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Park Charter Fund renewed!

We are humbled by your confidence in us. Thank you Santa Clara County Voters for once again demonstrating overwhelming support for your county parks. Renewing the Park Charter Fund for 15 more years means opening more parklands for public access, protecting our precious natural systems, and expanding facilities for use by our growing population. For information about the Park Charter Fund, visit ParkHere.org and search for "Charter."

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Check online calendar at parkhere.org for most current calendar information and updates.

In accordance with the requirements of title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), Santa Clara County Parks (County Parks) will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities. County Parks will make reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. If you have questions or need assistance with accessibility in County Parks please contact our ADA Coordinator, at ADAcoordinator@prk.sccgov.org or call (408) 355-2200. Please contact us at least 72 hours before the scheduled program or event so we have time to assess your request and assist you.

Due to extreme weather conditions and other unforeseen situations, some scheduled programs may be cancelled or changed. For those with reservations, individuals will be contacted. For non-reservation programs, it is recommended to check the parks website calendar for changes or updates, or call the number listed with questions or concerns.

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Healthy Parks, Healthy People: Bay Area
For information about HPHP partners and events, go to www.HPHPBayArea.org.



Healthy Trails
Hike or Walk (see page 3)



Reservations required. See program description for appropriate phone number.



Online reservation available.
Go to parkhere.org



Easy Hike: Flat to gently rolling pathways and trails. Leisurely pace.



Moderate Hike: Steeper or more frequent uphill grades. Leisurely to moderate pace.



Strenuous Hike: Steep hills or long distances. Moderate to vigorous pace.



Bring a lunch, snack, or dinner as appropriate.



Appropriate for children accompanied by an adult.



All or mostly wheelchair accessible.



Easy Ride: Bring a bike in good working condition. Helmets required.



Strenuous Ride: Bring a bike in good working condition. Helmets required.



Well-behaved dogs allowed. Must be controlled on a 6' max. leash.



Bring own canoe/kayak, life jackets and 2 glow sticks per person; call for information and restrictions.



\$6 vehicle fee to enter park.



Photography program.



Feature movie shown as part of program. Check **parkhere.org** for movie dates, locations and titles.



Astronomy program.

Become a Volunteer and play an important role in protecting and enhancing parklands.

Volunteer



The Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department offers a broad range of volunteer opportunities. Go to parkhere.org and follow the "Volunteer" link or call the Parks Volunteer Program Office at (408) 918-4930 or email volunteer@prk.sccgov.org

Volunteer Benefits

- Meet new friends and learn new skills
- Receive "County Parks Volunteer" newsletter and invitations to upcoming volunteer events, training sessions, and recognition events

Monthly Volunteer Projects

To find out more information about volunteer events go to parkhere.org and follow the "Volunteer" link.

ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

For more details about any of the following positions, visit Parkhere.org and click on "Volunteer" or contact the Volunteer Program at volunteer@prk.sccgov.org or (408) 918-4930.

- Adopt-a-Trail
- Camp & Site Host
- Docent
- Park Volunteer Lead
- Trail Crew Lead Volunteer
- Trail Watch
- Individual Volunteer Projects

**Work Together
and Play Together!**



Healthy Trails

Your path to fitness, fun and adventure

It's healthy, fun and FREE!



Designed to fit anyone's lifestyle or fitness level — you choose which trails to walk, ride or roll and when and how often to do them. Take one of the many guided walks or go at your own pace to log your miles.

For more info visit parkhere.org or call (408) 355-2268

Sign-up gifts await you! Register today at parkhere.org to receive your detailed guidebook complete with log, maps & hiking tips.



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What's happening in your
Santa Clara County Parks

What's up



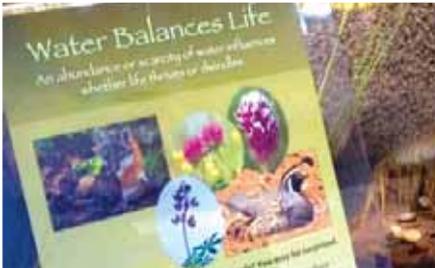
Parks for Everyone – Investing in Accessibility

Outdoor Accessible Recreation

To help disabled people find (or rekindle) their love of nature, and to help identify accessible trails and outdoor adventures, “Mobility Mark”, our resident volunteer advocate for the disabled began writing reviews of accessible trails and outdoor recreation in the Bay Area. To learn more about the accessibility reports for Santa Clara County Parks, visit ParkHere.org and search for “accessible outdoors”.

Playground Improvement

Improvements are underway to enhance ADA accessibility at the Hellyer County Park playground. The project is in design phase now, with construction anticipated to begin fall of 2016 and be completed in spring 2017. The new ADA compliant playground will have a water-play feature...a first for Santa Clara County Parks! If you need assistance with an ADA issue, contact our ADA Coordinator at ADACoordinator@prk.sccgov.org



Hellyer Visitor Center is Open!

Stop by the newly renovated Hellyer Visitor Center to see live animals and discover how they share our park lands and interact with each other in their home along Coyote Creek.

Visitor Center hours: Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays
10am-3pm through Columbus Day (Oct. 10)
and by appointment for programs.

For hours and program information call **(408) 225-0225**





Hiking with Cattle

Why are there cows where I am hiking?

In addition to reflecting the ranching history of Santa Clara County, a well-managed grazing program reduces the risk of fire and gives native grasses and flowers access to sunlight. To learn more about the County Parks' Grazing Management Plan and how to safely share the parks and trails with cows, please visit our website at **ParkHere.org** and search for "cattle."

Back to Nature

Pianos, you say? In a park? That's right!

For the third year, County Parks in association with Sunset Piano will be placing pianos in five picturesque park locations during the month of September. There is no cost to play the piano and everyone is welcome to enjoy the blend of music and nature. Exclusive sites and times will be available by reservation. Information will be posted on **ParkHere.org** as it becomes available.



Chitactac Family Day

Chitactac-Adams • September 24 • 10:00am-2:00pm

Come celebrate with the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band of the Ohlone Nation. Discover the heritage of the people who once lived at this ancient village site. Participate in hands on activities, learn to make traditional crafts and watch unique demonstrations. This event is free and appropriate for families and all ages. Food available for purchase. Chitactac-Adams Heritage County Park is located at 10001 Watsonville Road, Gilroy. For information about this event and/or program and volunteer opportunities here please call **(408) 918-7770**

Second Annual

Harvest Festival



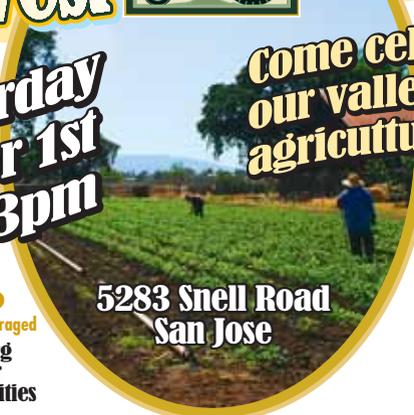
**Saturday
October 1st
10am-3pm**

**Come celebrate
our valley's rich
agricultural history!**

Parking \$6
Public transportation encouraged
Visit Parkhere.org
for more info or
volunteer opportunities

**5283 Snell Road
San Jose**

- Food & Produce for Sale
- Jacobs Farm Tours
- Kids Activities
- Pumpkin Bowling
- Pumpkin Painting
- Petting Zoo
- Music & More



Day on the Bay

Sunday • October 9th • 10:00am to 3:00pm
Held in partnership with the Santa Clara County Parks Department,
Supervisor Dave Cortese presents the 6th annual Day on the Bay:
A Multicultural Festival at Alviso Marina County Park

Day on the Bay is a celebration that brings people together to enjoy activities rich in diversity and talent, and abundant in ethnic expression. Day on the Bay is also a resource fair focused on health and wellness where the local community can meet non-profit, government and community-based organizations to learn about their services. Community groups will provide ethnic food booths, face painting, fire trucks, scout troops and much more. Free parking and shuttles from George Mayne Elementary School at 5030 North 1st Street, Alviso.

- **FREE Flue Shots***
- **FREE Diabetes Screenings***
- **FREE Food***
- **FREE Pumpkin Patch***
- *while supplies last*
- **Kayak Rides**
- **Arts and Crafts**
- **Health and Resource Fair**
- **Live Entertainment**
- **Raffle Items and giveaways**

For information on the 2016 Day on the Bay festival or for vendor, sponsor, entertainment, or volunteer opportunities, please call **(408) 299-5030** or go to sccgov.org/dayonthebay.



Quicksilver Holiday Boutique

Casa Grande/New Almaden Quicksilver Mining Museum • Nov. 19 • 10am-4pm

Come visit Casa Grande to browse local crafts & holiday goodies for sale. You will be sure to walk away with some great gifts for family and friends! Casa Grande's Victorian era furnished rooms will also be decorated for the holidays. Costumed docents and staff will further enhance the holiday spirits. Casa Grande is located at 21350 Almaden Road, San Jose, in the historic mining community of "New Almaden". **(408) 918-7770**

18th Annual
Fantasy of Lights

December
2016

Vasona Lake County Park
333 Blossom Hill Rd • Los Gatos
Prepaid tickets required nightly!

Info and tickets: parkhere.org or call **408-355-2201**   Like



September

EVERY THURSDAY IN SEPTEMBER (1, 8, 15, 22 & 29)



Getting to Know Your Newly Purchased Handgun

Field Sports Park • 5pm-6:30pm

Learn how to safely operate your new firearm including handling, loading, shooting, and proper maintenance. Meet at the Pistol Range Office with your handgun, at least 50 rounds of ammunition, and eye and ear protection. \$15 range fee. Adults only. **To register call (408) 463-0652**

EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN SEPTEMBER (3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 & 25)



The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 2:30pm-3:30pm

Explore our agricultural history at Santa Clara County's newest park. Meet at the visitor center to see items used on the farm in the 1890s, then take a short walk to learn about the park's current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2



Superstars of Metcalf • Motorcycle Park • 8pm-11pm

Knowledgeable volunteers provide a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and answer questions about the night sky. Meet at the novice track. **Questions? (408) 226-5223**



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3



Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am

This class is to teach young bike riders (ages 8-12) about basic bike safety on trails and roadways. We'll learn how to perform a safety inspection and review basic rules of cycling. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. Helmets are provided free of charge to registered child participants (1 per child). Meet by the restroom at Jackson and Mabury with your bike. **To register call (408) 262-6980**



Tai Chi Chih – Let the Energy Flow • Martial Cottle • 9am-10am

Join the Open Space Authority and County Parks for gentle tai chi to focus on balance and the circulation of energy. Meet at the visitor center with comfortable clothing. Rain cancels. **Questions? (408) 224-7476 (ask for Teri)**



Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 9am-11am

Take a gentle walk around the Marina's flat dirt trails and enjoy the local weather and bayside wildlife. We'll keep the pace slow for all ages and abilities. Meet in the parking lot near the restroom. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



Star Party • Joseph D. Grant • 7:30pm-1am

Join the Halls Valley Astronomical Group for a night of star gazing. You'll have a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and ask questions about the night sky. Meet at Halley Hill (across from campsite #22.) Park entrance gates close at 10pm. **Questions? (408) 274-6121**





SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10



Junior Shooting Program • Field Sports Park • 8am-12pm

Junior shooters age 10-18 will get first-hand experience shooting a variety of firearms under the direct supervision of a certified firearms instructor. Must have parent or guardian present. Meet at the 200 yd. rifle range. Sponsored by the San Jose Zouaves Rifle Club. Visit www.zouaves.org to download a waiver form. **Questions? (408) 463-0652**



Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am

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Stop and Sniff Around • Calero • 9am-12pm

Bring your canine friend on a hike to sniff out evidence of abundant wildlife in the park. Explore various animal tracks and scat along the trail while getting some moderate exercise. Meet at the park office (south of reservoir). **Questions? (408) 268-3883**



Legends & Myths of the Prairie Wolf

Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 10am-11am

One of the most adaptable mammals in the world, the coyote is wide spread not only in range but also in mythology and folk lore. Learn why the coyote is such a successful survivor and the topic of so many stories. Meet at the RV overflow parking lot. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



Story Time with a Ranger • Anderson Lake • 10am-11:30am

Explore tales and adventures of nature through short stories with a park ranger. Participate in fun activities and a short hike afterwards. Meet at the visitor center. All ages welcome. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



Fall Flutters • Alviso Marina • 10am-12pm

Join a park docent for an easy 2-mile stroll to enjoy views of the wetlands, migratory birds and other wildlife. Observe California's smallest butterfly, the Western Pygmy Blue, and learn how it thrives in a harsh, alkaline environment. Meet in the parking lot near the restrooms with binoculars or camera (optional). **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



Boating 101 • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 2pm-4pm

Learn from the experts on how to boat more safely and responsibly in California. Rangers will conduct courtesy vessel inspections and provide information on safety and legal requirements while boating on our waterways. This drop-in program is especially great for newer boat owners and operators. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, continued



Micro Zoology Movie Night

Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch • 7:30pm-10:30pm

Join experts for a show and tell about microscopic creatures. Look at life under a drop of water. Afterward, munch on popcorn while watching the old-time classic "Fantastic Voyage." **To register call (408) 226-5453**



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11



History Van Tour • Almaden Quicksilver • 9am-1:30pm

Step back in time and experience what life was like back in the mining heyday. Ride by van to various historic sites and enjoy your brown-bag lunch in the park. \$15 per person. Children must be at least 8 years old and 4'9" tall. Meet at the Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum with a bag lunch. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15



Predators – Bringing Balance to the Land • Anderson Lake • 5pm-7pm

Discover the difference between a predator and a scavenger and why both are important to our ecosystem. Take a short hike and learn how you can spot their hidden signs. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars. **To register call (408) 918-7980**



Moonlight Paddle • Anderson Lake • 6:45pm-10:15pm

Discover the natural and cultural history of the local area on a paddle tour of the reservoir. Experienced paddlers only—no instruction or equipment is provided. \$4 inspection fee per vessel. Meet at the launch ramp with your kayak/canoe, life jackets and 2 glow sticks per person. **To register call (408) 846-5622**



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16



Full Moon Hike • Anderson Lake • 7pm-9pm

Adventure out on a short moonlight hike to a nearby pond and back to check out the night sounds and sights. Dress in layers and bring a flashlight with red lens. Meet at the launch ramp parking lot. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17



Birding for Kids • Anderson Lake • 8:30am-10:30am

Take a short bird spotting walk along Coyote Creek Parkway. Learn tricks on how to identify the most common birds. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars. Best for ages 12 and under. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



Mountain Lions and Bobcats on the Prowl

Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 1pm-3pm

Learn about the lifestyles and characteristics of these magnificent animals living in and around our rural communities. Leave with a better understanding of why it's important to be able to co-exist with these felines in their natural environment. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, continued



History Walk • Joseph D. Grant • 1:30pm-3:30pm

Enjoy a leisurely walk to see the historic features of the park. Learn about the history of Halls Valley from the Ohlone days to the recent past. Finish with a tour of the Grant Ranch House. Meet at the Ranch House. **Questions? (408) 274-6121**



Safety in the Wilderness Hike • Ed Levin • 7pm-10pm

Life insurance, auto insurance...how about hiking insurance? Become knowledgeable and prepared to fully enjoy all your hiking adventures in Santa Clara County! Meet at the dog park on the Sandy Wool side of the park. **To register call (408) 262-6980**



HELLO!



Dog Nights of Summer • Anderson Lake • 7:30pm-9:30pm

Enjoy a group dog walk while having fun and enjoying the outdoors. Learn about leash laws, basic first aid, trail etiquette, dog behavior and history of the area. Meet at the Anderson Dam overflow parking lot. **To register call (408) 918-7980**



HELLO!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18



HELLO!



Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am

This class is to teach young bike riders (ages 8-12) about basic bike safety on trails and roadways. We'll learn how to perform a safety inspection and review basic rules of cycling. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. Helmets are provided free of charge to registered child participants (1 per child). Meet by the restroom at Jackson and Mabury with your bike. **To register call (408) 262-6980**



Photography for Children • Anderson Lake • 1pm-4pm

Learn to use a digital camera to tell a story, record an event, and take photos you'll be proud of. Learn basic composition before taking an easy walk in the park. Meet at the visitor center and bring a digital (not phone) camera. Best for ages 5-20. **To register call (408) 918-7980**



HELLO!

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21



HELLO!



Tour the Mansion, Hike the Hills • Villa Montalvo • 10am-1pm

Tour the Villa and learn its intriguing history. Then hike the hills above to a breathtaking overlook of the Santa Clara Valley. Park in Lot 4 and meet at the Box Office. Pre-paid reservations (\$10) are a must through the Montalvo Box Office. **To register call (408) 961-5858**



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24



Birding for Beginners • Sunnyvale Baylands Park • 8:30am-10am

Join a local birding enthusiast at Sunnyvale Baylands Park to hunt for birds as they pass through on their southern migration. Learn the basics of bird migration and some simple tips on bird identification. This is an adult-only program. Meet near the reclaimed water garden. Binoculars provided. **Questions? (408) 358-9453**





SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, continued



Rock Soup • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 9am-12pm

Discover the ingredients that make up our local "Rock Soup". Discover how rocks got here from places you wouldn't believe! Explore the fascinating geology of the park, how earthquakes happen, and how the park landscape came to be. Meet at the Mendoza Ranch trailhead off Roop Road.

Questions? (408) 842-7800



Creekside Bicycle Ride, Coyote Creek Parkway, 9am-2pm

Take a 30-mile bike ride challenge on National Bike Your Park Day. Enjoy the scenery as you crisscross the riparian corridor of Coyote Creek. The ride is mostly flat, but the distance requires some endurance and experience.

Meet at the Anderson visitor center. **To register call (408) 355-2232**



Chitactac Family Day • Chitactac-Adams • 10am-2pm

Come celebrate with the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band of the Ohlone Nation. Discover the heritage of the people who once lived at this ancient village site. Participate in hands on activities, learn to make traditional crafts and watch unique demonstrations. Food available for purchase.

Questions? (408) 918-7770

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25



A Taste of Archery • Santa Teresa • 8:30am & 10:30am

Join the Black Mountain Bowmen to learn how to shoot a compound or recurve bow, fletch arrows and make a bow string. Ages 6 and up with parent. A mandatory safety class and equipment are provided by Predator's Archery. Meet at the archery range on Avenida Espana. Choose from the 8:30-10am or 10:30-12pm class. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am

This class is to teach young bike riders (ages 8-12) about basic bike safety on trails and roadways. We'll learn how to perform a safety inspection and review basic rules of cycling. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. Helmets are provided free of charge to registered child participants (1 per child). Meet by the restroom at Jackson and Mabury with your bike.

To register call (408) 262-6980



ATVs for Beginners • Motorcycle • 10am-3pm

New to ATVs? Take part in a half-day hands-on training session by a certified instructor through the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. Ages 6 and up must provide their own ATV and required safety gear. Pre-registration is required.

To register call (408) 226-5223

October



EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN OCTOBER (1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30)



The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 2:30pm-3:30pm

Explore our agricultural history at Santa Clara County's newest park. Meet at the visitor center to see items used on the farm in the 1890s, then take a short walk to learn about the park's current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1



Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 9am-11am

Take a gentle walk around the Marina's flat dirt trails and enjoy the local weather and bayside wildlife. We'll keep the pace slow for all ages and abilities. Meet in the parking lot near the restroom. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



Harvest Festival • Martial Cottle • 10am-3pm

Come celebrate the legacy and significance of our valley's rich agricultural heritage at this fun day on the farm! Family friendly activities, healthy food and fresh produce for sale, music and much more. Volunteers needed, check parkhere.org/volunteers for more details. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



History of Stevens Creek Park • Stevens Creek • 9am-11am

Take a short history hike and learn about the first people to live on this land and how they were impacted by Europeans. Explore how the park's namesake played a pivotal role in the American settlement of California in 1844. Meet at the park office. **To register call (408) 867-3654**



Mystery Walls Van Tour • Ed Levin • 1pm-4pm

Meet at the park office to view a documentary on the mysterious rock walls of Monument Peak. Travel by van to the top of the peak while you enjoy beautiful views and solve the mystery! Cost is \$15 per person plus a vehicle entrance fee. Children must be at least 8 years old and 4' 9" tall.



Register online or call (408) 355-2201



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2



History of Almaden Air Force Station

Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 1pm-3pm

Learn about the history of this fascinating site, see key artifacts, and enjoy a slide show of amazing historic photos of the radar station when it was in operation between 1958 and 1980. Presented by Basim Jaber (Founder of the USAF 682nd Radar Squadron Veterans Association).

To register call (408) 533-8107 or email info@almadenafs.org



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8



Junior Shooting Program • Field Sports Park • 8am-12pm

Junior shooters age 10-18 will get first-hand experience shooting a variety of firearms under the direct supervision of a certified firearms instructor. Must have parent or guardian present. Meet at the 200 yd. rifle range. Sponsored by the San Jose Zouaves Rifle Club. Visit www.zouaves.org to download a waiver form. **Questions? (408) 463-0652**





SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, continued



Introduction to Geocaching • Almaden Quicksilver • 8:45am-12pm

Take a beginner's geocaching adventure to find 6-7 hidden caches in the park. Meet at the Wood Rd. entrance off Hicks Rd. Bring sun protection, water, snacks and sturdy hiking shoes. GPS units provided.

Register online or call (408) 355-2201



The Great Tarantula Trek • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 3:30pm-5:30pm

Take a scenic hike on the Mummy Mountain trail while learning about tarantula migration and why these eight-legged wonders are on the prowl. With any luck, we'll catch a glimpse of at least one of these fascinating creatures. Meet at the Mendoza Ranch trailhead off Roop Road. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9



Day on the Bay • Alviso Marina • 10am-3pm

Celebrate our community's diversity and health with fun activities, food, music and a resource fair—all for free! Special to this year's event is Bike to the Bay, a community bike ride along the Guadalupe River Trail from downtown to Day on the Bay.

Questions? (408) 299-5030 or www.sccgov.org/dayonthebay



Hawk Walk • Ed Levin • 11:30am-2pm

Search for glimpses of hawks, falcons, and golden eagles that soar the skies above the East Bay Hills. Find out why they fly like they do and what helps them thrive in this area. Meet at the dog park with binoculars or spotting scope.

Questions? (408) 262-6980



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12



Tour the Mansion, Hike the Hills • Villa Montalvo • 10am-1pm

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15



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Register online or call (408) 355-2201



Explore the Outer Limits: Stargazing Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch • 7pm-10pm

Explore the cosmos with professional star gazers and their equipment. Watch old episodes of the Outer Limits while munching on popcorn and drinking lemonade. **To register call (408) 226-5453**





SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16



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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21



Superstars of Metcalf • Motorcycle Park • 8pm-11pm

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

Birding for Beginners • Alviso Marina • 8:30am-10am

Join a local birding enthusiast for an avian exploration along the bay's edge. Find local shorebirds that call this area their home in addition to birds passing through on their southern migration. Learn the basics of bird migration and some simple tips on bird identification. This is an adult-only program. Meet in the parking lot near the restrooms. Binoculars provided. **Questions? (408) 358-9453**



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23



Dirt Bikes for Beginners • Motorcycle Park • 10am-4pm

New to dirt bikes? Take part in an all-day "Introduction to Dirt" course by a certified instructor through the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. Ages 6 and up must provide their own motorcycle and required safety gear. Pre-registration is required. **To register call (408) 226-5223**



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29



Haunted Halloween Hike • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 5pm-7pm

Explore the evening with a ranger and find out how Halloween got its name. You'll also discover which spooky creatures can be found in the park after dark! What tricks will you play for a Halloween treat? Bring the family for a hauntingly good time. Meet at the Visitor Center. **To register call (408) 842-7800**



November



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Questions? (408) 535-4060



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4



Superstars of Metcalf • Motorcycle Park • 8pm-11pm

Knowledgeable volunteers provide a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and answer questions about the night sky. Meet at the novice track.

Questions? (408) 226-5223



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5



Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 9am-11am

Take a gentle walk around the Marina's flat dirt trails and enjoy the local weather and bayside wildlife. We'll keep the pace slow for all ages and abilities. Meet in the parking lot near the restroom. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6



The Trails and You: What to Know Before You Go

Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 11am-2pm

Learn the importance of trail safety while having fun and enjoying the natural beauty of the park. Discover the wide variety of trail users and what regulations are in place to protect you, fellow trail users and the park. Meet at the Harvey Bear Ranch parking lot off San Martin Avenue for this drop-in event.

Questions? (408) 842-7800



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12



Birding for Beginners • Los Gatos Creek • 8:30am-10am

Join a local birding enthusiast in identifying some of our local wintering waterfowl. Geared for the beginning birder, participants will learn about the many different types of waterfowl found in the Bay Area. This is an adult-only program.

Meet in the parking lot near the restrooms. Binoculars provided.

Questions? (408) 358-9453



Introduction to Outdoor Photography

Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch • 10am-1pm

Join a docent for a FREE outdoor photography workshop. Learn how to choose and use a camera, how to take better outdoor pictures and about photo composition. Workshop begins with an indoor slideshow, followed by demonstrations and a walk around the historic area to take pictures.

Meet at the ranch house with your camera.

Register online or call (408) 355-2201





SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19



Ohlone Cuisine • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 9:30am-12pm

Experience foods that the Ohlone Indians ate for thousands of years. Learn how the Ohlone processed acorns - their most important food. Meet at the visitor center.

To register call (408) 842-7800



Quicksilver Holiday Boutique

Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 10am-4pm

Come visit Casa Grande in New Almaden to check out local crafts and holiday goodies for sale. You will be sure to walk away with some great gifts for family and friends! Casa Grande will be decorated for the holidays and costumed docents & staff will further enhance the holiday spirits.

Questions? (408) 918-7770



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27



ATVs for Beginners • Motorcycle Park • 10am-3pm

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To register call (408) 226-5223



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December



EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN DECEMBER (3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, 31)



The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 2:30pm-3:30pm

Explore our agricultural history at Santa Clara County's newest park. Meet at the visitor center to see items used on the farm in the 1890s, then take a short walk to learn about the park's current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3



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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4



Holiday Ranch House Tours • Joseph D. Grant • 1pm-4pm

Take a break from holiday shopping and enjoy an open-house tour of the historic Grant Ranch House all dressed up for the holidays. Enjoy a complimentary hot beverage and snack while you relax and recharge your spirits with history and nature. **Questions? (408) 274-6121**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11



History of Almaden Air Force Station

Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 1pm-3pm

Learn about the history of this fascinating site, see key artifacts, and enjoy a slide show of amazing historic photos of the radar station when it was in operation between 1958 and 1980. Presented by Basim Jaber (Founder of the USAF 682nd Radar Squadron Veterans Association).

To register call (408) 533-8107 or email info@almadenafs.org



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17



Winter Birds & Wildflowers • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 9am-11am
Enjoy an invigorating hike along the tranquil waters of Coyote Lake in search of fascinating winter birds. Learn which birds are migratory, wintering, or resident. You'll experience the spectacular scenery of the park, and glimpse the first wildflowers of winter. Meet at the RV campground parking area.
Questions? (408) 842-7800

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18



Holiday Ranch House Tours • Joseph D. Grant • 1pm-4pm
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Printed guides are available in limited quantity and may be requested by email at interp@prk.sccgov.org.



January



Every Saturday & Sunday in January (7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29)



The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 2:30pm-3:30pm

Explore our agricultural history at Santa Clara County's newest park. Meet at the visitor center to see items used on the farm in the 1890s, then take a short walk to learn about the park's current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



SATURDAY, JANUARY 7



Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 9am-11am

Take a gentle walk around the Marina's flat dirt trails and enjoy the local weather and birdside wildlife. We'll keep the pace slow for all ages and abilities. Meet in the parking lot near the restroom. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



History Ride • Vasona • 9am-11am

Join a park ranger on an 11-mile mountain bike ride through history. We will ride the scenic Los Gatos Creek Trail, continue to Lexington Reservoir and climb St. Joseph's Hill to enjoy the view - a 900 foot climb. Helmets and properly functioning mountain bikes are required. Meet at the Pier parking lot. **Questions? (408) 356-2729**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14



History Ride • Vasona • 9am-11am

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 21



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SATURDAY, JANUARY 28



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Lichen: A Closer Look • Almaden Quicksilver • 9am-12pm

This easy 1.5-mile out-and-back nature walk will explore habitats where lichen communities thrive. Learn to identify some of the most common forest lichen and discover ways these fascinating organisms benefit both wildlife and the environment. Meet at the Wood Road parking lot. Severe rain cancels. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



Field Trip & Class Programs

County Parks offer a variety of educational programs for schools and community groups. Explore nature with park staff or take a guided tour back in time at one of our historic sites (see page 29.)

Some educational materials are available for loan to teachers and community leaders. Check the parks website at parkhere.org for more information or call (408) 918-7770.

February



EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN FEBRUARY (4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26)



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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4



Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 9am-11am

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To register call (408) 533-8107 or email info@almadenafs.org

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11



History Ride • Vasona • 9am-11am

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Living History Day • Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 11am-3pm

Visit Casa Grande, once the magnificent home of New Almaden mine managers. Costumed docents and staff will guide you through Victorian period rooms and museum exhibits. Children may participate in a seasonal craft activity to take home. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18



History Ride • Vasona • 9am-11am

Join a Park ranger on an 11-mile mountain bike ride through history. We will ride the scenic Los Gatos Creek Trail, continue to Lexington Reservoir and climb St. Joseph's Hill to enjoy the view - a 900 foot climb. Helmets and properly functioning mountain bikes are required. Meet at the Pier parking lot. **Questions? (408) 356-2729**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19



The Great Backyard Bird Count Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 8am-2pm



Join a nationwide bird census effort! The Great Backyard Bird Count is an annual winter event in the US and Canada. Learn about our local migratory, wintering and resident birds as you help look for and count species along the oak studded trails and tranquil lake shores. Meet at the campfire center by the RV campground. Bring binoculars, layered clothing, lunch, water, and sturdy hiking shoes. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



ATVs for Beginners • Motorcycle Park • 10am-3pm

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25



History Ride • Vasona • 9am-11am

Join a Park ranger on an 11-mile mountain bike ride through history. We will ride the scenic Los Gatos Creek Trail, continue to Lexington Reservoir and climb St. Joseph's Hill to enjoy the view - a 900 foot climb. Helmets and properly functioning mountain bikes are required. Meet at the Pier parking lot. **Questions? (408) 356-2729**



Lichen: A Closer Look • Santa Teresa • 9am-1:30pm



Enjoy a moderate 2.8-mile loop hike to discover numerous brightly colored lichen varieties that thrive in serpentine grasslands and learn ways these organisms benefit both wildlife and the environment. Meet at the Stile entrance off Fortini Road. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**

2017 Preview

Events are subject to change. Check the website calendar at parkhere.org for current program information & updates.



March

EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN MARCH (4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26)



The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 2:30pm-3:30pm

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SATURDAY, MARCH 4



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SATURDAY, MARCH 11



Lichen: A Closer Look • Uvas Canyon • 9am-12pm

Take an easy 1.5-mile nature walk along the waterfall loop trail to discover the incredible beauty and diversity of lichen that thrive in the park's riparian forests. Learn ways these organisms benefit both wildlife and the environment. Meet at the day use parking lot. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



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FRIDAY, MARCH 17



Clever Coyotes in Them Thar Hills

Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 6pm-7pm

Have you ever had to deal with a ground squirrel infestation in your yard? It isn't fun if you value your ankles! Maybe you need the assistance of the clever coyote. Join in to see if we can spot or hear a coyote while we discuss what makes them such critical and cunning predators in the hills around our homes. Meet at the Harvey Bear park entrance off San Martin Avenue. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



SATURDAY, MARCH 18



Native Plant Discovery Walk • Calero • 9am-1:30pm

Enjoy a moderate 3-mile hike to enjoy early spring wildflowers that thrive in the park's serpentine grasslands. Along the way, observe a variety of endangered species found only in this unique environment. Meet at the Calero Park entrance (south of reservoir) off McKean Rd. Group will caravan to the Rancho San Vicente park entrance from there. **Questions (408) 918-7770**





SUNDAY, MARCH 19



The Trails and You: What to Know Before You Go Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 11am-2pm



Learn the importance of trail safety while having fun and enjoying the natural beauty of the park. Discover the wide variety of trail users and what regulations are in place to protect you, fellow trail users and the park. Meet at the Harvey Bear Ranch parking lot off San Martin Avenue for this drop-in event. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**

SATURDAY, MARCH 25



Legends and Myths of the Coyote Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 10am-11am



One of the most adaptable mammals in the world, the coyote is wide spread not only in range but also in mythology and folk lore. Learn why the coyote is such a successful survivor and the topic of so many stories. Meet at the RV campground overflow lot with layered clothing and sun protection. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



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Santa Clara County Parks has joined a collaborative effort with over 40 other parks, community and health organizations to help improve the health and well-being of all Bay Area residents through regular use and enjoyment of parks.

For more information about **Healthy Parks, Healthy People:** Bay Area partners and events, go to www.HPHPBayArea.org.

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2017 Preview

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April



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SATURDAY, APRIL 1



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SATURDAY, APRIL 8



Wildflower Scavenger Hunt • Almaden Quicksilver • 12pm-3pm

Join Friends of the New Almaden Quicksilver County Park Association on a wildflower scavenger hunt through various stations along the Wood Road Trail. Meet at the Wood Road Parking lot. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



SUNDAY, APRIL 9



Spring Wildflowers Nature Walk • Calero • 9am-1:30pm

Take a moderate 3-mile hike to enjoy spring wildflowers that thrive in the Park's serpentine grasslands. Along the way, observe a variety of endangered species found only in this unique environment. Meet at the Calero Park entrance (south of reservoir) off McKean Rd. Group will caravan to the Rancho San Vicente park entrance from there. **Questions (408) 918-7770**



Better Biking in the Shade • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 1pm-3pm

Riding a mountain bike on a hot trail can be a miserable experience. Why not enjoy yourself on an easy to moderate ride along the shady and scenic Calaveras Trail? Along the way, learn about the different tree species responsible for keeping you cool. Meet at the launch ramp parking lot with water and a mountain bike in good condition. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



SUNDAY APRIL 23



ATVs for Beginners • Motorcycle Park • 10am-3pm

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Step back in time and explore Santa Clara County's rich cultural history at one of these educational sites!

History

Casa Grande and the New Almaden Quicksilver Mining Museum

Casa Grande, located within Santa Clara County's only National Landmark Historic District, preserves the history of California's first and richest mine, and provides a glimpse of life in this historic community over 150 years ago. Museum exhibits illustrate how and why cinnabar, the ore of mercury, was mined at New Almaden. Discover how cinnabar and mercury were used by people, how mining technology changed over time, and how this site contributed to the success of the California Gold Rush. Visit antique furnished rooms that reflect how Casa Grande served as an exquisite home to mine managers and their families.

The museum is open
Monday, Tuesday & Friday: 12pm-4pm;
Saturday and Sunday: 10am-4pm.
\$2 per person donation requested.
Group tours are available daily by reservation. Call **(408) 323-1107** for more information or to book a tour.



Martial Cottle

The County's first agricultural park evokes Santa Clara County's rich farming history as the "Valley of the Heart's Delight." Amenities include a paved multi-use perimeter trail, picnic areas, grassy fields, and interpretive areas.



A general store can be found inside the visitor center that offers many unique items and park clothing.
Dogs on a 6 foot leash are welcome.





Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal-Gulnac-Joice Ranch

A visit to the Ranch immerses you in the realities of living and working on a family farm or ranch in the late 1800s-early 1900s. Explore exhibits in and around the restored ranch house and barns to discover how families lived and worked. Take a walk along the interpretive trail to the famous Santa Teresa Spring and learn how the ranch lands changed over time. House and barn exhibits are open to walk-in visitors Fridays 10am-4pm and Saturdays 11am-5pm. The park is open for self-guided exploration from 8am-sunset daily.

Tours and school programs are available by reservation. Call **(408) 226-5453** for information.



Chitactac-Adams Heritage County Park

Explore the life and ways of Santa Clara County's native Ohlone Indians at this cultural history park. View authentic petroglyphs and artifacts from thousands of years ago. Take a walk back into prehistory as you explore the interpretive trail and learn how nature sustained an Ohlone village along Uvas Creek. The site's exhibits and interpretive trail are open daily from 8am-sunset.

Tours are available by reservation. Call **(408) 846-5632** for information.



Check the calendar for special events and family programs at these sites. School fieldtrip programs are aligned with content standards for California public schools. Call for tour information and fees. Dogs (except service dogs) are not allowed.

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Almaden Quicksilver

21785 Almaden Rd
San Jose, CA 95120

Casa Grande/ New Almaden Quicksilver Mining Museum

21350 Almaden Rd
San Jose, CA 95120

Alviso Marina

1195 Hope St
Alviso, CA 95002

Anderson Lake (Park Office)

19245 Malaguerra Ave
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Anderson Lake (Launch Ramp)

18390 Cochrane Rd
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Bernal-Gulnac- Joice Ranch

372 Manila Dr
San Jose, CA 95119

Calero

23205 McKean Rd
San Jose, CA 95120

Chesbro Reservoir

17655 Oak Glen Ave
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Chitactac-Adams

10001 Watsonville Rd
Gilroy, CA 95020

Coyote Lake

Harvey Bear Ranch

10840 Coyote Reservoir Rd
Gilroy, CA 95020

Ed R. Levin

3100 Calaveras Rd
Milpitas, CA 95035

Field Sports Park

9580 Malech Rd
San Jose, CA 95013

Hellyer

985 Hellyer Ave
San Jose, CA 95111

Joseph D. Grant

18405 Mt. Hamilton Rd
San Jose, CA 95140

Lexington Reservoir

17770 Alma Bridge Rd
Los Gatos, CA 95032

Los Gatos Creek

1250 Dell Ave
Campbell, CA 95008

Martial Cottle

5283 Snell Ave
San Jose, CA 95136

Motorcycle

300 Metcalf Rd
San Jose, CA 95138

Mt. Madonna

7850 Pole Line Rd
Watsonville, CA 95076

Penitencia Creek

Jackson Ave. & Maybury Rd
San Jose, CA 95112

Rancho San Antonio

22500 Cristo Rey Dr
Cupertino, CA 95014

Sanborn

16055 Sanborn Rd
Saratoga, CA 95070

Santa Teresa

260 Bernal Rd
San Jose, CA 95119



Stevens Creek

11401 Stevens Canyon Rd
Cupertino, CA 95014

Uvas Canyon

8515 Croy Rd
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Uvas Reservoir

14200 Uvas Rd
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