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*Guided outdoor adventures happening in your County Parks!*



## Spring Summer 2018



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# protecting and preserving our local parks & open space!

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Check online calendar at [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) for most current calendar information and updates.

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

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

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## Key to symbols



**Healthy Parks, Healthy People: Bay Area**  
For information about HPHP partners and events, go to [www.HPHPBayArea.org](http://www.HPHPBayArea.org).



**Reservations required.** See program description for appropriate phone number.



**Online reservation available.**  
Go to [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org)



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



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



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



Bring a lunch, snack, or dinner as appropriate.



Appropriate for children accompanied by an adult.



All or mostly wheelchair accessible.



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



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



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



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



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



\$6 vehicle fee to enter park.



Photography program.



Feature movie shown as part of program. Check [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) for movie dates, locations and titles.



Astronomy program.



Having a vision of  
the future is just the start:  
**BE the CHANGE, SEE the CHANGE**  
volunteer with your County Parks!

# Volunteer

**The Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department** offers a broad range of volunteer opportunities from one-time projects and events to ongoing, lasting commitments.

Go to [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) and click on the "Volunteer" tab or call the volunteer program office at **(408) 918-4930** or email [volunteer@prk.sccgov.org](mailto:volunteer@prk.sccgov.org) to find out more.

## **Why you should volunteer**

- Play an important role in protecting and enhancing parklands
- Make a lasting difference
- Enjoy a unique experience
- Slow down and really enjoy our parklands
- Gain experience and training

## **Don't take it from us, take it from our volunteers...**

*"I have gained a sincere appreciation for the very important environmental education that County Parks has given our local youth, particularly with the "Fishing in the City" program! It's a true delight, seeing the excitement of the kids in going out to catch trout as part of this program. And, most important, it's wonderful to see the interest that the kids acquire in learning about and appreciating our local watersheds."*



Hugh Miller  
South Bay Fishing in the City Volunteer



## **Upcoming volunteer opportunities**

### • **Visitor Center Host (ongoing)**

Be the friendly face of the park and assist visitors with directions and information. Positions available at: Almaden Quicksilver Mining Museum, Anderson, Calero, Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear, Hellyer, Sanborn, Vasona, and Martial Cottle Park

### • **Interpretive Docent (ongoing)**

Help us share the natural and cultural history of our County Parks by volunteering as a school program docent. Docents lead field trip activities indoors and outdoors and should be available weekday mornings throughout the school year. Positions available at: Almaden Quicksilver Mining Museum, Chitactac-Adams, Bernal Ranch, and Martial Cottle Park

## **Special Events**

- **May 5th**  
**Martial Cottle Spring Celebration**  
(Martial Cottle Park)
- **May 19th**  
**National River Cleanup Day**  
(Various Parks)
- **May 20th**  
**South Bay Fishing in the City** (Ed Levin)
- **June 16th**  
**Hellyer's Amazing Race** (Hellyer)
- **Park Beautification Days**  
(Various Parks and Dates)



What's happening in your  
Santa Clara County Parks

# What's Up?



SANTA CLARA  
COUNTY PARKS

## **parks**forlife **challenge!**

**get ready to play-over 400 adventures!**



**WIN REI Gear, Sports Basement Gift Cards,  
Movie Tix and more!**

**Registration starts May 1!  
Challenges begin June 1, end August 31, 2018  
For more information and how to register visit**

**[parksforlifechallenge.org](http://parksforlifechallenge.org)**





**The Magnificent 7 Challenge Are you ready?**



**#PixInParks**  
**Seven Magnificent Adventures**  
**THE CHALLENGE HAS BEGUN!**

*With 28 regional parks encompassing 52,000 acres, Santa Clara County Parks is full of hidden hiking gems. Start the new year by getting out of your routine and try a new trail (or seven).*

To entice you to hike the magnificent seven, a commemorative T-shirt awaits those who complete the #PixInParks challenge!



**HEALTHY  
 PARKS  
 HEALTHY  
 PEOPLE  
 BAY AREA**

**Alviso Marina – 1st Saturday of the month  
 10:00am-12:00pm**

**Martial Cottle – 3rd Saturday of the month  
 10:00am-12:00pm**

**Santa Clara County Parks** has joined a collaborative effort with over 40 other parks, community, and health organizations to help improve the health and well-being of all Bay Area residents through regular use and enjoyment of parks. Join us for guided nature walks and activities with this symbol. For more information about **Healthy Parks, Healthy People: Bay Area** partners and events, go to [www.HPHPBayArea.org](http://www.HPHPBayArea.org).



# May

## EVERY SATURDAY AND SUNDAY IN MAY (5,6,12,13,19,20,26,27)



**The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 1:00pm-2:00pm**  
Meet at the Visitor Center to explore our agricultural history, see Cottle family items, then take a short walk to learn about the current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## THURSDAY, MAY 3



**Get to Know your Handgun • Field Sports • 4:00pm-7:00pm**  
Come learn about handgun basics and safety from a Rangemaster. \$15 per person, cash or check only. Meet at the Rifle/Pistol Range with your registered handgun, two boxes of ammo, and a cleaning kit. **Reservations (408) 463-0652**



**History Ride • Vasona • 5:30pm-7:30pm**  
Join a Park Ranger on a strenuous 11-mile mountain bike ride through history along the Los Gatos Creek Trail up to Lexington Reservoir and St. Joseph's Hill, a 900-foot climb. Meet at the Vasona Pier parking lot. **Questions? (408) 356-2729**

## FRIDAY, MAY 4



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Join a Park Ranger on a strenuous 11-mile mountain bike ride through history along the Los Gatos Creek Trail up to Lexington Reservoir and St. Joseph's Hill, a 900-foot climb. Meet at the Vasona Pier parking lot. **Questions? (408) 356-2729**

## SATURDAY, MAY 5



**Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 10:00am-12:00pm**  
Take a gentle walk around the Marina's flat dirt trails to enjoy the local weather and bayside wildlife. We'll keep the pace slow for all ages and abilities. Meet at the picnic tables near the restroom. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



**Spring Celebration • Martial Cottle • 10:00am-3:00pm**  
Come celebrate urban agriculture, food, and spring planting at this fun day on the ranch! Healthy food, fresh produce and native plants for sale, arts and crafts, live music and much more. Volunteers needed, check parkhere.org for details. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



**Nature Hike N' Draw • Sanborn • 10:00am-12:00pm**  
Enjoy a moderate hike with a Park Ranger through the redwood forest. Bring a sketch book (or other medium), drawing/painting supplies, and your creative side! Meet at the entrance kiosk. **Questions? (408) 867-3654**





## SUNDAY, MAY 6



### Legends and Myths of the Coyote

#### Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 10:00am-11:00am

One of the most adaptable mammals in the world, the coyote is widespread in range, mythology, and folklore. Coyote is one of the most adaptable mammals in the world. Learn why this successful survivor is the topic of so many stories. Meet at the amphitheater by RV campground. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



### Living History Day

#### Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 11:00am-2:00pm

Experience life in a historic mining community. Participate in activities, play games, and learn about daily life in the 1890s at Casa Grande and the Quicksilver Museum. History tours at 11:30am and 1:00pm. Fun for the whole family. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**

## TUESDAY, MAY 8



### Tour the Mansion and Hike the Hills • Villa Montalvo • 10:00am-1:00pm

Take a guided tour of the historic villa and a hike on park trails to a breathtaking view as you learn about Senator Phelan and local history. Villa tour \$20 per person. **Reservations (408) 961-5858 or online at [montalvoarts.org](http://montalvoarts.org)**

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 9



### History of Stevens Creek Park • Stevens Creek • 9:30am-11:30am

Take a history hike to learn about the first people to live on this land and how they were impacted by European settlers. Explore how the park's namesake played a pivotal role in the American settlement of California. Meet at the Visitor Center. **Questions? (408) 867-3654**



### Geocaching in the Park • Anderson Lake • 11:00am-1:00pm

Come explore hidden treasures in the park. Hike on trails above the lake to locate geocaches using GPS technology. Bring a hand-held GPS or download the app to your cellphone. Optional to bring/leave/exchange anything in the caches. Meet in the parking lot at top of the dam. **Questions? (408) 918-7985**



### Connect with Nature • Almaden Quicksilver • 6:00pm-7:00pm

Nature has an incredible way of maintaining balance and harmony. Come experience a connection with nature and leave with a better understanding of yourself. \$15 per person. Meet at the Wood Road parking lot with comfortable clothes and shoes. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



## SATURDAY, MAY 12



### What's "Shaking" in Parks? • Santa Teresa • 9:00am-12:00pm

Trek to the highest peak in the park to view fantastic vistas and explore local geology formations. Meet in the 2nd parking lot with hiking shoes, layered clothing, and water. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**



### A Taste of Rowing • Lexington Reservoir • 9:30am-1:00pm

First-time rowers are invited to learn all about this challenging yet fun water sport at the Los Gatos Rowing Club. All equipment provided. \$10/person. Class times: **9:30am-11:00am, 10:30am-12:00pm, or 11:30am-1:00pm.**

**Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



### Storytime with a Ranger

#### Coyote Creek Parkway/Anderson Lake • 10:00am-11:30am

Explore nature through short stories, adventures, and activities with a Park Ranger. Meet at the Visitor Center at the end of Malaguerra Ave. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Hike the Magnificent Seven!

#### Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 5:30pm-8:00pm

Work towards completing the #PixInParks challenge with a guided hike on one of our magnificent trails. Meet at the Harvey Bear Ranch entrance with water and snacks. Find your destination, take a photo, and enjoy spectacular views. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



### Bike the Bay Sunset Ride • Alviso Marina • 6:30pm-8:30pm

Take an 8-10-mile bike ride to explore the history, wildlife, and restoration of Santa Clara County's gateway to the San Francisco Bay. Meet in parking lot with a helmet, bike suited for unpaved trails, and water.

**Reservations (408) 262-6980**

## SUNDAY, MAY 13



### Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9:30am-10:30am

Young bike riders (ages 8-12) learn basic bike safety on trails and roads. Helmets provided for free. Parents welcome and encouraged to attend. Meet at the restrooms at Jackson/Maybury with a working bike.

**Reservations (408) 262-6980**







## SATURDAY, MAY 19



**Master Gardener and 4-H Open House • Martial Cottle • 9:00am-12:00pm**  
Explore the gardens, attend a workshop, or tour the Master Gardener parcel. Workshops and class information at <http://mgsantaclara.ucanr.edu/>. Stop by the 4-H parcel to learn from youth members about the livestock animals they raise here. Partner parcels are located near Chynoweth Ave.  
**Questions? (408) 355-4060**



**When Nature Bites Back • Anderson Lake • 10:00am-12:00pm**  
The wild world of parks has numerous wonders to explore, but in the event of an accident are you prepared? Discover nature and recreation at the Visitor Center while being trained in hands-only CPR and basic first aid. All practice equipment is provided. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



**Hike the Magnificent Seven! • Calero • 10:00am-1:00pm**  
Work towards completing the #PixlInParks challenge with a guided hike on one of our magnificent trails. Meet in the parking lot by Ranger Office with water and snacks. Find your destination, take a photo, and enjoy spectacular views.  
**Questions? (408) 355-2240**



**Healthy Parks, Healthy People Walk • Martial Cottle • 10:00am-12:00pm**  
Join park staff for a walking tour to learn about the park's history and organic farming. Spend time afterward playing at the Discovery Farm or visiting the park partners and Farm Stand. Meet at the Visitor Center.  
**Questions? (408) 355-2240**



**Hawk Walk • Sanborn • 10:00am-1:00pm**  
Search for glimpses of hawks, falcons, and other birds of prey that soar the skies above. Find out why they fly like they do and what helps them thrive. Meet at Sunnyvale Mountain with binoculars, sun protection, snacks and water.  
**Reservations (408) 867-9959**



**Ranch House Tour • Joseph D. Grant • 1:30pm-2:30pm**  
Explore park history and past inhabitants on a tour of the Grant Ranch House.  
**Reservations (408) 274-6121**

## SUNDAY, MAY 20



**Youth Fishing Event • Ed R. Levin • 8:00am-12:00pm**  
Join South Bay Fishing in the City partners for a free learn-to-fish event for kids ages 5-15. Expert instruction and all equipment provided. On-site registration 8-10am for first 150 kids. Parental supervision required. Meet at Sandy Wool Lake. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



**What's "Shaking" in Parks? • Santa Teresa • 9:00am-12:00pm**  
Trek to the highest peak in the park to view fantastic vistas and explore local geology formations. Meet in the 2nd parking lot with hiking shoes, layered clothing, and water. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**



## SUNDAY, MAY 20, continued



### **Bike Safety for Young Riders • Joseph D. Grant • 9:30am-10:30am**

Young bike riders (ages 8-12) learn about basic bike safety on trails and roads. Helmets provided for free. Parents welcome and encouraged to attend. Meet at east end of Stockman's parking lot by the Hotel Trail (look for Ranger truck). Bring a bike. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**



### **Take A Ride With A Ranger • Almaden Quicksilver • 10:00am-1:00pm**

Mountain biking can be your ticket to adventure and discovery. Learn bike handling skills and history of the park. Meet at the Hacienda parking lot. **Questions? (408) 268-3883**

## FRIDAY, MAY 25



### **Movie Night at the Lake • Anderson Lake • 8:30pm-11:00pm**

Meet at the boat parking lot for a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about the wildlife and watch a free feature movie. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**

## SATURDAY, MAY 26



### **Birding Basics • Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 9:00am - 9:45am**

Come out and learn the basics of observing and identifying local birds with an experienced bird watcher and naturalist! Meet in front of the Casa Grande with binoculars if you have them. **Questions? (408) 918-7775**



### **The Natural History of Coyote Creek**

#### **Coyote Creek Parkway/Anderson Lake • 9:00am-10:00am**

Enjoy a quiet walk along the creek. Discover abundant life under the shady canopy of water-loving trees. Topics range from the Native American presence to early cultivation of vineyards and orchards. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### **What's "Shaking" in Parks? • Santa Teresa • 9:00am-12:00pm**

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### **Composting Education Workshops • Martial Cottle • 10:00am-12:00pm**

Attend a workshop to learn how to make and use compost at home. Or, for small-scale livestock and horse owners, learn to reduce manure volume, disposal costs, odor, and harmful pathogens. Meet at the Composting Education parcel. Reservations required. **Questions? (408) 918-4640**





## SATURDAY, MAY 26, continued



### Redwoods of Mt. Madonna Hike • Mt. Madonna • 10:00am-11:00am

Come find out about the majestic Redwoods on a hike with a Park Ranger! Meet at the park office. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Vasona • 8:45pm-11:15pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Learn about parks and watch a FREE family-friendly movie. Meet in parking lot by Boat Center with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 356-2729**



## SUNDAY, MAY 27



### Bike Safety for Young Riders • Joseph D. Grant • 9:30am-10:30am

Young bike riders (ages 8-12) learn about basic bike safety on trails and roads. Helmets provided for free. Parents welcome and encouraged to attend. Meet at east end of Stockman's parking lot by the Hotel Trail (look for Ranger truck). Bring a bike. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**



### Take A Ride with A Ranger • Almaden Quicksilver • 10:00am-1:00pm

Mountain biking can be your ticket to adventure and discovery. Learn bike handling skills and history of the park. Meet at the Hacienda parking lot. **Questions? (408) 268-3883**



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Santa Teresa • 8:30pm-11:30pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Pueblo Group Area with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**



## MONDAY, MAY 28



### The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 1:00pm-2:00pm

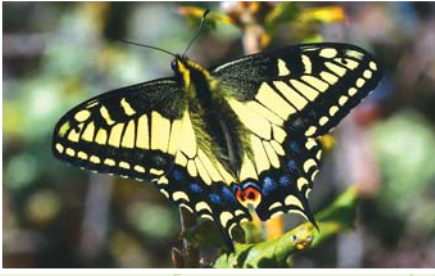
Meet at the Visitor Center to explore our agricultural history, see items used in the 1890s, then take a short walk to learn about the current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



### Howling at the Moon • Anderson Lake • 8:15pm-10:15pm

Adventure out on a short moonlight hike above the lake to a nearby pond and check out the night sounds and sights. Meet at the boat parking lot with layered clothes and a flashlight with red lens. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**





## HELLYER COUNTY PARK

# Amazing

family friendly  
fun for all!



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COUNTY PARKS

# RACE

Anyone can participate in these  
exciting outdoor games!

SAT. JUNE 16 • 10am-1pm

Create a team of three or more, register online, and join us for a **free\*** fun-filled morning. Teams will race to complete challenges & games, and compete for great prizes. Everyone gets a little something for joining in on the fun! **Registration required**, as space is limited!

**Hellyer County Park - 985 Hellyer Avenue**

Register at [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) \*Parking \$6 at the gate.

**Volunteers can get in on the fun as well!**

Please visit [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) and follow the "**Volunteer**" link.



## Chitactac family day

**Saturday, June 23 • 1pm-4pm**

**Chitactac-Adams • 10001 Watsonville Road, Gilroy**

**Discover the heritage of people who once lived at this ancient village site.** Learn to make traditional crafts and participate in unique activities.



# June



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### The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 1:00pm-2:00pm

Meet at the Visitor Center to explore our agricultural history, see Cottle family items, then take a short walk to learn about the current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## EVERY SATURDAY IN JUNE (2,9,16,23,30)



### Vasona Vibrations • Vasona • 5pm-7pm

Join us for the 16th anniversary of this family-favorite free outdoor concert series featuring local artists and a variety of acoustic music including jazz, blues, swing and more. Go to [southbayfolks.org/vasona](http://southbayfolks.org/vasona) for performance schedules. Bring a blanket or low lawn chair. Food available for purchase.

**Questions? (408) 356-2729**

## FRIDAY, JUNE 1



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Alviso Marina • 8:30pm-10:30pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Learn about parks and watch a FREE family-friendly movie. Meet in parking lot with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 262-6980**

## SATURDAY, JUNE 2



### Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 10:00am-12:00pm

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



### Redwoods Wonders Hike • Mt. Madonna • 10:00am-11:00am

Come explore the wonders of the redwoods on a hike with a Park Ranger. Meet at park office. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



### Yoga Hike Meditate • Alviso Marina • 11:30am-12:30pm

Refresh your mind, body, and spirit with Mother Nature. Learn simple and effective methods for self-healing and energy enhancement by practicing gentle postures, breathing, and mind intentions. \$15 per person. Meet in 1st parking lot.

**Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



### Redwood Nature Hike • Sanborn • 12:00pm-2:00pm

Come explore what's inside the redwood forest with a Park Ranger. Meet at the Peterson Grove. **Questions? (408) 867-9959**

## SUNDAY, JUNE 3



### Bike Safety for Young Riders • Joseph D. Grant • 9:30am-10:30am

Young bike riders (ages 8-12) learn about basic bike safety on trails and roads. Helmets provided for free. Parents welcome and encouraged to attend. Meet at east end of Stockman's parking lot by the Hotel Trail (look for Ranger truck). Bring a bike. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**



## SUNDAY, JUNE 3, continued



### Outdoor Photography

**Coyote Creek Parkway/Anderson Lake • 1:00pm-3:00pm**

Learn how to capture beautiful outdoor moments with your camera. Meet at the Visitor Center at the end of Malaguerra Ave. with a digital (not phone) camera. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### It's Fur Real Dog Hike • Mt. Madonna • 5:00pm-7:00pm

Enjoy and explore the trails amongst the redwoods with your canine companion on a group hike. Meet at the Azalea Knoll group site with insect repellent, layered clothing and sturdy footwear. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



## MONDAY, JUNE 4

### The Trails and You: Shared Use and Safety • Calero • 10:00am-12:00pm

Be safe and enjoy shared park trails. Learn about regulations and tips to protect you and park resources. This is a drop-in event at the parking lot by the Calero Park office. **Questions? (408) 268-3883**

## THURSDAY, JUNE 7



### Stop and Sniff Around • Anderson Lake • 10:00am-12:00pm

Bring your canine friends along to sniff out evidence of others. Get some exercise while exploring animal tracks and scat along the trail. Meet in the boat parking lot. **Questions? (408) 918-7985**



### Get to Know your Handgun • Field Sports • 4:00pm-7:00pm

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## FRIDAY, JUNE 8



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night

**Metcalf Motorcycle Park • 8:30pm-11:00pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Learn about parks and watch a FREE family-friendly movie. Come with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 226-5223**



## SATURDAY, JUNE 9



### Storytime with a Ranger

**Coyote Creek Parkway/Anderson Lake • 10:00am-11:30am**

Explore nature through short stories, adventures, and activities with a Park Ranger. Meet at the Visitor Center at the end of Malaguerra Ave. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Hike the Magnificent Seven!

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### SATURDAY, JUNE 9, continued



#### In the Park After Dark Movie Night and Martial Cottle Park Talk Martial Cottle • 8:45pm-10:30pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about the park's past and present. Meet on the lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. No dogs please. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

### SUNDAY, JUNE 10



#### Mountain Lions & Bobcats • Almaden Quicksilver • 9:00am-11:00am

Stop by a parks booth for information about these local wild cats who share the environment with us. Meet at the Hacienda parking lot off Almaden Rd. **Questions? (408) 918-7772**



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### TUESDAY, JUNE 12



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### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13



#### Yoga Hike Meditate • Almaden Quicksilver • 6:00pm-7:00pm

Refresh your mind, body, and spirit with Mother Nature. Learn simple and effective methods for self-healing and energy enhancement by practicing gentle postures, breathing, and mind intentions. \$15 per person. Meet at Wood Rd. parking lot. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**

### FRIDAY, JUNE 15



#### Movie Night at the Lake • Anderson Lake • 8:30pm-11:00pm

Meet at the boat parking lot for a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about the wildlife and watch a free feature movie. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**

### SATURDAY, JUNE 16



#### Quicksilver History Hike • Almaden Quicksilver • 9:00am-12:00pm

Explore what remains of the once-bustling mining operations in the hills above New Almaden on this 4-mile hike leaving from the Wood Road parking lot off Hicks Rd. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



## SATURDAY, JUNE 16, continued



### The Natural History of Coyote Creek

**Coyote Creek Parkway/Anderson Lake • 9:00am-10:00am**

Enjoy a quiet walk along the creek. Discover abundant life under the shady canopy of water-loving trees. Topics range from the Native American presence to early cultivation of vineyards and orchards. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Park Partners Open House • Martial Cottle • 9:00am-12:00pm

Explore the gardens, attend a workshop, or tour the Master Gardener Parcel. Learn from youth 4-H members about their livestock animals. Purchase and learn to plant native and drought-tolerant trees and shrubs or take a Lawn Conversion Workshop from Our City Forest. Partner parcels are located near Chynoweth Ave. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



### Hellyer Amazing Race • Hellyer • 10:00am-1:00pm

Anyone can participate in this fun outdoor challenge! Register with your team to compete for great prizes by completing fun challenges, games, and learning outdoor skills along the way! Preregistration required, space is limited.

**More info at [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) or (408) 355-2255**



### Healthy Parks, Healthy People Walk • Martial Cottle • 10:00am-12:00pm

Join park staff for a walking tour to learn about the park's history and organic farming. Spend time afterward playing at the Discovery Farm or visiting the park partners and Farm Stand. Meet at the Visitor Center.

**Questions? (408) 355-2240**



### Ranch House Tour • Joseph D. Grant • 1:30pm-2:30pm

Explore park history and past inhabitants on a tour of the Grant Ranch House. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**



### Waggin' Trails Dog Hike • Mt. Madonna • 7:00pm-9:00pm

Hit the trails after sunset to explore the redwoods with fellow dog owners and their canine companions. Meet at the Redwood Grove group area with flashlights, layered clothes, and sturdy shoes. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



### In the Park After Dark Campout • Santa Teresa • 7:00pm-8:00am

Begin with a feature-length movie under the night sky, followed by a campfire and s'mores, then a second feature-length movie. Bring camping supplies for an overnight trip: tent, bedding, food, warm clothes, flashlight. Cost is \$15/camping family and \$6/vehicle. Restrooms available. No electricity or showers provided. Space is limited.

**Reservations online or (408) 535-4060**

## SUNDAY, JUNE 17



### Legends and Myths of the Coyote

**Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 10:00am-11:00am**

One of the most adaptable mammals in the world, the coyote is widespread in range, mythology, and folklore. Coyote is one of the most adaptable mammals in the world. Learn why this successful survivor is the topic of so many stories. Meet at the amphitheater by RV campground.

**Questions? (408) 842-7800**





### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20



#### **History of Stevens Creek County Park • Stevens Creek • 9:30am-11:30am**

Take a history hike to learn about the first people to live on this land and how they were impacted by European settlers. Explore how the park's namesake played a pivotal role in the American settlement of California. Meet at the Visitor Center. **Questions? (408) 867-3654**



#### **A Taste of Water Skiing**

##### **Coyote Creek Parkway (North) • 12:00pm-4:00pm**

Learn how to water ski with the Santa Clara County Water Ski Club. Cost is \$10 per person. All equipment and lessons provided. It's a great time for ages 8-17! Bring your bathing suit, towel, sunscreen, water, and snacks. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



#### **Yoga Hike Meditate • Almaden Quicksilver • 6:00pm-7:00pm**

Refresh your mind, body, and spirit with Mother Nature. Learn simple and effective methods for self-healing and energy enhancement by practicing gentle postures, breathing, and mind intentions. \$15 per person. Meet at Wood Rd. parking lot. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**

### FRIDAY, JUNE 22



#### **In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Ed R. Levin • 8:30pm-10:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Learn about parks and watch a FREE family-friendly movie. Meet on the lawn by Sandy Wool Lake with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 262-6980**

### SATURDAY, JUNE 23



#### **Hike the Magnificent Seven! • Almaden Quicksilver • 10:00am-1:30pm**

Work towards completing the #PixInParks challenge with a guided hike on one of our magnificent trails. Meet at the Wood Road parking lot with water and snacks. Find your destination, take a photo, and enjoy spectacular views. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



#### **Hawk Walk • Sanborn • 10:00am-1:00pm**

Search for glimpses of hawks, falcons, and other birds of prey that soar the skies above. Find out why they fly like they do and what helps them thrive. Meet at Sunnyvale Mountain with binoculars, sun protection, snacks and water. **Reservations (408) 867-9959**



#### **Chitactac Family Day • Chitactac Adams • 1:00pm-4:00pm**

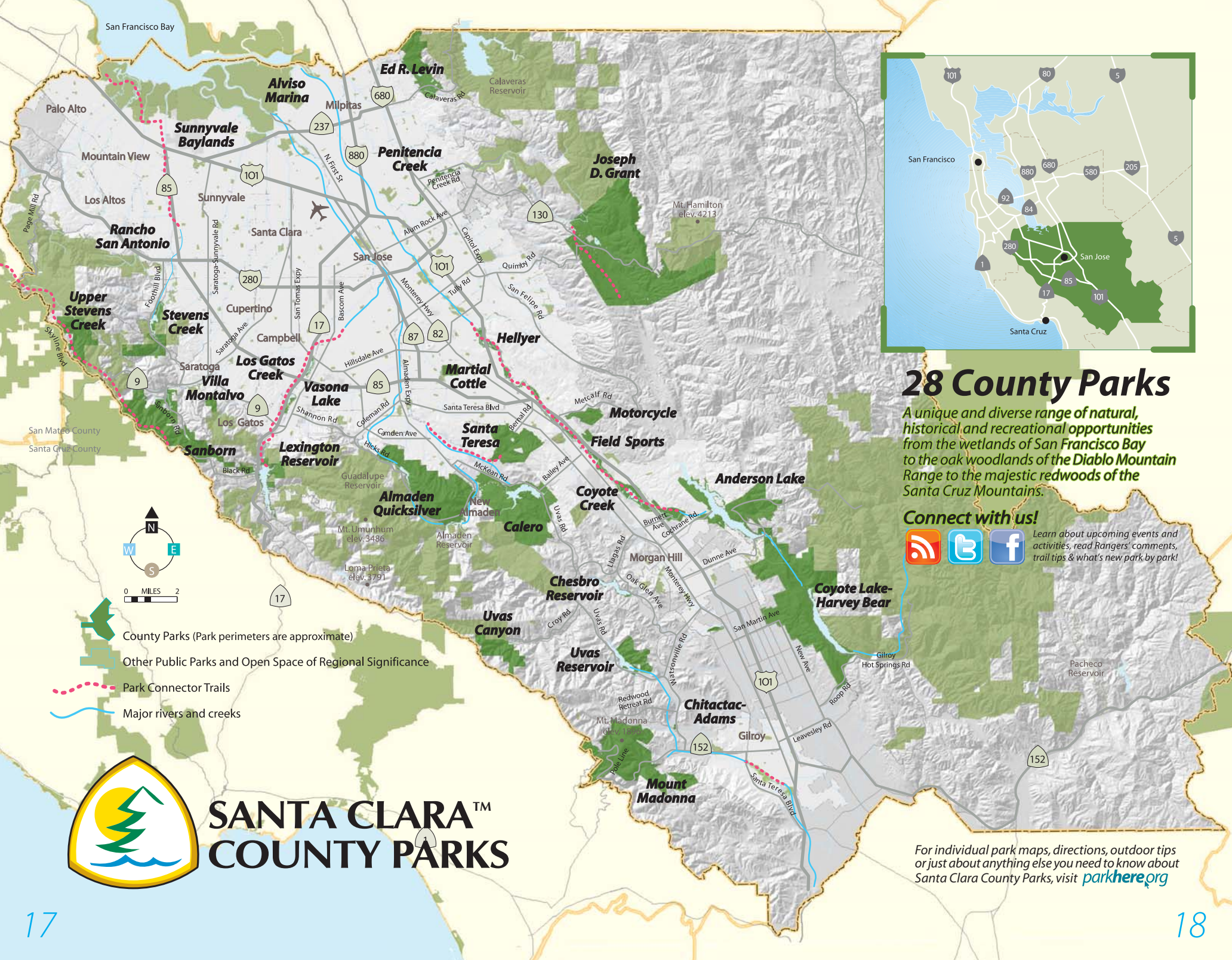
Celebrate the Amah Mutsun culture and discover the heritage of people who once lived at this ancient village site. Participate in hands-on activities, play traditional games, and make unique crafts while learning about native plants and wildlife. This event is free and appropriate for families and all ages. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



#### **In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Santa Teresa • 8:30pm-11:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Pueblo Group Area with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**





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### SUNDAY, JUNE 24



**Birding Basics • Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 9:00am-9:45am**  
Come out and learn the basics of observing and identifying local birds with an experienced bird watcher and naturalist! Meet in front of the Casa Grande with binoculars if you have them. **Questions? (408) 918-7775**

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27



**Dog Nights of Summer • Anderson Lake • 7:00pm-9:00pm**  
Take a sunset/full moon hike to explore park history, basic first aid, and trail etiquette with dogs. Meet at the overflow lot at the top of the dam. **Reservations (408) 918-7980**

### FRIDAY, JUNE 29



**In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8:30pm-11:30pm**  
Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Cottonwood Lake lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**

### SATURDAY, JUNE 30



**Discover the Park Through Nature Journaling  
Martial Cottle • 9:00am-11:00am**  
Learn how to nature journal while enjoying the beauty of your surroundings. Meet at the Visitor Center. No dogs please. **Reservations (408) 535-4052**



**Hike the Magnificent Seven! • Ed R. Levin • 10:00am-1:00pm**  
Work towards completing the #PixInParks challenge with a guided hike on one of our magnificent trails. Meet near the equestrian parking lot with water and snacks. Find your destination, take a photo, and enjoy spectacular views. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



**Pawsitive Dog Hike • Mt. Madonna • 8:00pm-9:30pm**  
Early fireworks setting your dog on edge? Escape to the redwood forest for a quiet stroll. Meet at Hilltop group area with flashlight, layered clothing, and sturdy footwear. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



**In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8:30pm-11:30pm**  
Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Cottonwood Lake lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**



# *Play like a miner*

**Saturday, July 21  
11:00am-3:00pm**



**Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum  
21350 Almaden Road, San Jose**

**Join in for a fun day of learning what it was like to be a miner long ago.**  
There will be games, demonstrations and crafts as well as an opportunity  
to try your hand at panning for gold and precious gems.  
A fun event for the whole family.





# July

## EVERY SATURDAY AND SUNDAY IN JULY (1,7,8,14,15,21,22,28,29)



**The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 1:00pm-2:00pm**  
Meet at the Visitor Center to explore our agricultural history, see Cottle family items, then take a short walk to learn about the current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## EVERY SATURDAY IN JULY (7,14,21,28)



**Vasona Vibrations • Vasona • 5pm-7pm**  
Join us for the 16th anniversary of this family-favorite free outdoor concert series featuring local artists and a variety of acoustic music including jazz, blues, swing and more. Go to [southbayfolks.org/vasona](http://southbayfolks.org/vasona) for performance schedules. Bring a blanket or low lawn chair. Food available for purchase.  
**Questions? (408) 356-2729**

## SUNDAY, JULY 1



**Bike Safety for Young Riders • Joseph D. Grant • 9:30am-10:30am**  
Young bike riders (ages 8-12) learn about basic bike safety on trails and roads. Helmets provided for free. Parents welcome and encouraged to attend. Meet at east end of Stockman's parking lot by the Hotel Trail (look for Ranger truck). Bring a bike. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**

## MONDAY, JULY 2



**Wildlife Detective • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 10:00am-11:00am**  
Come learn about clues that animals leave behind. Explore the natural wonders on a short hike to use your new-found wildlife detective skills. Meet at the amphitheater by the RV campground. **Reservations (408) 842-7800**

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 4



**The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 1:00pm-2:00pm**  
Meet at the Visitor Center to explore our agricultural history, see items used in the 1890s, then take a short walk to learn about the current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## THURSDAY, JULY 5



**Get to Know your Handgun • Field Sports • 4:00pm-7:00pm**  
Come learn about handgun basics and safety from a Rangemaster. \$15 per person, cash or check only. Meet at the Rifle/Pistol Range with your registered handgun, two boxes of ammo, and a cleaning kit.  
**Reservations (408) 463-0652**



## FRIDAY, JULY 6



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night Metcalf Motorcycle Park • 8:30pm-11:00pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Learn about parks and watch a FREE family-friendly movie. Come with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 226-5223**

## SATURDAY, JULY 7



### Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 10:00am-12:00pm

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



### Hike the Magnificent Seven! • Calero • 10:00am-1:00pm

Work towards completing the #PixInParks challenge with a guided hike on one of our magnificent trails. Meet in the parking lot by Ranger Office with water and snacks. Find your destination, take a photo, and enjoy spectacular views. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



### Yoga Hike Meditate • Alviso Marina • 11:30am-12:30pm

Refresh your mind, body, and spirit with Mother Nature. Learn simple and effective methods for self-healing and energy enhancement by practicing gentle postures, breathing, and mind intentions. \$15 per person. Meet in first parking lot. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



### Hike the Magnificent Seven!

#### Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 6:00pm-8:30pm

Work towards completing the #PixInParks challenge with a guided hike on one of our magnificent trails. Meet at the Harvey Bear Ranch entrance with water and snacks. Find your destination, take a photo, and enjoy spectacular views. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



### Join the Pack Dog Hike • Mt. Madonna • 8:00pm-9:30pm

Fireworks set your dog on edge? Escape to the mountain for an evening hike in a quiet redwood forest. Meet at the Redwood Grove group area with flashlight, layered clothes and sturdy shoes. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8:30pm-11:30pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Cottonwood Lake lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**

## SUNDAY, JULY 8



### Bike Safety for Young Riders • Joseph D. Grant • 9:30am-10:30am

Young bike riders (ages 8-12) learn about basic bike safety on trails and roads. Helmets provided for free. Parents welcome and encouraged to attend. Meet at east end of Stockman's parking lot by the Hotel Trail (look for Ranger truck). Bring a bike. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**





## TUESDAY, JULY 10



### **Tour the Mansion and Hike the Hills • Villa Montalvo • 10:00am-1:00pm**

Take a guided tour of the historic villa and a hike on park trails to a breathtaking view as you learn about Senator Phelan and local history. Villa tour \$20 per person. **Reservations (408) 961-5858 or online at [montalvoarts.org](http://montalvoarts.org)**

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 11



### **A Taste of Water Skiing • Coyote Creek Parkway (North) • 12:00pm-4:00pm**

Learn how to water ski with the Santa Clara County Water Ski Club. Cost is \$10 per person. All equipment and lessons provided. It's a great time for ages 8-17! Bring your bathing suit, towel, sunscreen, water, and snacks.

**Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**

## FRIDAY, JULY 13



### **In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8:30pm-11:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Cottonwood Lake lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight.

**Questions? (408) 225-0225**

## SATURDAY, JULY 14



### **The Natural History of Coyote Creek**

#### **Coyote Creek Parkway/Anderson Lake • 9:00am-10:00am**

Enjoy a quiet walk along the creek. Discover abundant life under the shady canopy of water-loving trees. Topics range from the Native American presence to early cultivation of vineyards and orchards. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### **Hike the Magnificent Seven! • Alviso Marina • 10:00am-11:30am**

Work towards completing the #PixInParks challenge with a guided hike on one of our magnificent trails. Meet in the parking lot with water and snacks. Find your destination, take a photo, and enjoy spectacular views.

**Questions? (408) 355-2240**



### **Storytime with a Ranger**

#### **Coyote Creek Parkway/Anderson Lake • 10:00am-11:30am**

Explore nature through short stories, adventures, and activities with a Park Ranger. Meet at the Visitor Center at the end of Malaguerra Ave.

**Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### **Ranch House Tour • Joseph D. Grant • 1:30pm-2:30pm**

Explore park history and past inhabitants on a tour of the Grant Ranch House. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**



### **SATURDAY, JULY 14, *continued***



#### **In the Park After Dark Movie Night and Martial Cottle Park Talk Martial Cottle • 8:45pm-10:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about the park's past and present. Meet on the lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. No dogs please. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

### **SUNDAY, JULY 15**



#### **Bike Safety for Young Riders • Joseph D. Grant • 9:30am-10:30am**

Young bike riders (ages 8-12) learn about basic bike safety on trails and roads. Helmets provided for free. Parents welcome and encouraged to attend. Meet at east end of Stockman's parking lot by the Hotel Trail (look for Ranger truck). Bring a bike. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**

### **FRIDAY, JULY 20**



#### **Geocaching in the Park • Anderson Lake • 10:00am-12:00pm**

Come explore hidden treasures in the park. Hike on trails above the lake to locate geocaches using GPS technology. Bring a hand-held GPS or download the app to your cellphone. Optional to bring/leave/exchange anything in the caches. Meet in the parking lot at top of the dam. **Questions? (408) 918-7985**

#### **Boating Safety 101 • Calero • 11:30am-1:00pm**

Learn about required boating equipment and how to stay safe on waterways. A Park Ranger will be on hand to answer questions and help you have a fun and safe day on the water. This is a drop-in event at the Launch Ramp parking lot. **Questions? (408) 268-3883**



#### **Movie Night at the Lake • Anderson Lake • 8:30pm-11:00pm**

Meet at the boat parking lot for a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about the wildlife and watch a free feature movie. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**

### **SATURDAY, JULY 21**



#### **Park Partners Open House • Martial Cottle • 9:00am-12:00pm**

Explore the gardens, attend a workshop, or tour the Master Gardener Parcel. Learn from youth 4-H members about their livestock animals. Purchase and learn to plant native and drought-tolerant trees and shrubs or attend an Edible & Native Plant talk from Our City Forest. Partner parcels are located near Chynoweth Ave. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

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Join park staff for a walking tour to learn about the park's history and organic farming. Spend time afterward playing at the Discovery Farm or visiting the park partners and Farm Stand. Meet at the Visitor Center. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**





### SATURDAY, JULY 21, continued



#### When Nature Bites Back • Hellyer • 10:00am-12:00pm

The wild world of parks has numerous wonders to explore, but in the event of an accident are you prepared? Discover nature and recreation while being trained in hands-only CPR and basic first aid. All practice equipment is provided. Meet at the Park Office. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



#### Play Like A Miner

#### Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 11:00am-3:00pm

Join in a fun day of learning what it was like to be a miner long ago. Activities, games, demonstrations, and crafts promise an enjoyable event for the whole family. **Questions? (408) 918-7772**



#### Howling at the Moon • Anderson Lake • 8:15pm-10:15pm

Adventure out on a short moonlight hike above the lake to a nearby pond and check out the night sounds and sights. Meet at the boat parking lot with layered clothes and a flashlight with red lens. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



#### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8:30pm-11:30pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Cottonwood Lake lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**

### SUNDAY, JULY 22



#### Howling at the Moon • Anderson Lake • 8:15pm-10:15pm

Adventure out on a short moonlight hike above the lake to a nearby pond and check out the night sounds and sights. Meet at the boat parking lot with layered clothes and a flashlight with red lens. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**

### FRIDAY, JULY 27



#### Dog Nights of Summer • Anderson Lake • 7:00pm-9:00pm

Take a sunset/full moon hike to explore park history, basic first aid, and trail etiquette with dogs. Meet at the overflow lot at the top of the dam. **Reservations (408) 918-7980**

### SATURDAY, JULY 28



#### A Taste of Archery • Santa Teresa • 8:00am-10:00am

Join the Black Mountain Bowmen to learn how to shoot a compound or recurve bow, fletch arrows, and make a bow string. Ages 6 and up with parent. \$5 fee. A mandatory safety class and equipment are provided by Predator's Archery. Bring water, snacks, and sun protection. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



### **SATURDAY, JULY 28, continued**



**Birding Basics • Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 9:00am-9:45am**  
Come out and learn the basics of observing and identifying local birds with an experienced bird watcher and naturalist! Meet in front of the Casa Grande with binoculars if you have them. **Questions? (408) 918-7775**



**What's "Shaking" in Parks? • Santa Teresa • 9:00am-12:00pm**  
Trek to the highest peak in the park to view fantastic vistas and explore local geology formations. Meet in the 2nd parking lot with hiking shoes, layered clothing, and water. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**



**Redwoods Wonders Hike • Mt. Madonna • 10:00am-11:00am**  
Come explore the wonders of the redwoods on a hike with a Park Ranger. Meet at the Miller Trail parking lot. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



**A Taste of Archery • Santa Teresa • 10:30am-12:30pm**  
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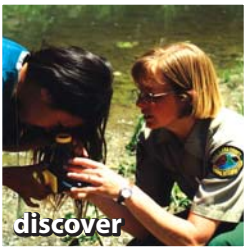
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# August



## EVERY SATURDAY AND SUNDAY IN AUGUST (4,5,11,12,18,19,25,26)



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Meet at the Visitor Center to explore our agricultural history, see Cottle family items, then take a short walk to learn about the current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 2



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Come learn about handgun basics and safety from a Rangemaster. \$15 per person, cash or check only. Meet at the Rifle/Pistol Range with your registered handgun, two boxes of ammo, and a cleaning kit. **Reservations (408) 463-0652**



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Vasona • 8:30pm-10:00pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet in parking lot by the boat center with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 356-2729**

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 3



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8:30pm-11:30pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Cottonwood Lake lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 4



### Fishing Program for Kids • Hellyer • 9:00am-11:30am

Join a Park Ranger to learn about local watersheds, fisheries, and secrets to catching bass. Open to ages 10-13. Fishing gear provided. Meet at the Visitor Center with sun protection. **Reservations (408) 225-0225**



### What's "Shaking" in Parks? • Santa Teresa • 9:00am-12:00pm

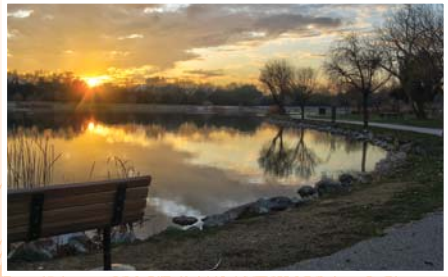
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Take a gentle walk around the Marina's flat dirt trails to enjoy the local weather and bayside wildlife. We'll keep the pace slow for all ages and abilities. Meet at the picnic tables near the restroom. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**





## SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, continued



### Hike the Magnificent Seven!

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**Questions? (408) 355-2240**



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night

**Metcalf Motorcycle Park • 8:00pm-10:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Learn about parks and watch a FREE family-friendly movie. Come with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 226-5223**



### Full Moon Hike • Martial Cottle • 8:30pm-10:30pm

Join a Park Ranger to seek out nighttime animals living in this urban agricultural habitat. You will be surprised how many native animals live in your backyard. Meet at the Visitor Center with layered clothing. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



## SUNDAY, AUGUST 5



### Take a Hike on the Wild Side • Calero • 9:00am-12:00pm

Hike in the habitat of two wild felines—mountain lions and bobcats. Discover these cats' unique characteristics while gaining awareness and appreciation for wildlife that call parks home. Meet in parking lot by the park office with water, good hiking shoes, and sun protection.

**Questions? (408) 918-7772**



### Wildlife Detective • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 10:00am-11:00am

Come learn about clues that animals leave behind. Explore the natural wonders on a short hike to use your new-found wildlife detective skills. Meet at the amphitheater by the RV campground. **Reservations (408) 842-7800**



## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8



### A Taste of Water Skiing • Coyote Creek Parkway (North) • 12:00pm-4:00pm

Learn how to water ski with the Santa Clara County Water Ski Club. Cost is \$10 per person. All equipment and lessons provided. It's a great time for ages 8-17! Bring your bathing suit, towel, sunscreen, water, and snacks.

**Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



## FRIDAY, AUGUST 10



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8:30pm-11:30pm

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## SATURDAY, AUGUST 11



### When Nature Bites Back • Vasona • 10:00am-12:00pm

The wild world of parks has numerous wonders to explore, but in the event of an accident are you prepared? Discover nature and recreation while being trained in hands-only CPR and basic first aid. All practice equipment is provided. Meet at the YSI building. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



### Fishing Program for Kids • Hellyer • 9:00am-11:30am

Join a Park Ranger to learn about local watersheds, fisheries, and secrets to catching bass. Open to ages 10-13. Fishing gear provided. Meet at the Visitor Center with sun protection. **Reservations (408) 225-0225**



### Storytime with a Ranger

#### Coyote Creek Parkway/Anderson Lake • 10:00am-11:30am

Explore nature through short stories, adventures, and activities with a Park Ranger. Meet at the Visitor Center at the end of Malaguerra Ave. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Connect with Nature • Alviso Marina • 11:30am-12:30pm

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### Ranch House Tour • Joseph D. Grant • 1:30pm-2:30pm

Explore park history and past inhabitants on a tour of the Grant Ranch House. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night and Martial Cottle Park Talk Martial Cottle • 8:45pm-10:30pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about the park's past and present. Meet on the lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. No dogs please. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



### Meteor Shower: The Best HD Viewing is Free Martial Cottle • 10:00pm-12:00am

Join us for Perseids meteor shower. Begin the evening with a discussion of best ways to view objects in the night sky. Meet on the big lawn with warm clothes, flashlights, and a telescope or binoculars. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 12



### End of Summer Bash • Vasona • 11:00am-2:00pm

Join us for the 2nd Annual End of Summer Bash at the Vasona Boat Center. This year's theme is "Summer Luau", so dress for the festivities that include music, food, \$10.00 boat rentals, activities, and more. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



### Explore A Ranger's Truck • Almaden Quicksilver • 3:00pm-4:00pm

Discover critical resources that Park Ranger's provide while you explore and use equipment they carry in patrol trucks. Drop in at the Mockingbird Hill parking lot. **Questions? (408) 268-3883**





## TUESDAY, AUGUST 14



### **Tour the Mansion and Hike the Hills • Villa Montalvo • 10:00am-1:00pm**

Take a guided tour of the historic villa and a hike on park trails to a breathtaking view as you learn about Senator Phelan and local history. Villa tour \$20 per person. **Reservations (408) 961-5858 or online at [montalvoarts.org](http://montalvoarts.org)**



## FRIDAY, AUGUST 17



### **In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8:30pm-11:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Cottonwood Lake lawn with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight.

**Questions? (408) 225-0225**



## SATURDAY, AUGUST 18



### **Quicksilver History Hike • Almaden Quicksilver • 9:00am-12:00pm**

Explore what remains of the once-bustling mining operations in the hills above New Almaden on this 4-mile hike leaving from the Wood Road parking lot off Hicks Rd. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



### **The Natural History of Coyote Creek**

#### **Coyote Creek Parkway/Anderson Lake • 9:00am-10:00am**

Enjoy a quiet walk along the creek. Discover abundant life under the shady canopy of water-loving trees. Topics range from the Native American presence to early cultivation of vineyards and orchards. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### **Fishing Program for Kids • Hellyer • 9:00am-11:30am**

Join a Park Ranger to learn about local watersheds, fisheries, and secrets to catching bass. Open to ages 10-13. Fishing gear provided. Meet at the Visitor Center with sun protection. **Reservations (408) 225-0225**



### **What's "Shaking" in Parks? • Santa Teresa • 9:00am-12:00pm**

Trek to the highest peak in the park to view fantastic vistas and explore local geology formations. Meet in the 2nd parking lot with hiking shoes, layered clothing, and water. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**



### **Master Gardener and 4-H Open House • Martial Cottle • 9:00am-12:00pm**

Explore the gardens, attend a workshop, or tour the Master Gardener parcel. Workshops and class information at <http://mgsantaclara.ucanr.edu/>. Stop by the 4-H parcel to learn from youth members about the livestock animals they raise here. Partner parcels are located near Chynoweth Ave.

**Questions? (408) 535-4060**



### **Healthy Parks, Healthy People Walk • Martial Cottle • 10:00am-12:00pm**

Join park staff for a walking tour to learn about the park's history and organic farming. Spend time afterward playing at the Discovery Farm or visiting the park partners and Farm Stand. Meet at the Visitor Center.

**Questions? (408) 355-2240**





## SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, continued



### **Gone Fishing 101-Beginner Tips From a Ranger Stevens Creek • 10:00am-12:00pm**

Discover some beginning fishing tips that will help make you more successful. This indoor session is for beginner anglers ages 10 and up. Meet at the Visitor Center to learn about basic equipment, rules and regulations, and local "hot spots". No equipment needed. **Reservations (408) 867-3654**



### **Connect with Nature • Alviso Marina • 11:00am-12:00pm**

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### **Survive in a Knapsack • Mt. Madonna • 1:00pm-3:00pm**

Ever wondered what to do if you got lost in the woods? Take an easy walk to learn how to prepare and what to bring along to help find your way. Meet at the Hilltop group area with comfortable hiking gear, water, and snacks. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



### **In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Santa Teresa • 8:00pm-11:00pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Pueblo Group Area with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**



## SUNDAY, AUGUST 19



### **Mountain Lions & Bobcats • Almaden Quicksilver • 9:00am-11:00am**

Stop by a parks booth for information about these local wild cats who share the environment with us. Meet at the Hacienda parking lot off Almaden Rd. **Questions? (408) 918-7772**

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 24



### **Movie Night at the Lake • Anderson Lake • 8:30pm-11:00pm**

Meet at the boat parking lot for a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about the wildlife and watch a free feature movie. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



## SATURDAY, AUGUST 25



### **Birding Basics**

### **Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 9:00am-9:45am**

Come out and learn the basics of observing and identifying local birds with an experienced bird watcher and naturalist! Meet in front of the Casa Grande with binoculars if you have them. **Questions? (408) 918-7775**





### SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, continued



#### **Fishing Program for Kids • Hellyer • 9:00am-11:30am**

Join a Park Ranger to learn about local watersheds, fisheries, and secrets to catching bass. Open to ages 10-13. Fishing gear provided. Meet at the Visitor Center with sun protection. **Reservations (408) 225-0225**



#### **Discover the Park Through Nature Journaling Martial Cottle • 9:00am-11:00am**

Learn how to nature journal while enjoying the beauty of your surroundings. Meet at the Visitor Center. No dogs please.

**Reservations (408) 535-4052**



#### **Raptor Walk • Rancho San Antonio • 12:00pm-2:00pm**

Take a short walk with a Park Ranger into the world of hawks and other raptors who soar the skies. Meet in the Equestrian parking lot.

**Questions? (408) 867-3654**



#### **Follow the Leader Dog Hike • Mt. Madonna • 7:00pm-9:00pm**

Be the leader your dog wants you to be as you venture out and enjoy the outdoors together. Meet a Ranger and her canine companion at the Redwood Grove group area. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



#### **In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Santa Teresa • 8:00pm-11:00pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Pueblo Group Area with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight.

**Questions? (408) 225-0225**



### SUNDAY, AUGUST 26



#### **Bike Safety for Young Riders • Joseph D. Grant • 9:30am-10:30am**

Young bike riders (ages 8-12) learn about basic bike safety on trails and roads. Helmets provided for free. Parents welcome and encouraged to attend. Meet at east end of Stockman's parking lot by the Hotel Trail (look for Ranger truck). Bring a bike. **Reservations (408) 274-6121**



#### **Howling at the Moon • Anderson Lake • 7:45pm-9:45pm**

Adventure out on a short moonlight hike above the lake to a nearby pond and check out the night sounds and sights. Meet at the boat parking lot with layered clothes and a flashlight with red lens. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### FRIDAY, AUGUST 31



#### **In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Alviso Marina • 8:30pm-10:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Learn about parks and watch a FREE family-friendly movie. Meet in parking lot with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 262-6980**





Events are subject to change. Check the website calendar at [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) for current program information & updates.

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## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 and SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2



### The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 1:00pm-2:00pm

Meet at the Visitor Center to explore our agricultural history, see Cottle family items, then take a short walk to learn about the current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1



### Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 10:00am-12:00pm

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



### Tule Elk Comeback Story • Anderson Lake • 5:00pm-7:00pm

Learn about tule elk and their epic journey back from the brink of extinction. Look for a local elk herd and listen for their sounds on a guided tour with a Ranger. **Reservations (408) 918-7981**



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Santa Teresa • 7:30pm-10:30pm

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## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7



### In the Park After Dark Movie Night • Santa Teresa • 7:30pm-10:30pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about parks and wildlife before the FREE family-friendly movie. Meet at the Pueblo Group Area with a blanket or low-back chair and a flashlight. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8



### When Nature Bites Back • Ed Levin • 10:00am-12:00pm

The wild world of parks has numerous wonders to explore, but in the event of an accident are you prepared? Discover nature and recreation while being trained in hands-only CPR and basic first aid. All practice equipment is provided. Meet at the Fire Department building across from the Park Office. **Reservations online or (408) 355-2201**



### A Dogs Life on the Farm • Martial Cottle • 7:00pm-9:00pm

Join a Park Ranger on a sunset hike around the agricultural fields to learn about organic farming and why it exists here. Find out how dogs played a role on the Cottle Ranch. Meet at the visitor center with water and snacks for you and your pet. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9



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**Almaden Quicksilver**

21785 Almaden Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95120

**Casa Grande/  
New Almaden Quicksilver  
Mining Museum**

21350 Almaden Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95120

**Alviso Marina**

1195 Hope St.  
Alviso, CA 95002

**Anderson Lake  
(Park Office)**

19245 Malaguerra Ave.  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**Anderson Lake**

18390 Cochrane Rd.  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**Bernal-Gulnac-  
Joice Ranch**

372 Manila Dr.  
San Jose, CA 95119

**Calero**

23205 McKean Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95120

**Chitactac-Adams**

10001 Watsonville Rd.  
Gilroy, CA 95020

**Chesbro Reservoir**

17655 Oak Glen Ave.  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**Coyote Lake**

**Harvey Bear Ranch**  
10840 Coyote Lake Rd.  
Gilroy, CA 95020

**Ed Levin**

3100 Calaveras Rd.  
Milpitas, CA 95035

**Field Sports Park**

9580 Malech Road  
San Jose, CA 95013

**Hellyer**

985 Hellyer Ave.  
San Jose, CA 95111

**Joseph D. Grant**

18405 Mt. Hamilton Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95140

**Lexington Reservoir**

17770 Alma Bridge Rd.  
Los Gatos, CA 95032

**Los Gatos Creek**

1250 Dell Ave.  
Campbell, CA 95008

**Martial Cottle**

5283 Snell Ave.  
San Jose, CA 95136

**Motorcycle**

300 Metcalf Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95138

**Mt. Madonna**

7850 Pole Line Rd.  
Watsonville, CA 95076

**Penitencia Creek**

Jackson Ave. & Maybury Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95132

**Rancho San Antonio**

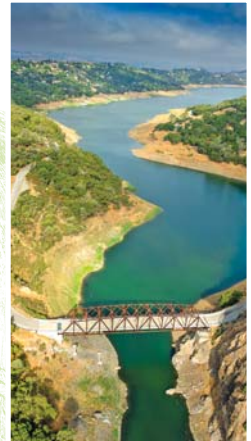
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**Uvas Reservoir**

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