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Los Angeles River Ranger District Volunteer Newsletter June 2016

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ATTENTION ALIEN INVASION IN PROGRESS

The invasion is not from another planet, but from earth and the
The invaders are “Invasive species”

"Invasive species" — it doesn't sound very threatening, does it? But these invaders, large and small, have devastating effects on U.S. wildlife. Invasive species are one of the leading threats to native wildlife. Approximately 42% of Threatened or Endangered species are at risk primarily due to invasive species.

Human health and economies are also at risk from invasive species. The impacts of invasive species on our natural ecosystems and

economy cost billions of dollars each year. Many of our commercial, agricultural, and recreational activities depend on healthy native ecosystems.

What makes a species invasive?

An invasive species can be any kind of living organism—an amphibian, plant, insect, fish, fungus, bacteria, or even an organism's seeds or eggs—that is not native to an ecosystem and which causes harm. They can harm the environment, the economy or even, human health. Species that grow and reproduce quickly, and spread aggressively, with potential to cause harm, are given the label of “invasive”.

An invasive species does not have to come from another country. For example, lake trout are native to the Great Lakes, but are considered to be an invasive species in Yellowstone Lake in Wyoming because they compete with native cutthroat trout for habitat.

Invasive species are primarily spread by human activities, often unintentionally. People, and the goods we use, travel around the world very quickly, and they often carry uninvited species with them.

Invasive species cause harm to wildlife in many ways. When a new and aggressive species is introduced into an ecosystem, it might not have any natural predators or controls. It can breed and spread quickly, taking over an area. Native wildlife may not have evolved defenses against the invader or they cannot compete with a species that has no predators.

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The best remedy for
a short temper is a
long walk.

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<http://www.mtlowe.co/VolunteerNews.htm>

ATTENTION ALIEN INVASION IN PROGRESS (cont)

The direct threats of invasive species:

- preying on native species
- out-competing native species for food or other resources
- causing or carrying disease
- preventing native species from reproducing or killing their young

The indirect threats of invasive species:

- **Changing food webs:** Invasive species can change the food web in an ecosystem by destroying or replacing native food sources. The invasive species may provide little to no food value for wildlife.
- **Decreasing biodiversity:** Invasive species can alter the abundance or diversity of species that are important habitat for native wildlife. Aggressive plant species like kudzu can quickly replace a diverse ecosystem with a monoculture of just kudzu.
- **Altering ecosystem conditions:** Some invasive species are capable of changing the conditions in an ecosystem, such as changing soil chemistry or the intensity of wildfires.

What you can do to help curb the spread of invasive species

- Plant native plants and remove any invasive plants in your garden. There are many good native plant alternatives to common exotic ornamental plants.
- Learn to identify invasive species in your area. Report any sightings to your county extension agent or local land manager. Learn more about invasive species in your state.

For locations of invasive insects:

<http://foresthealth.fs.usda.gov/portal/Flex/APE>

For all invasive species the National Invasive Species Information Center:

<https://www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/index.shtml>

- Regularly clean your boots, gear, boat, tires and any other equipment you use outdoors to remove insects and plant parts that may spread invasive species to new places.
- When camping, buy firewood near your campsite (within 30 miles) instead of bringing your own from home, and leave any extra for the next campers. Invertebrates and plants can easily hitch a ride on firewood you haul to or from a campsite -- you could inadvertently introduce an invasive to a new area.

In Memory



JPL Trailbuilders will miss Scott Van Sant,
total 880 volunteer hours since Jan 8, 1994.
Passed away March 16, 2016
Photo by Kathy Reilly

Date: Mar 20, 1990

IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES

Cabin Fever Rustic Life Leaves Them With Warm Feeling: [Home Edition]

By: Torres, Vicki

An hour from downtown Los Angeles, with its glittering skyline and futuristic high-rises, lie the 80 tiny cabins of the Big Santa Anita Canyon where, each night, residents step back in time.

While most people flick on fluorescent lights and click on VCRs as dinner heats up in the microwave, these cabin-dwelling commuters in the Angeles National Forest stoke wood-burning fireplaces, light kerosene lamps and cook dinner over propane stoves. For them, "roughing it" is a way of life, made possible by a 6 1/2-mile drive up a twisting mountain road, a one-mile hike and a wade through ankle-deep streams to their cabins.

"Why it stays so nice is because you have to walk in," cabin dweller Marta Anatra said. "People that are going to take that hike are a little different."

The U.S. Forest Service, which leases the land for these privately owned cabins, discourages year-round living. Yet a handful of cabin owners manage to spend most of their time in their homes in the forest. Calling themselves "regulars," they make up a unique community: self-reliant, hard-working, cooperative and protective of their secluded mountain retreat.

Anatra, 36, is a relative newcomer to this tiny community, having inherited in December a cabin owned by her father. She moved in with her 7-year-old son, Evan, who must hike out each morning to attend nearby Highland Oaks Elementary School in Arcadia. Sharing their cabin is Jeff Pickens, 32, with whom Anatra operates a beauty supply store in nearby Monrovia. "The only reason we bought the business and came to Los Angeles was because of that canyon," Anatra said. "I don't know of any place like that in the immediate Los Angeles area." Anatra said she left behind a secure, career-oriented, suburban existence in the Silicon Valley in Northern California to simplify her life after the deaths last year of her brother in a traffic accident, and then her father. "I just started thinking that life is so short," she said, her eyes tearing. "It was time for a change."

The big draw is the peacefulness of the rustic cabin life style, Pickens said, although he observed that it is "no piece of cake" to lug in supplies and make the daily trek on foot.

The cabin dwellers, whose structures line the Santa Anita Creek for up to four miles into the forest, are linked to the outside world by a hand-crank phone system along the canyon trails. In emergencies, forest rangers can unlock the gate to the fire road and drive down to the canyon trail head, within half a mile of the first cabin, or call in helicopter search-and-rescue teams.

When occasional winter rains swell the creek to waist-high levels, some cabin dwellers are forced to use an alternative cliff trail. The only disturbances come from the occasional "yahoos," Pickens said, rowdy youths or young adults who drink and party in the forest and sometimes vandalize unattended cabins.

One of the more enthusiastic residents of this cabin community is Leia Morning, 39, an actress, Renaissance music scholar, harpist and substitute teacher who bought her cabin for \$2,000 nine years ago. Most of the canyon dwellers know her by her stage name rather than her real name, Nancy Beagle. "This is all my place; this is the estate," Morning said on a recent weekday afternoon as she led a visitor up a slight rise on the trail that leads to her dwelling. Below stood a small green cabin, a tiny work shed beside it and an English-style garden with irises, tulips, 110 rose bushes, a settee swing and stone pathways. She landscaped much of the grounds in 1985, Morning said. After finishing her doctorate at Stanford University in early music, she decided to take a break from scholarly pursuits. "I just moved rocks," she said. "All these rocks were brought up from the stream and I cleared that hillside . . . I took down the mountain because I needed more space and I moved the trail over there."

The years of heavy work and the daily hikes have given Morning a fast, powerful stride. She moved quickly through her yard, removed two locks on the door and disarmed a generator-powered burglar alarm. The cabin had a pungent, smoky odor that betrayed frequent use of the wood-burning stove.

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IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES (CONT)

Built in 1916, the original one-room structure measured 10 by 16 feet, Morning said. A screen porch was added in the 1920s or 1930s. Thanks to her labor and that of friends, the cabin now boasts a kitchen with a terra cotta tile floor that she laid and grouted herself, a sunny library with a bay window overlooking the creek and an attic with twin skylights. Her library, about the size of a large walk-in closet, surrounds a huge granite boulder that Morning found too large to unearth. She plans to build stone steps from the boulder to the attic for what she called "a little Hobbit stairway." Three years ago, she built her adjacent work shed and furnished it with a piano, chairs and her foreign doll collection. When forest service rangers, who must approve all additions, questioned her about the lack of tools in the "work shed," she said she told them, "It depends on your definition of work."

Like most of the cabin dwellers, Morning does without a phone, electricity and indoor plumbing. Her outhouse stands on a nearby hill. Heat is supplied by a wood-burning stove that over time has blackened the ceiling. Kerosene or propane-fueled lamps give light. Sponge baths provide daily hygiene. Food, drinking water and all other supplies she wheels in on a dolly. Trash is carried out the same way. Large items, such as her piano or Victorian cabinets, are carried down the trail by hired workers or packed in by mules at 18-cents-a-pound from the Chantry Flats pack station. Some days, Morning said, she would rather skip having to wash her hair in an icy stream or lugging her dolly up the road. But she wouldn't trade her cabin life for that in a Beverly Hills mansion. "It's nice to wake up in the morning and hear the stream and the birds," she said. "I'll probably grow old and die here."

While more than 600 privately owned structures dot the 797,000 acres of the Angeles National Forest, the cabins of the Big Santa Anita Canyon are among the oldest. The earliest date from 1898 and others, such as Morning's cabin, were built between 1910 and 1920, said John Bennett, U.S. Forest Service law enforcement officer for the Chantry Flats area. The cabins are also the largest group reachable only by foot trails. About two-thirds of the national forest cabins are surrounded by roads leading nearly to their doorsteps. The Big Santa Anita cabins also are remnants of the early 1900s conservation movement, which sparked intensive interest in the San Gabriel Mountains, Bennett said. Los Angeles residents paid a nickel to ride the electric Red Cars from downtown to the Sierra Madre turnaround, Bennett said.

From there, they walked to resorts such as Fern Grove and Roberts Camp, whose ruins can be seen in the forest today. Dances and July 4 celebrations at the resorts attracted hundreds of visitors who hiked the numerous trails and spent the night in more than 300 structures that at one time stood in Big Santa Anita Canyon.

Forest Service policy eventually emphasized converting the land to a more natural state, and the rules governing the cabins changed. Structures destroyed by fires, floods, slides and other natural disasters cannot be rebuilt, Bennett said. Thus, the Big Santa Anita Canyon structures are a limited commodity.

They now range in price from \$10,000 to \$25,000 and vary in construction. Some are made of stone, some are supported by thick logs and others are built of thin lumber with no insulation and tar paper roofs. Owners must secure 10-year leases from the federal government that cost up to \$235 a year and they pay property taxes of less than \$200 yearly, Bennett said.

Under U.S. Forest Service rules, cabin owners must stay at least 14 days a year in their structures but are not supposed to use them as permanent residences. An exemption exists for about three long-term cabin users, Bennett said, including one man known as Louie the Hermit. In his 70s, Louie lives alone, reads extensively, is fluent in many languages, dresses in Bermuda shorts and shirts held together by safety pins and has been known to chase off or ignore unwanted visitors, Morning said. That same weekday afternoon, she hiked about a mile to Louie's place under a shady grove of giant oak trees uphill from the stream. "Louie! Louie, are you home?" Morning shouted and pounded at his cabin door. Smoke curled from his chimney. But no one answered.

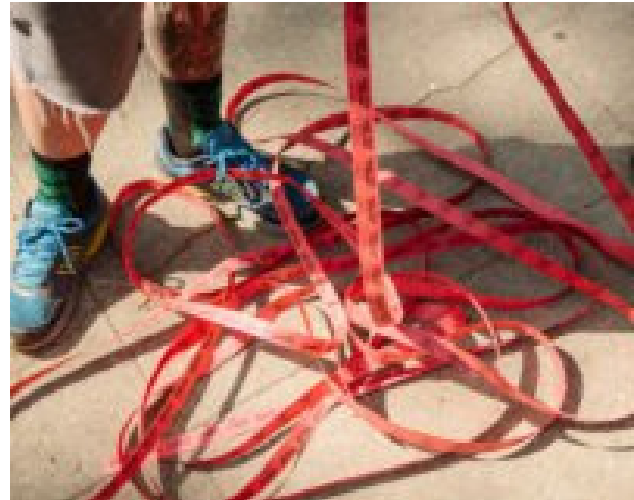
Undaunted, Morning then tramped off to visit another neighbor, 77-year-old Dimce Spirov, a Yugoslavian who left his communist-dominated country in 1969 for the United States. "He's our master stone mason," Morning said, pointing to the stone steps he built from the stream up to his cabin. Spirov, happy to show off his handiwork, gestured to the Alpine-style carving and paneling in his 1912 cabin. "Completely. I," he said, as he struggled in his limited English to explain he had done the work. He then broke out a bottle of whiskey and offered a toast. "Any time, you come," he said. "I like people. No problem color. No problem nationality. One problem, communists." Since the death of his wife three years ago, Spirov now spends five days a week working at the cabin, he said. His children and grandchildren are frequent visitors on weekends but during the week, Spirov's companions are his two tiny dogs, Rita and Mece. The forest reminds him of his former mountain home in Yugoslavia, he said. Raising his arms eloquently to embrace the forest path below, the sky above, his cabin and the hillside behind it, Spirov added, "I like. Perfect."

IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES FLASH FORWARD!

The Chantry Flats pack station mules brings items to the cabins at 50 cents a pound.
Lei is still a cabin owner and Ivan Spirov now owns his cabin.

The cabin permits are now \$150 to \$500 or more annually, depending on the value of the cabin.

2016 MWBA PANCAKE FUNDRAISER REPORT



Pancakes were great and the turn out was truly epic!

This year's Pancake Breakfast and Raffle was a very special one. We had Ken Burton's family join us for a ribbon cutting ceremony and re-opening of the fantastic trail. There was a great energy at Gould Mesa as everyone paid respect for Ken Burton and the amazing community that has grown, congregated, and reunited because of his trail in the Angeles National Forest.

As usual, the raffle was unbelievable with multiple bikes and countless bags of swag donated by many local bike shops, businesses, and individuals.

Photographers Mark Skovorodko and John Watson of The Radavist joined us and both posted great photo essays of the event. Images of the trail riding, people camping, solid breakfast in the forest, raffle items, and abundant smiles really shows the true colors of our local mountain biking community.

Check out [Mark's coverage of the early morning Pasadena Mountain Bike Club ride](#) up Brown and down Ken Burton to the Pancake Breakfast. PMBC is one of the oldest social MTB clubs around, established in 1985 in the shadows of the San Gabriel Mountains. If you are looking for fun rides with great people, get in touch with PMBC.

MWBA was again lucky to have John Watson of The Radavist join us. John's event photos and focus on many of the great bikes should not be missed.

It was great to see many people embrace the original MWBA tradition of bike camping and simply having a good time in the mountains. Many original MWBA members attended this special Pancake Breakfast and having multiple generations of mountain bikers celebrating together was fantastic. Ken Burton's trail brought together our community, generations of his family, and many lovers of the forest.

MWBA is forever grateful to its generous community. Without the countless volunteer hours and the generosity of our local business, MWBA would not be where it is today. THANK YOU!

Los Angeles River Ranger District (LARRD) Volunteer Meeting Minutes

By Kathie Reilly

May 18, 2016 - Supervisor's Office, Arcadia

Our newsletter is on the Mt Lowe website -- www.mtlowe.net

Reminder for each group to send their report to Guy at guykuhn@sbcglobal.net, or fill out a form at the meeting - both will go into the next newsletter. These minutes contain items shared at the meeting that are considered of interest by everyone at the meeting. All are welcome to the bi-monthly meeting.

Items from Volunteer Organizations per agenda request

- JPL Trailbuilders, Kathie: Scotch (Spanish) Broom is overtaking the old tree plantation near Dark Canyon Trail/Grizzly Flats Road, what can we use to permanently remove it? Dennis said that is beyond our scope but he will check it out for us. What is the status of Mt Lowe fire road since the last rain? Legacy Restoration Crew made it good to heliport, a trailhead for Bear Canyon Trail.
- Angeles Crest 100 Mile Endurance Run, Hal: starting up trail work schedule. Good article in Daily Breeze last Sunday about bringing kids out of inter-city into our National Monument for nature appreciation
- Friends of Echo Mountain, Mike: the Mid-Merrill Trail is being trashed by mountain bikers who are left off at Eaton Saddle for downhill runs. Next Sunday May 22 is Echo Mountain Beautification Day, with Mis Hermanos Pequenitos group. Afterward there will be tacos at Farnsworth Park to celebrate the historical significance on Echo Mountain. There are volunteers who pick up trash and remove graffiti every day.
- Sierra Club: Next Wednesday, May 25, program at Eaton Canyon at 7:30 pm 'Treasured Landscapes – 100 years of National Parks' presented by Michael Liang, a ranger at the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area.
- MT Wilson Bicycle Association and CORBA: had successful pancake breakfast/grand opening of Ken Burton Trail on May 1 at Gould Mesa Campground with over 400 participants. The trail restoration took 6 months in 16 work days, with 98 people participating at least once. Some of Ken Burton's family was there (Ken Burton was a much-loved Forest fire fighter who was struck and killed by a drunk driver in 1988. The trail was named in his honor, and a memorial placed at the top of the switchbacks.) Steve got a special award of appreciation, and many other awards were presented. The memorial plaque on the trail will be replaced. CORBA got a grant from REI to hire contractors to build retaining walls on the Gabriellano Trail to enhance where the LA Conservation Corps has been working. 60 down trees were removed on Silver Moccasin Trail between Short Cut and West Fork.
- Millard Campground host: Keith introduced himself. He is working on creating an Internet Ministry. A down tree needs removal at Millard Campground. There is a rock slide on Henninger Flats Road.
- National Trails Day is June 4 at Crystal Lake. LA County is sponsoring Multi-Use Trails Day, flyer at <https://trails.lacounty.gov/NewsAndEvents/74/2016-multi-use-trails-day>
- Radios: when not using your radio provided by the Forest Service, disconnect the battery from the radio since it will drain even when turned off. Volunteers requested another training day.

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Los Angeles River Ranger District (LARRD) Volunteer Meeting Minutes

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USFS Chris: Volunteer Coordinator

- Supervisor's Office requests that when we submit articles for the volunteer newsletter, we keep in mind that it is distributed outside of our District and therefore keep things inoffensive
- This is 2nd year of Artist in Residence, new sub-group is Trails Artists
- Looking for suggestions for more volunteer events. Regular training will restart in the fall. Will schedule another First Aid class when get 10 requests
- Telling our Story – an idea from our new Forest Supervisor Jeffrey Vail. Chris will be contacting the different volunteer groups for their story
- Parking out front for this meeting needs to be in marked spaces only. The gate to the back will be open for more parking
- National Monument – 3 openings 1) Partnership Coordinator 2) Volunteer Coordinator 3) Conservation Specialist (will have some short-term staffing) we may see them at trail heads
- Every Kid in Park (EKIP) – Got a grant for 2,000 kids (schools arrange to bus kids up into Forest for programs, and money from the grant reimburses them). Got another grant for 6,000 kids. Need resource people to work with kids.
- Working on new District name for areas not in the National Monument
- California Trails Day had 50 volunteers and got a lot of work done at Frenchman's Flat. Angeles Forest Lookout provided lunch
- Transit to Forest Committee is working with communities to work on ways to provide transportation to the public into the forest

USFS Dennis:

- Amgen Bike Tour last Monday was successful. Stage 2 is "filled with long gradual climbs, including on Angeles Crest Highway and Big Tujunga and Little Tujunga canyons in the Angeles National Forest" starting at South Pasadena and ending in Santa Clarita
- Chantry Flats has a volunteer outing Saturday
- June 11 is National Get Outdoors Day at Charlton Flat

Next LARRD Volunteer Meeting will be Wednesday, July 20 at 7:00 pm 18

CORBA GROUP REPORT

May 18, 2016

CORBA received a grant from REI for \$15,000 towards restoration of the Gabrilino Trail to be matched by the U.S. Forest Service and Los Angeles Conservation Corps.

Mike McGuire, Steve Messer, Matt Baffert, and Robin McGuire removed over 60 trees from Silver Moccasin trail between West Fork and Shortcut Saddle.

CORBA volunteered for the Tour of California bike race at Clear Creak . CORBA will also volunteer at the Memorial Day Paraded.

May 1st was the grand reopening of he Ken Burton Trail. Ken Burton's family was in attendance, and Ken's brother cut the ceremonial ribbon.

Training Opportunities!



THE CITY OF GLENDALE
Community Services & Parks Department



Campfire Program “Tick Talk”



◆ WHEN:
Sat., June 4, 2016
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

◆ WHERE:
Deukmejian
Wilderness Park
3429 Markridge Rd
Glendale, CA 91214

Food (s'mores) and
drinks (water and
lemonade) will be
served

Crafts start at 6:30
p.m. at the Barn

Campfire Program
begins at 7:00 p.m.

Join us as we just hang out
and start off the summer
season with an old time
campfire filled with songs,
skits, smiles and s'mores.

Tonight's program will focus on the “Tick”.
Everyone that heads outdoors for a hike, ride
or a campout needs to attend.



Unfed tick

Fed (engorged) tick



We will discuss their lifecycle, bite prevention,
symptoms and treatment.

Arrive at 6:30 to make a craft or join us at
7:00 for the campfire. You must call us at
(818) 548-3795 to RSVP.

Don't let the pictures scare you... we promise
a fun filled evening or your money back.

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REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS WILL BE MADE UPON REQUEST.
PLEASE NOTIFY US WITHIN 72 HRS PRIOR TO EVENT DATE.

Training Opportunities!

Tahoe Trail Skills College

The 2016 Tahoe Trail Skills College is right around the corner! This training is for seasoned trail maintainers and first-time volunteers alike. Come learn new skills, dig in the dirt, and experience trail camaraderie on the PCT. Course selection will include Crosscut saw training & certification, Intro to Trail Maintenance, Drainage Design, and more. With a new class of trail maintainers up to speed, volunteer projects in the Northern Sierra will be in full swing!

This training event is offered to volunteers free of charge in an effort to inspire citizen stewardship of our trails. Camping and meals are also provided at no additional cost throughout the weekend. In exchange, we ask participants to donate at least 16 hours of their time over the year volunteering on the many projects offered by the High Cascades Forest Volunteers and the Pacific Crest Trail Association.

When and where is it? July 15 – 17, 2016 Truckee, California

What will I learn?

This year, most classes will last two days. This will ensure students have plenty of time in the field to complete training projects. Students will stay in their class for the duration of the weekend; they will not be invited to take one class on Saturday and attend a different class on Sunday. The following two-day courses will be available:

- 100 Intro to Trail Maintenance, Scouting and Adopting
- 203 Waterbars & Checks

How do I register?

- Click on: [Register for trail maintenance courses \(100 & 203\) here.](#)

Questions?

- Learn more about [Trail Skills College](#) at our website, or by contacting the Volunteer Programs Assistant at 916-285-1838 or volunteer@pcta.org.

Southern California Trail Skills College

The Southern California Trail Skills College typically takes place every October. But don't forget, you can learn new trail maintenance skills throughout the year by volunteering on a PCTA trail crew. Crews in Southern California work on the trail year-round, and many projects require no prior trail maintenance experience. Our knowledgeable and experienced crew leaders are on site to teach you the necessary skills. Visit our [project schedule](#) to find your next adventure!

Questions?

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VOLUNTEER FUN

2016 Live Music Events

www.adamspackstation.com

Join Us & These Artists for an Afternoon of Great Music

06/05/2016

12:00-05:00 BARNYARD JAMBOREE

06/12/2016

12:00-05:00 CACTUS JAM

06/19/2016

12:00-05:00 Wild Mountain Mystics

01:45-03:15 Tim Tedrow

03:30-05:00 Paul Inman's Delivery

06/26/2016

12:00-01:30 Vicissitudes

01:45-03:15 Tom Renaud

03:30-05:00 Entertainment Law

07/03/2016

12:00-01:30 Liz Wiegard + Sierra & the Radicals

01:45-03:15 The Still Moving Project

03:30-05:00 John R. Williamson & the C'est la Vies

07/10/2016

12:00-05:00 Terry Okey

07/17/2016

12:00-05:00 Wild Mountain Mystics

01:45-03:15 Tim Tedrow

03:30-05:00 Darren Longman

07/24/2016

12:00-01:30 Keeping fire

01:45-03:15 Poppa and the Midnight snacks

03:30-05:00 Cheeky Few

07/31/2016

12:00-01:30 Cheeky Few

01:45-03:15 Jeannie Willets

03:30-05:00 Spyder Blue

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FUND RAISER

**The Southern California Mountains Foundation is pleased to announced Season 11
at the Big Bear Discovery Center Amphitheater!**

We've packed a summer of SIX shows featuring 3 new national bands, some of your favorite tribute headliners; a lineup of new opening bands, great new food menus and expanded bar service to keep you rockin'!

Get outdoors and join us this summer for some of the best classic and contemporary rock in Southern California under the stars at 7,000'!

2016 Music in the Mountains Summer Schedule
Big Bear Discovery Center Amphitheater
Presented By:



**June 25, 2016 | Gates open @ 5 PM |
Big Bear Discovery Center Amphitheater
Taylor Dayne with special guest Sophie B. Hawkins Find Tickets Now!**

Taylor Dayne stands out as one of music's most dynamic artists of all time. Her unique vocal style has earned her numerous best-selling gold and platinum albums, which produced seventeen Top 20 singles, among them number 1 hits such as "Tell It To My Heart," "Love Will Lead You Back," and "Prove Your Love To Me.

[Visit Taylor Dayne's Website](#)

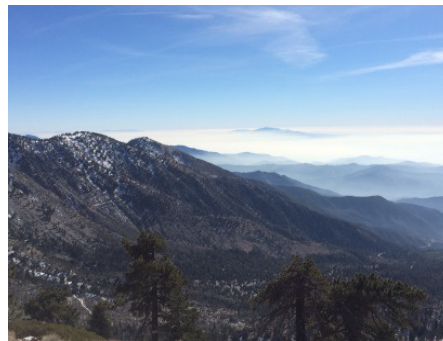
For more information goto:

<http://mountainsfoundation.org/music-in-the-mountains>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



National Trails Day 2016



DATE: Saturday, June 4, 2016. Sign-in between 8:00 and 8:30 am, event scheduled from 8:30am to 1:00 pm

LOCATION: Crystal Lake Recreation Area in the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument.

EVENT: Celebrate National Trails Day on June 4, 2016 in the Beautiful San Gabriel Mountains National Monument. The celebration will include 3 hours of work on trails around the enchanting Crystal Lake Recreation Area. This event is co-sponsored by the National Forest Foundation, REI and the US Forest Service. We will break for lunch and a short ceremony about National Trails Day at noon. This activity is open to all volunteers, including sponsored groups. Those who are volunteering for trail work for the first time, please identify yourself to the registrar at the meeting site so we can arrange for a Trail Boss to provide instruction and proper tools. For those volunteers that register, lunch and snacks will be provided.

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT TO WEAR WHILE WORKING:

Long sleeve shirt, long pants, gloves, and boots are required. **ANYONE NOT WEARING APPROPRIATE CLOTHING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO WORK** (Anyone wearing shorts will not be allowed to participate.) Sun protection hat, hard-hat (will be provided if needed), Ten Essentials (include a personal First Aid kit), water (2 Quarts), snacks, etc. Be prepared to hike about a mile and work until noon.

DIRECTIONS: From the 210 Freeway in Azusa, go north on Azusa Avenue CA Hwy 39 to Crystal Lake Recreation Area (25 miles). Allow 50 minutes driving time from the 210 Freeway. Please carpool if possible.

Registration:

Please register at this link: <http://nff.wildapricot.org/event-2215649>

For Additional Information, Contact One of the Following:

Edward Belden, National Forest Foundation
ebelden@nationalforests.org or 805-258-2500

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



THE CITY OF GLENDALE
Community Services & Parks Department

Riverwalk Workday **(on the Glendale Narrows Riverwalk)**

◆ WHEN:

Sat. June 11, 2016
8:00 a.m. - Noon

◆ WHERE:

**Glendale Narrows
Riverwalk**
300 Paula Ave.
Glendale, CA 91201
**(corner of Paula Ave
& Garden St)**

◆ WANT MORE

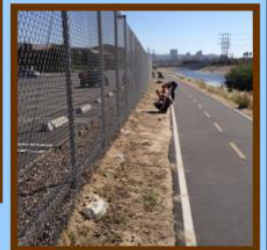
Call us at
(818) 548-3795

**Everyone must sign
a waiver prior to
working. Minors
must provide a
waiver signed by a
parent or guardian.**

Join our monthly workday as we weed and maintain the landscaped areas along the Los Angeles River in the City of Glendale.

Participants are asked to wear sturdy shoes, protective clothing, long pants, hat and sun protection.

We will provide the tools, gloves, drinks and snacks, but if possible bring your own work gloves, water bottle and hand clippers.



Families, individuals, groups, clubs, and students needing Community Service hours are encouraged to attend.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



THE CITY OF GLENDALE
Community Services & Parks Department

Lend A Hand at Brand - Part 3 (Trail Workday on the Brand Park Lateral)

◆ WHEN:

Sat. June 11, 2016
8:00 a.m. - Noon

◆ WHERE:

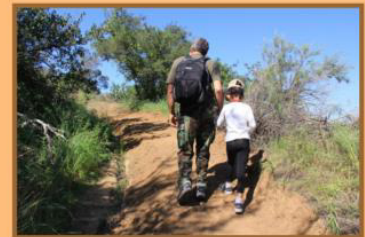
Brand Park
1601 W. Mountain St
Glendale, CA 91201
Meet at the Doctors House

◆ WHAT:

Drinks and snacks
will be provided
Wear sturdy shoes
and protective
clothing. Bring
water, sunscreen,
and a hat

Questions? Call us
at (818) 548-3795

We are back for a third time to Brand Park to work on the Brand Lateral Trail. Under the leadership of our Volunteer Trail Maintenance Crew we invite you to “lend a hand” as we address the park’s current trail alignment. No previous trail experience is required. Learn how to use trail building tools and pick up basic trail construction techniques while you help at the park. All participants must be at least sixteen years old.



There will be plenty of work, but please call us at (818) 548 - 3795 so we know that you are coming. This is a great event for clubs, families, individuals, and students needing Community Service Hours.

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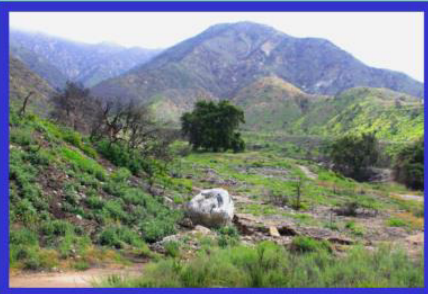
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



THE CITY OF GLENDALE
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Keep Calm It's Summer (Third Saturday Wilderness Workday)

Keep Calm...the first day of Summer was Monday, June 20, 2016. Celebrate the arrival of summer by joining us for tree watering, the removal of invasive weeds, and the ongoing park restoration.



June 2010 - Deukmejian Wilderness Park
Nine months after the 2009 Station Fire



These activities can be very soothing and calming as you learn to appreciate the natural beauty that surrounds. Everyone is invited to the park...individuals, families, groups, clubs, students needing Community Service hours, and lovers of all things Summer. So, take a deep breath and calm down.

◆ **WHEN:**

**Sat. June 25, 2016
8:00 a.m. - Noon
(Please note this is a new date...stay calm)**

◆ **WHERE:**

**Deukmejian Wilderness Park
3429 Markridge Rd
Glendale, Ca 91214**

◆ **WHAT:**

**Snacks and drinks will be provided
Wear sturdy shoes, a hat, and protective clothing
Bring your water bottle, sun screen, and gloves**

◆ **Want More:**

Call (818) 548-3795

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

• INVASIVE PLANT REMOVAL

Volunteers are needed to help pull invasive plants in the sandy ground and ash left from the Station Fire in the Vogel Flat Picnic Area. The roots come out easily. We have an entire field where we are building a nature trail with very few or no native plants. We need to plant Scarlet Bugler, California Fuchsia and Monkey Flower. The invasives, including Mustard, Star Thistle, Foxtail, and Spanish Broome all easily pull from ground along with their roots.

Anyone who can pull is needed - it's not difficult but it needs to be cleared now before they sprout...some are already blooming but then they die quickly. We don't want birds nesting in it. It's dense and 2' tall in places already. We want to get it this year. Volunteers can come anytime and pull what they can and leave in pile. They will easily see other piles and know what to do.

We also need people to help place rocks to delineate the nature trail path.

Dennis Merkel, CPRP
District Recreation Officer

Forest Service
Angeles National Forest, Los Angeles River Ranger District
and San Gabriel Mountains National Monument

p: 818 899-1900 x229

c: 505 234-5417

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dmerkel@fs.fed.us

• AC100 <http://www.ac100.com>

VOLUNTEERS

If you are involved in mountain trail endurance running, you know it takes a small army of volunteers to put on a "point to point" 100 mile endurance run.

We need:

1) help at several late wilderness aid stations:

-Idlehour Checkpoint at 83 miles,

-Sam Merrill Checkpoint at 89 miles and

-Millard Checkpoint at 95 miles into the race.

2) help staffing our kitchen at the Finish Line at Loma Alta Park in Altadena.

3) medical volunteers as part of the new Ultra Medical Team, i.e. Paramedics, Nurse, EMTs, First Aid.

Everyone that volunteers with the Ultra Medical Team is covered for professional liability (a.k.a. medical malpractice) insurance.

Go to <http://ultramedicalteam.org/> to the SignUp tab where you can read about the Ultra Medical Team.

4) help trail marking

5) help trail sweeping (preferably with HAM radio).

6) experienced trail maintenance people that can lead large AC100 Trail Maintenance teams on the weekend starting in early April through middle of July.

If you are available on August 6/7, 2016 (Sat/Sun),

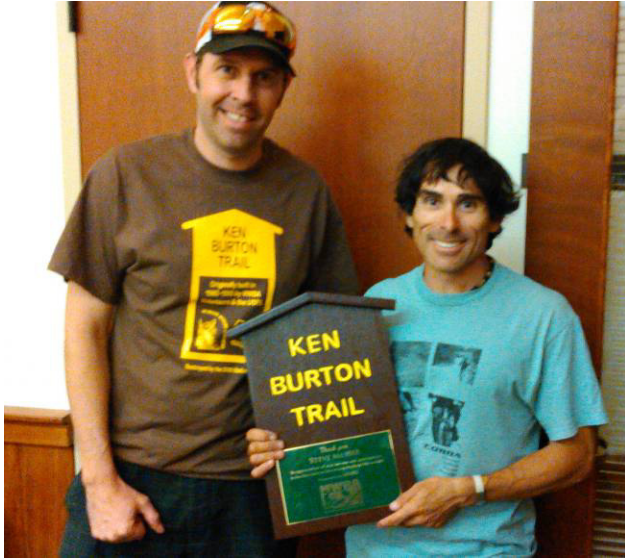
Please contact: Ken.hamada3gmail.com

Any help will be appreciated.

VOLUNTEERS AT WORK

Thurman working on rock step

Photo by Brenda Beck



Steve Messer was recognized for his work in getting the Ken Burton trail reopened

Photo by Guy Kuhn

Mike McGuire, Matt Baffert, Robin McGuire, Steve Messer and support from Chris Ashford Removing trees from Silver Moccasin Trail

Photo by Steve Messer



Mike McGuire and Robin McGuire working with Angeles National Forest tour of calif amgen

Photo by Robin McGuire

VOLUNTEERS AT WORK



Mike McGuire and Robin McGuire being recognized for their work on the Ken Burton restoration trail.

Photo by Robin McGuire



Ranger Anita & Robin McGuire



McGuire & Sheriff Gonzalez

at the Rose Bowl Autism Speaks Walk





American Heart instructor Tom Dwyer training volunteers First Aid.

**Photo by
Patty Dwyer**



VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

AC100 <http://www.ac100.com/>

- August 6th : 2016 race. (See the Volunteers Needed Page)
- June 4th : Trail Work Again restricted to the 1st 30 who RSVP to Hal
Trail work location Wintercreek Tail. (High clearance vehicles best, down Mt. Wilson Toll Road to Harvard Saddle parking)
- June 18th :Trail Work Again restricted to the 1st 30 who RSVP to Hal
Trail work location TBD
- June 19th :Training Run: Run 26 miles from Wrightwood visitor Center to Islip Saddle.
- June 23rd :Trail Work Again restricted to the 1st 30 who RSVP to Hal
Trail work maybe Cooper Cyn below Cloudburst

Angeles Mountain Bike Patrol m.rmccuire@hotmail.com

- Working with the Mount Wilson Biking Association restoring the Ken Burton trail, removing trees off the Arroyo Seco, Grizzly Flats, and Haines canyon trails.
 - We are continuing with the patrolling the Strawberry Trail loop.
- Our mission is to provide educational and a responsible image to all trail users. To encourage rider's to obey forest regulations and working to preserve and protect trails. A.M.B.P is here to serve and inform the public

Angeles Mountain Bikers and Trail Keepers

Mark Gage mrgv33@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

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

- **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 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!

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

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

Face book: Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy

- **June 11th Rosemont Preserve Habitat Restoration Days, 9:00-11:00am**
Join us in removing invasive plants and replacing them with natives.
- **June 19th Open Gate Days, 3:00-5:00pm**
Come visit the Preserve at your leisure, take a stroll...
Count the deer and enjoy this beautiful open space in your backyard.
- **Upcoming Docent-led Tours**
 - **June 25th, 9-11 am:** Nancy Steele, Water and Conservation at the Rosemont Preserve

BEAR CANYON TRAIL CREW

bearcanyontrailcrew@gmail.com

Andy Hoyer 213-675-0420

The Bear Canyon Trail Crew will be taking the summer off to enjoy the Angeles Forest .

Will be back to work on October! Will be posting our future schedule at the meet up group: <https://socalhiker.net/>

Big Santa Anita Canyon <http://www.bigsantaanitacanyon.com/>

- 2016 Live Music Events (Check the Volunteers fun pages)
- 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

Blight Busters Trail Crew

Danny Treadway dayhiker86@yahoo.com

California Trail Users Coalition (CTUC) <http://www.ctuc.info/ctuc/>

Events Calendar: <http://www.ctuc.info/ctuc/index.php/ctuc-calendar>

• **June 15th 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 contacting our Chairman, Terry Kaiser at:

<http://www.ctuc.info/ctuc/index.php/contact-us/27-ctuc/9-terry-kaiser>

CITY OF GLENDALE

Parks, Recreation & Community Services Dept
818-548-2000

CALENDAR: <http://www.glendaleca.gov/residents/calendar/-curm-06/-curv-2016>

• **June 4th Campfire Program “Tick Talk)**

(Check the Training Opportunities pages)

• **June 11th Lend a Hand at Brand Part 3 (Trail Workday on the Brand Park Latarel)**

(Check the Volunteers Needed Pages)

• **June 11th Riverwalk Workday (Check the Volunteers Needed Pages)**

• **June 25th Celebrate the arrival of summer by joining us for tree watering, the removal of invasive weeds, and the ongoing park restoration. (Check the Volunteers Needed Pages)**

Community Hiking Club

<http://communityhikingclub.org/>

Dianne Erskine Hellrigel

email: zuliebear@aol.com

phone: 661-259-2743

• **June 4th - CELEBRATE NATIONAL TRAILS DAY at Dagger Flat!**

Get that special feeling of accomplishment as you work with other volunteers and hikers to complete several manageable projects on the Dagger Flat Trail. Then enjoy a gourmet hot dog lunch and swap stories of your day's achievements!

THIS IS NOT A HIKE, but you will hike about 4 miles round trip, through the most spectacular scenery near SCV. All this, while helping Dianne and CHC bring this trail back to life. CHC is restoring a trail that has been unused for about 30 years. PLEASE only RSVP "Yes" if you can make it. Dianne will bring tools according to the RSVPs.

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(CONT: CELEBRATE NATIONAL TRAILS DAY at Dagger Flat!)

Directions to Meeting Spot (White Gate for 3N17): Take the I-5 to the SR-14 North. Exit at Sand Canyon, turn right (South/East). Go all the way past all the houses, Placerita Canyon etc., going straight. Enter the Angeles National Forest and continue up!up!up! Sand Canyon Road until you see a memorial at a bad corner (on the right side). Shortly after this you will see a small brown sign "Santa Clara Divide Road". Park in one of the turnouts to the left, right, or above this sign but not blocking the white gate.

Google Latitude/Longitude coordinates for the Meeting Spot (at Sand Canyon Road and 3N17) are:
34.360824,-118.391941

Meeting Time: We will meet PROMPTLY at 7:00AM. We will make up carpools and leave no later than 7:10AM SHARP. We carpool through a locked gate for 4 miles on forest road 3N17 to reach the trail head, due to limited parking there. PLEASE BE PROMPT as we must relock the gate.

Lunch: 12:00 - 12:30PM

Enjoy Lunch with us: Hot dogs with the fixings followed by Dianne's legendary cookies!

Quitting Time: 1:30PM ; we should be back at the gate by 2:00PM.

Bring: Water, snacks, camera, band aids, TP (there are no bathrooms), hand wipes, strong garden gloves (suede leather type recommended) , sunscreen, electrolytes, sun hat, and anything else you can think of to make you more comfortable.

Do Not Bring: Dogs, as they will get bored, plus we do not want to risk tripping over or hurting them as we work. Also, it would not be safe to bring young children (we use heavy tools and the trail is narrow). Leave your garden tools at home, as we could damage them or lose them.

Thank you for helping us bring back this trail, so we can all enjoy it.

Leader: Dianne

Rated: Moderate ++5

• June 4th - Dawson Saddle to Vincent Gap, summiting Mount Baden Powell

Distance/ Gain: 9 1/2 miles; 2,000' gain

Rating: Moderate ++/ Strenuous (remember we will be at higher altitude where the air is thinner)

Description: From Dawson Saddle (7900') we hike a single track trail to Throop Peak (9138'). Just after the Peak we will turn onto the Pacific Crest Trail to Mt. Burnham (9000') then onward to Mt. Baden-Powell (9400') where we will have lunch and enjoy the views.

After lunch, we hike down to Vincent Gap (6600'). We will be hiking through an open forest of Jeffrey pine, white fir and lodgepole pine while enjoying panoramic views and crisp high mountain air.

Carpool Meeting Spot in North Santa Clarita Valley: NOT TOWSLEY!! If you would like to car pool, please meet at the Sand Canyon / Soledad Canyon Road junction parking area, at Starbucks by the Vons Supermarket at 06:10AM for a 6:45AM SHARP departure to the trailhead. Car arrangements will be made at that time.

Directions:

From Pasadena/Sylmar - 210 Freeway to 2 Hwyto Vincent Gap parking lot

From Antelope Valley - Contact Jim Hazard for carpool / caravan instructions.

From North Santa Clarita Valley - Take the 14 Fwy North to the Pearblossom Hwy turn off. Go East on 138 through Littlerock and Pearblossom to Largo Vista Rd (this is very approximately 6 miles). Make a right turn here (there is a sign here advertising Mountain High ski resort). Continue till you come to the first stop sign at Big Pines Hwy, and make a left. Continue until the next stop sign at Angeles Crest Hwy. Turn right and go 5 miles to the Vincent Gap Parking Lot.

Meeting your leader at trailhead: We will meet at Vincent Gap (where we will end the hike) by the restroom at 8:15AM for 8:30AM short car shuttle departure to the trailhead at Dawson Saddle. We will leave some cars at Vincent Gap for the end of the hike.

Bring: Lots of water (2-3L), some Electrolytes like Gatorade, a hat, sunscreen, a lunch/ snack and hiking poles if you have them. Watch the weather forecast, but it is always a good idea to pack another layer in case it gets cold. Good shoes with tread are a must - no flip flops or tennis shoes please.

Adventure Pass: Yes, 1/Car, required at Vincent Gap. Available at Acton Ranger Station, the Little Tujunga station, REI Northridge, Big 5 Sports (\$5 a day/ \$30 a year) or any other Ranger Station.

Dogs: OK, if on a leash and well-behaved with other dogs / people carrying poles. If you bring your dog, please drive yourself.

Leader: Jim Hazard Asst Leader / **Sweep:** Steve I.

• June 11th - GREAT VIEWS - Five Deer trail from Artesian Springs Camp to Martindale Ridge Road

Distance: 10 Miles RT (out and back)

Gain: 1200' Approx.

Hiking Time: 5 hours

Rating: Moderate ++ (for distance and several steep hills)

Description: This is a beautiful hike we first introduced last year that is 100% single track. We start at 3800' (2600' higher than Santa Clarita Valley) with a view of Bouquet Reservoir. We hope to catch some breezes / views as we hike in the Angeles National Forest. After a 30 minute drive from Santa Clarita, up Bouquet Canyon, we go off-road and drive 2 miles on a forest road to start our hike at Artesian Springs camp. That is a FUN RIDE just in itself!!

Hiking along a lightly used single track mountainbike trail, we pass through old growth chaparral and periodically dip into shady canyon doglegs. Along the way, we hope to enjoy wildflowers, views across Bouquet reservoir to Grass Mountain, the Sierra Pelona below, and later Mt. McDill. If it is a clear day, we may be able to see all the way East to Palmdale and North to the Tehachapi Valley and spinning windmills. After passing an interesting rock outcropping, we arrive at our turnaround point on a ridge line with panoramic views of the Sierra Pelona area, Vasquez Rocks and Agua Dulce in the distance.

Here we will break for a snack/ lunch under a huge shady oak.

Meet your Leader to Carpool to the trailhead: In the Santa Clarita Best Buy parking lot (26531 Bouquet Canyon Road) at 7:00AM for a 7:15AM SHARP departure.

Directions from 5 Freeway to the Carpool meeting spot: From the I-5 freeway heading North toward Castaic, exit at Newhall Ranch Road (Route 126), head East up an off ramp along Newhall Ranch toward Valencia for 4.4 miles to the intersection with Bouquet Canyon. Turn left at the light and left again at the next light into the Best Buy parking lot (26531 Bouquet Canyon Road). Meet the group in front of the Best Buy store entrance to organize cars.

Carpooling from Bouquet Canyon Best Buy to trailhead: NOTE: We will drive 20 miles up Bouquet Canyon to the Forest road 6N08 gate. Then we drive 2 miles East from Bouquet Canyon, along 6N08 . It is a rough road, so to be sure, we will need high clearance vehicles (i.e. SUV/ pick ups) , but not necessarily 4WD . I had no problem at all with my Subaru Outback. We need enough of this vehicle type for the carpool, otherwise everyone is going to have to get very "friendly" or left behind. So, if you can help contribute to this special carpool, please let me know ahead of time, so I can ensure we have enough space.

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.

Dogs: OK, must be on a leash and if well behaved around other dogs and people with hiking poles. If you bring a dog, please plan to drive yourself in your SUV to the trailhead. Bear in mind this is a single track.

Adventure Pass: Yes (just in case) 1/car. These can be obtained at any BIG 5 Sport-ing Goods store; \$5 for a day pass, \$30 for a year pass.

BRING: Hiking Poles, lunch/snacks, at least 3L of water and some electrolytes, camera, hat and sunscreen. Wear hiking shoes/boots with good tread - No flip-flops! Bug Net is advised for some of the shadier parts (we have extras at \$5 if you need one).

Leader: Steve i.

• June 18th - Switzer Falls to Bear Canyon trail

Distance: ~ 7 miles total , reverse type (out and back...and around about the canyon, starting by going down and coming back uphill at the end)

Gain: ~ 600feet

Rating: Moderate + (Note: There are some steep areas and overlooks during this hike, if you have an issue with heights).

Description: This is a moderate hike into one of the loveliest sections of the San Gabriel Mountains. The hike meanders back and forth across the stream running down the spectacular Arroyo Seco Canyon. The stream is lined with oaks and a lot of alder, many of which have fallen across the river. In many places the water cascades over granite into mirror-like pools. The hike emerges from the trees and travels high above the 50 foot high Switzer falls with a view of where the Switzer resort stood before dropping back to the stream.

We continue down Bear canyon a mile or so, taking in several pools and the beauty of the canyon. There is plenty of boulder hopping but not much scrambling. We will stop along the way for a snack before turning back. This time we go back up stream until we are standing at the base of the falls. We then backtrack a little and return up the hill from stream level to the track above and follow the stream back up to the parking lot.

Community Hiking Club**(Switzer Falls to Bear Canyon trail cont)**

BRING: Hiking poles, if you have them, an extra layer in case it gets hot/cold, lunch/snack, water (2 - 3L), hat and sunscreen. Long pants and sleeves are advised as poison oak and stinging nettles are likely (although we will try to point them out). Bug spray / a bug net is recommended just in case. We have extra bug Nets - \$5, if you need one.

Adventure Pass: Yes, for those who drive - they do ticket (\$5)! Passes can be obtained at any BIG 5 Sporting Goods store; \$5 for a day pass, \$30 for a 1 year pass.

Dogs: OK, on leash and if well behaved around people / other dogs. If you bring a dog, you will need to drive yourself

Meet your Leader: At 6:15AM outside Towsley Canyon gate in the street Parking lot for a 6:30AM SHARP Carpool departure. Alternatively, meet at the Trail Head for a 7:30AM departure down the trail. 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.

Directions to Towsley Canyon carpool meeting spot:

From North (Valencia) - Take the I-5 South to the Calgrove exit. Exit, turn right. Go through the signal and immediately turn right into the driveway for Towsley Canyon. Park OUTSIDE the gate. Look for the hiking club members and leader there. Please be on time.

From South (LA) - Take the I-5 North, kept left at HWY 5/14 split until next Exit (Calgrove Blvd.). Exit, turn left at bottom of ramp. Go through the signal and immediately turn right into the driveway for Towsley Canyon. Park OUTSIDE the gate. Look for the hiking club members and leader there.

Directions to Switzer Trail head:

From the 210, take the exit toward the Angeles Crest Highway in La Canada Flintridge. Continue east on CA-2 for 9.8 miles. Pass the Clear Creek Ranger Station, then take a right on the Switzer Truck Trail. Descent to the parking lot below.

Leader: Steve

- **June 25th - Hondo Canyon (Topanga Canyon / Malibu area)**

Distance: 10.0 miles total (this is an Out and Back) **Gain:** 1900 ft (mainly in first hour)

Hiking Time: ~ 5 - 6 hours Approx.

Rating: Moderate ++

Description: Another spectacular section of the Backbone Trail, this hike includes a lot of single track through shady hedgerows with snatches of ocean views and some cool air. We will hike through varied terrain - shaded live oaks; a sloping meadow; switch-backs up the steep south slope of Hondo Canyon through a lovely oak forest; and deep chaparral.

At our turnaround spot, the foundation of an old fire lookout tower, we will snack and enjoy views of the inland areas - toward Malibu Creek Canyon Park to the NW and the Calabasas area to the NE.

Meet your Leader:

Due to VERY LIMITED parking at the trailhead, we strongly encourage you to carpool.

Carpooling from Santa Clarita Valley: Meet your leader at Towsley Canyon (24255 The Old Road, Newhall, CA) outside the gate in the Parking lot at 6:45AM. We will leave at 7:00AM SHARP. Alternatively, you can meet the leader at the Hondo Canyon trailhead (directions below) at 8:00 AM for a 8:15 AM SHARP departure up the trail.

Directions to Towsley Carpool carpooling spot: From Valencia, take the I-5 South to the Calgrove exit. Exit, turn right. Go through the signal and immediately turn right into the driveway for Towsley Canyon but immediately park OUTSIDE the gate (look for club members and leader near the gate). Please be respectful of your driver's support by contributing something at the end of your carpool to help defray the cost of gas - Thanks.

Directions to Hondo Canyon trailhead:

Trailhead address: 381 Old Topanga Canyon Road, Topanga Canyon, CA 90290

Trailhead coordinates: Lat 34.092804, Lon -118.610122 (34° 05' 34.09"N 118° 36' 36.43"W)

From Santa Clarita, take the I-5 South and merge right on to the 405 South. Then take 101 north and exit Topanga Canyon Road (US 27) South, cross Ventura Blvd and go about 7.5 miles. On a bend (at the Inn of the 7th Ray restaurant), turn right on to Old Topanga Road. Go approx 0.4 miles and park on the left side of the street at the trailhead. When parking, be very mindful of traffic, this is a busy/ winding road. Be at the trailhead by 8:00 AM for an 08:15 AM SHARP departure up the trail.

BRING: Hiking poles, if you have them, lunch/snack, water (2 - 3L) plus electrolytes, a camera, hat and sunscreen.

Adventure Pass: Not required.

Dogs: Sorry, NOT ALLOWED by park regulations.

Leader: Steve I.

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

Haramokngna American Indian Cultural Center

<http://www.haramokngna.org/> (626) 449-8975.

- Rudy Ortega Jr. along with the Tataviam Senior Program (Rudy Ortega Sr. Park staff), Haramokngna staff, and volunteers have began a reconstruction phase, an extensive plan envisioned since the centers opening in 1997.
- **Our Center is open seasonally**, from Spring-Fall. Our normal hours are Saturday and Sunday, 10:00am-4:00pm. We are also available weekdays by appointment. Visitor Center hours may vary due to volunteer staffing. Please contact us by phone or email to confirm availability. center@haramokngna.org
- **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 If you are interested, please call us at 626-449-8975.

Or email us at center@haramokngna.org

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

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

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

- Certified Packer e-mail: pjgwfooster@aol.com

JPL TRAILBUILDERS

Jack Russell 562-861-3187

Kathie Reilly 626-379-8429

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

- **June 4th Outing**
- **June 25, National Trails Day (Check the VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PAGE!)**

WHAT'S PLANNED: Gary Hilliard of Mt Disappointment 25k/50K/50M Endurance Runs asked us to take a pass of North San Gabriel Peak Trail and make sure it was good for the race coming up July 9. It was in very good shape and required very little maintenance. Another outing was work on Dark Canyon Trail from Grizzly Flat Road toward Angeles Crest Highway. It was like the place has been fertilized, especially the Scotch Broom, almost blocking the trail. Cutting a wide path takes lots of time and effort, so we could be on this trail for a long time.

BRING: Dayhike gear(daypack, lunch, lots of water), sun screen, bug repellent, hat, and work gloves. Please make sure you wear long sleeves, long pants and boots in order to be able to use tools. You can bring your own tools or are welcome to use those from our group supply. We provide hard hats.

MEET: At 8:15 am at ball diamonds parking lot in the lower part of Hahamongna Park. Get off the 210 freeway at Berkshire off-ramp and follow the signs for JPL and Hahamongna Park. Once you turn into the Park, go down the driveway, make a right at the bottom and look for us in the parking lot. (If that is full, we park in the dirt lot directly at the bottom of the driveway) We sign in and form carpools, leaving at 8:30 sharp, returning around 4 PM. The leaders take passengers, but make sure you have plenty of gas in case we need more drivers (riders can give drivers \$1 towards gas). If you need to leave early, notify the leaders at sign-in time.

Mt. Disappointment Endurancewww.mtdisappointment50k.com

Gary Hilliard, Director

For more calendar details go to: <http://www.mtdisappointment50k.com/trailwork.shtml>

Trail Work 2016 dates are:

- June 11th – Kenyon Devore (lower half)
- June 25th - Silver Moccasin (lower)
- July 9th - The Race is on!

Car-pool meeting time is 7:00 am alongside Highway 2 in La Canada Flintridge. People should bring work gloves, long-sleeve shirts and pants, sun-protection, and water. Hardhats and tools will be provided.

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

Mount Wilson Institute<http://www.mtwilson.edu/>

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

(404) 413-5484

☺ Cosmic Cafe is now open & guided tours on Saturday/Sunday

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.

Mount Wilson Bicycling Association <http://mwba.org/>Contact: Matt Lay matt@mwba.org**• CHECK OUT THE 2016 MWBA PANCAKE FUNDRAISER REPORT**

Our mission has changed very little over the years. MWBA still advocates responsible trail use in the San Gabriel Mountains and we still work on trails that need maintenance due to use, weather and age. If you are interested in giving back to the community by working on a trail and meeting cool mountain bikers, come on out and join us! <http://mwba.org/join/>

Mount Wilson Race

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

Pete Siberell Chair, Mt. Wilson Trail Race

- May 28th The Race!

TOP 5 RUNNERS

<u>Adrian Diaz</u>	<u>Bib 90</u>	<u>01:01:35</u>
<u>Jon Clark</u>	<u>Bib 71</u>	<u>01:03:15</u>
<u>Christopher Kollar</u>	<u>Bib 166</u>	<u>01:04:16</u>
<u>Jon Clark</u>	<u>Bib 140</u>	<u>01:04:21</u>
<u>Jerry Garcia</u>	<u>Bib 9</u>	<u>01:04:36</u>



Pacific Crest Trail Association

<http://www.pcta.org>

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

Liz Bergeron LBERGERON@PCTA.ORG

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

- June 2nd to 5th Allingham Trail Skills College near Sisters, Oregon
- June 10th to 12th Big Bend Trail Skills college in Ashland, Oregon
- July 15th to 17th TahoeTrail I Skills college in Truckee, California
(Check the Training Opportunities pages)
- Southern California Trail Skills college
(Check the Training Opportunities pages)

San Gabriel Mountain Trail Builders <http://www.sgmtrailbuilders.org>

The San Gabriel Mountains Trailbuilders (SGMTB) is an all-volunteer public service organization dedicated to constructing and maintaining hiking trails in the San Gabriel Mountains' Angeles National Forest in Southern California.

If you would like to volunteer your time,

Call: Ben White: 626-303-1078 Or E-Mail | benw@SGMTrailbuilders.org

If you would like to work with the Mount Baldy Group

Contact The Baldy Group: bttbs.vsh@live.com

SCENIC MT. LOWE RAILWAY

WEB: <http://www.mtlowe.net/> FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/mountlowevolunteers/?fref=ts

Brian Marcroft 562-868-8919

E-mail: Emworks@verizon.net

Our mission is to preserve the remnants (structures, trails, artifacts) of the Mount Lowe Railway in the Angeles National Forest. We work under the authority of the Angeles National Forest along with a cadre of many other volunteers who help with various projects to protect the Forest.

Sierra Club

1750 North Altadena Drive, Pasadena, CA 91107

213-387-4287

For more calendar details go to www.angeles.sierraclub.org/pasadena/• **June 4th Pasadena Monthly Meeting:**

Information on Group's hikes, outings, and conservation activities. Newcomers always welcome! Doors open at 7 pm; Program starts 7:30 pm, at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N Altadena Dr in NE Pasadena. For information contact Group Membership Chair, Bill Joyce

- **June 2nd/9th /16th/23rd/30th Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike**
- **June 3rd Spring Benefit Shipping at Ten Thousand Villages**
- **June 4th Greene and Greene Southeast Pasadena Walking Tour**
- **June 18th Pasadena Group Newcomers Potluck**
- **June 8th/22nd Evening in the Arroyo**

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MOUNTAINS FOUNDATION <http://mountainsfoundation.org/>Sarah Miggins 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=2016&month=06>

- **June 17th Campfire Sing-Along with Laura Tovar**
- **June 3rd/4th/10th/11th/24th Campfire Program**
- **June 11th/18th Build a Birdhouse**
- **June 25th Music in the Mountains**
(CHECK THE FUND RAISER PAGE!)
- **June 4th/11th/18th/25th Gold Panning**
- **June 19th Greenhouse Day**
- **June 4th/11th/18th/25th Guided Wildflower Walk**
- **June 4th/5th Interpretive Program**
- **June 18th/25th Intro to Geocaching**
- **June 4th/11th/18th/25th Nature Crafts**
- **June 4th/5th/11th/12th/16th Nature Walk**
- **June 4th National Trails Day**
- **June 2nd/9th/16th/23rd/30th Night Hike**
- **June 4th/18th Story Time**
- **June 18th Tuscan Concert Under the Stars**

Tree People <https://www.treepeople.org/>FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/TreePeople1/?fref=ts>

12601 Mulholland Drive

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

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

- **Community Tree Care Team Training June 25th**
- **Drought Solutions Tour and Native Plant Walk June 4th**
- **Doggy Hikes June 11th**
- **Family Tours and Native Plant Exploration June 26th**
- **Moonlight Hike June 17th**
- **Native Plants and Turf Reduction Workshop June 25th**
- **Park Work Day June 2nd/9th/11th/16th/23rd/30th**
- **Park Tree Care June 4th/5th/18th /26th**
- **Volunteer Supervisor Training June 5th**

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 135**

Kevin Sarkissian

Lead Instructor

W S Hart Union High School District

Outdoor Recreation and Wilderness Conservation

ANF Crew 135

Regional Occupational Program

21515 Centre Pointe Parkway

Santa Clarita, CA 91350

661.877.7024

661.250.0022 X 552

<http://pathwaytomfuture.org/students-parents/regional-occupational-programs><https://www.facebook.com/roptrails>

Building on the success of previous years, we again plan to hire a crew of 14 students for a two week, 60 hour paid work opportunity during the weeks of June 13th and 20th. Depending on funding sources, the opportunity will either be open only to special education students or both general education and special education applicants. For the time being, I'm going to assume that the opportunity will be unrestricted and will consider all applicants. Please note, competition for these crew positions is traditionally high. Students are encouraged to submit early. No extensions will be granted.

Students applying will need the following days / times of availability:

Week of June 13th (includes 1 hour, non paid lunch break):

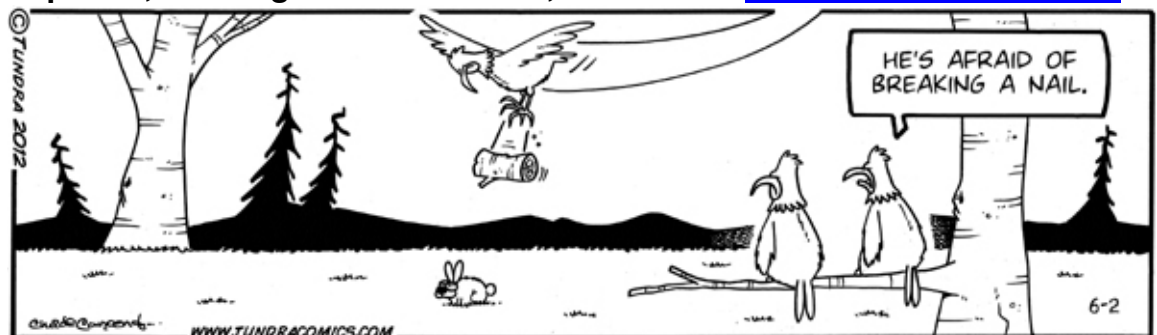
- **June 13th** 8-430pm (7.5 hrs) - USFS (PCTA) / City of Santa Clarita / MRCA / TBD
- **June 14th** 8-430pm (7.5 hrs) - US Forest Service / National Forest Foundation/ TBD
- **June 15th** 8-430pm (7.5 hrs) - US Forest Service / National Forest Foundation/ TBD
- **June 16th** 8-430pm (7.5 hrs) - US Forest Service / National Forest Foundation/ TBD

Week of June 20th (includes 1 hour, non paid lunch break):

- **June 6/21st** 8-430pm (7.5 hrs) - US Forest Service / National Forest Foundation / TBD
- **June 22nd** 6/22 8-430pm (7.5 hrs) - US Forest Service / National Forest Foundation / TBD
- **June 23rd** 6/23 8-430pm (7.5 hrs) - USFS (PCTA) / City of Santa Clarita / MRCA / TBD
- **June 24th** 8-430pm (7.5 hrs) - USFS (PCTA) / City of Santa Clarita / MRCA / TBD

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

TUNDRA by Chad Carpenter, Los Angeles Times Jun 2, 2012 email: tundra@tundracomics.com



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

Name _____

Address _____

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: _____