



Mission Trails Regional Park News

San Diegans and Visitors take on our 5-Peak Challenge with friends, family and pets – including a goat!

By MTRP Ranger Levi Dean

We are happy to report that the 5-Peak Challenge is off to a fantastic start! In just over two months, over 900 hikers have successfully completed the challenge. From all over Southern California and beyond, hikers of all ages have taken part and received their certificates and logo pins. The Heames family, visiting from Alaska, was numbers 499, 500 and 501 to complete the challenge. Monique Vargas hiked all five peaks with her infant son on her back. The youngest so far (that we are aware of) to complete the challenge on their own feet is five-year-old, Elise Mounier, who hiked the peaks with her parents and nine-year-old sister, Olivia. Other notable participants include Amanda Marcus, who completed the challenge with both her dog and pet goat, and Steve Luker, an ultra-marathoner who ran continuously for over 15 miles and finished the challenge in a one-day record-setting 2 hours and 22 minutes. Matthew Maheu, a heart transplant recipient, also successfully completed the challenge, and John Manning, who has an amputated leg, completed the entire challenge on crutches!



Ranger Chris Axtmann, River, Storm & Rebeka Heames

Since the launch of the 5-Peak Challenge, we have received many inquiries from visitors about the name origins of the five peaks. Until recently, it was a mystery as to how "Pyles Peak" received its name. Coincidentally, Mike Matherly (retired Chair of Geography at Grossmont College) recently stopped by the Visitor Center and revealed the secret. In the early 1970's,

after a group of local doctors sold the land that encompasses the peak to the City and County of San Diego, a former colleague of Matherly, Kenneth Pyle (at the time, Chief Cartographer for the San Diego County Planning Department) took the liberty of naming it after himself after realizing the peak was unnamed. "Pyle's Peak" (with a possessive apostrophe before the letter s) is its proper given name.

The 5-Peak Challenge is ongoing; there is no time limit for completion. We recently ordered an additional 1,000 logo pins, so team up with your friends or family and come explore the hikes that make up the 5-Peak Challenge! ☐



John Manning

Cowles Mtn.
1592'

Pyle's Peak
1379'

Kwaay Paay
1194'

South Fortuna
1094'

North Fortuna
1291'



Photo by Dolwain Green



Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation

Board of Directors

Joseph C. Morse
President

Nancy Acevedo
Vice President

Dorothy Leonard
Secretary Treasurer

Patrick Abbott, Ph.D.

Elizabeth E. Bruton, Attorney
Neil Mohr

J. Carlton Morse II, CFP
Shannon O'Dunn

Betty Ogilvie

William L. Sperling, M.D.
Alan Ziegau

Staff

Jay Wilson
Executive Director

Maggie Holloway
Administrative Assistant

Patty O'Reilly
Gift Shop Manager

Advisors

Eric Frost, Ph.D.
Associate Professor, San Diego State University

Ted Griswold
Partner, Procopio, Cory, Hargreaves & Savitch, LLP

Honorary Directors

Hon. Jim Ellis
California State Senator, retired

Hon. Jim Madaffer
Council Member, City of San Diego, retired

Hon. Judy McCarty
Council Member, City of San Diego, retired

Hon. Dick Murphy
**Mayor, City of San Diego, retired
Superior Court Judge, retired**

Michael R. Pent
**Past Chair Mission Trails Citizens'
Advisory Committee, Past President Mission
Trails Regional Park Foundation**

Hon. Larry Stirling
**Superior Court Judge, retired
California State Senator, retired**

A Message from Executive Director Jay Wilson



As we begin 2016, I am pleased to announce Beth Bruton and Alan Ziegau have recently become board members of the MTRP Foundation. Beth is an attorney who frequently hikes throughout Mission Trails, and Alan is Chairman of Southwest Strategies, and also a strong supporter of the Park. We welcome them to the MTRP family and look forward to their participation as active board members of the MTRP Foundation.

Experience the diversity of Mission Trails. With the El Nino rains, the wildflowers in the park should put on a colorful show through March. Take the 5-Peak Challenge, spend a weekend at the Kumeyaay Lake Campground, tour the Visitor Center, and view the art exhibition and take in a concert.

Art Exhibits at the Visitor Center

Every four weeks there is a new nature-related art exhibition in the Visitor Center. All of the award-winning artists, whether they are painters, fabric artists, or photographers, present outstanding artwork for your viewing pleasure, and when you purchase the art, a portion benefits the MTRP Foundation.

Free Concerts Every Month

Our 7th season of free concerts is underway. To date we have hosted nearly 90 concerts. All concerts are in the Visitor Center Theater and begin at 3PM on Sundays, with an occasional Saturday concert. A complete schedule through November is on our homepage under "More News."

Explore Mission Trails Day 2016

Mark your calendar for our annual Explore Mission Trails Day set for Saturday, May 21, from 9AM to 2PM. Check our homepage, mtrp.org, for more information. If your company would like to be a financial sponsor of this event, please contact me at jwilson@mtrp.org.

New Photo Contest Guidelines

Betty Ogilvie, MTRP Foundation board member and Chair of the Photo Contest Committee announced, that, "Calling upon the expertise and advice of three of MTRP's Volunteer Trail Guides/Nature Photographers, Nancy Varga, Gerry Tietje, and David Cooksy, we have updated the rules and guidelines for our 2016 photo contest. The submissions will be accepted from March 1 through May 31, and the exhibition will be held from June 18 to July 15." Check our home page under "More News" for all the information. □

Interested in being a part of the discussions that shape the future of MTRP?

MTRP Task Force and Citizens Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public and meet every other month at the MTRP Visitor Center.

MTRP CAC next meeting: March 1, 2016 6:30 PM

MTRP Task Force next meeting: March 17, 2016 10 AM

For future dates and agendas visit mtrp.org

Mountain Biking with a Ranger brings out smiles!

By Maggie Holloway

On Saturday, January 2, Ranger Araceli Dominguez and I led the first MTRP mountain bike guided nature ride for families and beginning mountain bike riders from the East Fortuna Staging Area. About 30 people participated, half were kids. Surprisingly, most of the riders had never been to the grasslands. After coffee and a safety and bike etiquette talk by volunteers from the San Diego Mountain Bike Association, the riders set out. Ranger Dominguez talked about the history and natural habitats of the park at spots along the route. Many riders were new to mountain biking and they enjoyed the wide open fire roads and views.



The next two rides in this series will increase in difficulty a little so riders can try new skills and get comfortable on the trails. Many plan to join us next month. The second ride in the series is at West Sycamore, Saturday, February 6, from 9AM to 11AM. We'll meet at West Sycamore Staging Area, located at the very east end of Stonebridge Parkway in Scripps Ranch. This new area of the park is waiting to be explored. Enjoy the vistas as you ride. This will be a ride for advanced beginners.

The third ride in this series will be Saturday, March 5, at West Fortuna Staging Area dirt lot at the east end of Clairemont Mesa Blvd. Test your skills in this area of coastal sage with views of the ocean. We'll ride steeper fire roads and singletrack. This will be a ride for intermediates. Check our website for a flyer on this series. ☐

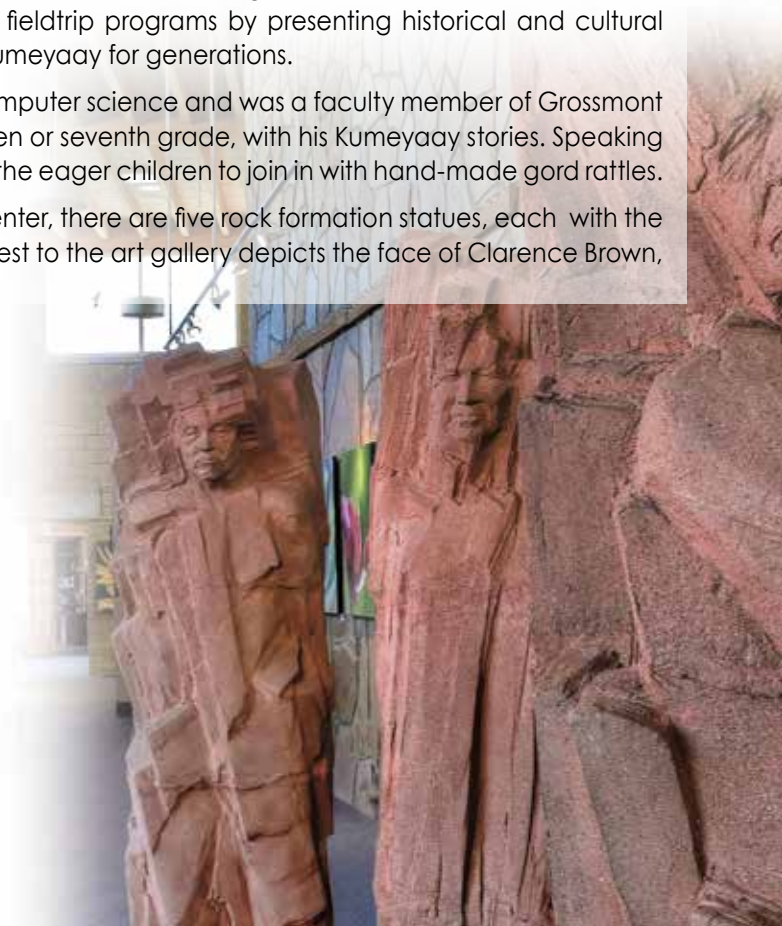
Sam Brown, Kumeyaay Elder, Storyteller & Educator, joins MTRP Foundation's Educational Fieldtrips

By Jay Wilson

Sam Brown is a member of the Viejas Band of the Kumeyaay Nation and is an integral part of the MTRP Foundation's educational fieldtrip program. He participates in many of the fieldtrip programs by presenting historical and cultural information about the Kumeyaay, including stories told by the Kumeyaay for generations.

Sam is a retired teacher having taught high school math and computer science and was a faculty member of Grossmont College. He fascinates students, whether they are in kindergarten or seventh grade, with his Kumeyaay stories. Speaking in soft tones about the dances of the Kumeyaay, he often invites the eager children to join in with hand-made gourd rattles.

Sam has another tie-in to Mission Trails. As you enter the Visitor Center, there are five rock formation statues, each with the face of a Kumeyaay elder at the top looking out. The statue closest to the art gallery depicts the face of Clarence Brown, who was Sam Brown's uncle. ☐



Thank you to our many "Friends of Mission Trails" in 2015

Benefactor's Circle

City of San Diego Special Promotional Program
SDG&E - Sempra Energy

Sponsor

REI

Steward

County of San Diego Community Enhancement Funds
Republic Services
Superior Ready Mix Concrete

Patron

Elizabeth Bruton
Jeremy Cowperthwaite
Edwin and Donna Gookin
Kevin Kirkland
Marie Logan
Curt and Judy McCarty
David McLaren and Diane Nelson
Neil Mohr
Linda Odening in memory of *Walter Odening*
Shannon O'Dunn
O'Hungry's Restaurant
Olive Garden Italian Restaurant
Andrea Parkes in memory of *Allen Parkes*
Cameron Scott Videography
Stephen Thompson
Trust of Muriel H. Campbell
Marie Tuthill

Founder

Steven R. Prewitt Trust
San Diego Family Magazine
MTRP Fund with The San Diego Foundation
Arthur and Ruth Savage

Trailblazer

Rita & Jerry Bierman
Richard Goldberg
Bob and Linda Gordon
Lindsay and Dianne Hill
Kiwanis Club of Tierrasanta
Eleanor Lynch, Ph.D. and Patrick Harrison, Ph. D
Mike and Pat Pent
Sheryl and Bob Scarano
Rex and Kathryn Warburton

Pathfinder

PatAbbott
Nancy Acevedo
Adventure 16
Mary Aeck in memory of *Michael and Jason Welke*
Ron and Nancy Anderson
John and Ann Aydelotte
Luanne Barrett
Bazaar Del Mundo
April and Tom Boling
Sue and Dr. Richard Braun
Roni Breite and Maurice Pessot
Toni and Ted Caragozian
Curtis Carlson
Caye Foundation in honor of *Kevin McIntyre*
Rob Chavez

Susan Christison
Patricia and Douglas Coe
David and Leatha Cooks
Stephen and Karen Coons
Jay and Nancy Coulter

Ted Daub, Jr.

Victoria DeLong
Jim and Carol Ellis
Wendy and Terry Esterly
Barbara Fredrich in honor of *Rosemary Osborn*
William Friedel
Linda Gillett

Ellen and Doug Goepfert in memory of *Allen Parkes*

Grant Elementary School
Julia H. Guroff
David and Maren Hargis
Stephen and Mary Jane Harris
Salah Hassanein
Herald Family Trust
Laurie and Richard Hern
Lawrence and Suzanne Hess
Allan and Gerry Hodge
Gary Hogue

Peggy and John Holl in honor of *George and Nancy Varga*
Mike and Debra Holmes
Gary and Keiko Jensen

David and Allyn Johnston Family
Derryck and Carolyn Jones dedicated to *Friends of Tierrasanta Canyons*
Carolyn Keen in memory of *Elmer Keen*
Jeff and Susan King in memory of *Lee White*

Kingdom Painting

David and Sally Kotnik

Fred and Linda Kramer

Ed and Kathryn Krug - Wilkinson
Margaret Larlham

Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center

Al and Lori Lehman

Dan and Dorothy Leonard

Perry and Christine Lieber

Light Speed

Bill and Stacey LoMedico

Chad and Rachel Manning

Michael and Genevieve Matherly

Jo and Roger Matthews

Martha Maxwell in honor of *Tom Thompson*

Chuck and Martha Moffett

Joe and Rosemarie Morse

Cathy and Carlton Morse

Alison Moss

Norma Mouet

Jon and Sharon Nachison

Charles and Ann Nickel

Janie Noon

Ola Olsson in honor of *Lyn Olsson*

Mike, Pat, Michelle and Mary Pent Family

Mark Peterson and Colleen Conaway

Robert and Constance Plaisted

Philip Pryde

Gabrielle Reilly in memory of *Lee White*

Jodi Roisman

Pat and Ray Root in memory of *Ruth Gibbs*

Barbara and Norwin Rosner

Dr. Bradley Ross

David Rowley

Philip Schey

Ann Scott

Steve Seaborg

Ernest Shaw

Jeanne Shenkman in memory of *Henry Shenkman*

Theodore Sledzinski and BJ Withall

Bill & Barbara Sperling

Cindy Stephens

Dan and Katie Sullivan

Team Northcutt Realtors

Jill Thacker and Gregg Rosner

The McCollom, Leonard and Laird Families in honor of

Elizabeth Gendron and Roger Carter

Gerald and Claire Tietje

Janet Trentacosta

Nancy and George Varga

Tom Walters

Cissy Walters

Jeanette Alessio Way in honor of *Edith "Mopsy" Matt*

Mary and Hans Weber

Joseph Weening

Mike Weinberg

Katherine White

Jeri and Charlie Wilson

Luann & Brian Wright

Michael Wu

Karen Zatt

Family

Kristine Alessio

Barbara Anderson

Jack and Pennie Avery

Mike Baca

Hal and Carolyn Barkow

Jessica Barlow

Jim and Dorinda Bogart

Christopher and Jamie Burns

Ramona Bush

Sandi Calabough

Pam Crooks

Erica Daniel

Karen and Jerry Eisman

Martin and Michelle Evans

Duane and Barbara Farrar

David Farrell

Marty and Marilyn Fink

Justin Fischbeck

Joan Flannigan

Joe and Lesley Frazier

Melody Garry

Dolwain Green

Julie Grossman

Kathleen Halligan

Darlee Helmer

Charles Jacobson

Linda Johnson

Daniel and Janice Karsh
Ronald and Lois Kilburg
Jeff Kronen
Jim and Patricia Lawson
Cynthia Lingg
Carol and Brice Lockwood
John Lortscher
Greg Magnuson
Elaine and Howard Maltz
Janice Meliska
Thomas Mullaney
Dick and Jan Murphy
Norman Needel, MD
Scott and Laurie Norton
Mike and Betty Ogilvie
Laurel Owen
Carmen Plank
Jack and Vicki Reed
Don Ridgeway
San Carlos Garden Club
Richard Schwenkmeyer
Lisa and Robert Shaw
Don and Melissa Teemsma
Tierramesa Veterinary Clinic
Debbie and Bruce Van Hyfte
Julie Brown and Mitch Wagner
Marc and Susana Whitaker
Dr Robert and Karen Zeiger

Individual

Jeanne Abriel
Hayden Ball
Elissa Barber
Paul Barbour
Joyce Bartos
Shirley and Grant Bening
Linda Butcher in memory of *Lee White*
Arthur Casey
Linda and Lyle Cocking
Jack Dickens
Craig Ditzler
Jem Doonan dedication to *Matt Doonan*
Christine Favus
Amber Hall
Linda Hassakis
Tom & Joan Hayes
Ricardo Hernandez
Angela Hess
Elizabeth Hill
Annette Hirt
Loretta Huckabone
Susan Hunter
Mary Jennings-MULL
Andrew Kean
Nancy Lee
Gary Lombardo
Julia Matuchova
Joan McCollom
Christopher McKenzie
Maggi McKerrow
Nadine Misiaszek
Steven Moore
Eugene Mullaly
Robin Neece
Pat Pawlowski
Barbara Perkins
Jeanne Raimond

Patricia Ray
Vanessa Rusczyk
Arnold and Barbara Saltzman
Dean Schlagel
Stan Schroeder and
Rev. Susan Gregg-Schroeder
Jimmy Stevens
Dorothy Stock
Denise Strahm
Crit Stuart
Sue Griffith Family Trust
Rae Swiech

Nancy Taylor
Fred and Jeanenne Tietge
John and Mary Todd
Katherine Zubel
Arbor Day
Hal and Carolyn Barkow
Grossmont College Math Department in
memory of *Ryan Scott Willweber*
Everett and Laverne Neuman in memory
of *Douglas Fenske*
Donna Tierney in memory of
Capt Fred Perrill, USN

Notable Donations

October 1 – December 31, 2015

Benefactor's Circle - \$25,000 - \$49,999

SDG&E - Sempra Energy

Sponsor - \$10,000 - \$24,999

City of San Diego Special Promotional
Program

Steward - \$5000 - \$9,999

Superior Ready Mix Concrete

Founder - \$1000 - \$2,499

Jeremy Cowperthwaite

Edwin and Donna Gookin

Kevin Kirkland

Marie Logan

Neil Mohr

Linda Odening in memory of

Walter Odening

Shannon O'Dunn

Marie Tuthill

Trailblazer - \$500 - \$999

Rita & Jerry Bierman

Richard Goldberg

Lindsay and Dianne Hill

Eleanor Lynch, Ph.D. and

Patrick Harrison, Ph. D

Mike and Pat Pent

Sheryl and Bob Scarano

Pathfinder - \$100 - \$499

Nancy Acevedo

Adventure 16 John Mead

Mary Aeck in memory of

Michael and Jason Welke

Ron and Nancy Anderson

Hal and Carolyn Barkow

Luanne Barrett

Bazaar Del Mundo

Sue and Dr. Richard Braun

Curtis Carlson

Caye Foundation in honor of

Kevin McIntyre

Susan Christison

Patricia and Douglas Coe

David and Leatha Cooksy

Victoria DeLong

Wendy and Terry Esterly

Julia H. Guroff

Stephen and Mary Jane Harris

Lawrence and Suzanne Hess

Allan and Gerry Hodge

Gary Hogue

Mike and Debra Holmes

Peggy and John Holl in honor of
George and Nancy Varga
Gary and Keiko Jensen
David and Allyn Johnston Family
Carolyn Keen in memory of *Elmer Keen*
Jeff and Susan King in memory of
Lee White
David and Sally Kotnik
Fred and Linda Kramer
Ed and Kathryn Krug - Wilkinson
Margaret Larlham
Perry and Christine Lieber
Light Speed
Jo and Roger Matthews
Martha Maxwell in honor of *Tom Thompson*
Chuck and Martha Moffett
Joe and Rosemarie Morse
Cathy and Carlton Morse
Norma Mouet
Jon and Sharon Nachison
Everett and Laverne Neuman in memory
of *Douglas Fenske*
Janie Noon
Mike, Pat, Michelle and Mary Pent Family
Mark Peterson Colleen Conaway
Robert and Constance Plaisted
Gabrielle Reilly in memory of *Lee White*
Dr. Bradley Ross
David Rowley
Ernest Shaw
Theodore Sledzinski and BJ Withall
Bill & Barbara Sperling
Cindy Stephens
Team Northcutt Realtors
Jill Thacker and Gregg Rosner
The McCollom, Leonard and Laird Families
in honor of
Elizabeth Gendron and Roger Carter
Donna Tierney in memory of
Capt Fred Perrill, USN
Gerald and Claire Tietje
Janet Trentacosta
Nancy and George Varga
Tom Walters
Jeanette Alessio Way in honor of
Edith "Mopsy" Matt
Joseph Weening
Mike Weinberg
Katherine White
Luann & Brian Wright
Karen Zatt



Silvery Blue - *Glaucopsyche lygdamus*
Photo by David Cooksy

Photographic journal of Mission Trails Regional Park Butterflies now available on website

By Jay Wilson

During a period of 24 months, Mission Trails Volunteer Trail Guide and nature photographer, David Cooksy embarked on the challenge of photographing all of the butterflies species found in the park. The result is an spectacular collection of photographs. David hiked many miles throughout the park to bring this photo journal to life. In reviewing the photographs with the park's insect guru, Bill Howell, David displayed a butterfly that Bill said is not found in Mission Trails. David confirmed that he had photographed the Purple Hairstreak along Father Junipero Serra Trail at the Climbers Loop Trailhead. David states, "This is an on-going project, and new butterflies will be added as I am able to photograph additional species found in the park." Visit mtrp.org and, in the news section, look for "Butterflies of Mission Trails by David Cooksy". □

Books for those who want to know more! Native Artisans' pots and more.

by Patrica O'Reily

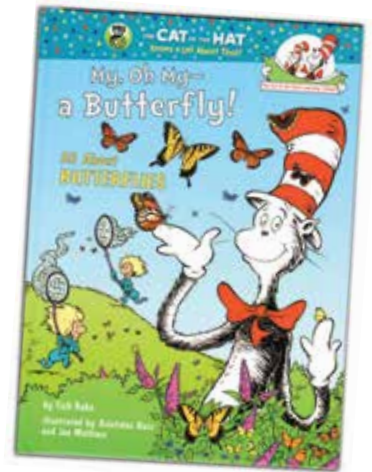
My, Oh My – a Butterfly! This delightful little book is for our young Nature Lovers who are new to the world of reading. In the charming series of "The Cat in the Hat's Learning Library" the Cat in the Hat himself leads young readers through many lessons on many different subjects and teaches vocabulary as well as facts. In this book about butterflies and moths, we learn how and where they live, and how they become the beautiful creatures we all love so much. Both words and illustrations bring them all alive.

There are also books on local and Kumeyaay history; there is something for everyone.

And, of course, we have Kumeyaay pots. Our pots are made by the Pai Pai community in Northern Baja California where there is an active community of artisans who are each working with their own original and traditional designs. The pots are unglazed and their beautiful patterns are dependent upon the firing process. They are popular with collectors of the pottery of the Americas, and we are very proud to be able to offer them.

All hikers should have a good walking stick, one carefully chosen to fit the hand and height of the owner. Our Gift Shop has a wide selection of sticks in many styles and varieties of woods, some heavy/some light, some dark wood/some light. Most come from a vendor in the Brazos River Valley in Texas and are handcrafted by neighboring craftsmen in the valley. We also have sticks from a local artisan, now retired, so the numbers are few and there will be no more. His sticks are simple and can be easily shortened and are all eucalyptus or creek alder. Other woods may be: hawthorn, maple, aspen, sassafras, hickory, dogwood, ironwood, sycamore, bamboo, cedar, ash, yucca, oak and more. All harvested sustainably and American made. Just select the weight and color that pleases you and GO TAKE A HIKE!

Please come visit the Gift Shop. □





Become a Friend of Mission Trails Regional Park

Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation provides opportunities for individuals, businesses, community organizations, and foundations to support a variety of programs and projects within the park. Community support is important to ensure adequate funding to maintain the award winning Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor and Interpretive Center and the multiple amenities the park has to offer.

Special event and project sponsorships are also available. Sponsorships for Explore Mission Trails Day, an annual event held each May, range from \$500 to \$5,000. Exhibit sponsorships begin at \$2,500. Bench and table sponsorships range from \$1,500 to \$4,000 depending upon the item and its location in the park. Contact Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation at 619-668-3280 or mholloway@mtrp.org for additional information.

Our Funds...

- Friends of Mission Trails
- Trail Maintenance
- Tree and Habitat Maintenance
- Education Programs
- Library Books and Supplies
- Lake Murray
- Endowment Funds
 - General
 - Library

Other ways you may donate....

- Memorial or In Honor Of Gifts
- Matching Funds
- Gifts of Securities
- Remember MTRP Foundation in your will
- Charitable Remainder Trusts
- Become a Business Friend of MTRP

Donor Levels

- \$25 Individual
- \$50 Family
- \$100 Pathfinder
- \$500 Trailblazer
- \$1,000 Founder
- \$2,500 Patron
- \$5,000 Steward
- \$10,000 Sponsor
- \$25,000 Benefactor's Circle
- \$50,000 Trustee's Circle
- \$100,000 Director's Circle
- \$1,000,000 Visionary Circle

Names of contributors of \$1,000 or more will be displayed on the donor board at the Visitor and Interpretive Center. Yearly donations are accumulated from year-to-year for donor recognition purposes.

Name _____

Business _____

Address _____

City _____ State/ZIP _____

Email _____ Phone _____

You may designate your donation for one or more of the following funds. Please indicate the amount.

\$ _____ Friends of Mission Trails - General support for all MTRP programs and projects.

_____ MTRP Foundation Endowment Fund - Earnings used for programs and projects

Special Funds

_____ Education Program Fund - Funds used for education programs

_____ Library Fund - Books and supplies for the library

_____ Library Endowment Fund - Earnings used for library books and supplies

_____ Trail Maintenance - Trail maintenance and improvement projects.

_____ Tree and Habitat Maintenance - To help maintain the park's habitat

_____ Lake Murray - Special projects at Lake Murray

\$ _____ **Total Donation**

Make check payable to MTRP Foundation and mail to:

Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation, One Father Junipero Serra Trail, San Diego, CA 92119-1008

To donate securely online, visit our website at mtrp.org

or charge my donation to VISA _____ MC _____

Card No. _____ Expiration Date ____/____

Cardholder's signature _____

MTRP Foundation staff use only: Date of check _____ Check# _____

Database ____ Letter ____ Newsletter ____ Web ____

Visitor and Interpretive Center

619-668-3281

MTRP Foundation: 619-668-3280

Email: mtrp@mtrp.org

Web Site: mtrp.org

Mission Trails Regional Park News

Vol. 27, Number 1, Winter 2016

Mission Trails Regional Park News is funded in part by the City of San Diego Special Promotional Program.

Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation, Inc., established Jan. 1988, is a non-profit public benefit corporation organized for the purpose of preserving, improving and maintaining Mission Trails Regional Park.

Mission Trails Regional Park News is a publication of the Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation, Inc.

Maggie Holloway, Editor

Special thanks to photographers David Coosky, John Holloway and Jimmy Stevens



Mission Trails Regional Park Foundation

One Father Junipero Serra Trail

San Diego, CA 92119

Address Service Requested

Non-Profit
Organization
U. S. POSTAGE
Paid
San Diego, CA
Permit No. 658

Free Events at the Park!

Offered every month. No reservations. Check website, mtrp.org, for updates and more information.

Guided Walks in the Park

Guided Nature Walks Walks last 90 minutes.

9:30 AM from Visitor Center every Wed., Sat. and Sun.

8:30 AM from the Campground Day Use Lot every 2nd & 4th Saturday

9 AM Lake Murray boat docks every 3rd Tues.

Bird Walks 8-10 AM with Birder, Jeanne Raimond.

Feb 20 Oak Grove Loop, Mar 19 Lake Murray and Apr 16 Old Mission Dam

Wildlife Tracking Walks 8:30-10:30 AM

1st Saturday of each month in front of Visitor Center

West Sycamore Nature Walks (Scripps Ranch area)

8 AM 3rd Sunday of every month

Nature Workshops at Visitor Center

Discovery Tables between 10 AM -1 PM Lobby.

Oct 10 - Lizards, Nov 14 -Rocks and

Dec 12 - Photosynthesis

Mountain Biking with a Ranger Series

Feb 6 - West Sycamore (Advanced Beginners)

Mar 5 - West Fortuna (Intermediate Riders)

Astronomy at Kumeyaay Campground Day Use Lot

Stars at Mission Trails Sunset until 10 PM. San Diego Astronomy Association. Telescopes available.

2nd Friday of each month

Star Parties with MTRP guide and resident amateur astronomer, George Varga. Telescope available.

Feb 6 and Mar 12 @ 5 PM

Music & Art at Visitor Center

Concerts 3-4 PM in Theatre. Seating is limited (93).

Feb 6 - Paivikki Nykter, violin & Cecilia Kim, cello

Feb 21 - Navy Band

Feb 28 - Diana Abed, accordion

Mar 6 - Many Strings, hammered dulcimer

Mar 20 - Peter Sprague, guitar

Apr 3 - San Diego Harp Society

Apr 17 - Lillian Palmer, vocalist

Flute Circle 1-3 PM Outdoor Amphitheater.

2nd Saturday of each month

Art Shows displayed in the Gallery.

Feb 27 Colored Pencil Society of SD, Reception 1-4 PM

Mar 27 Tietje and Streit Photographers Reception 1-4 PM

