

# Santa Susana Mountain Park Association

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## THE BIG WILD - JANUARY 20th

JILL SWIFT, Co-founder of the Sierra Club Santa Monica Mountains Task Force, Chair person of the S.C. Local Parks subcommittee, former appointee of the Los Angeles City Recreation and Parks Commission, former elected board member of the Las Virgenes Resource Conservation District, and current President of Friends of Caballero Canyon, will present a slide presentation on a large portion of pristine open space in the Santa Monica Mountains now called the "Big Wild". Come join us at 7:30 PM at 21821 Devonshire Street in Chatsworth in the Glendale Federal Community Room. Refreshments will be available. Bring friends!

## PCL/ CONFERENCE

The Ninth Annual Planning and Conservation League Conference was held January 11 & 12 at Cal State Sacramento. Jan Hinkston and Nancy Razanski attended. In addition to outstanding symposiums on: Land Use Planning and Affordable Housing; Funding for Preservation; Urban Employment: Economic Development & Environmental Protection; Dept. of Fish and Game: Strategies for Change; Saving California Wetlands; Effects of Reapportionment on California's Environment, we heard from some excellent environmental Senatorial candidates.

There are two National Senate seats open - one for a 6 year term, (Cranston), and one for a 2 year term (Seymour). All candidates were invited to speak. Those who participated were the following: Representative Mel Levine; Dianne Feinstein; Lt. Gov. Leo McCarthy; Rep. Barbara Boxer; State Controller Gray Davis; and Rep. Tom Campbell. All who spoke had excellent environmental records! The general theme of the Conference was "a healthy economy and a healthy environment are mutually beneficial", and it is our job to convey that message to our elected representatives.

The Wetlands seemed to be the most critical issue presented. Governor Wilson wrote a 5 page letter opposing President Bush's re-definition of wetlands which would wipe out even more of our already vastly depleted remaining wetlands. PCL urges everyone to write a letter of thanks to Gov. Wilson for promoting the survival of our wetlands in California, and to contact your own Rep.: in our area, it is Congressman Elton Gallegly, (21st District), (818) 772-6084, or write: 9301 Oakdale Ave., Chatsworth, CA 91311.

THANK YOU ALL who have sent in your membership renewals! Now is a particularly critical time in our project. We are just now seeing light at the end of the tunnel for becoming a sufficiently significant force in the establishment of a new State Park. YOUR HELP IS INDISPENSABLE!

PLEASE CHECK YOUR ADDRESS LABEL - AND RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Name _____	Student or Senior	\$5.00	_____
	Individual	\$10.00	_____
Address _____	Family	\$15.00	_____
	Supporting	\$25.00	_____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____	Business	\$25.00	_____
	Life Member	\$100.00	_____
Phone ( ) _____	(Make checks payable to SSMPA)		

LA COUNTY PARK, BEACH, AND RECREATION ACT OF 1992

On the JUNE ballot will be a funding issue which we all need to promote for any future park acquisition in our area. Two hearings have been scheduled at the Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple St., in the Board of Supervisor Hearing Room. The dates are: Tuesday, January 28, 1992 at 9:30am, and tentatively set for Thursday, February 27 - same time and place. For further information, please contact the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority at (310) 456-7807, and ask for either Joscelyn Herzberg or Steve Kelley. As to what projects we are presenting for inclusion, PLEASE attend our January 20th meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS to Joan Sander on the birth of her baby boy, and we appreciate all her efforts while serving on our Foundation Brd. of Directors...we need a new Santa Clarita Valley Area Chairperson.

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