GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL PARKS

The Golden Gate National Recreation Area (commonly known as the Golden Gate National Parks) extends 80 miles north and south of the Golden Gate, creating a vast greenbelt along the Pacific Ocean. Within its boundaries are ancient redwoods, historic landmarks, miles of hiking trails, rocky shorelines, rare and endangered species, lush coastal wilderness, and breathtaking vistas. Take an hour, an afternoon, a day, or more and discover the national parks.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Police/Fire/Ambulance911
PARK VISITOR CENTERS,
BOOKSTORES, AND CAFÉS
Alcatraz Island Bookstores (415) 561-4922
Alcatraz Ranger Station (415) 561-4900
Crissy Field Center Bookstore and Caf Crissy
(415) 561-7761
Crissy Field Warming Hut
Bookstore and Caf(415) 561-3040
Fort Mason/Park Hdqrs (M—F)(415) 561-4700
TDD/V (415) 556-2766
Fort Point Visitor Center (Fri-Sun) (415) 556-1693
TDD (415) 561-4399
Marin Headlands Visitor Center (415) 331-1540
Muir Woods Visitor Center (415) 388-7368
National Park Store at Pier 39 (415) 433-7221
Presidio Visitor Center
TTY (415) 561-4314

ADDITIONAL HELPFUL NUMBERS

Alcatraz Night Tour	(415) 561-4926
Alcatraz Program Information	(415) 561-4900
Crissy Field Center	(415) 561-7690
Fort Mason Center Information Line	(415) 345-7544
Golden Gate Club	
Beach Chalet Visitor Center,	
Golden Gate Park	(415) 751-2766
Habitat Restoration Team	(415) 561-4848
Historic Nike Missile Site	(415) 331-1453

NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES

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Fort Funston	(415) 239-4247
Marin Headlands	(415) 332-5193
Muir Woods	(415) 383-4390
Presidio	
Tennessee Valley	(415) 331-0732
Pacifica Visitor Center	(650) 355-4122
Point Reyes National Seashore	(415) 464-5100
Presidio Park Stewards(41	5) 561-3034 x 3445
San Francisco Maritime National	
Historical Park Museum	(415) 561-7100
Site Stewardship Program	(415) 561-3073
Stinson Beach Weather	(415) 868-1922
Volunteer Information	(415) 561-4755

Please call (415) 561-4700 (M-F) for information about park sites not listed on this page.

NATIONAL PARKS ON THE INTERNET

GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA www.nps.gov/goga

ALCATRAZ www.nps.gov/alcatraz

FORT POINT www.nps.gov/fopo MUIR WOODS www.nps.gov/muwo PRESIDIO www.nps.gov/prsf

RELATED WEB SITES

www.ggro.org

CRISSY FIELD CENTER www.crissyfield.org FORT MASON CENTER www.fortmason.org GOLDEN GATE CLUB www.presidio.gov GOLDEN GATE RAPTOR OBSERVATORY

GULF OF THE FARALLONES NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY www.farallones.org HISTORIC NIKE MISSILE SITE www.nps.gov/goga/nike-missile-site.htm

 ${\bf PRESIDIO\ TRUST\ \it www.presidio.gov}$

SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK www.nps.gov/safr

The National Park Service website (www.nps.gov) includes ParkNet, an online information center for all 390 national park sites.

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PARK NOTES

BEHIND THE SCENES

Golden Gate National Parks Tackle Global Climate Change

The Golden Gate National Recreation Area is tackling issues of global warming by creating a Climate Change Task Force, which will address the effects of global warming on the parks. Its primary goals are to reduce greenhouse gas emissions until the park becomes carbon-neutral, develop public programs to motivate the public to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions, and analyze and mitigate the effects of climate change on park resources. The task force has already begun its first project—to convert the parks' lighting systems to utilize energy-saving, compact fluorescent light bulbs.

Finding Your Way Out on Alcatraz

Infamous Alcatraz Island hosts more than one million visitors each year. Among a number of new services and improvements made recently on Alcatraz, the National Park Service installed 17 accessible waysides on the island last September. The wayside project enhances park visitors' understanding of the parks' cultural and natural resources. It was funded through the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act, which allows parks to use a percentage of entrance and recreation fees for projects that have a direct benefit to visitors.

A Relic of the Cold War ... Revisited

Battery Townsley, at Fort Cronkhite in the Marin Headlands, was San Francisco's most extensive—and most secret—World War II military fortification. From 1940 to 1948, it mounted two massive battleship guns and housed more than 100 soldiers in an extensive network of underground tunnels. During the Cold War, it was used as an underground research facility. Long closed to the public, Battery Townsley is now being refurbished (thanks to volunteer labor and donated funds), and holds a monthly open house. Battery Townsley is a moderately strenuous hike up the Coastal Trail, approximately 1/2 mile north of the Rodeo Beach parking lot. The battery is open, free, on the second Sunday of each month from noon to 4 PM.

SPECIAL EVENT FOR PARKS CONSERVANCY MEMBERS

POINT BONITA LIGHTHOUSE SUNSET TOUR

Come along on our special "members only" tour of Point Bonita, one of the park's most spectacular sites. Tom Delebo, long-time Parks Conservancy member and volunteer, will lead a sunset stroll to this historic lighthouse, set high above a wild, rocky shoreline and crashing waves. While you enjoy views of glimmering city lights, the Golden Gate Bridge, and the Pacific's broad expanse, you'll learn all about the lore—and experience the allure of this amazing place!

Event date and time: Saturday, June 9, 5:30-8 PM

Registration deadline: Wednesday, June 6 (limited to 40 participants)

Location:

Marin Headlands Visitor Center (more details upon registration)

Fee: Free

How to sign up

There are two simple ways to sign up for this members' event. To register for all other events, please refer to the descriptions on the pages entitled "Park Events."

Call our Membership Coordinator, Morgan Cosby, at (415) 561-3060.

E-mail us at: membership@parksconservancy.org.

For paid events, credit card information is required upon registration. We will bill you after registration is confirmed.

Tell us your full name, telephone number, e-mail address, number of guests, and your member-

ship number (printed next to your address on the *Gateways* newsletter).

Confirmation and directions will be e-mailed to you after the registration deadline. For events with limited space, we will select participants at random after the registration deadline. Please note that registration is not first-come, first-served because newsletter delivery times vary.

The member event is designated by in the calendar pages.

Questions or comments on our publication? Please contact editor@parksconservancy.org.

DESTINATION

PASEOS AND PASADOS: A CELEBRATION OF THE PRESIDIO'S RICH CULTURAL ROOTS

COLONIAL SPAIN'S OCCUPATION OF ALTA California and the establishment of El Presidio de San Francisco in 1776 were followed by the often overshadowed period of California's Mexican governance. Leaders such as Anza, Moraga, and Serra figure largely in history books, but there were others, like Spanish Californian Juana Briones and Ohlone Indian Pedro Evencio, who left vital imprints on the Presidio and Alta California. These epochs and cultures still resonate and a walk through today's Presidio can reveal traces of a rich and colorful past.



Military barracks of San Francisco, 1843

In 1776, amid America's struggle for independence, a large band of Spanish citizens came to Alta California for a better life. These migrants, many of them children, traveled over 1,500 miles from Sinaloa and Sonora. Among them was young Maria Ysidora Tapia, mother of a spirited founding Californian, Juana Briones. Residing at El Polin on the Presidio in 1836, Briones left her marriage, took her children, and relocated to Yerba Buena (now Washington Square)—the only single woman and Spanish Californian to live there at the time. The story of this courageous businesswoman, rancher, landowner, and healer still lives on, as does the legacy of

the area's indigenous peoples. In 1846, Pedro Evencio, a Raymatush Ohlone Indian, wed his Patwin Indian bride at the Mission San Francisco. His lineage had longstanding ties to the Mission's community; his family lived on a San Mateo ranch that supplied the Mission with food. Though Evencio's descendants today cannot be traced, the Ohlone still practice and teach their traditions throughout the Bay Area.

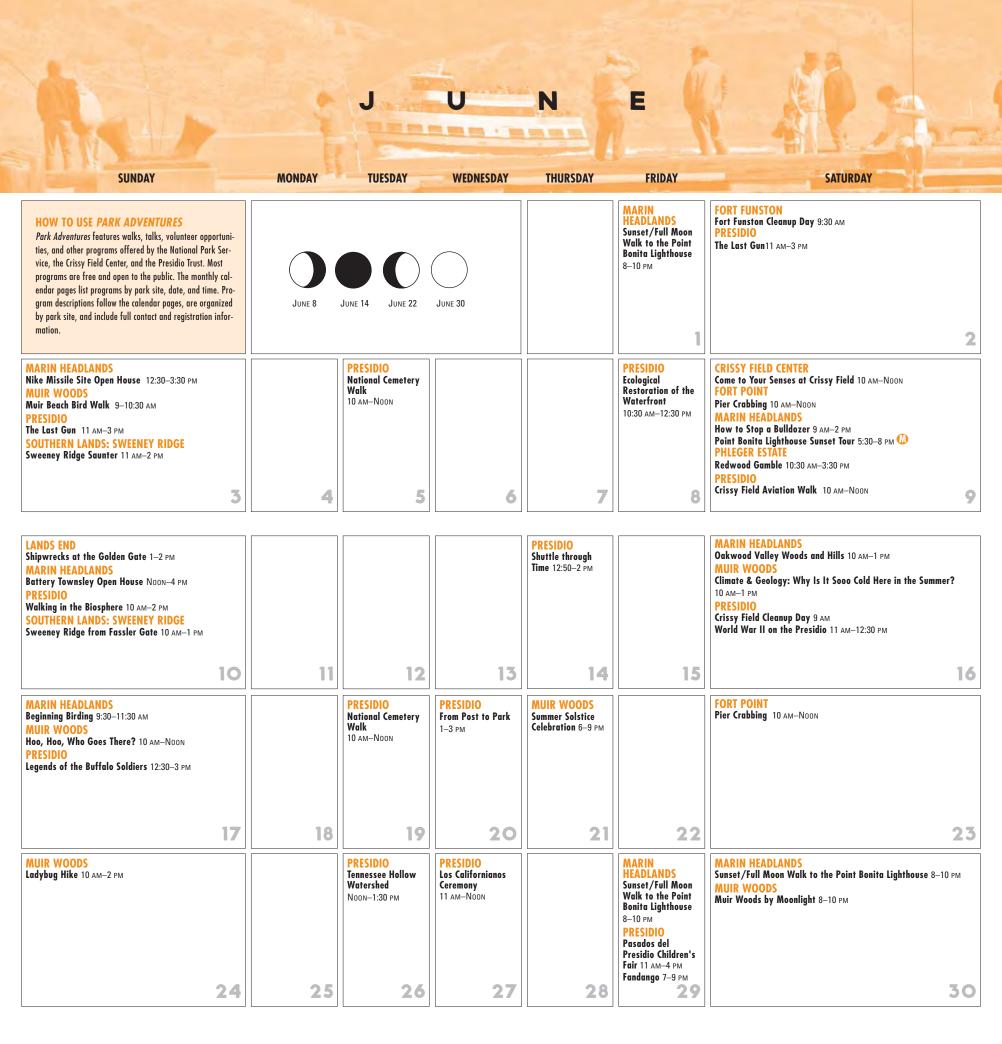
Beneath the Presidio's architecture and landscapes left by the US Army, visitors can find

traces of its early history. Begin your *paseo*, or stroll, at the Presidio Officers Club Visitor Center to examine its inner adobe walls—part of the original Presidio—in the Mesa Room.

After picking up a Presidio map and Walking Guide (plus the Mountain Lake Trail Kids on Trails Guide) walk north on the Ecology Trail to El Polin Spring, very close to Juana Briones' one-time home. For a longer hike, connect with the Mountain Lake Trail and use your Kids on Trails brochure, in which Maria Ysidora Tapia guides you through Mountain Lake's history and scenery.

If You Visit: Pasados del Presidio

Annually, the Presidio celebrates its Spanish, Mexican, and Ohlone roots during the week-long Pasados del Presidio. On June 27, Los Californianos, descendants of the first Spanish families, meet at Pershing Square to honor their ancestors. On Friday, June 29, the day starts with a kid-friendly open house where history is brought to life with interactive presentations; in the evening, Coro Hispano of San Francisco offers songs of early California. Historic Mission Dolores holds services in the old Mission on Saturday morning.



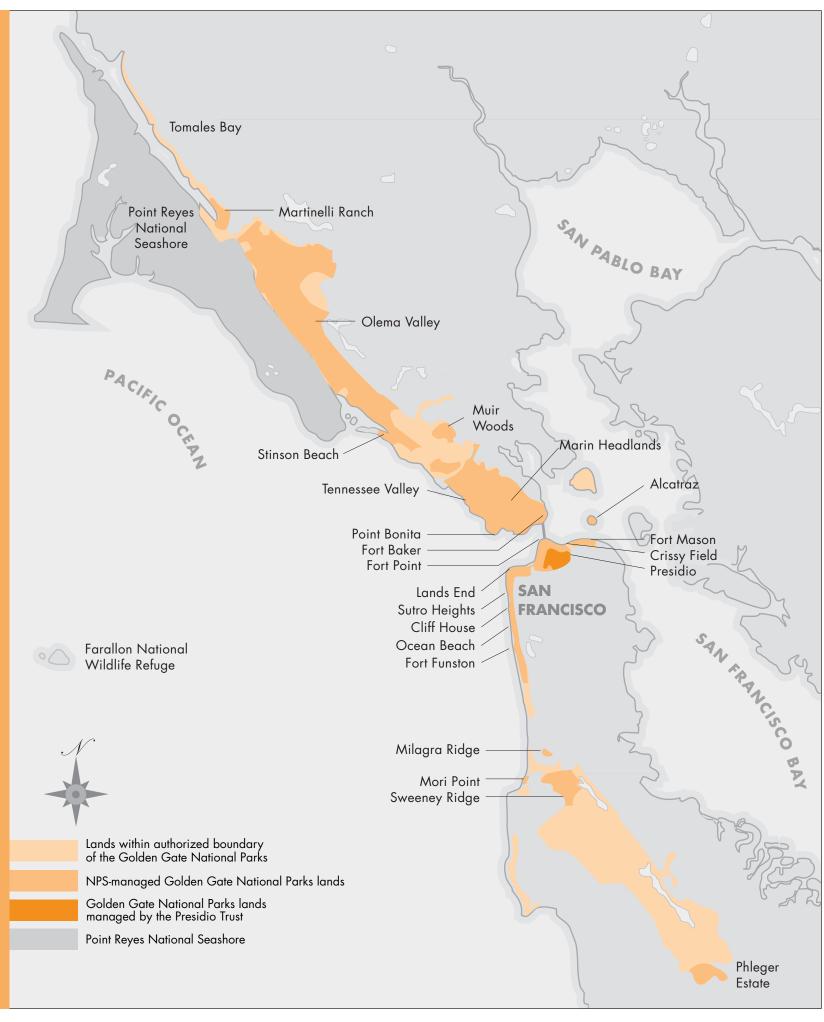
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PARKWIDE

ONGOING

Habitat Restoration Team

(Every Sunday)

The Habitat Restoration Team, established in 1988, engages community members in the management



and enhancement of the Golden Gate National Parks. Volunteers and staff meet weekly at different scenic locations to restore the parks' native habitat by removing invasive plants, transplanting native plants (a key winter activity), and seed collecting (spring through fall). Appropriate for adults and youth (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). Meeting locations vary;

phone 561-4848 for locations, directions, and carpool availability.

Invasive Plant Patrol

(Every Wednesday)

The Invasive Plant Patrol hikes park trails to find new growths of exotic plants and removes localized infestations before they become uncontrollable. You'll learn to identify both malicious and benign plants during these hikes that last approximately four hours. Appropriate for adults and youth (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). Meeting locations vary, and work dates are sometimes intermittent; phone 561-4848 to register.

Site Stewardship

(Every Saturday, except holidays)
The Site Stewardship Program
works to restore habitat for threatened and endangered species at
special restoration sites in Pacifica
and the Marin Headlands. Learn
about local ecology and natural history while improving habitat for the
mission blue butterfly, the San Francisco garter snake, the San Bruno
elfin, and the red-legged frog. Projects involve a combination of
hands-on work and short natural
history lessons. Appropriate for
adults and youth ages 8 and up

(chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). Meet at Fort Mason, Building 34S, San Francisco, at 9:15 AM; carpools to work sites are provided. Phone 561-3077 to RSVP and for more information.

Trail Crew Volunteers

(Every first and third Saturdays, April to December only)
Join the Golden Gate National Parks'
Trails Forever team to help repair and maintain trails, construct new routes, and protect sensitive natural habitat in Marin, the Presidio, San Francisco, and San Mateo. Appropriate for adults and youth ages 14 and up (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). Phone 561-3068 for meeting locations and directions.

ALCATRAZ

Open daily (except for December 25 and January 1). Join ranger-led programs, use self-guiding brochures, and take the new and improved cell-house audio tour to learn about this historic island (transcripts of the cellhouse audio tour are available for hearing-impaired visitors). A captioned video introduction about Alcatraz history is shown every 30 minutes in the museum theater. Ad-

ditional exhibits containing Alcatraz artifacts and other historic items are located in the new museum store in the basement level of the cellhouse. Phone 561-4900, 9 AM to 4 PM, for program and general information

The SEAT (shuttle) transport is available for wheelchair users and visitors physically unable to walk up the quarter-mile, 12 percent-grade hill to the cellhouse. Children under 14 must be escorted by an adult; service animals allowed.

Daily ferry service to Alcatraz starts at Pier 33, and the cellhouse audio tour can be purchased with ferry tickets.

Visit www.alcatrazcruises.com or phone (415) 981-ROCK for ticket reservations. Note: Alcatraz tickets frequently sell out as much as one week in advance. Visit the Alcatraz website at www.nps.gov/alcatraz.



ONGOING Alcatraz— Escape from Reality

Explore the connections between Alcatraz and Hollywood.

We Hold the Rock

In 1969, a group of Native Americans began a highly publicized, 19-month occupation of Alcatraz Island. This marked the beginning of a modern Indian movement of America's indigenous people. This award-winning, permanent exhibit features photographs, music, video clips, and contemporary interviews with former occupiers.

Ranger-led programs are offered daily. Ask at the dock-level ranger station for times, locations, and program topics, which include:

- Alcatraz Is Indian Land
- Escapes
- Fortress Alcatraz
- The Natural Side of The Rock
- 200 Years on The Rock
- US Penitentiary Alcatraz Island

Alcatraz Night Tour

Feel a chill run down your spine as you venture into dark corners of this

All phone numbers are area code (415) unless otherwise noted.

© Indicates a closed-captioned program. & Indicates either full or partial wheelchair accessibility.

PARK EVENTS

old island prison! Limited to just a few hundred visitors, the Alcatraz Night Tour programs include special topics, tours, and activities not offered during daytime hours. For more information, visit www. parksconservancy.org/visit/alcatraz/tours. Buy boat tickets well in advance, as they sell out quickly. For tickets, visit www. alcatrazcruises.com or phone 981-ROCK for ticket reservations. For program information, phone 561-4926.

family? Join us for special familyoriented programs that include a
guided tour from the dock to the
prison, an audio tour of the cellhouse, and a special program designed for kids. For more details visit www.parksconservancy.org/visit/
alcatraz/tours. Buy boat tickets well
in advance, as they sell out quickly.
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alcatrazcruises.com or phone 981ROCK for ticket reservations. For
program information, phone

561-4926.

Alcatraz Kidz TourzLooking for something fun, unusual, and educational to do with your

CLIFF HOUSE

Enjoy views of the Pacific Ocean and Seal Rocks from the public outdoor terraces of the Cliff House. The Cliff House Restaurant is open seven days a week for lunch and dinner; phone 386-3330 for reservations. The Camera Obscura on the lower terrace is open seven days a week, weather permitting; phone 750-0415 for more information.

Visit the Cliff House website at www.nps.gov/goga/clho.htm.



CRISSY FIELD

Crissy Field Center, located in Building 603 at the corner of Mason and Halleck streets in the

Presidio, is open Wednesday through Sunday, 9 AM to 5 PM. Operated cooperatively by the National Park Service and the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, the Center is dedicated to viewing the environment through multicultural perspectives in partnership with communities, and offers a variety of educational programs, including weekend workshops for youth and families, summer camps, and seasonal events. Most programs are fee-based and suitable for all ages unless otherwise noted. For a complete quarterly catalog, registration and scholarship information, please phone 561-7752 or visit www. crissyfield.org. A partial listing of programs follows.

All Crissy Field Center programs require reservations. Pre-registration is recommended for the weekend workshops, but drop-ins are wel-

come on a space-available basis.
Summer camp enrollment requires advance registration. Phone 561-7752 to register. Seasonal events are all offered on a drop-in basis, unless otherwise noted. All programs meet at the Center unless otherwise noted.

SPECIAL EVENT

Crissy Field Center Announces a Special Campfire Event!

Saturday, July 14, from 2—3:30 PM

The California Historical Society 678 Mission Street, San Francisco Free

You're invited to join the National Park Service and the California Historical Society for an old-fashioned campfire gathering—complete with park rangers, storytelling, and song on the afternoon of July 14. This event is offered as part of the California Historical Society's ongoing exhibit, Past Tents: The Way We Camped (March 22—September 21, 2007), which is a humorous and affectionate look at one of America's favorite national pastimes. For more information on all of the exhibit events and the campfire



gathering, please visit www. californiahistoricalsociety.org or phone 357-1848.

Come To Your Senses at Crissy Field (6/9)

Come and experience the sights, sounds, smells, and flavors of Crissy Field on an easy, one-mile walk at the Crissy Marsh. We'll look for crabs, taste strawberry treats, listen to some cultural legends, sniff the scents of a seashore habitat and enjoy the sands of Crissy Field by building sand castles under the cypress trees. Please dress in layers and bring sand toys, walking shoes, and your love of nature. Free.

Bugs and Beyond (8/11)

On this one mile, stroller-friendly walk, we'll explore and investigate the bugs, slugs, worms, and insects of El Polin Spring. Bring your own

bug box or borrow one of ours. Come rain or shine, there's plenty of fun for everyone! The walk begins at the Presidio Visitor Center and ends at El Polin Spring. Appropriate for families with children ages 4 and up. Space is limited and registration is required. Call 561-7752 or 561-4405.

Dunas de Lobos (7/1)*

Venga y disfrute los tesoros culturales y naturales del parque por medio de una divertida búsqueda de fauna. Mientras descendamos la colina de Rob Hill, disfrutara de bellos paisajes, historias culturales y naturales de este pedacito del Presidio su Parque Nacional.

Cuando lleguemos a las Dunas de Lobos compartiré usos medicinales de plantas nativas que se encuentran en esa comunidad. El programa empieza en Rob Hill y culmina en Lobos Dunes. Gratis. Familias; el espacio es limitado y inscripción es necesaria; llame a Ranger Fatima Colindres, 561-4405.



Lobos Dunes (7/14)

Come and enjoy the parks' natural and cultural treasures in a fun scav-

enger hunt from Rob Hill down to Lobos Dunes. We'll search for wildlife, enjoy beautiful vistas, and hear stories of local people and legacies. Once at Lobos Dunes, learn medicinal uses of the fragile but enduring plants found in this restored plant community. Meet at Rob Hill. All ages welcome, especially families with children ages 5 and up. Free.

Insectos y Más (8/5)*

Caminemos des del centro al visitante "Officers Club" hacía el nacimiento de agua El Polin. En esta caminata fácil y apropiada para coches de bebe vamos a explorar y investigar insectos, babosas, gusanos, y muchos bichos mas. Traigan sus cajitas para ver insectos o usen una de las nuestras. Con lluvia o sin lluvia nos divertiremos investigando El Presidio. ¡Habrá diversión para todos! El paseo culmina en El Polin. Comienza en el edificio 50 Moraga, Officers Club en el Presidio de San Francisco. Gratis. Familias: el espacio es limitado y inscripción es necesaria; llame a Ranger Fatima Colindres, 561-4405.

FORT FUNSTON

For information and program reservations, phone 561-4323.

ONGOING

Fort Funston Cleanup Day (6/2, 7/7, 8/4)

Bring dogs, friends, and family to help keep Fort Funston clean for everyone, held in conjunction with Fort Funston Dogwalkers. Bring gloves; trash bags are provided. Volunteers meet on the first Saturday morning of the month at 9:30 AM in the parking lot. For more information, phone Fort Funston Dogs at 468-1262.

Fort Funston Nursery and Stewardship/The Fort Funston Green Team

(EVERY SATURDAY, 9:30 AM-12:30 PM)

The Fort Funston Nursery, one of five native plant nurseries in the park, grows an impressive 25,000 plants per year. The Green Team volunteers participate in a variety of activities, including seed collection, propagation, transplanting, pruning, weeding, and outplanting.

Appropriate for adults and youth ages 10 and up (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). Volunteers meet at Fort Funston, San Francisco. RSVP is requested; phone 239-4247 for information, registration, and directions.



MASON ONGOING Fort Mason Gardeners

(Every Tuesday)
Work with the National Park Ser-

vice gardeners—and enjoy spectacular views of the Golden Gate Bridge! Activities include weeding,

El Presidio en Español

If Spanish is your first language, you and your family can take advantage of our Spanish-language walking tours and workshops. Ranger Fatima Colindres is your guide to a different experience the first Sunday of most months. This summer, join her for a scavenger hunt in the Lobos Dunes; or, to learn all about insects that live at El Polin Spring. Call 561-4405 for more information.

Dunas de Lobos (7/1)* Insectos y Más (8/5)*

*Program presented in Spanish with English translation provided.

raking, mulching, planting, and maintaining the gardens and grounds of historic Fort Mason, home to Golden Gate National Recreation Area headquarters. Appropriate for adults and youth (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). Meet at Fort Mason, in front of Building 112 (near the Phil Burton statue in the Great Meadow). Phone 561-4199 for more information.

PROGRAMS

Fort Mason History Tour (8/5)

Since 1797, Fort Mason has seen much history and many happenings:



the dominance of the Spanish empire, the Gold Rush, the anti-slavery movement, the influence of John Fremont, liberty ships, blues festivals, ghostly apparitions, and—sleeping presidents! Meet Ranger Rik Penn at Fort Mason's entrance (at Bay and Franklin streets) for a two-hour tour of some of the best-kept secrets in San Francisco. Reservations are required. Phone 561-4323 for information and reservations.

FORT POINT

During the retrofit of the Golden Gate Bridge, the Fort will be open on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday only, from 10 AM to 5 PM. Phone 556-1693 to verify access hours. For more information, visit the Fort Point website at www.nps.gov/fopo.

ONGOING

"Building the Golden Gate Bridge"

Video made by Bethlehem Steel on the construction of this national engineering landmark. & 👀

Cannon Loading Demonstrations

Discover how soldiers were taught to load and fire a Napoleon 12-

pounder cannon as part of a typical Civil War artillery drill.

"Fort Point, Guardian of the Golden Gate"

Award-winning, 30-minute video program about the history of Fort Point from 1776 through World War II. Shown throughout the day in the theater. &

The Fort Point staff offers a variety of programs; a schedule is posted at the Fort's entrance.

PROGRAMS

Pier Crabbing (6/9, 6/23, 7/14, 7/28, 8/11, 8/25)

Come learn about crabbing in the San Francisco Bay. We'll discuss equipment, bait, and regulations before you try your hand at capturing crustaceans! (Nets are provided.) Reservations are required; phone 556-1693.

LANDS END

For information and program reservations, phone 561-4323.

ONGOING

Lands End Stewardship

(Every Thursday and Saturday) Become a Lands End Steward and help restore unique coastal habitat and enhance the trail systems along Lands End. Appropriate for adults, families, and youth ages 14 and up (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). Meeting locations vary; phone 385-3065 for more information.

PROGRAMS

Shipwrecks at the Golden

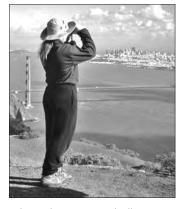
Gate (6/10, 7/8, 8/5)

On this moderately strenuous hike, you'll hear about (and view) some of the ships that were wrecked upon the Golden Gate's rocky cliffs, just north of 48th and Point Lobos avenues. Meet Docent Rich Harned at the USS San Francisco Memorial parking lot on El Camino del Mar. Reservations required.

MARIN HEADLANDS

The Marin Headlands Visitor Center, once an army chapel, is open daily, 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM, and is a great place to begin your park explorations, plan your outing, relax after a hike, or enjoy our award-winning exhibits.

Park visitors with limited mobility can now navigate the sands of Rodeo Beach by using a new sand wheelchair (purchased with the help of a Whale Tale Grant from the California Coastal Commission). The chair is available free-of-charge, and can be checked out daily, 10 AM to 3 PM, at the Marine Mammal Visitor Center at Rodeo Beach.



Unless otherwise noted, all programs require reservations. For general program information and to make reservations, phone 331-1540. Visit the Marin Headlands website at www.nps.gov/goga/marin-headlands.htm.

ONGOING

Battery Townsley Open House (6/10, 7/8, 8/12)
Open the second Sunday of each

month from noon to 4 PM. Battery Townsley, at Fort Cronkhite, was San Francisco's most extensive and most secret—World War II military fortification. From 1940 to 1948, it mounted two massive battleship guns and housed more than 100 soldiers in an extensive network of underground tunnels; during the Cold War, it was used as an underground research facility. Long closed to public access, Battery Townsley now is being refurbished (thanks to volunteer labor and donated funds), and the public is invited to visit and explore this labyrinthine fortification. Battery Townsley is reached via a moderately strenuous hike up the Coastal Trail, approximately one-half-mile north of the Rodeo Beach parking lot.

Marin Headlands Native Plant Nursery

(Every Wednesday and Saturday except holidays)

The Marin Headlands Native Plant Nursery annually grows more than 30,000 plants to restore the Headlands natural habitats. Volunteers propagate plants, collect seeds, maintain the nursery facility, and more. Activities are mostly outdoors and hands-on. Appropriate

for adults and youth ages 11 and up (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). RSVP is requested; phone 332-5193 for information.

Nike Missile Site Open House (6/3, 7/1, 8/5)

Open the first Sunday of each month, and Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons from 12:30 to



3:30 PM. Unique in the National Park Service, this restored Cold War antiaircraft missile site has intriguing stories to tell. Leashed pets are welcome. For updated visiting hours or tours, phone 331-1453. Buildings above ground are accessible. & Visit the Nike Missile website at www.nps.gov/goga/nike-missile-site.htm.

Point Bonita Lighthouse

Open each Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, 12:30 to 3:30 pm.
Meet Point Bonita docents along the lighthouse trail. This hidden, historic setting offers breathtaking views and many stories. The half-mile trail is steep in places. For more information, phone 331-1540. Visit the Point Bonita Lighthouse website at www.nps.gov/goga/pobo.htm.

Tennessee Valley Native Plant Nursery and Stewardship (Every Tuesday)

The Tennessee Valley Nursery grows plants for more than a dozen restoration sites in the park, from Olema Valley to the Marin Headlands. Help improve native habitat by removing invasive plants, outplanting, transplanting seedlings, pruning, and seed collecting. Appropriate for adults and youth ages 15 and up (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). RSVP is requested; phone 331-0732 for information.

PROGRAMS

Beginning Birding (6/17, 7/15,

Come join Docent Jane Haley on an easy walk to Rodeo Lagoon to discover the summer birds of the Marin Headlands. Bring binoculars and field guides. Appropriate for ages 8 and up. Meet at the Marin Headlands Visitor Center. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Bridge in Fog (7/14)

Picture the Golden Gate Bridge, swathed in fog, with only its towers peaking above the cool, white blanket. We'll follow the fog for photo opportunities during this carpool/hike.

The hiking may be steep in places. Dress warmly, bring your tripod, and hope for a good fog day! Meet Al Greening at the Marin Headlands Visitor Center. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Cats of the Marin Headlands (8/11)

On this moderate, four mile (round trip) sunset hike to Tennessee Beach we will be on the lookout for several bobcats that make their homes along the trail. We'll also learn about the other cats that inhabit or

visit the Marin Headlands—the feral cat and the mountain lion. Dress in layers and bring a snack and a flashlight. Please, no dogs. Meet Steffen Bartschat at Tennessee Valley trailhead. Limited to 25 people, and reservations are required; phone 331-1540.



How to Stop a Bulldozer (6/9) How did Bay Area citizens successfully challenge a multinational corporation and a powerful developer to stop a city from being built in

the Marin Headlands? Join Ranger Roxi Farwell on this six-mile, moderately strenuous hike to hear an amazing story of preservation, perseverance, and vision. Meet at the Visitor Center. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Oakwood Valley Woods and Hills (6/16)

Join Susan Ovington for a moderate five-mile hike up shady Oakwood Valley, across the ridge, and down Old Springs Trail. Along the way, we'll have great views of wildflowers, the bay, the city, and the ocean.

PARK EVENTS

Dress in layers and bring a lunch and water. Meet at the Oakwood Valley trailhead on Tennessee Valley Road. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Rambling 'Round Rodeo Cove

Rove around the Headlands lagoon, valley, and beach to seek out and explore what is unique to this special place. Meet Katrina Wagner at the Visitor Center for this moderate three-mile hike. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Sunset/Full Moon Walk to the Point Bonita Lighthouse

(6/1, 6/29, 6/30, 7/29, 7/30, 8/28) Watch the setting sun and greet the rising moon at this wild edge of the continent. The 1/2-mile trail is steep in places. Meet park staff and docents at the Point Bonita Lighthouse trailhead. Limited to 40 people. Reservations required; phone 331-1540.

MUIR WOODS

Open every day, including holidays, between 8 AM and sunset; there is a \$3 entrance fee for ages 16 and up. Muir Beach and Muir Beach overlook are open from 9 AM to one hour after sunset.

Travel to Muir Woods is convenient and stress-free when you ride the Muir Woods Shuttle! Available on weekends and holidays from June 1 through September 30, the shuttle stops at the Sausalito ferry, Marin City, and at the Manzanita Park & Ride Lot in Mill Valley. Please check the Muir Woods website for the current shuttle schedule and fares; www.nps.gov/muwo.

ONGOING

Daily Programs

Rangers and volunteers present 15-minute ecology talks and guided one-hour tours when staffing permits. Check the program board at the park entrance for times and locations. No reservations necessary.

Muir Woods Junior Rangers

Young people between the ages of 6 and 12 can become Muir Woods Junior Rangers. Ask about this program at the information table or in the Visitor Center.

Muir Woods Hotline

Phone the Muir Woods Hotline at 388-2595 for updates on hours, seasonal news, trail conditions, and special program details.

Redwood Creek Native Plant Nursery and Stewardship

(Every Wednesday and Saturday)
Join us in the majestic redwoods of
Muir Woods and the scenic Redwood Creek watershed to protect
and enhance habitat for the endangered Coho salmon and steelhead
trout. You'll learn how to grow and
care for the native plants in the
nursery, as well as help plant and
maintain restoration sites. Appropriate for adults and youth ages 10
and up (chaperones are suggested
for youth under age 18). RSVP for
meeting locations and directions;



phone 383-4390.

All programs meet at the Visitor Center unless otherwise indicated. For program reservations, phone 388-2596. Visit Muir Woods' website at: www.nps.gov/muwo.

PROGRAMS

Climate & Geology: Why Is It Sooo Cold Here in the Summer? (6/16)

Join naturalist Robert Mackler on a three-mile walk to learn about plate tectonics, the Franciscan complex, weather patterns in Marin County, and how fog is important to sustain-

ing redwoods. This program is appropriate for adults and teens. For information and reservations, phone 388-2596.

Babes in the Woods (8/26)

Parents, bring your wee ones and join Ben Harwood and Jenie Chang (with their new baby, Emalene) for an easy one-mile stroll through Muir Woods. You'll see baby trees, baby banana slugs, baby fish, and hear stories of Muir Woods' plants and animals. Suitable for parents with young ones in carriers or strollers. For information and (required) reservations, phone 388-2596.

Hoo, Hoo, Who Goes There? (6/17, 8/19)

Muir Woods is home to the endangered northern spotted owl, as well as its nemesis, the barred owl. Join "Roadkill Nancy" Valente and Ken Lavin to discover the natural history of owls, learn about owl form and function, dissect owl pellets to see what these winged marvels eat, and view a collection of skulls and bones. Appropriate for ages 8 and up. Meet at the Visitor Center. There is a \$2 materials fee. For information and reservations, phone 388-2596.

Ladybug Hike (6/24, 7/22)

Ladybugs love Muir Woods! Join Ken Lavin in search of clustering ladybugs in the woods and beyond. Find out why they arrive annually at this time, where they come from, what they are doing, and what will become of them. You'll hear some ladybug folklore and scientific fact on this moderate five-mile loop through Muir Woods and Mount Tamalpais. For information and reservations, phone 388-2596.

Muir Beach Bird Walk (6/3, 7/1) Join the Ong family for an easy onemile walk to view birds in coastal,

riparian, and lagoon habitats. This activity is suitable for beginning through advanced birders, ages 8 and up. Bring binoculars if you have them and dress for cool, windy weather. Rain cancels. Meet at Muir Beach picnic area. For information and reservations, phone 388-2596.

Muir Woods by Moonlight (6/30, 7/29, 8/28)

Explore the magic of Muir Woods under a full moon, learning about the secret nightlife of an old-growth redwood forest. Dress in layers and bring a flashlight. Children under 8 years not advised. The walk is less than two miles (round-trip), flat and paved. For information and reserva-

Muir Woods Centennial Walk: Redwood Canyon Then and

tions, phone 388-2596.

Now (8/25)

Have we been preserving or conserving this ancient old-growth forest of California Coast Redwoods? Join Evelyn Rose for this moderate, two-mile round-trip walk through Redwood Canyon and surrounds. We'll review the history of Muir Woods and examine historical photographs to discover how changes instituted over the past 100 years have impacted the woods. For infor-

mation and reservations, phone 388-2596.

Native American Uses of Plants and Animals (8/18)

Join naturalist Robert Mackler for a moderate three-mile walk focusing on how the Miwoks used plants for food, medicine, dyes, basketry, and arrow-making. This program is appropriate for adults and teens. For information and reservations, phone 388-2596.

Owls of Muir Woods (7/14)

As dusk approaches, Muir Woods becomes a quiet sanctuary, but our local owls are just waking up and beginning their "day." Join Steffen Bartschat on a moderately strenuous hike to learn more about the owls that inhabit this valley, and to hear about research updates on our most famous resident, the spotted owl. Dress in layers and bring a snack, water, and a flashlight. Meet in front of the Visitor Center. There is an optional \$3 fee for material. For information and (required) reservations, phone 388-2596.

Summer Solstice Celebration

(6/21)

Celebrate the longest day of the year with songs and storytelling

around a crackling bonfire. Dress warmly and bring a mug for hot drinks. Meet at Muir Beach. For information and reservations, phone 388-2596.

Systems and Relationships

Join naturalist Robert Mackler for a moderate three-mile walk to learn how animals, plants, and the elements interact to form food webs and cycles at Muir Woods. This program is appropriate for adults and teens. For information and reservations, phone 388-2596.

OCEAN BEACH

For program information, phone 561-4323.

ONGOING

Adopt-a-Beach Cleanup Day

(6/3, 7/1, 8/5)

Help clean up Ocean Beach in conjunction with the San Francisco Chapter of the Surf Riders. Bring gloves; trash bags are provided. Volunteers meet on Ocean Beach at different locations on the first Sunday of each month. Look for the Surf Riders flag.

Visit www.sfsurfrider.org/prog.htm for more information.

PACIFICA

A multi-agency visitor center, located in the Pacifica Chamber of Commerce office at Rockaway Beach, is open seven days a week and offers exhibits and information on recreational activities throughout the Pacifica area. Phone (650) 355-4122 for directions and more information.

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For program information, phone

PROGRAMS

Redwood Gamble (6/9)

Take a six mile stroll in serene redwoods and learn how five folks on a budget went for broke to save a \$30 million forest. Meet Ranger George Durgerian at the entrance parking lot of Huddart County Park in Woodside. (Note: Huddart Park charges a \$5 entrance fee.) Wear sturdy walking shoes and bring a lunch. Reservations requested; phone 561-4323.

PRESIDIO

Many of the events listed here start at the Presidio Visitor Center, located inside the Presidio Officers Club, 50 Moraga Avenue at Arguello

Boulevard (Main Post area). The Visitor Center is open daily from 9AM to 5рм. For information and to make program reservations, call 561-4323. Visit the Presidio website at www.nps.gov/prsf.

ONGOING

Crissy Field Cleanup Day

(6/16, 7/21, 8/18)

Bring dogs, friends, and family to this monthly event and help keep Crissy Field clean of litter and dog waste. Bring gloves; trash bags are provided. Cleanup areas include the east and central beaches and the promenade area. Volunteers meet the third Saturday of the month at 9 AM at the East Beach parking lot picnic tables. E-mail Crissy Field Dogs at crissyfielddogs@sbcglobal.net for more information and to confirm event, as it is occasionally resched-

Crissy Field Landscape

(Every Thursday)

Help keep Crissy Field clean, green, and free of invasive weeds. Volunteers perform a variety of tasks to help maintain the area as a popular destination for visitors to enjoy. Projects include winter beach cleanups, trail maintenance along

the promenade, broad-leaf plant removal, and reseeding from greenbelt areas. Appropriate for adults and youth ages 10 and up (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). RSVP is requested; phone 561-4325 for information.

Presidio Native Plant

Nursery (Every Wednesday and Saturday)

This nursery grows more than 60,000 plants per year! Learn to grow and care for native plants by transplanting seedlings, pruning, composting, seed collecting, and outplanting.

Appropriate for adults and youth ages 10 and up (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). Meet at the nursery, which is located at 1244 Appleton Street, San Francisco. Phone 561-4826 for more information.

Presidio Park Stewards

(Every Wednesday and Saturday)

Help enhance rare native plant habitat and create important wildlife corridors in the Presidio of San Francisco while learning about dune and serpentine systems and working in scrub, grassland, woodland, wetland, and bluff habitats. Activities include invasive plant removal and

native plant revegetation. Appropriate for adults and youth ages 10 and

up (chaperones are suggested for



youth under age 18). Phone 561-3034, ext. 3445, to RSVP and for information, meeting locations, and directions.

Presidio Plant Patrol

(Every Friday)

Help eradicate noxious weeds—such as pampas grass, cape ivy, French

> broom, iceplant, and poison hemlock—that pose threats to the native biodiversity of Presidio plants and animals. Work sites are in many of the Presidio's out-of-theway, natural areas. Appropriate for adults and youth ages 10 and up (chaperones are suggested for youth under age 18). Meet at 12:50 PM at the Field Office Building, 1539 Pershing Drive and Lincoln Boulevard (Richmond District). RSVP is requested; phone 561-3034, ext. 3445.

The Last Gun (6/2, 6/3, 7/7, 7/8, 8/4, 8/5) How can a 50-ton gun

simply disappear? Learn this and other factoids while helping load and

aim the last operational gun of its kind. Photos of the century-old Endicott system batteries in action are on display in an underground cartridge room. Rain cancels. Located at Battery Chamberlin, north end of Baker Beach parking lot. 11 AM to 3 PM, first full weekend of each month.

PROGRAMS

A Walk in the Presidio Forest

Join this two-to three-mile moderate walk to explore the mini-forest planted by the army during the 1800s. Dress in layers, wear comfortable shoes, and bring water. Meet Ranger Rik Penn at the Presidio Visitor Center.

Crissy Field Aviation Walk

Explore Crissy Field and learn about its role in early aviation history on this easy, one-mile walk. Meet Docent Don Gray at the Warming Hut, at the west end of Mason Street. Reservations required. &

Ecological Restoration of the Waterfront (6/8, 7/13, 8/10)

Experience Crissy Field's living tidal salt marsh on this easy two-mile walk, and learn how winds, tides, sand, plants, and people affect this

SPECIAL EXHIBIT

Environmental Journey: The Aerial Photography of Robert Cameron

Presidio Officers Club Exhibition Hall, 50 Moraga Avenue Presidio of San Francisco

This free exhibition is sponsored by Cameron and Company and Presidio Trust Public Programs. May 18 - August 26, 2007 Wednesday through Sunday 11 AM — 5 PM

For more information phone 561-5500 or visit www.presidio.gov.

Renowned aerial photographer Robert Cameron began photographing California from the air in 1969. Over the years, his view has extended north to Alaska, south to Mexico, west to Hawaii, and east to Paris. This exhibit selects 56 exemplary images from Cameron's oeuvre, photography taken in California, Nevada, Washington state, Alaska, and Hawaii. Visitors will take an aerial journey via large prints, many 6 feet tall and 10 feet wide, that explore the natural environment and the impacts of humans on the landscape.

ecosystem. Rain cancels the walk. Meet Docent Bob Halsey at the corner of Halleck and Mason streets in front of the Crissy Field Center. Reservations required.

First Flight to Hawaii (8/25) Learn about the first flight from the mainland to Hawaii, and marvel at the troubles and triumphs of this historic achievement. Meet Ranger Marcus Combs at Crissy Field Center, corner of Halleck and Mason streets. Reservations required. &



From Post to Park (6/20, 7/18, 8/15) Learn about the Presidio's past, present, and future on a moderate onemile walk. Meet Docent Rich

Harned at the Presidio Visitor Center. Reservations required. ₺

History, Heroes, and Houses (7/21)

Explore the "heart" of the Presidio and learn about its past and future on an easy one-mile walk. Meet Docent Bob Bowen at the Presidio Visitor Center. Reservations required. &

Legends of the Buffalo Soldiers (6/17)

Learn how the African-American "Buffalo Soldiers" contributed to our countrys rich history on a moderate one- mile walk. Meet Ranger Rik Penn at the Presidio's Lombard Gate, at Lombard and Lyon streets.

Letterman Legacy (7/26)

Learn about Letterman Hospital's history and future while strolling around its new and old buildings. Meet Ranger Marcus Combs at the corner of Lincoln and Torney streets.

Mystery Hike (8/19)

Even if you think you already know the Presidio well, you'll be captivated by this moderate three-mile saunter through the park. Meet Ranger James Osborne at the Presidio Officers Club.

National Cemetery Walk (6/5, 6/19, 7/10, 7/24, 8/7, 8/21)

6/19, 7/10, 7/24, 8/7, 8/21) Join Docent Galen Dillman to hear about Medal of Honor recipients, a Union spy, an Indian scout, Buffalo Soldiers, and others buried in the San Francisco National Cemetery at the Presidio. Dress in layers for this one-mile walk that has a steep uphill climb. Phone 561-4323 for reservations (required) and meeting loca-

Pasados del Presidio (6/29) Celebrate the Presidio's Spanish, Mexican, and Ohlone roots with kidfriendly activities, lectures, music, and dance! In the afternoon, join us for a special children's fair (with hands-on activities) that will bring El Presidio de San Francisco to life. In the evening, the renowned Coro Hispano de San Francisco and Conjunto Nuevo Mundo will present Fandango!, a program of song and dance from early California and Latin America. These events take place at the Presidio Visitor Center. Additional lectures and events are scheduled throughout the week. For complete details, visit

www.presidio.gov, or call 561-5500. **Pedaling the Presidio** (7/15)

Cycle through time as you explore the Presidio's history and scenery on this six-mile, moderately strenuous bicycle ride. Meet Ranger James Osborne at Crissy Field Center, corner of Halleck and Mason streets. Bike helmets and reservations are required.

Presidio Birdlife (8/18)

See and learn about the diversity of

Presidio birdlife on a moderate onemile walk. Meet Ranger Will Elder at the Presidio Officers Club. Reservations required.

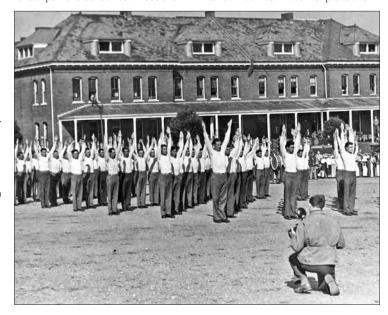
Shuttle Through Time (6/14, 7/12, 8/9)

Take the PresidiGo shuttle and travel through time as you hear stories that span the centuries. Meet the

docent at the Transit Center, at the corner of Lincoln Boulevard and Graham Street. Reservations required. &

Tennessee Hollow Watershed (6/26, 8/14)

Discover the secrets of El Polin Spring on a moderate, one-mile, lunch-hour walk. We'll explore the



PARK EVENTS

history of this unique ecosystem where fresh water flows to the Crissy Marsh, serpentine grasslands bloom, and fertility myths were born. Wear shoes suitable for traversing slopes. Rain cancels. Meet the docent at Inspiration Point. Reservations required.

The Presidio Rocks (7/14) Learn about the 160 million-yearold story that lies

underneath the

surface of the Presidio on this twomile, moderately strenuous walk. Wear comfortable walking shoes and a warm jacket. Meet Ranger Will Elder at the Baker Beach north parking lot, which is located near Battery Chamberlin.

Walking in the Biosphere (6/10)

Join Ranger James Osborne for a sixmile walk through the Presidio, Lands End, and Golden Gate Park in honor of World Environment Day.



The United Nations named this area the Central California Coast Biosphere Reserve, and this walk celebrates the breadth and beauty of this "world-park-city." Dress in layers, wear sturdy shoes, and bring snacks and water. Meet at the Presidio Officers Club. Reservations required.

Wings Over Crissy Field (7/1)

Take a moderate one-mile walk through the history of aviation at

the Presidio. Meet Ranger Rik Penn at the Warming Hut, at the west end of Mason Street. &

World War II on the Presidio (6/16)

Hear about the Western Defense Command, Letterman Hospital, and stories of the Presidio during World War II. Meet Docent Bob Bowen at Crissy Field Center, corner of Mason and Hal-

leck streets, for this moderate 1.5 mile walk. Reservations required.

SOUTHERN LANDS

Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge, and Mori Point

For program information, phone 561-4323.

PROGRAMS

Mori Point Meander (7/22)

Mori Point, one of the newest sites in the Golden Gate National Parks,

has great coastal views, a bawdy history, and a bright future. Join Pacifica historian Jerry Crow for this moderately strenuous walk. Turn north off Highway 1 at Bradford Way and park by the Moose Lodge at the south end of Bradford Way. Dress in layers. Phone 561-4323 for more information.

Of Bombs and Butterflies

Take an easy stroll with Nike veteran David Bridgman along Pacifica's Milagra Ridge, a former gun emplacement, Nike missile site, and now the last habitat for a small, endangered butterfly. Turn north at the traffic light at the intersection of Sharp Park Road and College Drivein Pacifica, and meet at the gate. For information, call 561-4323. Leashed pets welcome.

Sweeney Ridge from Fassler Gate (6/10)

Follow Pacifica historian Jerry Crow on a moderate walk in the footsteps of Portola's expedition to the site where that famous explorer first viewed San Francisco Bay. Meet at the far west end of Fassler Avenue in Pacifica. For information, phone 561-4323.



Sweeney Ridge Saunter

(6/3, 8/19) Hike the greatest place you've never been. With Nike veteran David Bridgman, you'll learn about the

defense of Sweeney Ridge—from Spanish explorers and Nike missiles to neighborhood activists. Meet at Skyline College Staff Parking Lot #12. From Skyline Boulevard, go west on College Drive until the "T" intersection. Turn left (heading south) approximately three miles and look for the small sign on your left. Reservations requested; phone 561-4323.

STINSON BEACH

The beach is open daily for picnics and recreational activities, from 9 AM to shortly after sunset. For updates on hours of operation and the latest surf, tide, road, and weather conditions, phone 868-1922.

SUTRO HEIGHTS/ SUTRO BATHS

For information, phone 561-4323.

PARK PARTNERS



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The Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy is a nonprofit membership organization created to preserve the Golden Gate National Parks, enhance the experiences of park visitors, and build a community dedicated to conserving the parks for the future.

We seek private contributions to augment federal funds for the parks and work in collaboration with the National Park Service and the Presidio Trust to improve park sites, enlist volunteers in restoration projects, provide services and education programs for visitors and local communities, and engage diverse audiences in the national parks at the Golden Gate. To learn more about the Parks Conservancy, visit our website, www.parksconservancy.org. or phone (415) 561-3000.



THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

The National Park Service (NPS) manages the Golden Gate National Parks, as well as 390 other park sites across the United States. Established in 1916, the mission of the NPS is to conserve the scenery, natural and historic resources, and wildlife within these park lands and to provide for their enjoyment by future generations. For more information, visit www.nps.gov/goga. or phone (415) 561-4700.



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THE PRESIDIO TRUST

The Presidio Trust was created by Congress in 1996 to preserve and enhance the Presidio in partnership with the NPS. The Trust has jurisdiction over the interior 1,168 acres of the former military post. To learn more about the Presidio Trust, visit www.presidio.gov. or phone (415) 561-5300.

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There are three easy ways to join:

Call: (415) 561-3060

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E-mail: membership@parksconservancy.org. Join online at: www.parksconservancy.org.

DROP-IN VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

LOCATION	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Habitat Restoration Team	9:30 ам-2:30 рм						
Invasive Plant Patrol				10 ам—2 рм			
Lands End Stewardship					1–4 рм		1–4 рм
Presidio Park Stewards				9 am–Noon			9 am—Noon
Presidio Plant Patrol						1–4 PM	
Site Stewardship							10 ам–1 рм
Fort Funston Nursery							9:30 ам-12:30 рм
Marin Headlands Nursery				1—4 рм			9 am—Noon
Headlands Seed Collection				9:30 AM-NOON (May-Sept only)			
Presidio Nursery				1—4 рм			1–4 рм
Redwood Creek Nursery				10 ам—1 рм			10 ам—1 рм
Tennessee Valley Nursery			10 ам—Noon, 1—4 рм				
Alcatraz Gardens				8:30 ам-12:30 рм		8:30 AM-12:30 PM	
Crissy Field Landscape					9 am-Noon		
Fort Mason Gardeners			9 AM-Noon				
Trail Crew Volunteers							9 AM—NOON (1ST & 3RD SAT., APR-DEC)

HAVE SUMMER FUN AS A PARK VOLUNTEER!

Turn a lazy summer day into an opportunity to help the parks we love! Many drop-in volunteer opportunities are available in Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo counties, and they all offer a great way to meet others who love the Golden Gate National Parks. Tools and training are provided and no regular time commitment is required. Please wear sturdy shoes, dress in layers (in clothes that you won't mind getting dirty), and be sure to bring water and a lunch or snack. The following volunteer opportunities serve various areas in the Golden Gate National Parks. Other volunteer drop-in programs are listed in the program description pages under the specific park site served. We recommend calling ahead before attending any of these programs, as meeting locations, dates, hours, and work projects may vary.