

BEHIND THE SCENES

Fort Baker Report Wins Design Award

This past fall, the California Preservation Foundation honored the National Park Service and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) with a design award (given in the category of Cultural Resources Studies) for the *Cultural Landscape Report for Fort Baker*. The award was accepted by Craig Kenkel, Chief of Cultural Resources and Museum Management, and Barbara Judy, Historical Architect, Gateway National Recreation Area. The Report was authored by Judy, as well as by contributors from the NPS Pacific Western Regional Office Cultural Landscape Program.

Headlands Institute Introduces New Day Camp Program in Marin Headlands

The Headlands Institute, a GGNRA Park Partner that specializes in environmental education, kicks off its new Coastal Camp, a summer day camp for children in grades one through six. The camp is designed to promote environmental stewardship and combines marine and coastal ecology themes with fun, hands-on educational games, and outdoor exploration and learning at Rodeo Beach. Camp dates are June 18 to August 24. For more information, phone (415) 332-6961 or visit www.coastalcamp.org.

Slide Ranch Seeks Volunteers

Slide Ranch, one of the GGNRA's Park Partners, is a nonprofit agricultural and environmental education center that uses food to teach about sustainability and to demonstrate a vision of humans living in balance with nature. Located on Highway 1, just north of Muir Beach, Slide Ranch welcomes new volunteers every Wednesday and Saturday, 10 AM to 4 PM, from March through November. Volunteer activities include organic gardening, native plant restoration, and ranch maintenance projects. Volunteers must pre-register; drop-in registration is held the first Saturday of every month. For information, phone (415) 381-6155 or visit www.slideranch.org.

SPECIAL EVENT FOR PARKS CONSERVANCY MEMBERS

LANDS END TOUR

Join historian John Martini for a special tour of Lands End. This walk offers breathtaking views of the Pacific, the Golden Gate Bridge, and the Marin Headlands, and provides a glimpse into the past, present, and future of this historic park treasure. Be sure to dress in layers and wear comfortable shoes to best enjoy this scenic and informative tour.

Event date and time: Saturday, April 28, 10 AM—12 PM

Registration deadline: Monday, April 16 (limited capacity)

Location: Lands End (Event details and directions are provided 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 registering for the event.

We will bill you after registration is confirmed.

Tell us your full name, telephone number, e-mail

address, number of guests, and your membership 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 **M** in the calendar pages.

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

D E S T I N A T I O N

LANDS END: TRANSFORMED THROUGH TIME

LANDS END, WITH ITS WILD AND ROCKY CLIFFS, wind-sculpted cypress trees, and dramatic ocean vistas, is a familiar San Francisco landmark with a fascinating past. Once dubbed the "outside lands," which referred to the lone, uninhabited quality of this westernmost side of the city, Lands End is one of the Golden Gate National Parks' most scenic and treasured places.

Lands End was first developed in the early 1860s with the construction of the Point Lobos toll road and the first Cliff House restaurant, both excellent vantage points for viewing Seal Rocks and the resident sea lions, one of the area's first attractions. In the late 19th century, engineer and philanthropist Adolph Sutro radically transformed Lands End, making it a destination for public recreation. He opened his Sutro Heights estate's ornate formal gardens to the public, purchased the Cliff House, developed rail line access (one line ran along the Coastal Trail), and situated amusement rides at Merrie Way. Sutro's most spectacular attraction, however, was Sutro Baths and Museum, which debuted in 1896. The world's largest bathhouse, it featured seven bathing pools plus exhibits of artifacts collected from around the globe.



As with San Francisco's Great Earthquake of 1906, fire played a catastrophic part in Lands End history. The original Cliff House burned in 1894, but Sutro rebuilt it into a magnificent Victorian edifice that survived the 1906 earthquake, then was lost to fire in 1907; today's Cliff House, built in 1909, still stands on the same site. By the 1950s, the Sutro Baths had become an ice rink, which burned to the ground in 1966. All that remains of the aquatic pleasure palace are the swimming pools' cement foundations and adjacent rock tunnels.

Now, Lands End is once again transformed—though not by fire. With generous philanthropic support and the help of dedicated volunteers and staff, the National Park Service and the Parks Conservancy have partnered to revitalize Lands End with an improved Coastal Trail, restored views, and a refurbished Cliff House housing a new restaurant with design reminiscent of the once-grand Sutro Baths. Whether you take an hour or an afternoon, you'll enjoy rediscovering the delights of the jewel that is Lands End.

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SUNDAY

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TUESDAY

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THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

HOW TO USE PARK ADVENTURES

Park Adventures features walks, talks, volunteer opportunities, and other programs offered by the National Park Service, the Crissy Field Center, and the Presidio Trust. All programs are free (except where a fee is requested) and open to the public. The monthly calendar pages list programs by park site, date, and time. Program descriptions follow the calendar pages, are organized by park site, and include full contact and registration information.



MAR 3



MAR 11



MAR 18



MAR 25

CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Un Dia en la Vida de Juana Briones 10 AM-12 NOON
MARIN HEADLANDS
Beginning Birding 9:30-11:30 AM
Nike Missile Site Open House 12:30-3:30 PM
MUIR WOODS
Muir Beach Bird Walk 9-10:30 AM
PRESIDIO
Legends of the Buffalo Soldiers 1-3 PM
The Last Gun 11 AM-3 PM

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PRESIDIO
National Cemetery Walk 10 AM-12 NOON

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PRESIDIO
Shuttle Through Time 12:50-2 PM

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10-11:30 AM
MARIN HEADLANDS
Creatures of the Night 6:30-8 PM

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Family Adventure: History Comes Alive with Juana Briones 10 AM-12 NOON
PRESIDIO
Crissy Field Aviation Walk 10 AM-12 NOON
El Presidio de San Francisco 1-2:30 PM

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10-11:30 AM

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PRESIDIO
Presidio Birdlife 9:30-11:30 AM

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MUIR WOODS
Ferny You Should Say That ... 10 AM-12 NOON
SOUTHERN LANDS: SWEENEY RIDGE
Sweeney Ridge Saunter 10 AM-2 PM

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PRESIDIO
National Cemetery Walk 10 AM-12 NOON

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PRESIDIO
From Post to Park 1-3 PM

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10-11:30 AM

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MARIN HEADLANDS
Wildflowers of Wolf Ridge 10 AM-2 PM
PRESIDIO
Victorian House Tours 11 AM-3 PM

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LANDS END
Shipwrecks at the Golden Gate 11 AM-12 NOON
MARIN HEADLANDS
Rambling 'Round Rodeo Cove 12 NOON-2 PM
MUIR WOODS
Spring Wildflower Hike 10 AM-12:30 PM
PRESIDIO
Victorian House Tours 11 AM-3 PM

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10-11:30 AM

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FORT POINT
Pier Crabbing 10 AM-12 NOON
MARIN HEADLANDS
Coyote Moon Hike 6-9 PM
PRESIDIO
Victorian House Tours 11 AM-3 PM

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SUNDAY

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FRIDAY

SATURDAY

CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Insectos y Más 10 AM–12 NOON
MARIN HEADLANDS
Beginning Birding 9:30–11:30 AM
NIKE MISSILE SITE OPEN HOUSE 12:30–3:30 PM
MUIR WOODS
Muir Beach Bird Walk 9–10:30 AM
PRESIDIO
Victorian House Tours 11 AM–3 PM

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MARIN HEADLANDS
Sunset/Full Moon Walk to the Point Bonita Lighthouse 7–9 PM
MUIR WOODS
Muir Woods by Moonlight 7–9 PM

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10–11:30 AM

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Family Adventure: Bugs and Beyond 10 AM–12 NOON
FORT FUNSTON
Fort Funston Clean-up Day 9:30 AM
MARIN HEADLANDS
Wildflower Photography Hike 9:30 AM–12 NOON
PRESIDIO
The Last Gun 11 AM–3 PM
SOUTHERN LANDS: SWEENEY RIDGE
Sweeney Ridge from Shelldance 10 AM–2 PM

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PRESIDIO
The Last Gun 11 AM–3 PM
Wings Over Crissy Field 1–3 PM

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PRESIDIO
Celebrate Poppy Month in Tennessee Hollow! 12 NOON–1:30 PM
National Cemetery Walk 10 AM–12 NOON

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PRESIDIO
From Post to Park 1–3 PM

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PRESIDIO
Shuttle Through Time 12:50–2 PM

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10–11:30 AM

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FORT POINT
Pier Crabbing 10 AM–12 NOON
PRESIDIO
1907 Centennial: One Year after the Earthquake 1–3 PM

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MUIR WOODS
Bones, Bones, Bones 10 AM–1 PM
PRESIDIO
Mystery Walk 10 AM–12 NOON
SOUTHERN LANDS: MILAGRA RIDGE
Of Bombs and Butterflies 10 AM–12 NOON

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10–11:30 AM

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Earth Stroll: An Earth Day Adventure for the Whole Family 10 AM–2 PM
MUIR WOODS
Birds, Bees, and Wind: Wooing in the Woods 10 AM–1 PM
PHLEGER ESTATE
Saving the Redwoods from Developers 10 AM–12 NOON
PRESIDIO
Crissy Field Clean-up Day 9 AM
General Pershing's Presidio 1–2:30 PM

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LANDS END
Shipwrecks at the Golden Gate 11 AM–12 NOON
MARIN HEADLANDS
Bunkers of Hill 88 11 AM–2 PM
MUIR WOODS
Spring Wildflower Hike 10 AM–12:30 PM

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PRESIDIO
National Cemetery Walk 10 AM–12 NOON

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CRISSY FIELD CENTER
Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10–11:30 AM
MARIN HEADLANDS
The Swing Shift 7:30–9:30 PM

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FORT POINT
Pier Crabbing 10 AM–12 NOON
LANDS END
Lands End Tour 10 AM–12 NOON (M)

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MUIR WOODS
Wildflower Walk for Kids 10 AM–12 NOON

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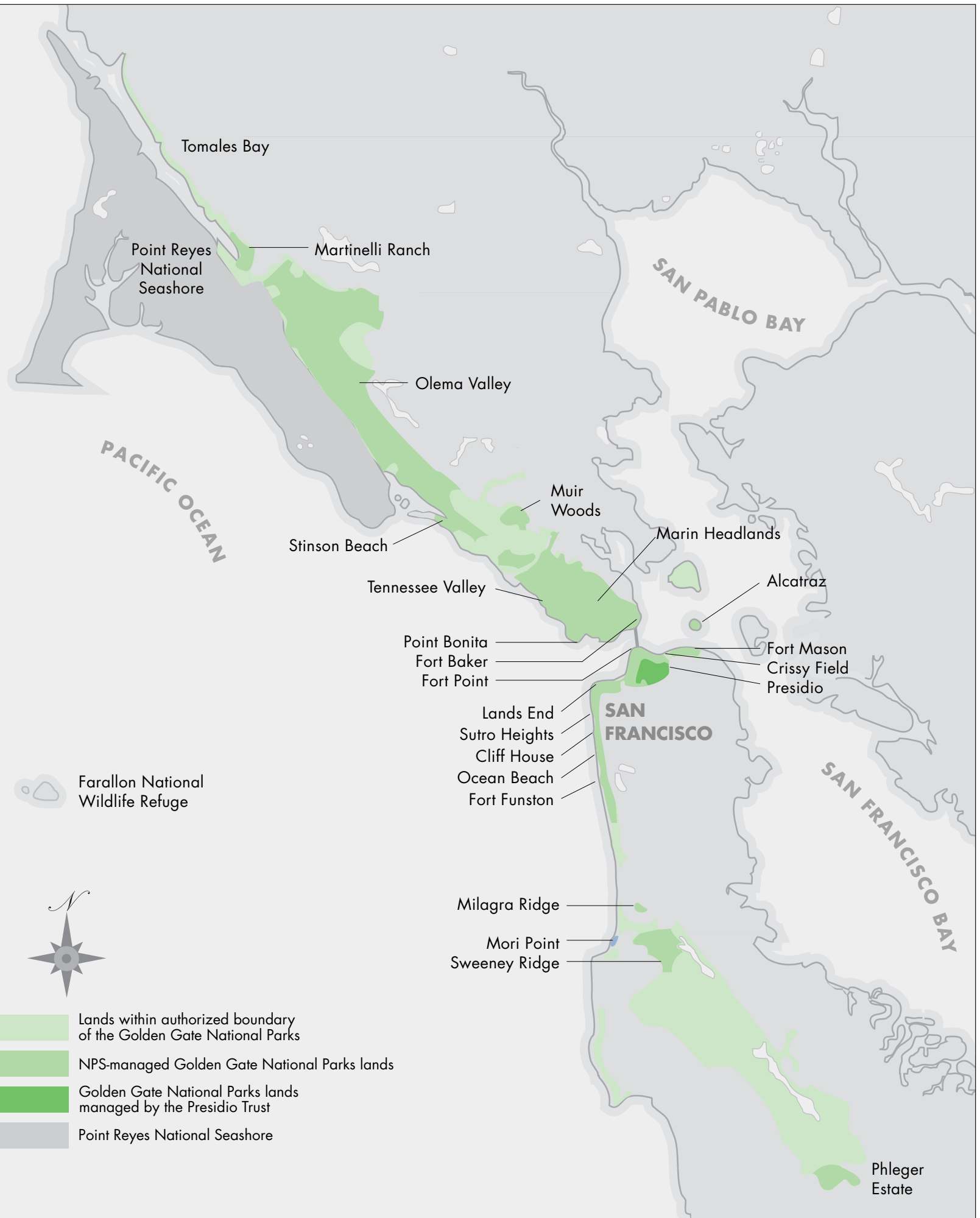
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<p>CRISSY FIELD CENTER Use Sus Sentidos en Crissy Field 10 AM-12 NOON</p> <p>MARIN HEADLANDS Beginning Birding 9:30-11:30 AM</p> <p>Nike Missile Site Open House 12:30-3:30 PM</p> <p>MUIR WOODS Muir Beach Bird Walk 9-10:30 AM</p> <p>PRESIDIO The Last Gun 11 AM-3 PM</p> <p>SOUTHERN LANDS: MORI POINT Mori Point Meander 11 AM-2 PM</p>				<p>PRESIDIO Shuttle Through Time 12:50-2 PM</p>	<p>CRISSY FIELD CENTER Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10-11:30 AM</p>	<p>CRISSY FIELD CENTER Community Heroes Awards Ceremony 2-4 PM</p> <p>FORT POINT Pier Crabbing 10 AM-12 NOON</p> <p>MARIN HEADLANDS Tennessee Valley Ramble 11 AM-1:30 PM</p> <p>MUIR WOODS Muir Woods Centennial Walk: Redwood Canyon Then and Now 10 AM-1 PM</p> <p>PRESIDIO Earth, Wind, and Flowers 10 AM-12 NOON</p>
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<p>MUIR WOODS Spring Wildflower Hike 10 AM-12:30 PM</p> <p>PACIFICA 360 Degrees of Pacifica 10 AM-4:30 PM</p> <p>PRESIDIO Patriotism and Prejudice 1-2:30 PM</p>			<p>PRESIDIO From Post to Park 1-3 PM</p>		<p>CRISSY FIELD CENTER Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10-11:30 AM</p> <p>PRESIDIO Special Exhibit Opens: The Aerial Photography of Robert Cameron 11 AM-5 PM</p>	<p>MARIN HEADLANDS How to Stop a Bulldozer 9 AM-2 PM</p> <p>MUIR WOODS Leaf It to Me 10 AM-1 PM</p> <p>PRESIDIO Crissy Field Clean-up Day 9 AM</p>
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<p>FORT MASON Fort Mason History Tour 1-3 PM</p> <p>LANDS END Shipwrecks at the Golden Gate 11 AM-12 NOON</p> <p>MUIR WOODS Babes in the Woods 10 AM-12 NOON</p> <p>Bones, Bones, Bones 10 AM-1 PM</p>		<p>PRESIDIO National Cemetery Walk 10 AM-12 NOON</p>	<p>PRESIDIO World War II on the Presidio 12 NOON-1 PM</p>		<p>CRISSY FIELD CENTER Fantastic Friday: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field 10-11:30 AM</p>	<p>FORT POINT Pier Crabbing 10 AM-12 NOON</p>
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<p>SOUTHERN LANDS: MILAGRA RIDGE Mission Blues, Mines, and Missiles 11 AM-2 PM</p>	<p>PRESIDIO Memorial Day 2007 10:30 AM-12 NOON</p>			<p>MARIN HEADLANDS Sunset/Full Moon Walk to the Point Bonita Lighthouse 7:45-9:45 PM</p> <p>MUIR WOODS Muir Woods by Blue Moonlight 8-10 PM</p>		 <p>MAY 2 MAY 10 MAY 16 MAY 23 MAY 31</p>
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Alcatraz Island
 Baker Beach
 Bolinas Ridge
 China Beach
 Cliff House
 Crissy Field
 Fort Baker
 Fort Cronkhite
 Fort Funston
 Fort Mason
 Fort Point
 Gerbode Valley

Kirby Cove
 Lands End
 Marin Headlands
 Martinelli Ranch
 Milagra Ridge
 Mori Point
 Muir Beach
 Muir Woods
 Oakwood Valley
 Ocean Beach
 Olema Valley
 Phleger Estate
 Point Bonita
 Presidio
 Rodeo Beach
 Stinson Beach
 Sutro Heights
 Sweeney Ridge
 Tennessee Valley

- Lands within authorized boundary of the Golden Gate National Parks
- NPS-managed Golden Gate National Parks lands
- Golden Gate National Parks lands managed by the Presidio Trust
- Point Reyes National Seashore



PARK EVENTS

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 invasions of exotic plants, and removes localized infestations before they become uncontrolled. You'll learn to identify both

malicious and benign plants during these hikes that last approximately 4 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 34 S, 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



A captioned video program of Alcatraz history is shown every 30 minutes in the museum. Transcripts of the cellhouse audio tour are available for hearing-impaired visitors. Phone 561-4900, 9 AM to 4 PM, for program information.

SEAT (shuttle) transport is available for wheelchair users and visitors physically unable to walk up the quarter-mile, 12 percent-grade hill. Children under 14 must be escorted

Open daily. Join ranger-led programs, use self-guiding brochures, and take the cellhouse audio tour to learn about this historic island.



by an adult; service animals allowed. Daily ferry service originates 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

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

CC Indicates a closed-captioned program.

♿ Indicates either full or partial wheelchair accessibility.

PARK EVENTS

Alcatraz Night Tour

Feel a chill run down your spine as you venture into dark corners of this 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. Buy boat tickets well in advance, as they sell out quickly. For tickets, visit www.alcatrazcruises.com or phone (415) 981-ROCK for ticket reservations. For program information, phone 561-4926.

Alcatraz Kidz Tourz

Looking for something fun, unusual, and educational to do with your family? Join us for special family-oriented 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 detailed information, visit www.parksconservancy.org. Buy boat tickets well in advance, as they sell out quickly. For tickets, visit www.alcatrazcruises.com or phone (415) 981-ROCK for ticket reservations. For program information, phone 561-4926.

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.

CRISSY FIELD CENTER

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



open Wednesday to Sunday, 9 AM to 5 PM. Operated cooperatively by the National Park Service and the 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 welcome 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 EXHIBITS

Earth Team Presents Visuals & Voices: A Traveling Eco-Art, Photography, and Poetry Show by and for Bay Area Teens

February 1 — 28
Open Friday through Sunday
9 AM — 5 PM

World Savvy Presents Selected Works from the Global Youth Media and Arts Festival

April 3 — May 31
Open Friday through Sunday
9 AM — 5 PM

ONGOING

Crissy Field Self-guided Mystery Trail Challenge
(Available Wednesday through Sunday)

Calling all seaside sleuths! Grab a magnifying glass and get down to the Warming Hut, near the fishing pier at the western end of Crissy Field. There you'll find a booklet directing you down the Mystery Trail in search of the first of eight clues, all hidden along a one-mile waterfront trail. A prize awaits if you find them all! Available from 9 AM to 4 PM;

recommended for families with children ages 5 to 10. For group participation of 20 or more, phone (415) 561-7752 to register. Free.

Crissy Field 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 spring, join her for a living history experience with Juana Briones, one of the Bay Area's founding matriarchs; to learn all about insects; and to explore Crissy Field using your five senses. Phone 561-4405 for more information and a full schedule of programs.

Un Día en la Vida de Juana Briones (3/4)*
Insectos y Más (4/1)*
Use Sus Sentidos en Crissy Field (5/6)*

*Program presented in Spanish with English translation provided.

PARK EVENTS

Fantastic Fridays: Parent and Tot Playtime at Crissy Field

(Every Friday, February 2 to May 25) Crissy Field is a magical and safe place for toddlers to explore the outdoors with their five senses and to develop a lasting appreciation for living things. Spend quality time with your child making sand animals, becoming bug detectives, listening with your "deer ears," and more. It's a different adventure every week, full of creative activities you can use during your own family getaways! We'll also spend time in the Center's Art Lab making fish prints, pirate scopes, and more. Ages 2 to 5, with parent, guardian, or caregiver. Fee: \$8 per child, per day.

Super Saturdays

(Every Saturday) This spring, you and your family can count on Crissy Field to be the best place for adventure every Saturday morning. It's a cool, new experience each week! Cook up a tasty snack with a professional chef, build a fish tank, make recycled Mother's Day gifts, and much more. The nonstop Saturday fun includes programs for the whole family and some just for youth. Phone 561-7752 for a full program schedule and program fees.



Pre-registration is recommended for all programs. Drop-ins accepted on a space-available basis. Scholarships are available for all fee-based programs and events.

PROGRAMS

Community Heroes Awards Ceremony (5/12)

Join us as we recognize Crissy Field Center's 2007 Community Heroes honorees at the 7th Annual Community Heroes Awards Ceremony. Annually, the Center honors a group of Bay Area individuals or groups whose actions have made a positive impact on the environment. Hear

the honorees' inspiring stories and learn how the power of one individual or grassroots group can effect lasting change in the community. Suitable for all ages. This is a free, drop-in event.

Earth Stroll: An Earth Day Adventure for the Whole Family (4/21)

Make strides for a healthy planet and a healthy you! Bring the whole family for a special fitness walk that highlights local natural history. You'll enjoy games, music, live animals, and planet-friendly goodies. This event is drop-in and suitable for all ages. Fees for event activities range from free to \$5 each.

Family Adventure: Bugs and Beyond (4/7)

Come with Ranger Fatima Colindres on a 1-mile, stroller-friendly walk to investigate the bugs, slugs, worms, and insects of the Presidio. Meets at the Presidio Officers Club Visitor Center, 50 Moraga Avenue. Free.

Family Adventure: History Comes Alive with Juana Briones (3/10)

Take a walk with Ranger Fatima Colindres and hear the story of an extraordinary woman, make corn tortillas, and more. Fee: \$8 per family up to 3 people (\$4 each additional).

Insectos y Más (4/1)*

En esta caminata vamos a explorar y investigar insectos y muchos bichos más. Con lluvia o sin lluvia nos divertiremos investigando El Presidio. Comienza en el edificio 50 Moraga, Officers Club. Gratis familias con niños de 4 a 9 años de edad.

Summer Camp Open House (3/3)

Crissy Field Summer Camp offers families the chance to spend an unforgettable summer in your national park! The open house is a chance to meet camp staff, see a slide show about the great experiences kids had last year, and learn about the camp's special hands-on activities and adventures. This is a great opportunity to sign up for first-choice camps before they are full. Day camps (suitable for families with campers who will be entering grades 1 to 9 by fall 2007) are offered June through August.

Phone (415) 561-7762 for information and a brochure. The Open House event is free.

Un Día en la Vida de Juana Briones (3/4)*

Alguna vez a querido moler nistamal o cocinar tortillas? No espere más y acompañeme en un programa recordando a una legendaria mujer en la historia del Presidio. Gratis familias con niños de 4 a 9 años de edad.

Use Sus Sentidos en Crissy Field (5/6)*

Use sus sentidos en Crissy Field! En nuestro paseo vamos a buscar canchales y saborearemos dulces de fresa. Escucharemos leyendas culturales y oleremos el hábitat del océano. Gratis familias.

FORT FUNSTON

For information and program reservations, phone 561-4323.

ONGOING

Fort Funston Clean-up Day (3/3, 4/7, 5/5)

Bring dogs, friends, and family to help keep Fort Funston clean for everyone; held in conjunction with

*Program presented in Spanish with English translation provided.

PARK EVENTS

Fort Funston Dogwalkers. Bring gloves; trashbags 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) 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.



FORT MASON

ONGOING

Fort Mason Gardeners

(Every Tuesday) Work with the National Park Service gardeners—and enjoy spectacular views of the Golden Gate Bridge! Activities include weeding, 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 (5/20)

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

2-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. & CC

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

(3/31, 4/14, 4/28, 5/12, 5/26) 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 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 (3/25, 4/22, 5/20)

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 are 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. 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

PARK EVENTS

ONGOING

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 out-of-doors 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

(3/4, 4/1, 5/6)

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 anti-aircraft 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.

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 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 (3/4, 4/1, 5/6)

Now that spring is here, come join Docent Jane Haley on an easy walk to Rodeo Lagoon to welcome the birds back to the Marin Headlands. Bring binoculars and field guides. Appropriate for ages 8 and up. Meet at the Visitor Center. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Bunkers of Hill 88

(4/22)
Join Katrina Wagner on this strenuous 3-mile hike up Hill 88 to enjoy breathtaking views and learn about the Headlands' gun emplacements and anti-aircraft sites. The hike meets at the Rodeo Beach fire gate. Pack water and a lunch. Heavy rain cancels. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Coyote Moon Hike

(3/31)
Join Docent Steffen Bartschat on this 6-mile ridge-top hike and enjoy a picture-postcard Pacific sunset, listen for coyotes, and return by the light of a nearly full moon. We'll make several stops along the way to learn more about coyotes, including an overview of a recent research project conducted within the Marin Headlands. Meet at the Tennessee Valley trailhead for this moderately strenuous hike. Bring warm layers, binoculars, snacks, water, and a flashlight. Limited to 25 people.

Please, no dogs. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Creatures of the Night

(3/9)
Join naturalist Suzanne Pegas to explore the secrets of night creatures that live in the Marin Headlands, and how they use their senses during nocturnal activity. The program includes a presentation, games, and a short nighttime walk. Meet at the Marin Headlands Hostel, just up the hill from the Visitor Center. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

How to Stop a Bulldozer

(5/19)
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 6-mile, moderately strenuous hike to hear an amazing story of preservation, perseverance, and vision. Meet at the Visitor Center. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Rambling 'Round Rodeo Cove

(3/25)
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 3-

mile hike. Heavy rain cancels. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Spring Family Camp

(5/5)
Spring is here once again, and it's a perfect time for a family camping trip! On this 1-mile, overnight backpack trip to Haypress camp, you'll learn about local flora, fauna, and history, and participate in a traditional campfire program. Meet Docent Steffen Bartschat at the Tennessee Valley trailhead. Program ends at noon on the following day. Limited to 24 people. Suitable for families with children ages 5 to 15. Please, no dogs. Reservations are required; phone 331-1540. Give your e-mail or mailing address when reserving; the trip leader will contact you with more information.

Sunset/Full Moon Walk to the Point Bonita Lighthouse

(3/3, 4/2, 5/2, 5/31)

Greet the rising moon at this wild edge of our continent. The 1/2-mile trail is steep in places. Meet park staff and docents at the Point Bonita Lighthouse trailhead next to the parking lot. Limited to 50 people. Reservations required; phone 331-1540.

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The Swing Shift

(4/27)
Join naturalist Suzanne Pegas on a moderately strenuous, 2-mile nighttime walk to explore the night sky and view the Headlands from the perspective of our resident nocturnal wildlife. Meet at Warehouse #T-1111, just past the Visitor Center on Bunker Road. Dress warmly. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Tennessee Valley Ramble

(5/12)

On a moderate 2-mile, one-way hike to the beach, examine patterns of life on the landscape and imagine how humans have figured into the picture over time. Stay and enjoy lunch on the beach, or hike back at your own pace. Meet Katrina Wagner at the Tennessee Valley trailhead. Heavy rain cancels. For reservations, phone 331-1540.

Wildflower Photography Hike

(4/7)

Bring your tripod and camera to photograph spring wildflowers during this moderate 3-mile hike. Be sure to bring water and wear sturdy shoes for hiking. Meet hike leader Al Greening at the Visitor Center. For reservations, phone 331-1540.



Wildflowers of Wolf Ridge

(3/24)

You'll see colorful wildflowers and great views of coastline and bay on this moderately strenuous, 4.5-mile hike along the Miwok, Wolf Ridge, and Coastal Trail loop. Dress in layers, wear sturdy shoes, and pack water and a lunch. Meet Docent Susan Ovington at the Visitor Center. Heavy rain cancels. 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.

ONGOING

Daily Programs

Rangers and volunteers present 15-minute ecology talks and guided 1-hour tours when staffing permits. Check the program board at the park entrance for times and locations. No reservations necessary.

Muir Woods Hotline

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

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.

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 the Muir Woods website at www.nps.gov/muwo.

PROGRAMS

Babes in the Woods

(5/20)
Parents, bring your wee ones and join Ben Harwood and Jenie Chang (with their new baby, Emalene) for an easy 1-mile stroll through Muir Woods. You'll see baby trees, baby banana slugs, and baby fish, and hear stories of Muir Woods' plants and animals. Suitable for parents with young ones in carriers or strollers. Reservations required.



Birds, Bees, and Wind:

Whooping in the Woods

(4/21)
Join naturalist Robert Mackler for a moderate 3-mile naturalist walk focusing on bird activity (songs, territorial behavior, courtship, and nest

building) and the pollination strategies of the trees and plants in Muir Woods. This program is suitable for adults and teens. Bring a lunch, water, warm clothing, and binoculars. Reservations required.

Bones, Bones, Bones

(4/15, 5/20)

The drama of life and death plays regularly in Muir Woods' old growth forest: what do animal remains tell us about their habits and life cycles? Come and meet "Roadkill Nancy" Valente, and view her collection of animal skulls, bones, and skins that helps reveal the life and death stories of our local fauna. This is a hands-on program suitable for children of all ages. No reservations necessary, but please phone to confirm date and time.

Ferny You Should Say That ...

(3/18)

Spring has just about sprung—and so have the ferns! Join Ranger Mia Monroe on an easy 2-mile rove through the Woods to celebrate the season. You'll learn about the many ferns that inhabit this old growth redwood forest: how to identify them, why they grow here, why they are important, and what the future holds for these survivors from an-

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cient times. Reservations required.

Leaf It to Me (5/19)

Join naturalist Robert Mackler on a moderate 3-mile walk and learn the importance of leaf shape, size, color, texture, and position in helping plants adapt to life in Muir Woods. This program is suitable for adults and teens. Bring a lunch, water, warm clothing, and binoculars. Reservations required.

Muir Beach Bird Walk

(3/4, 4/1, 5/6)

Join the Ong family on an easy 1-mile walk to view birds in coastal, riparian, and lagoon habitats. This activity is suitable for beginning to advanced birders, ages 8 and up. Bring binoculars and dress for cool, windy weather. Rain cancels. Meet at Muir Beach picnic area. Reservations required.

Muir Woods by Blue Moonlight (5/31)

May 31 marks the month's second full moon—a blue moon. Join Ranger Mia Monroe on an easy, 1- to-2-mile nocturnal walk through Muir Woods to discover and explore the natural history and conservation of bats, owls, moths, and other creatures of the evening. Dress in layers and

bring a flashlight. Not suitable for children under age 8. Reservations required.

Muir Woods by Moonlight

(3/3, 4/2, 5/2)

Explore the magic of Muir Woods under a full moon, learning about the secret nightlife of an old growth redwood forest. Dress for the weather and bring a flashlight. Children under 8 years not advised. Less than two miles roundtrip, flat and paved. Reservations required.

Muir Woods Centennial Walk: Redwood Canyon Then and Now (5/12)

In the past 100 years, have we been preserving or conserving Muir Woods? Join Evelyn Rose for this moderate 3-mile walk through Redwood Canyon and its immediate surroundings to learn the history of Muir Woods and see historical photographs that show how changes instituted over 100 years have impacted the Woods. Reservations required.

Spring Wildflower Hike

(3/25, 4/22, 5/13)

Join Ken Lavin on a moderate 3-mile hike to see a mosaic of coast wildflowers. You'll hear some flower folklore and discover the exciting



adventures and misadventures of the earliest botanists who first identified our Bay Area flora. Dress in layers, wear sturdy walking shoes, and bring water and a snack. Meet at Muir Beach overlook. Suitable for ages 11 and up. Rain cancels. Reservations required.

Wildflower Walk for Kids

(4/29)

Accompany Ken Lavin on a spring-time botanical adventure from Muir Beach overlook to Slide Ranch (we'll return by car caravan). Using a checklist, you'll see how many wildflowers you can identify along the Owl Trail. Suitable for children of all ages, accompanied by parents. Bring

a snack, water, dress in layers, and wear sturdy walking shoes. Meet at Muir Beach overlook. Rain cancels. Reservations required.

OCEAN BEACH

For program information, phone 561-4323.

ONGOING

Adopt-a-Beach Clean-up Day

(3/4, 4/1, 5/6)

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.

PROGRAMS

360 Degrees of Pacifica (5/13)

Join Park Ranger George Durgerian on a grand tour of the National Parks of Pacifica. We'll hike a gorgeous loop of ridges, from Milagra to Sweeney to Mori Ridge, to discover their history and revel in panoramic views. Bring a lunch and water, and dress in layers for this fairly strenuous hike. Meet in Pacifica at Salada Beach Café, 220 Paloma Ave., at 9:30 AM. Phone (415) 335-8258 for more information.

PHLEGER ESTATE

For program information, phone (415) 561-4323.

PROGRAMS

Saving the Redwoods from Developers (4/21)

Get in the Earth Day spirit and take a hike! You'll hear about how the Phleger Estate's forest habitat was saved from development on this moderate-to-strenuous 6-mile hike. Meet the park docent at Huddart Park, 1100 Kings Mountain Road, Woodside (\$5 entrance fee). Reservations are required; phone (415) 561-4323.

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PRESIDIO

The Presidio Visitor Center is located inside the Presidio Officers Club, 50 Moraga Avenue at Arguello Boulevard (Main Post area), and is open



daily from 9 AM to 5 PM. For information and to make program reservations, phone 561-4323. Visit the Presidio website at www.nps.gov/prsf.

ONGOING

Crissy Field Clean-up Day

(3/17, 4/21, 5/19)

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. Clean-up 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 rescheduled.

Crissy Field Landscape

(Every Thursday)

Help keep Crissy Field clean, green, and free of invasive weeds. Volunteers perform a variety of tasks to help keep the area maintained as a popular destination for visitors to enjoy. Projects include winter beach cleanups, trail maintenance along the promenade, broad-leaf plant removal, and re-seeding 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 and directions.

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

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 (415) 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 six feet tall and ten feet wide, that explore the natural environment and the impacts of humans on the landscape.

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 pampass 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-the-way, 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

(3/3, 3/4, 4/7, 4/8, 5/5, 5/6)

How can a 50-ton gun disappear? Learn this secret and more 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

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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

1907 Centennial: One Year after the Earthquake (4/14)

Much happened in the year following the 1906 earthquake. On this moderate 2-mile walk, we'll journey back in time to 1907 and explore the rebuilding of San Francisco. Meet

Ranger Will Elder at the Presidio Officers Club for a moderate 2-mile walk.

Celebrate Poppy Month in Tennessee Hollow! (4/10)

We'll search for our state flower in the serpentine grasslands, learn about the important visits of naturalists to the Presidio in the early 1800s, discover the native Ohlone uses of poppies, and view vintage images of poppy festivities. Meet the park docent at Inspiration Point. Reservations required.



Crissy Field Aviation Walk (3/10)

Explore Crissy Field and learn about its role in early aviation history on this easy, 1-mile walk. Meet Docent Don Gray at the Warming Hut, at the west end of Mason Street. Reservations required. &

Earth, Wind, and Flowers (5/12)

Learn how unusual geologic and weather conditions have produced a unique ecosystem at the Presidio on this easy 2-mile walk. Bring a camera and wear comfortable shoes and warm layers. Meet Ranger Will Elder at Crissy Field Center, corner of Halleck and Mason streets. Reservations required. &

El Presidio de San Francisco (3/10)

Come discover the connections between the Presidio, the Missions, the native peoples, and the rest of the world. This program is designed for children learning about California history. Meet Ranger Marcus Combs at the Presidio Officers Club. Reservations required.

From Post to Park (3/14, 4/11, 5/16)

Learn about the Presidio's past,

present, and future on a moderate 1-mile walk. Meet Docent Rich Harned at the Presidio Officers Club. Reservations required. &

General Pershing's Presidio (4/21)

On this easy 1.5-mile walk you'll visit sites from "Black Jack" Pershing's time and learn about Presidio army life in the years just prior to World War I. Meet Docent Bob Bowen at the flagpole near Arguello Boulevard and Moraga Avenue.

History, Heroes, and Houses (3/3)

Explore the "heart" of the Presidio and learn about its past and future on an easy 1-mile walk. Meet Docent Bob Bowen at the Presidio Visitor Center. Reservations required. &

Legends of the Buffalo Soldiers (3/4)

Learn how the African-American "Buffalo Soldiers" contributed to our country's rich history on a moderate, 1-mile walk. Meet Ranger Rik Penn at the Presidio Visitor Center.

Memorial Day 2007 (5/28)

Join us for a Main Post parade, National Cemetery program, cemetery walks, and a concert. The parade

begins at the Main Post Parade Ground; the program takes place in the San Francisco National Cemetery at the Presidio. For more information phone 561-5500 or visit www.presidio.gov/calendar.

Mystery Walk (4/15)

Even if you think you already know the Presidio well, you'll be captivated by this moderate 3-mile saunter through the park. Meet Ranger James Osborne at the Warming Hut (at the west end of Mason Street).

National Cemetery Walk (3/6, 3/20, 4/10, 4/24, 5/22)

Join Docent Galen Dillman and 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 warmly for this 1-mile walk that has a steep uphill climb. Phone 561-4323 for (required) reservations and directions on where to meet.

Patriotism and Prejudice (5/13)

Japanese-American soldiers trained on the Presidio for intelligence work and were sent to war as their families were moved to internment camps. Learn about this poignant

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and ironic story on an easy, half-mile walk. Meet Ranger James Osborne at Crissy Field Center, corner of Halleck and Mason streets. &

Presidio Birdlife (3/17)

See and learn about the diverse Presidio birdlife on a moderate 1-mile walk. Meet Ranger Will Elder at Crissy Field Center, corner of Halleck and Mason streets. &

Shuttle Through Time (3/8, 4/12, 5/10)

Take the PresidiGo shuttle and travel through time as you hear stories that span the centuries. Meet the park ranger at the Transit Center, at the corner of Lincoln Boulevard and Graham Street. Reservations required. &

Tennessee Hollow's Western Tributary (3/13)

On this easy, 1-hour walk, we'll search for the origins of this lesser-known tributary using maps and historic images. We'll journey up to its headwaters, and learn about the dramatic transition of Presidio lands, from open grazing lands to stands of historic forest, on our way back to the Main Post. Meet at the Presidio Officers Club. Reservations required.

Victorian House Tours (3/24, 3/25, 3/31, 4/1)

Get an inside look at what's happening on the Presidio! We'll walk along Funston Avenue's Officers Row, San Francisco's oldest intact streetscape, and explore inside these newly restored architectural landmarks. The meticulous restoration of these Victorian homes is the Presidio Trust's latest accomplishment, and this is a rare opportunity to view state-of-the-art architectural preservation. This free tour gives information about the post's rich landscape history, the Civil War parade ground, and new park amenities, including the Presidio Transit Hub. No reservation required. Phone 561-5500, or visit www.presidio.gov, for more information.

Wings Over Crissy Field (4/8)

Join Ranger Rik Penn on a moderate 1-mile walk back through the history of aviation at the Presidio. Meet at the Warming Hut, at the west end of Mason Street. &

World War II on the Presidio (5/23)

Hear the story of the Western Defense Command and the role of the Presidio during World War II. Meet Ranger Marcus Combs in front of

Sports Basement (on Mason Street) for this moderate 1.5-mile walk. &

SOUTHERN LANDS

Milagra Ridge, Sweeney Ridge, and Mori Point



For program information, phone (415) 561-4323.

PROGRAMS

Mission Blues, Mines, and Missiles (5/27)

Milagra Ridge, with its gorgeous coastal views, has a history that holds insights into the past and visions for the future. Take an easy walk with Pacifica historian Jerry Crow around the finest spot you've never seen. Turn north at the traffic light at the intersection of Sharp Park Road and College Drive, and meet at the gate. For information, phone (415) 561-4323. Leashed pets welcome.

Mori Point Meander (5/6)

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

highly enjoyable, 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 (415) 561-4323 for more information.

Of Bombs and Butterflies (4/15)

Take an easy stroll with Nike veteran David Bridgeman 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 Drive, and meet at the gate. For information, phone (415) 561-4323. Leashed pets welcome.

Sweeney Ridge from Sheldance (4/7)

Join Pacifica historian Jerry Crow on a fairly strenuous walk up Mori Ridge to Sweeney Ridge, and along to the former Nike air defense site and San Francisco Bay Discovery Site (this walk has been rated as one of Top 10 Bay Area Hikes by the *San Francisco Chronicle*). Meet in the Sheldance Nursery parking lot; for more information and directions to Sheldance Nursery, phone (415)

561-4323.

Sweeney Ridge Saunter (3/18)

Walk along with Nike veteran David Bridgeman to revel in sweeping ocean views and learn about the defense of Sweeney Ridge, from Spanish explorers and Nike missiles to neighborhood activists. Reservations requested; phone (415) 561-4323.

STINSON BEACH



The beach is open daily for picnics and recreational activities, from 9 AM to shortly after sunset. No life-guards on duty during the winter months. 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



GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL PARKS CONSERVANCY

PARKS FOR ALL FOREVER

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 Golden Gate National 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 389 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.



THE PRESIDIO TRUST

The Presidio Trust was created by Congress in 1996 to preserve and enhance the Presidio in partnership with the National Park Service. 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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Subscribe to our monthly e-mail news-letter and be the first to find out about upcoming events, new items in our park stores, volunteer opportunities, and more. Your e-mail address will never be exchanged with other organizations, and you can easily unsubscribe at any time.

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Call: (415) 561-3060

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 AM-2:30 PM						
Invasive Plant Patrol				9:30 AM-2:00 PM			
Lands End Stewardship							1-4 PM
Presidio Park Stewards				9 AM-12 NOON			9 AM-12 NOON
Presidio Plant Patrol						1-4 PM	
Site Stewardship							10 AM-1 PM
Fort Funston Nursery							9:30 AM-12:30 PM
Marin Headlands Nursery				1-4 PM			9 AM-12 NOON
Headlands Seed Collection				9:30 AM-12 NOON (MAY-SEPT ONLY)			
Presidio Nursery				1-4 PM			1-4 PM
Redwood Creek Nursery				10 AM-1 PM			10 AM-1 PM
Tennessee Valley Nursery			10 AM-12 NOON, 1-4 PM				
Alcatraz Gardens				8:30 AM-12:30 PM		8:30 AM-12:30 PM	
Crissy Field Landscape					9 AM-12 NOON		
Fort Mason Gardeners			9 AM-12 NOON				
Trail Crew Volunteers							9 AM-12 NOON (1ST & 3RD SAT., APR-DEC)

DROP INTO THE PARK THIS SPRING — AS A VOLUNTEER!

Enjoy the Bay Area's beautiful spring weather and make a vital contribution to the health of parks and people. 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 phoning ahead before attending any of these programs, as meeting locations, dates, hours, and work projects may vary.

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 at our doorstep.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Police/Fire/Ambulance..... 911

PARK VISITOR CENTERS, BOOKSTORES, AND CAFÉS

Alcatraz Island Bookstores..... (415) 561-4922
Alcatraz Ranger Station..... (415) 561-4900
Crissy Field Center Bookstore and Café... (415) 561-7761
Crissy Field Warming Hut
Bookstore and Café..... (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..... (415) 561-4323
..... 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..... (415) 561-2582
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

Fort Funston..... (415) 239-4247
Marin Headlands..... (415) 332-5193
Muir Woods..... (415) 383-4390
Presidio..... (415) 561-4830
Tennessee Valley..... (415) 331-0732
Pacifica Visitor Center..... (650) 355-4122
Point Reyes National Seashore..... (415) 464-5100
Presidio Park Stewards..... (415) 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

CRISSY FIELD CENTER www.crisseyfield.org
FORT MASON CENTER www.fortmason.org
GOLDEN GATE CLUB www.presidio.gov
GOLDEN GATE RAPTOR OBSERVATORY
www.ggro.org
**GULF OF THE FARALLONES NATIONAL
MARINE SANCTUARY** www.farallones.org
HISTORIC NIKE MISSILE SITE
www.nps.gov/goga/nike-missile-site.htm
PRESIDIO TRUST www.presidio.gov
SAN FRANCISCO NMHP www.nps.gov/safr

The National Park Service website (www.nps.gov) includes ParkNet, an online information center for all 389 national park sites.

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