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Los Angeles Gateway Ranger District & San Gabriel Mountains National MONUMENT  
Volunteer Newsletter February 2018

## Keep Wildlife Wild! FOR THEIR SAFETY AND YOURS

Wild animals don't need your handouts, They need your respect. Whether you live in a city or a rural part of California, wild animals are your neighbors. Most wild animals will not bother you. They naturally fear humans and keep their distance – so long as they remain fully wild.

## DON'T FEED OR APPROACH WILDLIFE

This includes birds, squirrels, foxes, alligators, bears and all other wild animals.

Feeding or approaching wildlife can cause problems for both humans and wildlife. Wild animals that learn to associate humans with food often become dependent on human-related food and garbage. They lose their wildness, may become unhealthy and often threaten people and property. They may be cute, but feeding them is bad for you and the animals.

Many animals have specialized diets and the wrong foods can negatively affect their health. Artificial food sources can cause increased wildlife populations that are damaging to the environment and that natural available food supplies can't support. Unnatural foods can also make them sick.

Feeding causes wild animals to lose their natural fear of humans. Wildlife can become an easy target, or the bold advances of an animal may be misinterpreted as an "attack" on a person.

You risk injury when you do not keep a respectful distance from wild animals.

Wild animals can misinterpret your actions. They don't know where the food stops and your fingers begin. The animal is blamed when people complain of being bitten or "attacked."

Wild animals often cause property damage when they are fed human food.

Animals will chew or bite into packs and coolers and even enter vehicles and buildings when they learn that these can be sources for food. Foxes, squirrels, and bears have entered or damaged tents to get at food stored improperly.

Feeding wild animals changes their behavior, often with catastrophic results. Animals are often injured or killed when they spend more time around vehicles at roads and parking areas. They are also easier for predators to catch in these open areas.

**Please – stash your food and trash.  
Keep them wild.**

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**Those who do not study history  
are doomed to repeat it**

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

## Blast from the Past

Los Angeles Times

Date: Mar 15, 1966

Page: B11

### Mt. Wilson Park Set by Metromedia

Metromedia, Inc., plans to replace the hotel-restaurant facilities on top of Mt. Wilson with "a modern park and picnic area," it was announced Monday by Chairman John W. Kluge.

Metromedia acquired the 720-acre site from the Mt. Wilson Co. in 1964.

The company said construction will get under way March 15 and the area will be closed to visitors until midsummer. All present structures will be demolished and the property returned to its original state.

Plans for Mt. Wilson Skyline Park include three large observation decks overlooking the Los Angeles basin. An enclosed deck for winter usage will be built on a 5,700-foot promontory.

Los Angeles Times

Date: Dec 2, 1967

Page:SG10

### Skyline Park Dedicated on Mt. Wilson

PASADNEA—Skyline Park, one of the Southland's newest tourist attractions, was dedicated Friday.

It is located at the 5,713 foot summit of Mt. Wilson, near the famed Mt. Wilson Observatory.

Rose Queen Linda Jean Strother and her court of six princesses took part in the planting of a redwood sapling and a red rose bush, gifts of the city of Pasadena and the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce.

They were aided by Supervisor Warren Dorn, Pasadena Mayor Boyd P. Welin, City Manager John D. Phillips and Chamber President Carl Hoelscher. Welcoming the guests was David Garber, general manager of the park.

### Hotel Demolished

Being developed by Metromedia, the 720-acre park is the site of the once famed Mt. Wilson Hotel, which was demolished to make way for more modern facilities.

These include a pavilion that provides a panoramic view of the valley below and modern picnic areas. The nearby observatory with its 100-inch Hooker telescope is open to the public.

A contract has been let for the construction of a dam that will provide a three-acre lake for fishing and small boats.



This was the entrance to the park

# COME UP FOR AIR!

to beautiful mile-high

## MOUNT WILSON SKYLINE PARK

PROMISE YOURSELF TO SEE — FEEL — HEAR —  
VISIT "THE PARK FOR ALL SEASONS" —  
LEISURE TIME PLEASURE — DELIGHTFULLY  
DIFFERENT AND RIGHT ABOVE YOUR OWN  
BACK YARD.

- SEE:** THE BEAUTY OF THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST AND THE SURROUNDING VALLEYS.
- FEEL:** THE MAJESTY OF BEING ON TOP OF A WONDERLAND OF NATURE WITH ITS RELAXING - REFRESHING - QUIET SPLENDOR.
- HEAR:** THE SOUNDS OF QUIET OUTDOOR LIFE AWAY FROM THE NOISE OF THE CITY BELOW.
- VISIT:** THE WORLD-FAMOUS MOUNT WILSON OBSERVATORY AND MUSEUM WITH ITS 100-INCH TELESCOPE.
- THE CHILDREN'S ZOO (ADULTS ADMITTED IF ACCOMPANIED BY A CHILD).
- THE KIDDIES' PLAYGROUND
- NATURAL TRAILS AND INVITING PICNIC AREAS — SIGNAL POINT AND ECHO CANYON.
- THE BEAUTIFUL NEW FOOD PAVILION AND OBSERVATION DECK.

JUST SIMPLY ENJOY LEISURE TIME PLEASURE.  
GATE ADMISSION \$2.00 PER CAR  
WALK-IN 50c PER PERSON

OPEN 9 AM 365 DAYS A YEAR  
JUST A SHORT DRIVE UP THE ANGELES CREST  
HIGHWAY FROM FOOTHILL BLVD. IN LA CANADA.

July 5<sup>th</sup> 1970  
L.A. TIMES Ad

Los Angeles Times Date: Dec 24, 1976 Page: B3

## Metromedia Gives Mt. Wilson Parkland

Metromedia, Inc. donated 716 acres on Mt. Wilson, a Southern California landmark, to the nation this week.

The gift of Mt. Wilson Skyline Park was made through the American Land Trust to the Nature Conservancy, a national land conservation group.

The conservancy immediately transferred the land, which lies within the Angeles National Forest to the U.S. Forest Service, which will manage it as part of the national forest.

Metromedia built an observation and food service pavilion, a children's zoo and gate house on the property.

But the park was closed last Jan 1 when it failed to attract year-round crowds.

Supervisor William T. Dresser of the Angeles National Forest said the Forest Service "will be considering such things as public access to trails and trailhead parking. Day use picnicking. Reopening of the restaurant by a concessionaire and providing visitor information and education opportunities."

He said a date for reopening the area will be announced next year.

The American Land Trust is attempting to set aside \$200 million worth of land as a legacy for the next century. It was conceived by Asst. Interior Secretary Nathaniel P. Reed.

# Blast Flash Forward!



Mount Wilson Institute now operates the Cosmic Café restaurant.



Mount Wilson entrance as of 2018



# Gateway Ranger District Volunteer Meeting Minutes By Kathie Reilly

January 17, 2018 - Supervisor's Office, Arcadia

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

Reminder for each group to send their reports to Guy at [guykuhn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:guykuhn@sbcglobal.net) for the next newsletter. These minutes contain items shared at the meeting that are considered to be of interest to everyone. All are welcome to the bi-monthly meeting.

Meeting began around 7 pm by Robin McGuire with introductions all around. You can send photos to Robin for the volunteer Facebook page.

Glad to see Dennis Merkel is filling the Volunteer Coordinator position.

## **REPORTS FROM GROUPS**

**CTUC – California Trail Users Coalition, Dick Weatherby:** Working on comparing Forest Service budgets with Congressman Adam Schiff, to show the Forest Service is getting less money. 80% of personnel are on fire, last budget was \$26 million. Passed out listing of trails.

**Bear Canyon Trail Crew, Alan Coles:** West Fork Road to West Fork is in good shape. REI has websites we can use. [Hikingproject.com](http://Hikingproject.com) that has hiking trail maps, conditions, features. [Mtbproject.com](http://Mtbproject.com) for mountain bike trail maps. You can make changes which the staff reviews. If your group maintains a trail, you can fill in the “stewarded by”, which when clicked on, can take the user to your group’s information.

**Paul Ayres:** a company is closing that wants to give away trail maintenance material. Email Paul for more information [ayerspaul@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ayerspaul@sbcglobal.net)

**CORBA – Concerned Outdoor Recreation Bicycle Association, Steve Messer:** Gabrielino Trail between Oakwilde and Bear Canyon junction is being worked (trail is still closed) with \$35k in grants (\$25 from REI, \$10 from Edison). The grants are being used for some professional contractors performing tread work.

**MWBA – Mount Wilson Bicycling Association, Matt Lay:** working with CORBA on Gabrielino Trail.

**Sylmar Hangliding Association, Joe Greblo:** have Forest Service launch points. Are the “eyes from the sky”, and have an Arson crime watch program. They are honoring Dennis Merkel with a huge certificate in recognition of his making the mountains of LA safer as place to work and play. Dennis didn’t want any fuss, so they chose to present it at our meeting. Congratulations Dennis!

**Fascination Springs, Kristen Szabo:** This is in the Creek Fire area closure but there is no enforcement of keeping people out. ATV’s are on OHV roads. What is the policy on electric bikes?

**Law Enforcement & Recreation, Ray Kidd and Justin USFS:** Electric bikes are not allowed on roads that are not on the Motorized Vehicle Usage Map which is still being updated. OHV routes are signed, if there are no signs, then they are not allowed. It is hard to keep up with the signs being torn down. There are confusions with State law vs Federal law.

There are 6 law enforcement officers on the forest and are an independent branch from the Forest Service. Until the map is updated and they will resume enforcement, they use discretion and caution.

**JPL Trailbuilders, Kathie Reilly:** When is California Trails Day? Not scheduled yet.

## Gateway Ranger District Volunteer Meeting Minutes (CONT)

### FOREST SERVICE

#### Dennis Merkel, Volunteer Coordinator

Questions on Drones, you can see the regulations on FAA recreational use rules website. USFS cannot control the air, only temporarily during a fire.

Working on giving a trails workshop in March.

Radio frequencies for Forest Net have changed. We can still use Admin Net, but you can make arrangements to bring in your radio to be updated.

Gould Mesa homeless population has been cut in half with the help of LA County task force.

Robin thanked everyone.

We thank her for the cookies!

Next Gateway Volunteer Meeting will be Wednesday, March 21 at 7:00 pm



**Sylmar Hangliding Association, Joe Greblo honored Dennis Merkel with a huge certificate in recognition of his making the mountains of LA safer as place to work and play.**

**Photo by Guy Kuhn**

# LEARN TO LEAD!

## Trail Boss Training-Spring 2018

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:** May 5, 2018; 8:00 am to not later than 3:00 pm.
- **Where:** Please contact one of the sources listed below, **after April 20**, 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 September 1, 2018. National Trails Day, June 2, 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 at

<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 broad-brimmed 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, Los Angeles Gateway 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: [gledford@verizon.net](mailto:gledford@verizon.net) Training Bulletin GLAAC-HAT October 2017

# LEARN TO LEAD!



## **TRAIL BOSS Training 2018 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 2018 are: March 3-4. Apr. 21-22. May. 5-6.**

**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**



# Trails Skills College

## Columbia Cascades Trail Skills College

**When is it?** April 20-22.

**More details about the 2018 event, including class and registration information, will be available in the spring.**

**If you have questions about Trail Skills College, contact PCTA's Volunteer Program at 916-285-1838 or [volunteer@pcta.org](mailto:volunteer@pcta.org).**

## West Cascades Trail Skills College

You're invited! Please join the Pacific Crest Trail Association, High Cascade Forest Volunteers and the staff from the Willamette and Deschutes National Forests at the annual West Cascades Trail Skills College.

This training weekend is designed to train new and returning volunteers in a variety of topics regarding trail maintenance and stewardship. Come meet like-minded community members who are committed to maintaining and providing quality recreation experiences in central Oregon. This training event is offered free of charge in an effort to inspire citizen stewardship of our trails. Camping and meals are also provided at no cost throughout the weekend. In exchange, we ask participants to donate at least 16 hours volunteering in the coming year on the many projects hosted by the High Cascades Forest Volunteers and the Pacific Crest Trail Association.

**When is it?** May 4-6, 2018

**Where is it?** White Branch Camp

61500 McKenzie Hwy, McKenzie Bridge, OR 97413

**How do I register?** Registration is open at the <http://www.highcascadesvolunteers.com/index.html>

**Where can I learn more?** All the details for West Cascades College are on the High Cascades Forest Volunteers website.

<http://www.highcascadesvolunteers.com/index.html>

## Allingham Trail Skills College

You're invited! Please join the Pacific Crest Trail Association, High Cascade Forest Volunteers and the staff from the Willamette and Deschutes National Forests at the annual Allingham Trail Skills College. This training weekend is designed to train new and returning volunteers in a variety of topics regarding trail maintenance and stewardship. Come meet like-minded community members who are committed to maintaining and providing quality recreation experiences in central Oregon.

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

**When is it?** June 1-3, 2018

**Where is it?** Near Sisters, Oregon

**How do I register?** Please visit the [High Cascades Forest Volunteers website](http://www.highcascadesforestvolunteers.com) for more information.

**Where can I learn more?**

All the details for Allingham Trail Skills College are on the [High Cascades Forest Volunteers website](http://www.highcascadesforestvolunteers.com).

## Tahoe Trail Skills College

**When is it?** July 20-22.

**More details about the 2018 event, including class and registration information, will be available in early summer.**

**If you have questions about Trail Skills College, contact PCTA's Volunteer Program at 916-285-1838 or [volunteer@pcta.org](mailto:volunteer@pcta.org).**



# JPL HIKING +

# Volunteers Needed

## JPL TRAILBUILDERS SATURDAYS

*(Rain on morning of outing cancels the outing. Call leader if not sure)*

**February 3**

**February 24, 2018**

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

Bi-monthly Volunteer meetings are the third Wednesday of every other month. Next meeting is January 17 at 7:00 p.m. at Angeles National Forest Supervisor's Office, 701 N. Santa Anita Avenue, Arcadia.

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

**CLASSIFICATION:** Easy to strenuous, up to you. **COST:** none **TRIP LIMIT:** none

**DESCRIPTION: WHAT HAPPENED November and December**

In November, we went back to working Mt Lowe West Trail, getting there by hiking the Mt Lowe East Trail from Eaton Saddle, almost to the summit, then working down Mt Lowe West. There were many switchbacks that needed restoring in the rocky slide area. Guy and Claus went back on their own time to finish up those projects. The bottom half still needs brush clearing.

In December, we went back to working Colby Canyon Trail from Angeles Crest. We cut brush back that was almost closing the trail, and a water crossing was rerouted. On our last outing, we continued work on Colby Canyon Trail, cutting back brush and repairing a tread.

**Thanks to the following volunteers (in order by fiscal hours, then name) who volunteered with JPL Trailbuilders from Oct 2016 through Sep 2017. Those with at least 100 hours for fiscal year 2017 receive an Annual Adventure Pass. Those who have accumulated 500 hours since January 1, 2007 receive an Interagency Annual Pass.**

Name	Fiscal Hours	Total hours	Cal Hours from 2007	Name	Fiscal Hours	Total hours	Cal Hours from 2007
Kathie Reilly	138	5162	1316	Sophie Champ	7	7	7
Guy Kuhn	112.5*	2601.5*	1570.5*	Heather Connolly	7	7	7
George Aumann	72*	611.5*	338.5*	Genevieve Fraipont	7	7	7
Jack Russell	68.5	2858	1098	Lucian Ijhibashi	7	7	7
David Cuddy	55	335	92	Robbie Louk	7	7	7
Claus Boettger	16.5	16.5	42.5	Nolan Sheow	7	7	7
Gaby Lichucki	13	13	13	Olivia Garland	6	6	6
Christina Aumann	7	7	7	Andrew Lichucki	6	6	6
Michael Campbell	7	22	22				
<b>Fiscal year Total</b>	<b>543.5</b>			<b>Total Since 1981</b>	<b>41585</b>		

\*does not include additional hours in other volunteer trail work

**WHAT'S PLANNED:** Depending upon the number of people showing up and the weather, we can do trail maintenance of tread widening and cutting back brush on any of our usual trails: 1) Mt Lowe West Trail from where it starts above Mt Lowe Campground. 2) Mt Lowe East Trail the mid-section that is from the junction to the summit of Mt Lowe down towards Inspiration Point. 3) Colby Canyon Trail from where we left off from Angeles Crest. After the downpours we had, Guy and Claus checked out our work on Colby Canyon Trail and there are more rock slides to remove. As you can see, all of the work is around the halfway points of the trails, which means more hiking.

**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 8:15am 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 road to the left, make a right at the bottom and look for us in the parking lot, or the overflow down below. We sign in and form carpools, leaving at 8:30 sharp, returning at the latest 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

Next tentative dates **March 17, April 7 and 28, 2018**

# 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)

# Volunteers Needed



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

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

### ◆ WHEN:

Sat. Feb 3, 2018  
8:00 a.m. - Noon

### ◆ WHERE:

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

### ◆ Please RSVP

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 February 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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հետևյալ հեռախոսահամարով (818) 548-2000

Para información en español, llame a (818) 548-2000

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

# Volunteers Needed



**City of Glendale  
Community Services and Parks Department**

## “Happy Little Trees”

### Third Saturday Wilderness Workday

Snacks and drinks  
will be provided

You must call us at  
(818) 548-3795 to  
reserve your place

Wear sturdy shoes,  
protective clothing,  
and a hat

Bring your water  
bottle, sun screen,  
and gloves

#### **Sponsored By:**



**Bob Ross**  
(Oct. 29, 1942 - July 4, 1995)

American Painter, art instructor,  
host of the television program  
“The Joy of Painting”  
Known for painting his  
“Happy Little Trees”

**Saturday, February 17, 2018  
8:00 A.M. - Noon  
Deukmejian Wilderness Park  
3429 Markridge Rd, Glendale, CA 91214**

In November 2017 we planted dozens of oak trees in the Wilderness Park. And now is time to pay a visit and make sure that they are still “happy little trees”.

Join us for our monthly Workday as we remove invasive plants, water, weed, and mulch around the trees.

We have tasks for all ages and abilities. This is a great event for families, individuals, groups, clubs, and students needing Community Service hours.

This event is FREE!!! But you must reserve your place by calling us at (818) 548-3795.

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# Volunteers Training



**City of Glendale  
Community Services and Parks Department**

## **“City Wildlife” Campfire Program At Pacific Park**

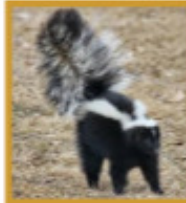
Food (s'mores) and drinks (water and lemonade) will be served

Crafts will start at 6:00 p.m.

Campfire Program begins at 6:30 p.m.

This event is FREE!

You must call us at (818) 548-3795 to reserve your place



**Saturday, February 10, 2018  
6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.  
Pacific Park Community Center  
501 S. Pacific Ave., Glendale, CA 91204**

**Join us as we learn about the animals that have moved into the city from the wilderness. Our focus will be on skunks, opossums, raccoons, and coyotes. We will look at how these animals have adapted to live in their new environment.**

**This will be an evening of songs, skits, smiles, and s'mores. Come at 6:00 p.m. for crafts or arrive at 6:30 p.m. for the Campfire Program.**



**Please bring your blankets and chairs, and dress warmly (layers).**

**Sponsored By:**



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# Volunteers Training



**City of Glendale  
Community Services and Parks Department**

## **“The Weird and Wonderful World of Bats”**

**Friday Night Lecture**

Snacks and drinks  
will be served

This event is FREE!

You must call us at  
(818) 548-3795 to  
reserve your place

This program is  
recommended for  
ages 16 and older

**Sponsored By:**



**and**



**Friday, February 9, 2018  
6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.  
Deukmejian Wilderness Park  
3429 Markridge Rd, Glendale, CA 91214**

Bats - furry, flapping, and disappearing. Over a fifth of the world's mammals are bats but they are under threat. Come and discover the important work bats do at night, while we are sleeping. Learn why we should be concerned about our bats and how we can help.

Join Michelle Rivers, self professed “bat lover” and UK licensed Bat Worker. Michelle will share her passion for these animals and introduce you to their weird and wonderful world. What makes them so unique? and Why should we all learn to love them?

This event is FREE!!! But you must call us at (818) 548-3795 to reserve your place. This program is recommended for ages 16 and older.

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Para información en español, llame a (818) 548-2000



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

# The Story of the Hummingbird



One day a terrible fire broke out in a forest - a huge woodlands area was suddenly engulfed by a raging wildfire. Frightened, all the animals fled their homes and ran out of the forest. As they came to the edge of a stream they stopped to watch the fire... they were feeling very discouraged and powerless. They were all bemoaning the destruction of their homes. Every one of them thought there was nothing they could do about the fire, except for one little hummingbird.

This particular hummingbird decided it would do something. It swooped into the stream and picked up a few drops of water and went into the forest and put them on the fire. Then it went back to the stream and did it again, and it kept going back, again and again and again. All the other animals watched in disbelief; some tried to discourage the hummingbird with comments like, "Don't bother, it is too much, you are too little, your wings will burn, your beak is too tiny, it's only a drop, you can't put out this fire."



And as the animals stood around disparaging the little bird's efforts, the bird noticed how hopeless and forlorn they looked. Then one of the animals shouted out and challenged the hummingbird in a mocking voice, "What do you think you are doing?" And the hummingbird, without wasting time or losing a beat, looked back and said, "**I am doing what I can.**"

Stories have the ability to teach us, embolden us, inspire us, and provide us with ways forward; with its adherence to hope, courage and truth, The Story of the Hummingbird has the potential to do all of these for each one of us.

Do what you can do every single day of your life. Together we will build a better world, filled with happy and healthy humans, animals, insects and plants!





# SAD NEWS TO REPORT



**Paul Ayers**



Sad passing. I am sorry to report of the fall of the centuries-old oak at Orchard Camp on the Mt. Wilson Trail on Christmas Day 2017; apparently it was standing in the morning and had fallen in the afternoon



## VOLUNTEERS AT WORK

**Soyoung Working on Dawn Mine**

**Photo by Brenda Beck**



# VOLUNTEERS AT WORK



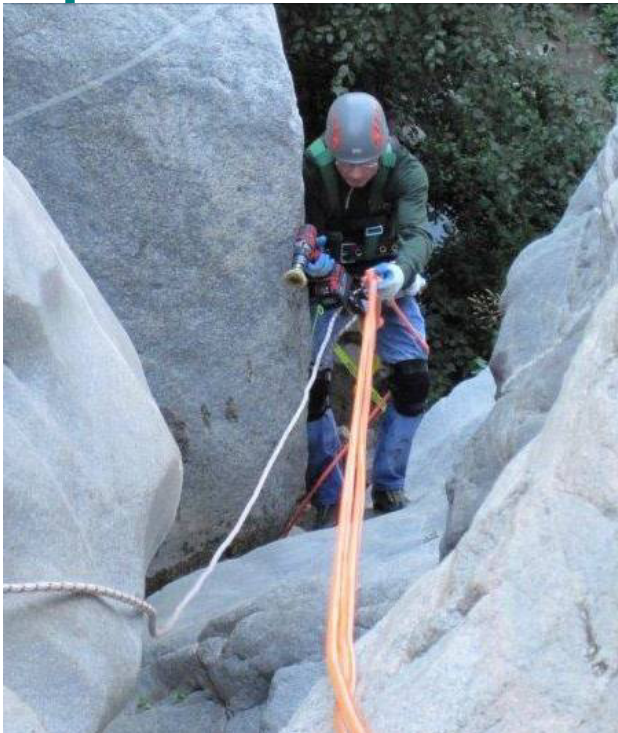
**David Ledford and Alan Cole  
removing a oaks from the Gabrielino  
Trail downstream from the West  
Fork Campground**

**Photos by David Ledford**



**Bob Fisher removing graffiti at Millard Waterfall**

**Photos by Brenda Beck**



# VOLUNTEERS AT WORK



**Angeles mountain bike patrol & Cobra taking care of the down trees  
Charlton Flats CG and Silver Moccasins trail and Vetter trails.**

**Photos by Robin McGuire**

**Lauren & Dave  
Working on Dawn  
Mine**

**Photo by Brenda Beck**



## VOLUNTEERS AT WORK



Since 1969 the Sylmar Hang Gliding Association are the volunteers on the lookout from above. Here they are unloading their gliders.

For more information go to:  
<http://shga.com/>



David Ledford and Alan Cole removing fallen trees off the West Fork Canyon

Photos by David Ledford



## VOLUNTEERS AT WORK



**David Ledford and Alan Cole removing a oak that was across the Gabrielino Trail between Newcomb Pass and the Rincon-Red Box Road.**

**Photos by David Ledford**



## VOLUNTEER FUN

### 2018 Live Music Events

<http://adamspackstation.com/season/2018/>

**Join Us & These Artists for an Afternoon of Great Music**

**04/15/2018**

**12:00-01:30 Latimer & Osborn**

**01:30-03:15 Slot Available**

**03:30-05:00 Slot Available**

**04/29/2018**

**12:00-01:30 Wild Mountain Mystics**

**01:45-03:15 Tim Tedrow**

**03:30-05:00 Slot Available**

**04/22/2018**

**12:00-01:30 Ocho-X**

**01:45-03:15 Bryan Chan**

**03:30-05:00 Korpus Kristy**

**05/06/2018**

**12:00-05:00 Barnyard jamboree**

# BEER MAKING & TASTING

LEARN BEER MAKING IN  
THE WOODS & TASTE  
"HOME-MADE" BREWS  
FROM LOCAL BREWERIES



MARCH

FRI 16 - SUN 18

**STURTEVANT CAMP**  
SAT - SUN \$115\* / FRI +\$50\*\*

JOIN US FOR A GREAT WEEKEND WITH NEW FRIENDS AS JOHN & RUTH WOOD TEACH US HOW TO BREW BEER LIKE THEY DO IN THEIR RUSTIC SANTA ANITA CANYON CABIN. AND WE'LL BE RAFFLING OFF A HOME BEER MAKING KIT.

\*\$115 Saturday - Sunday  
(includes lodging, packing of personal items & all food, meals & beer)  
\*\* Add \$50 to join us Friday night  
(includes lodging, packing of personal items & food, dinner)

If you are not familiar with Sturtevant Camp, it is located a little more than 4 miles, via hiking trails, from Chantry Flat in the Angeles National Forest (above Sierra Madre/Arcadia). That is the reason why your personal items would need to be "packed in" via Adams' Pack Station friendly donkeys. This is a unique location that was established in 1893. Check out our website for more information and to register for this great, one-of-a-kind event:

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

**AC100**<http://www.ac100.com/>Contact Gary at: e-mail at [garyh@mtdisappointment50k.com](mailto:garyh@mtdisappointment50k.com)Now Planning for the Aug 4<sup>th</sup> 2018 race**Adventure Riders Moto Trail Crew**Joel Paez [basecamp4adv@gmail.com](mailto:basecamp4adv@gmail.com)

We are a group of adventure-minded enthusiasts on dual sport and adventure bikes who love to promote the exploration of places where the pavement ends as well as travelling on back-roads as the alternate route. We also enjoy meeting people, making new friends, promoting public land stewardship and sharing experiences For your convenience, use this forum as your platform for adventure. Enjoy the ride and see you back in camp.

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

Mt Pacifico Campground is our adapted Campground. The fire road to get there are closed due to major rock slides and debris.

Our mission is to provide educational and a responsible image to all trail users. To encourage rider's to obey forest regulations

**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! (CHECK OUT THE VOLUNTEER TRAINING SECTION.)**

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)For more calendar details go to <http://www.arroyosfoothills.org/event-calendar/>

- Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Rubio Canyon Volunteer Day
- Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Rosemount Preserve Open Gate
- Feb 10<sup>th</sup> Rosemount Preserve Restoration

**BEAR CANYON TRAIL CREW** [bearcanyontrailcrew@gmail.com](mailto:bearcanyontrailcrew@gmail.com)<https://www.meetup.com/The-So-Cal-Hikers/events/>

Bear Canyon Trail Crew: schedule!

- Feb. 24
- Mar. 23
- Apr. 27
- May 19

Come and Join us!

Thank you  
Alan Coles

**Big Santa Anita Canyon**

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

- Check out the music at Adams Pack Station (Check out the Volunteer Fun Pages)
- March 16<sup>th</sup> thru 18<sup>th</sup> Beer Making & Tasting (Check out the Volunteer 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>

- May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Trialboss Training (Check 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>

- Feb 14<sup>th</sup> CTUC National Forest Association Angeles Meeting  
Come and Join Us CTUC meets at 6:00 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

**CITY OF GLENDALE**

Parks, Recreation & Community Services Dept  
(818) 548-3795

CALENDAR: <http://www.glendaleca.gov/residents/calendar/-curm-02/-cury-2018>

- Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> February Riverwalk Workday  
(Check the Volunteer Needed pages)
- Feb 9<sup>th</sup> Lecture – “Bats”  
(Check the Volunteer Training pages)
- Feb 17<sup>th</sup> “Happy Little Trees” Third Saturday Wilderness Workday  
(Check the Volunteer Needed pages)
- Feb 10<sup>th</sup> City Wildlife” Campfire Program At Pacific Park  
(Check the Volunteer Training pages)



## Community Hiking Club

<http://communityhikingclub.org/>

Dianne Erskine Hellrigel

email: [zuliebear@aol.com](mailto:zuliebear@aol.com) phone: 661-259-2743• Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>**Mugu Peak; La Jolla Valley Grasslands lollipop, back to the Chumash trail (no shuttle, this time)****NOTE: Please read the Trailhead and Carpool Location(s) and Meeting time(s) BELOW in****Description CAREFULLY !****Distance:** ~ 9 mile loop**Gain:** About 1500', mainly in the first mile Rated: Moderate +++ (significant gain at start and overall hike length)**Time:** ~ 4.5 hours hike time**Description:** This 9 mile hike will take us to the top of Mugu Peak. One of my favorite hikes and depending on the conditions, we may be immersed in sea fog or have amazing views of Oxnard and the Channel islands. We take a slightly different route than normal this time and will not have to do a shuttle.

We start on the Chumash trail and head straight up, up, up, to Mugu peak. After enjoying the highest point in the hike and completing most of the gain, we then head back down on the steep North West side of the peak and then turn East. We take a trail around the edge of a large grassy valley with views of the Boney Mountains, the highest peaks in the Santa Monica Range. Finally, we arrive at a burned out "Hike-In" campground where we stop to snack and rest up a little. Then it is some more gain as we head back West and up again, eventually circling back to the Chumash trail. Here we descend back to the Chumash Trail parking lot.

**Meet in Santa Clarita to Carpool:**Meet us at the WALMART parking lot (**NOTE: this is not our usual spot!**). Address is 27931 Kelly Johnson Pkwy, Santa Clarita, CA 91355.

The store is on the corner of the intersection of Copper Hill and Newhall Ranch Road. Meet there at 6:45AM in the Southwest corner of the parking lot. After we organize the carpools, we leave at 7:00AM SHARP and caravan to the Chumash Trail parking lot off Hwy 1 (PCH). Directions to the trailhead are below, if you prefer to go directly. 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.

**Meet your leader at the Trailhead:**

Meet at the Chumash Trail parking lot trail head (34.091564, -119.065887) between 8:15 AM and 8:30AM. Have some bug spray handy, just in case!! We will depart up the trail at 8:30 AM SHARP.

**Directions from Santa Clarita to the Chumash Trail parking lot:**Take Newhall Ranch road for 2 miles West from the Walmart meeting place over the 5 Freeway, where it becomes CA-126, heading West toward Ventura. Follow CA-126 W, 34.9 miles until Exit 5 from CA-126 W to merge on to CA-118 East, toward Saticoy. Continue until the road T's . Turn right on to Santa Clara Ave, which becomes Rice Ave and eventually merges into Route 1 (PCH) turning South. Stay on PCH passing Point Mugu Naval base on the right, until you are by the ocean and see a SEABEES firing range in the sand dunes on the right - WATCH IT! - the parking lot is on the left. Turn left into the "Chumash Trail" parking lot if there is room or do a U and park just beyond it, on the left - **WATCH FOR CARS AND MOTORCYCLES AS YOU TURN ACROSS PCH INTO THE LOT.****Bring:** Poles if you have them, lunch/ snacks, at least 3 liters of water plus electrolytes. SUN SCREEN/ lip balm as this trail has very little shade. If haze is low, the views can be spectacular, so bring your camera. BUG ALERT!! Hoping that being Feb it will be cool but this trail can have bad mosquitoes. I recommend you keep covered up and bring your own bug net and bug spray, just in case.**Adventure Pass:** Not required .**Dogs:** Sorry, dogs are not allowed on this trail (I don't make up the rules).**Leader:** Steve I

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### • Feb 17<sup>th</sup> - Indian Canyon (North) on the Pacific Crest Trail: Choices Shorter or Longer

**Length:** 6 miles or 10 miles RT (out and back)

**Gain:** ~ 700' / 1100'

**Rating:** Moderate / Moderate ++ (most of the gain is at the start)

**Description:** Pick either a 6 mile or 10 mile hike, on a nice quiet section of the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT). Both hikes give you a good dose of gain, mainly at the front end.

We head North, starting with a tough uphill climb out of Indian Canyon. We will take it easier at this stage, so as not to lose half the group! Then we pass many impressive stone escarpments heading North in the direction of Vasquez Rocks. At about mile 3 there is an interesting cave/ shelter where those who prefer a shorter hike can retrace their steps downhill to the trail head and bag 6 miles! The rest of the group will continue up to the 5 mile mark, and take a break/ snack before heading back the same way (mainly downhill coming back)!

**Bring:** At least 2 - 3 liters of water, electrolytes (Gatorade), especially if it is hot, a lunch/ snacks, and a camera. Also bring a hat and sunscreen and an extra layer in case it is colder, gets windy. Poles will help you with the gain on this hike. No flip-flops or tennis please, hiking shoes with good thread are recommended.

**Adventure Pass:** Yes, available at Big-5 or any Ranger Station, \$5 for a day pass or \$30 for an annual pass.

**Meet:** Indian Canyon Trailhead 8729 Soledad Canyon Rd, Acton, CA 93510

(Lat: 34.437417 Lon: -118.272947) Meet your leader in the trail head parking lot, where there is a good bathroom. Be at the trailhead at 8:00AM for an 8:15AM SHARP departure North, up the PCT.

**Directions from SCV or LA (South) to trail head:**

Take the SR-14 North to the Soledad Canyon Road off ramp (after Sand Canyon). Exit and turn right on Soledad Canyon Road. Go 7.4 miles (North) until you reach Indian Canyon Road. Be on the look out for the brown Indian Canyon Forest sign on the right and the dirt driveway right after. If you pass the Acton KOA North campground on the left, you have gone a little too far. The parking lot is back from the road, slightly up the hill South, overlooking Soledad and not visible from the road.

**Dogs:** OK, if well behaved around other dogs/ people with hiking poles and on a leash.

**Leader:** Steve I.

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## VOLUNTEERS AT WORK

**Robin McGuire cutting a fallen tree by hand**

**Photos by  
Robin McGuire**



## Community Hiking Club (cont)

## VOLUNTEER GROUP NEWS

### • Feb 24<sup>th</sup> - Chumash Trail to Fossil Ridge/ Rock Peak Park

**NOTE: Please read the Trailhead and Carpool Location(s) and Meeting time(s) BELOW in Description CAREFULLY !**

**Distance:** ~8.0 miles (out and back style)

**Gain:** At least 1100' on the way out

**Rating:** Moderate

**Description:** The Chumash Trail is located in the Rocky Peak Park in the Santa Susana Mountains , East of Simi Valley. Although relatively short, there is a fair amount of gain in a short period. Once you reach Fossil Ridge you will see Paleocene marine fossils that were deposited 60-64 million years ago. Most of the fossils are mollusks (think Shell Oil shape). Please do not take any of the fossils, leave them behind for others to enjoy. We are doing this hike at this time of year, as it can get very hot in Summer.

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

If you wish to carpool, meet at Towsley Cyn (24255 The Old Road, Newhall, CA) outside the entrance gate at 7:45AM for an 8:00 AM SHARP departure to the trail head. 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 Carpooling spot:**

Exit the I-5 freeway in Santa Clarita Valley at Calgrove Blvd. Turn West and follow Calgrove around a curve and through one light. You will now see the gate to Towsley Canyon on your right. Park and look for group of hikers/ leader.

**Directions to the trail head:** Take the I-5 South to merge into the 405 South. Get off at the 118 freeway towards Simi. Exit at exit 29, Yosemite Avenue. Drive 0.4 miles North on Flanagan Drive and turn right. Continue 0.8 miles to the trailhead at the end of the road.

#### **Meet your leader at the trailhead (closest address: 3191 Flanagan Dr, Simi Valley, CA 93063):**

Meet at trail head at approx. 8:30AM for a 8:45AM SHARP departure up the trail.

**Bring:** 2L water / 1L electrolytes, a hat, sunscreen, a snack and hiking poles if you have them. Camera. Good shoes with tread are a must - no flip flops or tennis shoes please. An extra layer to avoid a chill at the top, just in case it is windy.

**Adventure Pass:** Not required

**Dogs:** OK, if on a leash and well-behaved with other dogs / people carrying poles.

**Leader:** Steve I.

## Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Association (CORBA)

PHONE: (818) 773-3555

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

<http://corbamt.com/>

For schedule goto: <http://corbamt.com/Calendar/index.shtml>

Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Association was founded in 1987 to serve the mountain bicycling community of Los Angeles and surrounding areas including southern Ventura County. CORBA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization committed to gaining and maintaining public trail access for mountain cyclists and the public at-large. CORBA encourages and promotes the safe and environmentally responsible use of unpaved roads and trails for bicycling and to educate the public about all aspects of off-road cycling and trails.

**HABITAT WORKS** <http://www.habitatwork.org>**Watershed Stewardship Car Camp****Piru Creek, Los Padres National Forest****Sat Feb 10, 2018 8:00 am - 4:30 pm plus campout****Sun Feb 11, 2018 9:00 am - 2:30 pm****(No 1-day option)**

You've probably heard about this place, and it's still here waiting for you. The 38-mile Piru Creek watershed is rugged and beautiful; remote, yet right in our own back yard. We'd love to have you join us on a weekend-long campout in one of the sweet spots, about an hour's drive from the San Fernando Valley. We'll be cutting tamarisk to grade in our ongoing program to control and eliminate the noxious weed in this special habitat.

We'll camp out overnight enjoying great people like you, a delish community feast, and a star filled evening sky. All you need is basic car camping gear, lots of warmies, a day pack for your personal supplies and an item to share for the feast.

Habitat Works Volunteers have removed invasive weeds from 312 miles of mountain streams since 2003.

Sign-up for this project on our website: <http://www.habitatwork.org/sign-up.html>

We look forward to seeing and working with you soon!

Kim & Tom

Habitat Works

818-353-4653

**Haramokngna American Indian Cultural Center**<http://www.haramokngna.org/>

(626) 449-8975.

- **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. [contact@haramokngna.org](mailto:contact@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@harmokngna.org](mailto:lorosco@harmokngna.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: [pjwfoster@aol.com](mailto:pjwfoster@aol.com)

**JPL TRAILBUILDERS** <https://www.facebook.com/jpltrailbuilders/>**Kathie Reilly 626-379-8429****Jack Russell 562-861-3187**

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

- Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Outing **(Check the Volunteers Needed pages)**
- Feb 24<sup>th</sup> Outing **(Check the Volunteers Needed pages)**

**Mt. Disappointment Endurance** [www.mtdisappointment50k.com](http://www.mtdisappointment50k.com)**Gary Hilliard, Director**

- Planning for the 2018 race

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

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

(404) 413-5484

- **Cosmic Café is now closed**

**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)

- **Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Outing**

MWBA gathers every 3rd weekend for trail work on multi-user trails in the San Gabriel Mountains. Usually on a Sunday, volunteers spend the morning correcting drainage, rock armoring switchbacks, patching ruts, moving land slides, and fixing trail surfaces. MWBA focuses on keeping our trails “sustainable” and safe for all user groups, not just mountain bikers. We also take the opportunity to speak with riders we see on the trail about bike bells, trail courtesy, and volunteer work.

MWBA volunteers work regularly on Sunset Ridge Trail, Sam Merrill, and El Prieto. We have also done trail work on Strawberry Peak, Rattlesnake, and other spots.

After about 3-4 hours of good work, we wrap it up and enjoy lunch together. Trail work is a great way to give back to your favorite trail and to meet other trail users. It is perfect way to experience trails from a different perspective. A trail work day is always rewarding time and its great fun to ride a trail that you have helped maintain.

MWBA also has a team of USFS trained & certified Chainsaw Sawyers. The Station Fire burned a massive amount of our forest and every time the wind picks up another tree falls. The Sawyer team is “on call” for fallen tree clearing duties and commonly works on weekdays when trail traffic is lower. MWBA is very grateful to our local Little Tujunga Hot Shots crew who trained our sawyers and continue to offer valuable advice and support.

Come out and join us on a weekend trail work day! No trail work experience is necessary. All you need is yourself, a long sleeved shirt, pants, sturdy boots, and a great attitude. We guarantee you will have a fun day working alongside other mountain bikers!

**Mount Wilson Race**<http://www.mountwilsontrailrace.com/HOME.html>**Pete Siberell Chair, Mt. Wilson Trail Race****Mt. Wilson Trail Race Trail Work Schedule**

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|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| • Feb 25 <sup>th</sup> | Helispot        | • Mar 25 <sup>th</sup> | First Water            |
| • Apr 29 <sup>th</sup> | Below the Steps | • May 13 <sup>th</sup> | As Needed              |
| • May 20 <sup>th</sup> | As Needed       | • May 26 <sup>th</sup> | Mt. Wilson Trail Race! |

**We will meet at 7:00A at Lizzie’s Trail Inn at Mira Monte and Mt. Wilson Trail. Please bring gloves, sun protection and water.**

**RSVP to Race Chair Peter Siberell ([psiberell@santaanita.com](mailto:psiberell@santaanita.com)) so we have enough tools for everyone.**

**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

- Check out the Trials Skills College, Learn new trailbuilding skills

**Restoration Legacy Crew**

Brenda Beck at: e-mail [brenda.beck@sbcglobal.net](mailto:brenda.beck@sbcglobal.net)

phone: (626) 574-8204

We are Los Angeles Gateway District volunteer trail builders. We work Tuesdays, Fridays and some Sundays. Current Project: Dawn Mine Trail

**San Gabriel Mountain Trail Builders**

<http://www.sgmtrailbuilders.org>

Windy Gap Trail tread repair was completed. The Trailbuilders and Boy Scout Troop 1210 hauled a great deal of material to re-establish a solid tread at this point while also working to improve the crossing of the infamous rock chute where the Sutter Wall that the contractors put in some years back failed (spectacularly.)

And a good time was had by all! If you would like to join us, we perform scheduled work the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month, meeting at the Forest Service Gateway Information Center across from

Mile Marker 17 on Highway 39 above Azusa at the base of the mountain, leaving promptly at 8:00 a.m.! Email [bwootenwhite@hotmail.com](mailto:bwootenwhite@hotmail.com) to get on the mailing list since unscheduled volunteer work is often done during the week as well.

**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: [bttbs.ysh@live.com](mailto:bttbs.ysh@live.com)**

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

FACE BOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/mountlowevolunteers/?fref=ts>

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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 <https://www.sierraclub.org/angeles/pasadena>

- Feb 17<sup>th</sup>/ Eaton Saddle to San Gabriel Peak
- Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>/ Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike
- Feb 10<sup>th</sup>/ Jones Peak (3,375')
- Feb 10<sup>th</sup>/ Jones Peak (3,375') from Bailey Canyon Wilderness Park
- Feb 7<sup>th</sup>/ Western Climbing Adventures

## 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>

- Animal Tracking Feb 10<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>
- Bald Eagle Celebration Feb 10<sup>th</sup>
- Bald Eagle Count Feb 10<sup>th</sup>/
- Nature Crafts Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>
- Nature Walks Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>
- Story Time Feb 17<sup>th</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>

## Tree People

<https://www.treepeople.org/>

FACE BOOK: <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>

- Citizen Forester Workshop Feb 10<sup>th</sup>/
- Generation Earth Professional Development Workshop Feb 24<sup>th</sup>
- Generation Earth Water Wise Campus Workshop Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Moonlight Hike Feb 16<sup>th</sup>
- Park Work Day Feb 1<sup>st</sup>/ 8<sup>th</sup>/ 10<sup>th</sup>/ 15<sup>th</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>
- Park Work Day at Debs Park Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/ 14<sup>th</sup>/ 17<sup>th</sup>/ 21<sup>st</sup>/ 24<sup>th</sup>/ 28<sup>th</sup>/
- Wildland Restoration Supervisor Training Feb 17<sup>th</sup>

## Volunteers of the Angeles National Forest

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

Visitor Center Phone #: (626) 821-6737

Loren Lake [lorenll@verizon.net](mailto:lorenll@verizon.net)

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

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

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

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Kevin Sarkissian

Lead Trailboss

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

TUNDRA by Chad Carpenter, Los Angeles Times Aug 10, 2015 email: [tundra@tundracomics.com](mailto:tundra@tundracomics.com)



**Volunteer Today**

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

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**Interests**

Indicate what you would like to do. Circle area or enter your interests.  
Campground Host/ Visitor Information/ Smokey Bear - Fire Prevention/  
Recreation Aid / Forest Patrol /Resource Management / Computers/  
Research-Librarian / Office Clerical / Tour guide/ Fire Lookout/  
Conservation Education / habitat restoration and tree planting

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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