

GOOD NEWS!! Soon we will obtain permission to repair the trails in Chatsworth Park South and the adjacant state parklands. Learn how to help by enrolling in a November 4-5 (Friday evening and Saturday) trail making workshop in Malibu Creek State Park. This workshop, a bargain at \$12 (including three scrumptious meals!!), will consist of:

1) Dinner at 6PM on Friday, followed by 7-9PM training talks, an optional informal social, and overnight camping at the park;

2) Breakfast at 7:30AM on Saturday, followed by demonstrations and hands-on trail work from 8:15AM to 12:30PM.

3) Lunch at 12:30PM, followed by a 1:15-2:00PM wrap-up session.

We will have enrollment applications at our October 17 meeting or call Milt McCauley at 818-347-6433. They need to recieve your application by about October 28.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP THE TRAILBLAZERS REPAIR CUR TRAILS!!!

VISITOR CENTER-Jan Hinkston (818-884-9610)

Our Visitors Center, located in the Chatsworth Perk South Recreation Building, is open every Sunday, starting at Noon. Call Jan to volunteer your help. We are short two volunteers.

SANTA SUSANA DOCENTS-Cindy Wilder (818-998-0563)

We are gearing up for another exciting year of nature/history walks with elementary school classes. In November will be greeting six groups of first graders from Pinecrest School. In December, sixth-eighth graders from Sierra Canyon School will return for their second community service cleanup. This year, in addition to picking up trash, they will wirebrush graffiti from the rocks. WE NEED HELP WITH A LOAN OF A DOZEN LONG HANDLED WIREBRUSHES!! We plan to start Saturday family hikes after the first of the year. WE NEED ENTHUSIASTIC PEOPLE TO JOIN OUR DOCENTS GROUP!! Our October docents meetings will be on Friday, October 14 at 9AM and Thursday, October 28 at 7PM, both in the Chatsworth Park South Visitors Center. Friday will familiarize docents with our program. Call Cindy to help.

SUNDAY MORNING HIKES-Jan Hinkston (818-884-9610)

Every Sunday morning, starting at 9AM in the Chatsworth Park South parking lot, members of the Santa Susana Mts. Task Force of the Sierra Club lead hikes into the adjacent state parklands. These hikes, which last about three hours, are suitable for families (ages above about 10 years). Bring water, a hat, sun screen, and wear comfortable hiking shoes. Contact Jan Hinkston to volunteer to help lead.

ZELMA

Retired president Zelma Van, Fiesty as ever, sends her greetings. She is enjoying her mobil home near Lake Tahoe, however, being lonely, will enjoy letters and phone calls from her friends, whom she misses!! Her address is P.O. Box 5676, Incline Village, Nevada 69450 and her telephone number is 702-831-1308. Having survived the Northridge earthquake with flying colors, she was well prepared for another one in August about 75 miles away from her abode.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING--PLEASE COME

Monday, October 17 at 7:15PM in the Glendale Federal Bank Community Room, 21821 Devonshire St., Chatsworth. We will have a lot of news to discuss after our long summer hiatus--Chatsworth reservoir, hikes, trail building, status of the Ahmandson Ranch development, status of North of Stoney Point and Indian Springs Phase II, and the reed to two people to replace departed president Zelma Van and Secretary Connie Couture.

PROGRAM-Dorian Keyser (818-345-3795)

Starting a 8PM, Virginia Watson, of the Chatsworth Historical Society, will present a new slide show titled "A new look at Chatsworth's past". She will feature pioneering in Chatsworth, how the area was settled, early ranches, transportation through the Santa Susana Pass, early motion picture making, and many other things. BE THERE!!!

Please contact Dorian with your suggestions for programs. We hope to have Suzan specific, state parks naturalist; someone to mountain lions and coyotes; a geologist familiar with the susanas and Simi Hills; an anthropologist to talk about the ratio cans.

EDITORIAL-Dorian Keyser, Acting President

Now that the summer is over, we have resumed our full activities and need lots of help with our ambitious programs!!! Leaders for Sunday hikes, docents for weekday children's hikes; help to repair trails; Sunday visitors center docents::people to help write proposals for funds to repair trails and acquire open spaces, people to represent SSMPA before the Santa Monica Mts. Conservancy, LA and Ventura County Planning Commission and Boards of Supervisors: join our board of directors, help with art work, typing, addressing, etc. We have a great tradition of accomplishment!! LET'S KEEP IT UP!!!

LATE FLASH-Very special November 21 Program

Dr. Thomas J. Maxwell, anthropologist, author, retired Calif. Lutheran College Professor will present an illustrated talk about the Native Americans of this area. Don't miss this special opportunity.

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