

# Trail Center News & Events January, 2014

The Trail Center's work in 2014 will begin with another day at Sugarloaf Mountain in San Mateo, on January 11. Additional details are given below. Thank you for your interest in the Trail Center.

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## 1. Sugarloaf Mountain Trail, new construction (Day 5) Saturday, January 11, 2014

Sugarloaf Mountain is San Mateo's green thumb that sticks up just south of Hwy 92. Laurelwood Park & Sugarloaf Mountain (225 acres) is the City of San Mateo's largest contiguous park and open space.

This will be our fifth day of work on a brand new trail, providing access to the summit from the developed area of Laurelwood Park.

Participants should bring water, sunscreen, sturdy shoes, lunch and normal precautions against poison oak exposure (work gloves, long sleeved shirts and long pants). The Trail Center provides tools, training, gloves, and refreshments after the workday.

Meet at 8:30 a.m. in front of the restrooms at Laurelwood Park, near the end of Shasta Drive and the closest approach of De Anza Blvd. After sign-ins and introductory remarks, we'll carry tools up to the worksite and dig until lunchtime. After lunch, we'll carry on until 2:30 or 3:00.

To help us plan, please sign up in advance if you intend to participate.

Our December build was canceled at the last minute because of rain the night before, and freezing weather. When in doubt about the weather, please check our website or call the Trail Center before heading to a worksite.

For details, see the trailcenter.org project page.

### 2. Schedule for upcoming Trail Center events

All dates below will be Saturdays, unless otherwise specified.

January 25: rain date for Sugarloaf Mountain Trail day 5.

February 8 / rain date February 22: Sugarloaf Mountain Trail day 6

March 15: Alum Rock Park in San Jose. North Rim Trail.

April 19: Earth day event -- Sugarloaf day 7. Ribbon cutting?

May 10: Montara Mountain -- Montara Mountain Trail

## 3. Other events and volunteer activities

To see your event here in a future issue, please send the details to tcnews@trailcenter.org.

# 4. Reports of recent Trail Center events

## Tool party and Trail Center annual meeting, Palo Alto, November 16, 2013.

This year's tool party was back at Hank's house in Palo Alto. Tools and trailer were cleaned, repaired, and oiled. After the general meeting was a presentation and pictures by Dave Croker.

Pictures that tell the stories are up at our online albums at Picasa

## 5. Trail Center indoor opportunities

Volunteers are always welcome to help with our newsletters, website maintenance, member mailings and occasional research.

Today our openings include:

TC News & Events email newsletter Editor Member, Board of Directors

### 6. Support the Trail Center

By becoming a Trail Center member, you can help us to

- \* Improve trails throughout the San Francisco Peninsula, Santa Cruz Mountains, and South Bay Area
- \* Produce excellent trail and park locator maps
- \* Provide a wealth of trail-related information via our website, publications, and email/phone trails reference services
- \* Create great volunteer opportunities for supporting parks and trails in our area.

Memberships begin at \$25 and include a map. For more information, please visit <u>http://www.trailcenter.org/membership.htm</u>.

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