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Los Angeles River Ranger District Volunteer Newsletter Sept 2016

## Trees Call for Help—And Now Scientists Can Understand Team identifies the sounds made by drought-stressed trees.

By Gabe Popkin, National Geographic News

PUBLISHED APRIL 16, 2013

When drought hits, trees can suffer—a process that makes sounds. Now, scientists may have found the key to understanding these cries for help.

In the lab, a team of French scientists has captured the ultrasonic noise made by bubbles forming inside water-stressed trees. Because trees also make noises that aren't related to drought impacts, scientists hadn't before been able to discern which sounds are most worrisome.

"With this experiment we start to understand the origin of acoustic events in trees," said Alexandre Ponomarenko, a physicist at Grenoble University in France, whose team conducted the research.

This discovery could help scientists figure out when trees are parched and need emergency watering, added Ponomarenko, who presented his team's results last month at an American Physical Society meeting in Baltimore, Maryland.

### Listening to Trees

To figure out how to listen to trees, the French scientists drew on their knowledge of how trees take in water—essentially by drinking from a really long "straw."

Inside tree trunks are bundles of specialized tubes called xylem, which rely on the attractive forces between water molecules as well as those between water and plant cells to lift liquid to the highest leaves and branches

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## Trees Call for Help (CONT)

Imagine using a straw to slurp the last few drops from the bottom of your glass: You have to increase the pressure even more. In drought-stricken trees, this increased pressure can cause the water column to break, allowing dissolved air to form bubbles that block water flow.

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These events are called cavitations, and while trees can withstand some, too many can be deadly.

Since cavitations can kill trees, scientists and forest managers want to know when they are increasing. Scientists have known for decades that microphones can pick up the noises that cavitations make. But because they couldn't see inside the tree, they weren't certain of the origins of these sounds, which could have resulted from wood creaking or breaking or xylem cells collapsing.

To answer the question, the team put a thin slice of pine wood into a liquid-filled gel capsule to mimic conditions inside a living tree.

The scientists then evaporated water from the gel, simulating a drought. As the wood began cavitating, the scientists filmed bubbles forming while recording with a microphone.

The scientists found that around half the sounds they picked up were associated with cavitations. The rest were from other processes, such as bubbles invading neighboring cells. Most important, the sound waves from each type of event made a distinct pattern. All of them are above the range of human hearing.

The researchers think they can compare sounds from living trees with these patterns, and determine which processes are creating the sounds.

## Helping Thirsty Trees

According to Ponomarenko, the findings could lead to the design of a handheld device that allows people to diagnose stressed trees using only microphones.

Such a device may be particularly important if droughts become more common and more severe, as many global warming models predict they will.

In fact, a study published in *Nature* last fall suggested that trees in many places—from tropical rain forests in South America to arid woodlands in the U.S. West—already "live on the edge," meaning their cavitation rate is almost as high as they can sustain.

Ponomarenko's method could provide an early warning that cavitations are increasing.

For instance, he envisions a device that would attach to a tree and constantly listen for sounds of thirst. If needed, the device could then trigger an emergency-watering system.

Ponomarenko's research is promising, added Cornell University's Abe Stroock, whose lab designed the gel capsule the French team used. He said the result "opens a new mode of observation" into cavitation.

But he also noted that the wood samples used in the team's study had to be "excised and abused," so they don't necessarily behave exactly like wood in a living tree.

"Translating [these findings] to a living plant and into different species is a lot of work, potentially," he said.

**Date: Mar 5,1987**

**IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES**

## **Nighttime Closure Sought**

### **Trouble Rides Up the Road to Chantry Flats**

By: MARK ARAX,

Bored and broke, Brian Teate had driven to Chantry Flats in hopes of salvaging his Saturday night.

Just above the communities of Sierra Madre and Arcadia, at the entrance to the Angeles National Forest. Chantry Flats offers a breathtaking view of the San Gabriel Valley at night and serves as a departure point for daytime hikes to area waterfalls and swimming holes.

But Teate and other youths have come to know it for a different, less pristine, allure. ON weekends, late-night parties complete with alcohol and stereos blasting Ozzy Osbourne and Led Zeppelin music erupt spontaneously along the county road ascending to the flats and in a parking lot at the road's end.

"We listen to music, sit on the rocks, drink beer and talk," said Teate, who had driven up with two friends last Saturday night. "What's the harm in that?"

#### **Weekend Rendezvous**

Once considered a "lover's lane" or an "inspiration point," Chantry Flats in more recent years has attracted a growing number of teen-agers and young adults seeking refuge from parents and police. They converge on the mountain every weekend, 20 to 30 cars containing 50 to 75 people. During warm summer nights, it's not unusual for 150 to 200 of them to party late into the night along such turnouts as Rendezvous Overlook, which they call simply "The Rocks."

Residents who live in the \$400,000 homes at the base of the mountain in Sierra Madre say the mix alcohol, drugs and twisting road is a deadly one. They count seven serious accidents in their residential neighborhood in the past three months alone, all involving young drivers who had used alcohol or drugs at Chantry Flats.

Cabin owners who spend their weekends in the mountain complain of drunk teen-agers throwing bottles, setting off fireworks and brawling.

Although officials of the Sheriff's Department deny that the area has become a haven for hard drugs or violent crime, and they acknowledge their inability to cope with an increase in vandalism and alcohol and drug-related accidents. They lack the manpower to patrol the area and ensure that Chantry Flats, which is supposed to be closed from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., swept clean each night of partying youths.

#### **Solution Complicated**

And a solution is complicated by geography and a strange quirk of jurisdiction. Santa Anita Avenue, the road leading to Chantry Flats, winds through Sierra Madre, Arcadia and Monrovia before ending up in a designated federal area. The police departments of those three cities, the California Highway Patrol and the U.S. Forest Services all oversee varying parts of the mountain and must coordinate their efforts with sheriff's deputies, who bear the brunt, of the responsibility.

Last weekend, deputies reported arresting nine adults and eight juveniles for crimes ranging from driving while intoxicated to possession of cocaine and a stolen vehicle.

"We're not going up there on numerous stabbings or shootings," said Lt. Tom Johnston of the Temple City sheriff's substation, which oversees the area. "mostly, it's a situation of kids being kids. We just have to protect them from themselves."

#### **Game of Cat and Mouse**

Johnston described a frustrating game of cat and mouse with partying youth who use citizens band radios and lookouts to warn of police patrols working their way up the mountain. "They always seem to one driving down the hill as we're coming up," he said. "They'll wait until we leave and they drive right back up."

Jody and Dennis Lonergan, who own a pack station that sells foodstuffs and other supplies at Chantry Flats and live in an adjacent home, say attempts by Arcadia police to patrol a popular gathering spot on the lower half of the mountain have only pushed the problem into their backyard.

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## IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES (CONT)

"We have been threatened with bodily harm for suggesting that they take their music and beer down the road so we can get some sleep," said Jody Lonergan, 31.

"We're not conservative folks. We like to enjoy ourselves. But the problem has just gotten out of hand in the past three years. On Valentine's Day, we had a kid stabbed up here."

In January, 20 frustrated homeowners formed Citizens for a Safer Sierra Madre to spearhead a booth manned 24 hours a day by a U.S. Forest Service employee who will charge \$2 for every car entering the area.

Government and police officials were reluctant to say which solution they favored, but at least two indicated there were more advantages to the toll booth idea.

Lt. Johnston said the toll booth would raise revenue for the county and the Forest Service and would not require the nighttime sweeps of the area that would be needed with a gate.

Johnston rejected suggestions by the citizens group that the toll booth and the \$2 fee would not deter troublemakers from entering the area.

### **Symbol of Authority**

"With the toll booth, the kids would be passing some symbol of authority upon entering Chantry Flats. It suggests to them that they're in somebody else's backyard and that they should watch out."

While group members are not happy with the toll booth plan, they applaud the Sheriff's Department and local police for initiating a program last month of increased patrols and unannounced sweeps of the area.

The enhanced police presence -- a temporary measure until a permanent plan can be reached -- has already had an effect, according to the teen-agers and young adults who frequent Chantry Flats. Last Saturday, only a dozen cars could be seen parked along Santa Anita Avenue or in the lot near the pack station.

Teate, 20, said it was one of the slowest nights he could remember.

### **'Hassled All the Time'**

"We used to not get hassled up here. Now we get hassled all the time," he said.

Kathleen Garrick, Teate's 28-year-old companion said she has partied at Chantry Flats nearly every weekend since moving to Arcadia from Portland five months ago. Despite the bitter cold of the evening, Garrick wore a tight, short skirt several inches above the knee, leather jacket and high heels.

"I like to get dressed up when I come here," she said. "It's a pretty place and you've got a great view."

Debbie Clinton, 21, of Van Nuys, said she had spent upwards of 30 weekend nights in Chantry Flats and had never seen any evidence of cocaine or other hard drugs, only alcohol and marijuana.

Time Seelig, 20, of West Covina, said the road to Chantry Flats was one of the few mountain roads in the areas that had not been closed at night. Seelig said he had frequented

Glendora Mountain Road before authorities, citing similar problems of teen-age drunkenness and accidents, recently ended night time access there.

But Chantry Flats cabin owners and residents at the base of the mountain said a nighttime closure was long overdue.

"Four accidents have ended up in my yard in the last few months," said Lois Jenkins, who has lived at the corner of Arno and Santa Anita Avenue for eight years. "They've damaged my sprinklers and knocked down my trees. One young man got out staggering and four beer cans fell out of his car."

### **Major Accidents**

Dr. Jacob Fakoory, emergency room physician who lives on Arno Drive, said the area averages four major accidents a month. One occurred recently outside his back fence when three young people driving down from Chantry Flats shortly before midnight crashed into a pole.

Susan Hartley, who lives in another part of Sierra Madre, said she sees the effort to close Chantry Flats at night as more than combating accidents and vandalism.

"We're talking about the future well-being of our youth. I have three young children, and I know I don't want them to have Chantry Flats luring them when they get older."

## IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES FLASH FORWARD!

**A solution was voted and tried, check out the October Volunteer Newsletter to see what was tried and was it continued!**

**DON'T  
FORGET !**

**LARRD Volunteer Meeting  
September 21<sup>st</sup> , 2016  
7:00 p.m.**

**701 N Santa Anita Ave.  
Arcadia, CA 91006**

**BRING TO THE MEETING:**

- 1. WRITTEN ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND PICTURES!  
TO BE PLACED IN THE NEWSLETTER!  
OR EMAIL BOTH TO GUYKUHN@SBCGLOBAL.NET**
- 2. QUESTIONS AND ISSUES WILL BE DISCUSSED  
AND/OR DIRECTED TO THOSE THAT CAN HELP  
THE MOST.**



**September 22  
The First Day  
of Autumn  
(Autumnal Equinox)  
2016**



# VOLUNTEER TRAINING



**THE CITY OF GLENDALE**  
Community Services & Parks Department



## Campfire Program Mosquitoes

◆ **WHEN:**

Sat., Sept. 3, 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.

We draw cartoons, make jokes, and try to deal with them in the summer, but they are some of the deadliest animals on the planet. They carry Malaria, Yellow Fever, Dengue Fever, West Nile Virus, and now the Zika Virus.



**Q: Who are these killers? A: Mosquitoes**  
This Campfire will dive into the topic of mosquitoes (disease, prevention, treatment, and more).

We will put a smile on your face while you learn, sing, enjoy some skits, and bite into a s'more.



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 let us know you are attending.

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# VOLUNTEER TRAINING



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## **Green Flash at Sunset** **(Lecture and Viewing)**

### ◆ **WHEN:**

**Fri., Sept. 23, 2016**  
**6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

### ◆ **WHERE:**

**Deukmejian**  
**Wilderness Park**  
**3429 Markridge Rd**  
**Glendale, CA 91214**  
**(Meet in the Trails &**  
**Open Space Office)**

### ◆ **WHAT:**

**Astronomy themed**  
**snacks and drinks will**  
**be served**

**Wear appropriate**  
**clothing for indoors**  
**and outdoors**  
**activities**

**Join us for a lecture, training, and viewing of the “green flash at sunset”. With the right atmospheric conditions, the top rim of the sun becomes bright emerald green during the last seconds before it sinks below the horizon. Join Solar Astronomer Sara Martin as she helps us understand and look for many subtle variations of the “green moment” in her photographs along mountain and ocean horizons.**

**Bring your binoculars and learn the safe way to view the sunset. You must call us at (818) 548-3795 to reserve your place.**



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**THE CITY OF GLENDALE**  
Community Services & Parks Department

## September Riverwalk Workday (on the Glendale Narrows Riverwalk)

**◆ WHEN:**  
Sat. Sept. 10, 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 September workday as we weed and maintain the landscaped areas along the L.A. 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, gloves, water bottle and hand clippers.






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

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Community Services & Parks Department

## **Deukmejian Wilderness Park (Third Saturday Wilderness Workday)**

**We are often asked, "How did the 709-acre wilderness park in north Glendale get its name?" Or we are asked, "How do you pronounce the name of the park?"**



**For those of you too young to remember...the park is named for former California Governor George Deukmejian (pronounced duke-MAY-jee-unn). He served as our state's 35th Governor from 1983 - 1991, and held the office of Attorney General from 1979 - 1983.**

**Join us and explore the park as part of our monthly Wilderness Workday. Volunteers are needed to help water the trees, and remove invasive weeds. All ages and abilities are welcome. Families, individuals, groups, and students needing community service hours are invited.**

**◆ WHEN:  
Sat. Sept. 17, 2016  
8:00 a.m. - Noon**

**◆ 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:  
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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

# VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

-  Do you love the forest?
-  Do you love to teach children?

***If so, here is a great volunteer opportunity!!!***

The San Gabriel Mountains Heritage Association (SGMHA) is seeking volunteer educators for our school-based field trip program. This established program serves schools throughout the San Gabriel Valley at facilities at the Mt. Baldy Visitor Center and the San Gabriel Canyon Environmental Education Center. Volunteer educators are trained to teach various hands-on programs for school classes that range from K - 12 and include subjects such as Native American studies, Geology, California Gold Rush, Plant ID, Water Ecology, Local History, Environmental Conservation, and the forest's flora and fauna.



Prior teaching experience is not required. Volunteer commitment is flexible but we are looking for volunteers who are willing to learn the program and participate throughout the school year.

***Volunteer and make a difference  
for our children and for our forest!!***

If interested please contact:

Dave Baumgartner

Program Manager

909 982-2879 or 626 241-6407

email: [info@sgmha.org](mailto:info@sgmha.org)



## VOLUNTEER FUN

# ADAMS' PACK STATION 2016 Live Music Events

[www.adamspackstation.com](http://www.adamspackstation.com)

**Join Us & These Artists** : 10/09/2016 12:00-05:00 Terry Okey Cactus Jam **Music**

**09/04/2016**

12:00-05:00 Grit Barnyard Jamboree

**09/11/2016**

12:00-05:00 Terry Okey

**09/18/2016**

12:00-01:30 Other Mother Brother Band

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

03:30-05:00 Vin Fiz Flyer

**09/25/2016**

12:00-01:30 Steven Bejarano

01:45-03:15 The Subs

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

**10/02/2016**

12:00-05:00 Grit

**10/16/2016**

12:00-01:30 Other Mother Brother Band

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

03:30-05:00 Vin Fiz Flyer

**10/16/2016**

12:00-01:30 Sandy Ross

01:45-03:15 Bryan Chan

03:30-05:00 Chico's Bail Bond

**Sturtevant Camp great events** <http://sturtevantcamp.com/events/>

You are welcome to email me at: [dburgess@sturtevantcamp.com](mailto:dburgess@sturtevantcamp.com)

or call at 626.447.7356

• **Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sept 5<sup>th</sup>**

Get unplugged: Writing, Arts and Creativity off the grid. Eddie Gamarra and Katrina Knudson will organize a retreat at the Lodge for storytellers who use words and images. The weekend will combine free time, group work, and a workshop or two.

• **Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> - Nov 25<sup>th</sup>**

Invite friends and family to celebrate the Feast of Gratitude & Gravy. This is a special weekend for families, singles, and couples. Imagine sitting around a blazing fire in the fireplace of the main lodge, surrounded by family and close friends you didn't even know you had. The aromas of roasting turkey, fresh-baked apple pie, homemade bread and hot apple cider fills the air, mingled with the faint aromatic fragrance of oak smoke from the fire place.



# Up Coming Training Opportunities!

## Southern California Trail Skills College

The Southern California Trail Skills College is a place to learn all you ever wanted to know about building and maintaining trails. In 2016, you'll focus on developing "trail eyes," understanding hillside hydrology, trail brushing, tread maintenance, and learning to identify and clean trail drainage features. Both of the one-day Trail Skills Colleges focus on these same introductory skills. Attending one of these Trail Skills College is a great way to start building your trail skill-set or brush up on basics you may have forgotten.

### When and where is it?

There are two Trail Skills Colleges scheduled for 2016. The curriculum is identical, so students should only register for one day.

- Oct 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 near Idyllwild  
<http://www.pcta.org/volunteer-project/trail-skills-college-california-section-b/>
- Oct 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 near Green Valley  
<http://www.pcta.org/volunteer-project/trail-skills-college-california-section-e/>

### What will I learn?

At both Trail Skills Colleges students will cover 100 Intro to Trail Maintenance. You'll learn...

- How trails and hillside hydrology work
- How to be safe when performing trail maintenance
- Basic principles for trail brushing and hand sawing
- How to identify and clean drain dips and waterbars effectively
- How to develop and use "Trail Eyes"
- Check out the complete curriculum here.

### What's the fitness level of Trail Skills College?

All participants should be able to hike a minimum of 1-2 miles while carrying personal gear and 5-10 lb. handtools. Because classes provide hands-on learning opportunities, participants should also be prepared to be actively involved in trail maintenance for 6-8 hours per day.

### How much does it cost?

Trail Skills College is free to attend and all tools and safety equipment are provided. Volunteers must provide their own breakfast and lunch. After class, join your Trail Skills College instructors for a free dinner in town!

### How do I register?

Contact PCTA's Volunteer Programs Assistant at [volunteer@pcta.org](mailto:volunteer@pcta.org) or (916) 285-1838.

#### Questions?

Learn more about Trail Skills College on our website, or by contacting us at [volunteer@pcta.org](mailto:volunteer@pcta.org) or (916) 285-1838.

#### Can't make it?

You don't have to attend Trail Skills College in order to volunteer on the Pacific Crest Trail. Most volunteer projects require no previous experience! Check out the online project schedule for more volunteer opportunities and sign up today!

# LEARN TO LEAD

## Trail Boss Training-Fall 2016

The USDA-Forest Service, Los Angeles River Ranger District, and the Greater Los Angeles Area Council-High Adventure Team invite you to attend the next of the on-going series of Trail Boss Training sessions.

- **When: September 3, 8:00 am to not later than 3:00 pm.**
- **Where: Please contact one of the sources listed below, after August 26, for the location of this event and directions for getting there.**

The objective of this High Adventure training is to train and qualify adult volunteers to organize and supervise conservation projects by sponsored groups, such as a Scout Unit. Interested persons may begin this field training whenever a session is offered and proceed through it at the convenience of their schedule and interest. **Only adults may take this training, which is offered free to anyone who is interested in doing conservation work in the Angeles National Forest.** Registration is not required; just show up at the indicated time and place. Persons already certified as Trail Bosses are encouraged to attend, to assist with the training and to upgrade their skills. The next session of Trail Boss Training is scheduled for May 2017, California Trails Day, April 2017, will also provide some training opportunities. An Administrative Pass, valid for this date, will be provided for vehicles that lack an Adventure Pass.

If this is your initial session, you will be given a Trail Boss training card and a syllabus, “Trail Boss-Program and Practices”. A companion syllabus, “Forest Conservation”, is available for those who are interested in doing conservation projects of that type. You may also be given an USDA-FS brochure, “Volunteer Applicant Packet”, which briefly describes the Forest Service’s volunteer program and contains an application form.

**Hike Aide 3, “Full Dimension High Adventure Training”**, has a complete discussion of the training programs of the GLAAC-HAT. It may be downloaded from the Council High Adventure website <http://glaac-hat.org/HikeAids.html>. Questions about any of them are to be directed to Anthony Green; Vice Chair-Training: (310)626-3566 (C); e-mail, [agreen.bsa@gmail.com](mailto:agreen.bsa@gmail.com)

### Clothing and Equipment

Persons attending need to be dressed and equipped to do a full day of trail work. The fashion conscious volunteer wears long pants, long sleeve shirt, work boots, gloves, and a broadbrimmed hat. These are supplemented with sunscreen/sun block, dark glasses, insect repellent, and lots of water. Sneakers/sport shoes are not appropriate wear when swinging a Pulaski and moving large rocks. Conservation project sites tend to be hot, sunny, dusty, and lunchrooms for insects. Bring your lunch and whatever snacks you need to get through the day – these training sessions are usually at remote sites in the Angeles.

### Additional Information

- *USDA-Forest Service, LA River Ranger District, Little Tujunga Station, (Daytime): Dennis Merkel, Recreation Officer (818) 899-1900 X229  
email: [dmerkel@fs.fed.us](mailto:dmerkel@fs.fed.us) .*
- *Dave Ledford GLAAC-HAT Trail Boss Training:  
1-310-373-2111  
email: [gdledford@verizon.net](mailto:gdledford@verizon.net)*

# LEARN TO LEAD



## **TRAIL BOSS Training 2017 Become a USFS approved Trail Boss Supervise Trail Maintenance for your group. ( Great Eagle Projects! )**

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 personal 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 Safety, Condition Survey, Brush Clearing, Tread Work, French Drains, Soil Sacks, Water Bars, Switchback Construction, Tread Support, Etc.

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

**Available training days in 2017 are: Jan 7-8. March 4-5. Apr. 22-23. May. 6-7.**

**Call to confirm** training day for yourself. ( Course cancels if no calls )

**We Meet at the McDonald’s at Bouquet Canyon Rd. and Valencia Blvd. in Valencia  
at 8:00 AM**

### **Contact:**

**Patrick Aubuchon, Chief Trail Boss.  
818-781-7465 - [bigaub@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bigaub@sbcglobal.net)**



## FUND RAISER

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



**THE MARSHALL TUCKER BAND**  
Music in the MOUNTAINS  
Big Bear Discovery Center Amphitheater

**SEPTEMBER 3**

September 3, 2016 | Gates Open @ 5 PM | Big Bear Discovery Center Amphitheater

The Marshall Tucker Band with special guest Shawn Jones

Tickets: \$35\* - \$75\*

The Marshall Tucker Band got its start in Spartanburg, S.C. when Gray teamed up with Tommy Caldwell and Toy Caldwell, Paul T. Riddle, George McCorkle and Jerry Eubanks, borrowing the name "Marshall Tucker" from a piano tuner whose name was found on a key ring in their old rehearsal space. In 1972, they signed with Capricorn Records, the same label that guided The Allman Brothers Band, Wet Willie, and others to national fame. The MTB opened shows for The Allman Brothers in 1973, and the following year, they began to headline their own shows across America due to the platinum-plus sales of their debut album. They toured constantly playing sheds, stadiums, theaters, fairs, and festivals.

For more information goto:

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

## VOLUNTEERS AT WORK



Kevin Sarkissian  
Lead Instructor of William  
S Hart UHSD of Santa  
Clarita ANF Crew 135  
finishing  
Mt. Disappointment 50K.



# VOLUNTEERS AT WORK

**Play day bucking deadfall in Whitney Canyon.  
Anybody need a coffee table?**

**Photo by Kevin Sarkissian**



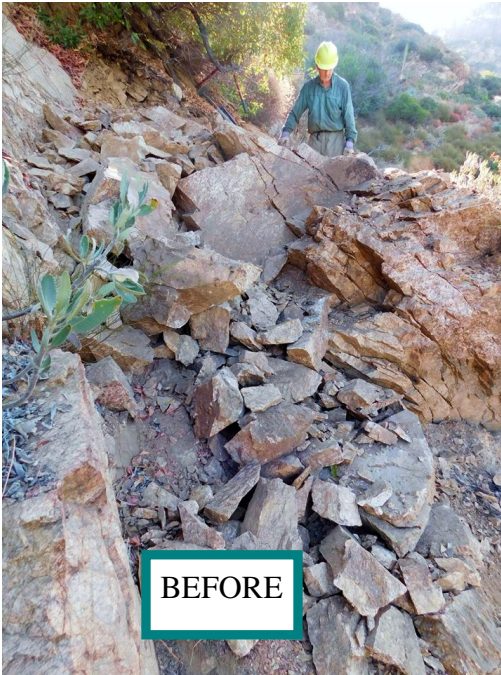
**San Gabriel Trail builders working on the Hawkins Ridge Trail.**

**Photo by Alan Coles**





# VOLUNTEERS AT WORK



BEFORE

Before and after work by Dave Baumgartner of the Restoration Legacy Crew.  
Photo by Brenda Beck



AFTER



Angeles Mountain Bike Patrol taking a break from patrol with Smokey Bear.

Photo by Robin McGuire

Angeles Mountain Bike Patrol putting out a abandoned campfire.

Please remember to always make sure your campfire is out !

Photo by Robin McGuire





# VOLUNTEERS AT WORK

A very happy day for Steve Messer, President of CORBA and all the crew. After almost 7 years of being closed, USFS gave Steve and the crew permission to remove the trail closed sign from the entrance to Ken Burton trail upon restoring the trail.

Photo by Isaac West



Just shy of 33 hrs, the last finisher crosses the line 100 miles and 19,000 ft of elevation gained later at the AC100.

Photo by Robin McGuire



**AC100**

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

- getting ready for the next race on August 5, 2017

**Angeles Mountain Bike Patrol**     [m.rmccguire@hotmail.com](mailto:m.rmccguire@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](mailto: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](mailto: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](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!

**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

- Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Rosemont Preserve Restoration Day 9am – 12pm
- Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Rosemont Preserve Open Gate 3pm – 5pm
- Sept 24<sup>th</sup>, Rosemont Preserve Docent-led Tour 9am – 11am.

Dana is a credentialed Biology teacher, wildlife educator and the Executive Director of Teranga Ranch, a non-profit that specializes in reptile rescue and wildlife education. Dana has been working with wild and domestic animals for over 20 years, spending most of that time studying and working with apex predators and urban wildlife. She will be talking about wildlife habitat, local wild animals, wildlife corridors, effects of rodenticide on wildlife, safe hiking in apex predator territory and folks will leave with some ideas about how to co-exist with wildlife in the community.

## BEAR CANYON TRAIL CREW

[bearcanyontrailcrew@gmail.com](mailto:bearcanyontrailcrew@gmail.com)

Andy Hoyer 213-675-0420

## VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

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](mailto:dayhiker86@yahoo.com)

### Boy Scouts of America Greater Los Angeles Area Council (GLAAC)

<http://glaac-hat.org>

- Learn how to lead in the maintenance of trails. (Check out the Learn to Lead pages!)

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

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

#### • Sept 21<sup>st</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 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) 548-3795

CALENDAR: <http://www.glendaleca.gov/residents/calendar/-curm-09/-cury-2016>

- Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Mosquitoes-Campfire Program (Check the Volunteer Training page)
- Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Riverwalk Workday (Check the Volunteers Needed Pages)
- Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Deukmejian Wilderness park (Third Saturday Wilderness Workday)  
(Check the Volunteers Needed Pages)
- Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> Green Flash at Sunset 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Go Outside and Play!



## Community Hiking Club

<http://communityhikingclub.org/>

Dianne Erskine Hellrigel

email: [zuliebear@aol.com](mailto:zuliebear@aol.com)

phone: 661-259-2743

• Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> - **BACK BY REQUEST!! - 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 a series of switchbacks 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 (SCV): **DO NOT GO TO TOWSLEY CANYON** (our usual spot)!! If you would like to car pool from SCV, meet at the Sand Canyon / Soledad Canyon Road junction strip mall parking area, off the 14 Hwy, at the Starbucks (by the Vons Supermarket) at 6:30AM for a 6:45AM SHARP departure to the trailhead. Carpool arrangements will be made there at that time.

**Directions to Trailhead:** (Use these, do not use Google maps unless you want to get lost)

**From Pasadena/Sylmar** - Take 210 Freeway to 2 Angeles Crest Hwy .....all the way to Vincent Gap Parking lot, on your right.

**From North end of 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. Continue all the way up until you come to the first stop sign at Big Pines Hwy, and make a left. Continue until the next stop sign which is at Hwy 2 - Angeles Crest Hwy. Turn RIGHT and go 5 miles to the Vincent Gap Parking Lot, on the left. Look for CHC group (as there may be several!) by the Restrooms .

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

**Bring:** Lots of water (3+ L), Electrolytes like Gatorade, a hat, sunscreen, a lunch/ snack and hiking poles. Watch the weather forecast, but it is always a good idea to pack another layer (in case it gets cold up there above 9000' ). 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. We do not recommend bringing our doggie friends if weather forecast says it will be HOT.

**Leader:** Steve Iland

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**• Sept 10<sup>th</sup> -Liberty Cyn to Phantom Trail to Malibu Creek State Park and the Pools.**

**Distance:** 9 mile (loop)

**Gain:** ~ 900 ft (mainly in one section near start and again near the end)

**Rating:** Moderate + (not for beginners, due to the overall distance and the gain sections). You need to be in good general condition to enjoy this hike.

**Description:** Back by popular demand!! This hike is a 9 mile loop with approx 900 ft gain in the Santa Monica Mountains through Liberty Canyon, the woodlands/ grasslands; then connecting to the Phantom Trail we climb to the ridge for some views of the Park and East Asian type skyline. Then it's back down to cross Mulholland Drive into Malibu Creek State Park. We will hike the old 20th Century Fox property to the south end of Century Lake/ Dam.

We will then take the Forest Trail back along the north end of the lake and visit the rock pools for a snack (hope to see some better water due to recent rain). You can try your hand at the low climbing walls (see below) after lunch or check out the pros. Then we complete the loop back along the park's creek bed, up Radar's \*MASH\* chopper meadow and back to the trailhead. So.....LOTS of terrain variety here throughout the day !!

We have seen deer, coyotes, water birds and wild parrots on previous visits. The hike will include mainly single track trails and some fireroads/ riverwalks. Due to distance, we will keep a decent pace, especially on the flat.

**Carpooling from Santa Clarita Valley:** Meet the leader at Towsley Canyon, outside the gate at 7:30AM for a 7:45 AM SHARP departure to the trailhead. Please be respectful of your driver's support by contributing something at the end of your carpool to help defray the cost of gas.

**Alternatively, meet near the Malibu S.P. Trailhead:** Take the 405 Fwy South to 101 Fwy North and exit at Las Virgenes. Turn left on Las Virgenes. After a bit, 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, please watch for traffic!  
( 26990 Mulholland Hwy in Google maps will get you to exactly where we are meeting ).

**Meet your leader:** We will meet and go through an opening in the fence on the RIGHT (North) side of Mulholland Hwy that leads to the North Grasslands trail to begin the hike. Look for your leader wearing an orange bandana (as there may be other hiking groups there). We will leave the trailhead at 8:45AM sharp!!

**Bring:** Plenty of water (3 liters recommended), electrolytes (e.g. Gatorade). Sunscreen, hat, lunch/ snacks, hiking poles (helpful on the uphill portion), and a camera. Wear layered clothing in case it gets hot or cold. Wear boots with lots of tread.

**Adventure Pass:** Not required.

**Dogs:** Sorry - No, they are not allowed in Malibu Cyn SP.

**Leader:** Steve

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**• Sept 17<sup>th</sup>- Mishe Mokwa loop trail to Sandstone Peak****Distance:** ~ 6 miles**Gain:** ~1300'**Rating:** Moderate

**Description:** This is one of the most beautiful loop hikes in the Santa Monica Mountains Recreation area, near the Boney Mountain State Wilderness. Highlights include the spectacular Echo Cliffs where rock climbers ascend shear cliffs, a house sized boulder delicately balanced on a small rock beneath, and a giant split rock where kids can dash between the sheer walls.

We will see Boney Peak, many other stunning giant sandstone formations, and take in some ocean views / winds from the top of Sandstone Peak and Inspiration point. We will travel along the Mishe Mokwa and parts of the Backbone trails.

**Bring:** 2 - 3L water, some electrolytes, a lunch / snack, sunscreen, a hat and shoes with good tread, poles recommended.

**To carpool from Santa Clarita Valley (Towsley Canyon Parking lot):** Meet your hike leader at Towsley Canyon, 24255 The Old Road, Newhall, CA, outside the gate at 7:00 AM to organize carpools. At 7:10 AM SHARP, we depart for the trailhead.

**Alternatively,** you can plan to meet the leader at the Trailhead by 8.15AM, see details below. As always, we recommend carpooling.

**Directions to (Circle X Ranger station) Sandstone Peak trailhead from SCV:** From Santa Clarita , go south on I-5 to the 405 freeway south. Take the 101 Freeway North to Kanan Road, Exit 36. Turn left onto County Hwy N9/Kanan Rd. Turn slight right onto Mulholland Hwy. Turn left onto Mulholland Hwy/CA 23. Continue to follow Mulholland Hwy. Turn right onto Little Sycamore Canyon Road. Turn slight left onto Yerba Buena Rd. Turn right and stay on Yerba Buena Rd until you see the Sandstone trailhead on your right on a hairpin bend.

**Meet your leader:** At the Sandstone Peak trailhead, where where there are rest rooms, picnic benches and ample parking .Meet at ~ 8:00AM to start hiking at 8:15AM SHARP. (Note: pass the Mishe Mokwa trail head - don't stop there).

**Adventure Pass:** Not Required.

**Leader:** Steve

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**• Sept 24<sup>th</sup> - Slide Mountain Fire Lookout Tower, above Pyramid Lake**

**Distance:** ~ 12 miles total - Out and back

**Gain:** ~2400 feet!

**RATING:** Difficult (for Distance and Gain). This hike is not for Beginners.

**Description:** Today we are hiking one of the most challenging hikes in our area - the lookout tower at the top of Slide Mountain! This is an out and back 12 miles round trip on a steep trail. We will hike to the fire lookout on the top of the mountain (pic below). There are incredible views of Lake Pyramid and Lake Piru. You will also have a 360 degree view of just about every major peak around the LA area from the top. This is a tough hike that is not for beginners. Steve will also point out Piru Creek, which is a Native California Fishery.

**Bring:** A snack/lunch, water (3 liters is recommended), electrolytes if it is a hot day, sunscreen, hat, hiking poles if you have them.

**Wear** layered clothing, in case it gets hot or cold and good boots with tread. There should be a lot of great photo opportunities so bring your camera.

**Carpooling from Santa Clarita:** We will meet at the outside gate of Towsley Canyon at 7:00AM for a 7:15AM SHARP departure to the trail head (see below). We will be carpooling to the trailhead above Castaic on I-5, about 25 minutes away. Please be respectful of your driver's support by contributing something at the end of your carpool to help defray the cost of gas.

**Meeting at the Trail head - Directions:** Go north on the I-5, pass Castaic and exit at Templin Hwy. Turn left, go under the freeway, and turn right. Follow this old road until it ends at a white forest service gate. Park (this is Frenchman's Flat). Display your Adventure Pass in your windshield. Meet us at the gate at ~7:45AM, we will leave at 8:00AM SHARP.

**Adventure Pass:** Required for parking in the Angeles National Forest. 1/ car for those who drive. These can be obtained at any BIG 5 Sporting Goods store; \$5 for a day pass, \$30 for a year pass.

**Dogs:** OK, if on leash and well behaved (please bear the distance in mind)

**Leader:** Steve I.



## HABITAT WORKS

## VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

<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)

## 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](mailto: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 [lorosco@haramokngna.org](mailto:lorosco@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: [schultzelectric@earthlink.net](mailto:schultzelectric@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](mailto:pjgwfooster@aol.com)

## JPL TRAILBUILDERS

**Kathie Reilly 626-379-8429 Jack Russell 562-861-3187**

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

### • Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Outing

**WHAT'S PLANNED** It all depends on the weather where we will work. Most of the trails that we work are in the sun (Mt Lowe East and West, San Gabriel Peak, Colby Canyon and Dark Canyon). Call the leader the day before if you need to know, otherwise just show up and we'll figure it out.

**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 Endurance

[www.mtdisappointment50k.com](http://www.mtdisappointment50k.com)

Gary Hilliard, Director

- **Planning for the 2017 Race!**

**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](mailto:matt@mwba.org)

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

- **Planning for the 2017 Race!**

**Pacific Crest Trail Association** <http://www.pcta.org>

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

Liz Bergeron [LBERGERON@PCTA.ORG](mailto:LBERGERON@PCTA.ORG)

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

- **Oct 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 near Idyllwild (Check the Training Opportunities pages)**
- **Oct 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 near Green Valley (Check the Training Opportunities pages)**
- **There will be numerous projects this Fall on the the PCT in the area of the Powerhouse Fire**

**Closure, near Lake Hughes.** The ANF will have a crew with a trail machine working south of Lake Hughes Road where the fire and subsequent erosion has devastated the trail. There will be an American Conservation Experience(ACE) crew working for 27 days in the closure area. The Pacific Crest Trail Association(PCTA) will have five weekend projects for volunteers and will coordinate volunteer support for the ANF and ACE Crews. Some of these volunteer opportunities will be during the week and will be determined as the various crews progress. The five weekend projects are:

- **September 24 & 25**
- **October 1 & 2**
- **October 8 & 9**
- **October 22 & 23**
- **November 5 & 6**

More information is available on the PCTA Website <http://www.pcta.org/>

Please contact Jim Richter at [richterj@vmcmail.com](mailto:richterj@vmcmail.com) to volunteer for these projects. Please also contact Jim if you are interested in volunteer support opportunities for the ANF and ACE crews. You will be placed on an e-mail list to be contacted as these opportunities develop. Jim will also be happy to assist with any questions associated with the Fall PCTA Projects in Powerhouse Fire Closure

Thanks,

Jim

PCTA, Section E Chief

**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](mailto:benw@SGMTrailbuilders.org)

If you would like to work with the Mount Baldy Group

Contact The Baldy Group: [bbtbs.vsh@live.com](mailto:bbtbs.vsh@live.com)

**SCENIC MT. LOWE RAILWAY** <http://www.mtlowe.net/>

FACEBOOK: [www.facebook.com/mountlowevolunteers/?fref=ts](http://www.facebook.com/mountlowevolunteers/?fref=ts)

Brian Marcroft 562-868-8919

E-mail: [Emworks@verizon.net](mailto: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/](http://www.angeles.sierraclub.org/pasadena/)

• Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM Pasadena Monthly Program: Dave Weeshoff, Conservation Chair of the San Fernando Valley Audubon Society, will present the continuing story of threatens to the Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Reserve in Woodley Park by a collaboration between a large musical festival promoter, the Los Angeles City Department of Recreation and Parks and the Los Angeles Parks Foundation.

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 - 909-596-6280

[rollingtherock@verizon.net](mailto:rollingtherock@verizon.net)

- Sept 8<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike
- Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Mt . Waterman (8030')

**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=2016&month=09>

- Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Build a Birdhouse
- Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Gold Panning
- Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Music in the Mountains (CHECK THE FUND RAISER PAGE!)
- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> Nature Hike
- Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Noon Walk
- Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Nature Crafts
- Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Night Hike
- Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Pinecone Bird Feeders
- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> Public Greenhouse Days
- Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> Ranger Talk: Linda Stamer-Wildlife
- Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Story Time



**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>

- **Campus Tree Care** Sept 24<sup>th</sup>
- **Citizen Forester Workshop: How to Organize a Community Tree Planting** Sept 17<sup>th</sup>
- **Drought Solutions Tour and Native Plant Walk** Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>
- **Doggy Hikes** Sept 10<sup>th</sup>
- **Family Tours and Native Plant Exploration** Sept 25<sup>th</sup>
- **Generation Earth Campus Recycling Workshop** Sept 10<sup>th</sup>
- **Generation Earth Water Wise Campus Workshop** Sept 17<sup>th</sup>
- **Moonlight Hike** Sept 9<sup>th</sup>
- **Native Plants and Turf Reduction Workshop** Sept 17<sup>th</sup>
- **Outreach Volunteer Training** Sept 17<sup>th</sup>
- **Park Tree Care** Sept 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>
- **Rainwater Harvesting workshop** Sept 17<sup>th</sup>
- **Volunteer Supervisor Training** Sept 17<sup>th</sup>

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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

• **Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7 pm Miner Vincent Memorial & Campfire Program**

Sit around the campfire and sing songs with Volunteers of the Angeles Forest. Then join us for a Celebration of the Goldminer Vincent's Story and a Tribute to the 'Old Man of the Mountain' and Fred Hanrahan, who brought him to life for us in his reenactment performances. For 28 years he entertained us and transported us to days gone by, with stories of the Gold Rush and the last of the local Grizzlies!

There will be a Musical Tribute Sing-a-long and a Goldminer Vincent "Lookalike" Contest.

**\*Limited parking.**

Use **your** Adventure Pass, park at Mountain High North, and Carpool or Hike in.

**\*Recommend** flashlight and a jacket.

**Time:** Approx 1 ½ – 2 hours

**Location:** Table Mountain Campground Amphitheater

**Leaders:** John Cromshaw and other Volunteers of the Angeles National Forest

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• **Sept 4<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am Miner Vincent Cabin Hike & Scavenger Hunt**

Hike to the actual Cabin where old Miner Vincent lived. Participate in a Scavenger Hunt along the Trail leading to the Cabin. \*One mile, easy hike.

**Time:** Approx 1 ½ hours

**Location:** Vincent Gap Parking Lot

**Leaders:** Don & Marion Shottliff, John Cromshow and other Volunteers of the Angeles National Forest

• **Sept 4<sup>th</sup> @ September 16th & 17th 7:45pm Full Moon Hikes at Big Pines**

A “Two-fer”! Come join us both nights (Friday & Saturday) for a hike through the forest at night. Enter the Crazy Pattern Sock Contest, your feet will stay warm, and you just might win first prize!

\***Please bring** a flashlight, wear sturdy shoes, Crazy Socks and dress warm.

\***Friendly** Leashed dogs welcome.

\***Easy** 1.5 mile hike.

**Time:** Approx. 1 ½-2 hours. (7:45-9:45PM)

**Location:** Big Pines Ranger Station.

**Leader:** Sabrina Johnson, President of Volunteer of the Angeles National Forest.

• **Sept 24<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00am sharp! Hike Baden Powell**

What? You always wanted to hike Baden Powell but your friends didn't want to go or you didn't want to hike alone? Well, here is your chance to hike the top of the mountain. Come join us for an exciting journey to 9,399ft.

\***Please be** prepared, this is an ALL DAY HIKING TRIP.

\***Please bring** snacks, lunch, plenty of water.

This hike is moderate to strenuous depending on your hiking level. There are 38 switchbacks, with a 2,800 ft elevation gain. \*8 miles roundtrip.

\***Adventure Pass required.**

**Time:** All Day!

**Location:** Vincent Gap Parking Lot

**Leader:** Sabrina Johnson, President of Volunteer of the Angeles National Forest.

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Conservation Education / habitat restoration and tree planting  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
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