

Trail Center News

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30 Tenacious Trail Center Volunteers Blaze New Route in Pescadero Creek County Park



Thirty enthusiastic Trail Center volunteers and crew leaders gathered at Sam McDonald Park early on April 18 for a scenic car shuttle to their work site in Pescadero Creek County Park where they worked with rangers to re-route a trail that had been closed by a huge downed tree.

Rangers wielded chain saws while Trail Center volunteers built the new route and improved sections of existing trail.

"When we work a horse and hikerfriendly trail we clear enough space

- both width and height - for a horse and rider. The result feels like an avenue through the woods for a hiker," said Trail Center volunteer and board member Helen Shaughnessy.

The <u>project</u> will continue on Saturday, May 9. To participate, email <u>volunteer@trailcenter.org</u>.

Join Us at Huddart Park June 6 for National Trails Day

The Trail Center will be doing a massive clean-up and selected widening of the Skyline Trail segment between Wunderlich Park and Huddart Park to celebrate National Trails Day on June 6. In addition to working on long

Next Event



Saturday May 9Pescadero Creek County
Park

Volunteer Now Project Details

This is Day 2 of the project. We will finish 3 retaining walls needed for rerouting the trail around a huge fallen tree on the Brook Trail, a major artery for equestrians in the area.

Other sections of the Brook
Trail will receive
maintenance attention from
our volunteers, too, getting
both wider and taller to
allow riders to safely pass.

Join Our Mailing List!

Already a Volunteer? Become a Trail Center Member!!!

The Trail Center is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization, founded in 1983 and the volunteers who come out every month to build, re-route and maintain trails are the Trail Center's most valuable asset.

However, tools and work gloves and post-build snacks need to be purchased and other occasional expenses, such



stretches of this trail segment where the tread is very narrow or is encroaching on the outside edge and needs to be re-centered, some drainage problems will also be corrected.

The day will also feature a "swag" raffle in which TC Members (people who have paid

enhanced probability of success - all the more reason to join today!!! and there will be a classic Trail Center tailgate party when the work is done.

The American Hiking Society's National Trails Day®, which has been taking place since 1993, is the country's largest celebration of trails. National Trails Day events take place in every state across the country and include hikes, biking and horseback rides, paddling trips, birdwatching, geocaching, gear demonstrations, stewardship projects and

membership dues or donated) will have an

The Trail Center relies solely on membership fees and donations to meet these expenses.

as trailer repair, need to be

financed.

If you have been volunteering with us for awhile, please consider taking the next step and becoming a member -- for the modest fee of \$35 per year -- or making a donation.



Quick Links



Congratulations, Lisa Jewett!



Lisa Jewett is the latest Trail Center volunteer to complete the training and internship to qualify her as a Trail Center crew leader. She received her crew leader shirt on April 18 at the Pescadero Creek project.

News from Around Parks and Preserves

National Park Service's Centennial Project

If you have photos and a story from a national park that you would like to share as part of the National Park Service's Centennial Project, you could also win some great prizes. For details, go to Share Your Park.

"California Spring" Art Show

The Coastside Land Trust's "California Spring" Show features 37 local artists who have explored the state and captured the spring season through art. Mediums include watercolor, oil, pastel, acrylic, batik, mixed media, mosaic, and photography. The show will runs through May 22. Gallery hours are Thursday & Friday 11am-2pm and Sunday 10am-2pm. The gallery is located at 788 Main Street, Half Moon Bay. All art is for sale.

Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy

The Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy has volunteer and educational opportunities and throughout the Bay Area. To learn more go to parksconservancy.org.

Other Upcoming Projects

- May 9 Pescadero Creek County Park Brook Trail
- June 6 National Trails Day Skyline Trail in Huddart County
- June 27 Portola Redwoods State Park
- August 29 Portola Redwoods State Park

• Late July or early August - The Pacific Crest Trail - details coming soon

Consult $\underline{\text{TrailCenter.org}}$ for the most current information.

Email <u>Volunteer@trailcenter.org</u> to sign up for a particular project.