER

A newly revised, 16 hour First Aid course for persons involved in activities that take them beyond the scope of traditional urban emergency medical services, when help is delayed in urban or rural situations, and mass casualty incidents.

Environmental and youth groups are visiting remote regions in ever increasing numbers. While many excursions are held in areas where transportation and emergency services are available, help may still be slow in arriving. This course will be useful when in remote areas, in urban areas during and after disasters, or when emergencies occur during large gatherings, all of which can require care of the victim beyond the skills taught in regular first aid classes.

This course meets **Boy Scout High Adventure (including Philmont and the other High Adventure Bases), Girl Scouts of the USA Level II First Aider** requirements, and **CERT Level II**. (However, it is not as comprehensive as the 60 hour High Adventure First Aid - First Responder Course). Wilderness and Remote First Aid includes realistic scenarios where you will decide what is wrong with the "patient" and how to handle the situation, "in town" or miles away from an emergency room or paramedic care.

**The fee covers the following materials: textbook, bandages, numerous study handouts, and American Red Cross Wilderness and Remote First Aid Certificate.**

**You will need to bring : pencil, pen; a wrist watch (preferably with a second hand); and a small pen light.**

**DATES : SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2014**

**TIME : 9:00 AM-to 5:30 PM. (BRING YOUR LUNCH. COFFEE AND TEA WILL BE AVAILABLE ALL DAY)**

**LOCATION : VERDUGO HILLS COUNCIL - BSA, 1325 GRANDVIEW AVE., GLENDALE, CA 91201**

**COST : \$40.00**

**PREREQUISITE : ADULT CPR (If you don't have this, we will arrange a class.)**

**QUESTIONS? PHONE: Marlene M. Lugg, Dr. P.H. (818) 882-4526**

#### *To Register:*

To pay by credit card, register on line at: [www.register.vhcbbsa.org](http://www.register.vhcbbsa.org), by Friday, October 3, 2014, so that adequate supplies can be obtained for the class.

OR

To pay by cash or check (including Pack/Troop/Crew Check payable to Verdugo Hills Council-BSA), complete the information below and register in person or send to the Council address below.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

I am affiliated with Girl Scouts: Troop \_\_\_\_\_, Council \_\_\_\_\_

I am affiliated with Boy Scouts: Pack, Troop or Crew \_\_\_\_\_, Council \_\_\_\_\_

I am affiliated with \_\_\_\_\_

*(other organization)*

VERDUGO HILLS COUNCIL – BSA, 1325 GRANDVIEW AVE., GLENDALE, CA 91201 (818) 243-6282

MML: 14/04/30



## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

# Pacific Crest Trails Association

## Southern California Trail Skills College

Join our premier trail maintenance educational program. Classes are free and open to new and experienced volunteers and outdoor professionals.

Trail Skills Colleges are taught by professionals and volunteer leaders who have extensive experience in the fields of recreational construction, trail maintenance, and leadership. Learn from the experts.

Are you new to trail maintenance? Would you like to refine some of the skills you've learned while working on a trail crew? Join us at the Southern California Trail Skills College, a 3 day training that focuses on building trail maintenance skills.

The Trail Skills College is free to all participants! Camping and meals are provided throughout the weekend. Limited space is available and classes do fill up, so register early. We look forward to seeing you!

### When is it?

**October 3-5, 2014**

Planning is underway for the 2014 event. Email announcements will be sent out as updates become available. If you would like to receive these updates, please send your name, city/state, and email address to [volunteer@pcta.org](mailto:volunteer@pcta.org) with "Southern California Trail Skills College" in the subject line.

### Where is it?

Indian Flats Campground near Warner Springs, California

### Can't Wait?

Don't forget, you can learn new trail maintenance skills by volunteering on a PCTA trail crew. Most projects do not require prior trail maintenance experience. Knowledgeable and experienced crew leaders are on site to teach you the necessary skills. Check out the project schedule to find your next adventure!

### Questions?

Please contact PCTA Volunteer Programs at (916) 285-1838 or at [volunteer@pcta.org](mailto:volunteer@pcta.org).

Volunteer Fund Raiser

# Join Our Famous Pancake Breakfast

*Farnsworth Park in Altadena!*

**SUNDAY**  
**NOV**  
**16th**  
**2014**

*Breakfast, Raffle,  
& Rides!*



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**MT. WILSON BICYCLING ASSOCIATION**

<http://mwba.org>

[info@mwba.org](mailto:info@mwba.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MWBAorg/>

# Volunteer Fun



THE CITY OF GLENDALE  
Community Services & Parks Department

## Don't Let the Sun Go Down on Me (Twilight Hike)

### ◆ WHEN:

Sat, October 4, 2014  
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

### ◆ WHERE:

Deukmejian Wilderness  
Park  
3429 Markridge Rd  
Glendale, Ca 91214

### ◆ WHAT:

Space is limited  
Call (818) 548-3795 to  
reserve your spot

Drinks and snacks will  
be provided

Wear sturdy shoes.  
Please bring layers of  
clothes due to the  
temperature change

◆ Have you ever been at the Wilderness Park as the sun starts to set?



◆ Do you know which animals come out to feed and which settle down for the night?

◆ Can you recognize the sounds that are all around?

◆ Join us for a slow paced, moderately difficult hike on the new Vineyard Trail and the Mummy Rock Trail as we learn all about the Wilderness Park when the sun goes down.

◆ Bring your flashlights (we will have red covers).

◆ Sunset is projected for 6:34 p.m., so we will have one hour before and one hour after the sunset to experience the changes.



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PLEASE NOTIFY US WITHIN 72 HRS PRIOR TO EVENT DATE.

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**Adrenaline pumping things to see when doing trail work on Lower Sam Merrill! A 10 foot long rattlesnake!**  
by George H. Aumann



**And great things to see when doing trail work like these fawns and doe**  
by Dennis Merkel



**Volunteer Peter Harrison painting over graffiti at the Big T Reservoir Lookout**  
by Brenda Beck

• **28<sup>th</sup> Annual AC100 Race**

National forest had houses burning. That we were lucky at the 27<sup>th</sup> AC100 is an under-statement.

Registration for Aug 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 opened at noon on the Monday following the race. It sold out in 10 minutes.

2016 on-line registration will begin on Monday 12:00 Noon on August 3, 2015, following the conclusion of the 2015 race..

**Angeles Mountain Bikers and Trail Keepers**

Mark Gage [mrgy33@hotmail.com](mailto: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 Canyon and Echo Mt. Trails.

**Angeles Mountain Bike Patrol** [m.rmcguire@hotmail.com](mailto:m.rmcguire@hotmail.com)

. 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

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FIRE LOOKOUT ASSOCIATION**

<http://www.anffla.org>

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Forest Care Program Coordinator

909-744-9510 ext. 125

- **Help rebuild Vetter Mtn Fire Lookout with a purchase of a reusable tote bag for \$5.**
- **BECOME A FIRE LOOKOUT!** It's probably easier that 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. For more information about becoming a fire lookout [pammorey@fs.fed.us](mailto:pammorey@fs.fed.us) or 909-744-9510 ext. 125
- **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!



**Antelope Valley Conservancy**

[www.avconservancy.org](http://www.avconservancy.org)

[avconservancy@yahoo.com](mailto:avconservancy@yahoo.com) Face book: Antelope Valley Conservancy

PHONE (661) 943-9000

- **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](http://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!**

**Arroyos and Foothills Conservancy**

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

John Howell, (626) 796-0782 [johnrhowell@earthlink.net](mailto:johnrhowell@earthlink.net)

Face book: Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy

- **Donate to Cottonwood Canyon and its wildlife corridors and your gift will be matched by the Helen & Will Webster Foundation.**

Gifts received by the last day of summer, September 21, will be matched \$1 for \$1.

- **Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am - 12 noon "Nature's Brunch" hand-held acorn pancakes and fruit**

Look for street parking between 1950 - 2010 Linda Vista Ave, Pasadena 91103

see balloons at the fenced entrance across the street

If you have any questions, please email Jennifer Taylor at [jennifertaylor@arroyosfoothills.org](mailto:jennifertaylor@arroyosfoothills.org) or call AFC at 626.796.0782 We'll see you there!

**BEAR CANYON TRAIL CREW**

**Andy Hoyer** [abhoyer@yahoo.com](mailto:abhoyer@yahoo.com)

213-675-0420

**Taking a summer break to enjoy the outdoors!**

**Blight Busters Trail Crew**

Danny Treadway [dayhiker86@yahoo.com](mailto:dayhiker86@yahoo.com)

**Boy Scouts of America**

**Los Angeles Area Council**

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

- **Oct 11<sup>th</sup>/ Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Wilderness and Remote First Aid See page 8**

**CITY OF GLENDALE**

Parks, Recreation & Community Services Dept

818-548-2000

<http://www.glendaleparksfoundation.org>

**EVENTS CALENDAR:**

<http://www.glendaleca.gov/government/departments/community-services-parks/community-services-parks-calendar/-curm-10/-cury-2014>

- **Oct 4<sup>th</sup> "Don't let the sun go down on me twilight hike." See page 11**

**California Trail Users Coalition (CTUC)**

<http://www.ctuc.info/ctuc/>

- **Oct 15<sup>th</sup> MEETING**

Come and Join Us CTUC meets 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](mailto: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>

## Big Santa Anita Canyon

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

- Oct 5<sup>th</sup> Live Music 12:00 – 1:30: Sandy Ross 1:45 – 3:15: Michael Britton 3:30 – 5:00: Kids these days
- Oct 19<sup>th</sup> Live Music 12:00 – 5:00: Chico's Blues & The Subs
- Open 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 - 5:00 pm (626) 447-7356

**Community Hiking Club** [communityhikingclub.org](http://communityhikingclub.org)  
661-259-2743

**Dianne Erskine Hellrigel** email: [zuliebear@aol.com](mailto:zuliebear@aol.com)

- Oct 4<sup>th</sup> -Liberty Cyn to Phantom Trail to Malibu Creek State Park and the Pools.

**Description:** This hike will be a 9 mile loop with approx 900 ft gain in the Santa Monica Mountains through Liberty Canyon, connecting to the Phantom Trail, then down into Malibu Creek State Park to the south end of Century

Lake. We will then take the Forest Trail along the north end of the lake, and visit the rock pools / view the climbing walls, before completing the loop back along the creek bed and up the meadows back to the trailhead. We hope to see deer, coyotes, water birds and maybe wild parrots.

**The hike** will include single track trails and some fireroads. We will be keeping a fairly moderate pace that may be a little too fast for beginning hikers.

### **Carpooling from Santa Clarita Valley:**

Meet the leader at Towsley Canyon outside the gate at 6:45AM for a 7:00 AM SHARP departure to the trailhead or plan to meet at the trailhead at ~8AM.

**Meet at the Trailhead:** Take the 405 Fwy South to 101 Fwy North and exit at Las Virgenes. Turn left on Las Virgenes. Turn right at the light for Mulholland Hwy (if you pass the sign for the entrance to the State Park you have gone too far). On Mulholland Hwy, there is parking on the dirt shoulders on both sides of the road, watch for traffic.

Meet at the trailhead at ~8AM. We will go through an opening in the fence on the RIGHT (North) side of Mulholland Hwy to meet at the sign for the North Grasslands trail ( about 0.1 mile from Las Virgenes). Look for your

leader holding a small American flag as there may be other hiking groups. which is where the hike will begin and we will leave at 8:15AM sharp.

**Bring:** Water (3 liters is recommended), electrolytes if it is a hot day, sunscreen, hat, lunch/ snacks, hiking poles (helpful on the climb up), and a camera.

Wear layered clothing in case it gets hot or cold. Wear good boots with lots of tread.  
Adventure Pass: Not required.

**Dogs Allowed?:** Do not think so - we're checking.

**Leader:** Steve **Rating:** Moderate ++ for elevation gain and distance

**• Oct 11<sup>th</sup>- Icehouse Canyon to Ontario Peak**

**Hike Length:** 14 miles round trip; 3600' elevation gain

**Meet at the Trail Head by 08:00 AM**

**Features:** The hike will take us from Icehouse Canyon to Icehouse Saddle. From the saddle to Kelly's Camp to our turn around location at Ontario Peak at elevation 8700'. Along the way we will pass private cabins, walk next to a creek, stop next to a spring all the while hiking in a lush forest. Icehouse Saddle, 8 miles round trip and 2600' elevation gain and a nice place to rest, is a major trail junction with routes leading in four directions, we will take the far right trail. Kelly's Camp was started by a mining prospector named John Kelly in 1905, became a trail resort in 1922, and is now a wilderness campsite. There are two false summits before we reach Ontario Peak, nature's way of teasing us. Enjoy the superb view then we will return the same trail back to Icehouse Canyon.

**Directions:** 210 Freeway East-exit on Baseline Rd exit #52-Turn left on Baseline Road for 0.2 miles-Turn right onto Padua Ave for 1.8 miles-Turn right onto Mt. Baldy Road for 7.2 miles. Icehouse Canyon parking area and trail head is on the right. Bathrooms at the trail head and Adventure Pass required. Parking can be difficult, allow extra time. We will meet at the picnic tables next to the restrooms.

**Carpool Information:** Meet at Towsley Canyon between 06:15-06:30. Arrangements will be made at that time. **Rated:** Strenuous **Leader:** Dave

**• Oct 18<sup>th</sup> – Night hike to Mt Hollywood in Griffith Park - starts at GP 5:30pm**

**Night hike to Mt Hollywood** in Griffith Park to enjoy the view of the lights of the LA basin and avoid the hottest part of the day. This is a 5 mile RT, apx 800' gain hike up to the top of Mt Hollywood which overlooks the Griffith Observatory and affords views from downtown LA, to Santa Monica to Glendale. Bring water, and something to eat at the Picnic tables at top while we enjoy the view of the sunset over the ocean.

**Wear** shoes with good tread, poles, and a flashlight or headlamp – preferably with a red light to minimize the reduction of our night vision. This hike will include single track trails, dirt and paved access roads and has minimal shade.

**To carpool, meet the leader at Towsley Cyn** outside the gate by 4:30 pm am for a 4:45pm departure to the trail head or plan to meet at the trailhead at 5:30pm

**To meet at the trailhead, (from Santa Clarita)** take I-5 South and exit at Los Feliz. Turn right on Crystal Springs Dr into Griffith Park. Take a left turn at the stop sign after apx 1.5 miles at the sign for Merry Go Round parking lot. Drive up the hill and through the first parking lot, past the Merry Go Round to the second parking lot. We will plan to meet up to start the hike at the NORTH end of the second parking lot.

**Leader:** Nikki **Rated:** Moderate ++(distance and gain)

**• Oct 18<sup>th</sup> - SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS INTERAGENCY VISITOR CENTER presents:  
BIRD FEST is a day to celebrate the bird!**

**See Live birds, take a guided bird walk, and meet representatives from local bird-friendly agencies.**

9:00 - 11:00AM - Guided Bird Walks

10:00AM Plight of the California Condor - !! With our own Dianne Erskine Hellrigel !!!!

11:00AM - Climate Change in S. CA: What will happen to our favorite birds?

11:00AM , 12:00PM, 1:00PM - Live Bird Presentations

12:00PM - Common Birds of the Santa Monica Mountains: Sights and Sounds

1:00PM - Beginner bird tips: How to maximize your sightings

2:00PM - Restoring habitat, one yard at a time

3:00PM - Malibu Creek: It's for the birds!

Address: King Gillette Ranch, 26876 Mulholland Hwy, Calabasas, CA 91302

INFO: Call 805 370 2302



• **Oct 25<sup>th</sup> -Bear Divide to Camp 9 and on to Wilson Saddle; then on to Whitney canyon via the Manzanita trail**

This total hike has about 2500 feet of gain and is rated difficult. However, easy and moderate hikers can carpool to the trail head with us, do the first part of the hike, then turn around at Wilson Saddle, and return to their cars at Bear Divide. Both versions have spectacular views of the San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel Mountains, the Santa Clarita Valley and the Disney Ranch. If there is no fog/clouds you might even be able to see Catalina! (Please be respectful of your driver's support by contributing something at the end of your carpool to help defray the cost of gas - THX).

**Carpooling from Santa Clarita Valley:** MEET at the Park and Ride at Whitney/Elsmere Canyons at 7:15AM for a 7:30AM departure. We will leave most of the vehicles here and carpool to the trailhead at Bear Divide. Those individuals wanting to cut their hike short should volunteer to drive others to Bear Divide trail head. Directions to Park And Ride meeting point: From Valencia, head south on the I-5. Then take the SR-14 to the first exit, Newhall Avenue. Exit. Take the right exit; when the exit divides. Turn right at the stop sign. Park and meet in this park and ride.

**Bring:** Water (3 liters is recommended), electrolytes if it is a hot day, sunscreen, hat, lunch/ snacks, hiking poles (helpful on the climb up), and a camera. Wear layered clothing in case it gets hot or cold.

**Wear** good boots with lots of tread.

**Adventure Pass:** Not required.

**Dogs Allowed?** Yes, on leash.

**Leader:** Steve      **Rated:** Difficult (Moderate and easy for the shorter version)

**HABITAT WORKS** <http://www.habitatwork.org>

**Kim Clark or Tom Persons 818-353-4653**

**For more information call or e-mail to: [wildlife@habitatwork.org](mailto:wildlife@habitatwork.org)**

Dear Friends,

We are smiling ear to ear with fall right around the corner, when we bid farewell to the heat of summer, and head for the backcountry, to work in nature's paradise, caring for wildlife habitat. Come out with us to enjoy crisp autumn days, and chilly, star-filled evenings around a campfire with great people, helping to improve wildlife habitat conditions.

• **Oct 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> Indian Creek Watershed Conservation**  
**Tamarisk Hunt, Santa Barbara Backcountry, Los Padres National Forest**

• **Oct 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> Piru Creek Watershed Conservation**  
**Tamarisk Hunt, Los Padres National Forest**

**One of Habitat Works' flagship projects is the eradication of invasive tamarisk from riparian habitats,** wherever it is found. For these two projects, we will be camping locally and day hiking along/in forest streams, cutting tamarisk with light-weight hand tools.

Oct. 11/12 we'll be at Indian Creek in the Santa Barbara backcountry between Gibraltar Reservoir and the Dick Smith Wilderness. Oct. 25/26 we'll be on the western end of Piru Creek in a favorite camping area.

We'll stay over Saturday night in rugged, remote backcountry, enjoy a community feast, old and new friends, and a star-filled evening. You'll need basic camping gear and sturdy boots that can get wet.

**Sign-up for the projects. Our gear list will follow, and directions come out the week before the event to registered participants.**

We look forward to seeing and working with you all again soon!

In Stewardship,  
Kim and Tom

To sign up and get a gear list, please copy and paste the following into an email to [wildlife@habitatwork.org](mailto:wildlife@habitatwork.org). Directions come out a week before the event to registered participants.

**Name:**

**Project:**

**Project Date:**

**Best e-mail:**

**Best phone en route to the event:**

**City:**

**Age:**

**Vehicle make, model, 4wd?**

**Do you have any physical limitations in rugged backcountry conditions?**

**Do you need to be done by a certain time? (May preclude participation)**

**How did you hear about us?**

**Any questions?:**

### **Haramokngna American Indian Cultural Center**

[www.haramokngna.org](http://www.haramokngna.org)

663-449-8975.

• **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

### **High Country Riders**

Forest wide equestrian volunteer group that packs Equipment, Material and Supplies etc. to your Trail or worksite. Packs Trash & Rubbish out of the Forest.

**Contacts: Jonathan Schultz** phone: 951-830-3400

e-mail: [maujds@earthlink.net](mailto:maujds@earthlink.net)

- Forest Certified Animal Packer
- "C" Crosscut Saw Certifier
- Master Teacher for "LNT"
- Chainsaw "B" faller

**Contacts: Glen Foster** phone: 760-949-3497 or 760-508-0344

e-mail: [pjgwfoster@aol.com](mailto:pjgwfoster@aol.com)

- Certified Packer

### **JPL TRAILBUILDERS**

**Kathie Reilly 626-379-8429 (cell)**

**Jack Russell 562-861-3187**

**(Rain day before or day of outing cancels the outing)**

- **Oct 25<sup>th</sup> Outing**

**WHAT'S HAPPENING:**

**We will finish the San Gabriel Peak Trail from the saddle to the summit. Plenty of brush to cut back, and tread to widen. After that, we can get back on the Mount Lowe West Trail, doing the same kind of maintenance.**

## Mount Wilson Race

<http://www.mountwilsontrailrace.com/HOME.html>

Plans are being made for the May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 race!

**Pete Siberell**

**Chair, Mt. Wilson Trail Race**

## Mount Wilson Bicycling Association

<http://mwba.org/>

**@on Facebook**

Contact: Mitch Marich, [info@mwba.org](mailto:info@mwba.org)

• **Save the date!! NOV. 16<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser** See p 10

• **Oct 19<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am - 1:00 pm, MWBA Trailwork**

We took the sage advice of our forbearers and made a point to become more regular. So, if you've ever had the desire to volunteer and give back to the community and you are a trail user, why not come out and do some trail work with us? We are out there the third weekend of EVERY month! Sometimes we work on a Saturday, but mainly we are out there on a Sunday.

Check back <http://mwba.org/> or email [info@mwba.org](mailto:info@mwba.org) for information on a particular month. So Regular!

## Mount Wilson Institute

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

(404) 413-5484

<http://www.mtwilson.edu/>

• **Mount Wilson Observatory's Cosmic Cafe** offers a variety of fresh-made sandwiches and other treats and souvenirs to visitors to the Observatory. The Cafe is located in the Pavilion overlooking the large parking lot at the entrance to the Observatory. Open every Saturday and Sunday of the month

### 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.

- **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.
- **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.
- **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 <http://www.pcta.org>

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

Liz Bergeron [ibergeron@pcta.org](mailto:ibergeron@pcta.org)

Sacramento, CA Phone: (916) 285-1846 x 26

• **Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> southern California Trail Skills College** See page 9

• **Jan 1<sup>st</sup> - Dec 30<sup>th</sup>. '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](mailto:pickaxepete@sbcglobal.net), Tel.: 805-658-6540

or: John Hachey Email: [goaliejhachey@msn.com](mailto:goaliejhachey@msn.com), Tel.: 909-605-3219

## SAN GABRIEL TRAILBUILDERS

<http://www.sgmtrailbuilders.org>

Ben White: 626-303-1078

[ben@sgmtrailbuilders.org](mailto:ben@sgmtrailbuilders.org)

## VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

**We work on the first, third, and fifth Saturday of each month** Trail working volunteers may join the San Gabriel Mountains Trail Builders in the continued restoration process for trails in and around Crystal Lake, East Fork, Heaton Flats, Upper & Lower Bear Creek, the Baldy Area and many other locations on the Angeles National Forest.

**Learn how to use all the Trail tools** to work the trails. Help you learn how to get your certificates for Chainsaw and Crosscut Saws use on the National forest.

**If you would like to volunteer** your time, please send e-mail to [feedback@crystallake.name](mailto:feedback@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 @ 7:30 am

## SCENIC MT. LOWE RAILWAY

<http://www.mtlowe.net/>

Brian Marcroft 562-868-8919

E-mail: [Emworks@verizon.net](mailto:Emworks@verizon.net)

## Sierra Club

[www.angeles.sierraclub.org/pasadena/](http://www.angeles.sierraclub.org/pasadena/)

Angeles Chapter Office

1750 North Altadena Drive, Pasadena, CA 91107

213-387-4287

For more calendar details go to <http://www.angeles.sierraclub.org/pasadena/outings2.asp>

- **Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00 pm Monthly meeting: Time: 7:00 PM**  
**Leader: Liz Pomeroy - 626-791-7660** [ewpomeroy@gmail.com](mailto:ewpomeroy@gmail.com)  
**Location: Eaton Canyon Nature Center**  
**1750 North Altadena Drive, Pasadena, CA 91107, USA**  
**Pasadena Group Monthly Meeting and Program: Illustrated conservation/outing program.**  
Information on Group's hikes, outings, and conservation activities. Newcomers always welcome! 7 pm doors open, 7:15 pm program at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N Altadena Dr in NE Pasadena. For information contact Group Membership Chair, Elizabeth Pomeroy
- **Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike**
- **Oct 4<sup>th</sup> Geology Tour of Santa Monica Mountains**
- **Oct 9<sup>th</sup> Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike**
- **Oct 16<sup>th</sup> Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike**
- **Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Autumn in the Arroyo**
- **Oct 19<sup>th</sup> Icehouse Canyon to Icehouse Saddle**
- **Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike**
- **Oct 26<sup>th</sup> Bear Canyon, Tributary of West Fork of San Gabriel River**
- **Oct 30<sup>th</sup> Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike**

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### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MOUNTAINS FOUNDATION

<http://mountainsfoundation.org/> Sarah Miggins [smiggins@fs.fed.us](mailto:smiggins@fs.fed.us) 909-382-2796

602 South Tippecanoe, San Bernardino, California 92408

For more calendar details go to <http://mountainsfoundation.org/calendar?year=2014&month=10>

- Story Time Oct 4<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>

### Tree People <http://www.treepeople.org> FACEBOOK: TreePeople

12601 Mulholland Drive

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

For more calendar details go to: <http://www.treepeople.org/calendar/2014-10>

- Campus Tree Care Oct 4<sup>th</sup>
- Citizen Forestry: How to Organize a Community Tree Planting Oct 18<sup>th</sup>
- Drought Response Park Tree Care Oct 4<sup>th</sup>
- Moonlight Hike Oct 10<sup>th</sup>
- Native Plants and Turf Reduction Oct 18<sup>th</sup>
- Park Work Day Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>
- Park Tree Care Oct 11<sup>th</sup>
- Santa Monica Mountains Restoration Oct 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>
- Street Tree Care Oct 25<sup>th</sup>
- Volunteer Supervisor Training Oct 11<sup>th</sup>

### William S Hart UHSD of Santa Clarita ANF Crew 135

Kevin Sarkissian Lead Instructor

W S Hart Union High School District

Outdoor Recreation and

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Santa Clarita, CA 91350

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661.250.0022 X 552

[www.hartrop.com/forestry](http://www.hartrop.com/forestry)

[www.facebook.com/ropforestry](http://www.facebook.com/ropforestry)

- Taking a break until spring

### Volunteers of the Angeles National Forest

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

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

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

TUNDRA by Chad Carpenter, Los Angeles Times Mar 21, 2011 email: [info@tundracomics.com](mailto:info@tundracomics.com)



**Volunteer Today**

Send this in Right Away to  
Dennis Merkel —12371 N. Little Tujunga Canyon Rd  
San Fernando, CA 91342

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone # (hm) \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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