

***“From the Mountains to the Sea”
2012 California Parks Training***



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General Information

Registration

The registration and information table will be open from 10:00 am until 8:00 pm on Monday and 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on Tuesday, and Wednesday. You will receive your information packets, meal tickets and any pre-ordered items.

Silent Auction

There will be an array of interesting items for this year's Silent Auction. Every year the silent auction brings in some much needed funds to help with covering the cost of the training event and as seed money for the next one. The auction will open on Tuesday, March 6th and will close at 5:00 pm on Thursday, March 8th. We would appreciate your photos, books, trips, tickets to shows, sport events, all those gift cards you do not know what to do with it, local wines and dines, things specific to your agency, outdoor gear, and anything park related for auction donations. Bring your items to the registration desk and we will take care of the rest. We would love to have everyone bring an item no matter how big or how small. If you have any questions, or have an item to donate but can not make the event, please contact Patrick Boyle PRAC Region 1 Director at region1@calranger.org or Richard Weiner PRAC Region 5 Director at region5@calranger.org.

Exhibitors and Vendors

A variety of vendors, agencies and other organizations will be set up at the hotel. Please be sure to visit the Vendor Display Area beginning 9:00 am on Tuesday and continuing all day on Wednesday.

POST Accreditation

Up to 24 hours of POST CPT credit is available for attendees for any of the scheduled training sessions. Please bring your POST ID number for the training roster.

PRAC Accreditation

PRAC adopted minimum professional training standards for Park Rangers in 2001. The training standards provide a recommended minimum training level for a well-rounded generalist ranger. PRAC has already issued Generalist Ranger Certificates. Participants attending any of the training sessions that apply toward a PRAC learning domain can receive a certificate of completion to be used toward fulfilling PRAC's standards. A roster will be provided in each room of qualifying sessions. Those wishing PRAC credit for a session must be sure to sign the PRAC roster.

Interpreting to Diverse Audiences (IDA) Certification

Participants registering for the entire 32-hour Interpreting to Diverse Audiences (IDA) training can receive a certificate of completion. A roster will be provided at each IDA session, including off-site activities. The IDA training has been developed by California State Parks, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, and U.S. Forest Service. There is a \$50 fee for this certification. Session sizes may be limited, so indicate you are registering for this track on the registration form. Sign up for "Full Registration" (member or non-member) and look for Interpretation Track or IDA. Pending available space, most sessions will be open to any interested registrant, though no IDA certification will be given unless the entire sessions is attended and the certification fee has been paid.



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Monday, March 5th Activities

Join us for one of the day’s events:

Whale Watching Tours with Island Packers

islandpackers.com

(805)642-1393

There are two tours on Monday that leave from Oxnard pier. Call for reservations.

Cost: \$35 per each tour, to be paid at the boat.

Start Time: 9:30 am and 1:30 pm on Monday

Autry Museum

The capacity for this session is limited to 40 people. Priority will be given to attendees who have signed up for the entire IDA Interpretive Track.

Cost: \$25 for Interpretation Session on Monday. Cost includes lunch, admission and course.

Start Time: Meet in lobby at 9:00 am to travel by van or carpool

Pistol Competition

Test your shooting skills at the pistol competition to see who can claim the prize for their firearms skills.

Participants are required to provide their own duty weapon, 100 rounds of ammunition, approved eye and ear protection and body armor. For more information contact Dave Updike at pastpresident@calranger.org

Cost: \$40 Start Time: To be determined, contact Dave Updike.

MASH Site Tour

Meet at Malibu Creek for this steep hike to the site where the TV show MASH was filmed. This is a 3-hour hike with steep terrain.

Cost: Free if you obtain parking pass from registration desk, otherwise \$10 for parking.

Start Time: 2:00 pm, Meet at the Malibu Creek Lower parking lot, get free parking pass and location map at the registration desk, see Jeff Price at the park.

Golf

Los Robles Golf Club. Take time to sample the Southern California greens. This is an afternoon of golf at a very nice club for a low rate. You must register in advance.

Cost: \$26 Riding, \$15 Walking.

Start Time: 2:00 pm

Parks Welcome Reception

Meet from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Evergreen Room. Join fellow attendees for light hors d’oeuvres, beverages and a chance to catch up with old and new friends.



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Tuesday, March 6

Vendors

Please swing by and visit the vendors supporting our training event: on Tuesday and Wednesday

511 Tactical
Bicycle Patrol Outfitters
Cavco Rental Cabins
Life Assist
PROFORCE Law Enforcement
REI



Mulholland Drive Tour and Tour of the Hollywood Bowl

Tour the hills of the rich and famous! The Mulholland Drive tour will be followed by a tour of the Hollywood Bowl where many of great acts of the world have performed. Learn the behind the scenes stories associated with those performers. Dinner will be on your own at City Walk near Universal Studios afterward. Limit 40 persons.

Cost: \$20.00 per person for Tour + Bring money for dinner on your own at City Walk.
Start Time: Meet in the lobby at 5:50 to begin this guided tour.

Wine Tasting & Hors d'oeuvres at Topanga State Park

Enjoy an open air ride to Topanga State Park. Upon arrival you will be treated to wine tasting and snacks at this beach location. Rosenthal Winery will do their best to impress. Bring a coat, and once again, the designated driver is provided.

Cost: \$20 per person
Start Time:

Wednesday, March 7

Canyon Club Dinner and Dance

Tentative: more information at registration desk if available.

Cost: To be determined and will be paid at the event.
Start Time:

Thursday, March 8

Banquet/Awards Dinner

Cost: \$60.00 per person
Start Time: 6:00 pm



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Activities—Continued

Friday, March 9

Whale Watching Tours by Island Packers from Ventura

islandpackers.com

805-642-1393

Only the morning tour is still available so call your reservation in early

Cost: \$35 per person, to be paid at the boat.

Start Time: 9:30 am and 1:30 pm on Monday and Friday —Meet at the Ventura Marina.

Note: The 1:30 pm tour is SOLD OUT.

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Will Rogers State Historic Park House and Horse Tours

There will be two tours of each followed by lunch on site.

There will be an 11:00 and 12:00 start for the house tour. An 11:00 and 12:00 horseback tour of the grounds.

The horseback tours are limited to 8 per hour, so sign up early. Sign up for both and save!

Cost: \$15 for each, BUT if you sign up for both \$25. Lunch is included.

Start Time: 11:00 am and 12:00 pm tours for both.

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Special Sessions—Monday, March 5

INTERPRETATION TRACK— INTERPRETING TO DIVERSE AUDIENCES (IDA)

9:00 am

Depart for Field Excursion to The Autry Museum (\$25 for those not taking entire IDA track)

10:00 am to 11:00 am

Welcome/Introductions/Overview of the IDA Training

Nancy Mendez, Regional Interpretive Specialist, California State Parks

Sara Skinner, Training Specialist, California State Parks

11:00 am to 4:00 pm

Interpreting California's Diverse Voices (IDA)

Visit a cultural center to experience a variety of interpretive programs used to communicate the stories of – and to – California's diverse people. Diverse learning styles will be presented in the classroom followed by a tour of the museum to see how the various styles are used in interpretive programming. The session will conclude with a Q & A with the museum's education staff.

Erik Greenberg, Director of Education, Autry National Center

Working Lunch

4:00 pm

Return to Agoura Hills Sheraton

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Welcome Reception

Come meet and network with friends.

Refreshments provided.



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Opening Keynote Speakers

9:00 am to 11:00 am

Ruth Coleman, Director, California State Parks; Joe Edmiston, Director, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Cultural Resource Protection & NAGPRA

This course explains California statutes and regulations that may be applied when prosecuting cases of theft of or damage to Native American cultural resources. Native American cultural resources include: skeletal remains and grave-related artifacts, traditional cultural sites, religious or spiritual sites and artifacts. Like all cultural resources, these sites and objects are irreplaceable.

Tara Lynch, Chief Counsel, California State Parks

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Updating Exhibits

This course will provide simple, inexpensive options to update exhibits in small museum settings and visitor centers. Using the example of redoing the Ishi exhibit at the State Indian Museum, Curator Ileana Maestas will show step by step how to redo text panels, select paint, update photographs and add new information to preexisting exhibits.

Ileana Maestas, Curator, State Indian Museum, California State Parks

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Partnership Fun D Mentals

Park partnerships are increasingly vital for keeping parks open and operational. Explore strategies for developing a partnership culture in your organization. Discuss the myths and realities of effective park partnerships.

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11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Partnership Fun D Mentals (con't)

Learn skills for spotting partners who may or may not have your park's best interest in mind.

John D. Mott, Former Cooperating Associations Programs Manager, California State Parks

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Programs for "General Public" to "Target Audience"? (IDA)

Methods to identify potential/target audiences and approaches to reaching out to that potential audience.

Dr. Kathryn "KJ" James, Professor, California State University, Long Beach
Kelley Reetz, Interpretive Specialist, Irvine Ranch Conservancy

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Travel with a Purpose

Make your travel opportunities count for more than you might expect. Join Mark Jorgensen, retired park superintendent, as he shares opportunities and successes doing humanitarian and park development projects in foreign lands.

Mark Jorgensen

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

IDA working lunch

Networking lunch for Q&A with the day's speakers.

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Andrew Fisher Presentation (IDA)



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12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Luncheon Guest Speaker—Andrew Fisher
Leadership Matters: How leaders can
develop good followers.

Andrew Fisher is a recently retired Superintendent of Merseyside Police Department in Liverpool, England. Mr. Fisher introduced a number of creative and innovative working practices to the Merseyside Police Department that resulted in the Department winning numerous national awards including the National Customer Services Award for two consecutive years (2007 and 2008). His work also led to National Justice Awards for the department's work in breaking down barriers between the criminal justice agencies and diverse communities of Merseyside. He currently consults for a number of organizations and departments in the UK and United States, and serves as a seminar tutor for two criminology bachelor classes at Lancaster University. Mr. Fisher attained a first class honours degree in Police Leadership and Management and is in the final year of a doctorate at London Metropolitan University. His thesis relates to the role of leadership in changing cultures. Mr. Fisher has collaborated with California State Parks on leadership development issues and strategies to enhance performance in both the State Parks system and public safety in the United Kingdom.

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Moving Collections

The various California State Parks collections stored in West Sacramento are in the process of moving to a new, museum standard storage facility at McClellan Park in Sacramento. Tens of thousands of objects are being packed and organized for the journey. These items include everything from beads the size of a fingernail to wagons that carried supplies to the 49er's during the Gold Rush. Examples on how certain items were packed for the move and transported.

Ileana Maestas, Curator, State Indian Museum,
California State Parks

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Engaging and Welcoming Indigenous Peoples: (IDA)

How to partner, share and facilitate understanding and appreciation of cultures in a respectful and appropriate manner.

Ted Garcia (Chumash), Traditional Stone-Carver and Storyteller

Wendy Teeter, Curator of Archaeology – Fowler Museum at UCLA

Julie Tumamait-Stenslie (Chumash), Commissioner – California Native American Heritage Commission

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Mono: A Historical Fiction Novel

A slide talk by author (retired ranger) David Carle about the Great Depression history behind his historical fiction book, MONO, regarding the people affected when Los Angeles extended its aqueduct to the Mono Lake basin between 1934 and 1941. MONO enters the minds and hearts of a generation and confronts the question: "What were they thinking then, as choices were made that endangered Mono Lake and its tributary streams?" Books will be available for purchase at a conference discount.

David Carle

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Resource Crimes

This course will provide an overview of key laws and issues that all resource stewards and managers must know. This class is not only for State Park peace officers, but for maintenance workers, administrative staff, district managers and other critical resource specialists such as environmental scientists, archaeologists, interpreters and others who all have a part to play in environmental protection, investigation, remediation and mitigation.

Miles Standish, California State Park Ranger (Ret)



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2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Strategies for Career Success

During this session participants will receive success strategies for the career advancement for Career Planning, Resume Writing, Cover Letters, Interview Preparation and Research, Behavioral Interview Questions, Providing Responses using the SHARE Model, Stress Reduction Before and After the Interview, and Interview Follow-up. Attendees will actively engage in role playing exercises where they receive feedback from other participants. Take home resources include sample questions, tips for panel interviews and common relaxation techniques.

Lauren Ortiz, Human Rights Office, California State Parks
Karyn Lombard, Training Section, California State Parks

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

RV Lifestyling

Camping World Goodwill Ambassadors Bryan and Cee Beamon will present first-hand information on living the RV lifestyle. They have 14 years as full time RV residents and have worked 11 years as ambassadors with Camping World, reporting on the RV lifestyle.

Bryan and Cee Beamons
RV World Ambassadors

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Parks and Dogs

Park staff must often deal with off-leash, uncontrolled, feral and just plain old mean dogs, Learn about canine psychology, capture techniques, officer safety, animal control tools, and defensive skills in this session.

Lt. Fred Agoopi,
Emergency Operations for Los Angeles County,
Department of Animal Care and Control.

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Using Social Media to Reach Diverse Audiences (IDA)

A variety of social media will be presented that demonstrates connections with specific target audiences.

Marie Lindsey, State Park Interpreter I
Kristen Perry, State Park Interpreter I
Phil Sexton, State Park Interpreter III

4:00 pm to 5 pm

Needed Now More than Ever: Customer service and tactical communication skills:

Andrew Fisher

4:00 pm to 5 pm

Making Change and Transitions Work for You

During this session participants will learn how to navigate through significant changes for their personal satisfaction. Participants will identify where they are located in a particular transition and create strategies to manage change and transition more successfully.

Karyn Lombard, Training Section, California State Parks



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4:00 pm to 5 pm

Magic for Grandparents

This session will teach simple magic tricks to grandparents who love entertaining their grandchildren. Magician Frank Padilla, Jr., will share magic secrets that will baffle and entertain not only your grandchildren, but also Junior Rangers, friends and family. Don't think grandparents can't do magic, you can do it!

There is a 20 person limit for this class and you must use advance registration form and pay \$5 for materials at the door.

Frank Padilla, Jr., Chief Firefighter RA, California State Parks

Cost: \$5.00

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Mulholland Drive and Hollywood Bowl Tour and Dinner

Sit back and relax along the back roads of the Hollywood Hills, while getting a narrated tour of all the sites and incidents that make the area so appealing. The chauffeur driven tour will be followed by an after hours tour of the Hollywood Bowl and a relaxing dinner at the City Walk. Designated driver provided.

Reservation Required

Cost: \$20 per person for tour

Dinner on your own not included

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Wine Tasting and Hors d'oeuvres

Enjoy an open air ride to Topanga State Park. Upon arrival you will be treated to wine tasting (Rosenthal, the Malibu estate) and snacks.. Bring a coat, and once again, the designated driver is provided.

Cost: \$20 per person



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8:00 am to 9:00 am

Developing Outreach Programs and Materials (IDA)

Methods of creating outreach programs and materials to meet diverse audience needs. Strategies for addressing both on-site and off-site audiences will be explored.

Barbara Applebaum, Supervisory Park Ranger, Education Operations, Santa Monica Mountains NRA
Julie Fonseca de Borges, Park Ranger, Outreach and Volunteer Programs, Santa Monica Mountains NRA

8:00 am to 11:00 am

Special Effects Filming Safety in State Parks

This workshop will help the public safety agency in understanding how pyrotechnic special effects are used within the motion picture industry in California. Included in this workshop will be a live demonstration of special effects used within the industry. This will be at an off-site location.

Al Adams, Program Coordinator for Motion Picture/Entertainment Unit for CAL FIRE/Office of the State Fire Marshal

9:00 am to 11:00 am

Hidden Impacts of Park Closures

Parks in California are experiencing unprecedented financial hardships and facing closures for the first time in history. What are the true impacts to the unique and critical natural and cultural resources and visitor facilities if a park closes? This panel will discuss the potential impacts and costs to park closures from the perspective of a park manager, followed by an interactive discussion. Moderator Nina Gordon.

Panel: Jay Chamberlin, Chief of the Natural Resources Division at California State Parks

Victor Bjelajac, Acting Sector Superintendent, Park Maintenance Chief/Supervisor, Marin Sector

Chris Corey, Associate State Archeologist, California State Parks

Sterling Holdorf, Preservation Specialist for Channel Islands National Park

8:30 am to 12:00 pm — Transitions Track

Field Trips: Getty Museum, Presidential Library, Adamson House

Adamson House: Meet guide Jeff Price at **9:00 am** in the Sheraton Lobby and arrange car pools, then caravan 15 miles down Las Virgenes Road to the beach. We will then gather again with any stragglers at **9:30 am** in the Starbucks parking lot, 3900 Cross Creek Rd, to arrange a final parking plan, coffee and restroom break, arriving at 10:00 am at the Adamson House gate on PCH (free but limited parking). (805) 415-7521, Jeff's mobile. Alert campers at Malibu Creek can join in at the kiosk, as we make a quick stop about 9:15 am, or meet at Starbucks to avoid a trip to the hotel. We will join Ceci Wigen, docent and Malibu Lagoon Association board member, for a private tour at this 1930s vintage beachfront mansion and grounds, a guided tour through the house, which contains its original furnishings and is decorated with the renowned Malibu Potteries tile. You can spend about 75 minutes on site, and still return for the CSPRA luncheon or stay longer and enjoy the coastal area. Accessible for disabled persons.

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Getty Museum and Grounds Tour,

Meet Dave and Janet Carle in the Sheraton lobby at 9:00 am and then carpool for a 35 minute drive east on 101 and south on 405, and off at Getty Center Drive to the main parking structure. The Getty sits on a hilltop and is accessible only by a free tram ride. Admission to the Getty Center and tram are FREE. **Parking is \$15 per car.** This unique art and cultural museum houses European paintings, drawings, manuscripts, sculpture and decorative arts, and European and American photographs. **(con't)**



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Getty Museum and Grounds Tour (con't)

The Museum provides visitors with a unique experience in viewing works of art. You can take in prominent features of the Los Angeles landscape – from the Pacific Ocean to the San Gabriel and Santa Monica Mountains. Modern architecture, a restaurant and gardens are on the grounds. 6 hours.

10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Ronald Reagan Presidential Library: Self-Guided Tour

Pick up a self-guiding map at the Conference Registration Desk and take the 20-minute drive east on the 101 to the 23 north and follow the signs to the library at 40 Presidential Drive, Moorpark. Open 10:00 am until 5:00 pm daily, \$15 regular, \$12 senior admission. Exhibits, Presidential memorabilia, Air Force One, and a full-size replica of the White House Oval Office.

9:00 am to 10:00 am

Knowing Your Interpretive Audience (IDA)

Who is visiting our parks? A broad look at audience diversity in the region and beyond.

Amy Lethbridge, Deputy Executive Officer, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority

10:00 am to 11:00 pm

A Cultural Lens on Community Engagement (IDA)

An overview and dialogue about projects that have used culture to build and maintain a true base of community participation in underserved and diverse communities.

Miguel Luna, Director, Urban Semillas

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Policing Communities: An International Perspective

Andrew Fisher

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Reforestation and Restoration: Management and Funding Strategies. A Case Study at Cuyamaca Rancho State Park

The Cuyamaca Rancho State Park reforestation project was initiated by California State Parks in October of 2007 to restore the mixed conifer forest, most of which was lost due to the catastrophic Cedar fire in 2003. The project was the first reforestation and public lands project to be listed with the Climate Action Reserve in September, 2009. Discussion will include project management, funding partnerships, forest management and 3rd party verification activities.

Lisa Gonzales-Kramer, Environmental Scientist
California State Parks

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Water Treatment (part 1)

Graphical Information Systems (GIS), Disinfection With Ultraviolet Light, Flushing A Water Distribution System

Operations Plans/Steel Storage Tank Inspection and Cleaning/Water Quality Monitoring, Sanitary Surveys
Some topics include the operation and maintenance required to insure public health and safety. Also provides an introduction to an 'on-site' review of the water source, facilities, equipment, operation, maintenance and monitoring compliance of a public water system in order to evaluate the adequacy for producing and distributing safe drinking water.

David Hallstrom Facilities Management Division,
California State Parks
Steve Houghton, Facilities Management Division,
California State Parks



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11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Creating and Sustaining Partnerships (IDA)

Methods used by the National Forest Association Urban Conservation Corps to create and sustain partnerships that support urban, non-traditional stewards on public land in San Bernardino and Riverside County.

Sandy Bonilla, Director, Urban Conservation Corps, National Forest Association
Bobby Vega, Deputy Director, Urban Conservation Corps, National Forest Association

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm (IDA track)

Luncheon

Networking lunch for Q & A with the Wednesday's speakers.

12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Luncheon—PRAC General Meeting

12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Luncheon—CSPRA General Meeting

1:00 pm—2:00 pm

Agency Meetings

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Water Trails

The development of recreational opportunities on previously closed waterways and the legal issues around access, liabilities, regulatory authority, practical issues, and a discussion of various public uses. Case studies for the Los Angeles River and Big Tujunga Canyon.

Walt Young, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights: (IDA)

2012 will kick off a renewed campaign to get kids outdoors. California State Parks senior staff and the co-chair of the California Roundtable on Recreation, Parks and Tourism will provide an update on the COBRs and lead a discussion on your ideas for implementation.

Nina Gordon, Senior Policy Coordinator, California State Parks

Jim Hasenauer, Co-Chair, California Roundtable on Recreation, Parks and Tourism

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Computer Asset Management Program

Orientation (CAMP)

This session will give new users a brief orientation to CAMP as it is currently configured in MAXIMO and highlight upcoming changes and upgrades in version 7.5.

Keenen Sederquist, PMCIII (RA) Facility Management Division, California State Parks

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Active Shooter Response

This course will cover the history of modern active shooter incidents and discuss the influence those incidents have had on law enforcement's response to active shooters. This course will address current practices for responding to an active shooter incident for both sworn Peace Officers and for non-sworn staff. Participants in this course will also engage in table top scenarios designed to reinforce active shooter response tactics, assessment, and decision making.

Matt Bellah, Supervising State Park Ranger



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2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Water Treatment (part 2)

How Graphical Information Systems (GIS) can be used for managing water and sewer systems in parks. How disinfection with UV light can inactivate organisms such as giardia and cryptosporidium without the production of cancer causing disinfection by products. How to properly flushing a Water Distribution System.

David Hallstrom Facilities Management Division,
California State Parks
Steve Houghton, Facilities Management Division,
California State Parks

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Using Live Animals to Reach Diverse Audiences: (IDA)

The use of live animals in park programs requires careful planning to successfully reach diverse audiences while meeting the basic needs of animals. Join staff from LA County Parks and guest animals for this lively discussion!

Frank Hoffman, Recreation Services Supervisor, LA Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation
Russ Kimura, Regional Park Superintendent, Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation
David Stives, Animal Keeper, Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Mountain Biking and Public Lands: Policies, Programs & Partnerships:

When large numbers of mountain bicyclists appeared in parks in the early 1980's, agencies wondered how this new use might affect park resources and management. These representatives of both the local and national mountain biking organizations will identify the history, policy development and partnership initiatives that mountain biking has brought to public lands. (con't)

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Mountain Bike and Public lands: (con't)

Jim Hasenauer, Co-founder of Concerned Off Road Bicyclists Association (CORBA) and the International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA)
Tom Ward, IMBA California Policy Advisor
Chris Bernhart, IMBA Trail Solutions
Stacey Best, Mountain Bike Unit (volunteer bike patrol)
Danusia Taber, CORBA Youth Adventures

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

GrayBears Re-group and Refresh

Afternoon Social Confab, at Malibu Creek, Join us for some relaxation and social time at Malibu Creek State Park, lower loop of the campground. No big events planned, just meet and greet old friends or make a few new ones. BYOB and maybe bring a folding chair, while we wait for a delicious potluck dinner.

Jeff Price

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Building our Future Park Stewards: (IDA)

Interpreting to diverse audiences opens the doors for many non-traditional park users. This panel will bring forth personal and professional testimonies that help us explore ways to build and sustain a more diverse park stewardship base, including the creation of a more diverse work force.

Julie Fonseca de Borges, Park Ranger, Outreach and Volunteer Programs, Santa Monica Mountains NRA
Russ Kimura, Regional Park Superintendent, Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation
Charles Thomas Jr., Youth Programs Manager, National Park Service/Pacific West Region



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5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

***Smoked Tri-tip & Potluck at Malibu Creek
Camp***

Pre-registration required 30 person limit. Instructions, free parking pass, and map directions are provided at registration table or see Jeff Price.

Cost: \$10 per person payable at the event

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

***Canyon Club Dinner and Dance or Comedy
Show***

This is a tentative event. Receive more information at the registration desk upon arrival.

Cost: to be determined



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6:30 am

Bird Walk

Meet Jan Carle at the Malibu Creek State Park lower day use parking area. Be sure you have a parking pass on your dashboard (either free from the Conference or pay \$10 at the park). Ask for map and parking pass in advance at the Conference Registration Desk. Binoculars and layered clothing are recommended.

Janet Carle

8:00 am

IDA Course Departs to Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Drug Influence 101 (Part one)

A brief overview of the signs and symptoms of drug use. The course will cover the signs and symptoms associated with the 7 major drug categories. The course will demonstrate how to perform a drug evaluation. This course is not meant to replace a 16 or 24 hour Drug abuse recognition or ARIDE course, rather it is meant as a primer or refresher to assist officers in turning their reasonable suspicion of drug use into probable cause.

Cost: \$15 for materials

Jenny Turner, Drug Recognition Expert
California State Parks

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Resource Advisor for Wildland Fires (READ) (Part one):

This training course has been developed by the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) to prepare you to act as a Resource Advisor (READ PMS 313) on Wildland or Prescribed fires. The resource advisor is primarily responsible for identifying and evaluating potential impacts and benefits of fire (con't)

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Resource Advisor for Wildland Fires (READ) (con't)

operations on natural and cultural resources. In order to work on the fire site, a Resource Advisor is required to have completed the following training courses: S-130, Basic Firefighting; S-190, Basic Fire Behavior; eight hours of Standards for Survival, and a red card (NWCG 1996). A copy of your basic fire training or equivalent is required to take this course. (If you are scheduled to take the basic training in the near future, a copy of the course location will be acceptable.) Course is limited to 30.

Frank Padilla, Jr., Chief Firefighter RA, California State Parks

Ish Messer, Deputy Chief, California Office of Emergency Services

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Trail Use Changes and Multi-Use Trails Management (Part one)

An all day training on multi-use trail issues, implementation and management. Overview of the California State Parks Programmatic Environmental Impact Report on road and trail changes in use, introduction into multi-use trail design and management. Review of California State Parks change in use survey and how it plays into evaluating and implementing requests for adding or removing certain uses from individual trails. The afternoon part of this session will spend field time at Malibu Creek State Park on a recently reconstructed multi-use trail implementing topics discussed in the morning session.

Steve Musillami, Acting Planning Division Chief,
California State Parks

Karl Knapp, California State Park Road and Trail Manager



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9:30 am - Coffee Chat—Transitions

Bring your hot beverage and enjoy a morning chat with retirees

Jeff Price

10:00 am to 11:30 am

Travel on the 38th parallel

Hear firsthand from world travelers and authors Dave and Jan Carle, about their experiences writing a unique book describing water-related environmental and cultural intersections and dedicated activists around the globe on the 38th Parallel. Highlights will include travel through Asia, Mediterranean Europe, and across the USA from Chesapeake Bay to their home on the 38th Parallel at Mono Lake in California.

Dave & Janet Carle

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

School Programs (IDA at Baldwin Hills)

Meet the park's PORTS and Greenhouse Education Program coordinators to learn how distance learning and plant restoration projects are reaching urban youth. Working lunch will include time for Q & A with the day's speakers.

Kristen Perry, State Park Interpreter I, California State Parks

Stacey Vigallon, Chief of Interpretation, Los Angeles Audubon

11:30 am to 3:30 pm

Minus Tide Exploration and Picnic

Join a small group of hearty low tide enthusiasts on a brief trip to the local tide pools, with a stop to pick up lunch (sandwiches and a drink) on the way. Meet Dave and Jan Carle at 11:30am in the Transitions Room to arrange carpool and travel. Wear shorts and shoes that can get wet if you are going all the way. Dry observers are welcome. Plan to return by 3:30pm.

Dave and Janet Carle

12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Buffett Lunch (or box lunch for Trails and Transitions)

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm (IDA at Baldwin Hills) Training Review & Looking Ahead to Monday!

Nancy Mendez, Regional Interpretive Specialist,
Sara Skinner, Training Specialist

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Drug Influence 101 (Part Two)

A brief overview of the signs and symptoms of drug use. The course will cover the signs and symptoms associated with the 7 major drug categories. The course will demonstrate how to perform a drug evaluation. This course is not meant to replace a 16 or 24 hour Drug abuse recognition or ARIDE course, rather it is meant as a primer or refresher to assist officers in turning their reasonable suspicion of drug use into probable cause.

Cost: \$15 for materials

Jenny Turner Drug Recognition Expert
California State Parks

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

What Are GrayBears and the Retirees Rendezvous?

Discussion of our 20-year old Retirees Rendezvous, and the GrayBears retiree forum's 10-year history and future with founder Jeff Price. Share your ideas and opinions on what we can do, as retirees, to better support a park system in crisis. Deliberate ideas for the next Retirees Rendezvous, sign up for GrayBears and comment on planning regular future retiree events and tracks at annual park conferences like this one.

Jeff Price



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Thursday, March 8

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

**Resource Advisor for Wildland Fires (READ)
(Part two):**

This training course has been developed by the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) to prepare you to act as a Resource Advisor (READ PMS 313) on Wildland or Prescribed fires. The resource advisor is primarily responsible for identifying and evaluating potential impacts and benefits of fire operations on natural and cultural resources.

Prerequisite: in order to work on the fire site, a Resource Advisor is required to have completed the following training courses: S-130, Basic Firefighting; S-190, Basic Fire Behavior; eight hours of Standards for Survival, and a red card (NWCG 1996). A copy of your basic fire training or equivalent is required to take this course. *(If you are scheduled to take the basic training in the near future, a copy of the course location will be acceptable.)*

Course is limited to 30.

Frank Padilla, Jr., Chief Firefighter RA, California State Parks

Ish Messer, Deputy Chief, California Office of Emergency Services

**2:00 pm to 5:00 pm (at Malibu Creek SP)
Trail Use Changes and Multi-Use Trails
Management (Part two)**

An all day training on multi-use trail issues, implementation and management. Overview of the California State Parks Programmatic Environmental Impact Report on road and trail changes in use, introduction into multi-use trail design and management. Review of California State Parks change in use survey and how it plays into evaluating and implementing requests for adding or removing certain uses from individual trails. (con't)

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Trail Use (con't)

The afternoon part of this session will spend field time at Malibu Creek State Park on a recently reconstructed multi-use trail implementing topics discussed in the morning session.

Steve Musillami, Acting Planning Division Chief, California State Parks

Karl Knapp, California State Park Road and Trail Manager

**3:00 pm to 4:00 pm (IDA at Baldwin Hills)
Group Photo & Training Evaluation**

Sara Skinner, Training Specialist

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Transition to Retirement,

Discuss what to expect, what you need to know and how to plan ahead for your retirement with Jeff Price. Issues will include how to deal with CalPERS before retiring, tax pitfalls, Social Security transition offsets for peace officers, working as a retired annuitant and other topics.

Jeff Price

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Wildfire Arson Investigation:

This course emphasizes sound wildland fire observations and origin scene protection practices that enable first responders to a wildland fire scene to perform proper origin scene protection procedures. The course is presented by short lectures, electronic presentations, exercises, and class discussion.

Dave Updike, Fire Management Officer, Santa Monica Mountains Recreation and Conservancy Authority



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4:00 pm

Travel Tips & Tricks

Discuss how to effectively use Internet research tools to find travel bargains. Facilitated by Dave and Jan Carle, Jeff Price, and John Melvin. Discover opportunities in swapping your home with another park (even international) family to cut lodging costs, groups and clubs to join for savings, travel deal alerts automatically by e-mail and how to approach cruising as a travel adventure.

Jeff Price

6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Awards Dinner Banquet and Honorary Ranger Presentation



“From the Mountains to the Sea”

Friday, March 9

9:30 am

Whale Watching Tours by Island Packers from Ventura

islandpackers.com

805-642-1393

There are two tours on Monday and one tour on Friday. Subject to availability. It is recommended you make reservations as soon as possible with the company.

Cost: \$35 per tour, to be paid at the boat.

Start Time: 9:30 am and 1:30 pm on Monday and 9:30 on Friday —Meet at the Ventura Marina.

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Will Rogers State Historic Park House and Horse Tours

There will be two tours of each followed by lunch on site.

There will be an 11:00 and 12:00 start for the house tour. An 11:00 and 12:00 horseback tour of the grounds. The horseback tours are limited to 8 per hour, so sign up early. Sign up for both and save!

Cost: \$15 for each, BUT if you sign up for both \$25.

Lunch is included.

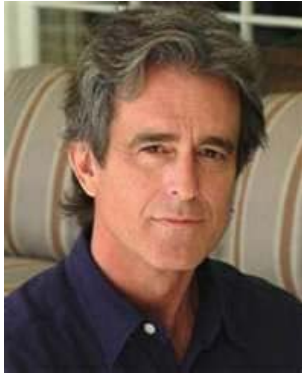
Start Time: 11:00 am and 12:00 pm tours for both.



2012 California Parks Training



California State Park Rangers Association **Honorary Ranger Bobby Shriver** Councilmember, City of Santa Monica



Bobby Shriver, Santa Monica City Councilmember, has been selected as Honorary California State Park Ranger for 2012 by the California State Park Rangers Association (CSPRA).

In 2001 Governor Gray Davis appointed Bobby Shriver to the State Park and Recreation Commission, which advises state policymakers on the best ways to use and protect state parkland. As elected commission chair Shriver helped create new urban parks such as Los Angeles State Historic Park (the former “Cornfield”) and Rio de Los Angeles State Park.

Shriver also worked to prevent development in established state parks. Starting in 2005, Shriver and the entire parks commission joined the Natural Resources Defense Council and other environmentalists to oppose the construction of an \$875 million, sixteen-mile, six-lane toll road through San Onofre State Beach in north San Diego County.

Shriver worked with Heal the Bay to pass a \$63.5 million parcel tax that will clean storm-water flowing into Santa Monica Bay. He has also voted to acquire land in Santa Monica for new urban parks.

In August 2008 Shriver testified before the California Senate Natural Resources and Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife committees, urging them to add the word permanent to the State Parks statute: “We must hand some lands in California on to our kids. And the only way to do that is to designate land as a state park and to make that designation permanent. There is no other way. All the zoning, all the public hearings, all the process will eventually lose to all the money.”

More information on Bobby Shriver’s accomplishments can be found at:
<http://www.bobbyshriver.com/bio.php>

A list of past CSPRA Honorary Rangers may be viewed at: <http://www.cspra.com/pages/heritage/honorary/index.html>



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Park Rangers Association of California



In 1972 a young legislative aide to then Assembly member Alan Sieroty (D-Beverly Hills) became a key player in the drafting and passage of Proposition 20 in 1972, the Coastal Initiative. Later, this same aide helped write the California Coastal Act of 1976, creating the California Coastal Commission. He eventually became its longest serving Executive Director.

Peter Douglas was that legislative aide who was so involved in landmark California coastal protection. For over 30 years he has worked diligently to maintain public access to our coastline and has successfully diverted thousands of development projects that were not in the public interest or would have devastated our unique coast. Mr. Douglas has been one of California’s most vocal and successful defenders of over 1,100 miles of dramatic coastline.

The California Coastal Act that he helped author, contains the strongest coastal protections in existence, and gave the Commission the responsibility to enforce those laws. Mr. Douglas began his service on the Commission in 1977 as the Chief Deputy Director and in 1985 he was appointed as the Executive Director. Mr. Douglas was a driving force, protecting California’s unique and environmentally sensitive coastal lands. Since retiring in November 2011 he has focused on his writing projects, enjoying nature, and spending time with his friends, family and especially his grandchildren.

In honor of three decades of tireless and dedicated service to the people of California and our coastal environment, the Park Rangers Association of California is proud to select Peter Douglas as our 2012 Honorary Lifetime Member.

