



Santa Susana Mountain Park Association

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PROGRAM

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 7:PM
Glendale Federal Savings
21821 Devonshire St., Chatsworth

Our vice-president, Dorian Keyser, will nar a slide presentation on the environmental effects entwined with population growth control. This informative program is provided by the non-profit Washington based office of the Zero Growth Population Control association and has been viewed nation wide by thousands.

The post office recently issued a beautiful set of stamps you really should see. Called 'Wildflowers' the set consists of 50 different flowers in vibrant living colors, each named and drawn in exacting detail. Oh, that we could see them all on our Simi Hills!

The Ahmanson Ranch

At the far west end of San Fernando valley, Victory blvd. crosses into Ventura County. This is the site of the proposed development of over 3,000 homes, 2 golf courses, a 300 room lodge resort, retail shops and low-rise office buildings. The project will create 500 construction jobs yearly for the 12 to 15 years needed to complete it. The shops, offices, etc., will create 1700 permanent jobs within the complex. The plan calls for over 12,000 acres of open space containing 19,000 oak trees be permanently preserved. The loss of over 1300 oak trees will be replaced at a ratio of 5 to 1. While the problems of schools, law enforcement, sewage and solid waste disposal have been adequately addressed, one of the biggest problems remaining is the amount of traffic on the Ventura freeway. If you would like to tour the ranch or learn more about this vast development, call (818)880-4325. Tours are available every Tuesday & Thursday.

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Plans are not yet completed for the Children's Hiking Trail. Hopefully, by the first of the year, problems concerning insurance, docents, busing will be worked out and young school children from throughout San Fernando valley will be traipsing over our hills exploring the wonderful world of nature. If you would enjoy being involved. . . we could sure use you!

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And speaking of children. . . October 31st is Halloween. A wonderful night for kids of all ages. Watch over them carefully just to be sure the evening is full of lots of great treats and no bad tricks!

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Keeping an ever watchful eye:

Just north of 118 freeway and west of Topanga Canyon Blvd., is the development of Indian springs. These are all expensive custom built homes ranging in the million plus bracket. The vacant, unsold lots plus the acreage intended for the 59 homes in phase II are in receivership. SSMPA is closely monitoring this project to ensure that original conditions guaranteeing trail access and wild-life corridors are adhered to.



VOTE
 YES!! YES!!
 PROPOSITION 'A'

Called 'Los Angeles Safe Neighborhood Parks Act', if approved by voters, will provide \$540 million to improve, preserve and restore park, beach, open space lands, and recreational facilities throughout L.A. county. Funds would also help plant trees in urban areas, restore rivers, prevent gangs, build trails, develop senior recreation, and protect wildlife & natural habitat lands.

Closer to home: This measure includes \$6 million to acquire trails and parks in the mountains around San Fernando Valley.

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Have you ever wondered what your elected officials have done to protect our Santa Susana mountains? Or what park land and trail acquisition they have supported? Best way to find out. . . . call up and ask! And remember the answers when you prepare to vote in just a few weeks.

ELECTION DAY: Tuesday, November 3, 1992

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There'll be balloons and banners waving; the Chatsworth High School Band playing; short speeches by local dignitaries; and free refreshments for all at the grand opening celebration of the Chatsworth commuter rail station! Yes, we're all invited. Los Angeles city council has approved spending \$2,000 on this party. Come on out and join in the fun as the Chatsworth Commuter Rail Station is officially put on the map!

Date: Monday, October 26 Time: 7:15 to 8 AM
 Place: Devonshire street at the R.R. tracks

ALL ABOARD!

When last spotted on her 3 month trek across the U.S.A., Jan was in her old covered Volkswagon headed towards New Jersey. Beware all Easterners: Take good care of your mountains or else Jan will try to restore them, buy them, preserve them, hike & camp in them. . . . or as a last resort she may attempt to move them to California where she will do all of the above!!! We wish you a safe and happy trip, gutsy lady!

*** Please take note of the earlier meeting time:
 7:PM. This should get us home sooner. And do
 let us know which you prefer.

Your membership dues are our main source of income. .
 No need to tell you how very important every single
 renewal is. . .

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	___
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